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Description A set of functions for Qualitative Comparative Analysis (QCA). It can be used for various types of QCA (csQCA, mvQCA, fsQCA and crisp set TQCA and time-serious QCA). It has methods for simplifying assumption, contradictory simplifying assumption.

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CarenPanofsky	<i>Hypothetical data set about TQCA.</i>
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Description

This is a hypothetical data set about TQCA in Caren and Panksky (2005).

Usage

```
data(CarenPanofsky)
```

Format

A data frame with 17 observations on the following 6 variables.

```
public a numeric vector
elite a numeric vector
affiliate a numeric vector
strike a numeric vector
e_before_a a numeric vector
recognition a numeric vector
```

Details

For condition e_before_a, -9 denotes don't care.

References

Caren, Neal and Aaron Panofsky 2005. "TQCA: A Technique for Adding Temporality to Qualitative Comparative Analysis." *Sociological Methods Research* 34 (2) : 147-172.

Ragin, Charles C. and Sarah Ilene Strand 2008. "Using Qualitative Comparative Analysis to Study Causal Order: Comment on Caren and Panofsky (2005)." *Sociological Methods Research* 36 (4) : 431-441.

Examples

```
data(CarenPanofsky)
tqca.tt <- cs_truthTable(CarenPanofsky,'recognition',names(CarenPanofsky)[1:5])
reduce(tqca.tt) ## result in Ragin and Strad (2008: 438)
```

CoD

The consolidation of Democracy.

Description

Data used in "The consolidation of democracy: comparing Europe and Latin America", Schneider (2009).

Usage

```
data(CoD)
```

Format

A data frame with 32 observations on the following 20 variables.

country a factor with levels Albania Argentina Belarus Bolivia Brazil Bulgaria Chile Czech_R Ecuador Estonia Georgia Greece Guatemala Honduras Hungary Latvia Lithuania Mexico Mongolia Nicaragua Paraguay Peru Poland Portugal Romania Russia Slovakia Slovenia Spain Turkey Ukraine Uruguay

label a factor with levels AL AR BE BO BR BU CH CR EC EST GE GR GUA HO HU LAT LIT MO MX NI PA PE PL PO RO RU SK SL SP TU UK UR

CODPERCENTAGE a factor with levels 14.58 26.14 26.39 31.48 33.58 39.46 43.45 48.96 49.34 54.17 54.66 62.5 65.42 65.91 66.67 68.33 69.17 70.14 70.45 71.25 78.55 78.85 79.92 82.29 83.58 missing

cod a numeric vector

GDP a numeric vector

econdev a numeric vector

EDUCATION a numeric vector

eduhi a numeric vector

ETHNOLING a numeric vector

ethlihom a numeric vector
 DIST a numeric vector
 close a numeric vector
 DEMYEARS a numeric vector
 demex a numeric vector
 COMYEARS a numeric vector
 nocom a numeric vector
 parlia a numeric vector
 PARTYNUMBER a numeric vector
 efpahi a numeric vector
 decent a numeric vector

Source

This data set is kindly provided by Prof Schneider.

References

Schneider, 2009, "The consolidation of democracy: comparing Europe and Latin America". Routledge.

Examples

```
data(CoD)
# Examples from Chapter 7
### table 6.2 in p77
round(apply(CoD[,c("econdev", "eduhi", "ethlihom", "close", "demex", "nocom", "parlia", "efpahi", "decent")], 2, FUN=function(x) consistency(x, CoD$cod, 'less')), 3)
round(apply(CoD[,c("econdev", "eduhi", "ethlihom", "close", "demex", "nocom", "parlia", "efpahi", "decent")], 2, FUN=function(x) coverage(x, CoD$cod, 'less')), 3)
round(apply(CoD[,c("econdev", "eduhi", "ethlihom", "close", "demex", "nocom", "parlia", "efpahi", "decent")], 2, FUN=function(x) coverage(1-x, 1-CoD$cod, 'great')), 3)
round(apply(CoD[,c("econdev", "demex")], 2, FUN=function(x) coverage(1-x, 1-CoD$cod, 'great')), 3)
round(consistency(apply(1-CoD[,c("econdev", "demex")], 1, min), 1-CoD$cod, 'great'), 3)
round(coverage(apply(1-CoD[,c("econdev", "demex")], 1, min), 1-CoD$cod, 'great'), 3)

## QCA of remote conditions
reduce(CoD, 'cod', c('econdev', 'ethlihom', 'close', 'demex', 'nocom'), 'positive', 'include', case='label', pre='fs_truthTable')

## consistency of remote conditions as sufficient condition (table 6.4 in p82)
round(apply(CoD[,c("econdev", "ethlihom", "nocom")], 2, FUN=function(x) consistency(x, CoD$cod, 'less')), 3)
round(apply(CoD[,c("econdev", "ethlihom", "nocom")], 2, FUN=function(x) coverage(x, CoD$cod, 'less')), 3)
round(consistency(apply(CoD[,c("econdev", "ethlihom", "nocom")], 1, max), CoD$cod), 3)
round(coverage(apply(CoD[,c("econdev", "ethlihom", "nocom")], 1, max), CoD$cod), 3)

## table 6.6 in page 86
reduce(CoD, 'cod', c('parlia', 'efpahi', 'decent'), 'positive', 'include', case='label', pre='fs_truthTable')
reduce(CoD, 'cod', c('econdev', 'ethlihom', 'nocom', 'parlia', 'efpahi', 'decent'), 'positive', 'include', case='label', pre='fs_truthTable')
## table 6.7 in pp87-88
fs_truthTable(CoD, 'cod', c('econdev', 'ethlihom', 'nocom', 'parlia', 'efpahi', 'decent'), case='label')
```

coincid	<i>Produces a coincidence matrix</i>
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Description

Produce a coincidence matrix from a crisp set or fuzzy set data.

Usage

```
coincid(x, standardized = FALSE, use = c("complete", "pairwise"))
```

```
## S3 method for class 'coincid'
print(x, digits = 3, ...)
```

Arguments

x	For coincide, x is a dataframe of crisp set or fuzzy set data, which ranges from 0 to 1.
standardized	When TRUE, produce the standardized coincidence scores.
use	The method of handling missing data. "complete" means listwise deletion and "pairwise" means pairwise deletion.
digits	a non-null value for 'digits' specifies the minimum number of significant digits to be printed in values.
...	arguments passed to default method of print.

Details

Coincidence measures the amount of overlap or coincidence between two sets or configurations. The formula is: $\text{sum}(\text{pmin}(x,y))/\text{sum}(\text{pmax}(x,y))$. When standardized is TRUE, the formula is: $\text{sum}(\text{pmin}(x,y))/\text{min}(\text{sum}(x), \text{sum}(y))$.

Value

A coincidence matrix.

Author(s)

Ronggui HUANG

References

Ragin, Charles C. 2006. "Set Relations in Social Research: Evaluating Their Consistency and Coverage." *Political Analysis* 14 (3) : 291-310

See Also

[suffnec](#)

constrReduce	<i>Impose constraints on a QCA solution</i>
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Description

To impose constraints on a QCA solution and returns a new QCA solution.

Usage

```
constrReduce(object, exclude = NULL, include = NULL, necessary = NULL)
```

```
excludeCSA(object, csa)
```

Arguments

object	An object of class "QCA".
exclude	A data frame, each row represent one configuration.
include	A data frame, each row represent one configuration.
necessary	A list, specifying the necessary conditions.
csa	an object returned by CSA.

Details

constrReduce allows you to include a set of configurations to the a solution, or exclude a set of configurations from a solution, then return a new solution.

excludeCSA conducts Boolean minimization including other remainders except those in conditory simplifying assumptions.

The difference between constrReduce and excludeCSA mainly lies in how to deal with other remainders when imposing constraints on a QCA solution. constrReduce does not include further remainders, while excludeCSA does.

Sometime, you may encounter contradictory simplifying assumptions. In that case, you may want to exclude the CSAs to attain a more reasonable solution. In this case, excludeCSA is the most suitable way to go, which can make QCA easier. However, it does not guarantee a final solution, in particular when there are multiple solutions to both positive and negative outcome.

Sometimes, you may attain a solution without including all the remainders, latter you may want to include a small number of remainders in order to get a intermediate solution. You may include raminders in Boolean minimization, but some of the simplifying assumptions (see [SA](#)) are not feasible. You might want to exclude these unjustified simplifying assumptions without search for further simplifying assumptions. If you attain a solution without including remainders, you may want to include easy counterfactuals (justifiable remainders) to attain an intermediate solution. In either case, constrReduce is the most suitable way to go. See the example section on Ragin (2008: chapter 9) on this usage.

Usually, the exclude and include argument should repsent a set of configurations. In these case, there should be no '-9' in the data frame. However, it is NOT wrong to include -9 in the data frame. When there is -9, it means a multiple configurations because -9 denotes "dont' care".

Value

For `constrReduce`, it is an object of class "QCA". It is essentially a list of 10 components. See [reduce](#) for more details. The only difference is the call component.

Author(s)

Ronggui HUANG

References

Ragin, Charles C. 2008. "Redesigning social inquiry: fuzzy sets and beyond." Chapter 9. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

See Also

[reduce](#) and [CSA](#)

Examples

```
example(HuangGui2009)
newSol <- excludeCSA(ans2[2],CSA(ans1,ans2[2]))
## ans2 has 3 solutions, only the 3rd has not CSA.
identical(newSol$solutions, ans2[3]$solutions)
## they are the same.

if (require(QCA)){
##Use easy counterfactuals to get an intermediate solution (Ragin 2008:chapter 9)
data(Stokke,package="QCA")
comp <- reduce(Stokke,"Y",c("A","C","S","I","R"),explain="positive")
pars <- reduce(Stokke,"Y",c("A","C","S","I","R"),explain="positive",remaind="include")
sa <- SA(pars)
## determines easy counterfactuals
idx <- c(12,14,## A*S*R must be kept
        14, ## A*C*S*i must be kept
        3,5,8,10,12,14 ## A*i must be kept
        )
idx <- unique(idx) ## index of easy counterfactuals
easy <- sa$solution[[1]] [idx,]
difficult <- sa$solution[[1]] [-idx,]
constrReduce(comp,include=easy)
constrReduce(pars,exclude=difficult) ## the last two are equivalent.

## another way is to manually construct the easy counterfactuals
easy2 <- rbind(
c(1,-9,1,-9,1), # A*S*R
c(1,1,1,0,-9), # A*C*S*i
c(1,-9,-9,0,-9) # A*i
)
easy2 <- as.data.frame(easy2)
constrReduce(comp,include=easy2)
## end of Ragin (2009:chapter 9) example
```

```

## example 1
data(Yamasaki,package="QCA")
ans0 <- reduce(Yamasaki,"AGENDA",names(Yamasaki)[1:5],"negative","include") ## 5 solutions
ans1 <- reduce(Yamasaki,"AGENDA",names(Yamasaki)[1:5],"positive","include")
(csa2 <- CSA(ans0[2],ans1)) ## get and show CSAs
(ans02 <- constrReduce(ans0[2],exclude=csa2$solutions[[1]]))
## impose constraint
CSA(ans02,ans1) ## no CSA now

ans02b <- excludeCSA(ans0[2],csa2)
CSA(ans02b,ans1) ## no CSA
## note that ans02b is more parsimonious than ans02
## since ans02b includes further reminders.

## example 2
data(Osa,package="QCA") ## QCA package is required to run this example
conditions <- c("DYNA","ACCES","INFLU","ELITE","SOCIAL")
Osa$OUT2 <- Osa$OUT ## OUT is reserved word in QCA3.
a <- reduce(Osa, outcome = "OUT2", conditions = conditions, explain = "negative", remainders = "ex", contradictions)
b <- reduce(Osa, outcome = "OUT2", conditions = conditions, explain = "negative", remainders = "include", contradictions)

# there are two solutions in b, let's focus on the first only.
b1 <- b[1]
sa <- SA(b1) ## simplifying assumptions
constrReduce(a,inc=sa$solutions[[1]]) ## == b1
constrReduce(b1,exc=sa$solutions[[1]]) ## ==a1
}

```

coverage

Coverage and consistency.

Description

Coverage and consistency.

Usage

```

coverage(x, ...)

## Default S3 method:
coverage(x, y, alternative = c("less", "greater"),...)

## S3 method for class 'QCA'
coverage(x,traditional=TRUE,...)

consistency(x, y, alternative = c("less", "greater"))

```

Arguments

x	a numeric vector of fuzzy set score for default method of coverage and consistency. A QCA object for QCA method of coverage.
y	a numeric vector of fuzzy set score.
alternative	specify the relationship between x and y.
traditional	logical, use traditional symbol to present the solution when it is TRUE. Otherwise, use Tosmana-style symbol.
...	not used currently.

Details

Given two fuzzy set score variables x and y, coverage returns the coverage of x by y, given their relationship; and consistency returns the consistency of x by y.

When alternative is "less", it returns $\text{coverage}(x \leq y)$. This is coverage for sufficient test. When "greater", it returns $\text{coverage}(x \geq y)$, it is coverage for necessary condition.

This value can be used to evaluate the importance or relevance of x as a necessary condition for Y. When $\text{coverage}(x \geq y)$ is small, the constraining effect of x on y is negligible. In other words, small value of $\text{coverage}(x \geq y)$ indicates an empirically trivial necessary condition (Ragin, 2008: 61).

Value

For default method of coverage and consistency, the value is a length-1 numeric vector.

For QCA method of coverage, it is a list of data frame. Each data frame represent coverage of one solution. It contains three columns, namely implicant, raw and unique (coverage in terms of number of case).

Author(s)

Ronggui HUANG

References

Ragin, C. 2006. Set Relations in Social Research: Evaluating Their Consistency and Coverage *Political Analysis*,14(3):291-310.

Ragin, C. 2008, *Redesigning social inquiry: fuzzy set and beyond*. Chicago: The University of Chicago Press.

Examples

```
## evaluate the coverage of necessary conditions for "no democratic consolidation"
## see help(CoD) for more information.
## coverage for necessary test for not-CoD (Schneider, 2009:77)

coverage(1-CoD$secondevel,1-CoD$cod,'greater')
# not socioeconomically developed
coverage(1-CoD$demex,1-CoD$cod,'greater')
# no previous democratic experience
```

```
coverage(pmin(1-CoD$demex,1-CoD$econdv),1-CoD$cod,'greater')
# not socioeconomic developed society without prior democratic experience

## coverage method for QCA object
tb2<-reduce(policyChange~soc+pol+ind+are+foc,Yamasaki2009,cases="country")
coverage(tb2)
```

CressSnow

The Outcomes of Homeless Mobilization

Description

The Influence of organization, disruption, political mediation, and and framing on the outcome of homeless soical movement organizations.

Usage

```
data(CressSnow)
```

Format

A data frame with 14 observations on the following 11 variables.

Caseid The name of Social movement organizations.

Viable SMO visibility.

Disrupt Disruptive tactics.

Allies Sympathetic Allies.

City City Support.

Diag Diagnostic framing.

Prog Prognostic framing.

Representation Outcome of representation.

Resources Outcome of resources.

Rights Outcome of rights.

Relief Outcome of relief.

References

Cress, Daniel M. and David A. Snow. 2000. "The Outcomes of Homeless Mobilization: The Influence of Organization, Disruption, Political Mediation, and and Framing." *American Journal of Sociology* 105 (4) : 1063-1104.

Examples

```
cond <- c("Viable", "Disrupt", "Allies", "City", "Diag", "Prog")
## see table 5 in p1083
reduce(CressSnow, "Representation", cond, exp="positive", contr="positive", case="Caseid")
reduce(CressSnow, "Resources", cond, exp="positive", contr="positive", case="Caseid")
reduce(CressSnow, "Rights", cond, exp="positive", case="Caseid")
reduce(CressSnow, "Relief", cond, exp="positive", contr="positive", case="Caseid")
## define impact
CressSnow$Impact <- as.numeric(with(CressSnow, Representation+Rights+Relief)>=2)
reduce(CressSnow, "Impact", cond, exp="positive", case="Caseid")
```

cs_truthTable

*Construct a truthTable for csQCA***Description**

Construct a truthTable for csQCA. Both deterministic and probabilistic methods of determining configurations of positive, negative and contradictory outcome are implemented.

This function can be used for crisp set TQCA as well. See [CarenPanofsky](#) for example. It needs manual construction of indicator conditions of temporal order.

Usage

```
cs_truthTable(mydata, outcome, conditions, method = c("deterministic",
  "probabilistic"), weight = NULL, show.cases = TRUE, cases = NULL,
  cutoff1 = 1, cutoff0 = 1, benchmark = 0.65, conf.level = 0.95,
  missing = c("missing", "dontcare", "positive", "negative"))
```

Arguments

mydata	data frame of the raw data.
outcome	character, the name of the outcome variable in mydata.
conditions	character vector, the name of the conditions from mydata.
method	character, specifying the method of determining the outcome of a configuration.
weight	character, name of a variable specifying the weights.
show.cases	logical, when TRUE the result shows case names.
cases	character, variable specifying the case names. When it is NULL, then use row names of mydata as case names.
cutoff1	length one numeric vector.
cutoff0	length one numeric vector.
benchmark	Benchmark for statistical test. Must equal or greater than 0.5.
conf.level	confident level of statistical test.
missing	method to handle missing data.

Details

The value of all the conditions should start from 0. In cript set QCA, it is always be 0 or 1. Value -9 in conditions means "don't care" (though "don't care" in outcome is denoted by "-9").

Symbols of the outcome. '1' is postive configuration, '0' is negative configuration, 'C' is contradictory configuration, "?" is unobserved configuration and '-9' is don't care configuration. When show.case is TRUE and a configuration is 'C', then the name of case with negative outcome is highlighted by [].

'cutoff1' and 'cutoff0' are only meaningful for 'deterministic' method. They represent cutting point of positive case and negative case. When a configuration has positive case only and the number of cases is equal or greater than the cutting point, then it is regared as positive outcome, otherwise as don't care outcome. Similarly, When a configuration has negative case only and the number of cases is equal or greater than the cutting point, then it is regared as negative outcome, otherwise as don't care outcome. If a configuration has both positive case and naegative case, the number of each type of cases will be compared with the corresponding cutting point. If only one type of case have enough case (number of cases greater than cutting point), that configuration is regarded as that type. If both types have enough case, it is contradictory configuration. If neither type has enough case, it is don't care configuration.

The caculation of cutting point: if it is equal or greater than 1, the cutting point is the value of cutoff1 and cutoff0. If it is between 0 and 1, then the cutting point is the cutoff1/cutoff0 multiplied by the total number of case.

'benchmark' and 'conf.level' are only meaningful for 'probabilistic' method. When the method is 'probabilistic', a statistical test will conducted to test if the proportion of case for a configuration is greater then a benchmark. If the proportion of cases with outcome '1' is greater than benchmark, then the it is a configuratin with outcome '1'. If the proportion of case with outcome '0' is greater than benchmark, then the configuration with outcome of '0'. If neither proportion fits the criterion, then it is don't care configuration. There is no contradictory congfiguration in this method, as it is designed to handle with contradictory configurations.

rownames of a truthTable is grouping index (not important for end-users).

Value

An object of class "truthTable" and "cs_trutbTable". A list with 5 components:

truthTable	a data frame presenting a truthTable.
outcome	The name of outcome variable. length-1 character.
conditions	conditions. A character vector.
nlevels	integer vector specifying number of levels of each condition.
call	the matched call.

Author(s)

Ronggui HUANG

References

Ragin, Charles. 2000. Fuzzy-Set Social Science. Pp109-116. University Of Chicago Press.

See Also

[fs_truthTable](#), [mv_truthTable](#) and [reduce](#)

Examples

```
## truthTable for csQCA
cs_truthTable(Lipset_cs,"SURVIVAL", c("GNPCAP", "URBANIZA", "LITERACY",
  "INDLAB", "GOVSTAB"),case="CASEID")
```

directCalibration	<i>Calibration in fuzzy set QCA.</i>
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Description

Direct method of calibration in fuzzy set QCA.

Usage

```
directCalibration(x, fullin, fullout, crossover, infz = 0.953, outfz = 0.047, details = FALSE)
```

Arguments

x	an interval variable to be converted to fuzzy set score.
fullin	scalar indicating full membership.
fullout	scalar indicating the full non-membership.
crossover	scalar indicating cross over point.
infz	fuzzy set score of full membership, corresponding to fullin.
outfz	fuzzy set score of full non-membership, corresponding to fullout.
details	logical.

Details

Usually, the sum of infz and outfz should be 1. In Ragin (2008), infz is 0.953 and outfz is 0.047, which lead to the log odd of membership being (proximately) 3.0 and -3.0.

Value

When details is TRUE, it the result is a data frame. Otherwise, the value is a numeric vector of fuzzy set score.

Author(s)

Ronggui HUANG

References

Ragin, Charles C. 2008. "Redesigning social inquiry: fuzzy sets and beyond." Chapter 5. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Examples

```
directCalibration(Lipset_fs$Developed,800,300,550)
```

fsnot	<i>The not operator for a fuzzy set score.</i>
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Description

The not operator for a fuzzy set score.

Usage

```
fsnot(x)
```

Arguments

x a variable presenting fuzzy set score

Details

The not operator is define as $1 - x$.

Value

a numeric vector of the new fuzzy set score.

Author(s)

Ronggui HUANG

Examples

```
x = c(0.1,0.5,0.6,0.8)
fsnot(x)

## can be used with fsplot
fsplot(cod~fsnot(econdev),data=CoD)
```

fsplot	<i>Fuzzy set plot.</i>
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Description

Fuzzy set plot facilitating assessment of a causal recipe.

Usage

```
fsplot(formula, data, main = "fuzzy set plot", xlab = NULL, ylab = NULL,...)
```

Arguments

formula	a formula like <code>out ~ condition1 + condition2 + conditions3</code> , with <code>out</code> being the outcome and <code>condition1</code> , <code>condition2</code> and <code>conditions3</code> are conditions in a causal recipe.
data	a data frame.
main	a title of the plot.
xlab	a title for the x axis
ylab	a title for the y axis
...	other arguments passed to <code>plot</code> .

Details

This function is useful for exploratory analysis. If a recipe is a causal condition of the outcome, then the fuzzy set score should be consistently less or equal than that of outcome. That is, if the recipe does not occur, the outcome may occur; however, when the recipe occurs, the outcome **MUST** occur. It suggests that if a recipe can be interpreted as causal condition, the points scatter above the diagonal by and large. The set-theoretic consistency measures this consistency. High consistency score endorses the causal interpretation.

In addition, high consistency permits interpretation of coverage score. This score indicates the proportion of membership in outcome accounted for by the recipe. It should be noted that it is hazardous to interpret the coverage measure when consistency score is low.

Author(s)

Ronggui HUANG

References

Ragin. C. 2008. "Configurational Thinking." Chapter 6 of "Redesigning Social Inquiry." The University of Chicago Press.

See Also

See Also as [coverage](#), [consistency](#)

Examples

```

fsplot(cod~econdev,data=CoD)
fsplot(cod~eduhi,data=CoD) ## low consistency, cautious when interpret coverage
fsplot(cod~econdev+eduhi+ethlihom+close,data=CoD)

```

fs_truthTable	<i>Construction of truthTable from fuzzy set score</i>
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Description

Constructing a truthTable from fuzzy set score.

Usage

```

fs_truthTable(mydata, outcome, conditions, ncases_cutoff = 1,
              consistency_cutoff = 0.8,
              show.cases =TRUE,quiet =FALSE, cases = NULL, ...)

```

Arguments

mydata	A fuzzy set score dataset. All the scores must range from 0 to 1.
outcome	character, the name of the outcome variable in the dataset.
conditions	character vector, the name of the conditions from the dataset.
ncases_cutoff	When number of case is less than cutoff, it will be regarded as dontcare configuration.
consistency_cutoff	Cutoff point of consistency score, cases with consistency score greater than cutoff point are regarded as OUT=1.
show.cases	show the rownames from the original dataset for each combination of conditions.
quiet	Not used currently.
cases	character, variable of case names. If it is NULL and show.cases is TRUE, name of cases are derived from row names of dataset.
...	Not used currently.

Details

There are several pillars which make it possible to construct a crisp truthTable summarizing the raw data. There is a correspondance between vector space corners and truthTable rows. Thus, it is possible to get the number of cases with strong membership in each corner (usually greater then 0.5), and the consistency of the empirical evidence for each corner. By specifying the frequency thresholds for fuzzy-set assessments (the ncases_cutoff argument), and assessing the consistency of fuzzy-set subset relations (the consistency_cutoff argument), we can finally construct a truthTable.

There is a sort method for the returned object.

Value

An object of class "truthTable" and "fs_truthTable".

Author(s)

Ronggui HUANG

References

Ragin. Charles. 2009. Qualitative Comparative Analysis Using Fuzzy Sets (fsQCA). In Configurational comparative Methods: qualitative comparative analysis (QCA) and related techniques. ed by Benoit RiHoux and Charles Ragin. Sage. This chapter can be downloaded from <http://www.u.arizona.edu/~cragin/fsQCA/software.shtml>.

See Also

[reduce](#), [cs_truthTable](#) and [fs_truthTable](#)

Examples

```
fs_truthTable(Lipset_fs, "Survived.FZ", c("Developed.FZ", "Urban.FZ", "Literate.FZ", "Industrial.FZ", "Stable.FZ"), cases="Country", consistency_cutoff=0.7)
```

GiugniYamasaki2009 *The Policy Impact of Social Movements*

Description

This data is used to study the policy impact of social movements.

Usage

```
data(GiugniYamasaki2009)
```

Format

A data frame with 30 observations on the following 6 variables.

Case a character vector

Protest a numeric vector

Opinion a numeric vector

Allies a numeric vector

Parties a numeric vector

Alliances a numeric vector

PolicyChange a numeric vector

Details

This data was collected from a previous study on the policy impact of antinuclear, ecology, and peace movements in three countries. Giugni and Sakura replicated the analysis with QCA.

The example section also demonstrates the advantages of using R to do QCA, because it has strong capacity of data manipulation.

References

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Examples

```
## ecology movement
ecology <- GiugniYamasaki2009[grepl("-E",GiugniYamasaki2009$Case),]
ecology$opinion <- as.numeric(ecology$Opinion>63)
ecology$alliances <- as.numeric(ecology$Alliances>127)
cs_truthTable(ecology,"PolicyChange",c('Protest','opinion','alliances'),case="Case")
reduce(PolicyChange~Protest+opinion+alliances,ecology,case="Case")

## anti-nuclear movement
nuclear <- GiugniYamasaki2009[grepl("-N",GiugniYamasaki2009$Case),]
nuclear$opinion <- as.numeric(nuclear$Opinion>51)
nuclear$alliances <- as.numeric(nuclear$Alliances>127)
reduce(PolicyChange~Protest+opinion+alliances,nuclear,case="Case")

## Peace movement
peace <- GiugniYamasaki2009[grepl("-P",GiugniYamasaki2009$Case),]
peace$opinion <- as.numeric(peace$Opinion>40)
peace$alliances <- as.numeric(peace$Alliances>127)
reduce(PolicyChange~Protest+opinion+alliances,peace,case="Case")
```

Hino2009

Example data of Time-series QCA.

Description

Example data in Hino (2009), demonstrating the use of time-series QCA.

Usage

```
data(Hino2009)
```

Format

A data frame with 30 observations on the following 5 variables.

ID a factor with levels A80 A90 B80 B90 D80 D90 FI80 FI90 FR80 FR90 G80 G90 IC80 IC90 IR80
IR90 IT80 IT90 L80 L90 NR80 NR90 NT80 NT90 SWE80 SWE90 SWI80 SWI90 UK80 UK90

VOTE a numeric vector

FOREIGN a numeric vector

UNEMP a numeric vector

DIVERT a numeric vector

References

Hino, Airo 2009. "Time-Series QCA: Studying Temporal Change through Boolean Analysis." *Sociological Theory and Methods* 24 (2) : 247-265.

Examples

```
data(Hino2009)
Hino2009$COUNTRY <- gsub("[0-9]*", "", Hino2009$ID)
Hino2009$TIME <- gsub("[A-Z]*", "", Hino2009$ID)
t2 <- QCA3::timeDiff(Hino2009, Hino2009$COUNTRY, Hino2009$TIME) ## table 2
t3 <- QCA3::tsData_tdiff(Hino2009, Hino2009$COUNTRY, Hino2009$TIME)
t3$PRES80s <- 1
t3$PRES80s[match(c("FI", "G", "SWE", "IC", "L"), t3$COUNTRY)] <- 0
t3$CONV <- 1 - t3$DIVERT
## manually add PRES80s
rownames(t3) <- t3$ID ## used as case ID.
tt <- cs_truthTable(t3, "VOTE", c("FOREIGN", "UNEMP", "CONV", "PRES80s"))
reduce(tt, expl="positive") ## formula (5)
reduce(tt, expl="positive", remainder="include") ## formula (6)
reduce(tt, expl="negative") ## ## formula (7)
reduce(tt, expl="negative", remainder="include") ## ## formula (8)
```

HIVChange

data about HIV prevalence in Sub-Saharan Africa

Description

Data set from Cronqvist and Berg-Schlösser(2006), examining the HIV prevalence in Sub-Saharan Africa.

Usage

```
data(HIVChange)
```

Format

A data frame with 12 observations on the following 7 variables.

LIT00 Dichotomized literacy rate of 2000. 1 if above 50%.

GENDEREQ Dichotomized gender equality index. 1 is above 40 index point.

MORTALITY Trichotomized cummulated HIV morality rate up to 1997, with thresholds of 2% and 4%.

AGRARGDP Dichotomized variable of share of agrarian production of GDP. 1 is above 25%.

HIVChange The outcome. "1" if the prevalence rate increases. Otherwise it is "0". "C" is indicates contradictory configurations.

Country Names of cases

NCase Number of cases

Details

LIT00 measures socio-economic factors. GENDEREQ measures the situation of women. MORTALITY measures the awareness of HIV threat. AGRARGDP measures the impact of migration.

References

Cronqvist. L. and Berg-Schlosser, D. 2006. Determining The Conditions Of Hiv/Aids Prevalence In Sub-Saharan Africa: Employing New Tools Of Macro-Qualitative Analysis. In Innovative Comparative Methods For Policy Analysis: Beyond The Quantitative-Qualitative Divide. Benoit Rihoux and Heike Grimm (Eds).Springer.

Examples

```
## manually construct a truthTable for mvQCA
conditions <- c("LIT00", "GENDEREQ", "MORTALITY", "AGRARGDP")
HIVChange$OUT <- HIVChange$HIVChange
HTT <- HIVChange[,c(conditions,"OUT","NCase","Country")]
names(HTT) <- c(conditions,"OUT","NCase","Cases")
## optional
mvTT <- list(truthTable=HTT,nlevels=c(2,2,3,2),conditions=conditions)
## only some components are rquired
class(mvTT) <- "truthTable"

## Example in p161: not exactly the same solution.
## This one is correct too (tell me if you don't think so)
reduce(mvTT,expl="pos",remainder="include",contr="negative")
reduce(mvTT,expl="neg",remainder="include",contr="positive")

## Example in p163
reduce(mvTT,expl="pos",remainder="include",contr="negative")
reduce(mvTT,expl="neg",remainder="include",contr="negative")
## C.A.R is positive, all other three are negative
```

HuangGui2009

data about on-line forum and homeowners' collective resistance

Description

Dataset used in Huang and Gui's (2009) study of Internet and homeowners' collective resistance.

Usage

```
data(HuangGui2009)
```

Format

A data frame with 15 observations on the following 6 variables.

network stock of social ties.

big scale of neighborhood.

grievance Existence of grievance.

ha Existence of Homeowners' Association.

BBS Existence of homeowners' onl-line forum.

outcome outcome, existence of collective resistance.

code id of neighborhood.

Source

HUANG Ronggui, GUI Yong, 2009, Internet and homeowners' collective resistance: a comparative qualitative analysis in Shanghai". *Sociological Research*.(5):29-56.(In Chinese)

Examples

```
data(HuangGui2009)
reduce(HuangGui2009,"outcome",c("network","big","grievance","ha","BBS"),"pos",case="code")
ans1 <- reduce(HuangGui2009,"outcome",c("network","big","grievance","ha","BBS"),"pos",case="code",rem="include")
SA(ans1)
reduce(HuangGui2009,"outcome",c("network","big","grievance","ha","BBS"),"neg",case="code")
ans2 <- reduce(HuangGui2009,"outcome",c("network","big","grievance","ha","BBS"),"neg",case="code",rem="incl")
CSA(ans1,ans2[3])
SA(ans2[3])
```

KatzHauMahoney *The "great reversal" data set.*

Description

Data set from Kate, Hau and Mahoney (2005) to explain the "great reversal" in Spanish America.

Usage

```
data(KatzHauMahoney)
```

Format

A data frame with 14 observations on the following 12 variables.

Country a factor with levels Argentina Bolivia Chile Columbia CostaRica Ecuador ElSalvador
Guatemala Honduras Mexico Nicaragua Paraguay Peru Uruguay Venezuela

EDF Economically Developed Country. The fuzzy-set outcome.

EUDF Economically Underdeveloped Country. The fuzzy-set outcome

GDP GDP in 1990. Statistical outcome

SDF Socially Developed Country. The fuzzy-set outcome

SUDF Socially Underdeveloped Country. The fuzze-set outcome

SDI90 Socially Development Index in 1990. Statistical outcome

DIPF Dense Indigenous Population, fuzzy-set score

LIEF Labor-Intensive Estates, fuzzy-set score

MTEF Mineral/Tropical Exports, fuzzy-set score

SLF Strong Liberals, fuzzy-set score

SCF Strong Conservatives, fuzzy-set score

Details

This study tries to explain the "great reversal", in Spanish America. The great reversal refers to the fact that "from 1750 to 1900, the most marginal colonial territories often became the region's wealthiest countries, whereas the most central colonial territories often became the region's poorest countries."

Source

Katz, A.; vom Hau, M. & Mahoney, J. Explaining the Great Reversal in Spanish America: Fuzzy-Set Analysis Versus Regression Analysis Sociological Methods and Research, 2005, 33 (4) , 539-573

Examples

```
data(KatzHauMahoney)
```

Lipsets

*Breakdown/survival of democracy in inter-war Europe***Description**

This is the fuzzy set version of Lipset data on Breakdown/survival of democracy in inter-war Europe.

Format

A data frame with 18 observations on the following 13 variables.

Country Name of country

Survived If a country survives the economic and political upheavals of this period.

Survived.FZ Fuzzy set score of Survived

Developed The degree of development.

Developed.FZ Fuzzy set score of Developed.

Urban The degree of urbanization.

Urban.FZ Fuzzy set score of Urban.

Literate The degree of literate a county is.

Literate.FZ Fuzzy set score of Literate.

Industrial The degree of industrialization.

Industrial.FZ Fuzzy set score of Industrial

Unstable The degree of political instability.

Stable.FZ Fuzzy set score of political stability.

Details

The data set is from Ragin(2009:95), the details about the dataset is described in page 93.

Source

Ragin. Charles. 2009. Qualitative Comparative Analysis Using Fuzzy Sets (fsQCA). In Configurational comparative Methods: qualitative comparative analysis (QCA) and related techniques. ed by Benoit RiHoux and Charles Ragin. Sage.

Examples

```
conditions <- c("Developed.FZ", "Urban.FZ", "Literate.FZ", "Industrial.FZ", "Stable.FZ")
reduce(Lipset_fs, "Survived.FZ", conditions, explain="positive", remaind="exclude", prepro="fs", consistency=0.7)
## Formula 1 in page 112
reduce(Lipset_fs, "Survived.FZ", conditions, explain="positive", remaind="include", prepro="fs", consistency=0.7)
## Formula 2 in page 114
reduce(Lipset_fs, "Survived.FZ", conditions, explain="negative", remaind="exclude", prepro="fs", consistency=0.7)
## Formula 5 in page 115
reduce(Lipset_fs, "Survived.FZ", conditions, explain="negative", remaind="include", prepro="fs", consistency=0.7)
## Formula 6 in page 117
```

mv_truthTable

Construct a truthTable for mvQCA

Description

Construct a truthTable for mvQCA. Both deterministic and probabilistic methods of determining configurations of positive, negative and contradictory outcome are implemented.

Usage

```
mv_truthTable(mydata, outcome, conditions, method = c("deterministic",
  "probabilistic"), weight = NULL, show.cases = TRUE, cases = NULL,
  cutoff1 = 1, cutoff0 = 1, benchmark = 0.65, conf.level = 0.95,
  missing = c("missing", "dontcare", "positive", "negative"))
```

Arguments

mydata	data frame of the raw data.
outcome	character, the name of the outcome variable in mydata.
conditions	character vector, the name of the conditions from mydata.
method	character, specifying the method of determining the outcome of a configuration.
weight	character, name of a variable specifying the weights.
show.cases	logical, when TRUE the result shows case names.
cases	character, variable specifying the case names. When it is NULL, then use row names of mydata as case names.
cutoff1	length one numeric vector.
cutoff0	length one numeric vector.
benchmark	Benchmark for statistical test. Must equal or greater than 0.5.
conf.level	confident level of statistical test.
missing	method to handle missing data.

Details

The value of all the conditions should start from 0. For example, for mvQCA with 3 levels, it should be 0,1 or 2. Value -9 in conditions means "don't care" (though "don't care" in outcome is denoted by "-9").

Refer to [cs_truthTable](#) for more details.

Value

An object of class "truthTable" and "mv_truthTable".

Author(s)

Ronggui HUANG

References

Ragin, Charles. 2000. Fuzzy-Set Social Science. Pp109-116. University Of Chicago Press.

See Also[fs_truthTable](#) and [reduce](#)**Examples**

```
## truthTable for mvQCA.
mv_truthTable(Lipset_mv,"SURVIVAL", c("GNPCAP", "URBANIZA", "LITERACY",
    "INDLAB"),case="CASEID")
```

QCA.methods

Methods for "QCA" an object

DescriptionVarious methods for object from [reduce](#)**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'QCA'
plot(x,...)

## S3 method for class 'QCA'
print(x, traditional = TRUE, show.truthTable = TRUE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'QCA'
summary(object, traditional = TRUE, show.case = TRUE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'QCA'
object[which]

## S3 method for class 'QCA'
update(object,...,evaluate = TRUE)
```

Arguments

x an object of class 'QCA', which is usually returned from [reduce](#).

traditional logical, use traditional symbol when it is TRUE. Otherwise, use Tosmana-style symbol.

<code>show.truthTable</code>	logical, show <code>truthTable</code> when it is TRUE. Of course, it has effect only when the <code>'keepTruthTable'</code> argument of <code>reduce</code> is set to TRUE.
<code>object</code>	an object of class <code>'QCA'</code> , which is usually returned from <code>reduce</code> .
<code>show.case</code>	logical, show case names when it is TRUE.
<code>which</code>	numeric vector, indices specifying elements to extract. Extraction of a solution or (prime implicant) is essentially a extraction on a list. you can refer to [for more details.
<code>...</code>	For <code>print.QCA</code> and <code>summary.QCA</code> , currently not used. For update, additional arguments to the call, or arguments with changed values. Use <code>'name=NULL'</code> to remove the argument <code>'name'</code> .
<code>evaluate</code>	when TRUE, return the evaluated result which is an object of QCA class. Otherwise, it returns the call.

Details

The traditional way uses upper-case letters representing 1 and and lower-case letters representing 0. The Tosmana-style uses `condition{value}` to represent the prime implicants.

Value

`print` method does not return any value.

`summary` method returns an object of class `"summary.QCA"`.

The `index` method returns an object of class `"QCA"`.

`update` method returns a new `"QCA"` object if `evaluate` is TRUE, the call if FALSE.

Author(s)

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See Also

[reduce](#) and [constrReduce](#)

Description

This page describes some notations used in QCA3 package

Details

-9: don't case case.
 *: boolean operator of and.
 +: boolean operator of or.
 cond{v}: condition has a value of v.
 A/B: condition A happend before B.
 NA: missing data.

 reduce

Boolean miniziation for csQCA, mvQCA and fsQCA

Description

This is the core funtion for QCA (Qualitative Comparative Analysis). Given the outcome and conditions, it returns an object of class 'QCA', which contains all the possible configurations leading to the outcome. It can handle various kinds of QCA., namely csQCA, mvQCA, fsQCA and csTQCA.

Usage

```
reduce(x,...)

## default method is an alias of truthTable method.

## S3 method for class 'truthTable'
reduce(x, explain = c("positive", "negative"),
       remainders = c("exclude", "include"),
       contradictions = c("remainders", "positive", "negative"),
       dontcare = c("remainders", "positive", "negative"),
       keepTruthTable = TRUE,...)

## S3 method for class 'data.frame'
reduce(x, outcome, conditions,
       explain = c("positive", "negative"),
       remainders = c("exclude", "include"),
       contradictions = c("remainders", "positive", "negative"),
       dontcare = c("remainders", "positive", "negative"),
       preprocess = c("cs_truthTable", "fs_truthTable",
                      "mv_truthTable"),
       keepTruthTable = TRUE, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'formula'
reduce(x, data, explain = c("positive", "negative"),
       remainders = c("exclude", "include"),
       contradictions = c("remainders", "positive", "negative"),
       dontcare = c("remainders", "positive", "negative"),
```

```
preprocess = c("cs_truthTable", "fs_truthTable", "mv_truthTable"),
keepTruthTable = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

x	a R object, it could be a truthTable, data frame or a formula
outcome	a character string to specify the outcome
data	a data frame, which is not optional.
conditions	a character vector to specify the conditions
explain	a character string specifying the cases to be explained. Must one of "positive" or "negative".
remainders	a character string specifying how to deal with remainders. Must one of "exclude" or "include".
contradictions	a character string specifying how to deal with contradictory configurations. Must one of "remainders", "positive" or "negative"
dontcare	a character string specifying how to deal with dontcare cases. Must one of "remainders", "positive", "negative"
preprocess	a character string specifying the function for preprocessing data, which turns raw data to a truthTable. Must one of cs_truthTable, fs_truthTable or mv_truthTable.
keepTruthTable	logical, when TRUE the returned object keeps the truthTable
...	other arguments passed to a function.

Details

Outcome is the variable to be explained by the conditions. Conditions is explanatory variables that may affect the outcome. It is not "independent variable" in statistical sense. Configuration is a combination of conditions relevant to a given outcome. Remainders are configurations that lack empirical instances. Contradictory configuration is a configuration whose outcome value is positive[1] for some cases and negative[0] for other cases.

It is good practices to attain the solutions for both positive outcome with and without remainders, and negative outcome with and without remainders. If a common necessary condition appears in both solutions for positive and negative outcome (without remainders), then such necessary condition is a trivial necessary condition (Caramani, 2009:62). It is not necessary to include trivial necessary condition in the final solutions.

It is good practices to generate and examine a truthTable, then use truthTable method of reduce to do the boolean minimization.

Since version 0.0-3, reduce uses enhanced internal function `ereduce1` (which uses enhanced internal function `esubset`). It has been tested and yields the same result (see tests directory for details).

Value

An object of class "QCA". It is essentially a list of 10 components.

`solutions` a list of data.frame, each data frame represents one solution.

commonSolutions	A list of length <code>nrow(solutionsIDX)</code> . For each row of <code>solutionsIDX</code> , if the primeImplicants index are the same for all solutions, then the index is returned. Otherwise, it is NULL.
solutionsIDX	a matrix. Each column represents one solution. The number of the matrix is row index of primeImplicants.
primeImplicants	A matrix of prime implicants.
truthTable	a truthTable if <code>keepTruthTable</code> is TRUE, otherwise NULL.
explained	A data frame, representing the configuration of conditions for explained cases. Note it is not on basis of case but basis of configuration.
idExclude	integer vector. id of observed configurations that are excluded from minimization. The meaning of id is equivalent to the line number of a configuration discussed in Dusa (2007).
nlevels	a integer vector, the number of levels of each condition.
PiChart	a prime implicants charts, constructed according to primeImplicants and explained. It is a logic matrix with dimension of <code>nrow(primeImplicants) x ncol(explained)</code> . It is TRUE if the corresponding primeImplicant covers the corresponding explained.
call	the matched call.

Note

With a 2.4 GHz and 4.0GB PC, it takes about about 0.5 minute for 12 conditions, 2 minutes for 13 conditions, 4.5 minutes for 14 conditions, and 9 minutes for 15 conditions. It may take a long time to get the solution when there are more conditions. You may use `eqmcc` if speed becomes an issue for `reduce`. The disparity is due to the fact that `eqmcc` eliminates redundant PIs before solving the PiChart (Thanks Adrian for pointing it out), but `reduce` does not. `reduce` is a bit greedy in terms of memory usage, for 15 conditions, it uses proximately 500 to 600 Mb memory in typical QCA study. I emphasis "typical" because the exact scenario also depends on the number of observed configurations.

Author(s)

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See Also

[factorize](#), [SA](#), [CSA](#), [constrReduce](#)

Examples

```

if (require(QCA)){
data(Osa,package="QCA")
## QCA package is required to run this example
Osa$OUT2 <- Osa$OUT ## OUT is reserved word in QCA3
## the same as examples of QCA::qmcc
conditions <- c("DYNA","ACCES","INFLU","ELITE","SOCIAL")
reduce(Osa,"OUT2",conditions,explain="positive",remaind="exclude")
reduce(Osa,"OUT2",conditions,explain="positive",contradictions="positive",remaind="include")
ans <-
  reduce(Osa,"OUT2",conditions,explain="positive",contradictions="negative",remaind="include")
simplifyingAssumption(ans) ## or SA(ans)
reduce(Osa,"OUT2",conditions,explain="negative",contradictions="negative",remaind="include")

## Results of Osa and Corduneanu-Huci (2003)
reduce(Osa,"OUT2",conditions,explain="pos",contrad="neg",remaind="exclude")
# table 1 in page 617
reduce(Osa,"OUT2",conditions,explain="neg",contrad="pos",remaind="exclude")
# table 2 of page 621
reduce(Osa,"OUT2",conditions,explain="positive",contradictions="pos",remaind="incl")
# maximum reduction in page 623
reduce(Osa,"OUT2",conditions[1:4],explain="pos",contradictions="neg",remaind="excl")
# Appendix 2 in page 629
}

## csQCA, mvQCA and fsQCA examples from "Configurational comparative Methods"
## csQCA
conditions <- c("GNPCAP", "URBANIZA", "LITERACY", "INDLAB", "GOVSTAB")
reduce(Lipset_cs,"SURVIVAL",conditions,explain="positive",remainder="exclude",case="CASEID")
## or use formula
reduce(SURVIVAL~GNPCAP+URBANIZA+LITERACY+INDLAB+GOVSTAB,Lipset_cs,
  explain="positive",remainder="exclude",case="CASEID")
## Formula 1 in Rihoux and De Meur(2009:57)
reduce(Lipset_cs,"SURVIVAL",conditions,explain="negative",remainder="exclude",case="CASEID")
## Formula 3 in Rihoux and De Meur(2009:59)
ans1 <-
  reduce(Lipset_cs,"SURVIVAL",conditions,explain="positive",remainder="include",case="CASEID")

```

```

print(ans1) ## Formula 4 in Rihoux and De Meur(2009:60)
SA(ans1) ## 5 simplifying assumptions in p61
ans0 <-
  reduce(Lipset_cs,"SURVIVAL",conditions,explain="negative",remainder="include",case="CASEID")
print(ans0) ## Formula 5 in Rihoux and De Meur(2009:61)
SA(ans0) ## 18 simplifying assumptions

## mvQCA
conditions <- c("GNPCAP", "URBANIZA", "LITERACY", "INDLAB")
reduce(Lipset_mv,"SURVIVAL",conditions,explain="positive",remainder="exclude",case="CASEID",prep="mv_truthTabl
## formula 1 Cronqvist and Berg-Schlosser(2009:80)
ans1 <-
  reduce(Lipset_mv,"SURVIVAL",conditions,explain="positive",remainder="include",case="CASEID",prep="mv_truthTabl
print(ans1) ## formula 2 in Cronqvist and Berg-Schlosser(2009:81)
SA(ans1) ## 9 SAs (see end note 7)
reduce(Lipset_mv,"SURVIVAL",conditions,explain="negative",remainder="exclude",case="CASEID",prep="mv_truthTabl
## formula 3 in Cronqvist and Berg-Schlosser(2009:81)
ans0 <-
  reduce(Lipset_mv,"SURVIVAL",conditions,explain="negative",remainder="include",contrad="positive",case="CASEID
print(ans0) ## formula 4 in Cronqvist and Berg-Schlosser(2009:81)
SA(ans0) ## 7 SAs (see end note 9)

## fsQCA
conditions <- c("Developed.FZ", "Urban.FZ", "Literate.FZ", "Industrial.FZ", "Stable.FZ")
reduce(Lipset_fs,"Survived.FZ",conditions,explain="positive",remaind="exclude",prepro="fs",consistency=0.7)
## Formula 1 in Ragin (2009:112)
reduce(Lipset_fs,"Survived.FZ",conditions,explain="positive",remaind="include",prepro="fs",consistency=0.7)
## Formula 2 in Ragin (2009:114)
reduce(Lipset_fs,"Survived.FZ",conditions,explain="negative",remaind="exclude",prepro="fs",consistency=0.7)
## Formula 5 in Ragin (2009:115)
reduce(Lipset_fs,"Survived.FZ",conditions,explain="negative",remaind="include",prepro="fs",consistency=0.7)
## Formula 6 in Ragin (2009:117)

```

simplifyingAssumption *Simplyfing assumptions and contradictory simplifying assumptions*

Description

Return the simplifying assumptions and contradictory simplifying assumptions.

Usage

```

simplifyingAssumption(object, ...)

SA(object, ...) ## alias of simplifyingAssumption

CSA(object1, object0)

findNoCSA(x, y, noCSA = TRUE)

```

Arguments

object	An object of class "QCA", which is return from reduce
...	Not used currently
object1	An object of class "QCA" with one solution.
object0	An object of class "QCA" with one solution.
x	object of class 'QCA' explaining positive outcome.
y	object of class 'QCA' explaining negative outcome.
noCSA	logical, show index of solutions without CSA only when TRUE.

Details

Simplifying assumption is assumption made on the outcome value of a logical remainder, so it can be included in the minimization procedure. Thus, it is meaning to use SA and CSA when the object is return by a call to reduce with remainder argument set to "include".

A contradictory simplifying assumption (CSA) occurs when the same logical remainder is used both in the minimization of the positive outcome configurations and in the minimization of the negative outcome configuration. The CSA should be solved. An overly heavy presence of CSAs is one indicator of problem in the selection of conditions.

If can object of class "QCA" have multiple solutions, you can use [to extract one of solution, then pass it to CSA. see example section for an example. For object1 and object0, one is the solution for explanation of positive case and the other is the solution for explanation of negative case.

Value

For SA and CSA, the value is an object of class c("SA","QCA"). It is a list of 8 components.

solutions	a list of data frame. For SA, each data frame consists one set of simplifying assumptions of each solution. For CSA, it presents a set of contradictory simplifying assumptions. Each row of a data frame is one implicant.
primeImplicants	the same as that of object.
explained	the same as that of object for SA and object1 for CSA.
idExclude	the same as that of object for SA and object1 for CSA.
nlevels	the same as that of object for SA and object1 for CSA.
PIChart	the same as that of object for SA and object1 for CSA.
call	the same as that of object for SA and object1 for CSA.
SAIDs	a list of integer vector, corresponding grouping id of solutions component.

Author(s)

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Yamasaki and Rihoux. 2009. A commented review of applications. In Configurational comparative Methods: qualitative comparative analysis (QCA) and related techniques. ed by Benoit RiHoux and Charles Ragin. Sage.

See Also

[reduce](#) and [constrReduce](#)

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(Yamasaki,package="QCA")
cond <- names(Yamasaki)[1:5]
ans0 <- reduce(Yamasaki,"AGENDA",cond,"negative","include") ## 5 solutions
ans1 <- reduce(Yamasaki,"AGENDA",cond,"positive","include") ## 1 solutions
SA(ans0)
SA(ans1)
CSA(ans0[1],ans1) ## no CSA, please note the subset operation
CSA(ans0[2],ans1) ## ans0[2]-ans0[5] have CSA

findNoCSA(ans1,ans0,FALSE)

## End(Not run)
```

suffnec

Produces a sufficiency and necessity matrix

Description

creates a matrix of the sufficiency and necessity scores for a crisp set or fuzzy set data frame.

Usage

```
suffnec(x, use = c("complete", "pairwise"))
```

```
## S3 method for class 'suffnec'
```

```
print(x, digits = 3, ...)
```

Arguments

x	For coincide, x is a dataframe of crisp set or fuzzy set data, which ranges from 0 to 1.
use	The method of handling missing data. "complete" means listwise deletion and "pairwise" means pairwise deletion.
digits	a non-null value for 'digits' specifies the minimum number of significant digits to be printed in values.
...	arguments passed to default method of print.

Details

In the terminology of set theory, if X is the sufficient condition of Y , then the score of X should be consistently less or equal than that of Y . Similarly, if X is the necessary condition of Y , then the score of X should be consistently greater or equal than that of Y . The necessary score measures such consistency. The formulas can be found in Ragin(2006:297).

For crisp set, sufficient score measures proportionation of $Y=1$ given that $X=1$. The necessary score measures the proportionation of $X=1$ given that $Y=1$.

Value

A list of two matrixs of consistency score.

suff	Sufficiency Scores Matrix, measuring the consistency score of 'X is sufficient condition of Y'.
nec	Necessity Scores Matrix, measuring the consistency score of 'X is necessary condition of Y'.

Author(s)

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References

Ragin, Charles C. 2006. "Set Relations in Social Research: Evaluating Their Consistency and Coverage." *Political Analysis* 14 (3) : 291-310

See Also

[coincid](#)

Examples

```
suffnec(CoD[,c('cod', "econde", "ethlihom", "nocom")])
```

thresholdsetter	<i>Recode continuous variable into binary/multi-value variable</i>
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Description

If the conditions is continuous variable, it has to be recoded into binary variable in order to conduct csQCA, or multi-value variable in order to conduct mvQCA. `thresholdsetter` helps to recode the variable using cluster analysis (the default method is 'average linkage').

Usage

```
thresholdsetter(x, nthreshold = 1, value = TRUE, method = "average",
               thresholds=NULL, dismethod="euclidean", print.table=TRUE)
```

Arguments

x	A continuous variable.
nthreshold	The number of thresholds.
value	logical, returns the recoded variable when TRUE, otherwise returns the thresholds only.
method	method of cluster analysis. See <code>hclust</code> for more details.
thresholds	numeric vector of the threshold values. If it is not NULL, then recode the variable according to thresholds rather than cluster analysis. The threshold values are included in the smaller group.
dismethod	method argument for <code>dist</code> .
print.table	logical, if TRUE, print the table of the recoded variable.

Details

In order to dichotomize the data, 1 threshold is needed; to trichotomize the data, 2 thresholds are needed; and so on. Yet, it should not be a large number, otherwise, limited diversity is a problem. It is suggested to be 1 to 3.

Whenever possible, use theoretically meaningful thresholds. Use statistical means only when necessary. The thresholds should make theoretical sense, thus you should examine the threshold values before going on. Good threshold values should NOT create very differently sized subgroups. Mean and median should be avoided as well.

Value

A vector of the thresholds when value is FALSE. The recoded variable when value is TRUE.

Author(s)

Ronggui HUANG

References

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Cronqvist, L. 2007. Tosmana user manual. http://www.tosmana.net/tosmana_manual1_3beta.pdf

Examples

```
cuttingPoint <- thresholdsetter(Lipset$GNPCAP,2,value=FALSE)
thresholdsetter(Lipset$GNPCAP,thresholds=cuttingPoint)
thresholdsetter(Lipset$GNPCAP,2)## the same as the previous one
thresholdsetter(Lipset$GNPCAP,2,print=FALSE) ## print recoded variable rather than a table
```

 Yamasaki2009

Movement Impact on Nuclear Energy Policy.

Description

This is a data set about Movement Impact on Nuclear Energy Policy (Yamasaki 2009).

Usage

```
data(Yamasaki2009)
```

Format

A data frame with 10 observations on the following 8 variables.

country a factor with levels Belgium Finland Germany Italy Netherlands Spain Sweden
Switzerland UK

period a factor with levels 1975–1980 1979–1984 1982–1987 1984–1989 1985–1990 1989–1994
1993–1998 1997–2002 1998–2003

soc social movement organisation.

pol political allies.

ind state-industry relationship.

are arena shift.

foc focusing event.

policyChange Major policy change.

Source

Manually input by HUANG Ronggui according the truthTable in Yamasaki (2009: 490).

References

Yamasaki, Sakura 2009. "A Boolean Analysis of Movement Impact on Nuclear Energy Policy."
Mobilization: An International Quarterly 14 (4) : 485 - 504.

Examples

```
data(Yamasaki2009)
reduce(policyChange~soc+pol+ind+are+foc,Yamasaki2009,cases="country")
## or construct truthTable first
cstt <- cs_truthTable(Yamasaki2009, "policyChange",c("soc","pol","ind","are","foc"), cases="country")
tb2 <- reduce(cstt) ## result in table 2
summary(tb2) ## coverage of each configuration
```

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