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Description An approach to analyzing Likert response items, with an emphasis on visualizations. The stacked bar plot is the preferred method for presenting Likert results. Tabular results are also implemented along with density plots to assist researchers in determining whether Likert responses can be used quantitatively instead of qualitatively. See the likert(), summary.likert(), and plot.likert() functions to get started.

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Likert Analysis and Visualization

Description

Likert Analysis and Visualization

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Description

This will print the absolute value for labeling on axis. Usefull for stacked bar plots where negative values are not negative percentages but represent negative groups.

Usage

```
abs_formatter(x)
```

Arguments

Х

value to be reformatted.

Value

the absolute value of x.

align.plots	Adapted from ggExtra package which is no longer available. This is
	related to an experimental mlpsa plot that will combine the circular
	plot along with the two individual distributions.

Description

Adapted from ggExtra package which is no longer available. This is related to an experimental mlpsa plot that will combine the circular plot along with the two individual distributions.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'plots'
align(gl, ...)
```

Arguments

```
g1 grid.layout
... graphic elements to combine.
```

References

http://groups.google.com/group/ggplot2/browse_thread/thread/1b859d6b4b441c90 http://ggextra.googlecode.com/svn/trunk

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gap	Fictitious dataset with importance and satisfaction results across five different offices.

Description

This data set is used in the GapAnalysis demo and is used to demonstrate how the likert package handles a gap analysis.

Format

a data frame with 68 ovservations of 11 variables.

label_wrap_mod

Wrap label text.

Description

Wrap label text.

Usage

```
label_wrap_mod(value, width = 25)
```

Arguments

va.	lue	vector	(converted	usin	ig as.	char	racter)) to	be	wrapped	١.
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width the maximum width of each line in characters.

Adapted from https://github.com/hadley/ggplot2/wiki/labeller

likert

Analyze Likert type items.

Description

This function will provide various statistics about a set of likert items. The resulting object will have the following items:

Usage

```
likert(items, summary, grouping = NULL, factors = NULL, importance,
  nlevels = length(levels(items[, 1])))
```

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Arguments

items	data frame containing the likert based items. The variables in the data frame should be factors.
summary	a pre-summarized data frame. The first column must be the items and the remaining columns are the levels (e.g. strongly disagree, disagree, etc).
grouping	(optional) should the results be summarized by the given grouping variable.
factors	a vector with length(factors) == ncol(items) defining which factor each column belongs to. The values correspond to the factor label.
importance	a data frame of the same dimensions as items containing an importance rating for each item. The order of columns should match and the names from items will be used.
nlevels	number of possible levels. Only necessary if there are missing levels.

Details

- results this data frame will contain a column 'Item', 'Group' (if a grouping variable was specified, and a column for each level of the items (e.g. agree, disagree, etc.). The value within each cell corresponds to the percentage of responses for that level and group.
- items a copy of the original items data frame.
- grouping a copy of the original grouping vector.
- nlevels the number of levels used in the calculations.

Value

a likert class with the following elements: results, items, grouping, nlevels, and summary.

See Also

```
plot.likert
summary.likert
```

Examples

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likert.bar.plot

Bar Plot for Likert Items.

Description

Bar plot for the results of likert.

Usage

```
likert.bar.plot(1, group.order, center = (1$nlevels - 1)/2 + 1, ...)
```

Arguments

1 results of likert.

group.order the order in which groups (for grouped items) or items (for non-grouped items)

should be plotted.

center specifies which level should be treated as the center. For example, center = 3

would use the third level as the center whereas center = 3.5 would indicate no specific level is the center but <= 3 are low levels and >= 4 are high levels (i.e. used for forced choice items or those without a neutral option). This also

influences where the color breaks from low to high.

... passed to likert.options

likert object of type likert.

See Also

plot.likert

likert.heat.plot likert.bar.plot

likert.density.plot

likert.density.plot *Creates a density plot for likert items.*

Description

This funciton will create a visualization that treats the likert items as a continuous variable.

Usage

```
likert.density.plot(likert, facet = TRUE, bw = 0.5, legend, ...)
```

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Arguments

likert object of type likert.

facet for non-grouped items, should each density distribution be plotted in a separate

facet.

bw the smoothing bandwidth. This is often set to the standard deviation but this

is often inadequate for Likert type items. The value of 0.5 is used since the

difference between any two adjacent levels is one.

legend title for the legend.

... parameters passed to density.

See Also

plot.likert

likert.heat.plot

Internal method.

Description

Internal method.

Usage

```
likert.heat.plot(likert, low.color = "white", high.color = "blue",
  text.color = "black", text.size = 4, wrap = 50, ...)
```

Arguments

likert object of type likert.
low.color color for low values.
high.color color for high values.
text.color color of text attributes.
text.size size of text attributes.

wrap width to wrap label text for non-grouped likert objects.

... currently unused.

See Also

plot.likert

likert.bar.plot

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likert.histogram.plot Histogram of number of responses.

Description

Plots a histogram of the number of responses for each item and group (if specified). Negative values (in maroon by default) indicate the number of missing values for that item and group.

Usage

```
likert.histogram.plot(1, xlab = "n", plot.missing = TRUE,
  bar.color = "grey70", missing.bar.color = "maroon",
  label.completed = "Completed", label.missing = "Missing",
  legend.position = "bottom", wrap = ifelse(is.null(1$grouping), 50, 100),
  order, group.order, panel.arrange = "v", panel.strip.color = "#F0F0F0",
  text.size = 2.5, ...)
```

Arguments

```
1
                  results of likert.
xlab
                   label used for the x-axis.
plot.missing
                  if TRUE, missing values will be plotted to the left of the x-axis.
bar.color
                   the bar color.
missing.bar.color
                   the color of the bar for missing values.
label.completed
                   the label to use in the legend representing the count of complete values.
label.missing
                  the label to use in the legend representing the count of missing values.
legend.position
                   location of the legend.
wrap
                   number of characters before warping the text in the panel strips.
order
                   the order of the items.
group.order
                   the order in which groups (for grouped items) or items (for non-grouped items)
                   should be plotted.
                   v for vertical or h for horizontal.
panel.arrange
panel.strip.color
                   the color for panels.
text.size
                  text size.
                   other ggplot2 parameters.
```

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Description

Matrix plot (experimental)

Usage

```
likert.matrix.plot(likert, nSample = nrow(likert$items), ...)
```

Arguments

likert results of likert.

nSample random sample of all rows. This function may take a while to run with large datasets (including the pisaitems data). Plotting a random subsample allows for quicker development.

... parameters passed to pairs.ordered.categorical.

likert.options

Builds an object with options for plotting likert results.

Description

Builds an object with options for plotting likert results.

Usage

```
likert.options(low.color = "#D8B365", high.color = "#5AB4AC",
  neutral.color = "grey90", neutral.color.ramp = "white", colors = NULL,
  plot.percent.low = TRUE, plot.percent.high = TRUE,
  plot.percent.neutral = TRUE, plot.percents = FALSE, text.size = 3,
  text.color = "black", centered = TRUE, include.center = TRUE,
  ordered = TRUE, wrap = 50, wrap.grouping = 50, legend = "Response",
  legend.position = "bottom", panel.arrange = "v",
  panel.strip.color = "#F0F0F0", ...)
```

Arguments

```
low.color color for low values.
high.color color for high values.
neutral.color color for middle values (if odd number of levels).
neutral.color.ramp
```

second color used when calling colorRamp with low.color and high.color to define the color palettes.

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colors vector specifying the colors to use. This must be equal to the number of likert

levels.

plot.percent.low

whether to plot low percentages.

plot.percent.high

whether to plot high percentages.

plot.percent.neutral

whether to plot netural percentages.

plot.percents whether to label each category/bar.

text.size size of text attributes. text.color color of text attributes.

centered if true, the bar plot will be centered around zero such that the lower half of levels

will be negative.

include.center if TRUE, include the center level in the plot otherwise the center will be ex-

cluded.

ordered reorder items from high to low.

wrap width to wrap label text for item labels wrap.grouping width to wrap label text for group labels.

legend title for the legend.

legend.position

the position for the legend ("left", "right", "bottom", "top", or two-element nu-

meric vector).

panel.arrange how panels for grouped likert items should be arrange. Possible values are v

(vertical, the default), h (horizontal), and NULL (auto fill horizontal and vertical)

panel.strip.color

the background color for panel labels.

... included for future expansion.

mass

Results from an administration of the Math Anxiety Scale Survey.

Description

A data frame of results of the Math Anxiety Scale Survey administered to 20 students in a statistics course. This data frame contains the original data and can be used to verify the pre-summarized procedures.

Format

data frame with 14 rows and 6 columns.

References

Bai, H., Wang, L., Pan, W., & Frey, M. (2009). Measuring mathematics anxiety: Psychometric analysis of a bidimensional affective scale. Journal of Instructional Psychology, 36 (3), 185-193.

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MathAnxiety	Pre-summarized results from an administration of the Math Anxiety Scale Survey.

Description

A data frame of presummarized results of the Math Anxiety Scale Survey administered to 20 students in a statistics course.

Format

data frame with 14 rows and 6 columns.

References

Bai, H., Wang, L., Pan, W., & Frey, M. (2009). Measuring mathematics anxiety: Psychometric analysis of a bidimensional affective scale. Journal of Instructional Psychology, 36 (3), 185-193.

١	MathAnxietyGender	Pre-summarized results from an administration of the Math Anxiety Scale Survey grouped by gender.

Description

A data frame of presummarized results of the Math Anxiety Scale Survey administered to 20 students in a statistics course grouped by gender.

Format

data frame with 28 rows and 7 columns.

References

Bai, H., Wang, L., Pan, W., & Frey, M. (2009). Measuring mathematics anxiety: Psychometric analysis of a bidimensional affective scale. Journal of Instructional Psychology, 36 (3), 185-193.

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Programme of International Student Assessment

Description

North American (i.e. Canada, Mexico, and United States) results from the 2009 Programme of International Student Assessment (PISA) as provided by the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD). See http://www.pisa.oecd.org/ for more information including the code book.

Format

a data frame 66,690 ovservations of 81 variables from North America.

Source

Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development

plot.likert

Plots a set of likert items.

Description

This is an implementation of the S3 plot generic function. Based upon the type parameter this function will call either likert.bar.plot, likert.heat.plot, or likert.density.plot. See the help pages for those functions for all the available parameters to customize the aesthetics of the figure. Although those functions can be plotted directly, we recommend call the generic plot function.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'likert'
plot(x, type = c("bar", "heat", "density"),
  include.histogram = FALSE, panel.widths = c(3, 1), panel.arrange = "v",
  panel.strip.color = "#F0F0F0", legend.position = "bottom", group.order,
  panel.background = element_rect(size = 1, color = "grey70", fill = NA), ...)
```

Arguments

x the likert items to plot

type the type of plot to create. Current values are bar and heat.

include.histogram

if TRUE, a histogram of count of responses is also plotted.

panel.widths if include.histogram=TRUE, this vector of length two specifies the ratio of the

left and right panels.

plot.likert.gap

```
panel.arrange how panels for grouped likert items should be arrange. Possible values are v (vertical, the default), h (horizontal), and NULL (auto fill horizontal and vertical) panel.strip.color the background color for panel labels.

legend.position the position for the legend ("left", "right", "bottom", "top", or two-element numeric vector).

group.order the order in which groups (for grouped items) or items (for non-grouped items) should be plotted.

panel.background define background of the plot. See theme.

other parameters passed passed to likert.bar.plot or likert.heat.plot.
```

See Also

likert.bar.plot likert.heat.plot likert.density.plot likert.histogram.plot

plot.likert.gap

Plots a set of likert items.

Description

This is an implementation of the S3 plot generic function. Based upon the type parameter this function will call either likert.bar.plot, likert.heat.plot, or likert.density.plot. See the help pages for those functions for all the available parameters to customize the aesthetics of the figure. Although those functions can be plotted directly, we recommend call the generic plot function.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'likert.gap'
plot(x, type = c("bar", "density"),
   include.histogram = FALSE, panel.widths = c(3, 1), panel.arrange = "v",
   panel.strip.color = "#F0F0F0", legend.position = "bottom",
   panel.background = element_rect(size = 1, color = "grey70", fill = NA),
   satisfaction.label = "Satisfaction", importance.label = "Importance",
   legend, ...)
```

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Arguments

x the likert items to plot

type the type of plot to create. Current values are bar and heat.

include.histogram

if TRUE, a histogram of count of responses is also plotted.

panel.widths if include.histogram=TRUE, this vector of length two specifies the ratio of the

left and right panels.

panel.arrange how panels for grouped likert items should be arrange. Possible values are v

(vertical, the default), h (horizontal), and NULL (auto fill horizontal and vertical)

panel.strip.color

the background color for panel labels.

legend.position

the position for the legend ("left", "right", "bottom", "top", or two-element nu-

meric vector).

panel.background

define background of the plot. See theme.

satisfaction.label

label used for satisfaction items.

importance.label

label used for importance items.

legend title for the legend.

... other parameters passed passed to likert.bar.plot or likert.heat.plot.

See Also

likert.bar.plot

likert.heat.plot

likert.density.plot

likert.histogram.plot

print.likert

Prints results table.

Description

Prints results table.

Usage

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

Arguments

x the likert class to print.

... parameters passed to print.data.frame.

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```
print.likert.bar.plot Print method for likert.bar.plot. The primary purpose is to suppress the "Stacking not well defined when ymin!= 0" warning printed by ggplot2 for bar plots that have negative bars (i.e. the centered plots).
```

Description

Print method for likert.bar.plot. The primary purpose is to suppress the "Stacking not well defined when ymin!= 0" warning printed by ggplot2 for bar plots that have negative bars (i.e. the centered plots).

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'likert.bar.plot'
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x a plot from likert.bar.plot.... other parameters passed to ggplot2.

print.likert.gap

Prints results table.

Description

Prints results table.

Usage

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

Arguments

x the likert class to print.

... parameters passed to print.data.frame.

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Description

Print method for likert.heat.plot.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'likert.heat.plot'
print(p, ...)
```

Arguments

```
p a plot from likert.heat.plot.... other parameters passed to ggplot2.
```

print.xlikert

Prints the results of xtable.likert.

Description

Print method for xtable.likert.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'xlikert'
print(x, tabular.environment = "longtable",
  floating = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

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recode	Recode a vector.	
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Description

This utility function will recode values from an original character or factor vector with new values.

Usage

```
recode(x, from, to, to.class = NULL)
```

Arguments

x the vector whose values will be recoded.

from the old values in x to be recoded.

to the new values.

to.class an 'as.' function representing the desired vector type (i.e. as.character, as.numeric,

as.logical, as.numeric).

Value

a vector with same length of x with recoded values.

Examples

```
test <- letters[sample(5, 10, replace=TRUE)]
recode(test, from=letters[1:5], to=paste('Letter', letters[1:5]))</pre>
```

reverse.levels

Reverse the levels of a factor.

Description

Reverse the levels of a factor.

Usage

```
reverse.levels(x)
```

Arguments

x a factor or a data.frame of factors whose levels will be reverse coded.

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Examples

```
mylevels <- c('Strongly Disagree', 'Disagree', 'Neither', 'Agree', 'Strongly Agree')
test <- factor(sample(mylevels[1:5], 10, replace=TRUE))
cbind(test, as.integer(test), as.integer(reverse.levels(test)))</pre>
```

sasr

Results from the Survey of Academic Self-Regulation (SASR).

Description

The Survey of Academic Self-Regulation (SASR) is comprised of six factors: self-regulation, intrinsic motivation, extrinsic motivation, self-efficacy, metacognition, and personal relevance and control.

Format

a data frame with 860 ovservations of 63 variables.

References

Dugan, R., & Andrade, H. (2011). Exploring the construct validity of academic self-regulation using a new self-report questionnaire. The International Journal of Educational and Psychological Assessment, 7(1).

shinyLikert

Shiny App for the likert package.

Description

This will start a shiny app included with the package to show many of the features available in the likert package.

Usage

shinyLikert()

References

http://rstudio.com/shiny

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summary.likert	Prints summary table of a Likert analysis.
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Description

The summary function returns a data frame that provides additional information. It contains 'Item' and 'Group' columns similiar to the results data frame as well as a column 'low' corresponding to the sum of levels below neutral, a column 'high' corresponding to the sum of levels above neutral, and columns 'mean' and 'sd' corresponding to the mean and standard deviation, respectively, of the results. The numeric values are determined by as numeric which will use the values of the factors.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'likert'
summary(object, center = (object$nlevels - 1)/2 + 1,
  ordered = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

object	the likert class to summarize.
center	specifies which level should be treated as the center. For example, center = 3 would use the third level as the center whereas center = 3.5 would indicate no specific level is the center but <= 3 are low levels and >= 4 are high levels (i.e. used for forced choice items or those without a neutral option).
ordered	whether the results should be ordered. Currently unsupported for grouped analysis.
	currently unused.

Description

The summary function returns a data frame that provides additional information. It contains 'Item' and 'Group' columns similiar to the results data frame as well as a column 'low' corresponding to the sum of levels below neutral, a column 'high' corresponding to the sum of levels above neutral, and columns 'mean' and 'sd' corresponding to the mean and standard deviation, respectively, of the results. The numeric values are determined by as numeric which will use the values of the factors.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'likert.gap'
summary(object, ...)
```

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Arguments

```
object the likert class to summarize.
... parameters passed to summary.likert
```

Value

a list with two data frames with summarized data for satisfaction and importance results separately.

xtable.likert

Prints a LaTeX table of the likert items.

Description

Crate a LaTeX or HTML table of the likert results.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'likert'
xtable(x, caption = NULL, label = NULL, align = NULL,
    digits = NULL, display = NULL, auto = FALSE, include.n = TRUE,
    include.mean = TRUE, include.sd = TRUE, include.low = TRUE,
    include.neutral = (x$nlevels%2 != 0), include.high = TRUE,
    include.levels = TRUE, include.missing = TRUE, center = (x$nlevels -
    1)/2 + 1, ordered = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

X	likert class object.
caption	the table caption.
label	the table label.
align	column alignments.
digits	number of digits to use for numeric columns.
display	column formats.
auto	Logical, indicating whether to apply automatic format when no value is passed to align, digits, or display (see xtable for more information.
include.n	option to include n
include.mean	option to include mean
include.sd	option to include sd
include.low	option to include low
include.neutral	
	option to include neutral
include.high	option to include high
include.levels	option to include levels

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include.missing

option to include missing levels.

center specifies which level should be treated as the center. For example, center = 3

would use the third level as the center whereas center = 3.5 would indicate no specific level is the center but ≤ 3 are low levels and ≥ 4 are high levels (i.e. used for forced choice items or those without a neutral option). This also

influences which levels are summarized in the low and high groups.

ordered whether the results should be ordered. See summary.likert

... other parameters passed to xtable.

See Also

xtable, print.xtable

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