

Package ‘ura’

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Title Monitoring Rater Reliability

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Description Provides researchers with a simple set of diagnostic tools for monitoring the progress and reliability of raters conducting content coding tasks. Goehring (2024) <<https://bengoehring.github.io/improving-content-analysis-tools-for-working-with-undergraduate-research-assistants.pdf>> argues that supervisors---especially supervisors of small teams---should utilize computational tools to monitor reliability in real time. As such, this package provides easy-to-use functions for calculating inter-rater reliability statistics and measuring the reliability of one coder compared to the rest of the team.

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anxiety	<i>Anxiety ratings</i>
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Description

Simulated data from three raters rating the anxiety of 20 individuals. The codings range from 1 (no anxiety) to 6 (extremely anxious). The data are forked directly from the [irr package](#), with the only difference being the shape of the dataset.

Usage

```
anxiety
```

Format

```
## 'anxiety' A data frame with 60 rows and 3 columns:
```

subject_id The subject being screened for anxiety (numeric).

rater_id The rater evaluating the subject for anxiety (numeric).

anxiety_level The level of anxiety observed in the subject by the rater (numeric).

Source

```
<https://cran.r-project.org/package=irr>
```

diagnoses	<i>Psychiatric diagnoses of patients</i>
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Description

Data from Fleiss (1971) concerning the psychiatric conditions of thirty patients as evaluated by six raters. The data are forked directly from the [irr package](#), with the only difference being the shape of the dataset.

Usage

```
diagnoses
```

Format

'diagnoses' A data frame with 180 rows and 3 columns:

patient_id The patient being screened for a psychiatric condition (numeric).

rater_id The rater evaluating the patient for a psychiatric condition (numeric).

diagnosis The psychiatric diagnosis of the patient (factor).

Source

Fleiss, J.L. (1971). Measuring nominal scale agreement among many raters. *Psychological Bulletin*, 76, 378-382.

References

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int_return_dbl_coded *int_return_dbl_coded*

Description

int_return_dbl_coded An internal function to return the subjects double-coded by the raters. It runs a number of checks along the way

Usage

```
int_return_dbl_coded(  
  in_object_name,  
  in_rater_column,  
  in_subject_column,  
  in_coding_column  
)
```

Arguments

in_object_name A dataframe or tibble containing raters' codings. Each row should contain the assigned coding from a given rater-subject.

in_rater_column
The name of the column containing the raters' names as a string.

in_subject_column
The name of the column containing the names of the subjects being coded as a string.

in_coding_column
The name of the column containing the codings assigned by the raters as a string.

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irr_stats

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Description

irr_stats calculates a variety of IRR statistics.

Usage

```
irr_stats(  
  object_name,  
  rater_column,  
  subject_column,  
  coding_column,  
  round_digits = 2,  
  stats_to_include = c("Percentage agreement", "Krippendorf's Alpha")  
)
```

Arguments

object_name A dataframe or tibble containing raters' codings. Each row should contain the assigned coding from a given rater-subject.

rater_column The name of the column containing the raters' names as a string.

subject_column The name of the column containing the names of the subjects being coded as a string.

coding_column The name of the column containing the codings assigned by the raters as a string.

round_digits The number of decimals to round the IRR values by. The default is 2.

stats_to_include The IRR statistics to include in the output. Currently only supports percent agreement and Krippendorf's Alpha. See the documentation of the [irr package](#) for more information about specific IRR statistics.

Value

A tibble containing the IRR statistic, the statistic's value, and the number of subjects used to calculate the statistic.

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Examples

```
# Return IRR statistics for the diagnoses dataset:
irr_stats(diagnoses,
          rater_column = 'rater_id',
          subject_column = 'patient_id',
          coding_column = 'diagnosis')

# And IRR statistics for the anxiety dataset:
irr_stats(anxiety,
          rater_column = 'rater_id',
          subject_column = 'subject_id',
          coding_column = 'anxiety_level')
```

rater_agreement	<i>rater_agreement</i>
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Description

`rater_agreement` calculates the percent agreement between each rater and the other raters who coded the same subjects.

Usage

```
rater_agreement(object_name, rater_column, subject_column, coding_column)
```

Arguments

`object_name` A dataframe or tibble containing raters' codings. Each row should contain the assigned coding from a given rater-subject.

`rater_column` The name of the column containing the raters' names as a string.

`subject_column` The name of the column containing the names of the subjects being coded as a string.

`coding_column` The name of the column containing the codings assigned by the raters as a string.

Value

A tibble where each row notes the percent agreement between rater *i* and all other raters who coded the same subjects (`percent_agree`). The `n_multi_coded` column notes how many subjects have been coded by rater *i* that have also been coded by other raters (i.e., the denominator for the `percent_agree` value).

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Examples

```
# Example data: 3 raters assigning binary values to 10 subjects
example_data <- tibble::tribble(
  ~rater,~subject,~coding,
  1,1,1,
  1,2,0,
  1,3,1,
  1,4,0,
  2,3,1,
  2,9,0,
  2,10,1,
  2,4,1,
  2,5,1,
  2,6,1,
  3,5,1,
  3,6,1,
  3,7,1,
  3,8,1,
)

# Find percent agreement by rater
rater_agreement(example_data,
  rater_column = 'rater',
  subject_column = 'subject',
  coding_column = 'coding')
```

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