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asNumericIfPossible	<i>Transform columns of a data.frame into numeric values if possible</i>
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Description

In contrast to `as.numeric`, Function transforms only "transformable" columns of a `data.frame` into numeric values (i.e. without creating NA when transformation fails. Non-transformable columns are maintained. Optionally, only a logical vector is given, indicating which columns are transformable.

Usage

```
asNumericIfPossible ( dat, set.numeric = TRUE, transform.factors = FALSE, maintain.factor.scores
```

Arguments

<code>dat</code>	A <code>data.frame</code> which columns should be transformed.
<code>set.numeric</code>	Logical: If TRUE, <code>data.frame</code> with transformed columns is returned. If FALSE, a logical vector is returned, indicating which columns are transformable.
<code>transform.factors</code>	Logical: Should columns of class factor transformed? If FALSE, columns of class factor are maintained. If TRUE, columns of class factor are attempted to transform.
<code>maintain.factor.scores</code>	Logical. Only relevant if <code>transform.factors = TRUE</code> . If TRUE, the nominal values of the factor are transformed if possible. If FALSE, the integer numbers representing the factors' nominal values are returned. See details.
<code>verbose</code>	Logical: If TRUE, informations about the class of the columns in the <code>data.frame</code> are printed to the console.

Details

In R, factors may represent ordered categories or nominal variables. Depending on the meaning of the variable, a transformation of the nominal values (of a factor variable) to numeric values may be desirable or not. The arguments `transform.factors` and `maintain.factor.scores` serve to specify if and how factor variables should be transformed. See examples.

Value

Either a logic vector, indicating which columns in the `data.frame` are transformable according to the specified conditions, ora `data.frame` in which transformable columns are transformed.

Author(s)

Sebastian Weirich

Examples

```
( dat <- data.frame( X1 = c("1",NA,"0"), X2 = c("a",NA,"b"), X3 = c(TRUE,FALSE,FALSE), X4 = as.factor(
str(dat)
asNumericIfPossible(dat)
asNumericIfPossible(dat, transform.factors=TRUE, maintain.factor.scores=FALSE)
asNumericIfPossible(dat, transform.factors=TRUE, maintain.factor.scores=TRUE)
```

collapseMissings	<i>Collapse Missings</i>
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Description

converts character missings of different types to 0 or NA

Usage

```
collapseMissings(dat, missing.rule = NULL, items)
```

Arguments

dat	data frame containing character missings (e.g. type 'mbd' - missing by design)
missing.rule	list, definition how to recode distinct missings in dataset. See details for default.
items	character vector containing column names of the data frames whose character missings are to be collapsed

Details

Default missing.rule in collapseMissings is: text volume insufficient = 0 , missing not reached = 0 , missing coding impossible = NA , missing by design = NA , missing invalid response = 0 , missing by intention = 0

The results of collapseMissings will be written to a protocol file with sunk.

Value

A data frame with recoded missings.

Author(s)

Karoline Sachse, Martin Hecht

References

For missing types see <http://code.google.com/p/zkdlb/wiki/MissingHandling>

commonItems	<i>identify common items of groups</i>
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Description

This function identifies items that groups of persons have in common.

Usage

```
commonItems ( dat , group.var , na = NA , uncommon = FALSE , simplify = TRUE )
```

Arguments

dat	data.frame
group.var	group variable in data.frame , either numeric indicator of column or column name
na	missing specification
uncommon	if TRUE a vector of uncommon items is additionally returned
simplify	if TRUE a character vector is returned (only in case of 2 groups and uncommon=FALSE)

Details

dat must only contain the group variable and the items, if further variables are in dat they are treated as items

Value

returns a list of all group.var combinations with character vectors of common item names if uncommon=TRUE a vector of uncommon (unique) items of each group is additionally returned
names of list are both group names concatenated by "|"

Author(s)

Martin Hecht

Examples

```
data(science1)
d <- science1[,c("version",science1.items)]

# common items are listed for each combination of groups
str ( commonItems ( dat = d , group.var = "version" , na = "mbd" ) )

# uncommon items are returned as well
str ( commonItems ( dat = d , group.var = "version" , na = "mbd" , uncommon = TRUE ) )
```

commonItems.percent	<i>calculate the percentage of common items of groups</i>
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Description

This function calculates the percentage of items that groups of persons have in common.

Usage

```
commonItems.percent ( dat , group.var , na = NA , xlsx = NULL )
```

Arguments

dat	data.frame
group.var	group variable in data.frame , eihter numeric indicator of column or column name
na	missing specification
xlsx	full path (directory + file name) to Excel to be written (don't forget ".xlsx" suffix)

Details

dat must only contain the group variable and the items, if further variables are in dat they are treated as items

Value

returns a data.frame with common item percentage(s)

Author(s)

Martin Hecht

Examples

```
data(science1)
d <- science1[,c("version",science1.items)]
( commonItems.percent ( dat = d , group.var = "version" , na = "mbd" ) )
```

crop	<i>crop</i>
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Description

remove trailing and leading characters from character strings

Usage

```
crop ( x , char = " " )
```

Arguments

x	character string
char	character to be removed from beginning and end of x

Author(s)

Martin Hecht, Sebastian Weirich

fill.na	<i>fill NAs in a vector</i>
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Description

fill NAs with non-NA values depending on left (forward) or right (backward) non-NA value

Usage

```
fill.na ( vec , backwards = FALSE , na.rm = FALSE )
```

Arguments

vec	a vector
backwards	if FALSE NAs are filled forward, if TRUE NAs are filled backwards
na.rm	if TRUE NAs at start and end of vector are removed

Value

a vector with filled NAs

Author(s)

Martin Hecht

Examples

```
( vec <- c ( NA , 1 , NA , NA , 2 , NA , 3 , NA ) )
fill.na ( vec )
fill.na ( vec , backwards = TRUE )
```

make.dummies	<i>dummy coded variables</i>
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Description

creates dummy coded variables using [dummy.code](#) names of dummy coded variables can be customized and added to the input data.frame

Usage

```
make.dummies ( dat , cols , colname.as.prefix = TRUE , delimiter = "." , capitalize = FALSE , no
```

Arguments

dat	data.frame
cols	colnames of variables to be dummy coded
colname.as.prefix	logical, if TRUE the original variable name is added as prefix
delimiter	logical, if TRUE (and colname.as.prefix = TRUE) variable name and "level" name are delimited by delimiter
capitalize	logical, if TRUE "levels" are capitalized
nchar	numeric, if TRUE "levels" are truncated to length nchar
add	logical, if TRUE dummy coded variables are added to dat
sort.into.dat	logical, if TRUE (and add = TRUE) dummy coded variables are added and sorted into dat
oneToColname	logical, if TRUE 1-values are set to colname of respective column, be aware that this changes the column class from numeric to character
zeroToNA	logical, if TRUE 0-values are set to NA, be aware that this changes the column class from numeric to character

Value

returns data.frame with dummy coded variables, depending on add either the original data.frame (dat) is appended with new dummy code variables or they are purely returned

Author(s)

Martin Hecht

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(science1)

science1.dum <- make.dummies ( science1 , c("sex","booklet") )
str ( science1.dum[,3:10] )

science1.dum <- make.dummies ( science1 , c("sex","booklet") , nchar = 1 )
str ( science1.dum[,3:10] )
```

```

science1.dum <- make.dummies ( science1 , c("sex","booklet") , delimiter = "_" )
str ( science1.dum[,3:10] )

science1.dum <- make.dummies ( science1 , c("sex","booklet") , delimiter = "" , capitalize = TRUE )
str ( science1.dum[,3:10] )

science1.dum <- make.dummies ( science1 , c("sex","booklet") , colname.as.prefix = FALSE )
str ( science1.dum[,3:10] )

science1.dum <- make.dummies ( science1 , c("sex","booklet") , sort.into.dat = FALSE )
str ( science1.dum[, (ncol(science1.dum)-5):ncol(science1.dum)] )

science1.dum <- make.dummies ( science1 , c("sex","booklet") , add = FALSE )
str ( science1.dum )

science1.dum <- make.dummies ( science1 , c("sex","booklet") , oneToColname = TRUE , zeroToNA = TRUE )
str ( science1.dum )

## End(Not run)

```

modus

modus

Description

calculates modus (most frequent value)

Usage

```
modus ( x , randTies = FALSE )
```

Arguments

x	a vector
randTies	if ties occur draw a randomized value out of tied values

Value

returns the modus (most frequent element)

Author(s)

Martin Hecht

Examples

```

## Not run:
x <- c ( 1 , 1 , 2 , 2 )
( modus ( x ) )
( modus ( x , randTies = TRUE ) )

x <- c ( 1 , NA , NA )
( modus ( x ) )

```



```
x <- c ( "x" , "x" , "y" )
( modus ( x ) )

## End(Not run)
```

multiseq	<i>multiple sequences</i>
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Description

creates a sequence for every unique value in a vector

Usage

```
multiseq ( v )
```

Arguments

v a vector

Value

a vector with multiple sequences

Author(s)

Martin Hecht

Examples

```
v <- c("a", "a", "a", "c", "b", "b" , "a" )
( multiseq ( v ) )
```

rmNA	<i>remove NA columns and rows from data</i>
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Description

remove columns and rows that are completely NA from data.frame or matrix

Usage

```
rmNA ( dat , remove = TRUE , verbose = FALSE )
```

Arguments

dat	data.frame or matrix
remove	if TRUE columns and rows are removed, if FALSE a list of identified columns and rows is returned
verbose	if TRUE removed columns and rows are printed on output window

Author(s)

Martin Hecht

See Also

calls [rmNA](#) and [rmNAcols](#)

Examples

```
# example matrix
( mat <- matrix( c( 1,1,1,1,1, 1,1,1,1,NA, 1,1,1,NA,NA, 1,1,NA,NA,NA, 1,NA,NA,NA,NA, NA,NA,NA,NA,NA ) , ncol=15 )

# remove row with entirely NA (row 6)
rmNArows( mat , verbose = TRUE )

# remove row with NA on column 3, 4, 5 (rows 4, 5, 6)
rmNArows( mat , c(3,4,5) , verbose = TRUE )
rmNArows( mat , c(-1,-2) , verbose = TRUE )

# tolerance=1 , 1 non-NA is permitted (rows 5 and 6)
rmNArows( mat , tolerance=1 , verbose = TRUE )

# tolerance=5 , 5 non-NA are permitted (all rows are removed)
rmNArows( mat , tolerance=5 , verbose = TRUE )

# do not cumulate / exact tolerance (row 1 is removed)
rmNArows( mat , tolerance=5 , cumulate=FALSE , verbose = TRUE )
rmNArows( mat , tolerance=5 , cumulate=FALSE , remove = FALSE )

# two subsets of columns
rmNArows( mat , cols = list( c(1, 2), c(4, 5) ) , verbose = TRUE )

# two subsets of columns with different tolerance
rmNArows( mat , cols = list( c(1), c(2, 3, 4, 5) ) , tolerance = list( 0 , 1 ) , verbose = TRUE )

# identify rows, no deletion
rmNArows( mat , cols = list( c(1), c(2, 3, 4, 5) ) , tolerance = list( 0 , 1 ) , remove = FALSE )
```

set.col.type

set type of variable in data.frame

Description

converts type of column(s) to "character" , "numeric" , "logical" , "integer" or "factor"

Usage

```
set.col.type ( dat , col.type = list ( "character" = NULL ) , verbose = FALSE , ... )
```

Arguments

<code>dat</code>	data.frame
<code>col.type</code>	named list of variable names that are to be converted. names of list is conversion type ("character" , "numeric" , "numeric.if.possible" , "logical" , "integer" or "factor")
<code>verbose</code>	if TRUE variables that have been converted are printed
<code>...</code>	arguments to be passed to asNumericIfPossible

Details

use `col.type="numeric.if.possible"` if conversion to numeric should be tested upfront, see [asNumericIfPossible](#) for details

Author(s)

Martin Hecht

Examples

```
str ( d <- data.frame ( "var1" = 1 , "var2" = TRUE , "var3" = FALSE , "var4" = as.factor ( 1 ) , "var5" = a
str ( set.col.type ( d ) )
str ( set.col.type ( d , list ( "numeric" = NULL ) ) )
str ( set.col.type ( d , list ( "character" = c ( "var1" , "var2" ) , "numeric" = "var3" , "logical" = "var
str ( set.col.type ( d , list ( "numeric.if.possible" = NULL ) ) )
str ( set.col.type ( d , list ( "numeric.if.possible" = NULL ) , transform.factors = TRUE ) )
str ( set.col.type ( d , list ( "numeric.if.possible" = NULL ) , transform.factors = TRUE , maintain.factor
```

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