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# Description

More about what it does (maybe more than one line)  $\sim$  A concise (1-5 lines) description of the package  $\sim$ 

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#### **Details**

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LazyLoad: yes

~~ An overview of how to use the package, including the most important functions ~~

## Author(s)

Who wrote it

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#### References

~~ Literature or other references for background information ~~

aggregateData

Aggregate Datasets with Missing Values

## **Description**

Aggregates datasets with constraints on missing values

#### Usage

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

# **Arguments**

dat A data frame.

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

units 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.

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

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

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#### **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>
```

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 ( dataFrame, set.numeric = TRUE, transform.factors = FALSE, maintain.factor.
```

## **Arguments**

dataFrame 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(astr(dat)) asNumericIfPossible(dat) asNumericIfPossible(dat, transform.factors=TRUE, maintain.factor.scores=FALSE) asNumericIfPossible(dat, transform.factors=TRUE, maintain.factor.scores=TRUE)
```

automateConquestModel automateConquestModel

## **Description**

Wrapper function which calls several functions to build and write Conquest input files.

#### **Usage**

automateConquestModel(dataset, ID, regression=NULL, DIF=NULL, group.var=NULL, weight=NULL, testitems, na=list(items=NULL, DIF=NULL, HG=NULL, group=NULL, weight=NULL), person.grouping=NULL, item.grouping=NULL, model.statement="item", m.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, equivalence.table="wle",use.letters=FALSE, checkLink=FALSE, verbose = TRUE)

#### **Arguments**

dataset data.frame containing all variables necessary for analysis

name or column number of 'id' variable ID

character vector with names or integer vector with column numbers of one or regression

more 'context' variables (e.g. sex, school, ...)

DIF character string with name or scalar with column number of only one variable

denominating groups for which analysis of differential item functioning is to be

done (e.g. sex, class, ...)

character vector with names or integer vector with column numbers of one or group.var

more 'group' variables (e.g. sex, school, ...)

weight character string with name or scalar with column number of only one 'weight-

ing' variable

character vector with names or integer vector with column numbers of 'item' testitems

variables (e.g. sex, school, ...)

List of numerical vector including numbers to be considered as 'sysmis'. Spe-

cific missing codes can be defined for each type of variable, e.g. testitems, DIF

variables, ...

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

> 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

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

model.statement

character string which appears in Conquest Syntax as model statement. Set to item by default. When DIF variable is specified, statement is set to item - [name of DIF variable] + item\*[name of DIF variable] by default. However, user's specification of model.statement overwrites default in each

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

"1PL" is available.

optional: character string with title of analysis which appears in Conquest Syntax. If no title is specified, informations about computer and user name and R

version are printed in Conquest Syntax.

Title

jobName character string specifying name of analysis. All Conquest input and output files

will named by jobName and their corresponding suffixes.

jobFolder character string specifying the folder where all analysis files will be generated,

for example "C:/programme/analysis"

subFolder optional: List of character strings specifying maximal 2 optional subfolders rel-

ative to jobFolder for the data and the output files. Character strings must be

named with data and out, for example subFolder=list(data="../../dataset/analysis1",

out="../../output/analysis1") Double dots .. indicates to move one level above in folder structure. 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". When subFolder\$ are NULL, dataset is written to the folder specified by jobFolder. Same is true for subFolder\$ out

== NULL.

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

name specified by jobName. When dataName == NULL, dataset is named [jobName].dat

anchor optional: data frame with anchor parameters. First column of anchor refers to

item name, second columns refers to parameter used as reference for anchoring. Note: not all items in the data.frame have to occur as anchor parameters in the anchor data frame, as well as not all items in the anchor frame have to occur in

the data frame.

pathConquest character string with path and name of Conquest console, for example "c:/programme/conquest/co

method optional: character string with method for analysis. Possible options are "gauss"

(default), "quadrature", "montecarlo". See Conquest manual, pp.225.

std.err optional: character string specifying types of standard errors to be estimated.

Possible options are "full", "quick" (default), "none". See Conquest manual,

pp.167.

distribution optional: character string with a priori trait distribution. Possible options are

"normal" (default), "discrete". See Conquest manual, pp.167.

n.plausible optional: integer scalar specifying numbers of plausible values to draw. Default

is 5.

set.constraints

optional: character string specifying the constraints of the scale. Possible options are "cases" (default), "items", "none". When anchor parameter are

specified in anchor, constraints will set to "none" in each case.

nodes optional: integer scalar specifying numbers of nodes in analysis. Default is 15.

p.nodes optional: integer scalar specifying numbers of p nodes in analysis. Sets the number of nodes that are used in the approximation of the posterior distributions,

which are used in the drawing of plausible values and in the calculation of EAP

estimates. The default is 2000.

f.nodes optional: integer scalar specifying numbers of f nodes in analysis. Sets the

number of nodes that are used in the approximation of the posterior distributions

in the calculation of fit statistics. The default is 2000.

n.iterations optional integer scalar. Sets 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 optional scalar. Instructs estimation to 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 optional scalar. Instructs estimation to terminate when the change in the de-

viance between successive iterations of the EM algorithm is less than deviancechange.

The default value is 0.0001.

name.unidim optional: character string with name of one latent dimension, if not specified in

labels.

equivalence.table

optional: character string specifying type of equivalence table to print. Possible

options are "wle" (default), "mle" or NULL.

use.letters logical: Should values coded als letters? May be relevant only in partial credit

models comprising items with more than 10 categories to avoid columns with

width 2 in Conquest.

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

other via design (function checkLink is called)

verbose logical: If TRUE, messages are printed on console.

#### 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

automateDataPreparation

automateDataPreparation

## **Description**

prepare datasets for automateModels

#### Usage

```
automateDataPreparation( inputDat = 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

inputDat 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.

loadSav logical (whether function loadSav shall be called).

checkData	logical (whether function checkData shall be called).
mergeData	logical (whether function mergeData shall be called).
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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 readDaemonX1sx).

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**

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automateModels

automateModels

#### **Description**

specify and run several ConQuest models

## Usage

```
automateModels(dataset, 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**

dataset 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 dataset

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

dataset

items names or column numbers of 'item' variables in dataset 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

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select.person.group

character vector of group names chosen for analysis

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

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

dif 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

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

missing.rule definition how to recode distinct missings in dataset

scales in 'item.grouping' and groups in 'person.grouping' can be crossed to decross

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")

"none": no subfolders are created "full": complete subfolders are created acsubfolder.mode

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

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additionalSubFolder

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 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

bi.linking

bi.linking

## **Description**

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

# Usage

```
bi.linking ( results , scales=NULL , folder=NULL , file.name=NULL , method = NULL , lower.triang
```

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## **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
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## **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).

## Value

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

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## Author(s)

Nicole Haag, Anna Lenski

#### References

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

#### See Also

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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.

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#### Author(s)

Nicole Haag

#### See Also

makeInputLists

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checkLink

## **Description**

checks whether items in a dataset are linked via design

# Usage

```
checkLink ( dataFrame, sysmis = NA, verbose = TRUE)
```

## **Arguments**

dataFrame A data.frame where all columns denote test items

sysmis 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, item.names)
```

## **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.
item.names character vector containing column names of the data frames whose character

missings are to be collapsed

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#### **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),
item.names=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

```
{\tt commonItems}~(~{\tt data}~,~{\tt group.var}~,~{\tt missing}~=~{\tt NA}~,~{\tt uncommon}~=~{\tt FALSE}~,~{\tt simplify}~=~{\tt TRUE}~)
```

## **Arguments**

data	data.frame
group.var	group variable in data.frame , eihter numeric indicator of column or column name $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right) $
missing	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 ( data = d , group.var = "version" , missing = "mbd" ) )

# uncommon items are returned as well
str ( commonItems ( data = d , group.var = "version" , missing = "mbd" , uncommon = TRUE ) )</pre>
```

ConQuest.Log.Example1.log

Example Log File from ConQuest

## **Description**

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

## **Format**

txt

crop crop

## **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

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detect.suppression detect suppression effects in regression models

#### **Description**

This function detects suppression effects in regression models.

#### Usage

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

#### **Arguments**

data.frame with data to be used data

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

#### **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

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```
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
```

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

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#### **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 funct
# ( '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>
```

exploreDesign

explore data design

## Description

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

## Usage

```
exploreDesign ( data , missing = NA , id = NULL , itemsPerPerson = TRUE , personsPerItem = TRUE
```

#### **Arguments**

```
data frame
missing missing specification
id id variable in data 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 ( data = d , missing = "mbd" , id = "id" )
str(design)</pre>
```

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get.dsc

Reads Conquest descriptive files.

## **Description**

Reads Conquest files comprising descriptive population statistics generated by the 'descriptives'

## Usage

```
get.dsc(file)
```

## **Arguments**

file

Character string of the Conquest descriptives file.

#### Value

A list of n elements, with n the number of groups in the analysis. Each element is a list with two data frames, the single and aggregated descriptives of the corresponding group. Single descriptives give for each dimension the number of observations, mean, standard deviation and variance of the corresponding estimate, i.e. the WLE or the plausible values (PVs). When descriptives for PVs are read in, mean, standard deviation and variance for each pausible value is given. Aggregated descriptives give mean, standard deviation and variance of the standard error of corresponding estimate. When descriptives vor plausible values are read in, aggregated descriptives gibt also mean, standard deviation and variance of all plausible values.

## References

See Conquest manual, pp.162.

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.equ)
```

#### **Arguments**

file.equ

Character string of the Conquest equ-file.

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#### 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(historyfile, shw.object)
```

# **Arguments**

historyfile 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.itn

#### **Description**

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

## Usage

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

## **Arguments**

file

Character string of the Conquest item analysis file.

#### Value

A data frame according to the corresponding Conquest item analysis file. Each row represents one response categorie of one item. Columns represents item name (item.name), label (i.e., items' raw score), score (i.e., the 'value' of the corresponding raw score), number of valid responses (n.valid), absolute frequency of the corresponding score (Abs.Freq), relative frequency of the corresponding score (Rel.Freq), items' pvalue (p), the point biserial correlation (pt.bis), T (t.value) and p value (p.value) for significance test of point biserial correlation differ from zero, thereshold and delta parameter.

## Author(s)

Sebastian Weirich

get.plausible

Reads Conquest plausible values files

## **Description**

Function reads Conquest plausible value files and transforms them into a R data frame.

## Usage

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

# **Arguments**

file

Character string of the Conquest plausible values file to be read in.

#### **Details**

Funktion identifies number of cases, number of plausible values and number of dimensions.

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#### Value

A data frame, where each row corresponds to one case. Columns are labeled with dimension names and number of corresponding plausible value.

case	Case number. Each row represents one person.
ID	Case ID, if listed in Conquest plausible values file.
pv	Plausible value. Denotation of columns names is pv.[name of dimension]_[number of plausible value]. For example, pv.reading_6 refers to the 6th plausible value of reading dimension.
eap	Expectation value of the a posterio distribution of the corresponding dimension.
eap.se	Standard error of the EAP estimate.

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 Reads 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.

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 confi-

dence interval DIF.

#### **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:

item Name of item

ESTIMATE Estimated difficulty of item

ERROR Standard error of estimated item difficulty

MNSQ Item's 'Outfit'
MNSQ.1 Items's 'Infit'

CI Lower and upper bound confidence intervals

T values, corresponding to confidence intervals

filename Name of show file read in

abs.dif Only for DIF analysis. Absolute DIF, computed as 2\*[group-specific parame-

ter].

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.

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.

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get.wle

Reads Conquest WLE or MLE files.

#### **Description**

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

## Usage

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

## **Arguments**

file

Character string of the Conquest MLE or WLE file to be read in.

#### Value

A data frame with columns according to the corresponding MLE or WLE file. For each dimension of the analysis number of solved items, number of presented items, point estimate and its standard error is given. Each row represents one person. Columns are named as follows:

case Case number. Each row represents one person.

n. solved Number of solved items by the i-th person.

n. total Number of total items presented to the i-th person.

wle WLE or MLE estimate.

wle.se Standard error of WLE or MLE estimate.

The last number of columns names represents the dimension the WLE or MLE estimate belongs to.

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'

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## 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.

## **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)
```

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#### **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.

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:

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```

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)
```

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
```

## **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)) {
            stop(paste("Error in ",funVersion,": None of the files specified in 'savFiles' were found</pre>
```

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```
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("\n0nly 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) {
                          \verb|cat(paste(funVersion,": ",length(colsToCorrect)," columns are corrected for column with the column of the colu
                         for (ii in colsToCorrect) {
                                     file.i[,ii] <- gsub(" ","0", formatC(as.character(file.i[,ii]),width=2))</pre>
                   }
             allDataFrames[[i]] <- file.i
 }
return(allDataFrames)
```

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#### **Description**

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

#### Usage

```
long2matrix ( data , 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"

force.diagonal a diagonal is forced into matrix even if no diagonal elements are in data exclude.diagonal

the diagonal is excluded if possible

long2matrix if FALSE data is not transformed
```

#### 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 ( data = d1 , sort = FALSE )
# sorted by default
long2matrix ( data = d1 )
# extract upper triangle of symmetric matrix
long2matrix ( data = d1 , triangle = "upper" )
# exclude diagonal elements
long2matrix ( data = d1 , triangle = "upper" , exclude.diagonal = TRUE )
# if full matrix ("both" triangles) is requested, the diagonal cannot be excluded, option is ignored
long2matrix ( data = 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 )
```

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```
long2matrix ( data = d2 )
# diagonal is set (with NAs)
long2matrix ( data = d2 , triangle = "upper" , force.diagonal = TRUE )
```

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

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

# 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>
```

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prepare.package

## **Description**

prepares package

## Usage

```
prepare.package ( source.folder = "p:/ZKD/development" ,
files ,
package.folder = "p:/ZKD/packages" ,
package.name ,
package.version )
```

## **Arguments**

source.folder folder of R files

files character vector of R files that should be included in the package

package.version

version of package, must be in format "0.0.0"

## **Details**

copies R files from source. folder to package folder copies "x.x.x" folder content to package folder modifies version and date in DESCRIPTION and automateModels creates ChangeLog

# Author(s)

Martin Hecht

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).

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#### **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'. 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.

## Author(s)

Martin Hecht, Christiane Penk, Nicole Haag

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### 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 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 ( data , remove = TRUE , verbose = FALSE )
```

### **Arguments**

data 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 ( data , rows = NULL , tolerance = 0 , cumulate = TRUE , remove = TRUE , verbose = FALS
```

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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

### **Examples**

```
# 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

```
rmNArows ( data , cols = NULL , tolerance = 0 , cumulate = TRUE , remove = TRUE , verbose = FALS
```

### **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

# **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**

chr [1:9]

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science1	1 † A M S

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

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

# Arguments

data	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

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#### Author(s)

Martin Hecht

### **Examples**

```
str ( d <- data.frame ( "var1" = 1 , "var2" = TRUE , "var3" = FALSE , "var4" = as.factor ( 1 ) , "var5" = s
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" = "vars1" ( 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>
```

sortDfrByNames

sort data.frame by colnames and/or rownames

### **Description**

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

### Usage

```
sortDfrByNames ( dfr , col.order = NULL , row.order = NULL , warn = TRUE )
```

# **Arguments**

dfr 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**

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

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

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source.it.all source.it.all

# **Description**

sources \*.R files of folder

### Usage

```
source.it.all ( folder="p:/ZKD/development" , develop.modules = NULL , return.stable = FALSE )
```

# Arguments

folder folder with \*.R files

develop.modules

character vector of R files that should be sourced in development status return.stable if TRUE nothing is sourced and a vector of all stable versions is returned

### Value

return.stable = FALSE

sources R files

return.stable = TRUE

character vector of stable R files

### Author(s)

Christiane Penk, Martin Hecht

source.it.all2 source.it.all2

# Description

sources \*.R files of folder

# Usage

```
source.it.all2 ( folder="p:/ZKD/development" , use.zkd.conv = TRUE , development = TRUE , development
```

# **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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writeSpss	Export Datasets to SPSS

### **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

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# Description

Q3 statistics

# Usage

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

# Arguments

```
dat bla theta bla b bla progress bla
```

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