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bootstrapWeights	<i>Bootstrap Weights</i>
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Description

Create a matrix of bootstrap samples expressed as frequency weights

Usage

```
bootstrapWeights(size, times)
```

Arguments

size	Number of values to bootstrap
times	Number of bootstraps

Value

A matrix with bootstrap samples expressed as frequency weights. Each column represents a single bootstrap iteration and each row represents a case.

Examples

```
# Rapidly compute a bootstrapped median to obtain its standard error
myweights<-bootstrapWeights(size=50, times=100)
meds<-mediansByWeight(x=rnorm(50),weights=myweights)
# SE
sd(meds)
```

colAggregators	<i>Fast matrix column aggregators</i>
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Description

Fast matrix column aggregators

Usage

```
colMedians(x)

colProds(x)

colSds(x)

colMediansMasked(x, mask)

colMeansMasked(x, mask)

colSdsMasked(x, mask)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	A numeric matrix to compute column aggregates of.
<code>mask</code>	A logical matrix determining which data points to include in the column-wise aggregations.

See Also

[colMeans](#), [mediansByMask](#), [maskAggregators](#)

Examples

```
x <- cbind(x1 = 3, x2 = c(4:1, 2:5))
colMedians(x)

colProds(x)

colSds(x)

mask<-cbind(rep(c(TRUE,FALSE),4),
             rep(c(TRUE,FALSE),each=4))
colMediansMasked(x,mask)

colMeansMasked(x,mask)

colSdsMasked(x,mask)
```

corByColumns	<i>Correlate two matrices by column</i>
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Description

Correlate each column of 1 matrix with the same column in another matrix

Usage

```
corByColumns(x, y)

corByColumns_mask(x, y, mask)
```

Arguments

<code>x, y</code>	Matrices whose values to correlate by column.
<code>mask</code>	Logical matrix marking which data points to include.

Details

The primary use for these functions is to rapidly compute the correlations between two sets of split-half scores stored in matrix columns.

Value

A numeric vector of correlations per column.

Examples

```
m1<-matrix((1:9)+rnorm(9),ncol=3)
m2<-matrix((9:1)+rnorm(9),ncol=3)
corByColumns(m1,m2)

mask<-1-diag(3)
corByColumns_mask(m1,m2,mask)
```

cormean

Compute a minimally biased average of correlation values

Description

This function computes a minimally biased average of correlation values. This is needed because simple averaging of correlations is negatively biased, and the often used z-transformation method of averaging correlations is positively biased. The algorithm was developed by Olkin & Pratt (1958).

Usage

```
cormean(
  r,
  n,
  weights = c("none", "n", "df"),
  type = c("OP5", "OP2", "OPK"),
  na.rm = F
)
```

Arguments

<code>r</code>	A vector containing correlation values/
<code>n</code>	A single value or vector containing sample sizes/
<code>weights</code>	Character. How should the correlations be weighted? none leads to no weighting, n weights by sample size, df weights by sample size minus one.
<code>type</code>	Character. Determines which averaging algorithm to use, with "OP5" usually being the most accurate.
<code>na.rm</code>	Logical. Should missing values be removed?

Value

An average correlation.

References

Olkin, I., & Pratt, J. (1958). Unbiased estimation of certain correlation coefficients. *The Annals of Mathematical Statistics*, 29. <https://doi.org/10.1214/aoms/1177706717>

Shieh, G. (2010). Estimation of the simple correlation coefficient. *Behavior Research Methods*, 42(4), 906-917. <https://doi.org/10.3758/BRM.42.4.906>

Examples

```
cormean(c(0,.3,.5),c(30,30,60))
```

correlation-tools

Correlation tools

Description

Helper functions to compute important statistics from correlation coefficients.

Usage

```
r2z(r)

z2r(z)

r2t(r, n)

t2r(t, n)

r2p(r, n)

rconfint(r, n, alpha = 0.05)

compcorr(r1, r2, n1, n2)

## S3 method for class 'compcorr'
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>r, r1, r2</code>	Correlation values.
<code>z</code>	Z-scores.
<code>n, n1, n2</code>	Sample sizes.
<code>t</code>	t-scores.
<code>alpha</code>	The significance level to use.
<code>x</code>	A <code>compcorr</code> object to print.
<code>...</code>	Ignored.

Functions

- `r2z()`: Converts correlation coefficients to z-scores.
- `z2r()`: Converts z-scores to correlation coefficients.
- `r2t()`: Converts correlation coefficients to t-scores.
- `t2r()`: Converts t-scores to correlation coefficients.
- `r2p()`: Computes the two-sided p-value for a given correlation.
- `rconfint()`: Computes confidence intervals for a given correlation coefficient.

- `compcorr()`: Computes the significance of the difference between two correlation coefficients.
- `print(compcorr)`: Computes the significance of the difference between two correlation coefficients.

See Also

[cormean](#)

Examples

```
z <- r2z(.5)
r <- z2r(z)
t<-r2t(r,30)
r<-t2r(t,30)
r2p(r,30)
print(rconfint(r,30))
print(compcorr(.5,.7,20,20))
```

`excludeOutliersByMask` *Exclude SD-based outliers*

Description

Different masks (columns of a logical matrix) are applied to the same input vector, and outliers in each resulting subvector are marked with FALSE in the mask.

Usage

```
excludeOutliersByMask(x, mask, sdlim = 3)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	Vector to exclude outliers from.
<code>mask</code>	A logical matrix determining which data points to include and which not to.
<code>sdlim</code>	Standard deviation limit to apply; values beyond are classified as outliers and masked.

Value

An updated mask.

Examples

```
x<-rnorm(50)
x[1]<-100
x[2]<-50
mask<-matrix(TRUE,ncol=3,nrow=50)
mask[1,2]<-FALSE
mask[2,3]<-FALSE
excludeOutliersByMask(x,mask)
```

foodAAT*Approach-Avoidance Task examining approach bias to different foods*

Description

This data originates from an approach-avoidance task examining approach bias towards food. Participants responded to the stimulus category (food or object) by pulling or pushing a joystick. Instructions were flipped from one block to the next.

Usage

```
data(foodAAT)
```

Format

An object of class "data.frame".

Details

- subjectid: Participant ID.
- stimid: Stimulus ID.
- is_pull: Whether the trial required an approach response (1) or an avoid response (0).
- is_target: Whether the trial featured a food stimulus (1) or an object stimulus (0).
- error: Whether the response was incorrect (1) or correct (0).
- RT: The response initiation time.
- FullRT: The time from stimulus onset to response completion.
- trialnum: The trial number.
- blocknum: The block number.
- palatability: The participant's palatability rating for the stimulus (foods only).
- valence: The participant's valence rating for the stimulus.
- FCQS_2_craving: The participant's FCQS state food craving score at time of testing.
- FCQS_2_hunger: The participant's FCQS state hunger score at time of testing.

Source

Original study

References

Lender, A., Meule, A., Rinck, M., Brockmeyer, T., & Blechert, J. (2018). Measurement of food-related approach-avoidance biases: Larger biases when food stimuli are task relevant. *Appetite*, 125, 42–47. [10.1016/j.appet.2018.01.032](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.appet.2018.01.032)

maskAggregators	<i>Multi-mask/weight based aggregators</i>
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Description

Methods to aggregate the same vector with different masks or frequency weights. Useful for fast bootstrapping or split-half scoring. A single aggregate value of *x* is computed for each column of the mask or weight matrix.

Usage

```
mediansByMask(x, mask)
meansByMask(x, mask)
sdsByMask(x, mask)
mediansByWeight(x, weights)
meansByWeight(x, weights)
sdsByWeight(x, weights)
```

Arguments

<i>x</i>	A vector to aggregate over with different masks or weights.
<i>mask</i>	Logical matrix where each column represents a separate vector of masks to aggregate <i>x</i> with. Only values marked TRUE are included in the aggregation.
<i>weights</i>	Integer matrix where each column represents frequency weights to weight the aggregation by.

See Also

[colMedians](#), [colAggregators](#)

Examples

```
# Demonstration of mediansByMask()
x<-1:6
mask<-rbind(c(TRUE,FALSE,FALSE),
            c(TRUE,FALSE,FALSE),
            c(FALSE,TRUE,FALSE),
            c(FALSE,TRUE,FALSE),
            c(FALSE,FALSE,TRUE),
            c(FALSE,FALSE,TRUE))
mediansByMask(x,mask)

# Compute split-halves for a single
# participant, stratified by stimulus
data(foodAAT)
currdata<-foodAAT[foodAAT$subjectid==3,]
currdata$stratfactor<-
```



```

    interaction(currdata$sis_pull,
               currdata$sis_target,
               currdata$stimid)
currdata<-currdata[order(currdata$stratfactor),]
groupsizes<-
  rle(as.character(currdata$stratfactor))$lengths
mysplits<-
  stratifiedItersplits(splits=1000,
                      groupsizes=groupsizes)

# Median for half 1
mediansByMask(currdata$RT,mysplits==1)

#How to use meansByMask()
meansByMask(x,mask)
sd(meansByMask(currdata$RT,mysplits==1))

# How to use sdsByMask() to compute
# mask-based D-scores
meansByMask(currdata$RT,mysplits==1) /
  sdsByMask(currdata$RT,mysplits==1)

# Compute the bootstrapped
# standard error of a median
weights<-
  bootstrapWeights(size=nrow(currdata),
                  times=1000)
bootmeds<-mediansByWeight(currdata$RT,weights)
sd(bootmeds) # bootstrapped standard error

# Compute the bootstrapped
# standard error of a mean
bootmeans<-meansByWeight(currdata$RT,weights)
sd(bootmeans) # bootstrapped standard error
# exact standard error for comparison
sd(currdata$RT)/sqrt(length(currdata$RT))

# Use sdsByWeight to compute bootstrapped D-scores
bootsds<-sdsByWeight(currdata$RT,weights)
# bootstrapped standard error of D-score
sd(bootmeans/bootsds)

```

OutlierMaskers

Exclude SD-based outliers in each matrix column

Description

Generate or update a mask matrix based on outlyingness of values in each column.

Usage

```
maskOutliers(x, sdlim = 3)
```

```
maskOutliersMasked(x, mask, sdlim = 3)
```

Arguments

x	Matrix in which to mark SD-based outliers by column.
sdlim	Standard deviation limit to apply; values beyond are classified as outliers and masked.
mask	A logical matrix determining which data points to include and which not to.

Value

A logical matrix with outliers (and previously masked values) marked as FALSE.

Examples

```
# Generate data with outliers
testmat<-matrix(rnorm(100),ncol=2)
testmat[1,]<-100
testmat[2,]<-50

# Detect outliers
maskOutliers(testmat)

# Generate a mask
testmask<-matrix(TRUE,ncol=2,nrow=50)
testmask[1,1]<-FALSE

# Detect outliers with pre-existing mask
maskOutliersMasked(x=testmat,
                    mask=testmask, sdlim = 3)
```

raceIAT

Implicit Association Task examining implicit bias towards White and Black people

Description

This data originates from the publicly available implicit association test (IAT) on racial prejudice hosted by Project Implicit. 200 participants were randomly sampled from the full trial-level data available for participants from 2002 to 2022. We included only those IAT blocks relevant to scoring (3,4,6,7) and only individuals with full data.

Usage

```
data(raceIAT)
```

Format

An object of class "data.frame".

Details

- session_id: The session id, proxy for participant number.
- task_name: Subtype of IAT used.
- block_number: IAT block number.
- block_pairing_definition: Stimulus pairing displayed in block.
- block_trial_number: Trial number within block.
- stimulus: Stimulus name.
- required_response: The response required from the participant.
- latency: Participant's response latency.
- error: Whether the response was wrong (TRUE).
- trial_number: Experimentwise trial number.
- stimcat: The stimulus category.
- respcat: Category of the required response.
- blocktype: Either practice block or full IAT block.
- congruent: Whether the block was congruent with anti-black bias (TRUE) or not.
- latency2: Response latencies with those for incorrect responses replaced by the block mean plus a penalty.

Source

[OSF.io repository](#)

References

Xu, K., Nosek, B., & Greenwald, A. G. (2014). Psychology data from the race implicit association test on the project implicit demo website. *Journal of open psychology data*, 2(1), e3-e3. [10.5334/jopd.ac](#)

rapidsplit

rapidsplit

Description

A very fast algorithm for computing stratified permuted split-half reliability.

Usage

```
rapidsplit(
  data,
  subjvar,
  diffvars = NULL,
  stratvars = NULL,
  subscorevar = NULL,
  aggvar,
  splits,
  aggfunc = c("means", "medians"),
```

```

    errorhandling = list(type = c("none", "fixedpenalty"), errorvar = NULL, fixedpenalty =
      600, blockvar = NULL),
    standardize = FALSE,
    include.scores = TRUE,
    verbose = TRUE,
    check = TRUE
  )

## S3 method for class 'rapidsplit'
print(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'rapidsplit'
plot(
  x,
  type = c("average", "minimum", "maximum", "random", "all"),
  show.labels = TRUE,
  ...
)

rapidsplit.chunks(
  data,
  subjvar,
  diffvars = NULL,
  stratvars = NULL,
  subscorevar = NULL,
  aggvar,
  splits,
  aggfunc = c("means", "medians", "custom"),
  errorhandling = list(type = c("none", "fixedpenalty"), errorvar = NULL, fixedpenalty =
    600, blockvar = NULL),
  standardize = FALSE,
  include.scores = TRUE,
  verbose = TRUE,
  check = TRUE,
  chunks = 4,
  cluster = NULL
)

```

Arguments

<code>data</code>	Dataset, a <code>data.frame</code> .
<code>subjvar</code>	Subject ID variable name, a character.
<code>diffvars</code>	Names of variables that determine which conditions need to be subtracted from each other, character.
<code>stratvars</code>	Additional variables that the splits should be stratified by; a character.
<code>subscorevar</code>	A character variable identifying subgroups within a participant's data from which separate scores should be computed. To compute a participant's final score, these subscores will be averaged together. A typical use case is the D-score of the implicit association task.
<code>aggvar</code>	Name of variable whose values to aggregate, a character. Examples include reaction times and error rates.

splits	Number of split-halves to average, an integer. It is recommended to use around 5000.
aggfunc	The function by which to aggregate the variable defined in aggvar; can be "means", "medians", or a custom function (not a function name). This custom function must take a numeric vector and output a single value. Only if aggfunc is set to "custom".
errorhandling	A list with 4 named items, to be used to replace error trials with the block mean of correct responses plus a fixed penalty, as in the IAT D-score. The 4 items are type which can be set to "none" for no error replacement, or "fixedpenalty" to replace error trials as described; errorvar requires name of the logical variable indicating an incorrect response (as TRUE); fixedpenalty indicates how much of a penalty should be added to said block mean; and blockvar indicates the name of the block variable.
standardize	Whether to divide by scores by the subject's SD; a logical. Regardless of whether error penalization is utilized, this standardization will be based on the unpenalized SD of correct and incorrect trials, as in the IAT D-score.
include.scores	Include all individual split-half scores?
verbose	Display progress bars? Defaults to TRUE.
check	Check input for possible problems?
x	rapidsplit object to print or plot.
...	Ignored.
type	Character argument indicating what should be plotted. By default, this plots the random split whose correlation is closest to the average. However, this can also plot the random split with the "minimum" or "maximum" split-half correlation, or any "random" split. "all" splits can also be plotted together in one figure.
show.labels	Should participant IDs be shown above their points in the scatterplot? Defaults to TRUE and is ignored when type is "all".
chunks	Number of chunks to divide the splits in, for more memory-efficient computation, and to divide over multiple cores if requested.
cluster	Chunks will be run on separate cores if a cluster is provided, or an integer specifying the number of cores. Otherwise, if the value is NULL, the chunks are run sequentially.

Details

The order of operations (with optional steps between brackets) is:

- Splitting
- (Replacing error trials within block within split)
- Computing aggregates per condition (per subscore) per person
- Subtracting conditions from each other
- (Dividing the resulting (sub)score by the SD of the data used to compute that (sub)score)
- (Averaging subscores together into a single score per person)
- Correlating scores from one half with scores from the other half
- Applying the Spearman-Brown correction using [spearmanBrown\(\)](#)
- Computing the average split-half reliability using [cormean\(\)](#)

Value

A list containing

- `r`: the averaged reliability.
- `allcors`: a vector with the reliability of each iteration.
- `nobs`: the number of participants.
- `scores`: the individual participants scores in each split-half, contained in a list with two matrices (Only included if requested with `include.scores`).

Note

- This function can use a lot of memory in one go. If you're computing the reliability of a large dataset or you have little RAM, it may pay off to use the sequential version of this function instead: [rapidsplit.chunks\(\)](#)
- It is currently unclear it is better to pre-process your data before or after splitting it. If you are computing the IAT D-score, you can therefore use `errorhandling` and `standardize` to perform these two actions after splitting, or you can process your data before splitting and forgo these two options.

Examples

```
data(foodAAT)
# Reliability of the double difference score:
# [RT(push food)-RT(pull food)] - [RT(push object)-RT(pull object)]

frel<-rapidsplit(data=foodAAT,
                subjvar="subjectid",
                diffvars=c("is_pull","is_target"),
                stratvars="stimid",
                aggvar="RT",
                splits=100)

print(frel)

plot(frel,type="all")

# Compute a single random split-half reliability of the error rate
rapidsplit(data=foodAAT,
            subjvar="subjectid",
            aggvar="error",
            splits=1,
            aggfunc="means")

# Compute the reliability of an IAT D-score
data(raceIAT)
rapidsplit(data=raceIAT,
            subjvar="session_id",
            diffvars="congruent",
            subscorevar="blocktype",
            aggvar="latency",
            errorhandling=list(type="fixedpenalty",errorvar="error",
                              fixedpenalty=600,blockvar="block_number"),
            splits=100,
```

```

        standardize=TRUE)

# Unstratified reliability of the median RT
rapidsplit.chunks(data=foodAAT,
                  subjvar="subjectid",
                  aggvar="RT",
                  splits=100,
                  aggfunc="medians",
                  chunks=8)

# Compute the reliability of Tukey's trimean of the RT
# on 2 CPU cores
trimean<-function(x){
  sum(quantile(x,c(.25,.5,.75))*c(1,2,1))/4
}
rapidsplit.chunks(data=foodAAT,
                  subjvar="subjectid",
                  aggvar="RT",
                  splits=200,
                  aggfunc=trimean,
                  cluster=2)

```

spearmanBrown	<i>Spearman-Brown correction Perform a Spearman-Brown correction on the provided correlation score.</i>
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Description

Spearman-Brown correction Perform a Spearman-Brown correction on the provided correlation score.

Usage

```
spearmanBrown(r, ntests = 2)
```

Arguments

r	To-be-corrected correlation coefficient.
ntests	An integer indicating how many times larger the full test is, for which the corrected correlation coefficient is being computed.

Details

When ntests=2, the formula will compute what the correlation coefficient would be if the test were twice as long.

Value

Spearman-Brown corrected correlation coefficients.

Examples

```
spearmanBrown(.5)
```

```
stratifiedItersplits    stratifiedItersplits
```

Description

Generate stratified splits for a single participant

Usage

```
stratifiedItersplits(splits, groupsizes)
```

Arguments

<code>splits</code>	Number of iterations.
<code>groupsizes</code>	An integer vector of how many RTs per group need to be stratified.

Details

This equally splits what can be equally split within groups. Then it randomly splits all the leftovers to ensure near-equal split sizes. This function is more so used internally, but you can use it if you know what you are doing.

Value

A matrix with zeroes and ones. Each column is a random split.

Examples

```
# We will create splits stratified by stimulus for a single participant
data(foodAAT)
currdata<-foodAAT[foodAAT$subjectid==3,]
currdata$stratfactor<-interaction(currdata$is_pull,currdata$is_target,currdata$stimid)
currdata<-currdata[order(currdata$stratfactor),]
groupsizes<-rle(as.character(currdata$stratfactor))$lengths

mysplits<-stratifiedItersplits(splits=1000,groupsizes=groupsizes)

# Now the data can be split with the values from any column.
half1<-currdata[mysplits[,1]==1,]
half2<-currdata[mysplits[,1]==0,]

# Or the split objects can be used as masks for the aggregation functions in this package
meansByMask(x=currdata$RT,mask=mysplits==1)
```


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