# Package 'misty'



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## 1 misty: Miscellaneous Functions T. Yanagida

The misty package provides miscellaneous functions for descriptive statistics, missing data, data management, and statistical analysis, e.g., reading and writing a SPSS file, frequency table, cross tabulation, multilevel and missing data descriptive statistics, various effect size measures, scale and group scores, centering at the grand mean or within cluster, intraclass correlation coefficient, or coefficient alpha and item statistics.

## 1.1 Installation

The misty package is published on the Comprehensive R Archive Network (CRAN) and can be installed by using the install.packages() function:

```
> install.packages("misty", repos = "https://cloud.r-project.org")
Installing package into 'C:/.../R/win-library/3.6' (as 'lib' is unspecified)
package 'misty' successfully unpacked and MD5 sums checked
```

After installation, the misty package can be loaded by using the library() function:

```
> library(misty)
|------|
| misty 0.2.1 (2020-02-02)
| Miscellaneous Functions T. Yanagida |
```

### 1.2 Introduction

R is a powerful software environment and programming language designed for data manipulation, statistical computing, and graphics and is based on a package system which allows users to contribute functions, documentations and data sets to extend R. The R base system comprises seven pre-installed packages which

are automatically loaded each R session and provides a variety of standard statistical methods. There are over 15,000 additional packages on CRAN offering a broad range of statistical methods like latent variable modeling (e.g., R package lavaan), missing data imputation (e.g., R package mice), or item response modeling (e.g., R package TAM). In order to use an package not included in the R base system, the package needs to be installed once, but loaded each time R is started by using the library() function. For example, in data management and descriptive statistics, following functions from various R packages might be needed:

- The read.spss() function from the foreign for reading a SPSS file.
- The recode() function from the car package for recoding a variable.
- The gmc() function from the rockchalk package for centering a predictor within cluster.
- The skewness() function from the moments package for computing skewness of a variable.
- The alpha() function from the psych package for computing coefficient alpha.
- The cohen.d() function from the effsize package for computing Cohen's d.

The R package system is the main advantage of R resulting in a widespread availability of statistical methods from various fields of research (see the CRAN Task Views). One disadvantage of R frequently mentioned is the steep learning curve in particular for people who are used to a point-and-click software environment (e.g., SPSS). One of the main challenges in learning R stem from the fact that the R base system does not fully cover all functions commonly needed for descriptive statistics and data management. Thus, additional functions spread across different packages need to be found to install these packages which are loaded every R session. Depending on the author(s), functions in an R package can be more or less user-friendly in terms of the required input for the function and the output provided by the function.

The **main goal** for programming the **misty** package was to provide user-friendly functions for descriptive statistics, data management, missing data, and statistical analysis. More specifically, the **misty** package provides functions which (1) simplify descriptive statistics, (2) have sensible default options for arguments, (3) results in clearly arranged outputs, and (4) allow to analyze more than one dependent variable by using a function call. The long-term goal of the **misty** package is to offer a set of functions which covers the process of data management and descriptive statistics in most of the applications in the social sciences.

## 1.2.1 Descriptive statistics in the R base system

The R base system provides numerous functions for descriptive statistics. Some of these functions, however, only provide limited information so that additional programming is required to obtain all information needed. For example, following syntax is required to obtain a table with absolute frequencies and percentage frequencies with two digits:

```
> # Table with absolute and percentage frequencies
> cbind(Freq = table(mtcars$gear),
+         Perc = round(prop.table(table(mtcars$gear)) * 100 , digits = 2))
        Freq Perc
3         15 46.88
4         12 37.50
5         5 15.62
```

In the misty package, a table with absolute frequencies and percentage frequencies with two digits can be obtained by using the freq() function:

```
Total 32 100.00%
Missing NA 0 0.00%
```

## 1.2.2 Default setting of function arguments

There are additional packages with useful functions for data management and descriptive statistics. Some of these functions, however, have an odd default setting for argument so that these arguments need to be specified whenever the function is used. For example, the read.sav() function in the foreign package can be used to read a SPSS file. This function has the default setting to.data.frame = FALSE which needs to be specified as to.data.frame = TRUE to obtain a data frame:

```
> # Location and name of the SPSS data set
> sav <- system.file("files", "electric.sav", package = "foreign")
> # Read SPSS data and print first six cases
> head(foreign::read.spss(sav, to.data.frame = TRUE))
   CASEID
               FIRSTCHD AGE DBP58 EDUYR CHOL58 CGT58 HT58 WT58
                                                                   DAYOFWK VITAL10
 1
       13
             NONFATALMI
                          40
                                70
                                       16
                                             321
                                                      0 68.8
                                                              190
                                                                       <NA>
                                                                              ALIVE
 2
       30
             NONFATALMI
                          49
                                87
                                       11
                                             246
                                                     60 72.2
                                                              204 THURSDAY
                                                                              ALIVE
 3
       53 SUDDEN DEATH
                                89
                                       12
                                             262
                                                     0 69.0
                                                              162 SATURDAY
                                                                               DEAD
 4
                                        8
                                             275
                                                     15 62.5
                                                              152 WEDNSDAY
       84
             NONFATALMI
                          50
                               105
                                                                              ALIVE
 5
                                             301
                                                     25 68.0
                                                                    MONDAY
                                                                               DEAD
       89 SUDDEN
                  DEATH
                          43
                               110
                                       NA
                                                              148
 6
      102
             NONFATALMI
                          50
                                88
                                        8
                                             261
                                                    30 68.0
                                                              142
                                                                    SUNDAY
                                                                               DEAD
```

In the misty package, a SPSS file can be read by using the read.sav() function. By default, this function returns a data frame without using value labels:

```
> # Read SPSS data and print first six cases
> head(read.sav(sav))
   CASEID FIRSTCHD AGE DBP58 EDUYR CHOL58 CGT58 HT58 WT58 DAYOFWK VITAL10
       13
                   3
                      40
                             70
                                   16
                                          321
                                                   0 68.8
                                                            190
                                                                      NA
 1
 2
       30
                   3
                      49
                             87
                                   11
                                          246
                                                  60 72.2
                                                            204
                                                                       5
                                                                                0
 3
       53
                  2
                                                   0 69.0
                                                            162
                                                                       7
                      43
                             89
                                   12
                                          262
                                                                                1
 4
       84
                   3
                      50
                            105
                                    8
                                          275
                                                  15 62.5
                                                            152
                                                                       4
                                                                                0
 5
       89
                   2
                      43
                            110
                                   NA
                                          301
                                                  25 68.0
                                                            148
                                                                       2
                                                                                1
 6
      102
                   3
                      50
                             88
                                    8
                                          261
                                                  30 68.0
                                                            142
```

## 1.2.3 Output provided by functions

Some outputs provided by functions in additional packages are not very user-friendly, i.e., they are not clearly arranged and/or provide additional nonessential results. For example, the alpha() function in the psych package can be used to compute coefficient alpha and item-total correlations, but provides a lot of nonessential results:

```
raw_alpha std.alpha G6(smc) average_r S/N
                                              ase mean sd median_r
      0.96
                0.96
                        0.96
                                  0.85 23 0.025
                                                    3 1.5
                                                               0.86
 lower alpha upper
                       95% confidence boundaries
0.91 0.96 1
 Reliability if an item is dropped:
      raw alpha std.alpha G6(smc) average r S/N alpha se var.r med.r
           0.94
                     0.94
                             0.94
                                       0.85 16
                                                   0.035 0.0073 0.88
item1
           0.92
                     0.93
                             0.90
                                       0.81
                                             13
                                                   0.048 0.0028 0.84
item2
                                                   0.027 0.0014 0.89
item3
           0.95
                     0.96
                             0.94
                                       0.88
                                             22
                     0.95
item4
           0.95
                             0.93
                                       0.87
                                             20
                                                   0.029 0.0007 0.88
 Item statistics
      n raw.r std.r r.cor r.drop mean sd
item1 8 0.94 0.95 0.92
                            0.90 2.9 1.4
item2 8
        0.98 0.98
                    0.98
                            0.96
                                  3.0 1.8
item3 8 0.92 0.92 0.89
                            0.86
                                  3.1 1.6
item4 8 0.92 0.93 0.90
                            0.87 3.0 1.5
Non missing response frequency for each item
              2
                   3
                        4
                             5 miss
item1 0.12 0.38 0.12 0.25 0.12
item2 0.25 0.25 0.12 0.00 0.38
                                  0
item3 0.25 0.12 0.12 0.25 0.25
item4 0.12 0.38 0.12 0.12 0.25
                                  0
```

In the misty package, coefficient alpha and item-total correlations can be computed by using the alpha.coef() function which provides a concise output:

```
> # Compute coefficient alpha and item-total correlations
> alpha.coef(dat)
 Unstandardized Coefficient Alpha with 95% Confidence Interval
  Items Alpha Low Upp
      4 0.96 0.87 0.99
 Item-Total Correlation and Coefficient Alpha if Item Deleted
  Variable n nNA
                   pNA
                         М
                              SD Min Max It.Cor Alpha
  item1
          8
              0 0.00% 2.88 1.36 1.00 5.00
                                             0.90 0.94
  item2
              0 0.00% 3.00 1.77 1.00 5.00
                                             0.96 0.92
  item3
               0 0.00% 3.12 1.64 1.00 5.00
                                             0.86 0.95
              0 0.00% 3.00 1.51 1.00 5.00
  item4
                                             0.87 0.95
```

#### 1.2.4 Number of dependent variables

Functions in additional packages are sometimes limited to one dependent variable, so that multiple function calls are needed to analyze all dependent variables. For example, the cohen.d() function in the effsize package for computing Cohen's d is limited to one dependent variable. Note that a warning message is printed every function call because the function requires a factor as grouping variable:

```
> # Compute Cohen's d
> effsize::cohen.d(disp ~ vs, data = mtcars)
```

```
Warning in cohen.d.formula(disp ~ vs, data = mtcars): Cohercing rhs of formula to factor

Cohen's d

d estimate: 1.970198 (large)
95 percent confidence interval:
    lower upper
1.085549 2.854847
> effsize::cohen.d(hp ~ vs, data = mtcars)
Warning in cohen.d.formula(hp ~ vs, data = mtcars): Cohercing rhs of formula to factor

Cohen's d

d estimate: 2.043209 (large)
95 percent confidence interval:
    lower upper
1.147832 2.938587
```

In the misty package, Cohen's d can be computed by using the cohens.d() function which is not limited to one dependent variable:

```
> # Compute Cohen's d
> cohens.d(cbind(disp, hp) ~ vs, data = mtcars, digits = 1)
  Cohen's d for bewteen-subject design with 95% confidence interval
   Variable n1 nNA1
                      M1
                            SD1 n2 nNA2
                                           M2 SD2 M.Diff
                                                            SD Estimate SE Low Upp
            18
                 0 307.1 106.8 14
                                      0 132.5 56.9 -174.7 88.7
                                                                   -2.0 0.5 -3.0 -1.2
  disp
                 0 189.7 60.3 14
                                      0 91.4 24.4 -98.4 48.1
                                                                   -2.0 0.5 -3.1 -1.3
  hp
            18
  Note. SD = weighted pooled standard deviation
```

## 1.3 Bug reports, feedback, and feature requests

If you find bugs or any problems specific to the misty package, please send me a report including reproducible examples. Of course, feedback about how to improve the package and feature requests are also very welcome. You can contact me at: <takuya.yanagida@univie.ac.at>

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## 2 Functions in misty

Functions provided in the misty package can be grouped in (1) functions for descriptive statistics, (2) functions for missing data, (3) functions for data management, and (4) functions for statistical analysis.

## 2.1 Functions for descriptive statistics

## 2.1.1 Frequency Tables

The freq() function computes frequency tables with absolute and percentage frequencies for one or more than one variable.

```
> # Data frame
> dat <- data.frame(x1 = c(3, 3, 2, 3, 2, 3, 3, 2, 1, -99),
                    x2 = c(2, 2, 1, 3, 1, 1, 3, 3, 2, 2),
                    y1 = c(1, 4, NA, 5, 2, 4, 3, 5, NA, 1),
                   y2 = c(2, 3, 4, 3, NA, 4, 2, 3, 4, 5),
                    z = c(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10))
> # Frequency table for one variable
> freq(dat$x1)
                        Perc
                Freq
  Value
         -99
                   1 10.00%
         1
                   1 10.00%
         2
                  3 30.00%
          3
                  5 50.00%
                  10 100.00%
         Total
                   0
                       0.00%
 Missing NA
> # Frequency table for one variable, convert value -99 into NA
> freq(dat$x1, as.na = -99)
               Freq
                        Perc V.Perc
  Value
                   1 10.00% 11.11%
         2
                  3 30.00% 33.33%
         3
                  5 50.00% 55.56%
                  9 90.00% 100.00%
         Total
                  1 10.00%
  Missing NA
                  10 100.00%
  Total
> # Frequency table for one variable, values shown in columns
> freq(dat$x1, val.col = TRUE, as.na = -99)
  Value
                     2
                           3
             1
                                Total Missing
                                                Total
 Freq
              1
                     3
                            5
                                    9
                                            1
                                                   10
         10.00% 30.00% 50.00% 90.00% 10.00% 100.00%
  V.Perc 11.11% 33.33% 55.56% 100.00%
> # Frequency table for more than one variable
> freq(dat[, c("x1", "x2", "y1", "y2")], as.na = -99)
Frequencies
                x1 x2 y1 y2
                1 3 2 0
  Value
         1
         2
                 3
         3
                5 3 1 3
```

```
0 0 2 1
         Total 9 10 8 9
               1 0 2 1
 Missing NA
 Total
               10 10 10 10
> # Frequency table for more than one variable, values shown in columns
> freq(dat[, c("x1", "x2", "y1", "y2")], val.col = TRUE, as.na = -99)
Frequencies
    1 2 3 4 5 Total Missing Total
 x1 1 3 5 0 0
                 9
                         1
 x2 3 4 3 0 0
                 10
                         0
                              10
 y1 2 1 1 2 2
                  8
                         2
                              10
                  9
 y2 0 2 3 3 1
                         1
                              10
> # Frequency table for more than one variable, with percentage frequencies
> freq(dat[, c("x1", "x2", "y1", "y2")], print = "all", as.na = -99)
Frequencies
               x1 x2 y1 y2
 Value
                1 3 2 0
         1
                3 4 1 2
         2
         3
                5 3 1 3
         4
                0 0 2 3
                0 0 2 1
         Total 9 10 8 9
               1 0 2 1
 Missing NA
               10 10 10 10
 Total
 Percentages
                    x1
                           x2
                                   у1
                                           y2
                10.00% 30.00% 20.00%
 Value
                                        0.00%
                30.00% 40.00% 10.00% 20.00%
         2
         3
                50.00% 30.00% 10.00% 30.00%
                 0.00%
                               20.00% 30.00%
         4
                        0.00%
                 0.00%
                        0.00% 20.00% 10.00%
         Total 90.00% 100.00% 80.00% 90.00%
                         0.00% 20.00% 10.00%
 Missing NA
               10.00%
 Total
               100.00% 100.00% 100.00% 100.00%
 Valid Percentages
                     x2
              x1
                             у1
                                     у2
 Value 1 11.11% 30.00% 25.00%
                                  0.00%
       2 33.33% 40.00% 12.50% 22.22%
       3 55.56% 30.00% 12.50% 33.33%
                  0.00% 25.00% 33.33%
          0.00%
          0.00%
                   0.00% 25.00% 11.11%
 Total 100.00% 100.00% 100.00% 100.00%
> # Frequency table for more than one variable, split output table
> freq(dat[, c("x1", "x2")], split = TRUE, as.na = -99)
$x1
                      Perc V.Perc
               Freq
```

```
Value
                 1 10.00% 11.11%
        1
        2
                 3 30.00% 33.33%
                 5 50.00% 55.56%
        3
        Total
               9 90.00% 100.00%
Missing NA
                1 10.00%
Total
                10 100.00%
$x2
              Freq
                      Perc
Value
        1
                 3 30.00%
        2
                 4 40.00%
                 3 30.00%
        3
        Total
                10 100.00%
Missing NA
                 0
                     0.00%
```

## 2.1.2 Cross Tabulation

The crosstab() function creates a two-way and three-way cross tabulation with absolute frequencies and row-wise, column-wise and total percentages.

```
> dat <- data.frame(x1 = c(1, 2, 2, 1, 1, 2, 2, 1, 1, 2),
+
                   x2 = c(1, 2, 2, 1, 2, 1, 1, 1, 2, 1),
                   x3 = c(-99, 2, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2, 1))
> # Cross Tabulation for x1 and x2
> crosstab(dat[, c("x1", "x2")])
         x2
         1 2 Total
  x1
       1 3 2
                 5
       2 3 2
                 5
   Total 6 4
                 10
> # Cross Tabulation for x1 and x2, print all percentages
> crosstab(dat[, c("x1", "x2")], print = "all")
              x2
  x1
                     1
                           2 Total
       1 Freq
                     3
        Row % 60.00% 40.00%
         Col % 50.00% 50.00%
         Tot % 30.00% 20.00%
       2 Freq
                     3
         Row % 60.00% 40.00%
         Col % 50.00% 50.00%
         Tot % 30.00% 20.00%
   Total
                     6
                                 10
> # Cross Tabulation for x1, x2, and x3
> crosstab(dat[, c("x1", "x2", "x3")])
              x3
        x2
  x1
               -99 1 2 Total
          1
                 1 1 1
           2
                 0 1 1
                           2
       2 1
                0 1 2
```

```
0 1 1
  Total
                1 4 5
                         10
> # Cross Tabulation for x1, x2, and x3, print all percentages
> crosstab(dat[, c("x1", "x2", "x3")], print = "all")
                  xЗ
 x1
        x2
                       -99
                              1
                                      2 Total
      1 1 Freq
                        1
                               1
                                      1
                    33.33% 33.33% 33.33%
            Row %
            Col % 100.00% 50.00% 50.00%
            Tot %
                    10.00% 10.00% 10.00%
          2 Freq
                        0
                              1
                                            2
            Row %
                     0.00% 50.00% 50.00%
            Col %
                     0.00% 50.00% 50.00%
                     0.00% 10.00% 10.00%
            Tot %
         1 Freq
                        0 1
                                            3
            Row %
                     0.00% 33.33% 66.67%
            Col %
                     NA% 50.00% 66.67%
            Tot %
                     0.00% 10.00% 20.00%
          2 Freq
                        0
                             1 1
            Row %
                     0.00% 50.00% 50.00%
            Col %
                     NA% 50.00% 33.33%
            Tot %
                     0.00% 10.00% 10.00%
  Total
                                           10
                        1
> # Cross Tabulation for x1, x2, and x3, print all percentages, split output table
> crosstab(dat[, c("x1", "x2", "x3")], print = "all", split = TRUE)
 Frequencies
             xЗ
              -99 1 2 Total
  x1
         x2
               1 1 1
       1 1
                0 1 1
                          2
       1
       2
                0 1 2
                          3
       2
                0 1 1
                          2
           2
   Total
                1 4 5
                         10
 Row-Wise Percentages
             xЗ
  x1
         x2
                 -99
                                2 Total
                         1
       1 1 33.33% 33.33% 33.33% 100.00%
              0.00% 50.00% 50.00% 100.00%
              0.00% 33.33% 66.67% 100.00%
           2 0.00% 50.00% 50.00% 100.00%
  Column-Wise Percentages
  x1
         x2
                  -99
                           1
          1 100.00% 50.00% 50.00%
       1
                0.00% 50.00% 50.00%
              100.00% 100.00% 100.00%
   Total
       2
                  NA% 50.00% 66.67%
                  NA% 50.00% 33.33%
       2
                  NA% 100.00% 100.00%
   Total
```

## 2.1.3 Descriptive Statistics

The descript() function computes summary statistics for one or more variables optionally by a grouping variable.

```
> dat <- data.frame(group1 = c(1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2),
                   group2 = c(1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2),
                   x1 = c(3, 1, 4, 2, 5, 3, 2, 4, NA, 4, 5, 3),
                   x2 = c(4, NA, 3, 6, 3, 7, 2, 7, 5, 1, 3, 6),
                   x3 = c(7, 8, 5, 6, 4, NA, 8, NA, 6, 5, 8, 6))
> # Descriptive statistics for x1
> descript(dat$x1)
          pNA
  n nNA
                     SD Min Max Skew Kurt
                 М
      1 8.33% 3.27 1.27 1.00 5.00 -0.26 -0.62
> # Descriptive statistics for x1, print all available statistical measures
> descript(dat$x1, print = "all")
                M Var SD Min p25 Med p75 Max Range IQR Skew Kurt
          ANg
      1 8.33% 3.27 1.62 1.27 1.00 2.50 3.00 4.00 5.00 4.00 1.50 -0.26 -0.62
 11
> # Descriptive statistics for x1, x2, and x3, analysis by group1 separately
> descript(dat[, c("x1", "x2", "x3")], group = dat$group1)
                              M SD Min Max Skew Kurt
 Group Variable n nNA
                        ANq
                   0 0.00% 3.00 1.41 1.00 5.00 0.00 -0.30
  1
        x1
                 6
  1
                 5
                   1 16.67% 4.60 1.82 3.00 7.00 0.57 -2.23
        x^2
  1
        xЗ
                 5 1 16.67% 6.00 1.58 4.00 8.00 0.00 -1.20
  2
                 5 1 16.67% 3.60 1.14 2.00 5.00 -0.40 -0.18
        x1
                    0 0.00% 4.00 2.37 1.00 7.00 0.00 -1.88
  2
        x2
                 6
                   1 16.67% 6.60 1.34 5.00 8.00 0.17 -2.41
        xЗ
> # Descriptive statistics for x1, x2, and x3, split analysis by group1
> descript(dat[, c("x1", "x2", "x3")], split = dat$group2)
 Split Group: 1
   Variable n nNA
                                SD Min Max Skew Kurt
                      pNA
                            M
    x1
             5 1 16.67% 2.80 1.30 1.00 4.00 -0.54 -1.49
    x2
                 1 16.67% 4.20 1.92 2.00 7.00 0.59 -0.02
    xЗ
                 1 16.67% 6.80 1.30 5.00 8.00 -0.54 -1.49
 Split Group: 2
   Variable n nNA
                      pNA
                            М
                                SD Min Max Skew Kurt
                 0 0.00% 3.67 1.21 2.00 5.00 -0.08 -1.55
    x2
                 0 0.00% 4.33 2.34 1.00 7.00 -0.32 -1.66
             6
        5 1 16.67% 5.80 1.48 4.00 8.00 0.55 0.87
```

```
> # Descriptive statistics for x1, x2, and x3, analysis by group1 separately,
> # split analysis by group2
> descript(dat[, c("x1", "x2", "x3")], group = dat$group1, split = dat$group2)
 Split Group: 1
   Group Variable n nNA
                           pNA
                                  M
                                      SD Min Max Skew Kurt
    1
                   3 0 0.00% 2.67 1.53 1.00 4.00 -0.94
                   2 1 33.33% 3.50 0.71 3.00 4.00
    1
          x2
                                                          NA
                   3 0 0.00% 6.67 1.53 5.00 8.00 -0.94
    1
          xЗ
                                                          NA
                   2 1 33.33% 3.00 1.41 2.00 4.00
    2
                                                          NA
          x1
                                                      NA
    2
                   3 0 0.00% 4.67 2.52 2.00 7.00 -0.59
          x2
    2
          x3
                   2
                      1 33.33% 7.00 1.41 6.00 8.00
                                                          NA
 Split Group: 2
   Group Variable n nNA
                                      SD Min Max Skew Kurt
                           ANg
                                  М
                   3 0 0.00% 3.33 1.53 2.00 5.00 0.94
    1
          x2
                   3 0 0.00% 5.33 2.08 3.00 7.00 -1.29
                                                          NΔ
    1
          x3
                   2 1 33.33% 5.00 1.41 4.00 6.00
                                                          NA
    2
                   3 0 0.00% 4.00 1.00 3.00 5.00 0.00
                                                          NA
          x1
    2
                   3 0 0.00% 3.33 2.52 1.00 6.00 0.59
          x2
                                                          NA
    2
          хЗ
                   3
                      0 0.00% 6.33 1.53 5.00 8.00 0.94
                                                          NA
```

### 2.1.4 Multilevel Descriptve Statistics

The multilevel.descript() function computes descriptive statistics for multilevel data, e.g. average group size, intraclass correlation coefficient, design effect and effectice sample size.

```
> dat <- data.frame(id = c(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9),
+
                    group = c(1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3),
                    x1 = c(2, 3, 2, 2, 1, 2, 3, 4, 2),
+
+
                    x2 = c(3, 2, 2, 1, 2, 1, 3, 2, 5),
                    x3 = c(2, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 5, 2, 4))
> # Multilevel descriptive statistics for x1
> multilevel.descript(dat$x1, group = dat$group)
Multilevel Descriptive Statistics
  No. of cases
  No. of missing values
                            0
  No. of groups
                            3
  Average group size
                         3.00
  SD group size
                         1.00
  Min group size
                            2
  Max group size
                            4
  ICC(1)
                        0.339
  ICC(2)
                        0.606
                         1.68
  Design effect
  Design effect sqrt
                         1.30
  Effective sample size
                         5.36
```

## 2.1.5 Intraclass Correlation Coefficient, ICC(1) and ICC(2)

The  $\mathtt{multileve.icc}()$  function computes the intraclass correlation coefficient ICC(1), i.e., proportion of the total variance explained by the grouping structure, and ICC(2), i.e., reliability of aggregated variables.

## 2.1.6 Correlation Matrix with Statistical Significance Testing

The cor.matrix() function computes a correlation matrix and computes significance values (p-values) for testing the hypothesis H0:  $\rho = 0$  for all possible pairs of variables.

```
x = c(5, NA, 6, 4, 6, 7, 9, 5, 8, 7),
                  y = c(3, 3, 5, 6, 7, 4, 7, NA, NA, 8),
+
                  z = c(1, 3, 1, NA, 2, 4, 6, 5, 9, 6))
> # Pearson product-moment correlation coefficient matrix using pairwise deletion
> cor.matrix(dat[, c("x", "y", "z")])
 Pearson Product-Moment Correlation Coefficient
           уz
  х
  y 0.38
  z 0.68 0.58
> # Pearson product-moment correlation coefficient matrix using pairwise deletion,
> # print sample size and significance values
> cor.matrix(dat[, c("x", "y", "z")], print = "all")
 Pearson Product-Moment Correlation Coefficient
           уz
  y 0.38
  z 0.68 0.58
 Sample Size Using Pairwise Deletion
    хуг
  х
  у 7
  z 8 7
 Significance Value (p-value)
             уz
```

```
x
y 0.401
z 0.066 0.168

Adjustment for multiple testing: none
```

## 2.1.7 Polychoric Correlation Matrix

The poly.cor() function computes a polychoric correlation matrix, which is the estimated Pearson product-moment correlation matrix between underlying normally distributed latent variables which generate the ordinal scores.

## 2.1.8 Coefficient Alpha and Item Statistics

The alpha.coef() function computes point estimate and confidence interval for the coefficient alpha (aka Cronbach's alpha) along with the corrected item-total correlation and coefficient alpha if item deleted.

```
> dat <- data.frame(item1 = c(5, 2, 3, 4, 1, 2, 4, 2),
                    item2 = c(5, 1, 3, 5, 2, 2, 5, 1),
+
+
                    item3 = c(4, 2, 4, 5, 1, 3, 5, 1),
                    item4 = c(5, 1, 2, 5, 2, 3, 4, 2))
> # Compute unstandardized coefficient alpha and item statistics
> alpha.coef(dat)
Unstandardized Coefficient Alpha with 95% Confidence Interval
  Items Alpha Low Upp
      4 0.96 0.87 0.99
 Item-Total Correlation and Coefficient Alpha if Item Deleted
  Variable n nNA
                   pNA
                          М
                              SD Min Max It.Cor Alpha
          8
              0 0.00% 2.88 1.36 1.00 5.00
  item1
                                             0.90 0.94
  item2
              0 0.00% 3.00 1.77 1.00 5.00
                                                  0.92
                                             0.96
              0 0.00% 3.12 1.64 1.00 5.00
  item3
                                             0.86 0.95
  item4
              0 0.00% 3.00 1.51 1.00 5.00
                                             0.87 0.95
```

#### 2.1.9 Cohen's d for Between- and Within-Subject Design

The cohens.d() function computes Cohen's d for between- and within-subject designs with confidence intervals. By default, the function computes the standardized mean difference divided by the weighted pooled standard deviation without applying the correction factor for removing the small sample bias.

```
> # Between-subject design
> dat.bs <- data.frame(group = c("cont", "cont", "cont", "treat", "treat"),</pre>
                      y1 = c(1, 3, 2, 5, 7),
                      y2 = c(4, 3, 3, 6, 4),
+
                      y3 = c(7, 5, 7, 3, 2))
> # Standardized mean difference divided by the weighted pooled standard deviation
> # without small sample correction factor
> cohens.d(y1 ~ group, data = dat.bs)
  Cohen's d for bewteen-subject design with 95% confidence interval
  Variable n1 nNA1 M1 SD1 n2 nNA2
                                       M2 SD2 M.Diff
                                                        SD Estimate
                                                                      SE Low
                                                                                Upp
                 0 2.00 1.00 2
                                                 4.00 1.15
  у1
            3
                                   0 6.00 1.41
                                                               3.46 3.95 1.44 13.67
  Note. SD = weighted pooled standard deviation
> # Cohens's d for for more than one outcome variable
> cohens.d(cbind(y1, y2, y3) ~ group, data = dat.bs)
  Cohen's d for bewteen-subject design with 95% confidence interval
  Variable n1 nNA1
                     M1 SD1 n2 nNA2
                                       M2 SD2 M.Diff
                                                        SD Estimate
                                                                                  gqU
            3
                 0 2.00 1.00 2
                                   0 6.00 1.41
                                                 4.00 1.15
                                                               3.46 3.95
                                                                           1.44 13.67
   y1
                 0 3.33 0.58 2
                                   0 5.00 1.41
                                                 1.67 0.94
                                                               1.77 2.43 -0.02 7.88
  y2
                 0 6.33 1.15 2
                                   0 2.50 0.71 -3.83 1.03
                                                              -3.73 4.20 -14.62 -1.63
  уЗ
  Note. SD = weighted pooled standard deviation
> #-----
> # Within-subject design
> dat.ws <- data.frame(pre = c(1, 3, 2, 5, 7),
                      post = c(2, 2, 1, 6, 8))
> # Standardized mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation
> # while controlling for the correlation, without small sample correction factor
> cohens.d(post ~ pre, data = dat.ws, paired = TRUE)
  Cohen's d for within-subject design with 95% confidence interval
  n nNA Variable1 M1 SD1 Variable2
                                        M2 SD2 M.Diff
                                                         SD Estimate
                                                                       SE
                                                                            Low Upp
             post 3.80 3.03
                                  pre 3.60 2.41 -0.20 1.10
                                                               -0.06 0.17 -0.43 0.26
 Note. SD = controlling for the correlation between measures
```

#### 2.1.10 Phi Coefficient

The phi.coef() function computes the (adjusted) Phi coefficient between two or more than two dichotomous variables.

### 2.1.11 Pearson's Contingency Coefficient

The cont.coef() function computes the (adjusted) Pearson's contingency coefficient between two or more than two variables.

#### 2.1.12 Cramer's V

The cramers.v() function computes the (bias-corrected) Cramer's V between two or more than two variables.

### 2.1.13 Eta Squared

The eta.sq() function computes eta squared for one or more outcome variables in combination with one or more grouping variables.

### 2.1.14 Skewness

The skewness() function computes the skewness.

```
> # Compute skewness
> skewness(rnorm(100))
[1] 0.3869627
```

#### 2.1.15 Excess Kurtosis

The kurtosis() function computes the excess kurtosis.

```
> # Compute excess kurtosis
> kurtosis(rnorm(100))
[1] 0.1674761
```

## 2.2 Functions for missing data

## 2.2.1 Descriptive Statistics for Missing Data

The na.descript() function computes descriptive statistics for missing data, e.g. number (%) of incomplete cases, number (%) of missing values, and summary statistics for the number (%) of missing values across all variables.

```
> dat <- data.frame(x1 = c(1, NA, 2, 5, 3, NA, 5, 2),
                    x2 = c(4, 2, 5, 1, 5, 3, 4, 5),
+
                    x3 = c(NA, 3, 2, 4, 5, 6, NA, 2),
+
                    x4 = c(5, 6, 3, NA, NA, 4, 6, NA))
> # Descriptive statistics for missing data
> na.descript(dat)
  Descriptive Statistics for Missing Data
   No. of cases
   No. of complete cases
                               1 (12.50%)
  No. of incomplete cases
                               7 (87.50%)
  No. of values
                              32
  No. of observed values
                              25 (78.12%)
  No. of missing values
                               7 (21.88%)
```

```
No. of variables 4
No. of missing values across all variables
Mean 1.75 (21.88%)
SD 1.26 (15.73%)
Minimum 0.00 (0.00%)
P25 1.50 (18.75%)
P75 2.25 (28.12%)
Maximum 3.00 (37.50%)
```

## 2.2.2 Missing Data Pattern

The na.pattern() function computes a summary of missing data patterns, i.e., number (%) of cases with a specific missing data pattern.

```
> dat <- data.frame(x = c(1, NA, NA, 6, 3),
                   y = c(7, NA, 8, 9, NA),
                   z = c(2, NA, 3, NA, 5))
> # Compute a summary of missing data patterns
> dat.pattern <- na.pattern(dat)</pre>
 Missing Data Pattern
  Pattern n
             Perc x y z nNA
                                  pNA
        1 1 20.00% 1 1 1 0
                                0.00%
        2 1 20.00% 1 1 0
                            1 33.33%
        3 1 20.00% 1 0 1
                            1 33.33%
        4 1 20.00% 0 1 1 1 33.33%
        5 1 20.00% 0 0 0
                            3 100.00%
          5 100.00% 2 2 2
```

## 2.2.3 Variance-Covariance Coverage

The na.coverage() function computes the proportion of cases that contributes for the calculation of each variance and covariance.

### 2.2.4 Missing Data Indicator Matrix

The na.indicator() function creates a missing data indicator matrix R that denotes whether values are observed or missing, i.e., r = 1 if a value is observed, and r = 0 if a value is missing.

### 2.2.5 Auxiliary Variables

The na.auxiliary() function computes (1) Pearson product-moment correlation matrix to identify variables related to the incomplete variable and (2) Cohen's d comparing cases with and without missing values to identify variables related to the probability of missigness.

```
> dat <- data.frame(x1 = c(1, NA, 2, 5, 3, NA, 5, 2),
+
                    x2 = c(4, 2, 5, 1, 5, 3, 4, 5),
                    x3 = c(NA, 3, 2, 4, 5, 6, NA, 2),
                    x4 = c(5, 6, 3, NA, NA, 4, 6, NA))
+
> # Auxiliary variables
> na.auxiliary(dat)
  Auxiliary Variables
   Variables related to the incomplete variable
   Pearson product-moment correlation matrix
          x1
                x2
                      xЗ
   x1
   x2 - 0.62
   x3 0.63 -0.28
   x4 0.58 -0.57 0.05
   Variables related to the probability of missigness
   Cohen's d
                x2
                      xЗ
              1.04 -0.75 -0.22
   x1
          NA
                      NA
   x3 0.00 -0.31
                         -0.89
   x4 -0.37 -0.04 0.00
  Note. Indicator variables are in the rows (0 = miss, 1 = obs)
```

### 2.2.6 Proportion of Missing Data for Each Case

The na.prop() function computes the proportion of missing data for each case in a matrix or data frame.

## 2.2.7 Replace User-Specified Values with Missing Values

The as.na() function replaces user-spefied values in the argument na in a vector, factor, matrix or data frame with NA.

```
> x.num <- c(1, 3, 2, 4, 5)
> # Replace 2 with NA
> as.na(x.num, as.na = 2)
[1] 1 3 NA 4 5

> # Replace 2, 3, and 4 with NA
> as.na(x.num, as.na = c(2, 3, 4))
[1] 1 NA NA NA 5
```

## 2.2.8 Replace Missing Values with User-Specified Values

The na.as() function replaces NA in a vector, factor, matrix or data frame with user-spefied values in the argument value.

```
> x.num <- c(1, 3, NA, 4, 5)
> # Replace NA with 2
> na.as(x.num, value = 2)
[1] 1 3 2 4 5
```

## 2.3 Functions for data mangement

#### 2.3.1 Merge Multiple Data Frames

The df.merge() function merges data frames by a common column (i.e., matching variable).

```
> # Merge adat, bdat, cdat, and data by the variable id
> df.merge(adat, bdat, cdat, ddat, by = "id", output = FALSE)
   id x1 x2 y3 y4
1  1  7  5 NA NA
2  2  3  1  7 NA
3  3  8 NA  9 NA
4  4 NA NA NA  6
```

## 2.3.2 Combine Data Frames by Rows, Filling in Missing Columns

The df.rbind() function takes a sequence of data frames and combines them by rows, while filling in missing columns with NAs.

```
> adat <- data.frame(id = c(1, 2, 3),
                    a = c(7, 3, 8),
                    b = c(4, 2, 7))
+
> bdat <- data.frame(id = c(4, 5, 6),
                    a = c(2, 4, 6),
                    c = c(4, 2, 7))
> cdat <- data.frame(id = c(7, 8, 9),
                    a = c(1, 4, 6),
                    d = c(9, 5, 4))
> df.rbind(adat, bdat, cdat)
   id a b c d
 1 1 7 4 NA NA
2 2 3 2 NA NA
 3 3 8 7 NA NA
 4 4 2 NA 4 NA
 5 5 4 NA 2 NA
 6 6 6 NA 7 NA
7 7 1 NA NA 9
8 8 4 NA NA 5
9 9 6 NA NA
```

#### 2.3.3 Rename Columns in a Matrix or Variables in a Data Frame

The df.rename() function renames columns in a matrix or variables in a data frame by specifying a character string or character vector indicating the columns or variables to be renamed and a character string or character vector indicating the corresponding replacement values.

#### 2.3.4 Data Frame Sorting

The df.sort() function arranges a data frame in increasing or decreasing order according to one or more variables.

### 2.3.5 Recode Variable

The rec() function recodes a numeric vector, character vector, or factor according to recode specifications.

#### 2.3.6 Reverse Code Scale Item

The reverse.item() function reverse codes an inverted item, i.e., item that is negatively worded.

### 2.3.7 Compute Scale Scores

The scores() function computes (prorated) scale scores by averaging the (available) items that measure a single construct by default.

### 2.3.8 Group Scores

The group.scores() function computes group means by default.

## 2.3.9 $r*_{wq(j)}$ Within-Group Agreement Index for Multi-Item Scales

The rwg.lindell() function computes r\*wg(j) within-group agreement index for multi-item scales as described in Lindell, Brandt and Whitney (1999).

#### 2.3.10 Centering at the Grand Mean or Centering within Cluster

The center() function is used to center predictors at the grand mean (CGM, i.e., grand mean centering) or within cluster (CWC, i.e., group-mean centering).

```
> #-----
> # Predictors in a single-level regression
> dat.sl <- data.frame(x = c(4, 2, 5, 6, 3, 4, 1, 3, 4),
                      y = c(5, 3, 6, 3, 4, 5, 2, 6, 5))
> # Center predictor at the sample mean
> center(dat.sl$x)
 [1] 0.444444 -1.5555556 1.4444444 2.444444 -0.5555556 0.4444444 -2.5555556
 [8] -0.5555556 0.4444444
> #-----
> # Predictors in a multilevel regression
> dat.ml <- data.frame(id = c(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9),
                      group = c(1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3),
                      x.11 = c(4, 2, 5, 6, 3, 4, 1, 3, 4),
                      x.12 = c(4, 4, 4, 1, 1, 1, 3, 3, 3),
                      y = c(5, 3, 6, 3, 4, 5, 2, 6, 5))
> # Center level-1 predictor at the grand mean (CGM)
> center(dat.ml$x.l1)
 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \end{bmatrix} 0.4444444 -1.5555556 1.4444444 2.4444444 -0.5555556 0.4444444 -2.5555556
 [8] -0.5555556 0.4444444
> # Center level-1 predictor within cluster (CWC)
> center(dat.ml$x.l1, type = "CWC", group = dat.ml$group)
 [1] 0.3333333 -1.6666667 1.3333333 1.6666667 -1.3333333 -0.3333333 -1.6666667
 [8] 0.3333333 1.3333333
> # Center level-2 predictor at the grand mean (CGM)
> center(dat.ml$x.12, type = "CGM", group = dat.ml$group)
 [1] 1.3333333 1.3333333 1.3333333 -1.6666667 -1.6666667 -1.6666667 0.3333333
[8] 0.3333333 0.3333333
```

## 2.3.11 Dummy Coding

The dummy.c() function creates k-1 dummy coded 0/1 variables for a vector with k distinct values.

```
[5,] 0 1
  [6,]
       0
 [7,] 0 0
 [8,] 0 0
 [9,] 0 0
> # Dummy coding of a numeric variable, reference = 1
> dummy.c(dat$x, ref = 1)
      d2 d3
 [1,] 0 0
 [2,] 0 0
 [3,] 0 0
 [4,] 1
          0
 [5,] 1 0
 [6,] 1 0
 [7,] 0 1
 [8,] 0 1
 [9,] 0 1
```

## 2.3.12 Omit Strings

The stromit() function omits user-specified values or strings from a numeric vector, character vector or factor.

```
> x.chr <- c("a", "", "c", NA, "", "d", "e", NA)

> # Omit character string ""
> stromit(x.chr)
[1] "a" "c" NA "d" "e" NA

> # Omit character string "" and missing values (NA)
> stromit(x.chr, na.omit = TRUE)
[1] "a" "c" "d" "e"

> # Omit character string "c" and "e"
> stromit(x.chr, omit = c("c", "e"))
[1] "a" "" NA "" "d" NA
```

## 2.3.13 Read SPSS File

The read.sav() function calls the read\_sav() function in the haven package by Hadley Wickham and Evan Miller (2019) to read an SPSS file.

```
> # Read SPSS data
> # read.sav("SPSS_Data.sav")
```

#### 2.3.14 Write SPSS File

The write.sav() function writes a data frame or matrix into a SPSS file by either by using the write\_sav() function in the *haven* package by Hadley Wickham and Evan Miller (2019) or the free software PSPP (see: https://www.gnu.org/software/pspp/pspp.html).

```
> # dat <- data.frame(id = 1:5,
> #
                      gender = c(NA, 0, 1, 1, 0),
> #
                      age = c(16, 19, 17, NA, 16),
> #
                      status = c(1, 2, 3, 1, 4),
> #
                      score = c(511, 506, 497, 502, 491))
> # Write SPSS file using the haven package
> # write.sav(dat, file = "Dataframe haven.sav")
> #
> # Write SPSS file using PSPP,
> # write CSV file and SPSS syntax along with the SPSS file
> # write.sav(dat, file = "Dataframe_PSPP.sav", pspp.path = "C:/Program Files/PSPP",
              write.csv = TRUE, write.sps = TRUE)
> #
> # Specify variable attributes
> # Note that it is recommended to manually specify the variables attritbues in a CSV or
> # Excel file which is subsequently read into R
> # attr <- data.frame(# Variable names
> #
                       var = c("id", "gender", "age", "status", "score"),
> #
                       # Variable labels
> #
                       label = c("Identification number", "Gender", "Age in years",
> #
                                 "Migration background", "Achievement test score"),
> #
                       # Value labels
> #
                       values = c("", "0 = female; 1 = male", "",
> #
                                  "1 = Austria; 2 = former Yugoslavia; 3 = Turkey; 4 = other", ""),
> #
                       # User-missing values
                       missing = c("", "-99", "-99", "-99", "-99")
> #
> # Write SPSS file with variable attributes using the haven package
> # write.sav(dat, file = "Dataframe_haven_Attr.sav", var.attr = attr)
> # Write SPSS with variable attributes using PSPP
> # write.sav(dat, file = "Dataframe_PSPP_Attr.sav", var.attr = attr,
              pspp.path = "C:/Program Files/PSPP")
```

### 2.3.15 Read Mplus Data File and Variable Names

The read.mplus() function reads a Mplus data file and/or Mplus input/output file to return a data frame with variable names extracted from the Mplus input/output file.

```
> # Read Mplus data file and variable names extracted from the Mplus input file
> # dat <- read.mplus("Mplus_Data.dat", input = "Mplus_Input.inp")</pre>
```

### 2.3.16 Write Mplus Data File

The write.mplus() function writes a matrix or data frame to a tab-delimited file without variable names and a text file with variable names. Only numeric values are allowed, missing data will be coded as a single numeric value.

```
> #
> # Write Mplus Data File and a text file with variable names
> # write.mplus(dat)
```

## 2.4 Functions for statistical analysis

#### 2.4.1 Run Mplus Models

The run.mplus() function runs a group of Mplus models (.inp files) located within a single directory or nested within subdirectories.

```
> # Run Mplus models located within a single directory
> # run.mplus(Mplus = "C:/Program Files/Mplus.exe")
```

## 2.4.2 Sample Size Determination for Testing Arithmetic Means

The size.mean() function performs sample size computation for the one-sample and two-sample t-test based on precision requirements (i.e., type-I-risk, type-II-risk and an effect size).

### 2.4.3 Sample Size Determination for Testing Proportions

The size.prop() function performs sample size computation for the one-sample and two-sample test for proportion based on precision requirements (i.e., type-I-risk, type-II-risk and an effect size).

```
> # Two-sided one-sample test
> size.prop(pi = 0.5, delta = 0.2, sample = "one.sample",
+ alternative = "two.sided", alpha = 0.05, beta = 0.2)
Sample size determination for the one-sample proportion test without continuity correction
```

```
H0: pi = 0.5 versus H1: pi != 0.5
alpha: 0.05 beta: 0.2 delta: 0.2

optimal sample size: n = 47
> # One-sided two-sample test
> size.prop(pi = 0.5, delta = 0.2, sample = "two.sample",
+ alternative = "greater", alpha = 0.01, beta = 0.1)

Sample size determination for the two-sample proportion test without continuity correction
H0: pi.1 <= pi.2 versus H1: pi.1 > pi.2
alpha: 0.01 beta: 0.1 delta: 0.2

optimal sample size: n = 154 (in each group)
```

## 2.4.4 Sample Size Determination for Testing Pearson's Correlation Coefficient

The size.cor() function performs sample size computation for testing Pearson's product-moment correlation coefficient based on precision requirements (i.e., type-I-risk, type-II-risk and an effect size).

```
> # Two-sided test
> size.cor(rho = 0.3, delta = 0.2, alpha = 0.05, beta = 0.2)

Sample size determination for Pearson's product-moment correlation coefficient

HO: rho = 0.3 versus H1: rho != 0.3
alpha: 0.05 beta: 0.2 delta: 0.2

optimal sample size: n = 140
```