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# Selecting representative subsets of vignettes for investigating multiple facets of moral judgement

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## 1 Ecologically valid moral vignettes

In 2010, Knutson et al. published a collection of 312 ecologically valid moral vignettes rated on 13 features: emotional intensity, emotional aversion, harm, self-benefit, other-benefit, pre-meditation, illegality, social norm violations, socialness, frequency, personal familiarity, general familiarity, and moral appropriateness. These vignettes were adapted from first-person episodic memories solicited via a cue word (Escobedo, 2009). In particular, each vignette was condensed down to two or three sentences of 28-59 words (mean word count = 43 words). Ratings on a scale of 1 (low) to 7 (high) were then collected from 30 normal healthy adults via a "computer-based" survey. A principal components analysis (Anderson and Rubin, 1956; Bartlett, 1937) using 10 of the 13 rated features (emotional intensity, emotional aversion, harm, self-benefit, other-benefit, pre-meditation, illegality, social norm violations, socialness, and moral appropriateness) was performed on the survey data to resolve factors most likely to represent "underlying moral components" in the collective set of moral vignettes (Knutson et al., 2010). To date, only two published studies have utilized these realistic vignettes (Vranka and Bahnk, 2016; Simpson and Laham, 2015). This is despite numerous articles referencing and encouraging researchers to use these stimuli (Kahane, 2015; Gold et al., 2014; FeldmanHall et al., 2012; Bzdok et al., 2012; Ugazio et al., 2012).

# 2 Practicality of using all 312 moral vignettes

Even with the application of well documented web survey design techniques (Couper et al., 2001, 2004), web surveys still face problems with subjects producing disengaged/random responses or dropping out of the survey altogether (Villar et al., 2013; Galesic and Bosnjak, 2009). Of particular interest to us is survey length, which has been shown to increase subject dropout rate and negatively influence data quality (Galesic and Bosnjak, 2009). For example, answers to questions near the end of a survey tend to be, "faster, shorter, and more uniform than answers to questions positioned near the beginning" (Galesic and Bosnjak, 2009) possibly due to fatigue, frustration, boredom, and/or distractions (Rathod and LaBruna, 2005).

The original survey of ecologically valid moral vignettes requires the subject to read 312 vignettes and make a total of 4056 ratings. Knutson et al. (2010) do not report the average length of time subjects required to complete the survey. We **estimate the survey length as 79-202 minutes** using the following logic. If we assume reading rate for comprehension to be 200-300 words per minute (Carver, 1990) and the average word length (43 words) across all 312 vignettes, then the reading portion of the survey alone requires 45-67 minutes. The rating portion of the survey would take an additional 34-135 minutes assuming each individual

rating requires 0.5-2 seconds. Indeed, when it was piloted as a web-based survey within the laboratories of Edelyn Verona and Aron Barbey, members complained that the full survey took approximately 3 hours (~180 minutes) to complete. In order to study the "underlying moral components" of the vignettes in a larger population online or administer the survey as part of a functional neuroimaging task, a small but representative subset of the moral vignettes was needed.

## 3 Selecting subsets of moral vignettes

For our specific study design, we wanted to create several different 30-minute surveys that when combined had no duplicate moral vignettes. A subset of 40 questions would require 6-9 minutes of reading and 4-17 minutes of rating dimensions. This would put the estimated total survey time at 10-26 minutes leaving 4 minutes for demographics questions, reading instructions, and "clicking through" the survey. The number of combinations for selecting k elements from n elements is

$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}, \quad k \le n$$

Thus, choosing 40 questions from a survey with 312 questions results in 5.2461763e + 50 different combinations! Searching all of these combinations for "representative" subsets would be impractical. Instead, we used a simple heuristic to reduce the search space to a handful combinations that were likely to be "representative" and had no moral vignettes in common and then tested these subsets for desirable features, such as, their ability to replicate analyses on the full set of 312 vignettes. Specifically, we wanted the factor analysis on a subset of moral vignettes to reflect the factor analysis performed by Knutson et al. (2010) on the full set of 312 vignettes.

For our heuristic approach, we labeled vignettes as "low," "medium/neutral," or "high" for each feature (e.g., harm, self-benefit, pre-meditation, illegality) based on this average rating across all subsets. Specifically, "low," "medium/neutral," or "high" were defined as the intervals  $[min, \mu - \sigma]$ ,  $(\mu - \sigma, \mu + \sigma)$ , and  $[\mu + \sigma, max]$ , where min was the minimum rating for the feature,  $\mu$  was the mean feature rating,  $\sigma$  is the standard deviation of feature ratings, and max was the maximum rating for the feature. For our study, we selected one "low," one "medium/neutral," and one "high" vignette for each of the 13 features to get a total of  $3 \times 13 = 39$  vignettes. Notably, vignettes have ratings for all 13 features, so adding a single vignette to the subset changed the overall feature composition in an "unconstrained" way. We performed a factor analysis on subsets of vignettes generated using this heuristic as well as subsets generated randomly; results are in the next section. Instructions and MATLAB code for generating these subsets of vignettes is also provided.

#### 3.1 Comparison of results

Dimensions	a	b	c	d
Social norm violations	1.27	2.65	5.62	6.47
Harm	1.30	2.16	4.84	6.07
Illegality	1.13	1.35	4.33	6.73
Other-benefit	1.20	1.58	4.73	6.57
Moral appropriateness	1.30	2.24	5.42	6.83
Emotional intensity	1.77	3.26	5.38	6.63
Socialness	2.43	4.44	6.06	6.57
Emotional aversion	1.60	2.79	4.90	6.47
Pre-meditation	1.63	3.44	5.57	6.53
Self-benefit	1.53	3.00	4.94	5.87

Table 1: Ranges for dimension categorization

Dimensions	mean	standard deviation	total in $[a, b]$	total in $(b, c)$	total in $[c, d]$
Social norm violations	4.14	1.48	67	194	51
Harm	3.50	1.34	68	185	59
Illegality	2.84	1.49	21	233	58
Other-benefit	3.15	1.57	33	213	66
Moral appropriateness	3.83	1.59	56	187	69
Emotional intensity	4.32	1.06	59	204	49
Socialness	5.25	0.81	52	226	34
Emotional aversion	3.85	1.05	61	196	55
Pre-meditation	4.51	1.07	62	197	53
Self-benefit	3.98	0.97	50	208	54

Table 2: Summary statistics on full survey

### 3.1.1 Surveys generated with our heuristic

### **3.1.2** Subset 1

Dimensions	mean	standard deviation	total in $[a, b]$	total in $(b, c)$	total in $[c, d]$
Social norm violations	3.95	1.65	12	20	7
Harm	3.41	1.45	11	22	6
Illegality	2.77	1.56	6	24	9
Other-benefit	3.52	1.83	5	21	13
Moral appropriateness	4.06	1.73	6	21	12
Emotional intensity	4.10	1.09	9	26	4
Socialness	5.20	0.92	7	28	4
Emotional aversion	3.56	1.15	13	18	8
Pre-meditation	4.68	1.02	7	24	8
Self-benefit	3.93	0.91	4	29	6

Table 3: Summary statistics on Survey  $1 = \{8, 30, 32, 55, 59, 65, 67, 74, 84, 85, 98, 103, 107, 108, 117, 128, 133, 144, 145, 146, 153, 166, 180, 182, 186, 199, 217, 222, 228, 230, 236, 255, 271, 272, 288, 293, 294, 296, 311\}$ 

	Components						
	F	ull Surve	ey	Surve	Survey 1 (heuristic)		
Dimensions	1	2	3	1	2	3	
Social norm violations	0.947	0.154	0.144	0.948	0.176	0.112	
Harm	0.803	0.473	0.009	0.853	0.437	-0.008	
Illegality	0.737	-0.288	0.115	0.740	<u>-0.337</u>	0.242	
Other-benefit	-0.883	0.046	0.051	-0.876	-0.009	-0.024	
Moral appropriateness	-0.956	-0.102	-0.120	-0.948	-0.123	-0.116	
Emotional intensity	0.024	0.896	-0.066	0.262	0.882	-0.047	
Socialness	-0.115	0.763	0.154	-0.176	0.715	0.091	
Emotional aversion	0.336	0.762	-0.258	0.533	0.727	-0.098	
Pre-meditation	-0.002	0.175	0.859	-0.030	0.380	0.814	
Self-benefit	0.244	<u>-0.304</u>	0.772	0.251	-0.212	0.841	

Table 4: Rotated Component Matrix from Survey 1

#### 3.1.3 Subset 3

Dimensions	mean	standard deviation	total in $[a, b]$	total in $(b, c)$	total in $[c, d]$
Social norm violations	4.22	1.56	8	23	8
Harm	3.54	1.40	8	22	9
Illegality	2.55	1.14	1	34	4
Other-benefit	3.17	1.60	3	27	9
Moral appropriateness	3.72	1.66	8	22	9
Emotional intensity	4.33	0.91	7	27	5
Socialness	5.44	0.67	4	28	7
Emotional aversion	3.86	1.00	6	27	6
Pre-meditation	4.55	1.00	6	26	7
Self-benefit	3.92	1.07	8	22	9

 $\begin{array}{l} \text{Table 5: Summary statistics on Survey 2} = \{3,\,11,\,12,\,20,\,21,\,36,\,41,\,50,\,76,\,81\,\,,83,\,86\,\,,97,\,104,\,115,\,116,\\ 125,\,132,\,143,\,147,\,148,\,154,\,172,\,179,\,183,\,200,\,203,\,205,\,206,\,209,\,221,\,224,\,226,\,227,\,233,\,245,\,279,\,285,\\ 304\} \end{array}$ 

			Com	ponents		
	F	`ull Surve	ey	Surve	ey 3 (heur	ristic)
Dimensions	1	2	3	1	2	3
Social norm violations	0.947	0.154	0.144	0.947	0.239	-0.012
Harm	0.803	0.473	0.009	0.869	0.332	-0.143
Illegality	0.737	-0.288	0.115	0.718	-0.265	0.192
Other-benefit	-0.883	0.046	0.051	-0.814	-0.197	-0.249
Moral appropriateness	-0.956	-0.102	-0.120	-0.952	-0.239	0.060
Emotional intensity	0.024	0.896	-0.066	0.126	0.909	-0.143
Socialness	-0.115	0.763	0.154	0.278	0.207	<u>-0.609</u>
Emotional aversion	0.336	0.762	-0.258	0.198	0.878	-0.085
Pre-meditation	-0.002	0.175	0.859	0.174	0.553	0.678
Self-benefit	0.244	<u>-0.304</u>	0.772	0.381	-0.201	0.744

Table 6: Rotated Component Matrix from Survey 3

#### 3.1.4 Subset 4

Dimensions	mean	standard deviation	total in $[a, b]$	total in $(b, c)$	total in $[c, d]$
Social norm violations	4.16	1.45	9	24	6
Harm	3.30	1.25	10	23	6
Illegality	3.07	1.62	3	26	10
Other-benefit	3.24	1.60	6	25	8
Moral appropriateness	3.83	1.54	7	24	8
Emotional intensity	4.25	1.20	9	23	7
Socialness	5.24	0.87	8	27	4
Emotional aversion	3.63	1.09	10	22	7
Pre-meditation	4.60	1.02	7	23	9
Self-benefit	4.37	1.00	4	22	13

 $\begin{array}{l} \text{Table 7: Summary statistics on Survey 3} = \{1,\,4\,\,,\,18,\,29,\,35,\,42,\,58,\,61,\,64,\,75,\,90,\,105,\,118,\,120,\,121,\,127,\,129,\,163,\,164,\,176,\,184,\,187,\,190,\,194,\,204,\,219,\,225,\,238,\,240,\,242,\,244,\,249,\,251,\,257,\,261,\,267,\,270,\,276,\,278\} \end{array}$ 

			Comp	ponents			
	F	ull Surve	ey	Surv	Survey 4 (heuristic)		
Dimensions	1	2	3	1	2	3	
Social norm violations	0.947	0.154	0.144	0.967	0.064	0.129	
Harm	0.803	0.473	0.009	0.877	0.339	0.040	
Illegality	0.737	-0.288	0.115	0.696	<u>-0.357</u>	0.301	
Other-benefit	-0.883	0.046	0.051	-0.882	0.253	0.128	
Moral appropriateness	-0.956	-0.102	-0.120	-0.974	0.049	-0.121	
Emotional intensity	0.024	0.896	-0.066	-0.105	0.919	-0.030	
Socialness	-0.115	0.763	0.154	-0.175	0.824	0.180	
Emotional aversion	0.336	0.762	-0.258	0.233	0.864	-0.151	
Pre-meditation	-0.002	0.175	0.859	-0.020	0.267	0.899	
Self-benefit	0.244	<u>-0.304</u>	0.772	0.272	<u>-0.340</u>	0.810	

Table 8: Rotated Component Matrix from Survey 4

## 3.1.5 Surveys generated randomly

#### 3.1.6 Subset 1

Dimensions	mean	standard deviation	total in $[a, b]$	total in $(b, c)$	total in $[c, d]$
Social norm violations	4.39	1.55	8	24	7
Harm	3.62	1.34	7	22	10
Illegality	3.02	1.46	4	27	8
Other-benefit	3.20	1.70	3	26	10
Moral appropriateness	3.56	1.62	10	21	8
Emotional intensity	4.40	1.08	10	23	6
Socialness	5.43	0.72	4	28	7
Emotional aversion	3.71	0.98	9	27	3
Pre-meditation	4.84	0.87	2	30	7
Self-benefit	4.10	0.86	4	30	5

Table 9: Summary statistics on Survey  $1 = \{2, 9, 14, 29, 31, 39, 44, 52, 62, 89, 107, 110, 151, 152, 162, 165, 169, 173, 181, 184, 193, 196, 203, 210, 219, 225, 227, 231, 236, 245, 246, 254, 283, 284, 288, 298, 303, 305, 312\}$ 

	Components						
	F	ull Surve	ey	Surve	Survey 1 (random)		
Dimensions	1	2	3	1	2	3	
Social norm violations	0.947	0.154	0.144	0.972	0.082	0.045	
Harm	0.803	0.473	0.009	0.778	0.533	-0.008	
Illegality	0.737	-0.288	0.115	0.710	<u>-0.329</u>	0.007	
Other-benefit	-0.883	0.046	0.051	-0.900	0.097	0.099	
Moral appropriateness	-0.956	-0.102	-0.120	-0.979	-0.015	-0.034	
Emotional intensity	0.024	0.896	-0.066	-0.021	0.858	-0.120	
Socialness	-0.115	0.763	0.154	-0.228	0.826	0.259	
Emotional aversion	0.336	0.762	-0.258	0.354	0.681	<u>-0.488</u>	
Pre-meditation	-0.002	0.175	0.859	-0.157	0.142	0.840	
Self-benefit	0.244	<u>-0.304</u>	0.772	0.265	-0.182	0.800	

Table 10: Rotated Component Matrix from Survey 1

#### 3.1.7 Subset 2

Dimensions	mean	standard deviation	total in $[a, b]$	total in $(b, c)$	total in $[c, d]$
Social norm violations	4.10	1.64	9	21	9
Harm	3.51	1.54	12	19	8
Illegality	2.80	1.53	4	28	7
Other-benefit	3.43	1.76	4	24	11
Moral appropriateness	3.89	1.74	9	20	10
Emotional intensity	4.39	1.06	4	28	7
Socialness	5.44	0.83	6	25	8
Emotional aversion	3.80	1.12	9	21	9
Pre-meditation	4.52	1.21	10	19	10
Self-benefit	4.00	0.95	5	28	6

Table 11: Summary statistics on Survey  $2 = \{11, 12, 38, 40, 46, 48, 53, 56, 65, 72, 81, 84, 103, 115, 117, 120, 126, 127, 143, 159, 168, 171, 174, 175, 188, 204, 213, 215, 229, 240, 255, 260, 263, 264, 276, 281, 285, 286, 296\}$ 

	Components							
	Full Survey			Surve	Survey 2 (random)			
Dimensions	1	2	3	1	2	3		
Social norm violations	0.947	0.154	0.144	0.950	0.165	0.205		
Harm	0.803	0.473	0.009	0.834	0.386	0.208		
Illegality	0.737	-0.288	0.115	0.691	<u>-0.480</u>	0.133		
Other-benefit	-0.883	0.046	0.051	-0.916	0.074	-0.075		
Moral appropriateness	-0.956	-0.102	-0.120	-0.963	-0.102	-0.183		
Emotional intensity	0.024	0.896	-0.066	0.257	0.858	-0.210		
Socialness	-0.115	0.763	0.154	-0.135	0.891	0.195		
Emotional aversion	0.336	0.762	-0.258	0.591	0.645	<u>-0.303</u>		
Pre-meditation	-0.002	0.175	0.859	0.245	0.195	0.780		
Self-benefit	0.244	<u>-0.304</u>	0.772	0.142	<u>-0.338</u>	0.822		

Table 12: Rotated Component Matrix from Survey 2

#### 3.1.8 Subset 3

Dimensions	mean	standard deviation	total in $[a, b]$	total in $(b, c)$	total in $[c, d]$
Social norm violations	4.24	1.47	8	23	8
Harm	3.71	1.37	8	23	8
Illegality	2.77	1.46	3	29	7
Other-benefit	2.82	1.45	8	25	6
Moral appropriateness	3.70	1.59	9	22	8
Emotional intensity	4.28	1.02	9	27	3
Socialness	5.17	0.81	6	30	3
Emotional aversion	3.75	0.99	6	26	7
Pre-meditation	4.32	1.15	11	20	8
Self-benefit	4.15	1.02	4	25	10

Table 13: Summary statistics on Survey  $3 = \{8, 13, 18, 23, 25, 35, 41, 42, 51, 54, 55, 71, 73, 76, 77, 86, 92, 98, 121, 123, 129, 134, 144, 146, 167, 170, 186, 195, 209, 217, 228, 250, 259, 265, 270, 299, 301, 302, 306\}$ 

	Components							
	Full Survey			Surve	Survey 3 (random)			
Dimensions	1	2	3	1	2	3		
Social norm violations	0.947	0.154	0.144	0.959	0.096	0.161		
Harm	0.803	0.473	0.009	0.875	0.401	-0.044		
Illegality	0.737	-0.288	0.115	0.617	-0.252	0.413		
Other-benefit	-0.883	0.046	0.051	-0.815	0.134	0.207		
Moral appropriateness	-0.956	-0.102	-0.120	-0.956	-0.095	-0.156		
Emotional intensity	0.024	0.896	-0.066	-0.176	0.895	-0.018		
Socialness	-0.115	0.763	0.154	0.173	0.753	0.086		
Emotional aversion	0.336	0.762	-0.258	0.120	0.841	-0.185		
Pre-meditation	-0.002	0.175	0.859	0.005	0.215	0.885		
Self-benefit	0.244	<u>-0.304</u>	0.772	0.096	<u>-0.333</u>	0.837		

Table 14: Rotated Component Matrix from Survey 3

## 4 Instructions

- 1. Download data (excel format) provided in the Supplementary Materials Knutson et al. (2010).
- 2. Open the excel file in Google spreadsheets.
- 3. Insert a column of question ID numbers (integers).
  - (a) Select row 1 (header) and copy (control-c).
  - (b) Select row 1 (header), right click, and select *Delete row*.
  - (c) Select column S, right click, and select Sort sheet  $A \dot{\delta} Z$ .
  - (d) Select row 1, right click, and select Add 1 above.
  - (e) Select row 1 and paste (control-v).
  - (f) Select column A, right click, and select Insert 1 left.
  - (g) Enter 1 into cell (2, A).
  - (h) Enter "= A2 + 1" in cell (3, A).
  - (i) Drag the lower right corner of cell row (3, A) down to cell (313, A).
  - (i) Enter "QuestionID" into cell (1, A).
- 4. Delete columns B (Main Cue), C (Story), Q (Norm Violation Component), R (Social Affect Component), S (Intention Component), and T (Word Count).
- 5. In row 1, convert any spaces and hyphens to underscores e.g., "Emotional Intensity"  $\rightarrow$  "Emotional Intensity".
- 6. Select  $File \rightarrow Download \ as \rightarrow Comma-separated \ values \ (.csv, \ current \ sheet).$
- 7. Run MATLAB commands.
  - (a) seed = 12345;
  - (b) nlow = 1; nmid = 1; nhigh = 1;
  - (c) breakdown = [nlow, nmid, nhigh];
  - (d) survey\_reduction('SuppData.csv', 'subQ', [], breakdown, 3, 'heuristic', seed);
  - (e) survey\_reduction('SuppData.csv', 'subQ', [], breakdown, 3, 'random', seed);

## 5 MATLAB Code

```
1 function select_vignette_subset(ifile, oname, limits, breakdown, nsurvey, heuristic, seed)
2 %
3 %
        ifile : string
4 %
        oname : string
5 %
        limits : 1 \times 4 array of floats
6 %
        breakdown: 1 x 3 array of integers
7 %
        nsurvey : integer or 'inf'
8 %
        heuristic : string {'random', 'heuristic'}
9 %
        seed: integer to seed random number generator
10 %
11 %
        Copyright 2014, Erin K. Molloy
12 %
        mailto://emolloy2@illinois.edu
14
        % Set seed for random number generator
15
16
        rng (seed)
17
        % Import full survey data
18
        Q = importdata(ifile);
19
        X = Q. data;
20
        [m, n] = size(X);
21
        header = Q. colheaders;
22
23
        % Define bins: low [a,b], neutral (b,d), high [d,e]
24
25
        l = size(limits);
        if (1(2) = 4)
26
             a = repmat(limits(1), 1, n);
27
28
             b = repmat(limits(2), 1, n);
             \begin{array}{l} d \, = \, repmat (\, limits \, (3) \, , \, \, 1 \, , \, \, n) \, ; \\ e \, = \, repmat (\, limits \, (4) \, , \, \, 1 \, , \, \, n) \, ; \end{array}
29
30
        else
31
             a = \min(X); e = \max(X);
32
             c \,=\, \underline{\mathsf{mean}}(X)\,; \ s \,=\, \underline{\mathsf{std}}\,(X)\,;
33
             b = c - s; d = c + s;
34
35
        end
36
         if strcmp('random', heuristic)
37
             order = randperm(m);
38
             nq = (n - 1) * size(breakdown, 2);
39
        else
40
             % Create selection masks
41
             low_mask = zeros(m, n);
42
             mid_mask = zeros(m, n);
43
             high_mask = zeros(m, n);
44
              for i = 2:n
45
                   low\_mask\left(:\,,i\,\right) \ = \ \left[X\left(:\,,i\,\right) \right. > = \ a\left(\:i\:\right)\:\right] \ . * \ \left[X\left(:\,,i\right) < = \ b\left(\:i\:\right)\:\right];
46
                   mid\_mask\,(:\,,i\,) \ = \ [X(:\,,i\,) \ > \ b\,(\,i\,)\,] \ .* \ [X(:\,,i\,) \ < \ d\,(\,i\,)\,]\,;
47
                   high_mask(:,i) = [X(:,i) >= d(i)] .* [X(:,i) <= e(i)];
48
49
             masks = cat(3, low_mask, mid_mask, high_mask);
50
51
52
        % Create vignette subsets
53
54
        while (i <= nsurvey)</pre>
56
             Y = [];
57
              if strcmp('random', heuristic)
58
                   [X,\ Y]\ =\ create\_subset\_random\left(X,\ Y,\ i\ ,\ nq\ ,\ order\,\right);
59
                   onamei = strcat(oname, '_', int2str(i), '_random');
60
61
                   [X, Y] = create\_subset\_heuristic(X, Y, breakdown, masks);
62
                   onamei = strcat(oname, '_', int2str(i), '_heuristic');
63
64
             end
65
```

```
save_survey(Y, header, onamei, a, b, d, e);
66
67
            i = i + 1;
       end
68
69 end
70
71
   function \ [A,\ B] \ = \ create\_subset\_random (A,\ B,\ i\ ,\ nq\ ,\ order)
72
       st = (i-1) * nq + 1;
73
74
       en = st + nq - 1;
        if (en < size(A, 1))
75
76
            B = A(order(st:en),:);
77
        else
            error ('Error: too few elements.')
78
            error ('Unable to create survey!')
79
       end
80
81
   end
82
83
84
   function [A, B] = create_subset_heuristic(A, B, breakdown, masks)
        [m, n] = size(A);
85
86
        levels = cat(2, ones(1, breakdown(1)), \dots
87
                          ones (1, breakdown(2)) *2, \dots
88
89
                          ones (1, breakdown(3))*3);
        order = randperm(size(levels,2));
90
91
        levels = levels (order);
92
        for i = levels
93
            if (i == 1)
94
                 mask = masks(:,:,1);
95
            elseif (i == 2)
96
                mask = masks(:,:,2);
97
98
99
                 mask = masks(:,:,3);
            end
100
101
            order = randperm(n-1);
            factors = order + 1;
            for j = factors
104
                 subset = A(:,1) .* mask(:,j);
                 subset(subset==0) = [];
106
                % Identifies and adds question to subset
108
                 l = size(subset, 1);
                 if (1 = 0)
110
                     randsel = randi([1, l]);
                     question = subset(randsel);
112
113
                     % Add question to B
114
                     B = cat(1, B, A(question,:));
115
                     % Remove question from A
117
118
                     A(question, 1) = 0;
                 else
                     error('Error: empty set.')
120
                     error('Unable to create survey!')
                 end
122
            \quad \text{end} \quad
       \quad \text{end} \quad
124
125
   end
126
   function save_survey(B, header, oname, a, b, d, e)
128
       % Save subset of vignettes
129
130
        outfile = strcat(oname, '.csv');
       T = array2table(B, 'VariableNames', header);
        writetable (T, outfile, 'Delimiter', ',');
133
```

```
% Compute and save associated metrics
135
             n = size(B, 2);
             average = mean(B,1);
136
137
             stddev = std(B,1);
             minimum = zeros(1,n);
138
             maximum = zeros(1,n);
139
             total = zeros(3,n);
140
             for i = 2:n
141
                     minimum(i) = min(B(:,i));
142
                     maximum(i) = max(B(:,i));
143
                    \begin{array}{l} \text{total}(1,i) = \text{sum}([B(:,i));\\ \text{total}(1,i) = \text{sum}([B(:,i) >= a(i)] .* [B(:,i) <= b(i)]);\\ \text{total}(2,i) = \text{sum}([B(:,i) >= b(i)] .* [B(:,i) <= d(i)]);\\ \text{total}(3,i) = \text{sum}([B(:,i) >= d(i)] .* [B(:,i) <= e(i)]); \end{array}
144
145
146
147
             \begin{array}{lll} \texttt{ancillary} = \mathtt{cat}\left(1\,,\,\, \mathtt{average}\left(:\,,2\!:\!n\right)\,,\,\,\, \mathtt{stddev}\left(:\,,2\!:\!n\right)\,,\,\,\, \ldots \\ & \mathtt{minimum}\left(:\,,2\!:\!n\right)\,,\,\,\, \mathtt{maximum}\left(:\,,2\!:\!n\right)\,,\,\,\, \mathtt{total}\left(:\,,2\!:\!n\right)\,,\,\,\, \ldots \end{array}
148
149
                                                 a(:,2:n), b(:,2:n), d(:,2:n), e(:,2:n);
150
            152
154
156
             'RowNames', rownames);
writetable(T, outfile, 'Delimiter', ',', 'WriteRowNames', true);
157
158
159 end
```

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