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Attacks

Data collected the day after the terrorist attacks in Brussels (on the morning of 22 March 2016) assessing the Sense of Coherence, anxiety and depression symptoms of 2077 subjects ( 1056 were in Brussels during the terrorist attacks, and 1021 were not).

## Description

The Sense of Coherence was assessed with the SOC-13 (Antonovsky, 1987): 7-point Likert scale (13 items) Anxiety and depression were assessed with the HSCL-25 (Derogatis, Lipman, Rickels, Uhlenhuth \& Covi, 1974).Subjects have to mention in a 4-point Likert Scale how much there were bothered or upset by each trouble during the last 14 days ( $1=$ not at all; $2=$ a little; quite a few; $4=$ a lot).

## Usage <br> data(Attacks)

## Format

A data frame with 2077 rows and 46 variables:
age age of participants, in years
presencebxl were participants present in Brussels during the terrorist attacks; $1=$ yes; $-1=$ no
genre participant gender, $1=$ female; $-1=$ male
soc1 Vous avez le sentiment que vous ne vous souciez pas reellement de ce qui se passe autour de vous: $1=$ Tres rarement ou rarement; $7=$ Souvent
soc1r item1 reversed
soc2 Vous est-il arrive dans le passe d etre surpris(e) par le comportement de gens que vous pensiez connaitre tres bien ?: $1=$ Jamais; $7=$ Toujours
soc2r item 2 reversed
soc3 Est-il arrive que des gens sur lesquels vous comptiez vous decoivent ?: 1= Jamais; $7=$ Toujours
soc3r sense of coherence, item 3 reversed
soc4 Jusqu a maintenant, votre vie : $1=\mathrm{N}$ a eu aucun but ni objectif clair; $7=\mathrm{A}$ eu des buts et des objectifs tres clairs
soc5 Avez-vous le sentiment que vous etes traite(e) injustement ?:1 = Tres souvent; $7=$ Tres rarement ou jamais
soc6 Avez-vous le sentiment que vous etes dans une situation inconnue et que vous ne savez pas quoi faire ?: $1=$ Tres souvent; $7=$ Tres rarement ou jamais
soc7 Faire les choses que vous faites quotidiennement est : $1=$ Une source de plaisir et de satisfaction; $7=$ Une source de souffrance profonde et d ennui
soc7r item7 reversed
soc8 Avez-vous des idees ou des sentiments confus(es) ?: $1=$ Tres souvent; $7=$ Tres rarement ou jamais
soc9 Vous arrive-t-il d avoir des sentiments intimes que vous prefereriez ne pas avoir ?: $1=$ Tres souvent; $7=$ Tres rarement ou jamais
soc10 Beaucoup de gens (meme s'ils ont beaucoup de caractere) se sentent parfois de pauvres cloches. Avez-vous deja eu ce sentiment dans le passe ?: $1=$ Jamais; $7=$ Tres souvent
soc10r item10 reversed
soc11 Quand quelque chose arrive, vous trouvez generalement que : $1=$ Vous surestimez ou sousestimez son importance; $7=$ Vous voyez les choses dans de justes proportions
soc12 Avez-vous le sentiment que les choses que vous faites dans la vie quotidienne ont peu de sens ?: $1=$ Tres souvent; $7=$ Tres rarement ou jamais
soc13 Vous avez le sentiment que vous $n$ etes pas sur(e) de vous maitriser : $1=$ Tres souvent; $7=$ Tres rarement ou jamais
hsc1 Mal de tete
hsc2 Tremblement
hsc3 Fatigue ou etourdissement
hsc4 Nervosite, agitation au fond de soi
hsc5 Peur soudaine sans raison particuliere
hsc6 Continuellement peureux ou anxieux
hsc7 Battements du coeur qui s'emballent
hsc8 Sensation d etre tendu, stresse
hsc9 Crise d angoisse ou de panique
hsc10 Tellement agite qu'il en est difficile de rester assis
hsc11 Manque d energie, tout va plus lentement que d habitude
hsc12 Se fait facilement des repproches
hsc13 Pleure facilement
hsc14 Pense a se tuer
hsc15 Mauvais appetit
hsc16 Probleme de sommeil
hsc17 Sentiment de desespoir en pensant au futur
hsc18 Decourage, morose
hsc19 Sentiment de solitude
hsc20 Perte d interets et d envies sexuelles
hsc21 Sentiment de s etre fait prendre au piège ou fait prisionnier
hsc22 Agite ou se tracasse beaucoup
hsc23 Aucun interet pour quoique ce soit
hsc24 Sentiment que tout est fatiguant
hsc25 Sentiment d etre inutile

## Details

In french

Intention Study five of Rogers, T. \& Milkman, K. L. (2016). Reminders through association. Psychological Science, 27, 973-986.

## Description

Participants have to answer to many questions (in a 11-page-survey). For 5 questions (indicated by $\$ \$$ at the beginning of the question), they are told that there is a correct answer and that they will earn $\$ 0.06$ if they provide this correct answer. At the beginning of the experiment, there are also told that they will earn a $\$ 0.60$ bonus if they choose the answer E on the last question (whatever this is the correct answer or not).

## Usage

data(Intention)

## Format

age age
choice Did participants choose to have a reminder? $(1=y e s ; 0=n o)$. Note that in conditions 2 and 4, participants had no choices and therefore, 0 is coded for all subjects in these two conditions
Condition Condition $1=$ free-reminder-through-association condition: participants read that they can choose to have (for free) an image of an elephant (presented on screen) that would appear at the bottom of page 11 as a reminder of selecting answer E ; Condition $2=$ non condition: no reminders; Condition 3 = costly-reminder-through-association condition: participants read that if they pay $\$ 0.03$, an image of an elephant (presented on screen) would appear at the bottom of page 11 as a reminder of selecting answer E Condition $4=$ forced-reminder-throughassociation condition: participants read that an image of an elephant (presented on screen) would appear at the bottom of page 11 as a reminder of selecting answer $E$.
correct Did participants earn $\$ 0.60$ bonus? $(1=$ yes; $0=$ no $)$
dup No available information
fee_for_reminder How much was paid for a reminder? (\$0.00 or \$0.03)
filter_. No available information
final_problem Earned money for answering E on the last question: $\$ 0.00$ (if E was not selected) or $\$ 0.60$ (if E was selected)
gender Gender; $0=$ male; $1=$ female
id participants id
plus Earned money at the beginning ( $\$ 0.06$ for all participants)
problem1 First question for which participants earn a $\$ 0.03$ bonus if they provide the correct answer
problem2 Second question for which participants earn a $\$ 0.03$ bonus if they provide the correct answer
problem3 Third question for which participants earn a $\$ 0.03$ bonus if they provide the correct answer
problem4 Fourth question for which participants earn a $\$ 0.03$ bonus if they provide the correct answer
problem5 Fifth question for which participants earn a $\$ 0.03$ bonus if they provide the correct answer
Total_Amount_Earned Intention\$final_problem minus Intention\$fee_for reminder; They are 4 possibles outcomes: (1) $\$-0.03$, if a reminder was paid and answer $E$ was not selected on the last question; (2) $\$ 0.00$, if no reminder was paid and answer E was not selected on the last question; (3) $\$ 0.57$, if a reminder was paid and answer $E$ was selected on the last question; (4) $\$ 0.60$, is no reminder was paid and answer $E$ was selected on the last question
Total_Amount_Earned_if.forced.to.pay.for.cue equals Intention\$Total_Amount_Earned in all but one condition: in condition 1 (free-reminder-through-association condition): Intention\$Total_Amount_Earned_if.force Intention\$Total_Amount_Earned - 0.03

```
Morality
```

Replication of Experiments Evaluating Impact of Psychological Distance on Moral Judgment (Eyal, Liberman \& Trope, 2008; Gong \& Medin, 2012) Study 2

## Description

For 6 scenarios, participants have to evaluate the wrongness of actions, with a scale ranging from 1 (not ok) to 5 (completely ok) Contributors: Biljana Jokic Iris Zezelj osf link: https://osf.io/8wqvc/

## Usage

data(Morality)

## Format

a data frame with 145 rows and 10 columns
number participant id
Orig_rep Is participant English or Serbian?
social_distance Is the person in the scenario someone participants know (i.e. colleague, neighbor) $?$
swing_r A girl pushing another kid off a swing because she really wants to use it before going home
flag_r A woman cutting it up a national flag into small pieces and using it in order to clean her house
hands_r A man eating his food with his hands, like most of his family members, also in public, after he washes them
mother_r A loving man who promised her dying mother that he would visit her grave every week but didn't keep his promise because he was very busy
kiss_r Two cousins kissing each other passionately on the mouth, in secret, because there are in love
dog_r Eating our dog that was hitten by a car in front of our house and was killed
mean_judge_r average of all scenarios judgment

```
outliers_mad MAD function to detect outliers
```


## Description

Detecting univariate outliers using the robust median absolute deviation

## Usage

outliers_mad(x, b, threshold, na.rm)

## Arguments

x
b constant depending on the assumed distribution underlying the data, that equals $1 / \mathrm{Q}(0.75)$. When the normal distribution is assumed, the constant 1.4826 is used (and it makes the MAD and SD of normal distributions comparable).
threshold the number of MAD considered as a threshold to consider a value an outlier
na.rm set whether Missing Values should be excluded (na.rm = TRUE) or not (na.rm = FALSE) - defaults to TRUE

## Value

Returns Call, median, MAD, limits of acceptable range of values, number of outliers

## Examples

```
#### Run outliers_mad
x <- runif(150, -100,100)
outliers_mad(x, b = 1.4826,threshold = 3,na.rm = TRUE)
#### Results can be stored in an object.
data(Intention)
res1=outliers_mad(Intention$age)
# Moreover, a list of elements can be extracted from the function,
# such as all the extremely high values,
# That will be sorted in ascending order
#### The function should be performed on dimension rather than on isolated items
data(Attacks)
```

```
SOC <- rowMeans(Attacks[,c("soc1r","soc2r","soc3r","soc4","soc5","soc6",
"soc7r","soc8","soc9","soc10r","soc11","soc12","soc13")])
res=outliers_mad(x = SOC)
```

outliers_mahalanobis mahalanobis function to detect outliers

## Description

Detecting multivariate outliers using the Mahalanobis distance

## Usage

outliers_mahalanobis(x, alpha, na.rm)

## Arguments

x
alpha
na.rm
matrix of bivariate values from which we want to compute outliers
nominal type I error probability (by default .01 )
set whether Missing Values should be excluded (na.rm = TRUE) or not (na.rm = FALSE) - defaults to TRUE

## Value

Returns Call, Max distance, number of outliers

## Examples

```
#### Run outliers_mahalanobis
data(Attacks)
SOC <- rowMeans(Attacks[,c("soc1r","soc2r","soc3r","soc4","soc5", "soc6", "soc7r",
"soc8","soc9","soc10r","soc11","soc12","soc13")])
HSC <- rowMeans(Attacks[,22:46])
res <- outliers_mahalanobis(x = cbind(SOC,HSC), na.rm = TRUE)
# A list of elements can be extracted from the function,
# such as the position of outliers in the dataset
# and the coordinates of outliers
res$outliers_pos
res$outliers_val
```

```
outliers_mcd MCD function to detect outliers
```


## Description

Detecting multivariate outliers using the Minimum Covariance Determinant approach

## Usage

outliers_mcd(x, h, alpha, na.rm)

## Arguments

x
h proportion of dataset to use in order to compute sample means and covariances
alpha nominal type I error probability (by default .01)
na.rm set whether Missing Values should be excluded (na.rm = TRUE) or not (na.rm = FALSE) - defaults to TRUE

## Value

Returns Call, Max distance, number of outliers

## Examples

```
#### Run outliers_mcd
# The default is to use 75% of the datasets in order to compute sample means and covariances
# This proportion equals 1-breakdown points (i.e. h = . 75 <--> breakdown points = . 25)
# This breakdown points is encouraged by Leys et al. (2018)
data(Attacks)
SOC <- rowMeans(Attacks[,c("soc1r","soc2r","soc3r", "soc4", "soc5", "soc6", "soc7r",
"soc8", "soc9", "soc10r", "soc11", "soc12", "soc13")])
HSC <- rowMeans(Attacks[,22:46])
res <- outliers_mcd(x = cbind(SOC,HSC), h = .75)
res
# Moreover, a list of elements can be extracted from the function,
# such as the position of outliers in the dataset
# and the coordinates of outliers
res$outliers_pos
res$outliers_val
```


## plot_outliers_mad Plotting function for the mad

## Description

plotting data and highlighting univariate outliers detected with the outliers_mad function

## Usage

plot_outliers_mad(res, x, pos_display = FALSE)

## Arguments

res result of the outliers_mad function from which we want to create a plot
$x \quad$ data from which the outliers_mad function was performed
pos_display set whether the position of outliers in the dataset should be displayed on the graph (pos_display $=$ TRUE $)$ or not (pos_display $=$ FALSE $)$

## Value

None

## Examples

```
#### Run outliers_mad and perform plot_outliers_mad on the result
data(Intention)
res=outliers_mad(Intention$age)
plot_outliers_mad(res,x=Intention$age)
### when the number of outliers is small, one can display the outliers position in the dataset
x=c(rnorm(10),3)
res2=outliers_mad(x)
plot_outliers_mad(res2,x,pos_display=TRUE)
```

plot_outliers_mahalanobis
Plotting function for the Mahalanobis distance approach

## Description

plotting data and highlighting multivariate outliers detected with the mahalanobis distance approach

## Usage

plot_outliers_mahalanobis(res, x, pos_display = FALSE)

## Arguments

res result of the outliers_mad function from which we want to create a plot
x matrix of multivariate values from which we want to compute outliers. Last column of the matrix is considered as the DV in the regression line.
pos_display set whether the position of outliers in the dataset should be displayed on the graph (pos_display $=$ TRUE) or not (pos_display $=$ FALSE $)$

## Details

plotting data and highlighting multivariate outliers detected with the MCD function Additionnally, the plot return two regression lines: the first one including all data and the second one including all observations but the detected outliers. It allows to observe how much the outliers influence of outliers on the regression line.

## Value

None

## Examples

```
#### Run plot_outliers_mahalanobis
data(Attacks)
SOC <- rowMeans(Attacks[,c("soc1r","soc2r","soc3r","soc4","soc5","soc6",
"soc7r","soc8","soc9", "soc10r", "soc11", "soc12", "soc13")])
HSC <- rowMeans(Attacks[,22:46])
res <- outliers_mahalanobis(x = cbind(SOC,HSC))
plot_outliers_mahalanobis(res, x = cbind(SOC,HSC))
# it's also possible to display the position of the multivariate outliers ion the graph
# preferably, when the number of multivariate outliers is not too high
c1 <- c(1,4,3,6,5,2,1,3,2,4,7,3,6,3,4,6)
c2 <- c(1,3,4,6,5,7,1,4,3,7,50,8,8,15,10,6)
res2 <- outliers_mahalanobis(x = cbind(c1,c2))
plot_outliers_mahalanobis(res2, x = cbind(c1,c2),pos_display = TRUE)
# When no outliers are detected, only one regression line is displayed
c3 <- c(1,4,3,6,5)
c4 <- c(1,3,4,6,5)
res3 <- outliers_mahalanobis(x = cbind(c3,c4))
plot_outliers_mahalanobis(res3,x = cbind(c3,c4))
```


## Description

plotting data and highlighting multivariate outliers detected with the MCD function Additionnally, the plot return two regression lines: the first one including all data and the second one including all observations but the detected outliers. It allows to observe how much the outliers influence of outliers on the regression line.

## Usage

plot_outliers_mcd(res, x, pos_display = FALSE)

## Arguments

res result of the outliers_mad function from which we want to create a plot
$x \quad$ matrix of multivariate values from which we want to compute outliers. Last column of the matrix is considered as the DV in the regression line.
pos_display set whether the position of outliers in the dataset should be displayed on the graph (pos_display $=$ TRUE $)$ or not (pos_display $=$ FALSE $)$

## Value

None

## Examples

```
#### Run plot_outliers_mcd
data(Attacks)
SOC <- rowMeans(Attacks[,c("soc1r","soc2r","soc3r","soc4","soc5","soc6",
"soc7r","soc8","soc9","soc10r","soc11","soc12","soc13")])
HSC <- rowMeans(Attacks[,22:46])
res <- outliers_mcd(x = cbind(SOC,HSC),na.rm=TRUE,h=.75)
plot_outliers_mcd(res,x = cbind(SOC,HSC))
# it's also possible to display the position of the multivariate outliers ion the graph
# preferably, when the number of multivariate outliers is not too high
c1 <- c(1,4,3,6,5,2,1,3,2,4,7,3,6,3,4,6)
c2 <- c(1,3,4,6,5,7,1,4,3,7,50,8,8,15,10,6)
res2 <- outliers_mcd(x = cbind(c1,c2),na.rm=TRUE)
plot_outliers_mcd(res2, x=cbind(c1,c2),pos_display=TRUE)
# When no outliers are detected, only one regression line is displayed
c3 <- c(1,2,3,1,4,3,5,5)
c4 <- c(1,2,3,1,5,3,5,5)
res3 <- outliers_mcd(x = cbind(c3,c4),na.rm=TRUE)
plot_outliers_mcd(res3,x=cbind(c3,c4),pos_display=TRUE)
```


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