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as\_dataschema

Validate and coerce as a DataSchema object

# **Description**

Checks if an object is a valid DataSchema and returns it with the appropriate Rmonize::class attribute. This function mainly helps validate inputs within other functions of the package but could be used separately to ensure that an object has an appropriate structure.

#### Usage

```
as_dataschema(object, as_dataschema_mlstr = FALSE)
```

# **Arguments**

object A potential DataSchema object to be coerced. as\_dataschema\_mlstr

Whether the output DataSchema should be coerced with specific format restrictions for compatibility with other Maelstrom Research software. FALSE by default.

#### **Details**

A DataSchema is the list of core variables to generate across datasets and related metadata. A DataSchema object is a list of data frames with elements named 'Variables' (required) and 'Categories' (if any). The 'Variables' element must contain at least the name column, and the 'Categories' element must contain at least the variable and name columns to be usable in any function. In 'Variables' the name column must also have unique entries, and in 'Categories' the combination of variable and name columns must also be unique.

The object may be specifically formatted to be compatible with additional Maelstrom Research software, in particular Opal environments.

# Value

A list of data frame(s) named 'Variables' and (if any) 'Categories', with Rmonize::class' dataschema'.

```
{
# Use Rmonize_DEMO to run examples.
library(dplyr)
glimpse(as_dataschema(Rmonize_DEMO$`dataschema - final`))
}
```

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 $as\_dataschema\_mlstr \qquad \textit{Validate and coerce as a DataSchema object with specific format restrictions}$ 

# **Description**

Checks if an object is a valid DataSchema with specific format restrictions for compatibility with other Maelstrom Research software and returns it with the appropriate Rmonize::class attribute. This function mainly helps validate inputs within other functions of the package but could be used separately to ensure that an object has an appropriate structure.

# Usage

```
as_dataschema_mlstr(object)
```

## **Arguments**

object

A potential DataSchema object to be coerced.

#### **Details**

A DataSchema is the list of core variables to generate across datasets and related metadata. A DataSchema object is a list of data frames with elements named 'Variables' (required) and 'Categories' (if any). The 'Variables' element must contain at least the name column, and the 'Categories' element must contain at least the variable and name columns to be usable in any function. In 'Variables' the name column must also have unique entries, and in 'Categories' the combination of variable and name columns must also be unique.

The object may be specifically formatted to be compatible with additional Maelstrom Research software, in particular Opal environments.

# Value

A list of data frame(s) named 'Variables' and (if any) 'Categories', with Rmonize::class'dataschema\_mlstr'.

```
{
# Use Rmonize_DEMO to run examples.
library(dplyr)
glimpse(as_dataschema_mlstr(Rmonize_DEMO$`dataschema - final`))
}
```

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Objects exported from other packages

# **Description**

These objects are imported from other packages. Follow the links below to see their documentation.

madshapR as\_dataset

as\_data\_dict

Objects exported from other packages

# Description

These objects are imported from other packages. Follow the links below to see their documentation.

madshapR as\_data\_dict

as\_data\_proc\_elem

Validate and coerce as a Data Processing Elements object

# **Description**

Checks if an object is a valid Data Processing Elements and returns it with the appropriate Rmonize::class attribute. This function mainly helps validate inputs within other functions of the package but could be used separately to ensure that an object has an appropriate structure.

# Usage

```
as_data_proc_elem(object)
```

# **Arguments**

object

A potential Data Processing Elements object to be coerced.

#### **Details**

The Data Processing Elements specifies the algorithms used to process input variables into harmonized variables in the DataSchema format. It is also contains metadata used to generate documentation of the processing. A Data Processing Elements object is a data frame with specific columns used in data processing: dataschema\_variable, input\_dataset, input\_variables, Mlstr\_harmo::rule\_category and Mlstr\_harmo::algorithm. To initiate processing, the first entry must be the creation of a harmonized primary identifier variable (e.g., participant unique ID).

#### Value

A data frame with Rmonize::class 'data\_proc\_elem'.

#### **Examples**

```
{
# Use Rmonize_DEMO to run examples.
library(dplyr)
glimpse(head(as_data_proc_elem(Rmonize_DEMO$`data_processing_elements - final`),3))
}
```

as\_dossier

Objects exported from other packages

# **Description**

These objects are imported from other packages. Follow the links below to see their documentation.

```
madshapR as_dossier
```

as\_harmonized\_dossier Validate and coerce as a harmonized dossier object

## **Description**

Checks if an object is a valid harmonized dossier and returns it with the appropriate Rmonize::class attribute. This function mainly helps validate inputs within other functions of the package but could be used separately to ensure that an object has an appropriate structure. The function has two arguments that can optionally be declared by the user (unique\_col\_dataset and unique\_col\_id). unique\_col\_dataset refers to the columns which contains name of each harmonized dataset. unique\_col\_id refers to the column in harmonized datasets which identifies unique combinations of observation/dataset. These two columns are added to ensure that there is always a unique entity identifier when datasets are pooled.

# Usage

```
as_harmonized_dossier(
  object,
  dataschema = attributes(object)$`Rmonize::DataSchema`,
  data_proc_elem = attributes(object)$`Rmonize::Data Processing Elements`,
  harmonized_col_id = attributes(object)$`Rmonize::harmonized_col_id`,
  harmonized_col_dataset = attributes(object)$`Rmonize::harmonized_col_dataset`,
  harmonized_data_dict_apply = FALSE
)
```

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# Arguments

object A A potential harmonized dossier object to be coerced.

dataschema A DataSchema object.

data\_proc\_elem A Data Processing Elements object.

harmonized\_col\_id

A character string identifying the name of the column present in every dataset

to use as a dataset identifier.

harmonized\_col\_dataset

A character string identifying the column to use for dataset names.

harmonized\_data\_dict\_apply

Whether to apply the dataschema to each harmonized dataset. FALSE by de-

fault.

#### **Details**

A harmonized dossier is a named list containing one or more data frames, which are harmonized datasets. A harmonized dossier is generally the product of applying processing to a dossier object The name of each harmonized dataset (data frame) is taken from the reference input dataset. A harmonized dossier also contains the DataSchema and Data Processing Elements used in processing as attributes.

A DataSchema is the list of core variables to generate across datasets and related metadata. A DataSchema object is a list of data frames with elements named 'Variables' (required) and 'Categories' (if any). The 'Variables' element must contain at least the name column, and the 'Categories' element must contain at least the variable and name columns to be usable in any function. In 'Variables' the name column must also have unique entries, and in 'Categories' the combination of variable and name columns must also be unique.

The Data Processing Elements specifies the algorithms used to process input variables into harmonized variables in the DataSchema format. It is also contains metadata used to generate documentation of the processing. A Data Processing Elements object is a data frame with specific columns used in data processing: dataschema\_variable, input\_dataset, input\_variables, Mlstr\_harmo::rule\_category and Mlstr\_harmo::algorithm. To initiate processing, the first entry must be the creation of a harmonized primary identifier variable (e.g., participant unique ID).

### Value

A list of data frame(s), containing harmonized dataset(s). The DataSchema and Data Processing Elements are preserved as attributes of the output harmonized dossier.

```
{
# Use Rmonize_DEMO to run examples.
library(dplyr)
glimpse(as_harmonized_dossier(Rmonize_DEMO$harmonized_dossier))
}
```

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bookdown\_open

Objects exported from other packages

#### **Description**

These objects are imported from other packages. Follow the links below to see their documentation.

madshapR bookdown\_open

dataschema\_evaluate

Generate an assessment report for a DataSchema

# **Description**

Assesses the content and structure of a DataSchema object and generates reports of the results. This function can be used to evaluate data structure, presence of specific fields, coherence across elements, and data dictionary formats.

#### Usage

dataschema\_evaluate(dataschema, taxonomy = NULL)

## **Arguments**

dataschema A DataSchema object.

taxonomy An optional data frame identifying a variable classification schema.

## **Details**

A DataSchema is the list of core variables to generate across datasets and related metadata. A DataSchema object is a list of data frames with elements named 'Variables' (required) and 'Categories' (if any). The 'Variables' element must contain at least the name column, and the 'Categories' element must contain at least the variable and name columns to be usable in any function. In 'Variables' the name column must also have unique entries, and in 'Categories' the combination of variable and name columns must also be unique.

A taxonomy is a classification schema that can be defined for variable attributes. A taxonomy is usually extracted from an Opal environment, and a taxonomy object is a data frame that must contain at least the columns taxonomy, vocabulary, and terms. Additional details about Opal taxonomies are available online.

# Value

A list of data frames containing assessment reports.

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# **Examples**

```
{
# use Rmonize_DEMO provided by the package
library(dplyr)
library(madshapR) # data_dict_filter

dataschema <-
    Rmonize_DEMO$`dataschema - final` %>%
    data_dict_filter("name == 'adm_unique_id'")

dataschema_evaluate(dataschema)
}
```

dataschema\_extract

Generate a DataSchema based on Data Processing Elements

# **Description**

Generates a DataSchema from a Data Processing Elements.

# Usage

```
dataschema_extract(data_proc_elem)
```

# **Arguments**

data\_proc\_elem A Data Processing Elements object.

## **Details**

The Data Processing Elements specifies the algorithms used to process input variables into harmonized variables in the DataSchema format. It is also contains metadata used to generate documentation of the processing. A Data Processing Elements object is a data frame with specific columns used in data processing: dataschema\_variable, input\_dataset, input\_variables, Mlstr\_harmo::rule\_category and Mlstr\_harmo::algorithm. To initiate processing, the first entry must be the creation of a harmonized primary identifier variable (e.g., participant unique ID).

#### Value

A list of data frame(s) named 'Variables' and (if any) 'Categories', with Rmonize::class'dataschema'.

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# **Examples**

```
{
# Use Rmonize_DEMO to run examples.
library(dplyr)
glimpse(dataschema_extract(
   data_proc_elem = Rmonize_DEMO$`data_processing_elements - final`))
}
```

dataset\_evaluate

Objects exported from other packages

# **Description**

These objects are imported from other packages. Follow the links below to see their documentation.

madshapR dataset\_evaluate

 ${\tt dataset\_summarize}$ 

Objects exported from other packages

# Description

These objects are imported from other packages. Follow the links below to see their documentation.

madshapR dataset\_summarize

dataset\_visualize

Objects exported from other packages

# **Description**

These objects are imported from other packages. Follow the links below to see their documentation.

```
madshapR dataset_visualize
```

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# Description

These objects are imported from other packages. Follow the links below to see their documentation.

```
madshapR data_dict_apply
```

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# Description

These objects are imported from other packages. Follow the links below to see their documentation.

```
madshapR data_dict_evaluate
```

# Description

These objects are imported from other packages. Follow the links below to see their documentation.

```
madshapR data_dict_extract
```

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# Description

These objects are imported from other packages. Follow the links below to see their documentation.

```
madshapR dossier_create
```

dossier\_evaluate

Objects exported from other packages

## **Description**

These objects are imported from other packages. Follow the links below to see their documentation.

```
madshapR dossier_evaluate
```

dossier\_summarize

Objects exported from other packages

# **Description**

These objects are imported from other packages. Follow the links below to see their documentation.

```
madshapR dossier_summarize
```

harmonized\_dossier\_evaluate

Generate an assessment report for a harmonized dossier

## **Description**

Assesses the content and structure of a harmonized dossier and generates reports of the results. This function can be used to evaluate data structure, presence of specific fields, coherence across elements, and data dictionary formats.

## Usage

```
harmonized_dossier_evaluate(
  harmonized_dossier,
  dataschema = attributes(harmonized_dossier)$`Rmonize::DataSchema`,
  taxonomy = NULL,
  as_dataschema_mlstr = TRUE
)
```

# **Arguments**

harmonized\_dossier

A list containing the harmonized dataset(s).

dataschema A DataSchema object.

taxonomy An optional data frame identifying a variable classification schema.

as\_dataschema\_mlstr

Whether the output DataSchema should be coerced with specific format restrictions for compatibility with other Maelstrom Research software. TRUE by default.

#### **Details**

A harmonized dossier is a named list containing one or more data frames, which are harmonized datasets. A harmonized dossier is generally the product of applying processing to a dossier object The name of each harmonized dataset (data frame) is taken from the reference input dataset. A harmonized dossier also contains the DataSchema and Data Processing Elements used in processing as attributes.

A DataSchema is the list of core variables to generate across datasets and related metadata. A DataSchema object is a list of data frames with elements named 'Variables' (required) and 'Categories' (if any). The 'Variables' element must contain at least the name column, and the 'Categories' element must contain at least the variable and name columns to be usable in any function. In 'Variables' the name column must also have unique entries, and in 'Categories' the combination of variable and name columns must also be unique.

A taxonomy is a classification schema that can be defined for variable attributes. A taxonomy is usually extracted from an Opal environment, and a taxonomy object is a data frame that must contain at least the columns taxonomy, vocabulary, and terms. Additional details about Opal taxonomies are available online.

The object may be specifically formatted to be compatible with additional Maelstrom Research software, in particular Opal environments.

#### Value

A list of data frames containing assessment reports for each harmonized dataset.

## **Examples**

```
{
#' # use Rmonize_DEMO provided by the package
library(dplyr)
glimpse(harmonized_dossier_evaluate(Rmonize_DEMO$harmonized_dossier))
}
```

harmonized\_dossier\_summarize

Generate an assessment report and summary of a harmonized dossier

## **Description**

Assesses and summarizes the content and structure of a harmonized dossier and generates reports of the results. This function can be used to evaluate data structure, presence of specific fields, coherence across elements, and data dictionary formats, and to summarize additional information about variable distributions and descriptive statistics.

### Usage

```
harmonized_dossier_summarize(
  harmonized_dossier,
  group_by = attributes(harmonized_dossier)$`Rmonize::harmonized_col_dataset`,
  dataschema = attributes(harmonized_dossier)$`Rmonize::DataSchema`,
  data_proc_elem = attributes(harmonized_dossier)$`Rmonize::Data Processing Element`,
  taxonomy = NULL,
  valueType_guess = FALSE
)
```

# **Arguments**

harmonized\_dossier

A list containing the harmonized dataset(s).

group\_by A character string identifying the column in the dataset to use as a grouping

variable. Elements will be grouped by this column.

dataschema A DataSchema object.

data\_proc\_elem A Data Processing Elements object.

taxonomy An optional data frame identifying a variable classification schema.

valueType\_guess

Whether the output should include a more accurate valueType that could be

applied to the dataset. FALSE by default.

#### **Details**

A harmonized dossier is a named list containing one or more data frames, which are harmonized datasets. A harmonized dossier is generally the product of applying processing to a dossier object The name of each harmonized dataset (data frame) is taken from the reference input dataset. A harmonized dossier also contains the DataSchema and Data Processing Elements used in processing as attributes.

A DataSchema is the list of core variables to generate across datasets and related metadata. A DataSchema object is a list of data frames with elements named 'Variables' (required) and 'Categories' (if any). The 'Variables' element must contain at least the name column, and the 'Categories' element must contain at least the variable and name columns to be usable in any function. In 'Variables' the name column must also have unique entries, and in 'Categories' the combination of variable and name columns must also be unique.

The Data Processing Elements specifies the algorithms used to process input variables into harmonized variables in the DataSchema format. It is also contains metadata used to generate documentation of the processing. A Data Processing Elements object is a data frame with specific columns used in data processing: dataschema\_variable, input\_dataset, input\_variables, Mlstr\_harmo::rule\_category and Mlstr\_harmo::algorithm. To initiate processing, the first entry must be the creation of a harmonized primary identifier variable (e.g., participant unique ID).

A taxonomy is a classification schema that can be defined for variable attributes. A taxonomy is usually extracted from an Opal environment, and a taxonomy object is a data frame that must contain at least the columns taxonomy, vocabulary, and terms. Additional details about Opal taxonomies are available online.

The valueType is a declared property of a variable that is required in certain functions to determine handling of the variables. Specifically, valueType refers to the OBiBa data type of a variable. The valueType is specified in a data dictionary in a column 'valueType' and can be associated with variables as attributes. Acceptable valueTypes include 'text', 'integer', 'decimal', 'boolean', datetime', 'date'. The full list of OBiBa valueType possibilities and their correspondence with R data types are available using valueType\_list. The valueType can be used to coerce the variable to the corresponding data type.

#### Value

A list of data frames containing overall assessment reports and summaries grouped by harmonized dataset.

# **Examples**

```
{
harmonized_dossier <- Rmonize_DEMO$harmonized_dossier

# summary harmonization
harmonized_dossier_summarize(harmonized_dossier)
}</pre>
```

harmonized\_dossier\_visualize

Generate a web-based visual report for a harmonized dossier

# **Description**

Generates a visual report of a harmonized dossier in an HTML bookdown document, with summary figures and statistics for each harmonized variable. The report outputs can be grouped by a categorical variable.

## Usage

```
harmonized_dossier_visualize(
   harmonized_dossier,
   bookdown_path,
   group_by = attributes(harmonized_dossier)$`Rmonize::harmonized_col_dataset`,
   harmonized_dossier_summary = NULL,
   dataschema = attributes(harmonized_dossier)$`Rmonize::DataSchema`,
   data_proc_elem = attributes(harmonized_dossier)$`Rmonize::Data Processing Element`,
   valueType_guess = FALSE,
   taxonomy = NULL
)
```

#### **Arguments**

harmonized\_dossier

A list containing the harmonized dataset(s).

bookdown\_path A character string identifying the folder path where the bookdown report files

will be saved.

group\_by A character string identifying the column in the dataset to use as a grouping

variable. Elements will be grouped by this column.

harmonized dossier summarv

A list which identifies an existing summary produced by harmonized\_dossier\_summarize()

of the harmonized variables. Using this parameter can save time in generating

the visual report.

dataschema A DataSchema object.

data\_proc\_elem A Data Processing Elements object.

valueType\_guess

Whether the output should include a more accurate valueType that could be

applied to the dataset. FALSE by default.

taxonomy An optional data frame identifying a variable classification schema.

#### **Details**

A harmonized dossier is a named list containing one or more data frames, which are harmonized datasets. A harmonized dossier is generally the product of applying processing to a dossier object The name of each harmonized dataset (data frame) is taken from the reference input dataset. A harmonized dossier also contains the DataSchema and Data Processing Elements used in processing as attributes.

A DataSchema is the list of core variables to generate across datasets and related metadata. A DataSchema object is a list of data frames with elements named 'Variables' (required) and 'Categories' (if any). The 'Variables' element must contain at least the name column, and the 'Categories' element must contain at least the variable and name columns to be usable in any function. In 'Variables' the name column must also have unique entries, and in 'Categories' the combination of variable and name columns must also be unique.

The Data Processing Elements specifies the algorithms used to process input variables into harmonized variables in the DataSchema format. It is also contains metadata used to generate documentation of the processing. A Data Processing Elements object is a data frame with specific columns used in data processing: dataschema\_variable, input\_dataset, input\_variables, Mlstr\_harmo::rule\_category and Mlstr\_harmo::algorithm. To initiate processing, the first entry must be the creation of a harmonized primary identifier variable (e.g., participant unique ID).

The valueType is a declared property of a variable that is required in certain functions to determine handling of the variables. Specifically, valueType refers to the OBiBa data type of a variable. The valueType is specified in a data dictionary in a column 'valueType' and can be associated with variables as attributes. Acceptable valueTypes include 'text', 'integer', 'decimal', 'boolean', datetime', 'date'. The full list of OBiBa valueType possibilities and their correspondence with R data types are available using valueType\_list. The valueType can be used to coerce the variable to the corresponding data type.

A taxonomy is a classification schema that can be defined for variable attributes. A taxonomy is usually extracted from an Opal environment, and a taxonomy object is a data frame that must

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contain at least the columns taxonomy, vocabulary, and terms. Additional details about Opal taxonomies are available online.

#### Value

A folder containing files for the bookdown site. To open the bookdown site in a browser, open 'docs/index.html', or use bookdown\_open() with the folder path.

## See Also

```
dataset_visualize() bookdown_open()
```

# **Examples**

```
# Use Rmonize_DEMO to run examples.
library(fs)
harmonized_dossier <- Rmonize_DEMO$harmonized_dossier
harmonized_dossier_summary <- Rmonize_DEMO$harmonized_dossier_summary
if(dir_exists(tempdir())) dir_delete(tempdir())
bookdown_path <- tempdir()
harmonized_dossier_visualize(
    harmonized_dossier,
    bookdown_path = bookdown_path,
    harmonized_dossier_summary = harmonized_dossier_summary)
# To open the file in browser, open 'bookdown_path/docs/index.html'.
# Or use bookdown_open(bookdown_path) function
}</pre>
```

harmo\_process

Generate harmonized dataset(s) and associated metadata

# **Description**

Reads a DataSchema and Data Processing Elements to generate a harmonized dossier from input dataset(s) in a dossier and associated metadata. The function has one argument that can optionally be declared by the user (unique\_col\_dataset). It refers to the columns which contains name of each harmonized dataset. These two columns are added to ensure that there is always a unique entity identifier when datasets are pooled.

harmo\_process

# Usage

```
harmo_process(
  object = NULL,
  dataschema = attributes(dossier)$`Rmonize::DataSchema`,
  data_proc_elem = attributes(dossier)$`Rmonize::Data Processing Elements`,
  harmonized_col_dataset = attributes(dossier)$`Rmonize::harmonized_col_dataset`,
  harmonized_col_id = attributes(dossier)$`Rmonize::harmonized_col_id`,
  .debug = FALSE,
  dossier = object
)
```

# **Arguments**

object Data frame(s) or list of data frame(s) containing input dataset(s).

dataschema A DataSchema object.

data\_proc\_elem A Data Processing Elements object.

harmonized\_col\_dataset

A character string identifying the column to use for dataset names. NULL by

default.

harmonized\_col\_id

A character string identifying the name of the column present in every dataset

to use as a dataset identifier. NULL by default.

. debug Allow user to test the inputs before processing harmonization.

dossier [Deprecated]

# Details

A dossier is a named list containing one or more data frames, which are input datasets. The name of each data frame in the dossier will be used as the name of the associated harmonized dataset produced by harmo\_process().

A DataSchema is the list of core variables to generate across datasets and related metadata. A DataSchema object is a list of data frames with elements named 'Variables' (required) and 'Categories' (if any). The 'Variables' element must contain at least the name column, and the 'Categories' element must contain at least the variable and name columns to be usable in any function. In 'Variables' the name column must also have unique entries, and in 'Categories' the combination of variable and name columns must also be unique.

The Data Processing Elements specifies the algorithms used to process input variables into harmonized variables in the DataSchema format. It is also contains metadata used to generate documentation of the processing. A Data Processing Elements object is a data frame with specific columns used in data processing: dataschema\_variable, input\_dataset, input\_variables, Mlstr\_harmo::rule\_category and Mlstr\_harmo::algorithm. To initiate processing, the first entry must be the creation of a harmonized primary identifier variable (e.g., participant unique ID).

#### Value

A list of data frame(s), containing harmonized dataset(s). The DataSchema and Data Processing Elements are preserved as attributes of the output harmonized dossier.

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# **Examples**

```
{
# Use Rmonize_DEMO to run examples.
library(dplyr)
library(madshapR) # data_dict_filter
dataset_MELBOURNE <- Rmonize_DEMO$dataset_MELBOURNE[1]</pre>
dossier <- dossier_create(list(dataset_MELBOURNE))</pre>
dataschema <-
 Rmonize_DEMO$`dataschema - final` %>%
 data_dict_filter('name == "adm_unique_id"')
data_proc_elem <- Rmonize_DEMO$`data_processing_elements - final` %>%
 dplyr::filter(dataschema_variable == 'adm_unique_id',
         input_dataset == 'dataset_MELBOURNE')
# perform harmonization
harmonized_dossier <- harmo_process(dossier,dataschema,data_proc_elem)</pre>
glimpse(harmonized_dossier)
}
```

is\_dataschema

Test for a valid DataSchema object

#### **Description**

Tests if the input is a valid DataSchema object. This function mainly helps validate input within other functions of the package but could be used to check if an object is valid for use in a function.

# Usage

```
is_dataschema(object)
```

## **Arguments**

object

A potential DataSchema object to be evaluated.

#### **Details**

A DataSchema is the list of core variables to generate across datasets and related metadata. A DataSchema object is a list of data frames with elements named 'Variables' (required) and 'Categories' (if any). The 'Variables' element must contain at least the name column, and the 'Categories' element must contain at least the variable and name columns to be usable in any function. In 'Variables' the name column must also have unique entries, and in 'Categories' the combination of variable and name columns must also be unique.

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#### Value

A logical.

#### See Also

For a better assessment, please use dataschema\_evaluate().

# **Examples**

```
{
# use Rmonize_DEMO provided by the package

dataschema <- Rmonize_DEMO$`dataschema - final`
is_dataschema(dataschema)
is_dataschema(iris)
}</pre>
```

is\_dataschema\_mlstr

Test for a valid DataSchema object with specific format restrictions

# Description

Tests if an object is a valid DataSchema object with specific format restrictions for compatibility with other Maelstrom Research software. This function mainly helps validate input within other functions of the package but could be used to check if an object is valid for use in a function.

#### **Usage**

```
is_dataschema_mlstr(object)
```

## **Arguments**

object

A potential DataSchema object to be evaluated.

#### **Details**

A DataSchema is the list of core variables to generate across datasets and related metadata. A DataSchema object is a list of data frames with elements named 'Variables' (required) and 'Categories' (if any). The 'Variables' element must contain at least the name column, and the 'Categories' element must contain at least the variable and name columns to be usable in any function. In 'Variables' the name column must also have unique entries, and in 'Categories' the combination of variable and name columns must also be unique.

The object may be specifically formatted to be compatible with additional Maelstrom Research software, in particular Opal environments.

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#### Value

A logical.

#### See Also

For a better assessment, please use dataschema\_evaluate().

# **Examples**

```
{
# use Rmonize_DEMO provided by the package

dataschema <- Rmonize_DEMO$`dataschema - final`
is_dataschema_mlstr(dataschema)
is_dataschema_mlstr(iris)
}</pre>
```

is\_data\_proc\_elem

Test for a valid Data Processing Elements object

# **Description**

Tests if the input is a valid Data Processing Elements object. This function mainly helps validate input within other functions of the package but could be used to check if an object is valid for use in a function.

# Usage

```
is_data_proc_elem(object)
```

# **Arguments**

object

A potential Data Processing Elements object to be evaluated.

# **Details**

The Data Processing Elements specifies the algorithms used to process input variables into harmonized variables in the DataSchema format. It is also contains metadata used to generate documentation of the processing. A Data Processing Elements object is a data frame with specific columns used in data processing: dataschema\_variable, input\_dataset, input\_variables, Mlstr\_harmo::rule\_category and Mlstr\_harmo::algorithm. To initiate processing, the first entry must be the creation of a harmonized primary identifier variable (e.g., participant unique ID).

# Value

A logical.

# **Examples**

```
# use Rmonize_DEMO provided by the package

data_proc_elem <- Rmonize_DEMO$`data_processing_elements - final`
is_data_proc_elem(data_proc_elem)
is_data_proc_elem(iris)
}</pre>
```

pooled\_harmonized\_dataset\_create

Generate a pooled harmonized dataset from a harmonized dossier

# **Description**

Generates a pooled harmonized dataset from a harmonized dossier. The function has two arguments that can optionally be declared by the user (unique\_col\_dataset and unique\_col\_id). unique\_col\_dataset refers to the columns which contains name of each harmonized dataset. unique\_col\_id refers to the column in harmonized datasets which identifies unique combinations of observation/dataset. These two columns are added to ensure that there is always a unique entity identifier when datasets are pooled.

# Usage

```
pooled_harmonized_dataset_create(
    harmonized_dossier,
    harmonized_col_dataset =
        attributes(harmonized_dossier)$`Rmonize::harmonized_col_dataset`,
    harmonized_col_id = attributes(harmonized_dossier)$`Rmonize::harmonized_col_id`,
    add_col_dataset = FALSE,
    dataschema = attributes(harmonized_dossier)$`Rmonize::DataSchema`,
    data_proc_elem = attributes(harmonized_dossier)$`Rmonize::Data Processing Elements`)
```

# **Arguments**

harmonized\_dossier

A list containing the harmonized dataset(s).

harmonized\_col\_dataset

A character string identifying the column to use for dataset names.

harmonized\_col\_id

A character string identifying the name of the column present in every dataset to use as a dataset identifier.

```
add_col_dataset
```

Whether to add an extra column to each harmonized dataset. The resulting data frame will have an additional column and its data dictionary will be updated accordingly adding categories for this variable if necessary. FALSE by default.

dataschema

A DataSchema object.

data\_proc\_elem A Data Processing Elements object.

#### **Details**

A harmonized dossier is a named list containing one or more data frames, which are harmonized datasets. A harmonized dossier is generally the product of applying processing to a dossier object The name of each harmonized dataset (data frame) is taken from the reference input dataset. A harmonized dossier also contains the DataSchema and Data Processing Elements used in processing as attributes.

A DataSchema is the list of core variables to generate across datasets and related metadata. A DataSchema object is a list of data frames with elements named 'Variables' (required) and 'Categories' (if any). The 'Variables' element must contain at least the name column, and the 'Categories' element must contain at least the variable and name columns to be usable in any function. In 'Variables' the name column must also have unique entries, and in 'Categories' the combination of variable and name columns must also be unique.

The Data Processing Elements specifies the algorithms used to process input variables into harmonized variables in the DataSchema format. It is also contains metadata used to generate documentation of the processing. A Data Processing Elements object is a data frame with specific columns used in data processing: dataschema\_variable, input\_dataset, input\_variables, Mlstr\_harmo::rule\_category and Mlstr\_harmo::algorithm. To initiate processing, the first entry must be the creation of a harmonized primary identifier variable (e.g., participant unique ID).

#### Value

A data frame containing the pooled harmonized dataset.

```
{
# use madshapR_DEMO provided by the package
library(dplyr)
harmonized_dossier <- Rmonize_DEMO$harmonized_dossier</pre>
glimpse(pooled_harmonized_dataset_create(
 harmonized_dossier,harmonized_col_id = 'adm_unique_id'))
}
```

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Rmonize\_DEMO

Demo objects to provide illustrative examples

# Description

Demo input datasets, input data dictionaries, DataSchema, Data Processing Elements, and other objects to provide illustrative examples of objects used by Rmonize.

# Usage

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#### **Format**

list:

A list with 13 elements (data frames and lists) providing example objects for testing the package:

data\_processing\_elements - final Example Data Processing Elements

data\_processing\_elements - with error Example Data Processing Elements containing errors

data\_processing\_elements - work in progress Example incomplete Data processing Element

dataschema - final Example DataSchema

pooled\_harmonized\_dataset Example pooled harmonized dataset

harmonized\_dossier Example of harmonized dossier

harmonized\_dossier\_summary Example harmonized variables summary

data\_dict\_MELBOURNE Example Data dictionary for Melbourne dataset

data\_dict\_PARIS Example Data dictionary for Paris dataset

data\_dict\_TOKYO Example Data dictionary for Tokyo dataset

dataset\_MELBOURNE Example Dataset for Melbourne

dataset\_PARIS Example Dataset for Paris

dataset\_TOKYO Example Dataset for Tokyo ...

```
{
# use madshapR_DEMO provided by the package
library(dplyr)
glimpse(Rmonize_DEMO$`dataschema - final`)
}
```

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Rmonize\_templates

Call to online documentation to download templates

# **Description**

Direct call to online documentation to download templates.

# Usage

```
Rmonize_templates()
```

#### Value

Nothing to be returned. The function opens a web page.

# **Examples**

```
{
Rmonize_templates()
}
```

Rmonize\_website

Call to online documentation

# **Description**

Direct call to the online documentation for the package, which includes a description of the latest version of the package, vignettes, user guides, and a reference list of functions and help pages.

# Usage

```
Rmonize_website()
```

#### Value

Nothing to be returned. The function opens a web page.

```
{
Rmonize_website()
}
```

show\_harmo\_error

show\_harmo\_error

Print a summary of data processing in the console

# Description

Reads a harmonized dossier, product of harmo\_process(), to list processes, any errors, and an overview of each harmonization rule. The output printed in the console can help in correcting any errors that occurred during data processing.

# Usage

```
show_harmo_error(harmonized_dossier, show_warnings = TRUE)
```

# **Arguments**

harmonized\_dossier

A list containing the harmonized dataset(s).

show\_warnings Whether the function should print warnings or not. TRUE by default.

# **Details**

A harmonized dossier is a named list containing one or more data frames, which are harmonized datasets. A harmonized dossier is generally the product of applying processing to a dossier object The name of each harmonized dataset (data frame) is taken from the reference input dataset. A harmonized dossier also contains the DataSchema and Data Processing Elements used in processing as attributes.

# Value

Nothing to be returned. The function prints messages in the console, showing any errors in the processing.

```
{
  harmonized_dossier <- Rmonize_DEMO$harmonized_dossier
  show_harmo_error(harmonized_dossier)
}</pre>
```

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