# Schema for experiment data

# **Timestamp**

Example: 1559153480419

The Unix-Timestamp of the record. Milliseconds since Jan 01 1970. (UTC).

The above example would be: 29. May 2019 18:11:20.419 (UTC). Timestamps can for

example be converted on this website: <a href="https://www.epochconverter.com/">https://www.epochconverter.com/</a>

#### **URL**

#### Example:

https://www.cs.technik.fhnw.ch/lostintransition/mortality/SA/causes.html?flow=subjType1

The URL contains all important information to identify the mini-story as well as the flow the participant during a certain record. All possible URLs and flows are listed here: <a href="Experiments"><u>Experiments</u></a>

## User

Example: 1558191027715-0.upfbo4lqdxh

A unique identifier for the participant. This ID is generated only once and saved in the cookies. It is then reused as long as the cookies are not deleted or a new (private) tab is opened.

### Session

Example: 1558204022451-0.c2570likjzm

A unique identifier valid for the current participant and the current experiment. It changes when the participant moves to a new experiment.

## **User-Agent**

Example: Mozilla/5.0 (Macintosh; Intel Mac OS X 10.14; rv:66.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/66.0

The user agent string can be used to detect the browser and version that the participant is using. This could be useful to detect invalid data (for example for unsupported browsers). This is in addition to a detection on the <u>Start</u> screen where participants with unsupported browsers should already be filtered out.

## Screen width

Example: 1920

The width of the participants screen in pixels. Especially useful to identify participants with screens that are too small. Although we try to already filter them out on the <u>Start</u> screen.

The minimal required screen width for the experiment is 1280.

# Screen height

Example: 1200

The height of the participants screen in pixels. Especially useful to identify participants with screens that are too small. Although we try to already filter them out on the <u>Start</u> screen.

The minimal required screen height for the experiment is 720.

## Window width

Example: 1520

The width of the participants browser viewport in pixels. Especially useful to identify participants with browser windows that are too small. Although we try to already filter them out on the <u>Start</u> screen.

The minimal required viewport width for the experiment is 1280.

# Window height

Example: 1126

The height of the participants browser viewport in pixels. Especially useful to identify participants with browser windows that are too small. Although we try to already filter them out on the <u>Start</u> screen.

The minimal required viewport height for the experiment is 720.

# Screen pixel ratio

Example: 1.6

As high-resolution screen are widespread, the pixel ratio needs to be taken into account when one is interested how the participant sees the experiment. HOW?

#### Chart

Example: demographics

This entry either indicates the chart that is being viewed or the action that is being performed. Actions are prefixed with an "@"-symbol (@init, @alive, @typing, @answer). Scrolling either changes the position and/or the chart that is being viewed. A <u>complete</u> <u>documentation</u> of all actions/charts can be found in the annex.

# Relative position

Example: 0.980348

A number between 0 and 1. Indicates the position in the currently visible chart. If a chart is for example visible from scroll position 200 to scroll position 400, scroll position 400 would result in a relative position of 0.5. When an action (with @-prefix) is being recorded, this number is always -1.

# **Absolute position**

Example: 0.10222222222223

Indicates the position in the span between the start of the first chart on the page and the start of the last chart on the page. A number between 0 and 1 indicates that the participant is somewhere between the first and the last chart. A number > 1 indicates that the participant is viewing the last chart. For actions (with @-prefix) this number is always -1.

#### **Answer**

*Example:* In 1995, there appears to have been an increase in mortality rates for people between the ages of 25-44 and this could due to the increase of deaths as a result of AIDS in 1995 which totaled around 160,000 deaths.

The submitted answer of the participant.

# **Actions / chart names**

@init	The page has been loaded
@alive	The participant has been inactive but the page is still open.
@typing	The participant is typing. Contains also the text that the participant has so far input.
@answer	The answer that has been submitted by the participant. Also contains the name of the form the answer came from (not all to useful currently).
gender	Evolution of the mortality rate since 1968 1,000 900 800 800 800 800 800 800 800 800
gender-highlight	1,100 1,000 900 800 800 600 500 400 300 200 100 1970 1975 1980 1985 1990 1995 2000 2005 2010
highlight-demographics	400 350 250 200 150 100 50 1970 1975 1980 1985 1990 1995 2000 2005 2010









