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Description

Aggregates datasets with constraints on missing values

Usage

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

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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).

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)

Nicole Haag, Anna Lenski

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>
```

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asNumericIfPossible

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.

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

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(ostr(dat)
asNumericIfPossible(dat)
asNumericIfPossible(dat, transform.factors=TRUE, maintain.factor.scores=FALSE)
asNumericIfPossible(dat, transform.factors=TRUE, maintain.factor.scores=TRUE)</pre>
```

automateConquestModel Specify Models and Write Corresponding Input for ConQuest Software

Description

automateConquestModel facilitates data analysis using the software ConQuest. It automatically writes ConQuest syntax, label, anchor and data files.

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, model.statement="item",
m.model="1pl", 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,
equivalence.table="wle", use.letters=FALSE, checkLink=FALSE, verbose=TRUE)

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.

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.

A character string specifying the IRT model used for analysis. At the time, only "1PL" is available.

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.

A character string specifying the analysis name. All Conquest input and output files will named jobName with their corresponding extensions.

A character string specifying the folder where all analysis files will be written to, for example "C:/programme/analysis"

> 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/analysis1"). If subFolder\$data == NULL, the dataset is written to the folder specified by jobFolder. The same is true for subFolder\$out == NULL.

A character string specifying the dataset name if it is intended to be different from the name specified by jobName. If dataName == NULL, the dataset is named [jobName].dat

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.

A character string with path and name of the ConQuest console, for example "c:/programme/conquest/console_Feb2007.exe" if NULL the newest executable in file.path(.Library,"eat/winexe/conquest") is used

A character string indicating which method should be used for analysis. Possible options are "gauss" (default), "quadrature" and "montecarlo". See ConQuest manual pp.225 for details on these methods.

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.

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.

An integer value specifying the number of plausible values to draw. The default value is 5.

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Title

jobName

jobFolder

subFolder

dataName

anchor

method

pathConquest

std.err

distribution

n.plausible

set.constraints

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".

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.

f. nodes An integer value specifying the number of nodes that are used in the approxima-

tion 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 specifying 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.

equivalence.table

checkLink

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.

more than to eategories to avoid response columns with with 2 in conquest.

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.

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
```

automateDataPreparation

automateDataPreparation

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 cur-

rent R working directory.

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.

 ${\it aggregatemissings}$

A character string. Either "use.default" or "seeInputList", if pattern was

specified in inputList\$aggrMiss.

rename logical. See aggregateData.

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 = FALSE, q3 = FALSE, missing.rule = NULL, cross = NULL,
subfolder.order = NULL, subfolder.mode = NULL, allNAdelete = TRUE, additionalSubFolder = NULL,
run.mode = NULL, n.batches = NULL, run.timeout = 1440, run.status.refresh = 0.2,
all.local.cores = TRUE, email = NULL, smtpServer = NULL, write.txt.dataset = FALSE,
write.xls.results = TRUE,
delete.folder.countdown = 5, conquestParameters = NULL )
```

Arguments

dat 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, columns 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

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

if TRUE item parameters (difficulty) are centered on the mean of the entire sample if FALSE (default) item parameters (difficulty) are centered on the mean of the regression reference group

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

additional SubFolder

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

run.mode "serial": serial runs on local machine "parallel": batch files must be started man-

ually (e.g. on several machines)

n.batches 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)

all.local.cores

if TRUE and run.mode="serial" all cores of local machine are used for analysis

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

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:

"pathConquest","method","std.err","distribution","n.plausible","set.constraints",

"nodes","p.nodes","f.nodes","n.iterations","converge","deviancechange", "equivalence.table","use.letters","na","model.statement"

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" )
### Example 2: running a multidimensional Rasch model
# 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')
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```
# 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 =
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)
```

bi.linking

bi.linking

Description

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

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Usage

Arguments

results result list from automateModels run

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 devel-

opment process, analysis name must contain scale!!

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

Value

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

Author(s)

Martin Hecht

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'.

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

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).

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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

	checkInput	Check Input Data Frames	
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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.

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Warning

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

Author(s)

Nicole Haag

See Also

makeInputLists

checkLink

checkLink

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

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

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)
```

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Arguments

data frame containing character missings (e.g. type 'mbd' - missing by design)
missing.rule list, definition how to recode distinct missings in dataset. See details for default.

items character vector containing column names of the data frames whose character missings are to be collapsed

Details

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

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

Value

A data frame with recoded missings.

Author(s)

Karoline Sachse, Martin Hecht

References

For missing types see http://code.google.com/p/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 uncommon=FALSE)

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"

Author(s)

Martin Hecht

Examples

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

# common items ar 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>
```

```
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

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

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 function
# ( '3' in numvec is on threshold if median is used )
dichotomize ( numvec , seed = 12345 )

# set level names by passing argument 'labels' to cut function
dichotomize ( numvec , labels = c ( "low" , "high") )</pre>
```

 ${\tt exploreDesign}$

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 )
```

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Arguments

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

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>
```

get.dsc

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 observations, 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.

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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)
```

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)
```

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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

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.

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
p	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 $\boldsymbol{0}$

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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.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	thm:condition:con
eap.se	Standard error of the EAP estimate. Columns are named eap.se.[name of dimension]

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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.

get.q3

get.q3

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

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Arguments

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.

When DIF-Parameter are evaluated, this specifies the critical value for absolute DIF.

When DIF-Parameter are evaluated, this specifies the critical value for confi-

dence interval DIF.

Details

sig.dif.bound

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:

Item number item.nr item Name of item Estimated difficulty of item **FSTTMATE ERROR** Standard error of estimated item difficulty outfit Item's 'Outfit' outfit.ci.lb Lower bound of the outfit confidence interval Upper bound of the outfit confidence interval outfit.ci.ub 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 parameci.lb Lower bound confidence interval for specific significance level of 90, 95 or 99 percent. Upper bound confidence interval for specific significance level of 90, 95 or 99 ci.ub percent.

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

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.

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

Author(s)

Sebastian Weirich

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 , asDate = TRUE )
```

Arguments

path.conquest full path to ConQuest executable console

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.

Details

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

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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.

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. isConverged 31

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 )
```

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

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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

loadSav

loadSav

Description

read SPSS data files and change id names, if necessary

Usage

```
loadSav(path = getwd(), \ savFiles = NULL, \ oldIDS, \ newID, \ correctDigits = FALSE, \ truncateSpaceCharacteristics = folding the same of the same
```

Arguments

```
path
savFiles
oldIDS
newID
correctDigits
truncateSpaceChar
```

Examples

```
##---- 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"
    if(missing(oldIDS)) {stop(paste("Error in ",funVersion,": 'oldIDS' is missing.\n",sep="")) }
    if(missing(newID)) {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",sep
# if(!exists("read.spss")) {library(foreign)}
    if(!is.null(savFiles)) {
        fileExists <- file.exists(file.path(path,savFiles))
        if(all(!fileExists)) {</pre>
```

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```
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>
                    <- savFiles[fileExists]</pre>
       FoundFiles
       cat(paste(notFoundFiles,collapse=", "))
       cat("\nOnly found files will be read in.\n")
       savFiles
                     <- savFiles[fileExists]</pre>
    }
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 datase
      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>
         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))</pre>
         }
      allDataFrames[[i]] <- file.i</pre>
return(allDataFrames)
}
```

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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

Examples

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

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 )
```

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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"

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

Examples

```
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
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 )
```

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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

makeInputLists Generate Input Lists for Functions checkData, recodeData and

aggregateData

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

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. This pa-

rameter is only relevant when input for aggregateData is generated.

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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

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.

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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)
```

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

```
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>
```

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plotDevianceChange plot deviance change

Description

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

Usage

```
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 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

pdftk.path if more than one pdf are created (implies plot=TRUE, pdf=TRUE and path beeing

a directory) pdftk merges these pdf files into one single pdf file "deviance_change_plots.pdf";

pdftk.path is the path to the pdftk exexutable, if NULL it is searched in file.path(.Library,"eat/winexe/

if not found it will not happen with no warning issued

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

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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 order is important (see Datails).

Details

Compulsory: 1st sheet: units. 2nd sheet: subunits. 3rd sheet: values. Optional: 4th sheet: unitRecodings. 5th sheet: savFiles. 6th sheet: newID. 7th sheet: aggregateMissings. 8th sheet: unitProperties. 9th sheet: property labels. 10th sheet: booklets.

Value

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

Author(s)

Karoline Sachse

Examples

str(inputList)

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

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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.

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>
```

reinsort.col

reinsort.col

Description

insert columns of dataframe in specific position

Usage

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

Arguments

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

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Value

data.frame

Author(s)

Martin Hecht

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

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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
```

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

do not cumulate / exact tolerance (column 1)

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

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```
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 )
```

rmNArows

remove NA rows from data

Description

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

Usage

```
rmNArows ( dat , cols = NULL , tolerance = 0 , cumulate = TRUE , remove = TRUE , verbose = FALSE
```

Arguments

data 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

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```
rmNArows( mat , c(3,4,5) , verbose = TRUE )
rmNArows( mat , c(-1,-2) , verbose = TRUE )

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

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

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

rmNArows( mat , tolerance=5 , cumulate=FALSE , remove = FALSE )

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

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

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

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

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

Description

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

Format

chr [1:9]

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

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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

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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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

Description

Q3 statistics

Usage

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

Arguments

dat bla theta bla b bla progress bla

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