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## **Description**

Aggregates datasets with constraints on missing values

#### Usage

aggregateData(dat, subunits, units, aggregatemissings = "use.default", rename = FALSE, recodedDa

# **Arguments**

dat A data frame.

subunits A data frame with subunit information. See 'Details'.

A data frame with unit information. See 'Details'.

aggregatemissings

Either the character string "use.default" or a  $n \times n$  matrix with information

on how missing values should be aggregated. See 'Details'.

rename Should units with only one subunit be renamed to their unit name? Default is

FALSE.

recodedData Logical indicating whether colnames in dataset to aggregate are the subunit

names (as in subunits\$subunit) or recoded subunit names (as in subunits\$subunitRecoded).

Default is TRUE, meaning that colnames are recoded subitem names.

#### Details

aggregateData aggregates units in data frames with special consideration of missing values. The aggregation of missing values is specified in argument aggregatemissings.

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

Examples of data frames subunits and units can be found via data(inputList).

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#### Value

A data frame with aggregated units and, if rename = TRUE, renamed subunits.

#### Warning

Missings are only correctly aggregated if their values correspond to the values given in aggregatemissings. aggregateData does not check for value types or whether codes are valid. Use of checkData and recodeData before using aggregateData is therefore strongly recommended.

#### Author(s)

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#### References

For missing types see http://code.google.com/p/zkdlib/wiki/MissingHandling

#### See Also

```
recodeData, checkData
```

#### **Examples**

```
data(inputDat)
data(inputList)

dat1 <- inputDat[[1]]  # get first dataset from inputDat
datRec <- recodeData(dat1, inputList$values, inputList$subunits)  # recode Data first
datAggr <- aggregateData(datRec, inputList$subunits, inputList$units, rename = TRUE, recodedData = TRUE)</pre>
```

 $as {\tt NumericIfPossible}$ 

Transform columns of a data frame into numeric values if possible

#### 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**

dat A data.frame which columns should be transformed.

set.numeric Logical: If TRUE, data.frame with transformed columns is returned. If FALSE, a

logical vector is returned, indicating which columns are transformable.

transform.factors

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.

maintain.factor.scores

Logical. Only relevant if transform.factors = TRUE. 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.

verbose

Logical: If TRUE, informations about the class of the columns in the data.frame 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)</pre>
```

automateConquestModel: Write all requirend Input for a single Con-Quest Run.

#### **Description**

automateConquestModel facilitates data analysis using the software ConQuest. It automatically writes ConQuest syntax, label, anchor and data files for a single model specified by several arguments in R. Moreover, a batch file is created to start the analysis. For automatically specifying and running several models in a row, see automateModels.

#### Usage

```
automateConquestModel(dat, ID, regression=NULL, DIF=NULL, group.var=NULL,
weight=NULL, items, na=list(items=NULL, DIF=NULL, HG=NULL, group=NULL,
weight=NULL), person.grouping=NULL, item.grouping=NULL, compute.fit = TRUE, model.statement="item.model="1p1", Title = NULL, jobName, jobFolder, subFolder=list(), dataName=NULL,
anchor=NULL, pathConquest, method=NULL, std.err=NULL ,distribution=NULL,
n.plausible=NULL, set.constraints=NULL, nodes=NULL, p.nodes=NULL, f.nodes=NULL,
```

n.iterations=NULL, converge=NULL, deviancechange=NULL, name.unidim=NULL, allowAllScoresEverywheequivalence.table="wle", use.letters=FALSE, checkLink=FALSE, verbose=TRUE, export = list(logfile = TRUE, systemfile = TRUE, history = TRUE, covariance = TRUE, reg\_coeffici

Arguments

dat A data frame containing all variables necessary for analysis.

ID Name or column number of the identifier (ID) variable.

regression Names or column numbers of one or more context variables (e.g., sex, school).

These variables will be used for latent regression in ConQuest.

DIF Name or column number of one grouping variable for which differential item

functioning analysis is to be done.

group.var Names or column numbers of one or more grouping variables. Descriptive

statistics for WLEs and Plausible Values will be computed separately for each

group in ConQuest.

weight Name or column number of one weighting variable.

items Names or column numbers of variables with item responses.

na A named list of numerical vectors indicating values to be considered as missing.

Specific missing codes can be defined for each type of variable.

item. grouping A named data frame indicating how items should be grouped to dimensions. The

first column contains the names of all items and must be named item. The other columns contain dimension definitions and must be named with the respective dimension names. A value of 1 indicates that an item loads on this dimension, a value of 0 indicates that the respective item does not load on this dimension.

person.grouping

A named data frame indicating which persons should be grouped. The first column contains the identifier variable and must have the same name as the respective column in dat. The other columns contain grouping definitions and must be named with the respective group names. A value of 1 indicates that a person belongs to this group, a value of 0 indicates that the respective person

does not belong to this group.

compute.fit Logical: Should fit statistics computed in ConQuest analysis?

model.statement

A character string with the model statement to use in the ConQuest syntax. If model.statement == NULL, the model statement in the ConQuest syntax is set to item by default. When a DIF variable is specified, the model statement is set to item - [name of DIF variable] + item\*[name of DIF variable] by

default.

m. model A character string specifying the IRT model used for analysis. At the time, only

"1PL" is available.

Title A character string with the analysis title for the ConQuest syntax. If Title == NULL,

informations about computer and user name and R version are used as title.

jobName A character string specifying the analysis name. All Conquest input and output

files will named jobName with their corresponding extensions.

jobFolder A character string specifying an already existing folder where all analysis files

will be written to, for example "C:/programme/analysis"

subFolder A named list of character strings specifying a maximum of two folders relative to

jobFolder for data and output files. Character strings must be named data and

out, for example subFolder=list(data="../../dataset/analysis1", out="../../output/ar

If subFolder\$data == NULL, the dataset is written to the folder specified by

jobFolder. The same is true for subFolder\$out == NULL.

dataName A character string specifying the dataset name if it is intended to be differ-

ent from the name specified by jobName. If dataName == NULL, the dataset

is named [jobName].dat

anchor A named data frame with anchor parameters. The first column contains the

names of all anchor items and must be named item. The second column contains anchor parameters. Anchor items can be a subset of the items in the dataset and

vice versa.

pathConquest A character string with path and name of the ConQuest console, for example

"c:/programme/conquest/console\_Feb2007.exe" if NULL the newest exe-

cutable in file.path(.Library,"eat/winexe/conquest") is used

method A character string indicating which method should be used for analysis. Pos-

sible options are "gauss" (default), "quadrature" and "montecarlo". See

ConQuest manual pp.225 for details on these methods.

std.err A character string specifying which type of standard error should be estimated.

Possible options are "full", "quick" (default) and "none". See ConQuest

manual pp.167 for details on standard error estimation.

distribution A character string indicating the a priori trait distribution. Possible options are

"normal" (default) and "discrete". See ConQuest manual pp.167 for details

on population distributions.

n.plausible An integer value specifying the number of plausible values to draw. The default

value is 5.

set.constraints

f.nodes

A character string specifying how the scale should be constrained. Possible options are "cases" (default), "items" and "none". When anchor parameter

are specified in anchor, constraints will be set to "none".

nodes An integer value specifying the number of nodes to be used in the analysis. The

default value is 15.

p. nodes An integer value specifying the number of nodes that are used in the approxi-

mation of the posterior distributions, which are used in the drawing of plausible values and in the calculation of EAP estimates. The default value is 2000.

values and in the calculation of EAF estimates. The default value is 2000.

An integer value specifying the number of nodes that are used in the approximation of the posterior distributions in the calculation of fit statistics. The default

value is 2000.

n.iterations An integer value specifying the maximum number of iterations for which esti-

mation will proceed without improvement in the deviance. The minimum value

permitted is 5. The default value is 20.

converge An integer value specifiying the convergence criterion for parameter estimates.

The estimation will terminate when the largest change in any parameter estimate between successive iterations of the EM algorithm is less than converge. The

default value is 0.0001.

deviancechange An integer value specifiying the convergence criterion for the deviance. The

estimation will terminate when the change in the deviance between successive iterations of the EM algorithm is less than deviancechange. The default value

is 0.0001.

name.unidim A character string with the name of one latent dimension. Alternatively, the dimension name can be specified using the argument item.grouping.

#### allowAllScoresEverywhere

Logical: Relevant only in multidimensional models for polytomous data. If FALSE, different codes are allowed to occur in both dimensions, for example one dimension is measured with dichotomous items, i.e. 0/1, and the other dimension is measured with polytomous items, i.e. 1, 2, 3, 4. If TRUE, common codes for both dimension are used, i.e. 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 for both dimensions. In unidimensional models this argument has no effect.

#### equivalence.table

A character string specifying the type of equivalence table to print. Possible options are "wle" (default), "mle" and NULL.

use.letters A logical value indicating whether item response values should be coded als

letters. This option can be used in partial credit models comprising items with more than 10 categories to avoid response columns with width 2 in ConQuest.

checkLink A logical value indicating whether the items in dataset are checked for being

connected with each other via design. If TRUE, the function checkLink is called.

verbose A logical value indicating whether messages are printed on the R console.

export A named or unnamed list or vector of logical elements indicating whether Con-

quest should create logfile, systemfile, history file, covariance file, file of regres-

sion coefficients and file of designmatrix.

#### **Details**

If the folders specified in subFolder should be parent folders to jobFolder, they can be specified using double dots ... For example, if jobFolder is "C:/programme/analysis" and subFolder is list(data="../dataset/analysis1", out="../../output/analysis1"), dataset is written to "C:/programme/dataset/analysis1" and output is written to "C:/output/analysis1".

#### Value

No results are returned to console. Input files and batch string are written to disk in specified folder(s).

#### Author(s)

Sebastian Weirich, Karoline Sachse, Martin Hecht

#### References

Wu, M.L., Adams, R.J., Wilson, M.R., & Haldane, S.A. (2007). *ACER ConQuest Version 2.0. Generalised Item Response Modeling Software*. Camberwell, Victoria: ACER Press.

## See Also

automateModels, checkLink

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
#
# if software="conquest" (currently the only and default option) the path of the
```

```
# windows executable ConQuest console must be specified by setting
# conquestParameters = list ("pathConquest"="<path_to_your_conquest.exe>")
# e.g. conquestParameters = list ("pathConquest"=""C:/ConQuest/console.exe"")
# if not explicitely specified it is searched for in
# file.path(.Library, "eat/winexe/conquest")
# e.g. "C:/R/R-2.14.2/library/eat/winexe/conquest"
# you can put your ConQuest executable there
# load example data
# (these are simulated achievement test data)
# Note: all examples corresponding to examples in help file of 'automateModels'
data ( science1 )
### Example 1: create input files for a unidimensional Rasch model with all variables in dataset 'science1
# only variables of 'science1' you want to use for analysis must be classified. In unidimensional Rasch mo
# 'id' and 'items' have to be specified
# automateConquestModel needs data with collapsed missing
science1.collapsed <- collapseMissings(science1, items = science1.items)</pre>
dir.create("C:/temp")
ex1 <- automateConquestModel ( dat = science1.collapsed, ID = "id", items = science1.items,
jobFolder = "C:/temp", jobName = "rasch_unidim")
### Example 2: create input files for a multidimensional Rasch model with DIF
# option 'item.grouping' specifies dimensions and mapping of items to dimensions
# 'item.grouping' is a data.frame with item names in first column ('item')
# and dimensions in further columns, mapping of items to dimension is
# indicated by 0 (item loads not on dimension) or 1 (item loads on dimension)
# (have a look at the example item.grouping 'science1.scales')
# since 6 dimensions are specified in 'science1.scales' input for a 6-dimensional Rasch model is run
# running this example may take some time + convergence is suboptimal. This is only for illustration.
# Note: in higher dimensional modes, number of nodes increased to 2^[number of dimensions]. If not explici
# specified by the user, automateModels automatically uses the estimator 'montecarlo', if nodes increased
# Note: As DIF variable(s) have to be numeric in Conquest, factor variables (e.g. "sex" with male/female)
# will be expressed as numeric indicator variables.
science1.collapsed <- collapseMissings(science1, items = science1.items)</pre>
dir.create("C:/temp")
ex2 <- automateConquestModel ( item.grouping = science1.scales, dat = science1.collapsed, ID = "id", items
DIF = "sex", jobFolder = "C:/temp", jobName = "rasch_multidim" )
### Example 3: create input files for a multidimensional multigroup Rasch model with latent regression
# Note: As regression and group variables have to be numeric, factor variables (e.g. "sex" with male/femal
# will be expressed as numeric indicator variables.
# Moreover, unless estimation method is not specified explicitly, automateConquestModel chooses 'montecarle
# estimation as 'gaussian quadrature' is not available due to latent regression model and 'Bock-Aitken' wo
# 11390625 nodes. Note: As 'montecarlo' needs to fix all item parameter when latent regression is applied,
# parameters estimated in example 2 are used as anchor parameters here.
# Warning: This example may take a considerable amount of time. It's only for instruction.
science1.collapsed <- collapseMissings(science1, items = science1.items)</pre>
# in Conquest, latent regressors have to be numeric
dir.create("C:/temp")
# Run example 2 to gain item parameters
ex2 <- automateConquestModel ( item.grouping = science1.scales, dat = science1.collapsed, ID = "id", items
DIF = "sex", jobFolder = "C:/temp", jobName = "rasch_multidim" )
setwd("C:/temp")
system ( "rasch_multidim.bat" , wait = TRUE , show.output.on.console = FALSE , invisible = FALSE )
### get ANCHOR parametern
```

```
prm <- get.shw("rasch_multidim.shw")[[1]][,2:3]
ex3 <- automateConquestModel ( item.grouping = science1.scales, dat = science1.collapsed, ID = "id", items
anchor = prm, group = "track", regression = "grade", jobFolder = "C:/temp", jobName = "rasch_multidim_reg"
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

automateDataPreparation

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## **Description**

prepare datasets for automateModels

## Usage

```
automateDataPreparation( datList = NULL, inputList, path = NULL, loadSav,
checkData, mergeData, recodeData,aggregateData, scoreData, writeSpss,
filedat = "zkddata.txt", filesps = "readZkdData.sps",
aggregatemissings = "use.default", rename = TRUE, recodedData = TRUE,
correctDigits=FALSE, truncateSpaceChar = TRUE, newID = NULL, oldIDs = NULL,
missing.rule = list(mvi=0, mnr=0, mci=0, mbd=NA, mir=0, mbi=0))
```

## **Arguments**

| datList           | A list of data frames if no .sav files shall be read in.   |  |
|-------------------|--|--|
| inputList         | A list of data frames containing additional information (see Details).   |  |
| path              | A character string containing the path where the logfolder will be created. Also required by loadSav (source of SPSS files) and writeSpss. Default is the current R working directory. |  |
| loadSav           | logical (whether function loadSav shall be called).  |  |
| checkData         | logical (whether function checkData shall be called).  |  |
| mergeData         | logical (whether function mergeData shall be called).  |  |
| recodeData        | logical (whether function recodeData shall be called for subunits).  |  |
| aggregateData     | logical (whether function aggregateData shall be called).  |  |
| scoreData         | logical (whether function recodeData shall be called for units).   |  |
| writeSpss         | logical (whether function writeSpss shall be called).  |  |
| filedat           | A character string with the name of the output data file required by writeSpss.  |  |
| filesps           | A character string with the name of the output syntax file required by writeSpss.  |  |
| missing.rule      | A list containing recode information for character missings required by writeSpss. See 'References' for description of default values.   |  |
| aggregatemissings |  |  |
|                   | A character string. Either "use.default" or "seeInputList", if pattern was specified in inputList\$aggrMiss.   |  |
| rename            | logical. See aggregateData.  |  |
| recodedData       | logical. See aggregateData.  |  |
| correctDigits     | logical. See loadSav.  |  |

truncateSpaceChar

logical. See loadSav.

newID A character string containing the case IDs name in the final data frame. Default

is "ID" or a character string specified in inputList sheet 6 (see readDaemonXlsx).

oldIDs A vector of character strings containing the IDs names in the original datasets.

Default is as specified in inputList\$savFiles.

#### **Details**

inputList is a list of data frames. It can be created either by ZKDaemon via readDaemonXlsx or by makeInputLists. Compulsory: units, subunits, values. Optional: unitRecodings, savFiles, newID, aggregateMissings.

#### Value

A single data frame in last transformation status.

#### Author(s)

Karoline Sachse

#### References

http://code.google.com/p/zkdlib/wiki/MissingHandling

#### **Examples**

automateModels

automateModels

#### **Description**

specify and run several ConQuest models

#### **Usage**

```
automateModels(dat, id = NULL, context.vars = NULL, items = NULL,
item.grouping = NULL, select.item.group = NULL, person.grouping.vars = NULL,
person.grouping.vars.include.all = FALSE, person.grouping = NULL,
select.person.group = NULL, checkLink = FALSE, additional.item.props = NULL, folder,
overwrite.folder = TRUE, analyse.name.prefix = NULL, analyse.name = NULL,
analyse.name.elements = NULL, data.name = NULL, m.model = NULL, software = NULL,
dif = NULL, weight = NULL, anchor = NULL, regression = NULL, adjust.for.regression = TRUE,
q3 = FALSE, q3.p.est = c ( "wle" , "pv" , "eap" ), icc = FALSE, missing.rule = NULL, cross = NUL
subfolder.order = NULL, subfolder.mode = NULL, allNAdelete = TRUE, additionalSubFolder = NULL,
```

```
run.mode = NULL, n.batches = NULL, run.timeout = 1440, run.status.refresh = 0.2,
cores = NULL, email = NULL, smtpServer = NULL, write.txt.dataset = FALSE,
write.xls.results = TRUE,
delete.folder.countdown = 5, conquestParameters = NULL )
```

#### **Arguments**

data.frame containing all variables type of variables ("id", "context.vars" or

"items") must be set using options id, context.vars, items

id name or column number of 'id' variable in dat

context.vars names or column numbers of 'context' variables (e.g. sex, school, ...) in dat

items names or column numbers of 'item' variables in dat if omitted, all variables that

are not classified as 'id' or 'context' variables are treated as 'items'

item.grouping data.frame with grouping information of items, first column must be 'item'

which includes item names, further columns contain scale definitions, 0 indicates that the respective item is NOT part of the scale, 1 indicates that this item

is part of the scale, colnames of columns are the names of the scales

select.item.group

character vector of scale names chosen for analysis

person.grouping.vars

character vector of 'context' variables in dataset which are used to automatically generate 'person.grouping', each category is transformed into the 'person.grouping' format

person.grouping.vars.include.all

logical vector (along person.grouping.vars), indicates whether to generate a variable 'all' for the specific variable

person.grouping

data.frame with grouping information of persons, first column must be the name of 'id' (e.g. idstud), further columns contain group definitions, 0 indicates that the respective person is NOT part of the group, 1 indicates that this person is part of the group, colnames of columns are the names of the groups

select.person.group

character vector of group names chosen for analysis

checkLink logical: If TRUE, items in dataset are checked for being connected with each other

via design (function checkLink is called) 23.02.2012: not yet implemented

additional.item.props

data.frame of additional item information to be merged to model results, first column must be 'item' and contain item names

folder folder to write output into

overwrite.folder

logical, if TRUE (default), folder is completely emptied

analyse.name.prefix

prefix (e.g. "pilotStudy") to be attached to all analyses names

analyse.name analyses names are usually automatically set, if you want to set them manually

use this option

analyse.name.elements

analyses names are set automatically using these elements: c ( "scale" , "group" , "dif" , "regression" , "anchor" ), use this option to change composition and order of the analyses names generation

data.name optional: character string specifying name of dataset if intend to differ from

name specified by jobName. When dataName == NULL, dataset is named [job-

Name].dat

m.model measurement model, "1pl" (default), "2pl", "3pl", "4pl" software "conquest" (default) no other software implemented yet variable that is used for differential item functioning

weight case weight variable

anchor data.frame with anchor information

regression variable(s) that is/are used

adjust.for.regression

center plausible values and items on grand mean

q3 Logical: If TRUE, Yen's Q3 statistic is computed.

q3.p.est person estimates that are used in q3 calculation, default: wle

icc Logical: If TRUE, pdfs of item icc are generated.
missing.rule definition how to recode distinct missings in dataset

cross scales in 'item.grouping' and groups in 'person.grouping' can be crossed to de-

fine distinct analyses "all": scales and groups are crossed "item.groups", scales are separately (unidimensional) run (instead of one multidimensional model) "person.groups", person groups are separately (single group) run (instead of one

multigroup model)

subfolder.order

subfolders are automatically generated in this order c ("i.model", "p.model",

"m.model", "software", "dif", "regression", "anchor")

subfolder.mode "none": no subfolders are created "full": complete subfolders are created ac-

cording to 'subfolder.order' "intelligent" (default): meaningful subfolders are

created

allNAdelete if TRUE all cases with complete missings on items are removed, if FALSE these

cases are not deleted Note: this is a global option, that is set for all modelss

additionalSubFolder

specification for 'data' and 'out' subfolder (constant over all analyses)

run.mode "serial": serial runs on local machine. see option 'cores' to specify number of

parallel runs "parallel": batch files must be started manually (e.g. on several

machines). see option 'n.batches' to specify number batch files

n.batches if run.mode="parallel", number of batch files that are created, batch files contain

one or more analyses

run.timeout minutes to wait for analyses to finish, default: 1440 (24h)

run.status.refresh

time for console refresh of model run status, default: 0.2 (12sec)

cores if run.mode="serial" and multiple analyses are run, number of cores to use. if

cores=NULL (default) all cores are used if number of cores specified is greater

than number of actual cores, number of actual cores is used

email set email address to receive an email when analyses are finished or time's up

smtpServer smtpServer for sending emails, default: "mailhost.cms.hu-berlin.de"

write.txt.dataset

write out datasets as ascii, default: FALSE

```
write.xls.results

if TRUE (default) results are written to Excel files

delete.folder.countdown

countdown for deletion of 'folder', default: 5 (seconds)

conquestParameters

Set ConQuest parameters as a named list.

Available option are:

"na", "compute.fit", "model.statement", "pathConquest", "method", "std.err",

"distribution", "n.plausible", "set.constraints", "nodes", "p.nodes", "f.nodes",

"n.iterations", "converge", "deviancechange", "equivalence.table", "use.letters",

"checkLink", "export"
```

See automateConquestModel documentation for details.

#### **Details**

To run several models list parameters as corresponding lists Explicitly list NULL if parameter should not be set or be defaulted See examples

#### Value

returns results in specific format

## Author(s)

Martin Hecht, Karoline Sachse, Sebastian Weirich, Christiane Penk, Malte Jansen, Sebastian Wurster

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
# 'folder' must be specified, WARNING: this folder is deleted by automateModels!!!
# if software="conquest" (currently the only and default option) the path of the
# windows executable ConQuest console must be specified by setting
# conquestParameters = list ("pathConquest"="<path_to_your_conquest.exe>")
# e.g. conquestParameters = list ("pathConquest"=""C:/ConQuest/console.exe"")
# if not explicitely specified it is searched for in
# file.path(.Library,"eat/winexe/conquest")
# e.g. "C:/R/R-2.14.2/library/eat/winexe/conquest"
# you can put your ConQuest executable there
# load example data
# (these are simulated achievement test data)
data ( science1 )
### Example 1: running a unidimensional Rasch model with all variables in dataset 'science1'
# all variables in 'science1' must be classified as either 'id', 'context.vars' or 'items'
# 'items' may be omitted, then it is defaulted to variables that are not 'id' or 'context.vars'
ex1 <- automateModels ( dat = science1, id = "id", context.vars = science1.context.vars,
folder = "C:/temp/automateModels/Example1" )
# item and person parameters can be obtained using \link{get.item.par} and \link{get.person.par}
item.par <- get.item.par ( ex1 )</pre>
person.par <- get.person.par ( ex1 )</pre>
### Example 2: running a multidimensional Rasch model
```

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```
# option 'item.grouping' specifies dimensions and mapping of items to dimensions
# 'item.grouping' is a data.frame with item names in first column ('item')
# and dimensions in further columns, mapping of items to dimension is
# indicated by 0 (item loads not on dimension) or 1 (item loads on dimension)
# (have a look at the example item.grouping 'science1.scales')
# since 6 dimensions are specified in 'science1.scales' a 6-dimensional Rasch model is run
# this example runs some time + convergence is suboptimal
ex2 <- automateModels ( item.grouping = science1.scales, dat = science1, id = "id",
context.vars = science1.context.vars, folder = "C:/temp/automateModels/Example2" )
### Example 3: running several unidimensional Rasch models in a row
# we use item.grouping = 'science1.scales' with 6 dimensions
# instead of running one 6-dimensional model we will run 6 unidimensional models
# by specifying cross = "item.groups"
ex3 <- automateModels ( cross = "item.groups", item.grouping = science1.scales, dat = science1,
id = "id", context.vars = science1.context.vars,
folder = "C:/temp/automateModels/Example3" )
### Example 4: running 15 2-dimensional models (every scale combined with every other)
# Option 'select.item.group' is used to specify various combinations of dimensions
# it is a list of 15 character vectors that incorporate scale names (from 'item.grouping' data)
ex4 <- automateModels ( select.item.group =</pre>
 list ( c("BioKno", "BioPro"), c("BioKno", "CheKno"), c("BioKno", "ChePro"),
 c("BioKno", "PhyKno"),c("BioKno", "PhyPro"),c("BioPro", "CheKno"),c("BioPro", "ChePro"),
 c("BioPro", "PhyKno"), c("BioPro", "PhyPro"), c("CheKno", "ChePro"), c("CheKno", "PhyKno"),
 c("CheKno","PhyPro"),c("ChePro","PhyKno"),c("ChePro","PhyPro"),c("PhyKno","PhyPro")),
 item.grouping = science1.scales, dat = science1,
 id = "id", context.vars = science1.context.vars,
folder = "C:/temp/automateModels/Example4" )
### Example 5: running Rasch models for several person subgroups
# we specify person.grouping.vars = "grade" to run seperate analysis for every value of grade (9/10)
# to include the complete analysis (all grades) 'person.grouping.vars.include.all' is set to TRUE
# to trigger separate person subgroup analyses 'cross' must be set to "person.groups"
# with this specification 3 models are run: all grades (9 and 10), grade 9, grade 10
ex5 <- automateModels ( person.grouping.vars = "grade",</pre>
person.grouping.vars.include.all = TRUE,
cross = "person.groups",
dat = science1, id = "id", context.vars = science1.context.vars,
folder = "C:/temp/automateModels/Example5" )
### Example 6: running Rasch models for several person subgroups and scales
# cross = "all" triggers unidimensional models with the combination of scales and person subgroups
# in this example every scale is run with grade 9 and with grade 10 separately (=12 models)
ex6 <- automateModels ( person.grouping.vars = "grade",</pre>
 item.grouping = science1.scales,
 cross = "all",
 dat = science1, id = "id", context.vars = science1.context.vars,
 folder = "C:/temp/automateModels/Example6" )
## End(Not run)
```

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#### **Description**

Links results from several analysis. Each analysis is linked with each other.

#### Usage

```
bi.linking ( results , folder=NULL , file.name=NULL , method = NULL , lower.triangle = TRUE , so
```

#### **Arguments**

results result list from automateModels run folder output folder, will be emptied!

file.name for output excel, default: "bi.linking.results.xlsx"

method set linking method to either "Mean-Mean", "Haebara" or "Stocking-Lord" (de-

fault)

lower.triangle set reference groups for the linking

scales Character vector of scales for which linking should separately done. If NULL,

all analysis in the results list are linked. Note: due to suboptimalities in development process, analysis name must contain 'scale'! use this option with care!!

#### Value

writes linking results to excel file. returns linking results as list.

#### Author(s)

Martin Hecht

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
# 'folder' must be specified, WARNING: this folder is deleted by automateModels!!!
# load example data
# this is the results structure returned from running Example 5 of \link{automateModels}
# see there for details of analyses
data ( ex5 )
# ex5 contains the results of 3 analyses:
names(ex5)
# [1] "all.i__grade.10" "all.i__grade.9"
                                            "all.i__grade.all"
# each pair of these 3 analyses are linked together by bi.linking
# if not run together, you can easily combine analyses from seperate \link{automateModels} runs by calling
# in this case make sure that analysis names are unique
# start linking, results are written to folder and are returned
ex5_linked <- bi.linking ( ex5 , folder = "C:/temp/automateModels/Example5/Linking" , file.name = "ex5_linking" ,
# if you want to link analyses for which no \code{automateModels} results structure is available
# you can use \link{make.link.dummy} to create a structure similar to \code{automateModels} results structure
# this can be used as input for \code{bi.linking}
```

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```
# e.g. let's add an additional analysis for which only item difficulty and standard errors are available
# this information must be in a data.frame, see \link{make.link.dummy} for details
dfr <- data.frame (</pre>
"item" = c ( "BioKno01" , "CheKno02" , "PhyKno03" ) ,
"b" = c (-3.14)
                       , -2.24
                                     , -3.42
"b.se" = c ( 0.612
                        , 0.453
                                      , 0.783
# create a results object
add <- make.link.dummy ( dfr , "additional" )</pre>
# add this object to Example 5
ex5add <- c (add, ex5)
# start the linking procedure with the additional analysis
ex5add_linked <- bi.linking ( ex5add , folder = "C:/temp/automateModels/Example5/Linking2" , file.name = "c
## End(Not run)
```

cat.pbc

Calculate Item Discrimination for Each Category of Categorical Variables

# Description

cat.pbc calculates discrimination statistics for the categories of categorical variables. This information can be useful in determining which categories of an item are influencing the overall fit and discrimination and/or to find mistakes in recoding.

## Usage

```
cat.pbc(datRaw, datRec, idRaw, idRec, context.vars, values, subunits, xlsx = NULL)
```

# **Arguments**

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| datRaw       | A merged unrecoded dataset   |
|--------------|--|
| datRec       | The same dataset as in datRaw, in recoded form   |
| idRaw        | Name or column number of the identifier (ID) variable in unrecoded dataset   |
| idRec        | Name or column number of the identifier (ID) variable in recoded dataset   |
| context.vars | Names or column numbers of one or more context variables (e.g., sex, school). cat.pbc will ignore these variables. |
| values       | Data frame with information about values, see inputList for details.   |
| subunits     | Data frame with information about subunits, see inputList for details.   |
| xlsx         | full path of excel to be written   |

# **Details**

The column names of datRaw and datRec must be consistent with the names provided by the columns subunit and subunitRecoded in data.frame subunits. Otherwise, cat.pbc will fail.

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#### Value

A data frame with the discrimination values for each category of categorical variables. The data frame contains the following columns:

item Name of unrecoded item

cat Name of category

n Number of responses for this item freq Absolute frequency of the category freq.rel Relative frequency of the category

cat.pbc Discrimination value for the category (correlation with total score)

recodevalue Recode value for the category

subunitType Type of subunit, see inputList for details

#### Author(s)

Nicole Haag

# **Examples**

checkData

Check Datasets for Missing Values and Invalid Codes

# **Description**

Check data frames for missing or duplicated entries in the ID variable, persons and/or variables without valid codes, and invalid codes. Invalid codes are codes which are not specified in table values.

## Usage

```
checkData (dat, values, subunits, units)
```

## **Arguments**

dat A data frame

values A data frame with code information. See 'Details'.
subunits A data frame with subunit information. See 'Details'.
units A data frame with unit information. See 'Details'.

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#### **Details**

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

Examples of data frames values, subunits and units can be found via data(inputList).

## Value

Used for its side effects. The return value is NULL.

## Author(s)

Nicole Haag, Anna Lenski

## References

For missing types see http://code.google.com/p/zkdlib/wiki/MissingHandling

#### See Also

sunk

| checkDesign | Check Datasets for test design deviations |
|-------------|---|
|-------------|---|

# Description

Check data frames according to test design for valid codes instead of expected sysMis and for sysMis instead of valid codes.

## Usage

```
checkDesign (dat, booklets, blocks, rotation, sysMis="NA", id="idstud")
```

## **Arguments**

| dat      | A data frame   |
|----------|--|
| booklets | A data frame with booklet information. See 'Details'.  |
| blocks   | A data frame with block information. See 'Details'.    |
| rotation | A data frame with rotation information. See 'Details'. |
| sysMis   | sysMis identifier as character. Default is "NA".       |
| id       | Case-id identifier as character. Default is "idstud".  |

#### **Details**

tbd

# Author(s)

Karoline Sachse

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| checkInput | Check Input Data Frames |  |
|------------|-------------------------|--|
|            |                         |  |

# Description

Check input data frames for consistency and replace missing information with default values (if necessary).

#### Usage

```
checkInput(values, subunits, units, checkValues = TRUE, checkUnits = TRUE)
```

## **Arguments**

| values      | A data frame with code information. See 'Details'    |
|-------------|--|
| subunits    | A data frame with subunit information. See 'Details' |
| units       | A data frame with unit information. See 'Details'.   |
| checkValues | Logical: Should data frame values be checked?        |
| checkUnits  | Logical: Should data frame units be checked?         |

## **Details**

This function is largely for internal use and is called by makeInputLists before lists are generated. Examples of data frames values, subunits and units can be found via data(inputList).

# Value

A list containing the checked and (if necessary) defaulted input data frames:

values Checked data frame with code information. Will be returned if checkValues = TRUE.

subunits A data frame with subunit information.

units A data frame with unit information. Will be returned if checkUnits = TRUE.

## Warning

Function will not check input data frames if checkValues and checkUnits are both FALSE.

## Author(s)

Nicole Haag

#### See Also

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## **Description**

checks whether items in a dataset are linked via design

#### Usage

```
checkLink ( dat, na = NA, verbose = TRUE)
```

#### **Arguments**

dat A data.frame where all columns denote test items

character string specifying values to be treat as missing by design na

verbose logical: Should output printed to console?

#### Value

A logical value, i.e. TRUE or FALSE, indicating whether items in dataset are linked to each other.

#### Author(s)

Sebastian Weirich

collapseMissings Collapse Missings

## **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) list, definition how to recode distinct missings in dataset. See details for default. missing.rule character vector containing column names of the data frames whose character items

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.

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#### Value

A data frame with recoded missings.

#### Author(s)

Karoline Sachse, Martin Hecht

#### References

For missing types see http://code.google.com/p/zkdlib/wiki/MissingHandling

#### **Examples**

```
data(inputDat)
dat1 <- inputDat[[1]] # get first dataset from inputDat
datColMis <- collapseMissings(dat = dat1,
missing.rule = list(mvi = 0 ,mnr = 0 ,mci = 0 ,mbd = NA ,mir = 0 ,mbi = 0),
items=colnames(dat1)[- c(1:2)])</pre>
```

commonItems

identify common items of groups

#### **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 , eihter 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 uncom-

mon=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 "I"

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#### 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 ) )</pre>
```

commonItems.percent

calculate the percentage of common items of groups

## **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" ) )</pre>
```

compareModels

compare ConQuest models

#### **Description**

retrieves model information ( sample size, deviance, number of parameters ) and calculates AIC and BIC; if more than 1 model is specified models are compared ( AIC difference, BIC difference, Chi square prob. )

## Usage

```
compareModels ( path , xlsx = NULL )
```

# **Arguments**

path either 1 of 4 inputs: [1] full path (directory + file name) of a ConQuest shw file

[2] a list of ConQuest shw files (full paths) [3] a character vector of ConQuest shw files (full paths) [4] a folder in which it will be searched for ConQuest shw

files

xlsx full path (directory + file name) to Excel to be written (don't forget ".xlsx" suffix)

#### Value

returns a list of 2 data.frames: the first called 'models' contains model information; the second called 'model.comparison' contains information of model comparison

#### Author(s)

Martin Hecht

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
# just run any example of \link{automateModels}
# then:
# compareModels ( <folder> )
# e.g. compareModels ( "C:/temp/automateModels/Example3" )
## End(Not run)
```

```
{\tt ConQuest.Log.Example1.log.bz2}
```

Example Log File from ConQuest

#### **Description**

This is a text file with the log from a ConQuest analysis It can be accessed via bzfile ( file.path( .Library , "eat/extdata/ConQuest.Log.Example1.log.bz2" ) )

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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

detect.suppression detect suppression effects in regression models

# Description

This function detects suppression effects in regression models.

# Usage

```
detect.suppression ( dat , dependent , independent , full.return = FALSE , xlsx.path = NULL )
```

# Arguments

data.frame with data to be used

dependent dependent variable in regression model

independent character vector of independent variables in regression model

full.return if FALSE a data.frame as a quadratic matrix with suppression effects (TRUE/FALSE)

of independent variables is returned

if TRUE a data.frame with all calculated terms ist returned

xlsx.path full path of Excel file that results should be written to

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#### **Details**

formulae (13.39a) and (13.39b) decribed in Bortz (1999) page 446 are used

if full.return=TRUE a data.frame is returned.

Columns are:

rownames: <dependent variable> ~ <independent variables> | <independent variable that is tested for suppression>

multiple.reg: logical, indicates wether there are 2 (FALSE) or more than 2 (TRUE) independent variables in the regression model

dep: dependent variabel in regression model

pred: independent variable that is investigated on suppression effect

preds: independent variables in regression model besides pred

cor\_pred\_c: correlation of pred and dependent variable

cor\_pred\_fitted\_c: correlation of predicted pred by indepenent variables and dependent variable

r.sq\_pred: R squared from model predicting pred by independent variables

rterm.minus: right term in formula (13.39a)

rterm.plus: right termn in formula (13.39b)

rterm.minus.diff: difference of rterm.minus and cor\_pred\_c

rterm.plus.diff: difference of cor\_pred\_c and rterm.plus

(positive difference of rterm.minus.diff or rterm.plus.diff indicates suppression effect)

rterm.minus.log: logical value of formula (13.39a) rterm.plus.log: logical value of formula (13.39b)

suppression: logical, rterm.minus.log|rterm.plus.log

if full.return=FALSE a data.frame as quadratic matrix is returned:

rows and columns are independent variables

diagonal includes suppression for suppression effect of variable in multiple regression

triangles include suppression for bivariate independent variables, "row" suppresses "column"

## Value

depends on options full.return

#### Author(s)

Martin Hecht

#### References

for formulae used by detect.suppression see

Bortz, J. (1999). Statistik fuer Sozialwissenschaftler. 5. Auflage. Berlin: Springer. p. 446

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dichotomize a numeric vector

#### **Description**

dichotomize a numeric vector by median or mean split

## Usage

```
dichotomize ( numvec , method = c("median", "mean") , randomize = TRUE , ... )
```

## **Arguments**

numvec numeric vector

method either median or mean split

randomize logical, if TRUE elements that equal the split threshold are randomly assigned to

one of the two groups if FALSE default behavior of cut is used

... arguments are passed to set.seed and cut

dichotomize ( numvec , labels = c ( "low" , "high") )

#### Value

returns vector with dichotomization indicators

#### Author(s)

Martin Hecht

## **Examples**

```
numvec <- c(1,2,3,4,5)
dichotomize ( numvec )

# set seed for random assignment of elements that match split threshold by passing argument 'seed' to funce
# ( '3' in numvec is on threshold if median is used )
dichotomize ( numvec , seed = 12345 )

# set level names by passing argument 'labels' to cut function</pre>
```

equating.rasch

Align Item Parameters from Separate Analyses

## **Description**

This function can be used to align two sets of item parameters from two different Rasch analyses (e.g., two populations of examinees of differing abilities) so that they are on the same scale. The item parameters of one group are transformed to the scale of the other group by adding a constant.

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#### **Usage**

equating.rasch(x, y, theta = seq(-4, 4, len=100), method = c("Mean-Mean", "Haebara", "Stocking-method = <math>c("Mean-Mean", "Haebara", "Stocking-method = c("Mean-Mean", "Haebara", "Stocking-method = <math>c("Mean-Mean", "Haebara", "Stocking-method = c("Mean-Mean", "Haebara", "Haebara", "Stocking-method = c("Mean-Mean", "Haebara", "Ha

#### **Arguments**

A data.frame with item names and parameters for group 1. This is the group which will be linked to the scale of group 2. The data.frame has to follow the structure: First column contains item names for the focal group, second column contains item parameters, and, if compute.dif = TRUE, third column contains the standard errors of the item parameters.

the standard errors of the item parameters.

y A data frame with item names and parameters for group 2. This is the group

for which the scale is defined. The data.frame has to follow the structure: First column contains item names for the focal group, second column contains item parameters, and, if compute.dif = TRUE, third column contains the standard

errors of the item parameters.

theta theta values where the test characteristic curves are evaluated

method Method for determining the linking constant, either Mean-Mean, Haebara or

codeStocking-Lord

compute.dif Logical: Whether differential item functioning in the two groups should be ex-

amined.

#### **Details**

equating.rasch provides three methods to determine this constant: Mean-Mean the difference of the item parameter means of both samples are obtained. Haebara additionally takes the difference between item characteristic curves into account. Stocking-Lord additionally takes the test characteristic functions in account, thus minimizing differences in expected scores rather than observed scores or parameters. In most practical applications, the three linking constants should be fairly similar.

When compute .dif = TRUE, differential item functioning (DIF) in anchor items is examined. This can be useful to examine items with large shifts, which can be subsequently excluded from the linking procedure. DIF is computed according to the formula in Lord (1980). Additionally, the magnitude of DIF is categorized as small, moderate or large according to criteria established by the Educational Testing Service (ETS): category A (small DIF) if |DIF| < 0.43 or not significantly > 0, category B (moderate DIF) if |0.43| < |DIF| < 0.64 and |DIF| significantly > 0, and category C (large DIF) if |DIF| > 0.64 and significantly > 0.43.

## Value

A list with the following components:

B. est Linking constants determined by all three methods

descriptives A list with the number of items used for linking, linking variance and standard

deviation, and the linking error

anchor A data frame with all item parameters used for linking from both samples and

the transformed parameters for group 1. If compute.dif = TRUE, additional

statistics for DIF are also included.

transf.par A data.frame with all item parameters from both samples and the transformed

parameters for group 1.

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#### Author(s)

Alexander Robitzsch

#### References

Kolen, M. J. & Brennan, R. L. (2004). *Test equating, scaling, and linking: Methods and practices*. New York: Springer. Yen, W. M., & Fitzpatrick, A. R. (2006). *Item response theory*. In R. L. Brennan (Ed.), Educational Measurement (4th ed., pp. 111-153). Westport, CT: American Council on Education.

## See Also

bi.linking

ex5

Example 5 results

## **Description**

R object created by running Example 5 of automateModels

## Usage

data(ex5)

#### **Format**

complex list structure

exploreDesign

explore data design

# Description

explore data structure with respect to specific missing code (e.g. "missing by design")

# Usage

```
exploreDesign ( dat , na = NA , id = NULL , itemsPerPerson = TRUE , personsPerItem = TRUE )
```

# Arguments

dat data.frame

na missing specification id variable in dat if exists

itemsPerPerson logical, if TRUE items per person list is returned personsPerItem logical, if TRUE persons per item list is returned

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#### Value

depends on itemsPerPerson and personsPerItem , if both are TRUE a list with both elements is returned

#### Author(s)

Martin Hecht

## **Examples**

```
data(science1)
d <- science1[,!colnames(science1) %in% science1.context.vars]
design <- exploreDesign ( dat = d , na = "mbd" , id = "id" )
str(design)</pre>
```

fill.na

fill NAs in a vector

## **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

 $\operatorname{\mathsf{na.rm}}$  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 )
```

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Read ConQuest 'descriptives' Output Files.

#### **Description**

Reads ConQuest files with descriptive statistics for the estimated latent variables generated by the 'descriptives' statement.

## Usage

get.dsc(file)

#### **Arguments**

file

Character string with the name of the ConQuest descriptives file.

#### Value

A named list of n elements with n being the number of groups for which descriptive statistics were computed. The names of the list are the group names. Each list contains the following elements:

single.values A data frame containing the group name, dimension names, the number of obser-

vations, mean, standard deviation and variance for each of the latent dimensions. If the file contains descriptive statistics for plausible values, the number of rows

in the data frame corresponds to the number of plausible values.

aggregates A data frame containing the group name, dimension names and aggregated

statistics for the mean, standard deviation and variance for each of the latent

dimensions as well as (in a separate row) their standard errors.

# Author(s)

Sebastian Weirich

#### References

See pp.162 of Wu, M.L., Adams, R.J., Wilson, M.R., & Haldane, S.A. (2007). *ACER ConQuest Version 2.0. Generalised Item Response Modeling Software*. Camberwell, Victoria: ACER Press.

get.equ

Reads equivalence table created in Conquest analysis.

#### **Description**

Reads Conquest files comprising equivalence tables for MLE or WLE parameters.

## Usage

```
get.equ(file)
```

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#### **Arguments**

file

Character string of the Conquest equ-file.

## Value

A list of n+1 elements, with n the number of dimensions in the analysis. Each element is a data.frame, whose name correponds to the name of the dimension the values belongs to. All data.frames except the last one give the transformation of each possible raw score to the WLE or MLE score including it's standard error. First column in each data.frame contains the raw score, second column the transformed WLE or MLE score, third columns it's standard error.

The last element of the list give some sparse information about the model specifications.

#### References

See Conquest manual, pp.162.

get.history

Reads Conquest history files.

## **Description**

Reads Conquest history file comprising parameter estimates of each iteration.

## Usage

```
get.history(file, shw.object)
```

# **Arguments**

file Character string of the Conquest history file.

shw.object Optional: R-Object created by get.shw(). Necessary to label the columns of

the history file.

#### Value

A data frame according to the corresponding Conquest history file. First column comprises the iteration number, second column the deviance of the corresponding iteration. Estimates of model parameters are listed in further columns.

## Author(s)

Sebastian Weirich

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get item parameters

# Description

obtain item parameters from automateModels results

## Usage

```
get.item.par ( results )
```

# Arguments

results

return object from automateModels

## Value

returns a data.frame with item parameters from automateModels run:

## Author(s)

Martin Hecht

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
# example results structure from \code{automateModels}
data ( ex5 )
#
( item.par <- get.item.par ( ex5 ) )
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

get.itn

Read ConQuest 'itanal' Output Files

# Description

Reads ConQuest files comprising item analyses generated by the 'itanal' statement.

# Usage

```
get.itn(file)
```

## **Arguments**

file

Character string with the name of the ConQuest item analysis file.

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#### Value

A data frame with one row per item response category containing the following columns:

| item.nr   | Number of the item in the analysis   |
|-----------|--|
| item.name | Name of the item   |
| Label     | Response category label  |
| Score     | Score of this response category  |
| n.valid   | Total number of students who responded to this item  |
| Abs.Freq  | Number of students who gave this response  |
| Rel.Freq  | Number of students who gave this response as a percentage of the total number of respondents to the item   |
| р         | Percentage of students who answered this item correctly  |
| pt.bis    | Point-biserial for this response   |
| t.value   | T-Value of the significance test whether the point-biserial correlation is different from $\boldsymbol{0}$ |
| p.value   | p-Value of the significance test whether the point-biserial correlation is different from $\boldsymbol{0}$ |
| PV1.Avg.1 | Mean ability of students who gave this response (based on plausible values)                                |
| PV1.SD.1  | Standard deviation of ability of students who gave this response (based on plausible values)               |
| pbc       | Item discrimination  |
| threshold | Item threshold   |
| delta     | Item delta   |

If the model is multidimensional, the mean and standard deviation of the ability of students who gave the respective response will be shown for each dimension.

# Author(s)

Sebastian Weirich

## References

See pp.193 of Wu, M.L., Adams, R.J., Wilson, M.R., & Haldane, S.A. (2007). *ACER ConQuest Version 2.0. Generalised Item Response Modeling Software*. Camberwell, Victoria: ACER Press.

| get.latent.corr | get latent correlations, covariance and variances |  |
|-----------------|---|--|
|                 |   |  |

# Description

retrieve latent correlations, covariance and variances from ConQuest shw files

## Usage

```
{\tt get.latent.corr}~(~{\tt path}~,~{\tt xlsx}~=~{\tt NULL}~,~{\tt covariance}~=~{\tt TRUE}~,~{\tt variance}~=~{\tt TRUE}~,~{\tt sort}~=~{\tt TRUE}~)
```

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#### **Arguments**

path either 1 of 4 inputs: [1] full path (directory + file name) of a ConQuest shw file

[2] a list of ConQuest shw files (full paths) [3] a character vector of ConQuest shw files (full paths) [4] a folder in which it will be searched for ConQuest shw

files

x1sx full path (directory + file name) to Excel to be written (don't forget ".xlsx" suffix)

covariance logical: should covariance(s) be extracted (default: TRUE) variance logical: should variance(s) be extracted (default: TRUE)

sort logical: if TRUE (default) the latent correlation matrix ist sorted as in the anal-

ysis with most dimensions; if FALSE the latent correlation matrix ist not sorted, instead the order is determined by the order of dimensions in the analyses (first

to last)

#### Value

returns a data.frame with correlations, covariance and variances of ConQuest analysis/analyses

# Author(s)

Martin Hecht

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
# just run any example of \link{automateModels}
# then:
# get.latent.corr ( <folder> )
# e.g. get.latent.corr ( "C:/temp/automateModels/Example1" )
## End(Not run)
```

get.person.par

get person parameters

## **Description**

obtain person parameters from automateModels results

# Usage

```
get.person.par ( results )
```

#### **Arguments**

results return object from automateModels

#### Value

returns a data.frame with person parameters from automateModels run:

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#### Author(s)

Martin Hecht

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
# example results structure from \code{automateModels}
data ( ex5 )
#
( person.par <- get.person.par ( ex5 ) )
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

get.plausible

Read ConQuest Plausible Values Output Files

# Description

This function reads ConQuest plausible value files and automatically identifies the number of cases, the number of plausible values and the number of dimensions.

## Usage

```
get.plausible(file)
```

# Arguments

file

Character string with the name of the ConQuest plausible values file.

## Value

A data frame with one row per person containing the following columns:

| case   | Case number  |
|--------|--|
| ID     | Identifier for this case   |
| pv     | Plausible value. Columns are named pv.[name of dimension]_[number of plausible value]. For example, pv.reading_6 refers to the 6th plausible value of reading dimension.   |
| eap    | $Expected \textit{a posteriori} \ ability \ estimate \ for \ this \ person. \ Columns \ are \ named \ eap. \ [name \ of \ dimension \ of \ dimensio$ |
| eap.se | Standard error of the EAP estimate. Columns are named eap.se.[name of dimension]   |

#### Author(s)

Sebastian Weirich

#### References

See pp.230 of Wu, M.L., Adams, R.J., Wilson, M.R., & Haldane, S.A. (2007). *ACER ConQuest Version 2.0. Generalised Item Response Modeling Software*. Camberwell, Victoria: ACER Press.

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## Description

get Q3 statistics

## Usage

```
get.q3 ( results )
```

## Arguments

results

results (structured list) from automateModels run

## Value

list (analyses) of data.frames in matrix format containing Q3 statistics

## Author(s)

Martin Hecht

get.shw

Read ConQuest showfiles

## Description

Function reads Conquest showfiles and transforms them into a R list of data frames.

# Usage

| file          | Character string of the Conquest showfile to be read in.   |
|---------------|--|
| dif.term      | Optional: Character string. Name of the term considered to be DIF-term. Must match corresponding term in showfile. |
| split.dif     | Logical: When TRUE, DIF-Parameter are only given for Reference group.  |
| abs.dif.bound | When DIF-Parameter are evaluated, this specifies the critical value for absolute DIF.                              |
| sig.dif.bound | When DIF-Parameter are evaluated, this specifies the critical value for confidence interval DIF.                   |

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#### **Details**

Funktion searches for 'TERM'-statements in Conquest showfile and reads the tables associated with. If one statement is specified to contain DIF analyses, absolute DIF value is computed 2\*[group-specific parameter]. Confidence intervalls for 90, 95 and 99 percent are computed via the standard error of specific parameters. If both criteria - absolute DIF exceeds abs.dif.bound and the confidence intervall does not include sig.dif.bound, item is considered to have DIF.

#### Value

A list of data frames, named by the 'TERM'-statements in Conquest showfile, plus an additional data frame named regression with regression coefficients when latent linear regression model was specified in Conquest analysis, plus an additional data frame named cov.structure with covariance and correlation matrix of latent dimensions. If uni-dimensional model is specified, the variance of the latent dimension is given instead. If one term was specified as DIF-statement, the corresponding data frame is augmented with additional columns for confidence intervals and indicators specifying significant DIF.

Each data frame corresponding to a 'TERM' statement contains following columns:

| itam nn      | Itam nymkan  |
|--------------|--|
| item.nr      | Item number  |
| item         | Name of item   |
| ESTIMATE     | Estimated difficulty of item   |
| ERROR        | Standard error of estimated item difficulty  |
| outfit       | Item's 'Outfit'  |
| outfit.ci.lb | Lower bound of the outfit confidence interval  |
| outfit.ci.ub | Upper bound of the outfit confidence interval  |
| outfit.t     | T-value for outfit   |
| infit        | Items's 'Infit'  |
| infit.ci.lb  | Lower bound of the infit confidence interval   |
| infit.ci.ub  | Upper bound of the infit confidence interval   |
| infit.t      | T-value for infit  |
| abs.dif      | Only for DIF analysis. Absolute DIF, computed as 2*[group-specific parameter].           |
| ci.lb        | Lower bound confidence interval for specific significance level of 90, 95 or 99 percent. |
| ci.ub        | Upper bound confidence interval for specific significance level of 90, 95 or 99 percent. |

When latent regression was specified, the last element of the returned list is a data frame with regression coefficients, corresponding to the number of dimensions and the number of regressors. Regressor names, regression coefficients and its standard errors are given for each dimension.

Indicates whether the corresponding item matches both DIF criteria. See details.

Rows represent the regressors, columns represent the latent dimension to which the regression is fitted.

## Author(s)

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Sebastian Weirich

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| get.wle | Read ConQuest WLE or MLE Output Files. |
|---------|--|
|         |  |

# Description

Read Conquest files comprising maximum likelihood estimates (MLE) or weighted likelihood estimates (WLE).

## Usage

```
get.wle(file)
```

## **Arguments**

file Character string with the name of the ConQuest MLE or WLE file.

## Value

A data frame with one row per person containing the following columns.

| case     | Case number  |
|----------|--|
| ID       | Identifier for this case   |
| n.solved | Number of items this person answered correctly   |
| n.total  | Number of total items presented to this person   |
| wle      | WLE or MLE estimate. The last number of the columns name indicates the dimension the WLE or MLE estimate belongs to.                   |
| wle.se   | Standard error of WLE or MLE estimate. The last number of the columns name indicates the dimension the WLE or MLE estimate belongs to. |

## Author(s)

Sebastian Weirich

## References

See pp.230 of Wu, M.L., Adams, R.J., Wilson, M.R., & Haldane, S.A. (2007). *ACER ConQuest Version 2.0. Generalised Item Response Modeling Software*. Camberwell, Victoria: ACER Press.

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getConquestVersion

get version (build) of ConQuest

## **Description**

```
get version (build) of ConQuest
```

#### Usage

```
getConquestVersion ( path.conquest , path.temp, asDate = TRUE )
```

#### **Arguments**

path.conquest full path to ConQuest executable console

path. temp optional: writeable folder used for temporary files. If not specified, R working

directory will be used. Without writing access, NULL is returned.

asDate if TRUE an object of class 'date' is returned if FALSE a character string is returned

#### Value

depends on option 'asDate'

#### Author(s)

Martin Hecht

## **Examples**

```
getConquestVersion ( "c:/ConQuest/console_Feb2007.exe" )
```

inputDat

List of Three Datasets from Educational Assessment

## **Description**

Simulated data for three booklets for an educational assessment study.

# Usage

```
data(inputDat)
```

## **Format**

This list contains 3 data frames, each with the following columns:

**ID** Person-ID

Hisei A continuous covariate.

**Ixx** Item responses to a selection of 30 test items.

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#### **Details**

code, subunit and unit descriptions are stored in dataset inputList.

#### **Examples**

```
data(inputDat)
str(inputDat)
```

inputList

Data Frames with Code, Subunit and Unit Information for Datasets in inputDat

## **Description**

These data frames contain information about codes, subunits and units for the datasets in inputDat and are necessary inputs for functions automateDataPreparation, checkData, recodeData and aggregateData.

#### Usage

```
data(inputList)
```

#### **Format**

A list with three data frames:

1. units: Unit information, contains the following columns:

```
unit Unit name.
```

**unitType** Subunit types: ID = ID variable; TI = test item; CV = context variable.

unitLabel Unit label, to be used by writeSpss.

unitDescription Unit description.

unitAggregateRule Aggregate rule for unit: SUM; MEAN.

unitScoreRule Scoring rule for unit (not sure how this will be used in the future.)

2. subunits: Subunit information, contains the following columns:

unit Unit name, for which subunits are given.

subunit Subunit name.

subunitType Subunit types:'?'.

subunitLabel Subunit label, to be used by writeSpss.

subunitDescription Subunit descriptions.

**subunitPosition** Subunit position in test booklet (e.g., line 1).

subunitTransniveau Subunit transformation level.

subunitRecoded Name of recoded subunit.

**subunitLabelRecoded** Label for recoded subunit, to be used when writeSpss is applied to a dataset produced by recodeData.

3. values: Value information, contains the following columns:

subunit Subunit name, for which values are given.

value Valid values for the respective subunit.

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valueRecode Recode values for the respective value.

valueType Value types: vc = valid code; mbd = missing - by design; mvi = missing - volume insufficient; mnr = missing - not reached; mci = missing - coding impossible; mbi = missing - by intention.

valueLabel Value labels, to be used by writeSpss.

valueDescription Value descriptions.

valueLabelRecoded Labels for recoded values, to be used when writeSpss is applied to a dataset produced by recodeData.

valueDescriptionRecoded Descriptions for recoded values.

4. unitRecodings: Unit recoding information, contains the following columns:

unit Unit name

value Valid values for the respective unit.

valueRecode Recode values for the respective value.

valueType Value types: vc = valid code; mbd = missing - by design; mvi = missing - volume insufficient; mnr = missing - not reached; mci = missing - coding impossible; mbi = missing - by intention.

valueLabel Value labels, to be used by writeSpss.

valueDescription Value descriptions.

valueLabelRecoded Labels for recoded values, to be used when writeSpss is applied to a dataset produced by recodeData.

5. savFiles: information for loadSav, contains the following columns:

filename SPSS filenames

case.id ID variable in the respective dataset, used by mergeData

6. newID: information for mergeData, contains the following columns:

key one of the entries should be master-id

value the corresponding value; how the ID variable in the final dataset shall be named

7. aggrMiss: missing aggregation pattern for aggregateData

## **Examples**

```
data(inputList)
str(inputList)
```

isConverged

check convergence of ConQuest models

## **Description**

checks if ConQuest models in a directory have converged or not

## Usage

```
isConverged ( path , txt = FALSE )
```

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#### **Arguments**

path main path of ConQuest models, or a path to a ConQuest shw-file

txt if TRUE a convergence summary is written to convergence\_summary.txt in path,

and a file (either " $\_CONVERGED\_$ " or " $\_N\_O\_T\_CONVERGED\_$ ") is written to each model directory if FALSE a data.frame of convergence information is

returned

#### **Details**

if path is a directory, isConverged checks recursively in path for shw files; alternatively path can be a full path to a single shw-file. models that converged, but the solution is not the best solution ( ConQuest: "At termination the solution was not the best attained solution" ), are treated as not converged

#### Value

depends on txt if no shw-files are found NULL is returned

## Author(s)

Martin Hecht

jk2.glm

JK2 for linear regression models.

## **Description**

Compute Standard errors for linear regression models based on Jackknife (JK2) procedure.

#### Usage

| dat         | Data frame containing all variables for analysis.   |
|-------------|---|
| ID          | Variable name or column number of ID variable.  |
| wgt         | Optional: Variable name or column number of weighting variable. If no weighting variable is specified, all cases will be equally weighted.  |
| JKZone      | Variable name or column number of variable indicating Jackknifing Zone.   |
| JKrep       | Variable name or column number of variable indicating replicate ID.   |
| group       | Optional: List of one or more grouping variables. If grouping variable is a multiple imputation variable, all names concerning one variable are interpreted as its imputations. See details for more information. |
| independent | List of one or more independent variables. If independent variable is a multiple imputation variable, all names concerning one variable are interpreted as its imputations. See details for more information.     |

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dependent List of one or more dependent variables. Each dependent variable will result in a separate analysis. If dependent variable is a multiple imputation variable, all

names concerning one variable are interpreted as its imputations. See details for

more information.

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Becomes relevant if the numbers of imputations used for group variable(s) differs from the number of imputation used for independent and/or dependent vari-

able(s).

glm. family Argument of class "family", specifying the link function. See help file of 'glm'

for details.

## **Details**

Funktion first creates replicate weights based on JKZone and JKrep variables according to JK2 procedure implemented in WesVar. Afterwards, function serves as a wrapper for several functions implemented in the 'survey' package.

#### Value

A list of data frames, one for each dependent variable. Each data frame contains means, standard deviations and standard errors for means.

#### Author(s)

Sebastian Weirich

jk2.mean

JK2 for mean estimates.

# **Description**

Compute Standard errors for mean estimates based on Jackknife (JK2) procedure.

#### Usage

| dat    | Data frame containing all variables for analysis.   |
|--------|---|
| ID     | Variable name or column number of ID variable.  |
| wgt    | Optional: Variable name or column number of weighting variable. If no weighting variable is specified, all cases will be equally weighted.  |
| JKZone | Variable name or column number of variable indicating Jackknifing Zone.   |
| JKrep  | Variable name or column number of variable indicating replicate ID.   |
| group  | Optional: List of one or more grouping variables. If grouping variable is a multiple imputation variable, all names concerning one variable are interpreted as its imputations. See details for more information. |

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Optional: Specifies variable group differences should be computed for.

dependent List of one or more grouping variables. Each dependent variable will result in

a separate analysis. If grouping variable is a multiple imputation variable, all names concerning one variable are interpreted as its imputations. See details for

more information.

complete.permutation

Becomes relevant if the numbers of imputations used for group variable(s) dif-

fers from the number of imputation used for dependent variable(s).

#### **Details**

Funktion first creates replicate weights based on JKZone and JKrep variables according to JK2 procedure implemented in WesVar. Afterwards, function serves as a wrapper for several functions implemented in the 'survey' package.

#### Value

A list of data frames, one for each dependent variable. Each data frame contains means, standard deviations and standard errors for means.

#### Author(s)

Sebastian Weirich

jk2.quantile *JK2 for quantiles*.

#### **Description**

Compute Standard errors for quantiles based on Jackknife (JK2) procedure.

#### Usage

```
jk2.quantile(dat, ID, wgt = NULL, JKZone, JKrep, group = list(), dependent = list(), probs = sec
```

| dat       | Data frame containing all variables for analysis.   |
|-----------|---|
| ID        | Variable name or column number of ID variable.  |
| wgt       | Optional: Variable name or column number of weighting variable. If no weighting variable is specified, all cases will be equally weighted.  |
| JKZone    | Variable name or column number of variable indicating Jackknifing Zone.   |
| JKrep     | Variable name or column number of variable indicating replicate ID.   |
| group     | Optional: List of one or more grouping variables. If grouping variable is a multiple imputation variable, all names concerning one variable are interpreted as its imputations. See details for more information.   |
| dependent | List of one or more grouping variables. Each dependent variable will result in a separate analysis. If grouping variable is a multiple imputation variable, all names concerning one variable are interpreted as its imputations. See details for more information. |

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probs Numeric vector with probabilities for which to compute quantiles. complete.permutation

Becomes relevant if the numbers of imputations used for group variable(s) differs from the number of imputation used for dependent variable(s).

#### Details

Funktion first creates replicate weights based on JKZone and JKrep variables according to JK2 procedure implemented in WesVar. Afterwards, function serves as a wrapper for several functions implemented in the 'survey' package.

#### Value

A list of data frames, one for each dependent variable. Each data frame contains means, standard deviations and standard errors for means.

## Author(s)

Sebastian Weirich

jk2.table *JK2 for frequency tables.* 

## **Description**

Compute Standard errors for frequency tables based on Jackknife (JK2) procedure.

# Usage

#### **Arguments**

| dat                        | Data frame containing all variables for analysis.   |  |
|----------------------------|---|--|
| ID                         | Variable name or column number of ID variable.  |  |
| wgt                        | Optional: Variable name or column number of weighting variable. If no weighting variable is specified, all cases will be equally weighted.  |  |
| JKZone                     | Variable name or column number of variable indicating Jackknifing Zone.   |  |
| JKrep                      | Variable name or column number of variable indicating replicate ID.   |  |
| group                      | Optional: List of one or more grouping variables. If grouping variable is a multiple imputation variable, all names concerning one variable are interpreted as its imputations. See details for more information.   |  |
| dependent                  | List of one or more grouping variables. Each dependent variable will result in a separate analysis. If grouping variable is a multiple imputation variable, all names concerning one variable are interpreted as its imputations. See details for more information. |  |
| separate.missing.indikator |   |  |

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```
expected.values
```

Optional. A vector auf values expected in dependent variable. Recommend to left this argument empty.

complete.permutation

Becomes relevant if the numbers of imputations used for group variable(s) differs from the number of imputation used for dependent variable(s).

## **Details**

Funktion first creates replicate weights based on JKZone and JKrep variables according to JK2 procedure implemented in WesVar. Afterwards, function serves as a wrapper for several functions implemented in the 'survey' package.

#### Value

A list of data frames, one for each dependent variable. Each data frame contains means, standard deviations and standard errors for means.

## Author(s)

Sebastian Weirich

loadSav

loadSav

#### **Description**

read SPSS data files and change id names, if necessary

## Usage

```
loadSav(path = getwd(), savFiles = NULL, oldIDS, newID, correctDigits = FALSE, truncateSpaceChar
```

## **Arguments**

path

savFiles

oldIDS

newID

correctDigits

truncateSpaceChar

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```
##---- Should be DIRECTLY executable !! ----
##-- ==> Define data, use random,
##--or do help(data=index) for the standard data sets.
## The function is currently defined as
function ( path=getwd(), savFiles=NULL, oldIDS, newID, correctDigits=FALSE, truncateSpaceChar = TRUE ) {
           funVersion <- "loadSAV_0.0.2"</pre>
           if(missing(oldIDS)) \quad \{stop(paste("Error in ",funVersion,": 'oldIDS' is missing.\n",sep="")) \ \}
           if(missing(newID)) \quad \{stop(paste("Error in ",funVersion,": 'newID' is missing.\n",sep="")) \ \}
           if(length(newID)!=1) {stop(paste("Error in ",funVersion,": 'newID' has to be of length 1.\n",se
           # if(!exists("read.spss")) {library(foreign)}
           if(!is.null(savFiles)) {
              fileExists <- file.exists(file.path(path,savFiles))</pre>
              if(all(!fileExists)) {
                 stop(paste("Error in ",funVersion,": None of the files specified in 'savFiles' were found
              if(!all(fileExists)) {
                 cat(paste(funVersion,": Following files specified in 'savFiles' were not found in ",path,
                 notFoundFiles <- savFiles[!fileExists]</pre>
                 FoundFiles
                               <- savFiles[fileExists]</pre>
                 cat(paste(notFoundFiles,collapse=", "))
                 cat("\nOnly found files will be read in.\n")
                                <- savFiles[fileExists]</pre>
                 savFiles
              }
           }
           if(is.null(savFiles)) {
              savFiles <- list.files(path=path,pattern=".sav|.SAV",recursive=FALSE)</pre>
              if(length(savFiles)==0) {
                 stop(paste("No '.sav'-files found in ",path,".\n",sep=""))
           cat(paste(funVersion,": Found ", length(savFiles), " 'savFiles' in ",path,".\n",sep=""))
           ### hier beginnt das eigentliche Einlesen
           allDataFrames <- NULL
           for (i in seq(along=savFiles)) {
                file.i <- data.frame(read.spss(file.path(path,savFiles[i]),to.data.frame=FALSE, use.value.</pre>
                idCol <- unique(unlist(lapply(oldIDS, FUN=function(ii) {grep(ii,colnames(file.i))})))</pre>
                if(length(idCol)<1) {</pre>
                   stop(paste("Error in ",funVersion,": None of the specified 'oldIDS' were found in dataset
                if(length(idCol)>1) {
                   stop(paste("Error in ",funVersion,": More than one of the specified 'oldIDS' were found
                colnames(file.i)[idCol] <- newID</pre>
                ### Leerzeichen abschnipseln
                if(truncateSpaceChar == TRUE) {
                   for (ii in 1:ncol(file.i)) {
                         file.i[,ii] <- crop(file.i[,ii])</pre>
                   }
                }
                ### Stelligkeitskorrektur
                if(correctDigits == TRUE) {
                   colsToCorrect <- lapply(1:ncol(file.i), FUN=function(ii) { sort(unique(nchar(file.i[,ii])</pre>
                   options(warn = -1)
                   colsToCorrect <- which( unlist( lapply(colsToCorrect, FUN=function(ii) { all(ii == c(1))</pre>
```

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```
options(warn = 0)
    if(length(colsToCorrect)>0) {
        cat(paste(funVersion,": ",length(colsToCorrect)," columns are corrected for column w
        for (ii in colsToCorrect) {
            file.i[,ii] <- gsub(" ","0", formatC(as.character(file.i[,ii]),width=2))
        }
    }
    allDataFrames[[i]] <- file.i
}
return(allDataFrames)
}</pre>
```

log2init

Convert ConQuest Log to ConQuest Init

#### **Description**

Convert a ConQuest logfile to ConQuest covariance, regression and item init files

## Usage

```
log2init ( log.path , out.path = NULL , iteration = c("highestLikelihood","last","first") , out.
```

## **Arguments**

```
log.path full path to or connection of ConQuest logfile
out.path path of output files , if NULL folder of log.path is defaulted
iteration either "highestLikelihood" (default), "last" or "first", or a number
out.files.suffix
suffix to be added to output file names
```

## **Details**

ConQuest tends to not completely write out log if running and option 'update = yes' is used. To avoid warnings and malfunction manually delete the last potentially incomplete iteration from log-file.

## Value

```
writes files to out.path
```

#### Author(s)

Martin Hecht

```
## Not run:
log2init ( bzfile ( file.path( .Library , "eat/extdata/ConQuest.Log.Example1.log.bz2" ) ) , "c:/temp" )
## End(Not run)
```

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long2matrix

long2matrix

#### **Description**

transforms long format data.frame into a matrix format data.frame

## Usage

```
long2matrix ( dat , sort = TRUE , triangle = NULL ,
force.diagonal = FALSE , exclude.diagonal = FALSE ,
long2matrix = TRUE )
```

## **Arguments**

data.frame with columns "row", "col", "val"

sort sort rows and columns of matrix

triangle if not NULL a symmetric matrix will be constructed available options are "upper"

, "lower", "both"

 $\label{thm:condition} \mbox{force.diagonal a diagonal is forced into matrix even if no diagonal elements are in dat}$ 

exclude.diagonal

the diagonal is excluded if possible

long2matrix if FALSE dat is not transformed

## **Details**

WARNING: This function seems to be buggy. Do not use it or use it with care.

#### Value

## Author(s)

Martin Hecht

```
d1 <- data.frame (
"row" = c ( "v1" , "v2" , "v2" , "v3" , "v1" , "v3" ) ,
"col" = c ( "v1" , "v3" , "v2" , "v1" , "v2" , "v3" ) ,
"val" = c ( 1 , 5 , 4 , 3 , 2 , 6 ) , stringsAsFactors = FALSE )
# unsorted matrix
long2matrix ( dat = d1 , sort = FALSE )
# sorted by default
long2matrix ( dat = d1 )
# extract upper triangle of symmetric matrix</pre>
```

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```
long2matrix ( dat = d1 , triangle = "upper" )
# exclude diagonal elements
long2matrix ( dat = d1 , triangle = "upper" , exclude.diagonal = TRUE )
# if full matrix ("both" triangles) is requested, the diagonal cannot be excluded, option is ignored
long2matrix ( dat = d1 , triangle = "both" , exclude.diagonal = TRUE )
# no diagonal elements are specified
d2 <- data.frame (
"row" = c ( "v2" , "v1" , "v1" ) ,
"col" = c ( "v3" , "v3" , "v2" ) ,
"val" = c ( 5 , 3 , 2 ) , stringsAsFactors = FALSE )
long2matrix ( dat = d2 )
# diagonal is set (with NAs)
long2matrix ( dat = d2 , triangle = "upper" , force.diagonal = TRUE )</pre>
```

long2symmatrix

long2symmatrix

#### **Description**

transforms long format data.frame into a symmetric matrix format data.frame

#### Usage

```
long2symmatrix ( dat , sort = FALSE , triangle = c ("both","lower","upper") ,
include.diagonal = TRUE , full.symmetric = FALSE )
```

## Arguments

data.frame with columns "row", "col", "val"

sort sort rows and columns of matrix, can be either logical (if TRUE variables are alphatecially sorted) or a character vector that indicates order

triangle if "lower" or "upper" only this triangle is extracted (the other is set to NA), if "both" both triangles are extracted

include.diagonal logical, should diagonal elements be included or not

full.symmetric if TRUE

# Details

WARNING: This function has not been thoroughly tested. if sort = FALSE and triangle = "lower" matrix is sorted by occurence on dat\$row if sort = FALSE and triangle = "upper" matrix is sorted by occurence on dat\$col triangle = "both" implies sort = TRUE

#### Value

data.frame in "matrix format"

#### Author(s)

Martin Hecht

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#### **Examples**

```
long <- data.frame (
"row" = c ( "v1" , "v2" , "v2" , "v3" , "v1" , "v3" ) ,
"col" = c ( "v1" , "v3" , "v2" , "v1" , "v2" , "v3" ) ,
"val" = c ( 1 , 5 , 4 , 3 , 2 , 6 ) , stringsAsFactors = FALSE )

long2symmatrix ( long )

long2symmatrix ( long , triangle = "lower" )
long2symmatrix ( long , triangle = "upper" )
long2symmatrix ( long , triangle = "both" )

long2symmatrix ( long , triangle = "lower" , include.diagonal = FALSE)
long2symmatrix ( long , triangle = "upper" , include.diagonal = FALSE)
long2symmatrix ( long , triangle = "both" , include.diagonal = FALSE)

long2symmatrix ( long , sort = c("v2","v3") )
long2symmatrix ( long , sort = c("v2","v3") , triangle = "lower" , include.diagonal = FALSE )

long2symmatrix ( long , full.symmetric = TRUE )
long2symmatrix ( long , full.symmetric = TRUE , triangle = "lower" )
long2symmatrix ( long , full.symmetric = TRUE , triangle = "lower" , include.diagonal = FALSE )</pre>
```

make.dummies

dummy coded variables

#### **Description**

creates dummy coded variables using dummy.code names of dummy coded variables can be customized and added to the input data.frame

## Usage

```
{\sf make.dummies} \ (\ {\sf dat}\ ,\ {\sf cols}\ ,\ {\sf colname.as.prefix}\ =\ {\sf TRUE}\ ,\ {\sf delimiter}\ =\ "."\ ,\ {\sf capitalize}\ =\ {\sf FALSE}\ ,\ {\sf nclose}\ ,\ {\sf nclose
```

```
dat
                  data.frame
                  colnames of variables to be dummy coded
cols
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
                  numeric, if TRUE "levels" are truncated to length nchar
nchar
add
                  logical, if TRUE dummy coded variables are added to dat
                  logical, if TRUE (and add = TRUE) dummy coded variables are added and sorted
sort.into.dat
                  into dat
```

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#### 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") )</pre>
str ( science1.dum[,3:10] )
science1.dum <- make.dummies ( science1 , c("sex","booklet") , nchar = 1 )</pre>
str ( science1.dum[,3:10] )
science1.dum <- make.dummies ( science1 , c("sex","booklet") , delimiter = "_" )</pre>
str ( science1.dum[,3:10] )
science1.dum \leftarrow 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 )</pre>
str ( science1.dum[,3:10] )
science1.dum <- make.dummies ( science1 , c("sex", "booklet") , sort.into.dat = FALSE )</pre>
str ( science1.dum[,(ncol(science1.dum)-5):ncol(science1.dum)] )
science1.dum <- make.dummies ( science1 , c("sex", "booklet") , add = FALSE )</pre>
str ( science1.dum )
## End(Not run)
```

make.link.dummy

make.link.dummy

#### **Description**

create a structure as input for bi.linking

#### Usage

```
make.link.dummy ( dfr , analysis.name = "dummy.analysis" , scale.name = "dummy.scale", group.nam
```

```
dfr data.frame with items, item difficulty ("b") and standard error of b ("b.se"); colnames must be "item", "b", "b.se"

analysis.name name of analysis
```

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```
scale.name name of scale (dimension) group.name name of (person) group
```

## Value

returns a structure as if created by automateModels with data contained in dfr; this object can be used as input for bi.linking

#### Author(s)

Martin Hecht

#### **Examples**

makeCodebookInput

Make Input Data Frames From IQB-Codebooks

## **Description**

Make Input Data Frames From IQB-Codebooks

## Usage

```
makeCodebookInput(codebook)
```

# **Arguments**

codebook dataframe IQB-Codebook

# Details

XXX

#### Value

XXX

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|----------------|---------------------------------|---|-----------|------------|------------|-----|
|                |                                 |   |           |            |            |     |

#### **Description**

Transforms information given in values, subunits and units in a format that is used by checkData, recodeData and aggregateData.

#### Usage

```
makeInputLists(values, subunits, units, recodedData = TRUE)
makeInputCheckData(values, subunits, units)
makeInputRecodeData(values, subunits)
makeInputAggregateData(subunits, units, recodedData = TRUE)
```

#### **Arguments**

values A data frame with code information. See Details. subunits A data frame with subunit information. See Details. units A data frame with unit information. See Details.

 $names \ (as \ in \ subunits \$ subunit names \ (as \ in \ subunits \$ subunit Recoded).$ 

Default is TRUE, meaning that colnames are recoded subitem names. This pa-

rameter is only relevant when input for aggregateData is generated.

#### **Details**

This function generates specific inputs for the data preparation functions checkData, recodeData and aggregateData. It is largely for internal use of these functions, who call their respective version.

Examples of data frames values, subunits and units can be found via data(inputLists).

## Value

A list with several of the following entries (depending on which version of the function is called):

varinfoRaw A list with information about variables and their values expected in raw data.

varinfoRecoded A list with information about variables and their values expected in recoded

data.

varinfoAggregated

A list with information about variables and their values expected in aggregated

data.

recodeinfo A list with information needed for recoding of data.

aggregateinfo A list with information needed for aggregation of data.

#### Author(s)

Nicole Haag

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## **Examples**

```
data(inputList)
lists <- makeInputLists(inputList$values, inputList$subunits, inputList$units, recodedData = TRUE)
str(lists)</pre>
```

makeNumeric

Change Character Variables to numeric

## **Description**

Converts character variables, which contain only values, to numeric. Character variables containing letters are not converted. This avoids warnings, if conversion to numeric is attempted for variables, which contain characters.

## Usage

```
makeNumeric(variable)
```

## **Arguments**

variable

Variable to be changed to numeric.

#### Value

Variable converted to numeric, if possible.

## Author(s)

Nicole Haag

# **Examples**

```
a <- c("1", "2", "3", "4")
b <- c("1", "2", "x", "4")
makeNumeric(a)
makeNumeric(b)</pre>
```

mergeData

Merge Data Frames using one Key Variable

## **Description**

Merges several data frames and matches them using one key variable

## Usage

```
mergeData(newID = "ID", datList, oldIDs=NULL, addMbd = FALSE, writeLog=FALSE)
```

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## **Arguments**

| newID    | character string containing the key variable's name in the merged dataset   |
|----------|---|
| datList  | list of data frames to be merged  |
| oldIDs   | character vector OR numeric vector containing either names of the key variables in datList or their column number in each dataframe in datList default is a vector containing replicates of the value of newID. |
| addMbd   | logical; string "mbd" (missing by desgin) will be added instead of NA   |
| writeLog | logical; if Logfile shall be written via sunk.  |

## Value

A data frame containing unique cases and unique variables. All cases and all variables that could be identified the original data frames will be kept and matched.

## Author(s)

Karoline Sachse, Nicole Haag

## **Examples**

```
data(inputDat)
str(inputDat)

mergedDataset <- mergeData("person-id", inputDat, c("idstud", "idstud", "idstud"), addMbd=TRUE)
str(mergedDataset)

mergedDataset <- mergeData("idstud", inputDat, writeLog=FALSE)
str(mergedDataset)</pre>
```

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

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## **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)</pre>
```

 ${\it multiseq}$ 

multiple sequences

## 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

```
v \leftarrow c("a", "a", "a", "c", "b", "b", "a") ( multiseq ( v ) )
```

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#### **Description**

extract or plot (on console or to pdf) deviance change from ConQuest logfile

#### Usage

```
\verb|plotDevianceChange| ( path , plot = TRUE , pdf = FALSE , out.path = NULL , extreme.crit = 0.75 )|
```

#### **Arguments**

path full path to or connection of ConQuest logfile, or just a path (in which ConQuest

logfiles are to be (recursively) searched for)

plot if TRUE deviance change plot is created

pdf if TRUE plot ist written to pdf

out.path path for pdf output file

extreme.crit numeric, threshold criterion to remove outliers, is multiplied with standard de-

viation of deviance change

## **Details**

ConQuest tends to not completely write out log if running and option 'update = yes' is used. To avoid warnings and malfunction manually delete the last potentially incomplete iteration from log-file. Points below 0 are red; if model converged ( see link{isConverged} for details ), the last point is larger and green

## Value

depends on plot and pdf; if both are FALSE the deviance change data is returned, this is a named vector with names = iteration number and values = deviance change from previous iteration; if more than one ConQuest logfile is processed a list of named vectors is returned

#### Author(s)

Martin Hecht

```
## Not run:
plotDevianceChange ( path = file.path( .Library , "eat/extdata/ConQuest.Log.Example1.log.bz2" ) )
plotDevianceChange ( path = file.path( .Library , "eat/extdata/ConQuest.Log.Example1.log.bz2" ) , plot = File.path(Not run)
## End(Not run)
```

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plotDistributions plot latent distribution

## **Description**

creates latent distribution plots of two distributions on the same metric (e.g. persons and items)

## Usage

```
plotDistributions \ (\ distr1\ ,\ distr2\ ,\ distr1.name\ =\ "Persons"\ ,\ distr2.name\ =\ "Items"\ ,\ pdf\ =\ NUmer \ )
```

## Arguments

distr1 numeric vector of person estimates distr2 numeric vector of item estimates name of distribution 1 (e.g. "Persons") distr1.name distr2.name name of distribution 2 (e.g. "Items") pdf pdf output file title title for graph name of units scale.unit distr1.color color of distribution 1 distr2.color color of distribution 2 alpha controls transparency of graph, see geom\_density

## Author(s)

Martin Hecht

```
## Not run:
persons <- rnorm ( 5000 )
items <- rnorm ( 200 ) + 1

plotDistributions ( persons , items )
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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#### **Description**

reads (compressed) text files with specific method

#### Usage

```
read.txt ( path , read.function = c ( "readLines" , "read.table" , "read.csv" , "read.csv2" , "r
```

## **Arguments**

| path          | either directory, file, list of directories, list of files, vector of directories or vector of files   |
|---------------|--|
| read.function | function to read in txt files, bzfile, read.table, read.csv, read.csv2, read.delim, or read.delim2 $$  |
| file.ext      | character, extension of files that are to be read, extensions of compressed files are ignored, that means that file.ext refers to extension of uncompressed file and extension of compressed file without compression extension                    |
| simplify      | logical, if TRUE list is unlisted if of length 1, if FALSE always a list is returned   |
| •••           | arguments passed to function used as read.function; if path is (list/vector of) directory/ies, arguments 'all.files', 'recursive', 'pattern' and 'ignore.case' can be passed to list.files that is used to get all compressed files from directory |

#### **Details**

reads text files with specific read function (read. function); compressed files are automatically uncompressed depending on their extension, see zip2con for supported compression types; if path is a single file that does not exists, it is searched for a compressed file with this name, if found this is used

#### Value

returns list of read in files (also see simplify); names of list are file names (full path) without compression extension; if path is not processable NULL is returned, or (when multiple files are processed) it is not appended to return list

## Author(s)

Martin Hecht

```
## Not run:
fl <- file.path( .Library , "eat/extdata/ConQuest.Log.Example1.log.bz2" )
lns <- read.txt ( fl )
lns <- read.txt ( bzfile ( fl ) )
lns <- read.txt ( list ( fl , fl ) )
lns <- read.txt ( c ( fl , fl ) )
str ( lns )</pre>
```

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## End(Not run)

readDaemonXlsx

read xlsx-Files produced by ZKDaemon

## **Description**

read xlsx-Files produced by ZKDaemon

#### Usage

```
readDaemonXlsx(filename)
```

## **Arguments**

filename

A character string containing path, name and extension of .xlsx produced by ZKDaemon. Caution! Sheet names are important (see Datails).

## **Details**

Reads in the following .xlsx sheets: "units", "subunits", "values", "unitrecoding", "sav-files", "params", "aggregate-missings", "itemproperties", "propertylabels", "booklets", "blocks"

#### Value

A list of data frames containing information that is required by automateDataPreparation

## Author(s)

Karoline Sachse

# Examples

str(inputList)

readSpss

Read SPSS Data Files and Truncate Space in String Variables and Change Column Width

# Description

Read SPSS Data Files and Truncate Space in String Variables and Change Column Width

## Usage

```
readSpss(file, correctDigits = FALSE, truncateSpaceChar = TRUE)
```

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#### **Arguments**

file Name of the SPSS data file to be read in

correctDigits Logical: whether codes should be transformed to have uniform width in each

column, see Details.

truncateSpaceChar

Logical: whether string variables should be trimmed to remove leading and trail-

ing spaces.

#### **Details**

coming soon

#### Value

A data frame with trimmed character variables and corrected codes (if specified). All columns are of mode character.

#### Author(s)

Nicole Haag, Sebastian Weirich

recodeData

Recode Datasets with Missing Values

#### **Description**

Recode datasets with special consideration of missing values.

#### Usage

```
recodeData(dat, values, subunits)
```

# **Arguments**

dat A data frame

values A data frame with code information. See 'Details'. subunits A data frame with subunit information. See 'Details'.

#### **Details**

recodeData recodes data frames with special consideration of missing values. The results of recodeData will be written to a protocol file with sunk. recodeData will give warnings, if missing or incomplete recode informations are found. Values without recode information will NOT be recoded!

Examples of data frames values and subunits can be found via data(inputList)

## Value

A data frame with recoded variables according to the specifications in values and subunits. Colnames will be the names specified in subunits\$subunitRecoded.

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#### Author(s)

Martin Hecht, Christiane Penk, Nicole Haag

#### References

http://code.google.com/p/zkdlib/wiki/MissingHandling

#### See Also

```
aggregateData, checkData
```

#### **Examples**

```
data(inputDat)
data(inputList)
# library(car)

dat1 <- inputDat[[1]] # get first dataset from inputDat
datRec <- recodeData(dat1, inputList$values, inputList$subunits)
str(datRec)</pre>
```

recodeMbiToMnr

Recode Missing by Intention to Missing not Reached

# Description

recodeMbiToMnr converts codes for missing by intention to missing not reached

#### Usage

```
recodeMbiToMnr (dat, id, booklets, blocks, rotation, nMbi = 2)
```

## **Arguments**

dat A dataset. Missing by intention needs to be coded mbi.

id Name or column number of identifier (ID) variable in dataset.

booklets specification of booklets
blocks block specification
rotation booklet information

nMbi Number of mbi-Codes required at the end of a block to code mnr. Needs to be

>=1.

## **Details**

In order to code mnr, a certain number of subitems at the end of a block need to be coded mbi. This number can be specified with the argument nMbi. The default is 2, i.e. if the last and second to last subitem in a block are coded mbi, both subitems will be recoded to mnr. If nMbi is larger than the number of subitems in a given block, no subitem in this block will be recoded.

If all subitems in a block are coded mbi, none of them will be recoded to mnr.

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#### Value

A data frame with missing not reached coded as mnr. For each person with at least one mnr in the returned dataset the names of recoded variables are given as an attribute to dat.

## Author(s)

Nicole Haag

## **Examples**

```
data(inputDat)
data(inputList)
```

reinsort.col

reinsort.col

# Description

insert columns of dataframe in specific position

# Usage

```
reinsort.col ( dat , toreinsort , after )
```

## Arguments

data data.frame on which operation should be performed

toreinsort column name(s) or numeric indicator(s) that should be relocated

after column name or numeric indicator after that toreinsort should be located

## Value

data.frame

## Author(s)

Martin Hecht

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rmNA

remove NA columns and rows from data

## **Description**

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

## Usage

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

## **Arguments**

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

## Value

depends on option remove

#### Author(s)

Martin Hecht

## See Also

```
rmNAcols, rmNArows
```

## **Examples**

rmNAcols

remove NA columns from data

## Description

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

## Usage

```
rmNAcols ( dat , rows = NULL , tolerance = 0 , cumulate = TRUE , remove = TRUE , verbose = FALSE
```

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#### **Arguments**

data data.frame or matrix

rows rows to include, can be a list of vectors to specify row subsets

tolerance number of non-NA cells that are "tolerated", can be a list corresponding to rows

cumulate if TRUE, tolerance is cumulated; if FALSE, exact tolerance is used

remove if TRUE, columns and rows are removed; if FALSE, identified columns are re-

turned

verbose if TRUE removed columns and rows are printed on output window

#### Value

depends on option remove

#### Author(s)

Martin Hecht

#### See Also

calls rmNA and rmNArows

```
# example matrix
# remove column with entirely NA (column 7)
rmNAcols( mat , verbose = TRUE )
\# remove column with NA on rows 3, 4, 5 (columns 5, 6, 7)
rmNAcols(mat, c(3,4,5), verbose = TRUE)
rmNAcols( mat , c(-1,-2,-6) , verbose = TRUE )
# tolerance=1 , 1 non-NA is permitted (columns 6 and 7)
rmNAcols( mat , tolerance=1 , verbose = TRUE )
# tolerance=6 , 6 non-NA are permitted (all columns are removed)
rmNAcols( mat , tolerance=6 , verbose = TRUE )
# do not cumulate / exact tolerance (column 1)
rmNAcols( mat , tolerance=6 , cumulate=FALSE , verbose = TRUE )
# two subsets of rows
rmNAcols( mat , rows = list( c(1, 2), c(4, 5) ) , verbose = TRUE )
# two subsets of rows with different tolerance
 rmNAcols( \ mat \ , \ rows = list( \ c(1), \ c(2, \ 3, \ 4, \ 5) \ ) \ , \ tolerance = list( \ 0 \ , \ 1 \ ) \ , \ verbose = TRUE \ ) 
# identify cols, no deletion
rmNAcols(\ mat\ ,\ rows\ =\ list(\ c(1,\ 2),\ c(3,\ 4,\ 5)\ )\ ,\ tolerance\ =\ list(\ 0\ ,\ 1\ )\ ,\ remove\ =\ FALSE\ )
```

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| rmNArows remove NA rows from data |
|-----------------------------------|
|-----------------------------------|

## **Description**

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

#### Usage

```
{\sf rmNArows} ( {\sf dat} , {\sf cols} = {\sf NULL} , {\sf tolerance} = 0 , {\sf cumulate} = {\sf TRUE} , {\sf remove} = {\sf TRUE} , {\sf verbose} = {\sf FALSE}
```

#### **Arguments**

| dat       | data.frame or matrix   |
|-----------|--|
| cols      | columns to include, can be a list of vectors to specify column subsets           |
| tolerance | number of non-NA cells that are "tolerated", can be a list corresponding to cols |
| cumulate  | if TRUE, tolerance is cumulated; if FALSE, exact tolerance is used               |
| remove    | if TRUE, columns and rows are removed; if FALSE, identified rows are returned    |
| verbose   | if TRUE removed columns and rows are printed on output window                    |

#### Value

depends on option remove

#### Author(s)

Martin Hecht

#### See Also

calls rmNA and rmNAcols

## **Examples**

rmNArows( mat , tolerance=5 , cumulate=FALSE , verbose = TRUE )

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```
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 )
```

science1

Science achievement test data

#### **Description**

This data set contains responses of 420 students on 185 science items. Additional variables are included: id, grade, sex, booklet, track, version, and four dummy coded variables that indicate Track x Version groups. An incomplete block design was used with 4 booklets. Codes on items are: "0" - wrong "1" - right "mbd" - missing by design "mbi" - missing by intention "mir" - missing due to irregular response

#### Usage

```
data(science1)
```

# Format

'data.frame': 420 obs. of 195 variables

#### **Source**

Simulated data

science1.context.vars Science achievement test data - Context variable names

## **Description**

This vector contains the names of context variables in data set science1

#### **Format**

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Science achievement test data - Item characteristics

## **Description**

This data frame contains item characteristics for usage with automateModels and data set science1

#### **Format**

'data.frame': 185 obs. of 3 variables

science1.items

Science achievement test data - Item names

# Description

This vector contains the names items in data set science1

## **Format**

chr [1:185]

science1.scales

Science achievement test data - Scale definition

## **Description**

This data frame contains scale definitions for usage with automateModels and data set science1

## **Format**

'data.frame': 185 obs. of 7 variables

science1.testlets

Science achievement test data - Testlet definition as dummy codes

# **Description**

This data frame contains testlet definitions as dummy codes for usage with automateModels and data set science1

## **Format**

'data.frame': 185 obs. of 54 variables

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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**

```
data.frame

col.type 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" )

verbose if TRUE variables that have been converted are printed

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" = "var3" ( 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</pre>
```

sortDatByNames

sort data.frame by colnames and/or rownames

## **Description**

specify new colnames and/or rownames order, data.frame is sorted in accordance

## Usage

```
sortDatByNames ( dat , col.order = NULL , row.order = NULL , warn = TRUE )
```

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#### **Arguments**

dat data.frame

col.order character vector of colnames in new order row.order character vector of rownames in new order

warn logical, if TRUE warnings are printed on output window if col.order/row.order

do not correspond to colnames/rownames resp.

#### Value

data.frame

#### Author(s)

Martin Hecht

## **Examples**

```
dat <- data.frame ( matrix ( rnorm ( 100 ) , ncol = 10 ) )
colnames ( dat ) <- paste ( "X" , 10:1 , sep = "" )
rownames ( dat ) <- paste ( "X" , 11:2 , sep = "" )
dat

# sort data.frame by 'col.order' and 'row.order'
sortDatByNames ( dat , paste ( "X" , 1:10 , sep = "" ) , paste ( "X" , 2:11 , sep = "" ) )</pre>
```

source.it.all

source.it.all

#### **Description**

```
sources *.R files of folder
```

## Usage

```
source.it.all \ (\ folder="p:/ZKD/development"\ ,\ use.zkd.conv\ =\ TRUE\ ,\ development\ =\ T
```

## **Arguments**

folder folder with \*.R files

development if TRUE development versions are sourced (if non-existent the latest stable is

sourced or nothing is sourced, see option development.only\ if FALSE stable

versions are sourced

use.zkd.conv if TRUE R files in folder are checked to be consisten with specific ("zkd") ver-

sioning convention \ if FALSE all R files in folder are sourced

development.only

if TRUE only development versions are sourced \ if FALSE stable versions are

included

exclude character vector of R files that should not be sourced

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#### Value

sources R files

#### Author(s)

Martin Hecht, Christiane Penk

sunk sunk

#### **Description**

writes output to file

## Usage

```
sunk (cmd = NULL, path = NULL, write = TRUE, console.output = TRUE, new.file = FALSE, text
```

#### **Arguments**

cmd character string of element to write, may be either text (e.g. "write me to file")

or a function call (e.g. "summary(lm)")

path (folder and name) to output file if NULL path is defaulted to getwd()+"sunk.txt"

all environments are searched for sunk.path, if sunk.path is found (exists), it is

used

write logical, if TRUE (default) output is written to file

 ${\tt console.output\ logical, if\ TRUE\ (default)\ output\ is\ displayed\ on\ console}$ 

new.file logical, if TRUE the output file is created if FALSE (default) output is appended

to existing file

text.on.error logical, sunk checks if the character string 'cmd' is an evaluatable expression

if TRUE (default), 'cmd' is treated as text if an error occurs when trying to

evaluate string if FALSE, sunk stops on errors/not evaluatable expressions

text.out.method

choose "cat" (default) or "print" as the output method for text

#### Value

writes to disk

## Author(s)

Martin Hecht

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userSpecifiedList userSpecifiedList

## **Description**

When a function requires several arguments as a list, userSpecifiedList is designed to 'match' users arguments to default argument structure.

#### Usage

```
userSpecifiedList(1, 1.default, el.default = NULL)
```

## Arguments

1 A named or unnamed list or vector of elements.

el.default if length of 1 is longer than 1, el.default can be set to an numeric value to

select one default element

#### Value

A list of arguments where the user specified arguments are matched into default arguments. If el.default is set, one element is returned.

## Author(s)

Sebastian Weirich

names(users.arguments) <- "covariance"</pre>

userSpecifiedList ( 1 = users.arguments, 1.default = default.arguments)

```
default.arguments <- list(logfile = TRUE, systemfile = TRUE, history = TRUE, covariance = TRUE, reg_coeffice
users.arguments <- c(FALSE, FALSE)
userSpecifiedList ( 1 = users.arguments, 1.default = default.arguments)

users.arguments <- list(history = FALSE)
userSpecifiedList ( 1 = users.arguments, 1.default = default.arguments)

users.arguments <- FALSE</pre>
```

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#### **Description**

Writes data and SPSS syntax files.

## Usage

## **Arguments**

| dat          | A data frame   |
|--------------|--|
| values       | A data frame with code information. See 'Details'.   |
| subunits     | A data frame with subunit information. See 'Details'.  |
| units        | A data frame with unit information. See 'Details'.   |
| filedat      | A character string with the name of the output data file.  |
| filesps      | A character string with the name of the output syntax file.  |
| missing.rule | A list containing recode information for character missings. See 'References' for description of default values.   |
| path         | A character string containing the path of the output file. The value in path is appended to filedat and filesps. By default, files are written to the current R working directory. If path=NULL then no file path appending is done. |
| sep          | The separator between the data fields.   |
| dec          | The decimal separator for numerical data.  |
| silent       | A logical flag stating whether the names of the files should be printed.   |

#### **Details**

This function automates most of the work needed to export a dataset to SPSS. It uses a modified version of writeForeignSPSS() from the foreign package and of mids2spss() from the mice package. The modified version allows for a choice of the field and decimal separators, makes some improvements to the formatting and provides variable labels and value labels according to the information in the data frames values, subunits and units.

Examples of data frames values, subunits and units can be found on data(inputList)

The SPSS syntax file has the proper file names and separators set, so in principle it should run and read the data without alteration. SPSS is more strict than R with respect to the paths. Always use the full path, otherwise SPSS may not be able to find the data file.

## Value

Used for its side effects. The return value is NULL.

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#### Author(s)

Nicole Haag

#### References

http://code.google.com/p/zkdlib/wiki/MissingHandling

| .q3 |
|-----|
|-----|

# Description

Q3 statistics

#### Usage

```
yen.q3 ( dat , theta , b , progress = T )
```

#### **Arguments**

dat bla theta bla b bla progress bla

zip2con

convert compressed file(s) to connection(s)

## Description

convert compressed file(s) to a list of connection(s)

# Usage

```
zip2con ( path , ... )
```

# Arguments

path either directory, file, list of directories, list of files, vector of directories or vector

of files

arguments passed to file handling function bzfile; if path is (list/vector of) directory/ies, arguments 'all.files', 'recursive', and 'ignore.case' can be passed to

list.files that is used to get all compressed files from directory

## **Details**

function converts file(s) to connections by calling the appropriate uncompress function depending on file extension; currently supported are files with extensions "bz2" that are processed by bzfile

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## Value

returns list of connection(s); names of list are file names (full path) without compression extension; if path is already a connection it is returned as named list if path is not processable NULL is returned, or (when multiple files are processed) it is not appended to return list

## Author(s)

Martin Hecht

```
## Not run:
fl <- file.path( .Library , "eat/extdata/ConQuest.Log.Example1.log.bz2" )
zip2con ( fl )
zip2con ( bzfile ( fl ) )
zip2con ( list ( fl , fl ) )
zip2con ( c ( fl , fl ) )
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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