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# **ChildProject**

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# GETTING-STARTED

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## INTRODUCTION

Day-long (audio-)recordings of children are increasingly common, but there is no scientific standard formatting that can benefit the organization and analyses of such data. ChildProject provides standardizing specifications and tools for the storage and management of day-long recordings of children and their associated meta-data and annotations.

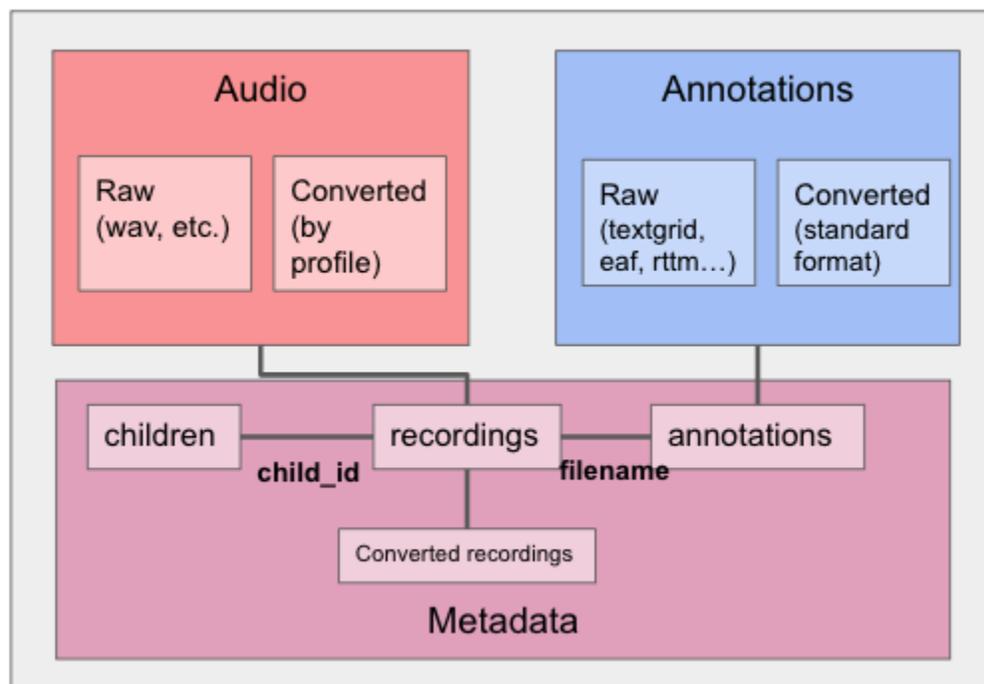


Fig. 1: File organization structure

We assume that the data include three very different types:

1. Audio, of which we distinguish the raw audio extracted from the hardware; and a version that has been converted into a standardized format. These audios are the long-form ones. At the time being, we do not foresee including clips extracted from these long-form audios, and assume that any such process will generate some form of annotation that can then be re-cast temporally to the long-form audio.
2. Annotations, of which we again distinguish raw and standardized versions. At present, we can import from Praat's textgrid, ELAN's eaf, and VTC's rttm format.
3. Metadata corresponding to the children, recordings, and annotations, which will therefore also describe the converted recordings.

## 1.1 Available tools

Day-long audiorecordings are often collected using a LENA recorder, and analyzed with the LENA software. However, open source alternatives to the LENA commercial environment are emerging, some of which are shown in the following figure.

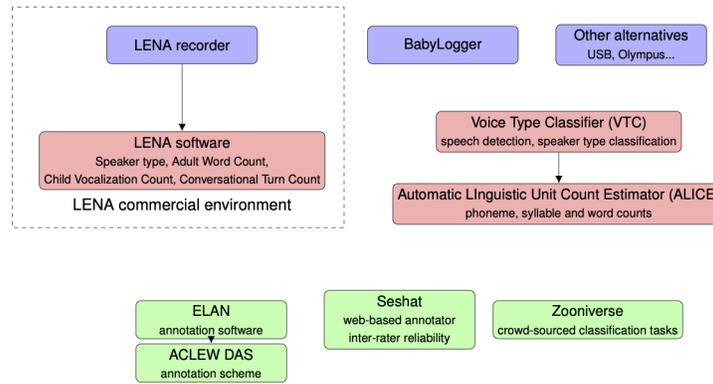


Fig. 2: Overview of some tools in the day-long recordings environment

For instance, alternative hardware includes the babylogger and any other light-weight recording device with enough battery and storage to record over several hours.

Alternative automated analysis options include the [Voice Type Classifier](#), which segments the audio into different talker types (key child, female adult, etc) and [ALICE](#), an automated linguistic unit counter.

As for manual annotation options, [ELAN](#) can be used, for instance employing the [ACLEW DAS annotation scheme](#); [CHAT annotations](#) are also supported.

Assignment of annotation to individuals and evaluation can be done using [Seshat](#). Finally, [Zooniverse](#) can be used to crowd-source certain aspects of the classification with the help of citizen scientists.

In this context, we provide tools and a procedure to:

- Validate datasets (making sure that metadata, recordings and annotations are in the right place and format)
- Convert your raw recordings into the desired format
- Import annotations (from the LENA, ELAN, Praat, VTC/ALICE/VCM rtms, CHAT files) into a standardized format
- Generate reliability metrics by comparing annotators (confusion matrices, agreement coefficients, pyannote metrics)
- Extract metrics from the annotations (e.g. average vocalization rates, durations, etc.)
- Sample segments of the recordings to annotate from a set of sampling algorithms
- **Add clips to an annotation pipeline in Zooniverse, and retrieve the** ensuing annotations

(And more!)

## 1.2 Citing this work

If you are using this project for your research, please cite our [introductory paper](#):

```
@article{gautheron_rochat_cristia_2021,  
  title={Managing, storing, and sharing long-form recordings and their annotations},  
  url={https://psyarxiv.com/w8trm},  
  DOI={10.31234/osf.io/w8trm},  
  publisher={PsyArXiv},  
  author={Gautheron, Lucas and Rochat, Nicolas and Cristia, Alejandrina},  
  year={2021},  
  month={May}  
}
```

## 1.3 Community

- You can ask for help, suggest ideas about the package or share code that relies on it with others on [GitHub discussions](#).
- Bugs should be reported on [GitHub](#) too.



## INSTALLATION

The following instructions will let you install two python packages:

- **ChildProject**, the package that is documented here.
- **DataLad**, a python software for the management and delivery of scientific data. Although ChildProject may work without it, a number of datasets of daylong recordings of children require it.

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**Note:** The default installation procedure requires anaconda. If you are not sure you have conda installed, please do `conda --version`. If you don't, please refer to the instructions [here](#).

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### 2.1 Linux users

```
# download the conda environment
wget https://raw.githubusercontent.com/LAAC-LSCP/ChildProject/master/env_linux.yml -O_
↳env.yml

# create the conda environment
conda env create -f env.yml

# activate the environment (this should be done systematically to use our package)
conda activate childproject
```

### 2.2 MacOS users

```
# download the conda environment
curl https://raw.githubusercontent.com/LAAC-LSCP/ChildProject/master/env_macos.yml -o_
↳env.yml

# create the conda environment
conda env create -f env.yml

# activate the environment (this should be done systematically to use our package)
conda activate childproject

# install git-annex from brew
brew install git-annex
```

**Note:** The ChildProject package alone can also be installed directly through pip, without using conda. However, this means git-annex, ffmpeg, and other dependencies that are not installable through pip will have to be installed by hand.

The following command will install the python package alone via pip and pypi:

```
pip install ChildProject
```

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## 2.3 Check the setup

You can now make sure the packages have been successfully installed:

```
$ child-project --help
usage: child-project [-h]
                    {validate,import-annotations,merge-annotations,intersect-
↪ annotations,remove-annotations,rename-annotations,overview,explain,compute-durations,
↪ process,sampler,zooniverse,eaf-builder,anonymize,metrics}
                    ...

positional arguments:
  {validate,import-annotations,merge-annotations,intersect-
↪ annotations,rename-annotations,overview,explain,compute-durations,process,sampler,
↪ zooniverse,eaf-builder,anonymize,metrics}

optional arguments:
  -h, --help            show this help message and exit
```

```
$ # optional software, for getting and sharing data
datalad --version
datalad 0.15.4
```

**Warning:** ChildProject is only officially supported on Linux and Mac for python  $\geq 3.7$ . We perform automated, continuous testing on these environments to look for potential issues at any step of the development.

We expect the package to work on Windows, although we do not perform automated tests on this OS at the moment.

**Note:** We recommend that you regularly keep DataLad and our package up to date. To force-upgrade this package, do `pip uninstall ChildProject` and then `pip install ChildProject --upgrade`.

You may also want to install the development version from GitHub in order to receive more recent updates before their release:

```
pip install git+https://github.com/LAAC-LSCP/ChildProject.git --force-reinstall
```

Since some updates may break compatibility with previous versions, we advise you to read the [Change Log](#) before upgrading.

DataLad can also be upgraded with `pip install datalad --upgrade` (see DataLad's documentation for more details).

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## 2.4 Troubleshooting

If you are having trouble installing ChildProject, please look for similar issues on our GitHub (in [Issues](#) or [Discussions](#)).

If this issue is related to a dependency of the package, we recommend that you ask the developers of the dependency directly as you may get more accurate advice.

If this issue is related to DataLad, please create an issue on [DataLad's GitHub](#).

## 2.5 Frequently Asked Questions

*I don't have anaconda and I can't install it. What should I do?*

You should try to install the package inside of a python environment instead, e.g.:

```
python3 -m venv ~/ChildProjectVenv
source ~/ChildProjectVenv/bin/activate
pip3 install ChildProject
```

You will still need git-annex in order to use DataLad. It can be installed with brew for Mac users (*brew install git-annex*) or through apt for Linux users (*apt install git-annex*). Most likely, you will lack permissions to do so if you failed to install anaconda. In this case, please refer to your system administrator.

*``brew install git-annex`` does not work!*

Please try `brew install --build-from-source git-annex`.

If this does not work better for you, make sure that your version of Mac OS is 10.14 or later. We are aware of issues with Mac OS 10.13 (High Sierra) and earlier.

If your issues persist, please report it to [DataLad](<https://github.com/datalad/datalad>).



## DATASETS STRUCTURE

ChildProject assumes your data is structured in a specific way. This structure is necessary to check, for instance, that there are no unreferenced files, and no referenced files that are actually missing. The data curator therefore needs to organize their data in a specific way (respecting the dataset tree, with all specified metadata files, and all specified columns within the metadata files) before their data can be imported.

To be imported, datasets must pass the the validation routine (see *Data validation*). with no error. We also recommend you pay attention to the warnings, and try to sort as many of those out as possible before submission.

An example of dataset structured according to ChildProject's format can be found [here](#).

### 3.1 Dataset tree

All datasets should have this structure before import (so you need to organize your files into this structure):

```
project
├── metadata
│   ├── children.csv
│   ├── recordings.csv
│   └── annotations.csv
├── recordings
│   └── raw
│       └── recording1.wav
├── annotations
│   ├── vtc
│   │   └── raw
│   │       └── child1.rttm
│   └── annotator1
│       └── raw
│           └── child1_3600.TextGrid
├── docs (*)
│   ├── children.csv
│   └── recordings.csv
└── extra
    └── notes.txt
```

The children and recordings notebooks should be CSV dataframes formatted according to the standards detailed right below.

(\* The docs folder is optional.

## **3.2 Metadata**

### **3.2.1 Children notebook**

The children metadata dataframe needs to be saved at `metadata/children.csv`. It should be formatted as instructed below; you can add more fields beyond those that are standardized, but make sure to document them.

Table 1: Children metadata

Name	Description	Re-quired?	Format
experiment	one word to capture the unique ID of the data collection effort; for instance Tsimane_2018, solis-intervention-pre	<b>re-quired</b>	
child_id	unique child ID – unique within the experiment (Id could be repeated across experiments to refer to different children)	<b>re-quired</b>	
child_dob	child’s date of birth	<b>re-quired</b>	%Y-%m-%d
location_id	Unique location ID – only specify here if children never change locations in this culture; otherwise, specify in the recordings metadata	optional	
child_sex	f= female, m=male	optional	m, M, f, F
language	language the child is exposed to if child is monolingual; small caps, indicate dialect by name or location if available; eg “france french”; “paris french”	optional	
languages	list languages child is exposed to separating them with ; and indicating the percentage if one is available; eg: “french 35%; english 65%”	optional	
mat_ed	maternal years of education	optional	
fat_ed	paternal years of education	optional	
car_ed	years of education of main caregiver (if not mother or father)	optional	
monoling		optional	
<b>3.2. Metadata</b>	whether the child is monolingual (Y) or not (N)		Y, N
monoling_criterion	how monoling was decided; eg “we asked families	optional	

### 3.2.2 Recordings notebook

The recordings metadata dataframe needs to be saved at `metadata/recordings.csv`. It should be formatted as instructed below; you can add more fields beyond those that are standardized, but make sure to document them.

Table 2: Recordings metadata

Name	Description	Re-quired?	Format
experiment	one word to capture the unique ID of the data collection effort; for instance Tsimane_2018, solis-intervention-pre	<b>re-quired</b>	
child_id	unique child ID – unique within the experiment (Id could be repeated across experiments to refer to different children)	<b>re-quired</b>	
date_iso	date in which recording was started in ISO (eg 2020-09-17)	<b>re-quired</b>	%Y-%m-%d
start_time	local time in which recording was started in format 24-hour (H)H:MM; if minutes are unknown, use 00. Set as 'NA' if unknown.	<b>re-quired</b>	%H:%M
record- ing_device_type	lena, usb, olympus, babylogger (lowercase)	<b>re-quired</b>	lena, usb, olympus, babylogger
recording_filename	the path to the file from the root of “recordings”). It <b>MUST</b> be unique (two recordings cannot point towards the same file).	<b>re-quired</b>	True
duration	duration of the audio, in milliseconds	optional	([0-9]+)
session_id	identifier of the recording session.	optional	
session_offset	offset (in milliseconds) of the recording with respect to other recordings that are part of the same session. Each recording session is identified by their <i>session_id</i> .	optional	[0-9]+
record- ing_device_id	unique ID of the recording device	optional	
<b>3.2. Metadata</b> experiment_collector	who collected the data (could be anonymized ID)	optional	
location_id		optional	

### 3.2.3 Splitting the metadata across several files

Sometimes, access to parts of the metadata should be limited to a list of authorized users. This can be achieved by moving confidential information out of the main notebook to a separate CSV file to be only delivered to authorized users. These additional files should be placed according to the table below:

Table 3: Additional metadata

data	main notebook	location of additional notebooks
children	metadata/children.csv	metadata/children/
recordings	metadata/recordings.csv	metadata/recordings/

There can be as many additional notebooks as necessary, and recursion is permitted.

This is also useful if your metadata includes many columns and you'd like to spread it across several dataframes. This can also be used to deliver survey data in a separate file.

**Note:** In case two or more notebooks contain the same column, the files whose names come first in alphabetical order will prevail while loading the dataset with our package. For instance, if `child_dob` is specified in both `metadata/recordings/0_private.csv` and `metadata/recordings/1_public.csv`, the values in the former file will prevail if it is available. This is useful when anonymized values for a certain parameter still need to be shared, but should be replaced with the true values for those who have access to the full dataset.

**Warning:** For recursive metadata, two dataframes cannot share the same basename. For instance, if one dataframe is located at `metadata/children/dates-of-birth.csv`, an error will be thrown if another dataframe exists at `metadata/children/private/dates-of-birth.csv`.

## 3.3 Annotations

Upon importation, annotations are converted to standardized CSV dataframes (using built-in or custom ingestors) and registered into an index. The index of annotations stores the list of each interval that has been annotated for each annotator. This allows a number of functionalities such as the quick computation of the intersection of the portions of audio covered by a given set of annotators.

### 3.3.1 Annotations format

The package provides functions to convert any annotation into the following CSV format, with one row per segment (e.g. per vocalization event):

Table 4: Annotations format

Name	Description	Re-quired?	Format
<code>raw_filename</code>	raw annotation path relative, relative to <code>annotations/&lt;set&gt;/raw</code>	<b>re-quired</b>	

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Name	Description	Re-quired?	Format
segment_onset	segment onset timestamp in milliseconds (since the start of the recording)	<b>re-quired</b>	([0-9]+)
segment_offset	segment end time in milliseconds (since the start of the recording)	<b>re-quired</b>	([0-9]+)
speaker_id	identity of speaker in the annotation	optional	
speaker_type	class of speaker (FEM = female adult, MAL = male adult, CHI = key child, OCH = other child)	optional	FEM, MAL, CHI, OCH, NA
ling_type	1 if the vocalization contains at least a vowel (ie canonical or non-canonical), 0 if crying or laughing	optional	1, 0, NA
vcm_type	vocal maturity defined as: C (canonical), N (non-canonical), Y (crying) L (laughing), J (junk)	optional	C, N, Y, L, J, NA
lex_type	W if meaningful, 0 otherwise	optional	W, 0, NA
mwu_type	M if multiword, 1 if single word – only filled if lex_type==W	optional	M, 1, NA
addressee	T if target-child-directed, C if other-child-directed, A if adult-directed, U if uncertain or other. Multiple values should be sorted and separated by commas	optional	T, C, A, U, NA
transcription	orthographic transcription of the speech	optional	
phonemes	amount of phonemes	optional	(\d+(\.\d+)?)
syllables	amount of syllables	optional	(\d+(\.\d+)?)

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Name	Description	Re-quired?	Format
words	amount of words	optional	(\d+(\.\d+)?)
lena_block_type	whether regarded as part as a pause or a conversation by LENA	optional	pause, CM, CIC, CIOCX, CIOCAX, AMF, AICF, AIOCF, AIOCCXF, AMM, AICM, AIOCM, AIOCCXM, XM, XIOCC, XIOCA, XIC, XIOCAC
lena_block_number	number of the LENA pause/conversation the segment belongs to	optional	(\d+(\.\d+)?)
lena_conv_status	LENA conversation status	optional	BC, RC, EC
lena_response_count	LENA turn count within block	optional	(\d+(\.\d+)?)
lena_conv_floor_type	(FI): Floor Initiation, (FH): Floor Holding	optional	FI, FH
lena_conv_turn_type	LENA turn type	optional	TIFI, TIMI, TIFR, TIMR, TIFE, TIME, NT

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Name	Description	Re-quired?	Format
lena_speaker	LENA speaker type	optional	TVF, FAN, OLN, SIL, NOF, CXF, OLF, CHF, MAF, TVN, NON, CXN, CHN, MAN, FAF
utterances_count	utterances count	optional	(\d+(\.\d+)?)
utterances_length	utterances length	optional	([0-9]+)
non_speech_length	non-speech length	optional	([0-9]+)
average_db	average dB level	optional	(\-?) (\d+(\.\d+)?)
peak_db	peak dB level	optional	(\-?) (\d+(\.\d+)?)
child_cry_vfx_len	childCryVfxLen	optional	([0-9]+)
utterances	LENA utterances details (json)	optional	
cries	cries (json)	optional	
vfxs	Vfx (json)	optional	

Custom columns may be used, although they should be documented somewhere in your dataset.

### 3.3.2 Annotations index

**Warning:** The index is maintained through the package functions only; it should never be updated by hand.

Annotations are indexed in one unique dataframe located at `/metadata/annotations.csv`, with the following format :

Table 5: Annotations metadata

Name	Description	Re-quired?	Format
set	name of the annotation set (e.g. VTC, annotator1, etc.)	<b>re-quired</b>	
recording_filename	recording filename as specified in the recordings index	<b>re-quired</b>	
time_seek	shift between the timestamps in the raw input annotations and the actual corresponding timestamps in the recordings (in milliseconds)	<b>re-quired</b>	(\-?)([0-9]+)
range_onset	covered range onset timestamp in milliseconds (since the start of the recording)	<b>re-quired</b>	[0-9]+
range_offset	covered range offset timestamp in milliseconds (since the start of the recording)	<b>re-quired</b>	[0-9]+
raw_filename	annotation input filename location, relative to <i>annotations/&lt;set&gt;/raw</i>	<b>re-quired</b>	True
annotation_filename	output formatted annotation location, relative to <i>annotations/&lt;set&gt;/converted</i> (automatic column, don't specify)	optional	True
imported_at	importation date (automatic column, don't specify)	optional	%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S
package_version	version of the package used when the importation was performed	optional	[0-9]+\.[0-9]+\.[0-9]+
error	error message in case the annotation could not be imported	optional	

Below is shown an example of an index file (some uninformative columns were hidden for clarity). In this case, one recording has been fully annotated using the Voice Type Classifier (vtc), and partially annotated by two humans (LM and SP). These humans have both annotated the same seven 15 second clips.

set	record- ing_filename	time_sec	range_on	range_off	raw_filename	for- mat	annotation_filename
vtc	A730/A730_001	105.wav	0	42764250	A730/A730_001105	vtc	A730/A730_001105_0_42764250.csv
eaf_2021/SR	A730/A730_001	105.wav	2910000	2925000	A730_001105.eaf	eaf	A730/A730_001105_2910000_2925000.csv
eaf_2021/SR	A730/A730_001	105.wav	4680000	4695000	A730_001105.eaf	eaf	A730/A730_001105_4680000_4695000.csv
eaf_2021/SR	A730/A730_001	105.wav	4695000	4710000	A730_001105.eaf	eaf	A730/A730_001105_4695000_4710000.csv
eaf_2021/SR	A730/A730_001	105.wav	14055000	14070000	A730_001105.eaf	eaf	A730/A730_001105_14055000_14070000.csv
eaf_2021/SR	A730/A730_001	105.wav	15030000	15045000	A730_001105.eaf	eaf	A730/A730_001105_15030000_15045000.csv
eaf_2021/SR	A730/A730_001	105.wav	36465000	36480000	A730_001105.eaf	eaf	A730/A730_001105_36465000_36480000.csv
eaf_2021/SR	A730/A730_001	105.wav	39450000	39465000	A730_001105.eaf	eaf	A730/A730_001105_39450000_39465000.csv
eaf_2021/LM	A730/A730_001	105.wav	2910000	2925000	A730_001105.eaf	eaf	A730/A730_001105_2910000_2925000.csv
eaf_2021/LM	A730/A730_001	105.wav	4680000	4695000	A730_001105.eaf	eaf	A730/A730_001105_4680000_4695000.csv
eaf_2021/LM	A730/A730_001	105.wav	4695000	4710000	A730_001105.eaf	eaf	A730/A730_001105_4695000_4710000.csv
eaf_2021/LM	A730/A730_001	105.wav	14055000	14070000	A730_001105.eaf	eaf	A730/A730_001105_14055000_14070000.csv
eaf_2021/LM	A730/A730_001	105.wav	15030000	15045000	A730_001105.eaf	eaf	A730/A730_001105_15030000_15045000.csv
eaf_2021/LM	A730/A730_001	105.wav	36465000	36480000	A730_001105.eaf	eaf	A730/A730_001105_36465000_36480000.csv
eaf_2021/LM	A730/A730_001	105.wav	39450000	39465000	A730_001105.eaf	eaf	A730/A730_001105_39450000_39465000.csv

### 3.3.3 Annotation importation input format

The annotations importation script (*Bulk importation*) and python method (*ChildProject.annotations.AnnotationManager.import\_annotations()*) take a dataframe of the following format as an input:

Table 6: Input annotations

Name	Description	Re-quired?	Format
set	name of the annotation set (e.g. VTC, annotator1, etc.)	<b>re-quired</b>	
recording_filename	recording filename as specified in the recordings index	<b>re-quired</b>	
time_seek	shift between the timestamps in the raw input annotations and the actual corresponding timestamps in the recordings (in milliseconds)	<b>re-quired</b>	(\-?)([0-9]+)
range_onset	covered range onset timestamp in milliseconds (since the start of the recording)	<b>re-quired</b>	[0-9]+
range_offset	covered range offset timestamp in milliseconds (since the start of the recording)	<b>re-quired</b>	[0-9]+
raw_filename	annotation input filename location, relative to <i>annotations/&lt;set&gt;/raw</i>	<b>re-quired</b>	True
format	input annotation format	optional	csv, vtc_rttm, vcm_rttm, alice, its, TextGrid, eaf, cha, NA
filter	source file to filter in (for rttm and alice only)	optional	

**Note:** In order to avoid rounding errors, all timestamps are integers, expressed in milliseconds.

## 3.4 Documentation

An important aspect of a dataset is its documentation. Documentation includes:

- authorship, references, contact information
- a description of the corpus (population, collection process, etc.)
- instructions to re-use the data
- description of the data itself (e.g. a definition of each metadata field)

We currently do not provide a format for *all* these annotations. It is up to you to decide how to provide users with each of these information.

However, we suggest several options below.

### 3.4.1 Metadata and annotations

The ChildProject package supports a machine-readable format to describe the contents of the metadata and the annotations.

This format consists in CSV dataframe structured according to the following table:

Table 7: Machine-readable documentation

Name	Description	Re-quired?	Format
variable	name of the variable	<b>re-quired</b>	
description	a definition of this field	<b>re-quired</b>	
values	a summary of authorized values	optional	
scope	which group of users has access to it	optional	
annotation_set	for annotations: which set(s) contain this variable	optional	

### 3.4.2 Authorship

We recommend DataCite's .yaml format (see [here](#))



## GETTING SOME DATA

You can either have some data of your own that you would like to use the package on, or you may know of some datasets that are already in this format that you'd like to reuse.

It may be easier to start with an extant dataset. Here is the list that we know exists. Please note that the large majority of these data are NOT public, and thus if you cannot retrieve them, this means you need to get in touch with the data managers.

### 4.1 Public data sets

We have prepared a [public dataset](#) for testing purposes which is based on the [VanDam Public Daylong HomeBank Corpus](#); VanDam, Mark (2018). VanDam Public Daylong HomeBank Corpus. doi:10.21415/T5388S.

### 4.2 From the LAAC team

Table 1: List of LAAC datasets

Name	Authors	Location	Recordings	Duration (h)
Namibia	Gandhi	<a href="https://github.com/LAAC-LSCP/namibia-data">https://github.com/LAAC-LSCP/namibia-data</a>	113	1449
Solomon	Sarah	<a href="https://github.com/LAAC-LSCP/solomon-data">https://github.com/LAAC-LSCP/solomon-data</a>	388	5954
Tsimane 2017		<a href="https://github.com/LAAC-LSCP/tsimane2017-data">https://github.com/LAAC-LSCP/tsimane2017-data</a>	41	556
png 2019		<a href="https://github.com/LAAC-LSCP/png2019-data">https://github.com/LAAC-LSCP/png2019-data</a>	51	760
Vanuatu		unavailable	53	289

### 4.3 EL1000

The [EL1000](#) dataset contains several corpora accessible upon request.

## 4.4 Other private datasets

We know of no other private datasets at present, but we hope one day to be able to use [datalad's search feature](#)

## EXAMPLE PROJECTS

This is an (ever-growing) list of projects that are known to rely on ChildProject.

Table 1: Known projects

Project	Description
Vandam-Daylong	Copy of Vandam-Daylong in ChildProject format
EL1000	Dataset containing 16 corpora, derived metrics and reliability estimations
Reproducible paper example	Example of a reproducible paper using DataLad and ChildProject
Zooniverse campaign template	A template with instructions for launching a campaign of annotations on the crowd-sourcing platform Zooniverse

Let us know about your own projects that you would like to share!



## HOW TO REUSE GIN DATASETS

Our datasets are managed with [datalad](#). Datalad allows the versioning and distribution of large datasets. Datalad relies on another tool called [git-annex](#), which itself is an extension of git providing support for large file versioning with a high flexibility.

We host the data on [GIN](#). GIN's interface is really similar to GitHub, but unlike the latter, GIN can handle our large files.

### 6.1 Installing datalad

The DataLad handbook provides extensive instructions for the installation of DataLad in their [handbook](#).

If you have admin rights and you are working on Linux or Mac, the following should work:

1. Install git-annex using `apt install git-annex` (linux) or `brew install git-annex` (mac). Git-annex is available by default on Oberon.
2. Install datalad with pip : `pip3 install datalad`

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**Note:** If you are having permission issues, consider using python virtual environments or conda (see [DataLad's handbook](#)). Otherwise, refer to your system administrator.

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### 6.2 Setup your GIN account

Most repositories are private, and thus require authentication. We recommend that you always use SSH authentication and we will only provide instructions for this case.

Before anything, you will need to create an account on [GIN](#), and to link your [SSH public key](#) to your GIN account.

1. Create an account on GIN
2. Copy your SSH public key (usually located in `~/.ssh/id_rsa.pub`)
3. Go to [GIN > Settings > SSH Keys](#)
4. Click on the blue button 'Add a key' and paste your public key where requested.

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**Note:** Remember to communicate your username to the data administrator before you try to access the data in order for him to grant you permissions.

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**Note:** You can configure as many keys as necessary. This is useful when you need to access GIN from different locations with different SSH keys (e.g. from your lab cluster, or from your own laptop).

**Note:** You may consider enabling the Keychain (append `~/.ssh/config` with `UseKeychain yes`) if you are prompted for your SSH passphrase everytime.

### 6.2.1 Installing a dataset

Installing a dataset can be done with the `datalad install` command. The input is the SSH location of the dataset. It can be found on the page of the repository on GIN:

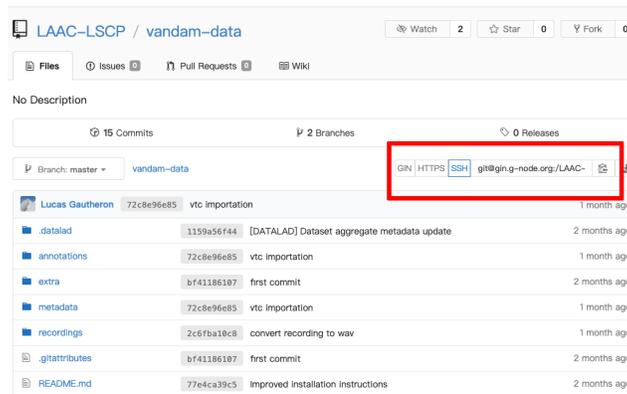


Fig. 1: A GIN dataset.

For instance, the VanDam public dataset (available on [GIN](#)) can be installed with the following command:

```
datalad install git@gin.g-node.org:/LAAC-LSCP/vandam-data.git
cd vandam-data
```

Datasets that contain subdatasets can be installed recursively using the `-r` switch. This is the case of the EL1000 dataset:

```
datalad install git@gin.g-node.org:/EL1000/EL1000.git
cd EL1000
```

**Warning:** Some datasets may require additional configuration steps. Pay attention to the README before you start using a dataset.

That's it ! Your dataset is ready to go. By default, large files do not get downloaded automatically. See the next section for help with downloading those files.

## 6.3 Downloading large files

Files can be retrieved using `datalad get [path]`. For instance, `datalad get recordings` will download all recordings.

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**Note:** Technically speaking, the large files in your repository are symbolic links pointing to their actual location, somewhere under `.git`. You can ignore that and read/copy the content of these files as if they were actual files.

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**Warning:** If you want to *edit* the content of a large file, you will need to unlock it beforehand, using `datalad unlock`, e.g.: `datalad unlock annotations/vtc/converted`.

## 6.4 Updating a dataset

A dataset can be updated from the sources using `git pull` together with `datalad update`.

## 6.5 Contributing

### 6.5.1 Pushing changes to a dataset

You can save local changes to a dataset with `datalad save [path] -m "commit message"`. For instance :

```
datalad save annotations/vtc/raw -m "adding vtc rttms"
```

`datalad save` is analogous to a combination of `git add` and `git commit`.

These changes still have to be pushed, which can be done with :

```
datalad push
```



## CONVERTING A DATASET

This tutorial will guide you through the steps for the conversion of an existing dataset. We will use the [VanDam-Daylong dataset from HomeBank](#) as an example.

### 7.1 Set-up datalad and child-project

Make sure you have followed the *Installation* instructions before proceeding.

### 7.2 Create a dataset

The first step is to create a new dataset named vandam-data :

```
datalad create vandam-data
cd vandam-data
```

So far, the dataset contains nothing but hidden files:

```
$ ls -A
.datalad  .git      .gitattributes
```

Now, we would like to get the data from <https://homebank.talkbank.org/access/Public/VanDam-Daylong.html>, convert it to our standards, and then publish it.

### 7.3 Gather and sort the files

The first step is to create the directories:

```
mkdir metadata # Create the metadata subfolder
mkdir -p recordings/raw # Create the subfolders for raw recordings
mkdir annotations # Create the subfolder for annotations
mkdir extra # Create the subfolder for extra data (that are neither metadata, recordings,
↳ or annotations)
touch extra/.gitignore # Make sure the directory is present even though it's empty
```

Then, download the original data-set from HomeBank.

The audio first:

```
curl https://media.talkbank.org/homebank/Public/VanDam-Daylong/BN32/BN32_010007.mp3 -o_
↳recordings/raw/BN32_010007.mp3
```

Now let's get the annotations.

```
curl https://homebank.talkbank.org/data/Public/VanDam-Daylong.zip -o VanDam-Daylong.zip
unzip VanDam-Daylong.zip
rm VanDam-Daylong.zip # Remove the zip archive
```

Let's explore the contents of VanDam-Daylong:

```
$ find . -not -path '*\.*' -type f -print
./recordings/raw/BN32_010007.mp3
./VanDam-Daylong/BN32/0its/e20100728_143446_003489.its
./VanDam-Daylong/BN32/BN32_010007.cha
./VanDam-Daylong/0metadata.cdc
```

- 0metadata.cdc1 looks like some metadata file, so we will move it to metadata/ :

```
mv VanDam-Daylong/0metadata.cdc metadata/
```

- BN32\_010007.cha contains some transcriptions. Let's create a set of annotations cha and move it there :

```
mkdir -p annotations/cha/raw
mv VanDam-Daylong/BN32/BN32_010007.cha annotations/cha/raw
```

- e20100728\_143446\_003489.its contains diarization and other information such as word counts. Let's create another set of annotations for it. And for the sake of consistency, we'll rename it BN32\_010007.its.

```
mkdir -p annotations/its/raw
mv VanDam-Daylong/BN32/0its/e20100728_143446_003489.its annotations/its/raw/BN32_010007.
↳its
```

Now we've got all the files. Let's try to run the validation on the dataset:

```
$ child-project validate .

Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "/Users/acristia/anaconda3/bin/child-project", line 8, in <module>
    sys.exit(main())
  File "/Users/acristia/anaconda3/lib/python3.7/site-packages/ChildProject/cmdline.py", ↳
↳line 241, in main
    args.func(args)
  File "/Users/acristia/anaconda3/lib/python3.7/site-packages/ChildProject/cmdline.py", ↳
↳line 39, in validate
    errors, warnings = project.validate(args.ignore_files)
  File "/Users/acristia/anaconda3/lib/python3.7/site-packages/ChildProject/projects.py", ↳
↳line 102, in validate
    self.read()
  File "/Users/acristia/anaconda3/lib/python3.7/site-packages/ChildProject/projects.py", ↳
↳line 86, in read
    self.children = self.ct.read(lookup_extensions = ['.csv', '.xls', '.xlsx'])
  File "/Users/acristia/anaconda3/lib/python3.7/site-packages/ChildProject/tables.py", ↳
↳line 65, in read
```

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```
raise Exception("could not find table '{}".format(self.path))
Exception: could not find table './metadata/children'
```

This is expected. The validation should fail, because the metadata is missing. We need to store the metadata about the children and the recordings in a way that meets the specifications (see *Metadata*).

## 7.4 Create the metadata

We need two metadata files:

- **metadata/recordings.csv**, which links each recording to their associate metadata (recording date and time, recording device, etc.)
- **metadata/children.csv**, which stores the information about the participants.

Let's start with the recordings metadata. `metadata/recordings.csv` should at least have the following columns: `experiment`, `child_id`, `date_iso`, `start_time`, `recording_device_type`, `recording_filename`. The `.its` file contains (annotations/its/raw/BN32\_010007.its) precious information about when the recording started:

```
<Recording num="1" startClockTime="2010-07-24T11:58:16Z" endClockTime="2010-07-
↳ 25T01:59:20Z" startTime="PT0.00S" endTime="PT50464.24S">
```

The 'Z' suffix in the clock times indicate they correspond to the UTC timezone. However, the metadata should contain local times only. The difference between the two is 5 hours, according to the following line in the `.its` file:

```
<TransferTime LocalTime="2010-07-28T14:34:46" TimeZone="CST" UTCTime="2010-07-28T19:34:46
↳ " />
```

Therefore, the recording started on 2010-07-24, at 06:58 (local time).

In order to reflect that information, the recordings CSV metadata should look like this (we have decided that the only child of the dataset should have ID '1'):

Table 1: Recordings metadata

experiment	child_id	date_iso	start_time	recording_device_type	recording_filename
vandam-daylong	1	2010-07-24	11:58	lena	BN32_010007.mp3

We have prepared it for you. Download `recordings.csv` here, and save it in the metadata subfolder of your dataset. You can check its content by issuing the following command:

```
$ cat metadata/recordings.csv
experiment,child_id,date_iso,start_time,recording_device_type,recording_filename
vandam-daylong,1,2010-07-24,11:58,lena,BN32_010007.mp3
```

Now, let us proceed to the children metadata. The only fields that are required are: `experiment`, `child_id` and `child_dob`. The `.its` file also contains some information about the child:

```
<ChildInfo algorithmAge="P12M" gender="F" />
```

She was a 12 month old girl at the time of the recording. We can thus assign her a calculated date of birth: 2009-07-24. We will set `dob_criterion` to "extrapolated" to keep track of the fact that the date of birth was calculated from the approximate age at recording. We will also set `dob_accuracy` to 'month' for that child.

In other words, the children metadata CSV file should look like this:

Table 2: Children metadata

experiment	child_id	child_dob	dob_criterion	dob_accuracy
vandam-daylong	1	2009-07-24	extrapolated	month

We have prepared it for you. Download `children.csv` [here](#), and save it in the `metadata` subfolder of your dataset. You can check its content by issuing the following command:

```
$ cat metadata/children.csv
experiment,child_id,child_dob,dob_criterion,dob_accuracy
vandam-daylong,1,2009-07-24,extrapolated,month
```

We can now make sure that there are no errors by running the validation command again:

```
child-project validate .
```

No error occurs.

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**Note:** The metadata can be enriched with many more columns. See [Metadata](#) for standard columns. You can add as many extra, custom columns as you need.

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## 7.5 Save the changes locally

A DataLad dataset is essentially a git repository, with the large files being handled by git-annex. Some of the files (usually the small, text files such as metadata and scripts) ought to be versioned with git, and the larger files or binary files should be stored in the *annex*.

The rules to decide what files should be stored which way can be set in the `.gitattributes` file. You should fill it with the following content:

```
* annex.backend=MD5E
**/.git* annex.largefiles=nothing
scripts/* annex.largefiles=nothing
metadata/* annex.largefiles=nothing
recordings/converted/* annex.largefiles=((mimeencoding=binary))
```

These rules will version all the files under `scripts/` and `metadata/`, as well as the text files inside of `recordings/converted/`. By default, the other files will be put in the annex.

The changes can now be saved. This can be done with `datalad save`. `datalad save` is equivalent to a combination of `git add` and `git commit` in one go. It decides, based on the rules in `.gitattributes`, whether to store files with git or git-annex.

```
datalad save . -m "first commit"
```

However, so far, your changes remain local, and your dataset still needs to be published into a *sibling* to be shared with others.

## 7.6 Processing

You can do some processing on the dataset. For instance, you can compute the duration of the recording, and update the metadata with this information. This is easily done with:

```
child-project compute-durations .
```

Now metadata/recordings.csv became:

```
$ cat metadata/recordings.csv
experiment,child_id,date_iso,start_time,recording_device_type,recording_filename,duration
vandam-daylong,1,2010-07-24,11:58,лена,BN32_010007.mp3,50464512
```

You can also convert and index the its annotation:

```
child-project import-annotations . --set its \
  --recording_filename BN32_010007.mp3 \
  --time_seek 0 \
  --range_onset 0 \
  --range_offset 50464512 \
  --raw_filename BN32_010007.its \
  --format its
```

And save the changes again:

```
datalad save . -m "its"
```

## 7.7 Publish the dataset

### 7.7.1 Where to publish my dataset ?

DataLad allows you to publish your datasets on [large number of storage providers](#), including Amazon S3, Dropbox, Google Cloud Storage, Microsoft Azure Blob Storage, etc., each having their own advantages and limitations. It is also possible to publish to several platforms, as we do with our own datasets.

The table below summarises the features of a few storage supports. The solutions described here are by no mean exhaustive, but they are easy to generalize.

- Platforms that support Git store the .git files and will allow you to clone the datasets from them with `datalad install`
- Platforms that support Large Files will allow you to store and distribute the large or binary files that are stored with git-annex instead of the regular git files (such as scripts and metadata)

It is necessary to use a platform or a combination of platforms that supports both. We recommend the use of [GIN](#), although you should always push your data to another platform as backup.

Provider	Git	Large Files	Authentication	Permissions	Cost	Quota
GIN	Yes	Yes	HTTPS/SSH	ACL	Free below ~10 TB	None
SSH server	Yes	Yes	SSH	Unix	-	None
GitHub	Yes	No	HTTPS/SSH	ACL	Free	~1 GB
GitLab	Yes	No	HTTPS/SSH	ACL	Free	~1 GB
Amazon S3	No	Yes	API	IAM	~4\$/TB/month	None
Nextcloud	No	Yes	WebDav	ACL	-	None
OSF.io	Yes	Yes*	Token	ACL	Free	5 GB

**Note:** DataLad uses git-annex, which naturally handles [encryption](#). This is particularly useful when using third-party providers such as Amazon S3.

## 7.7.2 Publish to GIN

**Note:** Before anything, you will need to create an account on [GIN](#), and to link your [SSH public key](#) to your GIN account.

1. Create a new repository from [GIN's web interface](#).
2. Copy the SSH url of your repository to your clipboard, e.g.: `git@gin.g-node.org:/<username>/<reponame>.git`
3. Add a datalad sibling pointing to this repository:

```
datalad siblings add \
  --name gin \
  --url git@gin.g-node.org:/<username>/<reponame>.git
```

4. Push the data to GIN:

```
datalad push --to gin
```

## 7.7.3 Publish to a SSH server

If you have access to a SSH server with enough storage capacity, you can use it to store and share the dataset. This is done with the `datalad create-sibling` command:

```
datalad create-sibling [-h] [-s [NAME]] [--target-dir PATH] [--target-url URL] [--target-
↪ pushurl URL] [--dataset DATASET] [-r] [-R LEVELS] [--existing MODE] [--shared
↪ {false|true|umask|group|all|world|everybody|0xxx}] [--group GROUP] [--ui
↪ {false|true|html_filename}] [--as-common-datasrc NAME] [--publish-by-default REFSPEC]
↪ [--publish-depends SIBLINGNAME] [--annex-wanted EXPR] [--annex-group EXPR] [--annex-
↪ groupwanted EXPR] [--inherit] [--since SINCE] [SSHURL]
```

For instance, you can create it (this is only to be done once) by issuing:

```
datalad create-sibling -s cluster --annex-wanted 'include=*' <ssh-server>:/remote/path/
↪ to/the/dataset
```

`cluster` is the name of the sibling, and `<ssh-server>:/remote/path/to/the/dataset` is the SSH url of its destination. `--annex-wanted 'include=*'` implies that all large files will be published to this sibling by default.

Once the sibling has been created, the changes can be published:

```
datalad push --to cluster
```

That's it! People can now get your data from:

```
datalad install <ssh-server>:/remote/path/to/the/dataset
```

If `--annex-wanted` had not been set to `'include=*'`, the large files (i.e. annexed files) would not be published unless you asked for it explicitly with the `--data` flag:

```
datalad push --to cluster --data anything
```

## 7.7.4 Publish to GitHub

You first need to create the repository, which can be done in a straightforward way from the command line with `datalad create-sibling-github`:

```
datalad create-sibling-github [-h] [--dataset DATASET] [-r] [-R LEVELS] [-s NAME] [--existing MODE] [--github-login NAME] [--github-organization NAME] [--access-protocol {https|ssh}] [--publish-depends SIBLINGNAME] [--private] [--dryrun] REPONAME
```

For instance:

```
datalad create-sibling-github -s origin --access-protocol ssh vandam-daylong-demo
```

`origin` will be the local name of the sibling, and `vandam-daylong-demo` the name of the GitHub repository. Once the sibling has been created, you can publish the changes with `datalad push`:

```
datalad push --to origin
```

You should get a repository identical to [this one](#).

Users can now install your dataset from GitHub:

```
datalad install https://github.com/LAAC-LSCP/vandam-daylong-demo.git
```

PS: we recommend that you do `git push --set-upstream origin` to set upstream to the GitHub sibling. Users who install your dataset from GitHub will not need to do this.

### GitHub + SSH mirror to store the large files

Now, let's assume you have already created a SSH sibling as well for your dataset, and that it is named `cluster`. You can make sure that all changes to `github` are published to `cluster` as well, by setting the `publish-depends` property of the `github` sibling:

```
datalad siblings configure -s origin --publish-depends cluster
```

Now, `datalad push --to origin` will publish the changes to both `cluster` and `github`.

However, when the users install your dataset from GitHub, they will not have access to the `cluster` sibling unless you make it available to them, which can be done this way :

```
git annex
git annex initremote cluster type=git location=ssh://cluster.com/path/to/the/repository
↳autoenable=true
git annex enableremote cluster
git remote add origin git@github.com:LAAC-LSCP/vandam-daylong-demo.git
```

### 7.7.5 Publish on S3

Like other *git annex special remotes*, Amazon S3 will not support the git files, only the large files. It could be used together with GitHub as the primary host for your large files, or as a backup.

*For the sake of simplicity, we will not use encryption here, but git annex implements several encryption schemes which are easy to use.*

First, store your AWS credentials into your environment variables, like this:

```
export AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID="08TJMT99S3511WOZEP91"
export AWS_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY="s3kr1t"
```

You are now ready to create the s3 sibling. This is done directly through git-annex this time:

```
git annex initremote s3 chunk=100MiB type=S3 encryption=none datacenter=eu-west-3
↳embedcreds=no signature=v4
```

You can now publish the data with:

```
datalad push --to s3 --data anything
```

(Optional) You can set the S3 sibling to require that all large files should be stored on it:

```
datalad siblings configure -s s3 --annex-wanted 'include=*
```

This will let DataLad publish all the large files automatically without setting `--data`:

```
datalad push --to s3
```

Let's assume your users will install the dataset from a GitHub repository. You should publish the information about the newly created S3 sibling on GitHub, which can be done with (provided you have set up your GitHub repository as described in the previous section):

```
datalad push --to github
```

Now, users will be able to get the data by issuing the following commands:

```
datalad install git@github.com:<your-username>/vandam-daylong-demo.git
git annex enableremote s3
datalad get *
```

With this configuration, they will need to setup their AWS credentials as you did. [But it is possible to configure the sibling so that the credentials are encrypted](#) and stored in the repository, so all users with authorized private keys will be able to get the data without this step.

## 7.7.6 Publish on OSF

DataLad has an [extension](#) to publish data on the [Open Science Framework](#).

This extension supports the following modes:

Table 3: datalad create-sibling-osf modes

Mode	datalad install	large files	history	older files	human-readable project
annex	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
export	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
gitonly	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
export-only	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes

The first step is to install the extension:

```
pip install datalad-osf --upgrade
```

We decide to use the `export` mode - but you can decide which best suits your needs from the table above. We can now create the sibling:

```
datalad create-sibling-osf --title "VanDam Demo" \
  --mode export \
  -s osf \
  --category data \
  --tag reproducibility \
  --public
```

You will be prompted your credentials in the process, which will require access tokens to be created [from your osf.io account](#).

And finally we can push the data. This is done in two steps:

1. publishing the `.git` files so people can clone the dataset directly from OSF

```
datalad push --to osf
```

2. exporting a human-readable snapshot of the files to OSF

```
git-annex export HEAD --to osf-storage
```



## BASIC TOOLS

### 8.1 Data validation

This is typically done (repeatedly!) in the process of importing your data into our format for the first time, but you should also do this whenever you make a change to the dataset.

Looks for errors and inconsistency in the metadata, or for missing audios. The validation will pass if formatting instructions are met (see *Datasets structure*).

```
$ child-project validate /path/to/dataset --help
usage: child-project validate [-h] [--ignore-recordings] [--profile PROFILE]
                             [--annotations ANNOTATIONS [ANNOTATIONS ...]]
                             [--threads THREADS]
                             source

validate the consistency of the dataset returning detailed errors and warnings

positional arguments:
  source                project path

optional arguments:
  -h, --help            show this help message and exit
  --ignore-recordings  ignore missing audio files
  --profile PROFILE    which recording profile to validate
  --annotations ANNOTATIONS [ANNOTATIONS ...]
                       path to or name of each annotation set(s) to check
                       (e.g. 'vtc' or '/path/to/dataset/annotations/vtc')
  --threads THREADS    amount of threads to run on (only applies to
                       --annotations)
```

Example:

```
# validate the metadata and raw recordings
child-project validate /path/to/dataset

# validate the metadata only
child-project validate /path/to/dataset --ignore-recordings

# validate the metadata and the recordings of the 'standard' profile
# (in recordings/converted/standard)
child-project validate /path/to/dataset --profile standard
```

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```
# validate the metadata and all annotations within /path/to/dataset/annotations
child-project validate /path/to/dataset --ignore-recordings --annotations /path/to/
↳dataset/annotations/*

# validate the metadata and annotations from the 'textgrid' set
child-project validate /path/to/dataset --ignore-recordings --annotations /path/to/
↳dataset/annotations/textgrid/*
```

## 8.2 Dataset overview

An overview of the contents of a dataset can be obtained with the `child-project overview` command.

```
$ child-project overview --help
usage: child-project overview [-h] source

prints an overview of the contents of a given dataset

positional arguments:
  source      source data path

optional arguments:
  -h, --help  show this help message and exit
```

Example:

```
$ child-project overview .

recordings:
lena: 288.00 hours, 0/18 files locally available
olympus: 49.57 hours, 0/3 files locally available
usb: 223.42 hours, 0/20 files locally available

annotations:
alice: 560.99 hours, 0/40 files locally available
alice_vtc: 560.99 hours, 0/40 files locally available
eaf/nk: 1.47 hours, 0/88 files locally available
lena: 272.00 hours, 0/17 files locally available
textgrid/mm: 8.75 hours, 0/525 files locally available
vtc: 560.99 hours, 40/40 files locally available
```

## 8.3 Compute recordings duration

Compute recordings duration and store in into a column named 'duration' in the metadata.

```
$ child-project compute-durations /path/to/dataset --help
usage: child-project compute-durations [-h] [--profile PROFILE] [--force]
                                         source

creates a 'duration' column into metadata/recordings

positional arguments:
  source                source data path

optional arguments:
  -h, --help            show this help message and exit
  --profile PROFILE    which audio profile to use
  --force               overwrite if column exists
```



## MANAGING ANNOTATIONS

**Warning:** You should never run two of the following commands in parallel. All of them need to be run sequentially, otherwise the index may get corrupted.

If you need to parallelize the processing to speed it up, you can use the `--threads` option, which is built-in in all of our tools that might require it.

### 9.1 Importation

#### 9.1.1 Single annotation importation

Annotations can be imported one by one or in bulk. Annotation importation does the following :

1. Convert all input annotations from their original format (e.g. rttm, eaf, textgrid..) into the CSV format defined at `format-input-annotations` and stores them into `annotations/`.
2. Registers them to the annotation index at `metadata/annotations.csv`

Use `child-project import-annotations` to import a single annotation.

```
$ child-project import-annotations /path/to/dataset --help
usage: child-project import-annotations [-h] [--annotations ANNOTATIONS]
                                         [--threads THREADS] [--set SET]
                                         [--recording_filename RECORDING_FILENAME]
                                         [--time_seek TIME_SEEK]
                                         [--range_onset RANGE_ONSET]
                                         [--range_offset RANGE_OFFSET]
                                         [--raw_filename RAW_FILENAME]
                                         [--format {csv,vtc_rttm,vcm_rttm,alice,its,
↪TextGrid,eaf,cha,NA}]
                                         [--filter FILTER]
                                         source
```

convert and import a `set` of annotations

positional arguments:

`source` project path

optional arguments:

`-h, --help` show this `help` message and `exit`

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```

--annotations ANNOTATIONS
                        path to input annotations dataframe (csv) [only for
                        bulk importation]
--threads THREADS      amount of threads to run on
--set SET              name of the annotation set (e.g. VTC, annotator1,
                        etc.)
--recording_filename RECORDING_FILENAME
                        recording filename as specified in the recordings
                        index
--time_seek TIME_SEEK
                        shift between the timestamps in the raw input
                        annotations and the actual corresponding timestamps in
                        the recordings (in milliseconds)
--range_onset RANGE_ONSET
                        covered range onset timestamp in milliseconds (since
                        the start of the recording)
--range_offset RANGE_OFFSET
                        covered range offset timestamp in milliseconds (since
                        the start of the recording)
--raw_filename RAW_FILENAME
                        annotation input filename location, relative to
                        `annotations/<set>/raw`
--format {csv,vtc_rttm,vcm_rttm,alice,its,TextGrid,eaf,cha,NA}
                        input annotation format
--filter FILTER        source file to filter in (for rttm and alice only)

```

Example:

```

child-project import-annotations /path/to/dataset \
  --set eaf \
  --recording_filename sound.wav \
  --time_seek 0 \
  --raw_filename example.eaf \
  --range_onset 0 \
  --range_offset 300 \
  --format eaf

```

Find more information about the allowed values for each parameter, see `format-input-annotations`.

## 9.1.2 Bulk importation

Use this to do bulk importation of many annotation files.

```

child-project import-annotations /path/to/dataset --annotations /path/to/dataframe.csv

```

The input dataframe `/path/to/dataframe.csv` must have one entry per annotation to import, according to the format specified at `format-input-annotations`.

## 9.2 Rename a set of annotations

Rename a set of annotations. This will move the annotations themselves, and update the index (metadata/annotations.csv) accordingly.

```
$ child-project rename-annotations /path/to/dataset --help
usage: child-project rename-annotations [-h] --set SET --new-set NEW_SET
                                         [--recursive] [--ignore-errors]
                                         source

rename a set of annotations by moving the files and updating the index
accordingly

positional arguments:
  source                project path

optional arguments:
  -h, --help            show this help message and exit
  --set SET             set to rename
  --new-set NEW_SET    new name for the set
  --recursive          enable recursive mode
  --ignore-errors      proceed despite errors
```

Example:

```
child-project rename-annotations /path/to/dataset --set vtc --new-set vtc_1
```

## 9.3 Remove a set of annotations

This will deleted converted annotations associated to a given set and remove them from the index.

```
$ child-project remove-annotations /path/to/dataset --help
usage: child-project remove-annotations [-h] --set SET [--recursive] source

remove converted annotations of a given set and their entries in the index

positional arguments:
  source                project path

optional arguments:
  -h, --help            show this help message and exit
  --set SET            set to remove
  --recursive          enable recursive mode
```

```
child-project remove-annotations /path/to/dataset --set vtc
```

## 9.4 ITS annotations anonymization

LENA .its files might contain information that can help recover the identity of the participants, which may be undesired. This command anonymizes .its files, based on a routine by [HomeBank](#).

```
$ child-project anonymize /path/to/dataset --help
usage: child-project anonymize [-h] --input-set INPUT_SET --output-set
                                OUTPUT_SET
                                [--replacements-json-dict REPLACEMENTS_JSON_DICT]
                                path

Anonymize a set of its annotations (`input_set`) and saves it as `output_set`.

positional arguments:
  path                project path

optional arguments:
  -h, --help          show this help message and exit
  --input-set INPUT_SET
                       input annotation set
  --output-set OUTPUT_SET
                       output annotation set
  --replacements-json-dict REPLACEMENTS_JSON_DICT
                       path to the replacements configuration (json dict)
```

```
child-project anonymize /path/to/dataset --input-set lena --output-set lena/anonymous
```

## 9.5 Merge annotation sets

Some processing tools use pre-existing annotations as an input, and label the original segments with more information. This is typically the case of ALICE, which labels segments generated by the VTC. In this case, one might want to merge the ALICE and VTC annotations altogether. This can be done with `child-project merge-annotations`.

```
$ child-project merge-annotations /path/to/dataset --help
usage: child-project merge-annotations [-h] --left-set LEFT_SET --right-set
                                         RIGHT_SET --left-columns LEFT_COLUMNS
                                         --right-columns RIGHT_COLUMNS
                                         --output-set OUTPUT_SET
                                         [--threads THREADS]
                                         source

merge segments sharing identical onset and offset from two sets of annotations

positional arguments:
  source                project path

optional arguments:
  -h, --help          show this help message and exit
  --left-set LEFT_SET  left set
  --right-set RIGHT_SET
```

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```

                right set
--left-columns LEFT_COLUMNS      comma-separated columns to merge from the left set
--right-columns RIGHT_COLUMNS    comma-separated columns to merge from the right set
--output-set OUTPUT_SET         name of the output set
--threads THREADS               amount of threads to run on (default: 1)

```

```

child-project merge-annotations /path/to/dataset \
--left-set vtc \
--right-set alice \
--left-columns speaker_id,ling_type,speaker_type,vcm_type,lex_type,mwu_type,addressee,
↪transcription \
--right-columns phonemes,syllables,words \
--output-set alice_vtc

```

## 9.6 Intersect annotations

In order to combine annotations from different annotators, or to compare them, it is necessary to calculate which portions of the audio have been annotated by all of them. This can be done from the command-line interface:

```

$ child-project intersect-annotations /path/to/dataset --help
usage: child-project intersect-annotations [-h] --destination DESTINATION
                                           --sets SETS [SETS ...]
                                           [--annotations ANNOTATIONS]
                                           source

```

calculate the intersection of the annotations belonging to the given sets

positional arguments:

```

    source          project path

```

optional arguments:

```

-h, --help          show this help message and exit
--destination DESTINATION
                    output CSV dataframe destination
--sets SETS [SETS ...]
                    annotation sets to intersect
--annotations ANNOTATIONS
                    path a custom input CSV dataframe of annotations to
                    intersect. By default, the whole index of the project
                    will be used.

```

Example:

```

child-project intersect-annotations /path/to/dataset \
--sets its textgrid/annotator1 textgrid/annotator2 textgrid/annotator3 \
--destination intersection.csv

```

The output dataframe has the same format as the annotations index (see *Annotations index*).



## METRICS EXTRACTION

## 10.1 Overview

This package allows to extract metrics that are commonly used from annotations produced by the LENA or other pipelines.

```
$ child-project metrics --help
usage: child-project metrics [-h] [--recordings RECORDINGS]
                             [--by {recording_filename,session_id,child_id}]
                             [-f FROM_TIME] [-t TO_TIME]
                             path destination {lena,aclew,period} ...

positional arguments:
  path                path to the dataset
  destination         segments destination
  {lena,aclew,period} pipeline
    lena              LENA metrics
    aclew             LENA metrics
    period            LENA metrics

optional arguments:
  -h, --help          show this help message and exit
  --recordings RECORDINGS
                      path to a CSV dataframe containing the list of
                      recordings to sample from (by default, all recordings
                      will be sampled). The CSV should have one column named
                      recording_filename.
  --by {recording_filename,session_id,child_id}
                      units to sample from (default behavior is to sample by
                      recording)
  -f FROM_TIME, --from-time FROM_TIME
                      time range start in HH:MM format (optional)
  -t TO_TIME, --to-time TO_TIME
                      time range end in HH:MM format (optional)
```

The list of supported metrics is shown below:

Variable	Description	pipelines
voc_fem/mal/och_ph	number of vocalizations by different talker types per hour	ACLEW,LENA,Period
voc_dur_fem/mal/och_ph	total duration of vocalizations by different talker types in seconds per hour	ACLEW,LENA,Period
avg_voc_dur_fem/mal/och_ph	average vocalization length (conceptually akin to MLU) by different talker types	ACLEW,LENA,Period
wc_adu_ph	adult word count (collapsing across males and females)	ACLEW,LENA
wc_fem/mal_ph	adult word count by different talker types	ACLEW,LENA
sc_adu_ph	adult syllable count (collapsing across males and females)	ACLEW
sc_fem/mal_ph	adult syllable count by different talker types	ACLEW
pc_adu_ph	adult phoneme count (collapsing across males and females)	ACLEW
pc_fem/mal_ph	adult phoneme count by different talker types	ACLEW
freq_n	frequency of child voc out of all vocs based on number of vocalizations	ACLEW,LENA
freq_dur	frequency of child voc out of all vocs based on duration of vocalizations	ACLEW,LENA
cry_voc_chi_ph	number of child vocalizations that are crying	ACLEW,LENA
can_voc_chi_ph	number of child vocs that are canonical	ACLEW
non_can_vpc_chi_ph	number of child vocs that are non-canonical	ACLEW
sp_voc_chi_ph	number of child vocs that are speech-like (can+noncan for ACLEW)	ACLEW,LENA
cry_voc_dur_chi_ph	total duration of child vocalizations that are crying	ACLEW,LENA
can_voc_dur_chi_ph	total duration of child vocs that are canonical	ACLEW
non_can_voc_dur_chi_ph	total duration of child vocs that are non-canonical	ACLEW
sp_voc_dur_chi_ph	total duration of child vocs that are speech-like (can+noncan for ACLEW)	ACLEW,LENA
avg_cry_voc_dur_chi	average duration of child vocalizations that are crying	ACLEW,LENA
avg_cran_voc_dur_chi	average duration of child vocs that are canonical	ACLEW
avg_non_can_voc_dur_chi	average duration of child vocs that are non-canonical	ACLEW
avg_sp_voc_dur_chi	average duration of child vocs that are speech-like (can+noncan for ACLEW)	ACLEW,LENA
lp_n	linguistic proportion = (speech)/(cry+speech) based on number of vocalizations	ACLEW,LENA
cp_n	canonical proportion = canonical/(can+noncan) based on number of vocalizations	ACLEW
lp_dur	linguistic proportion = (speech)/(cry+speech) based on duration of vocalizations	ACLEW,LENA
cp_dur	canonical proportion = canonical/(can+noncan) based on duration of vocalizations	ACLEW

**Note:** Average rates are expressed in counts/hour (for events) or in seconds/hour (for durations).

## 10.2 LENA Metrics

```
$ child-project metrics /path/to/dataset output.csv lena --help
usage: child-project metrics path destination lena [-h]
           [--types {TVF,FAN,OLN,SIL,NOF,CXF,OLF,
↪ CHF,MAF,TVN,NON,CXN,CHN,MAN,FAF} [{TVF,FAN,OLN,SIL,NOF,CXF,OLF,CHF,MAF,TVN,NON,CXN,CHN,
↪ MAN,FAF} ...]]
           [--threads THREADS]
           set

positional arguments:
  set                name of the LENA its annotations set

optional arguments:
  -h, --help        show this help message and exit
```

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```

--types {TVF,FAN,OLN,SIL,NOF,CXF,OLF,CHF,MAF,TVN,NON,CXN,CHN,MAN,FAF} [{TVF,FAN,OLN,
↪SIL,NOF,CXF,OLF,CHF,MAF,TVN,NON,CXN,CHN,MAN,FAF} ...]
                                list of LENA vocalization types to include
--threads THREADS              amount of threads to run on

```

## 10.3 ACLEW Metrics

```

$ child-project metrics /path/to/dataset output.csv aclew --help
usage: child-project metrics path destination aclew [-h] [--vtc VTC]
                                                    [--alice ALICE]
                                                    [--vcm VCM]
                                                    [--threads THREADS]

optional arguments:
-h, --help            show this help message and exit
--vtc VTC             vtc set
--alice ALICE        alice set
--vcm VCM            vcm set
--threads THREADS   amount of threads to run on

```

## 10.4 Period-aggregated metrics

The Period Metrics pipeline aggregates vocalizations for each time-of-the-day-unit based on a period specified by the user. For instance, if the period is set to 15Min (i.e. 15 minutes), vocalization rates will be reported for each recording and time-unit (e.g. 09:00 to 09:15, 09:15 to 09:30, etc.).

The output dataframe has  $r \times p$  rows, where  $r$  is the amount of recordings (or children if the `-by` option is set to `child_id`), and  $p$  is the amount of time-bins per day (i.e.  $24 \times 4 = 96$  for a 15-minute period).

The output dataframe includes a `period` column that contains the onset of each time-unit in HH:MM:SS format. The `duration` columns contains the total amount of annotations covering each time-bin, in milliseconds.

If `--by` is set to e.g. `child_id`, then the values for each time-bin will be the average rates across all the recordings of every child.

```

$ child-project metrics /path/to/dataset output.csv period --help
usage: child-project metrics path destination period [-h] --set SET --period
                                                    PERIOD
                                                    [--period-origin PERIOD_ORIGIN]
                                                    [--threads THREADS]

optional arguments:
-h, --help            show this help message and exit
--set SET             annotations set
--period PERIOD       time units to aggregate (optional); equivalent to
                        ``pandas.Grouper``'s freq argument.
--period-origin PERIOD_ORIGIN
                        time origin of each time period; equivalent to

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```
--threads THREADS    ``pandas.Grouper``'s origin argument.  
                    amount of threads to run on
```

..note:

```
Average rates are expressed in seconds/hour regardless of the period.
```

## AUDIO PROCESSORS

### 11.1 Overview

The package provides several tools for processing the recordings.

```
$ child-project process --help
usage: child-project process [-h] [--threads THREADS]
                             [--input-profile INPUT_PROFILE]
                             path name {basic,vetting,channel-mapping} ...

positional arguments:
  path                path to the dataset
  name                name of the export profile
                    {basic,vetting,channel-mapping}
                    processor
  basic               basic audio conversion
  vetting             vetting
  channel-mapping    channel mapping

optional arguments:
  -h, --help          show this help message and exit
  --threads THREADS  amount of threads running conversions in parallel (0 =
                    uses all available cores)
  --input-profile INPUT_PROFILE
                    profile of input recordings (process raw recordings by
                    default)
```

### 11.2 Basic audio conversion

Converts all recordings in a dataset to a given encoding. Converted audios are stored into recordings/converted/<profile-name>.

```
$ child-project process /path/to/dataset test basic --help
usage: child-project process path name basic [-h] --format FORMAT --codec
                                             CODEC --sampling SAMPLING
                                             [--split SPLIT] [--skip-existing]
                                             [--recordings RECORDINGS [RECORDINGS ...]]

optional arguments:
```

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```

-h, --help          show this help message and exit
--format FORMAT     audio format (e.g. wav)
--codec CODEC       audio codec (e.g. pcm_s16le)
--sampling SAMPLING sampling frequency (e.g. 16000)
--split SPLIT       split duration (e.g. 15:00:00)
--skip-existing
--recordings RECORDINGS [RECORDINGS ...]
                    list of recordings to process, separated by commas;
                    only values of 'recording_filename' present in the
                    metadata are supported.

```

Example:

```

child-project process /path/to/dataset 16kHz basic --format=wav --sampling=16000 --
↳ codec=pcm_s16le

```

Processing can be restricted to a white-list of recordings only using the `--recordings` option:

```

child-project process /path/to/dataset 16kHz basic --format=wav --sampling=16000 --
↳ codec=pcm_s16le --recordings audio1.wav audio2.wav

```

Values provided to this option should be existing `recording_filename` values in `metadata/recordings.csv`.

The `--skip-existing` switch can be used to skip previously processed files.

### 11.2.1 Multi-core audio conversion with slurm on a cluster

If you have access to a cluster with slurm, you can use a command like the one below to batch-convert your recordings. Please note that you may need to change some details depending on your cluster (eg cpus per task). If needed, refer to the [slurm user guide](#)

```

sbatch --mem=64G --time=5:00:00 --cpus-per-task=4 --ntasks=1 -o namibia.txt child-
↳ project process --threads 4 /path/to/dataset 16kHz basic --split=15:00:00 --format=wav_
↳ --sampling=16000 --codec=pcm_s16le

```

## 11.3 Vetting

The vetting pipeline mutes segments of the recordings provided by the user while preserving the duration of the audio files. This technique can be used to remove speech that might contain confidential information before releasing the audio.

The input needs to be a CSV dataframe with the following columns: `recording_filename`, `segment_onset`, `segment_onset`. The timestamps need to be expressed in milliseconds.

```

$ child-project process /path/to/dataset test vetting --help
usage: child-project process path name vetting [-h] --segments-path
                                                SEGMENTS_PATH
                                                [--recordings RECORDINGS [RECORDINGS ...]]

optional arguments:
  -h, --help          show this help message and exit

```

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```

--segments-path SEGMENTS_PATH
                        path to the CSV dataframe containing the segments to
                        be vetted
--recordings RECORDINGS [RECORDINGS ...]
                        list of recordings to process, separated by commas;
                        only values of 'recording_filename' present in the
                        metadata are supported.

```

## 11.4 Channel mapping

The channel mapping pipeline is meant to be used with multi-channel audio recordings, such as those produced by the BabyLogger. It allows to filter or to combine channels from the original recordings at your convenience.

```

$ child-project process /path/to/dataset test channel-mapping --help
usage: child-project process path name channel-mapping [-h] --channels
                                                CHANNELS [CHANNELS ...]
                                                [--recordings RECORDINGS_
↳ [RECORDINGS ...]]

optional arguments:
  -h, --help            show this help message and exit
  --channels CHANNELS [CHANNELS ...]
                        lists of weights for each channel
  --recordings RECORDINGS [RECORDINGS ...]
                        list of recordings to process, separated by commas;
                        only values of 'recording_filename' present in the
                        metadata are supported.

```

In mathematical terms, assuming the input recordings have  $n$  channels with signals  $s_j(t)$ ; If the output recordings should have  $m$  channels, the user defines a matrix of weights  $w_{ij}$  with  $m$  rows and  $n$  columns, such as the signal of each output channel  $s'_i(t)$  is:

$$s'_i(t) = \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij} s_j(t)$$

The weights matrix is defined through the `--channels` parameters.

The weights for each output channel are separated by blanks. For a given output channel, the weights of each input channels should be separated by commas.

For instance, if one would like to use the following weight matrix (which transforms 4-channel recordings into 2-channel audio):

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then the correct values for the `--channels` parameters should be:

```

--channels 0,0,1,1 0.5,0.5,0,0

```

To make things clear, we provide a couple of examples below.

### 11.4.1 Muting all channels except for the first

Let's assume that the original recordings have 4 channels. The following command will extract the first channel from the recordings:

```
child-project process /path/to/dataset channel1 channel-mapping --channels 1,0,0,0
```

### 11.4.2 Invert a stereo signal

Let's assume that the original recordings are stereo signals, i.e. they have two channels. The command below will flip the two channels:

```
child-project process /path/to/dataset channel1 channel-mapping --channels 0,1 --  
↔channels 1,0
```

## SAMPLERS

### 12.1 Overview

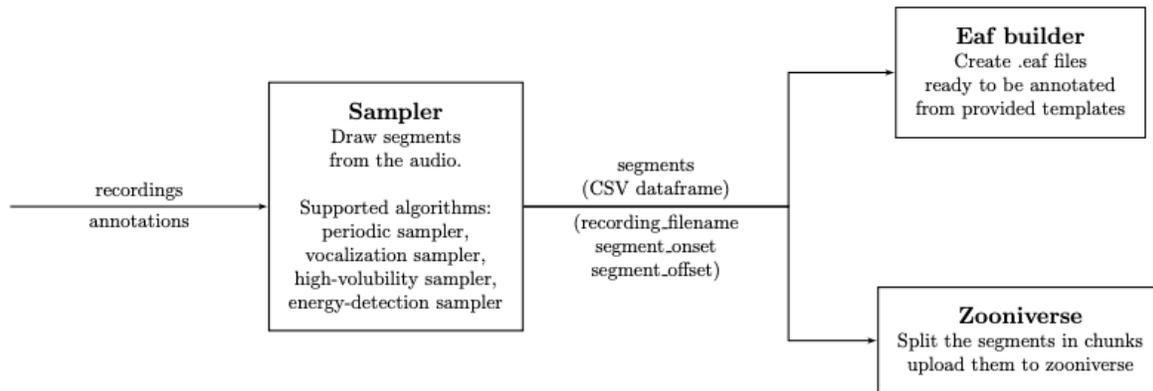


Fig. 1: Sampling audio segments to be annotated with ChildProject.

A sampler draws segments from the recordings, according to the algorithm and the parameters defined by the user. The sampler will produce two files into the *destination* folder :

- `segments_YYYYMMDD_HHMMSS.csv`, a CSV dataframe of all sampled segments, with three columns: `recording_filename`, `segment_onset` and `segment_offset`.
- `parameters_YYYYMMDD_HHMMSS.yaml`, a Yaml file with all the parameters that were used to generate the samples.

If the folder *destination* does not exist, it is automatically created in the process.

Several samplers are implemented in our package, which are listed below.

The samples can then feed downstream pipelines such as the *Zooniverse* pipeline or the *ELAN builder*.

```

$ child-project sampler --help
usage: child-project sampler [-h] [--recordings RECORDINGS]
                             [--exclude EXCLUDE]
                             path destination
  
```

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```

                                {custom,periodic,random-vocalizations,energy-detection,high-
↪volubility,conversations}
                                ...

positional arguments:
  path                path to the dataset
  destination         segments destination
  {custom,periodic,random-vocalizations,energy-detection,high-volubility,conversations}
                    sampler
  custom              custom sampling
  periodic            periodic sampling
  random-vocalizations
                    random sampling
  energy-detection   energy based activity detection
  high-volubility    high-volubility targeted sampling
  conversations      convesation sampler

optional arguments:
  -h, --help          show this help message and exit
  --recordings RECORDINGS
                    path to a CSV dataframe containing the list of
                    recordings to sample from (by default, all recordings
                    will be sampled). The CSV should have one column named
                    recording_filename.
  --exclude EXCLUDE  path to a CSV dataframe containing the list of
                    segments to exclude. The columns should be:
                    recording_filename, segment_onset and segment_offset.

```

All samplers have a few parameters in common:

- `--recordings`, which sets the white-list of recordings to sample from
- `--exclude`, which defines the portions of audio to exclude from the samples *after* sampling.

## 12.2 Periodic sampler

Draw segments from the recordings, periodically

```

$ child-project sampler /path/to/dataset /path/to/destination periodic --help
usage: child-project sampler path destination periodic [-h] --length LENGTH
                                                    --period PERIOD
                                                    [--offset OFFSET]
                                                    [--profile PROFILE]

optional arguments:
  -h, --help          show this help message and exit
  --length LENGTH     length of each segment, in milliseconds
  --period PERIOD     spacing between two consecutive segments, in milliseconds
  --offset OFFSET     offset of the first segment, in milliseconds
  --profile PROFILE   name of the profile of recordings to use to estimate
                    duration (uses raw recordings if empty)

```

## 12.3 Vocalization sampler

Draw segments from the recordings, targeting vocalizations from specific speaker-type(s).

```
$ child-project sampler /path/to/dataset /path/to/destination random-vocalizations --help
usage: child-project sampler path destination random-vocalizations
       [-h] [--annotation-set ANNOTATION_SET]
       [--target-speaker-type {CHI,OCH,FEM,MAL} [{CHI,OCH,FEM,MAL} ...]]
       --sample-size SAMPLE_SIZE [--threads THREADS]
       [--by {recording_filename,session_id,child_id}]

optional arguments:
  -h, --help                show this help message and exit
  --annotation-set ANNOTATION_SET
                           annotation set
  --target-speaker-type {CHI,OCH,FEM,MAL} [{CHI,OCH,FEM,MAL} ...]
                           speaker type to get chunks from
  --sample-size SAMPLE_SIZE
                           how many samples per unit (recording, session, or
                           child)
  --threads THREADS         amount of threads to run on
  --by {recording_filename,session_id,child_id}
                           units to sample from (default behavior is to sample by
                           recording)
```

## 12.4 Energy-based sampler

Draw segments from the recordings, targeting windows with energies above some threshold.

This algorithm proceeds by segmenting the recordings into windows; the energy of the signal is computed for each window (users have the option to apply a band-pass filter to calculate the energy in some frequency band).

Then, the algorithm samples as many windows as requested by the user from the windows that have energies above some threshold. The energy threshold is defined in term of energy quantile. By default, it is set to 0.8, i.e. only the windows with the 20% highest energies are sampled from.

The sampling is performed unit by unit, where the unit is set through the `--by` option and can be any either `recording_filename` (to sample an equal amount of windows from each recording), `session_id` (to equally from each observing day), or `child_id` (to sample equally from each child).

```
$ child-project sampler /path/to/dataset /path/to/destination energy-detection --help
usage: child-project sampler path destination energy-detection
       [-h] --windows-length WINDOWS_LENGTH --windows-spacing WINDOWS_SPACING
       --windows-count WINDOWS_COUNT [--windows-offset WINDOWS_OFFSET]
       [--threshold THRESHOLD] [--low-freq LOW_FREQ] [--high-freq HIGH_FREQ]
       [--threads THREADS] [--profile PROFILE]
       [--by {recording_filename,session_id,child_id}]

optional arguments:
  -h, --help                show this help message and exit
  --windows-length WINDOWS_LENGTH
                           length of each window (in milliseconds)
```

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```

--windows-spacing WINDOWS_SPACING
    spacing between the start of two consecutive windows
    (in milliseconds)
--windows-count WINDOWS_COUNT
    how many windows to sample from each unit (recording,
    session, or child)
--windows-offset WINDOWS_OFFSET
    start of the first window (in milliseconds)
--threshold THRESHOLD
    lowest energy quantile to sample from. default is 0.8
    (i.e., sample from the 20% windows with the highest
    energy).
--low-freq LOW_FREQ
    remove all frequencies below low-freq before
    calculating each window's energy. (in Hz)
--high-freq HIGH_FREQ
    remove all frequencies above high-freq before
    calculating each window's energy. (in Hz)
--threads THREADS
    amount of threads to run on
--profile PROFILE
    name of the profile of recordings to use (uses raw
    recordings if empty)
--by {recording_filename,session_id,child_id}
    units to sample from (default behavior is to sample by
    recording)

```

## 12.5 High-Volubility sampler

Return the top `windows_count` windows (of length `windows_length`) with the highest volubility from each recording, as calculated from the metric `metric`.

`metrics` can be any of three values: words, turns, and vocs.

- The **words** metric sums the amount of words within each window. For LENA annotations, it is equivalent to **awc**.
- The **turns** metric (aka `ctc`) sums conversational turns within each window. It relies on **lena\_conv\_turn\_type** for LENA annotations. For other annotations, turns are estimated as adult/child speech switches in close temporal proximity.
- The **vocs** metric sums utterances (for LENA annotations) or vocalizations (for other annotations) within each window. If `metric="vocs"` and `speakers=['CHI']`, it is equivalent to the usual `cvc` metric (child vocalization counts).

```

$ child-project sampler /path/to/dataset /path/to/destination high-volubility --help
usage: child-project sampler path destination high-volubility
  [-h] --annotation-set ANNOTATION_SET --metric {turns,vocs,words}
  --windows-length WINDOWS_LENGTH --windows-count WINDOWS_COUNT
  [--speakers {CHI,FEM,MAL,OCH} [{CHI,FEM,MAL,OCH} ...]]
  [--threads THREADS] [--by {recording_filename,session_id,child_id}]

```

optional arguments:

```

-h, --help          show this help message and exit
--annotation-set ANNOTATION_SET

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```

        annotation set
--metric {turns,vocs,words}
        which metric should be used to evaluate volubility
--windows-length WINDOWS_LENGTH
        window length (milliseconds)
--windows-count WINDOWS_COUNT
        how many windows to be sampled from each unit
        (recording, session, or child)
--speakers {CHI,FEM,MAL,OCH} [{CHI,FEM,MAL,OCH} ...]
        speakers to include
--threads THREADS
        amount of threads to run on
--by {recording_filename,session_id,child_id}
        units to sample from (default behavior is to sample by
        recording)

```

## 12.6 Conversation sampler

The conversation sampler returns the conversational blocks with the highest amount of turns (between adults and the key child). The first step is the detection of conversational blocks. Two consecutive vocalizations are considered part of the same conversational block if they are not separated by an interval longer than a certain duration, which by default is set to 1000 milliseconds.

Then, the amount of conversational turns (by default, between the key child and female/male adults) is calculated for each conversational block. The sampler returns, for each unit, the desired amount of conversations with the higher amount of turns.

This sampler, unlike the High-Volubility sampler, returns portions of audio with variable durations. Fixed duration can still be achieved by clipping or splitting each conversational block.

```

$ child-project sampler /path/to/dataset /path/to/destination conversations --help
usage: child-project sampler path destination conversations
    [-h] --annotation-set ANNOTATION_SET --count COUNT
    [--interval INTERVAL]
    [--speakers {CHI,FEM,MAL,OCH} [{CHI,FEM,MAL,OCH} ...]]
    [--threads THREADS] [--by {recording_filename,session_id,child_id}]

optional arguments:
  -h, --help            show this help message and exit
  --annotation-set ANNOTATION_SET
                        annotation set
  --count COUNT         how many conversations to be sampled from each unit
                        (recording, session, or child)
  --interval INTERVAL  maximum time-interval between two consecutive
                        vocalizations (in milliseconds) to consider them to be
                        part of the same conversational block. default is 1000
  --speakers {CHI,FEM,MAL,OCH} [{CHI,FEM,MAL,OCH} ...]
                        speakers to include
  --threads THREADS    amount of threads to run on
  --by {recording_filename,session_id,child_id}
                        units to sample from (default behavior is to sample by
                        recording)

```

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**Note:** This sampler ignores LENA's conversational turn types.

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## ELAN BUILDER

### 13.1 Introduction

The ELAN .eaf builder exports eaf files ready to be annotated with the ELAN software, based on either the [ACLEW DAS templates](#) or custom templates.

The [original code](#) was written by Sarah Mac Ewan.

### 13.2 Usage

```
$ child-project eaf-builder --help
usage: child-project eaf-builder [-h] [--destination DESTINATION] --segments
                                SEGMENTS --eaf-type
                                {random,periodic,high-volubility,energy-detection}
                                --template TEMPLATE
                                [--context-onset CONTEXT_ONSET]
                                [--context-offset CONTEXT_OFFSET]
```

generate .eaf templates based on intervals to code.

optional arguments:

```
-h, --help            show this help message and exit
--destination DESTINATION
                        eaf destination
--segments SEGMENTS  path to the input segments dataframe
--eaf-type {random,periodic,high-volubility,energy-detection}
                        eaf-type
--template TEMPLATE  Which ACLEW templates (basic, native or non-native);
                        otherwise, the path to the etf et pfsx templates,
                        without the extension.
--context-onset CONTEXT_ONSET
                        context onset and segment offset difference in
                        milliseconds, 0 for no introductory context
--context-offset CONTEXT_OFFSET
                        context offset and segment offset difference in
                        milliseconds, 0 for no outro context
```

## 13.3 More resources

- Introduction: The ACLEW DAS template
- Tutorials: Using the ACLEW DAS template
- Bergelson, E., Warlaumont, A., Cristia, A., Soderstrom, M. & Vandam, M. (2017). A New Workflow for Semi-automatized Annotations: Tests with Long-Form Naturalistic Recordings of Children’s Language Environments. In *Proceedings of Interspeech*. doi:DOI: 10.21437/Interspeech.2017-1418

## ZOONIVERSE

### 14.1 Introduction

We are providing here a pipeline to create, upload and analyse long format recordings using the Zooniverse citizen science platform.

We have an open project aimed at adding vocal maturity labels to segments LENA labeled as being key child in Zooniverse (<https://www.zooniverse.org/projects/chiarasemenzin/maturity-of-baby-sounds>).

If you would like your data labeled with this project, here is what you'd need to do.

1. Get in touch with us, so we know you are interested!
2. Have someone trustworthy & with some coding skills (henceforth, the RA) create a database using the formatting instructions (see *Datasets structure*).
3. Have the RA create an account on Zooniverse (top right of [zooniverse.org](https://www.zooniverse.org)) for them and yourself, & provide us with both handles. The RA should first update the team section to add you (have ready a picture and a blurb). The RA can also add your institution's logo if you'd like. Both of these are done in the [lab section](#).
4. The RA will then follow the instructions in the present README to create subjects and push up your data – see below.
5. We also ask the RA to pitch in and help answer questions in the [forum](#), at least one comment a day.
6. You can visit the [stats section](#) to look at how many annotations are being done.

You can also use this code and your own knowledge to set up a new project of your own. We provide a [tutorial](#) for creating a campaign of classification using Zooniverse and ChildProject.

### 14.2 Overview

```
$ child-project zooniverse --help
usage: child-project zooniverse [-h]
                                {extract-chunks,upload-chunks,retrieve-classifications}
                                ...

positional arguments:
  {extract-chunks,upload-chunks,retrieve-classifications}
  action
  extract-chunks      extract chunks to <destination>, and exports the
                      metadata inside of this directory
  upload-chunks       upload chunks and updates chunk state
```

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```

retrieve-classifications
    retrieve classifications and save them as
    <destination>

optional arguments:
  -h, --help          show this help message and exit

```

## 14.3 Chunk extraction

The `extract-chunks` pipeline creates wav and mp3 files for each chunk of audio to be classified on Zooniverse. It also saves a record of all these chunks into a CSV dataframe. This record can then be provided to the `upload-chunks` command, in order to upload the chunks to zooniverse.

..note:

```

``extract-chunks`` will require the list of segments to classify, which are provided as
↳ a CSV dataframe with three columns:
``recording_filename``, ``segment_onset``, and ``segment_offset``. The path to this
↳ dataframe has to be specified with the
``--segments`` parameter.

```

The list of segments can be generated with any of the samplers we provide (see [:ref:`samplers`](#)), but custom lists may also be provided.

Optionally, the segments provided to the pipeline can be split into chunks of the desired duration. By setting this duration to sufficiently low values (e.g. 500 milliseconds), one can ensure that no meaningful information could be recovered while listening to the audio on Zooniverse. This is useful when the segments of audio provided to the pipeline may contain confidential information.

```

$ child-project zooniverse extract-chunks /path/to/dataset --help
usage: child-project zooniverse extract-chunks [-h] --keyword KEYWORD
                                                [--chunks-length CHUNKS_LENGTH]
                                                [--chunks-min-amount CHUNKS_MIN_AMOUNT]
                                                --segments SEGMENTS
                                                --destination DESTINATION
                                                [--profile PROFILE]
                                                [--threads THREADS]
                                                path

```

positional arguments:  
 path                    path to the dataset

optional arguments:  
 -h, --help            show this help message and exit  
 --keyword KEYWORD    export keyword  
 --chunks-length CHUNKS\_LENGTH  
                       chunk length (in milliseconds). if <= 0, the segments  
                       will not be split into chunks (default value: 0)  
 --chunks-min-amount CHUNKS\_MIN\_AMOUNT  
                       minimum amount of chunks to extract from a segment

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```

                (default value: 1)
--segments SEGMENTS path to the input segments dataframe
--destination DESTINATION
                    destination
--profile PROFILE   Recording profile to extract the audio clips from. If
                    not specified, raw recordings will be used
--threads THREADS  how many threads to run on

```

If it does not exist, DESTINATION is created. Audio chunks are saved in wav and mp3 in DESTINATION/chunks. Metadata is stored in a CSV file into DESTINATION/.

The output dataframe will contain the following columns:

index	self-generated integer index
recording_filename	recording from which the chunk as extracted
onset	onset timestamp of the chunk within the recording
offset	offset timestamp of the chunk within the recording
segment_onset	onset timestamp of the segment from which the chunk was extracted
segment_offset	offset timestamp of the segment from which the chunk was extracted
wav	name of the wav file
mp3	name of the mp3 file
date_extracted	date at which the chunk was extracted
uploaded	boolean flag set to True if the chunk was uploaded to Zooniverse, False otherwise
project_id	zooniverse project ID
subject_set	name of the Zooniverse subject set
zooniverse_id	subject's Zooniverse ID
keyword	custom keyword provided by the user to label the chunks

## 14.4 Chunk upload

Once the chunks have been extracted, the next step is to upload them to Zooniverse. Note that due to quotas, it is recommended to upload only a few at time (e.g. 1000 per day).

You will need to provide the numerical id of your Zooniverse project, as well as your Zooniverse credentials.

`child-project zooniverse upload-chunks` uploads as many batches of audio chunks as specified to Zooniverse, and updates the chunks metadata accordingly, by setting the `zooniverse_id` field and `uploaded` to `True`.

```

$ child-project zooniverse upload-chunks /path/to/dataset --help
usage: child-project zooniverse upload-chunks [-h] --chunks CHUNKS
                                             --project-id PROJECT_ID
                                             --set-name SET_NAME
                                             [--amount AMOUNT]
                                             [--zooniverse-login ZOONIVERSE_LOGIN]
                                             [--zooniverse-pwd ZOONIVERSE_PWD]
                                             [--ignore-errors]

optional arguments:
  -h, --help            show this help message and exit
  --chunks CHUNKS       path to the chunk CSV dataframe
  --project-id PROJECT_ID

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```

zooniverse project id
--set-name SET_NAME    subject set display name
--amount AMOUNT        amount of chunks to upload
--zooniverse-login ZOONIVERSE_LOGIN
                        zooniverse login. If not specified, the program
                        attempts to get it from the environment variable
                        ZOONIVERSE_LOGIN instead
--zooniverse-pwd ZOONIVERSE_PWD
                        zooniverse password. If not specified, the program
                        attempts to get it from the environment variable
                        ZOONIVERSE_PWD instead
--ignore-errors        keep uploading even when a subject fails to upload for
                        some reason

```

## 14.5 Classifications retrieval

```

$ child-project zooniverse retrieve-classifications /path/to/dataset --help
usage: child-project zooniverse retrieve-classifications [-h] --destination
                                                       DESTINATION
                                                       --project-id
                                                       PROJECT_ID
                                                       [--zooniverse-login ZOONIVERSE_
↪LOGIN]
                                                       [--zooniverse-pwd ZOONIVERSE_
↪PWD]
                                                       --chunks CHUNKS
                                                       [CHUNKS ...]

optional arguments:
  -h, --help            show this help message and exit
  --destination DESTINATION
                        output CSV dataframe destination
  --project-id PROJECT_ID
                        zooniverse project id
  --zooniverse-login ZOONIVERSE_LOGIN
                        zooniverse login. If not specified, the program
                        attempts to get it from the environment variable
                        ZOONIVERSE_LOGIN instead
  --zooniverse-pwd ZOONIVERSE_PWD
                        zooniverse password. If not specified, the program
                        attempts to get it from the environment variable
                        ZOONIVERSE_PWD instead
  --chunks CHUNKS [CHUNKS ...]
                        list of chunks

```

Retrieve classifications and save them as DESTINATION. The optional --chunks parameter can be used to match the classifications with the chunks metadata. Only the classifications that match the metadata will be saved.

**Warning:** Retrieving chunks may take a long time for large projects.



## CHEATSHEET

### 15.1 DataLad cheatsheet

#### 15.1.1 Installing a dataset

```
datalad install [-h] [-s SOURCE] [-d DATASET] [-g] [-D DESCRIPTION] [-r] [-R LEVELS] [--  
↪reckless [auto|ephemeral|shared-...]] [-J NJOBS] [PATH [PATH ...]]
```

Example:

```
datalad install -r git@github.com:LAAC-LSCP/datasets.git
```

*Note: some datasets might have additional installation instructions!*

More: [datalad install](#)

#### 15.1.2 Getting data

```
datalad get [-h] [-s LABEL] [-d PATH] [-r] [-R LEVELS] [-n] [-D DESCRIPTION] [--reckless,  
↪[auto|ephemeral|shared-...]] [-J NJOBS] [PATH [PATH ...]]
```

Example:

```
datalad get annotations/vtc
```

More: [datalad get](#)

#### 15.1.3 Getting updates

```
datalad update --merge
```

More: [datalad update](#)

### 15.1.4 Saving changes

```
datalad save [-h] [-m MESSAGE] [-d DATASET] [-t ID] [-r] [-R LEVELS] [-u] [-F MESSAGE_  
↪FILE] [--to-git] [-J NJOBS] [PATH [PATH ...]]
```

Example:

```
datalad save metadata/children.csv -m "correcting children metadata"
```

`datalad save` is analogous to doing `git add+git commit`. It will decide automatically whether to store the files in git or in the annex.

*Note: `datalad save` records the changes locally. They still have to be pushed - just like with `git commit` !*

More: `datalad save`

### 15.1.5 Publishing changes

```
datalad push [-h] [-d DATASET] [--to SIBLING] [--since SINCE] [--data  
↪{anything|nothing|auto|auto-if-wanted}] [-f {all|gitpush|checkdatapresent}] [-r] [-R_  
↪LEVELS] [-J NJOBS] [PATH [PATH ...]]
```

Example:

```
datalad push
```

More: `datalad push`

## 15.2 ChildProject cheatsheet

## ANNOTATIONS

Annotations can be managed through both the command-line interface and the python API. This section documents the principle features of the API for the management of annotations.

**Note:** In order to reproduce the following examples, you will need to install the public VanDam corpus and its annotations using datalad:

```
datalad install git@gin.g-node.org:/LAAC-LSCP/vandam-data.git
datalad get vandam-data/annotations
```

### 16.1 Reading annotations

Annotations are managed with `ChildProject.annotations.AnnotationManager` class. The first step is create an instance of it based on the target project.

The `read()` method reads the index of annotations from `metadata/annotations.csv` and stores into its `annotations` attribute:

```
>>> from ChildProject.projects import ChildProject
>>> from ChildProject.annotations import AnnotationManager
>>> project = ChildProject('vandam-data')
>>> am = AnnotationManager(project)
>>> am.read()
([], [{"vandam-data/metadata/annotations.csv: 'chat' is not a permitted value for column
↳ 'format' on line 4, should be any of [csv,vtc_rttm,vcm_rttm,alice,its,TextGrid,eaf,cha,
↳ NA]"}])
>>> am.annotations
```

	set	recording_filename	time_seek	range_onset	range_offset	raw_
↳ filename	format	filter		annotation_filename	imported_at	↳
↳ error	package_version					
2	its	BN32_010007.mp3	0	0	50464512	BN32_
↳ 010007.its	its	NaN		BN32_010007_0_0.csv	2021-03-06 22:55:06	↳
↳ NaN	0.0.1					
3	vtc	BN32_010007.mp3	0	0	50464512	BN32_
↳ 010007.rttm	vtc_rttm	NaN		BN32_010007_0_0.csv	2021-05-12 19:28:25	↳
↳ NaN	0.0.1					
4	cha	BN32_010007.mp3	0	0	50464512	BN32_
↳ 010007.cha	chat	NaN		BN32_010007_0_0.csv	2021-05-12 19:39:05	↳
↳ NaN	0.0.1					

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5	eaf	BN32_010007.mp3	0	4138389	4199976	BN32_010007.eaf	eaf	NaN	BN32_010007_4138389_4199976.csv	2021-07-14 17:39:50	↵
			0.0.1								
6	eaf	BN32_010007.mp3	0	4438842	4499995	BN32_010007.eaf	eaf	NaN	BN32_010007_4438842_4499995.csv	2021-07-14 17:39:50	↵
			0.0.1								
7	eaf	BN32_010007.mp3	0	13199449	13256801	BN32_010007.eaf	eaf	NaN	BN32_010007_13199449_13256801.csv	2021-07-14 17:39:50	↵
			0.0.1								
8	eaf	BN32_010007.mp3	0	37496002	37558424	BN32_010007.eaf	eaf	NaN	BN32_010007_37496002_37558424.csv	2021-07-14 17:39:50	↵
			0.0.1								
9	eaf	BN32_010007.mp3	0	37616206	37679577	BN32_010007.eaf	eaf	NaN	BN32_010007_37616206_37679577.csv	2021-07-14 17:39:50	↵
			0.0.1								
10	cha/aligned	BN32_010007.mp3	0	0	47725356	BN32_010007-aligned.csv	csv	NaN	BN32_010007_0_47725356.csv	2021-07-15 16:15:48	↵
			0.0.1								

As seen in this example, annotations only contains the index of annotations, not their contents. To retrieve the actual annotations, use `get_segments()`:

```
>>> selection = am.annotations[am.annotations['set'].isin(['cha', 'vtc'])]
>>> segments = am.get_segments(selection)
>>> segments
```

	segment_onset	segment_offset	speaker_type	raw_filename	set	annotation_	
↵	filename	participant	... range_onset	range_offset	format	filter	imported_
↵	at	error	package_version				
0	9992	10839	SPEECH	BN32_010007.rttm	vtc	BN32_010007_0_0.csv	NaN ... 0 50464512 vtc_rttm NaN 2021-05-12 19:28:25 ↵
		0.0.1					
1	10004	10814	CHI	BN32_010007.rttm	vtc	BN32_010007_0_0.csv	NaN ... 0 50464512 vtc_rttm NaN 2021-05-12 19:28:25 ↵
		0.0.1					
2	11298	11953	SPEECH	BN32_010007.rttm	vtc	BN32_010007_0_0.csv	NaN ... 0 50464512 vtc_rttm NaN 2021-05-12 19:28:25 ↵
		0.0.1					
3	11345	11828	CHI	BN32_010007.rttm	vtc	BN32_010007_0_0.csv	NaN ... 0 50464512 vtc_rttm NaN 2021-05-12 19:28:25 ↵
		0.0.1					
4	12113	12749	FEM	BN32_010007.rttm	vtc	BN32_010007_0_0.csv	NaN ... 0 50464512 vtc_rttm NaN 2021-05-12 19:28:25 ↵
		0.0.1					
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	...						
31875	49705416	49952432	CHI	BN32_010007.cha	cha	BN32_010007_0_0.csv	CHI ... 0 50464512 chat NaN 2021-05-12 19:39:05 ↵
		0.0.1					
31876	49952432	50057166	CHI	BN32_010007.cha	cha	BN32_010007_0_0.csv	CHI ... 0 50464512 chat NaN 2021-05-12 19:39:05 ↵
		0.0.1					

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```

31877      50057166      50173260      CHI  BN32_010007.cha  cha  BN32_010007_0_
↳0.csv      CHI ...      0      50464512      chat  NaN  2021-05-12 19:39:05
↳ NaN      0.0.1
31878      50173260      50330885      CHI  BN32_010007.cha  cha  BN32_010007_0_
↳0.csv      CHI ...      0      50464512      chat  NaN  2021-05-12 19:39:05
↳ NaN      0.0.1
31879      50330885      50397134      CHI  BN32_010007.cha  cha  BN32_010007_0_
↳0.csv      CHI ...      0      50464512      chat  NaN  2021-05-12 19:39:05
↳ NaN      0.0.1

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```

**Warning:** Trying to load all annotations at once may quickly lead to out-of-memory errors, especially with automated annotators covering thousands of hours of audio. Memory issues can be alleviated by processing the data sequentially, e.g. by treating one recording after another.

## 16.2 Importing annotations

Although importing annotations can be done using the command-line tool, sometimes it is more efficient to do it directly with the python API; it can even become necessary when custom converters (the functions that transform any kind of annotations into the CSV format used by the package) need to be used.

Two examples are given below (one using built-in converters, one using a custom converter). In order to reproduce them, please make a copy of the original annotations:

```

mkdir vandam-data/annotations/playground
cp -r vandam-data/annotations/its vandam-data/annotations/playground

```

### 16.2.1 Built-in formats

The following code imports only the annotations from the LENA that correspond to the second hour of the audio. The package natively supports LENA's .its annotations.

Annotations are imported using `import_annotations()`. This first input argument of this method must be a pandas dataframe of all the annotations that need to be imported. This dataframe should be structured according to the format defined at `format-input-annotations`.

```

>>> import pandas as pd
>>> input = pd.DataFrame([
...     'set': 'playground/its',
...     'recording_filename': 'BN32_010007.mp3',
...     'time_seek': 0,
...     'range_onset': 3600*1000,
...     'range_offset': 7200*1000,
...     'raw_filename': 'BN32_010007.its',
...     'format': 'its'
... ])
>>> am.import_annotations(input, threads = 1)

```

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```

      set recording_filename time_seek range_onset range_offset raw_
↪filename format      annotation_filename      imported_at package_version
0 playground/its      BN32_010007.mp3          0          3600000      7200000 BN32_010007.
↪its      its      BN32_010007_0_3600000.csv  2021-05-12 20:37:43          0.0.1

```

After reloading the index of annotations, the newly inserted entry now appears:

```

>>> am.read()
([], [])
>>> am.annotations
      set recording_filename time_seek range_onset range_offset raw_
↪filename      format filter      annotation_filename      imported_at error_
↪package_version
2      its      BN32_010007.mp3          0          0          50464512 BN32_010007.
↪its      its      NaN      BN32_010007_0_0.csv  2021-03-06 22:55:06      NaN      _
↪0.0.1
3      vtc      BN32_010007.mp3          0          0          50464512 BN32_010007.
↪rttm vtc_rttm      NaN      BN32_010007_0_0.csv  2021-05-12 19:28:25      NaN      _
↪ 0.0.1
4      cha      BN32_010007.mp3          0          0          50464512 BN32_010007.
↪cha      chat      NaN      BN32_010007_0_0.csv  2021-05-12 19:39:05      NaN      _
↪0.0.1
5 playground/its      BN32_010007.mp3          0          3600000      7200000 BN32_010007.
↪its      its      NaN BN32_010007_0_3600000.csv  2021-05-12 20:37:43      NaN      _
↪0.0.1

```

Built-in converters include: LENA's its, VTC's and VCM's rttms, ALICE, ACLEW DAS eaf files. To import annotations under other formats, custom converters are needed.

## 16.2.2 Custom converter

A converter is a function that takes a filename for only input, and return a dataframe complying with the specifications defined in *Annotations index*.

The output dataframe *must* contain at least a `segment_onset` and a `segment_offset` columns expressing the onset and offset of each segment in milliseconds as integers.

You are free to add as many extra columns as you want. It is however preferable to follow the standards listed in *Annotations index* when possible.

In our case, we'll write a very simple converter to extract only the segments onset and offset from rttm files:

```

>>> def convert_rttm(filename: str):
...     df = pd.read_csv(filename, sep = " ", names = ['type', 'file', 'chnl', 'tbeg',
↪'tdur', 'ortho', 'stype', 'name', 'conf', 'unk'])
...     df['segment_onset'] = df['tbeg'].mul(1000).round().astype(int)
...     df['segment_offset'] = (df['tbeg']+df['tdur']).mul(1000).round().astype(int)
...     df.drop(['type', 'file', 'chnl', 'tbeg', 'tdur', 'ortho', 'stype', 'name', 'conf
↪', 'unk'], axis = 1, inplace = True)
...     return df
...
>>>

```

The converter can now be used with `import_annotations()`:

```
>>> input = pd.DataFrame([
...     'set': 'playground/vtc',
...     'recording_filename': 'BN32_010007.mp3',
...     'time_seek': 0,
...     'range_onset': 3600*1000,
...     'range_offset': 7200*1000,
...     'raw_filename': 'BN32_010007.rttm',
...     'format': 'custom_rttm'
... ])
>>> am.import_annotations(input, threads = 1, import_function = convert_rttm)
      set recording_filename time_seek range_onset range_offset raw_
↪ filename      format      annotation_filename      imported_at package_version
0 playground/vtc  BN32_010007.mp3      0      3600000      7200000  BN32_010007.
↪ rttm custom_rttm BN32_010007_0_36000000.csv  2021-05-13 17:25:20      0.0.1
```

The contents of the output CSV file can be checked:

```
>>> rttm = pd.read_csv('vandam-data/annotations/playground/vtc/converted/BN32_010007_0_
↪36000000.csv')
>>> rttm
   segment_onset  segment_offset  raw_filename
0           3600401           3601370 BN32_010007.rttm
1           3600403           3601464 BN32_010007.rttm
2           3601503           3602843 BN32_010007.rttm
3           3601527           3602833 BN32_010007.rttm
4           3604075           3605570 BN32_010007.rttm
...
1622          7010992           7011243 BN32_010007.rttm
1623          7011495           7011615 BN32_010007.rttm
1624          7033826           7034142 BN32_010007.rttm
1625          7036539           7037008 BN32_010007.rttm
1626          7036556           7036996 BN32_010007.rttm

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```

**Warning:** Do not import the same file twice, as duplicates in the index might cause issues. Make sure to remove an annotation from an index beforehand if you need to import it again. This can be done with `remove_set()` to remove a set of annotations from the index while preserving raw annotations.

## 16.3 Validating annotations

The contents of annotations can be searched for errors using the `validate()` function.

..code-block:: python

```
>>> errors, warnings = am.validate()
validating BN32_010007_0_0.csv...
validating BN32_010007_0_0.csv...
validating BN32_010007_0_0.csv...
validating BN32_010007_0_36000000.csv...
```

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```

validating BN32_010007_0_3600000.csv...
>>> errors
[]
>>> warnings
[]

```

errors and warnings are empty, indicating that there are no errors.

To gather the errors and warnings raised why validating the index of annotations, use `read()`:

..code-block:: python

```

>>> errors, warnings = am.read()
>>> errors
[]
>>> warnings
[]

```

## 16.4 Time-of-the-day

For a number of purposes, it may be convenient to retrieve the timestamp of each vocalization, or to filter out annotations outside some specific time-range.

Both tasks can be performed through the python API of the package.

### 16.4.1 Annotations within a specific time-range

A given set of annotations may be clipped within a given time-range using `get_within_time_range()`. For instance, annotations of audio between 9am and 12am may be retrieved from the following code:

```

>>> morning = am.get_within_time_range(am.annotations, '09:00', '12:00')
>>> morning
      set recording_filename time_seek range_onset range_offset raw_
↳filename ... imported_at error package_version start_time range_
↳onset_time range_offset_time
0      its BN32_010007.mp3      0 7320000.0 18120000.0 BN32_
↳010007.its ... 2021-03-06 22:55:06 NaN      0.0.1 1900-01-01 06:58:00
↳ 09:00      12:00
1      vtc BN32_010007.mp3      0 7320000.0 18120000.0 BN32_
↳010007.rttm ... 2021-05-12 19:28:25 NaN      0.0.1 1900-01-01 06:58:00
↳ 09:00      12:00
2      cha BN32_010007.mp3      0 7320000.0 18120000.0 BN32_
↳010007.cha ... 2021-05-12 19:39:05 NaN      0.0.1 1900-01-01 06:58:00
↳ 09:00      12:00
3      eaf BN32_010007.mp3      0 13199449.0 13256801.0 BN32_
↳010007.eaf ... 2021-07-14 17:39:50 NaN      0.0.1 1900-01-01 06:58:00
↳ 10:37      10:38:56.352
4 cha/aligned BN32_010007.mp3      0 7320000.0 18120000.0 BN32_010007-
↳aligned.csv ... 2021-07-15 16:15:48 NaN      0.0.1 1900-01-01 06:58:00
↳ 09:00      12:00

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```
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```

The onset and offset timestamps for each segments can be calculated with `get_segments_timestamps()`:

```
>>> segments = am.get_segments(morning)
>>> segments = am.get_segments_timestamps(segments)
>>> segments[['speaker_type', 'onset_time', 'offset_time']]
speaker_type      onset_time      offset_time
0                CHI 2010-07-24 09:00:00.000 2010-07-24 09:20:39.793
1                CHI 2010-07-24 09:20:39.793 2010-07-24 09:21:43.496
2                CHI 2010-07-24 09:21:43.496 2010-07-24 09:23:45.168
3                CHI 2010-07-24 09:23:45.168 2010-07-24 09:24:12.371
4                CHI 2010-07-24 09:24:12.371 2010-07-24 09:27:27.019
...
11801            CHI 2010-07-24 11:56:50.584 2010-07-24 11:56:51.011
11802            FEM 2010-07-24 11:57:15.749 2010-07-24 11:57:15.992
11803            MAL 2010-07-24 11:57:24.637 2010-07-24 11:57:25.010
11804            SPEECH 2010-07-24 11:57:35.237 2010-07-24 11:57:35.666
11805            CHI 2010-07-24 11:57:35.314 2010-07-24 11:57:35.511
```

```
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```

## 16.5 Module reference



## RELIABILITY METRICS

ChildProject implements several metrics for evaluating annotations and their reliability. This section demonstrates how to use the python API for these purposes.

**Note:** In order to reproduce the following examples, you will need to install the public VanDam corpus and its annotations using datalad:

```
datalad install git@gin.g-node.org:/LAAC-LSCP/vandam-data.git
datalad get vandam-data/annotations
```

### 17.1 Comparing two annotators

The performance of automated annotations is usually assessed by comparing them to a ground truth provided by experts. The ChildProject package provides several tools for such comparisons.

#### 17.1.1 Confusion matrix

Confusion matrices are widely used to assess the performance of classification algorithms; they give an accurate visual description of the behavior of a classifier, preserving most relevant information while still being easy to interpret.

We show how to compute confusion matrices with the ChildProject package, using data from the VanDam public corpus. In this example, we will compare annotations from the LENA and the Voice Type Classifier.

The first step is to get all annotations common to the LENA and the VTC. This can be done with the `intersection()` static method of `AnnotationManager`:

```
>>> from ChildProject.projects import ChildProject
>>> from ChildProject.annotations import AnnotationManager
>>> from ChildProject.metrics import segments_to_grid, conf_matrix
>>> speakers = ['CHI', 'OCH', 'FEM', 'MAL']
>>> project = ChildProject('vandam-data')
>>> am = AnnotationManager(project)
>>> am.read()
([], [{"vandam-data/metadata/annotations.csv: 'chat' is not a permitted value for column
↪ 'format' on line 4, should be any of [TextGrid,eaf,vtc_rttm,vcm_rttm,alice,its]"},
↪ "vandam-data/metadata/annotations.csv: 'custom_rttm' is not a permitted value for
↪ column 'format' on line 6, should be any of [TextGrid,eaf,vtc_rttm,vcm_rttm,alice,its]
↪ "}]])
```

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```

>>> intersection = AnnotationManager.intersection(am.annotations, ['vtc', 'its'])
>>> intersection
set recording_filename time_seek range_onset range_offset raw_filename format_
↳ filter annotation_filename imported_at error package_version
2 its BN32_010007.mp3 0 0 50464512 BN32_010007.its
↳its NaN BN32_010007_0_0.csv 2021-03-06 22:55:06 NaN 0.0.1
3 vtc BN32_010007.mp3 0 0 50464512 BN32_010007.rttm vtc_
↳rttm NaN BN32_010007_0_0.csv 2021-05-12 19:28:25 NaN 0.0.1

```

The next step is to retrieve the contents of the annotations that correspond to the intersection of the two sets. This is done with `get_collapsed_segments()`. This method from `AnnotationManager` does the following:

1. Read the contents of all annotations provided into one pandas dataframe.
2. Align them annotator by annotator, allowing cross-comparisons or combination
3. In case these annotations come from non-consecutive portions of audio, or from distinct audio files, they are aligned end-to-end into one virtual timeline.

In the case of the VanDam corpus, there is only one audio file, and it has been entirely annotated by all annotators. But the following will work even for sparse annotations covering several recordings.

```

>>> segments = am.get_collapsed_segments(intersection)
>>> segments = segments[segments['speaker_type'].isin(speakers)]
>>> segments
  segment_onset  segment_offset  speaker_id  ling_type  speaker_type  vcm_type  lex_
↳type ... imported_at error package_version abs_range_onset abs_range_
↳offset duration position
1 9730.0 10540.0 NaN NaN OCH NaN
↳NaN ... 2021-03-06 22:55:06 NaN 0.0.1 0
↳50464512 50464512.0 0.0
15 35820.0 36930.0 NaN NaN OCH NaN
↳NaN ... 2021-03-06 22:55:06 NaN 0.0.1 0
↳50464512 50464512.0 0.0
21 67020.0 67620.0 NaN NaN OCH NaN
↳NaN ... 2021-03-06 22:55:06 NaN 0.0.1 0
↳50464512 50464512.0 0.0
25 71640.0 72240.0 NaN NaN FEM NaN
↳NaN ... 2021-03-06 22:55:06 NaN 0.0.1 0
↳50464512 50464512.0 0.0
29 87370.0 88170.0 NaN NaN OCH NaN
↳NaN ... 2021-03-06 22:55:06 NaN 0.0.1 0
↳50464512 50464512.0 0.0
... ..
↳... ..
↳. ...
22342 50122992.0 50123518.0 NaN NaN FEM NaN
↳NaN ... 2021-05-12 19:28:25 NaN 0.0.1 0
↳50464512 50464512.0 0.0
22344 50152103.0 50153510.0 NaN NaN FEM NaN
↳NaN ... 2021-05-12 19:28:25 NaN 0.0.1 0
↳50464512 50464512.0 0.0
22348 50233080.0 50234492.0 NaN NaN FEM NaN
↳NaN ... 2021-05-12 19:28:25 NaN 0.0.1 0
↳50464512 50464512.0 0.0

```

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```

22350      50325867.0      50325989.0      NaN      NaN      CHI      NaN      ̣
↳NaN ... 2021-05-12 19:28:25      NaN      0.0.1      0      ̣
↳50464512 50464512.0      0.0
22352      50356380.0      50357011.0      NaN      NaN      FEM      NaN      ̣
↳NaN ... 2021-05-12 19:28:25      NaN      0.0.1      0      ̣
↳50464512 50464512.0      0.0

[20887 rows x 44 columns]

```

For an efficient computation of the confusion matrix, the timeline is then split into chunks of a given length (in our case, we will set the time steps to 100 milliseconds). This is done with `ChildProject.metrics.segments_to_grid()`, which transforms a dataframe of segments into a matrix of the indicator functions of each classification category at each time unit.

```

>>> vtc = segments_to_grid(segments[segments['set'] == 'vtc'], 0, segments['segment_
↳offset'].max(), 100, 'speaker_type', speakers)
/Users/acristia/anaconda3/lib/python3.7/site-packages/pandas/core/indexing.py:1676: ̣
↳SettingWithCopyWarning:
A value is trying to be set on a copy of a slice from a DataFrame.
Try using .loc[row_indexer,col_indexer] = value instead

See the caveats in the documentation: https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user_
↳guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy
self._setitem_single_column(ilocs[0], value, pi)
/Users/acristia/anaconda3/lib/python3.7/site-packages/pandas/core/indexing.py:1597: ̣
↳SettingWithCopyWarning:
A value is trying to be set on a copy of a slice from a DataFrame.
Try using .loc[row_indexer,col_indexer] = value instead

See the caveats in the documentation: https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user_
↳guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy
self.obj[key] = value
>>> its = segments_to_grid(segments[segments['set'] == 'its'], 0, segments['segment_
↳offset'].max(), 100, 'speaker_type', speakers)
>>> vtc.shape
(503571, 5)
>>> vtc
array([[0, 0, 0, 0, 1],
       [0, 0, 0, 0, 1],
       [0, 0, 0, 0, 1],
       ...,
       [0, 0, 1, 0, 0],
       [0, 0, 1, 0, 0],
       [0, 0, 0, 0, 1]])

```

Note that this matrix has 5 columns, even though there are only 4 categories (CHI, OCH, FEM and MAL). This is because `segments_to_grid()` appends the matrix with a 'none' column, which is set to 1 when all classes are inactive. It can be turned off by setting `none = False`. It is also possible to append an 'overlap' column by setting `overlap=True`; this column is set to 1 when at least 2 classes are active.

We can now compute the confusion matrix:

```
>>> confusion_counts = conf_matrix(vtc, its)
>>> confusion_counts
array([[ 20503,   7285,   4296,   1191,  21062],
       [  1435,   3354,    704,    136,   4105],
       [  2700,   1414,  18442,   4649,  19080],
       [   323,    229,   4600,  17654,  12415],
       [  3053,   2158,   3674,   2464,  365000]])
```

This means that 20503 of the 100 ms chunks were labelled as containing CHI speech by both the VTC and the LENA; 7285 chunks have been labelled as containing CHI speech by the VTC while being labelled as OCH by the LENA.

It is sometimes more useful to normalize confusion matrices:

```
>>> import numpy as np
>>> normalized = confusion_counts/(np.sum(vtc, axis = 0)[:None])
>>> rel
array([[0.37733036, 0.13407071, 0.07906215, 0.02191877, 0.38761801],
       [0.14742141, 0.34456544, 0.07232381, 0.01397165, 0.42171769],
       [0.05833423, 0.03054985, 0.39844442, 0.10044291, 0.41222858],
       [0.00917067, 0.0065018 , 0.1306039 , 0.50123506, 0.35248857],
       [0.00811215, 0.00573404, 0.00976222, 0.00654711, 0.96984448]])
```

The top-left cell now reads as: 37,8% of the 100 ms chunks labelled as CHI by the VTC are also labelled as CHI by the LENA.

## 17.1.2 Using pyannote.metrics

Confusion matrices are still dimensional data (with  $n \times n$  components for  $n$  labels), which renders performance comparisons of several annotators difficult: it is hard to tell which one of two classifiers is the closest to the ground truth using confusion matrices.

As a result, in Machine Learning, many scalar measures are used in order to assess the overall performance of a classifier. These include recall, precision, accuracy, etc.

The `pyannote-metrics` package implements many of the metrics that are typically used in speech processing. ChildProject interfaces well with `pyannote-metrics`. Below, we show how to use both packages to compute recall and precision.

The first step is to convert the dataframe of segments into one `pyannote.core.Annotation()` object per annotator:

```
>>> from ChildProject.metrics import segments_to_annotation
>>> ref = segments_to_annotation(segments[segments['set'] == 'vtc'], 'speaker_type')
>>> hyp = segments_to_annotation(segments[segments['set'] == 'its'], 'speaker_type')
```

Now, any `pyannote` metric can be instantiated and used with these annotations:

```
>>> from pyannote.metrics.detection import DetectionPrecisionRecallFMeasure
>>> metric = DetectionPrecisionRecallFMeasure()
>>> detail = metric.compute_components(ref, hyp)
>>> precision, recall, f = metric.compute_metrics(detail)
>>> print(f' {precision:.2f} / {recall:.2f} / {f:.2f} ')
0.87/0.60/0.71
```

## 17.2 Reliability evaluations

### 17.3 Module reference

`ChildProject.metrics.conf_matrix(rows_grid, columns_grid)`

compute the confusion matrix (as counts) from grids of active classes.

See `ChildProject.metrics.segments_to_grid()` for a description of grids.

#### Parameters

- **rows\_grid** (*numpy.array*) – the grid corresponding to the rows of the confusion matrix.
- **columns\_grid** (*numpy.array*) – the grid corresponding to the columns of the confusion matrix.
- **categories** (*list of strings*) – the labels corresponding to each class

**Returns** a square numpy array of counts

**Return type** *numpy.array*

`ChildProject.metrics.gamma(segments: pandas.core.frame.DataFrame, column: str, alpha: float = 1, beta: float = 1, precision_level: float = 0.05) → float`

Compute Mathet et al. gamma agreement on *segments*.

The gamma measure evaluates the reliability of both the segmentation and the categorization simultaneously; a extensive description of the method and its parameters can be found in Mathet et al., 2015 (doi:10.1162/COLI\_a\_00227)

This function uses the `pyagreement-agreement` package by Titeux et al.

#### Parameters

- **segments** (*pd.DataFrame*) – input segments dataframe (see *Annotations format* for the dataframe format)
- **column** (*str*) – name of the categorical column of the segments to consider, e.g. ‘speaker\_type’
- **alpha** (*float, optional*) – gamma agreement time alignment weight, defaults to 1
- **beta** (*float, optional*) – gamma agreement categorical weight, defaults to 1
- **precision\_level** (*float, optional*) – level of precision (see `pygamma-agreement`’s documentation), defaults to 0.05

**Returns** gamma agreement

**Return type** *float*

`ChildProject.metrics.grid_to_vector(grid, categories)`

Transform a grid of active classes into a vector of labels. In case several classes are active at time *i*, the label is set to ‘overlap’.

See `ChildProject.metrics.segments_to_grid()` for a description of grids.

#### Parameters

- **grid** (*numpy.array*) – a NumPy array of shape (n, len(categories))
- **categories** (*list*) – the list of categories

**Returns** the vector of labels of length *n* (e.g. `np.array([none FEM FEM FEM overlap overlap CHI])`)

**Return type** `numpy.array`

`ChildProject.metrics.segments_to_annotation`(*segments*: `pandas.core.frame.DataFrame`, *column*: `str`)  
Transform a dataframe of annotation segments into a `pyannote.core.Annotation` object

#### Parameters

- **segments** (`pd.DataFrame`) – a dataframe of input segments. It should at least have the following columns: `segment_onset`, `segment_offset` and `column`.
- **column** (`str`) – the name of the column in `segments` that should be used for the values of the annotations (e.g. `speaker_type`).

**Returns** the `pyannote.core.Annotation` object.

**Return type** `pyannote.core.Annotation`

`ChildProject.metrics.segments_to_grid`(*segments*: `pandas.core.frame.DataFrame`, *range\_onset*: `int`, *range\_offset*: `int`, *timescale*: `int`, *column*: `str`, *categories*: `list`, *none*=`True`, *overlap*=`False`) → `float`

Transform a dataframe of annotation segments into a 2d matrix representing the indicator function of each of the `categories` across time.

Each row of the matrix corresponds to a unit of time of length `timescale` (in milliseconds), ranging from `range_onset` to `range_offset`; each column corresponds to one of the `categories` provided, plus two special columns (`overlap` and `none`).

The value of the cell `ij` of the output matrix is set to 1 if the class `j` is active at time `i`, 0 otherwise.

If `overlap` is `True`, an additional column is appended to the grid, which is set to 1 if more than two classes are active at time `i`.

If `none` is set to `True`, an additional column is appended to the grid, which is set to one if none of the classes are active at time `i`.

The shape of the output matrix is therefore `((range_offset-range_onset)/timescale, len(categories) + n)`, where `n = 2` if both `overlap` and `none` are `True`, 1 if one of them is `True`, and 0 otherwise.

The fraction of time a class `j` is active can therefore be calculated as `np.mean(grid, axis = 0)[j]`

#### Parameters

- **segments** (`pd.DataFrame`) – a dataframe of input segments. It should at least have the following columns: `segment_onset`, `segment_offset` and `column`.
- **range\_onset** (`int`) – timestamp of the beginning of the range to consider (in milliseconds)
- **range\_offset** (`int`) – timestamp of the end of the range to consider (in milliseconds)
- **timescale** (`int`) – length of each time unit (in milliseconds)
- **column** (`str`) – the name of the column in `segments` that should be used for the values of the annotations (e.g. `speaker_type`).
- **categories** (`list`) – the list of categories
- **none** (`bool`) – append a ‘none’ column, default `True`
- **overlap** (`bool`) – append an overlap column, default `False`

**Returns** the output grid

**Return type** numpy.array

`ChildProject.metrics.vectors_to_annotation_task(*args, drop: List[str] = [])`  
transform vectors of labels into a nltk AnnotationTask object.

**Parameters**

- **\*args** – vector of labels for each annotator; add one argument per annotator.
- **drop** (*List[str]*) – list of labels that should be ignored

**Returns** the AnnotationTask object

**Return type** nltk.metrics.agreement.AnnotationTask



## EXAMPLES OF PYTHON SCRIPTS

We provide examples of python scripts using our package on [GitHub](#).

You can test these scripts by running them on the [VanDam demonstration dataset](#).



## 19.1 ChildProject package

### 19.1.1 Subpackages

#### ChildProject.pipelines package

#### Submodules

#### ChildProject.pipelines.anonymize module

**class** ChildProject.pipelines.anonymize.AnonymizationPipeline

Bases: *ChildProject.pipelines.pipeline.Pipeline*

Anonymize a set of its annotations (*input\_set*) and saves it as *output\_set*.

```
DEFAULT_REPLACEMENTS = {'Bar': {'startClockTime': [{'replace_value':  
'1000-01-01'}, {'only_time': 'true'}]}, 'BarSummary': {'leftBoundaryClockTime':  
[{'replace_value': '1000-01-01'}, {'only_time': 'true'}],  
'rightBoundaryClockTime': [{'replace_value': '1000-01-01'}, {'only_time':  
'true'}]}, 'Child': {'DOB': '1000-01-01', 'EnrollDate': '1000-01-01', 'id':  
'A999'}, 'ChildInfo': {'dob': '1000-01-01'}, 'FiveMinuteSection':  
{'endClockTime': [{'replace_value': '1000-01-01'}, {'only_time': 'true'}],  
'startClockTime': [{'replace_value': '1000-01-01'}, {'only_time': 'true'}]},  
'ITS': {'fileName': 'new_filename_1001', 'timeCreated': [{'replace_value':  
'1000-01-01'}, {'only_time': 'true'}]}, 'Item': {'timeStamp': [{'replace_value':  
'1000-01-01'}, {'only_time': 'true'}]}, 'PrimaryChild': {'DOB': '1000-01-01'},  
'ProcessingJob': {'logfile':  
'exec10001010T100010Z_job000000001-10001010_101010_100100.upl.log'}, 'Recording':  
{'endClockTime': [{'replace_value': '1000-01-01'}, {'only_time': 'true'}],  
'startClockTime': [{'replace_value': '1000-01-01'}, {'only_time': 'true'}]},  
'ResourceSnapshot': {'timegmt': [{'replace_value': '1000-01-01'}, {'only_time':  
'true'}], 'timelocal': [{'replace_value': '1000-01-01'}, {'only_time': 'true'}]},  
'TransferTime': {'LocalTime': [{'replace_value': '1000-01-01'}, {'only_time':  
'true'}], 'UTCtime': [{'replace_value': '1000-01-01'}, {'only_time': 'true'}]}
```

**run**(*path*: str, *input\_set*: str, *output\_set*: str, *replacements\_json\_dict*: str = "", **\*\*kwargs**)

Anonymize a set of its annotations (*input\_set*) and saves it as *output\_set*.

**static setup\_parser**(*parser*)

## ChildProject.pipelines.eafbuilder module

**class** ChildProject.pipelines.eafbuilder.EafBuilderPipeline

Bases: [ChildProject.pipelines.pipeline.Pipeline](#)

**run**(*destination: str, segments: str, eaf\_type: str, template: str, context\_onset: int = 0, context\_offset: int = 0, \*\*kwargs*)

generate .eaf templates based on intervals to code.

### Parameters

- **path** (*str*) – project path
- **destination** (*str*) – eaf destination
- **segments** (*str*) – path to the input segments dataframe
- **eaf\_type** (*str*) – eaf-type [random, periodic]
- **template** (*str*) – name of the template to use (basic, native, or non-native)
- **context\_onset** (*int*) – context onset and segment offset difference in milliseconds, 0 for no introductory context
- **context\_offset** (*int*) – context offset and segment offset difference in milliseconds, 0 for no outro context

**static setup\_parser**(*parser*)

ChildProject.pipelines.eafbuilder.**create\_eaf**(*etf\_path: str, id: str, output\_dir: str, recording\_filename: str, timestamps\_list: list, eaf\_type: str, contxt\_on: int, contxt\_off: int, template: str*)

## ChildProject.pipelines.metrics module

**class** ChildProject.pipelines.metrics.AclewMetrics(*project: ChildProject.projects.ChildProject, vtc: str = 'vtc', alice: str = 'alice', vcm: str = 'vcm', recordings: Optional[Union[str, List[str], pandas.core.frame.DataFrame]] = None, from\_time: Optional[str] = None, to\_time: Optional[str] = None, by: str = 'recording\_filename', threads: int = 1*)

Bases: [ChildProject.pipelines.metrics.Metrics](#)

ACLEW metrics extractor. Extracts a number of metrics from the ACLEW pipeline annotations, which includes:

- The Voice Type Classifier by Lavechin et al. (arXiv:2005.12656)
- The Automatic LInguistic Unit Count Estimator (ALICE) by Räsänen et al. (doi:10.3758/s13428-020-01460-x)
- The VoCalisation Maturity model (VCMNet) by Al Futaisi et al. (doi:10.1145/3340555.3353751)

### Parameters

- **project** ([ChildProject.projects.ChildProject](#)) – ChildProject instance of the target dataset.
- **vtc** (*str*) – name of the set associated to the VTC annotations
- **alice** (*str*) – name of the set associated to the ALICE annotations

- **vcm** (*str*) – name of the set associated to the VCM annotations
- **recordings** (*Union[str, List[str], pd.DataFrame], optional*) – recordings to sample from; if None, all recordings will be sampled, defaults to None
- **from\_time** (*str, optional*) – If specified (in HH:MM format), ignore annotations outside of the given time-range, defaults to None
- **to\_time** (*str, optional*) – If specified (in HH:MM format), ignore annotations outside of the given time-range, defaults to None
- **by** (*str, optional*) – units to sample from, defaults to ‘recording\_filename’
- **threads** (*int, optional*) – amount of threads to run on, defaults to 1

SUBCOMMAND = 'aclew'

static add\_parser(*subparsers, subcommand*)

extract()

```
class ChildProject.pipelines.metrics.LenaMetrics(project: ChildProject.projects.ChildProject, set: str,
types: list = [], recordings: Optional[Union[str,
List[str], pandas.core.frame.DataFrame]] = None,
from_time: Optional[str] = None, to_time:
Optional[str] = None, by: str =
'recording_filename', threads: int = 1)
```

Bases: *ChildProject.pipelines.metrics.Metrics*

LENA metrics extractor. Extracts a number of metrics from the LENA .its annotations.

#### Parameters

- **project** (*ChildProject.projects.ChildProject*) – ChildProject instance of the target dataset.
- **set** (*str*) – name of the set associated to the .its annotations
- **types** (*list*) – list of LENA vocalization/noise types (e.g. OLN, TVN)
- **recordings** (*Union[str, List[str], pd.DataFrame], optional*) – recordings to sample from; if None, all recordings will be sampled, defaults to None
- **from\_time** (*str, optional*) – If specified (in HH:MM format), ignore annotations outside of the given time-range, defaults to None
- **to\_time** (*str, optional*) – If specified (in HH:MM format), ignore annotations outside of the given time-range, defaults to None
- **by** (*str, optional*) – units to sample from, defaults to ‘recording\_filename’
- **threads** (*int, optional*) – amount of threads to run on, defaults to 1

SUBCOMMAND = 'lena'

static add\_parser(*subparsers, subcommand*)

extract()

```
class ChildProject.pipelines.metrics.Metrics(project: ChildProject.projects.ChildProject, by: str =
'recording_filename', recordings: Optional[Union[str,
List[str], pandas.core.frame.DataFrame]] = None,
from_time: Optional[str] = None, to_time: Optional[str]
= None)
```

Bases: *abc.ABC*

```
abstract extract()
```

```
retrieve_segments(sets: List[str], unit: str)
```

```
class ChildProject.pipelines.metrics.MetricsPipeline
```

```
Bases: ChildProject.pipelines.pipeline.Pipeline
```

```
run(path, destination, pipeline, func=None, **kwargs)
```

```
static setup_parser(parser)
```

```
class ChildProject.pipelines.metrics.PeriodMetrics(project: ChildProject.projects.ChildProject, set:
    str, period: str, period_origin: Optional[str] =
    None, recordings: Optional[Union[str, List[str],
    pandas.core.frame.DataFrame]] = None,
    from_time: Optional[str] = None, to_time:
    Optional[str] = None, by: str =
    'recording_filename', threads: int = 1)
```

```
Bases: ChildProject.pipelines.metrics.Metrics
```

Time-aggregated metrics extractor.

Aggregates vocalizations for each time-of-the-day-unit based on a period specified by the user. For instance, if the period is set to 15Min (i.e. 15 minutes), vocalization rates will be reported for each recording and time-unit (e.g. 09:00 to 09:15, 09:15 to 09:30, etc.).

The output dataframe has `rp` rows, where `r` is the amount of recordings (or children if the `--by` option is set to `child_id`), `p` is the amount of time-bins per day (i.e.  $24 \times 4 = 96$  for a 15-minute period).

The output dataframe includes a `period` column that contains the onset of each time-unit in HH:MM:SS format. The `duration` columns contains the total amount of annotations covering each time-bin, in milliseconds.

If `--by` is set to e.g. `child_id`, then the values for each time-bin will be the average rates across all the recordings of every child.

#### Parameters

- **project** (`ChildProject.projects.ChildProject`) – ChildProject instance of the target dataset
- **set** (`str`) – name of the set of annotations to derive the metrics from
- **period** (`str`) – Time-period. Values should be formatted as [pandas offset aliases](#). For instance, `15Min` corresponds to a 15 minute period; `2H` corresponds to a 2 hour period.
- **period\_origin** (`str`, `optional`) – NotImplemented, defaults to None
- **recordings** (`Union[str, List[str], pd.DataFrame]`, `optional`) – white-list of recordings to process, defaults to None
- **from\_time** (`str`, `optional`) – If specified (in HH:MM format), ignore annotations outside of the given time-range, defaults to None
- **to\_time** (`str`, `optional`) – If specified (in HH:MM format), ignore annotations outside of the given time-range, defaults to None
- **by** (`str`, `optional`) – units to sample from, defaults to `'recording_filename'`
- **threads** (`int`, `optional`) – amount of threads to run on, defaults to 1

```
SUBCOMMAND = 'period'
```

```
static add_parser(subparsers, subcommand)
```

```
extract()
```

**ChildProject.pipelines.pipeline module**

```

class ChildProject.pipelines.pipeline.Pipeline
    Bases: abc.ABC
    check_setup()
    static recordings_from_list(recordings)
    abstract run(**kwargs)
    setup()
    static setup_pipeline(parser)

```

**ChildProject.pipelines.processors module**

```

class ChildProject.pipelines.processors.AudioProcessingPipeline
    Bases: ChildProject.pipelines.pipeline.Pipeline
    run(path: str, name: str, processor: str, threads: int = 1, func=None, **kwargs)
    static setup_parser(parser)

class ChildProject.pipelines.processors.AudioProcessor(project: ChildProject.projects.ChildProject,
    name: str, input_profile: Optional[str] =
    None, threads: int = 1, recordings:
    Optional[Union[str, List[str],
    pandas.core.frame.DataFrame]] = None)

    Bases: abc.ABC
    static add_parser(parsers)
    export_metadata()
    output_directory()
    process(parameters)
    abstract process_recording(recording)
    read_metadata()

class ChildProject.pipelines.processors.BasicProcessor(project: ChildProject.projects.ChildProject,
    name: str, format: str, codec: str, sampling:
    int, split: Optional[str] = None, threads: int
    = 1, recordings: Optional[Union[str,
    List[str], pandas.core.frame.DataFrame]] =
    None, skip_existing: bool = False,
    input_profile: Optional[str] = None)

    Bases: ChildProject.pipelines.processors.AudioProcessor
    SUBCOMMAND = 'basic'
    static add_parser(subparsers, subcommand)
    process_recording(recording)

```

```
class ChildProject.pipelines.processors.ChannelMapper(project: ChildProject.projects.ChildProject,
                                                    name: str, channels: list, threads: int = 1,
                                                    recordings: Optional[Union[str, List[str],
                                                    pandas.core.frame.DataFrame]] = None,
                                                    input_profile: Optional[str] = None)
```

Bases: [ChildProject.pipelines.processors.AudioProcessor](#)

```
SUBCOMMAND = 'channel-mapping'
```

```
static add_parser(subparsers, subcommand)
```

```
process_recording(recording)
```

```
class ChildProject.pipelines.processors.VettingProcessor(project:
                                                         ChildProject.projects.ChildProject, name:
                                                         str, segments_path: str, threads: int = 1,
                                                         recordings: Optional[Union[str, List[str],
                                                         pandas.core.frame.DataFrame]] = None,
                                                         input_profile: Optional[str] = None)
```

Bases: [ChildProject.pipelines.processors.AudioProcessor](#)

```
SUBCOMMAND = 'vetting'
```

```
static add_parser(subparsers, subcommand)
```

```
process_recording(recording)
```

## ChildProject.pipelines.samplers module

```
class ChildProject.pipelines.samplers.ConversationSampler(project:
                                                         ChildProject.projects.ChildProject,
                                                         annotation_set: str, count: int, interval:
                                                         int = 1000, speakers: List[str] = ['FEM',
                                                         'MAL', 'CHI'], threads: int = 1, by: str =
                                                         'recording_filename', recordings:
                                                         Optional[Union[str, List[str],
                                                         pandas.core.frame.DataFrame]] =
                                                         None, exclude: Optional[Union[str,
                                                         pandas.core.frame.DataFrame]] =
                                                         None)
```

Bases: [ChildProject.pipelines.samplers.Sampler](#)

Conversation sampler.

### Parameters

- **project** ([ChildProject.projects.ChildProject](#)) – ChildProject instance
- **annotation\_set** (*str*) – set of annotation to derive conversations from
- **count** (*int*) – amount of conversations to sample
- **interval** (*int*, *optional*) – maximum time-interval between two consecutive vocalizations (in milliseconds) to consider them part of the same conversational block, defaults to 1000
- **speakers** (*List[str]*, *optional*) – list of speakers to target, defaults to [“FEM”, “MAL”, “CHI”]
- **threads** (*int*, *optional*) – threads to run on, defaults to 1

- **by** (*str*, *optional*) – units to sample from, defaults to “recording\_filename”
- **recordings** (*Union[str, List[str], pd.DataFrame]*, *optional*) – whitelist of recordings, defaults to None
- **exclude** (*Union[str, pd.DataFrame]*, *optional*) – portions to exclude, defaults to None

**SUBCOMMAND = 'conversations'**

**static add\_parser**(*subparsers*, *subcommand*)

```
class ChildProject.pipelines.samplers.CustomSampler(project: ChildProject.projects.ChildProject,
                                                    segments_path: str, recordings: Optional[Union[str, List[str], pandas.core.frame.DataFrame]] = None,
                                                    exclude: Optional[Union[str, pandas.core.frame.DataFrame]] = None)
```

Bases: *ChildProject.pipelines.samplers.Sampler*

**SUBCOMMAND = 'custom'**

**static add\_parser**(*subparsers*, *subcommand*)

```
class ChildProject.pipelines.samplers.EnergyDetectionSampler(project: ChildProject.projects.ChildProject,
                                                            windows_length: int,
                                                            windows_spacing: int,
                                                            windows_count: int, windows_offset: int = 0,
                                                            threshold: float = 0.8,
                                                            low_freq: int = 0, high_freq: int = 100000,
                                                            threads: int = 1, profile: str = '',
                                                            by: str = 'recording_filename',
                                                            recordings: Optional[Union[str, List[str], pandas.core.frame.DataFrame]] = None,
                                                            exclude: Optional[Union[str, pandas.core.frame.DataFrame]] = None)
```

Bases: *ChildProject.pipelines.samplers.Sampler*

Sample windows within each recording, targetting those that have a signal energy higher than some threshold.

#### Parameters

- **project** (*ChildProject.projects.ChildProject*) – ChildProject instance of the target dataset.
- **windows\_length** (*int*) – Length of each window, in milliseconds.
- **windows\_spacing** (*int*) – Spacing between the start of each window, in milliseconds.
- **windows\_count** (*int*) – How many windows to retain per recording.
- **windows\_offset** (*float*, *optional*) – start of the first window, in milliseconds, defaults to 0
- **threshold** (*float*, *optional*) – lowest energy quantile to sample from, defaults to 0.8
- **low\_freq** (*int*, *optional*) – if > 0, frequencies below will be filtered before calculating the energy, defaults to 0

- **high\_freq** (*int, optional*) – if < 100000, frequencies above will be filtered before calculating the energy, defaults to 100000
- **by** (*str, optional*) – units to sample from, defaults to ‘recording\_filename’
- **recordings** (*Union[str, List[str], pd.DataFrame], optional*) – recordings to sample from; if None, all recordings will be sampled, defaults to None
- **threads** (*int, optional*) – amount of threads to run on, defaults to 1

**SUBCOMMAND = 'energy-detection'**

**static add\_parser**(*subparsers, subcommand*)

**compute\_energy\_loudness**(*chunk, sampling\_frequency: int*)

**get\_recording\_windows**(*recording*)

```
class ChildProject.pipelines.samplers.HighVolubilitySampler(project:
    ChildProject.projects.ChildProject,
    annotation_set: str, metric: str,
    windows_length: int, windows_count:
    int, speakers: List[str] = ['FEM',
    'MAL', 'CHI'], threads: int = 1, by: str
    = 'recording_filename', recordings:
    Optional[Union[str, List[str],
    pandas.core.frame.DataFrame]] =
    None, exclude: Optional[Union[str,
    pandas.core.frame.DataFrame]] =
    None)
```

Bases: [ChildProject.pipelines.samplers.Sampler](#)

Return the top `windows_count` windows (of length `windows_length`) with the highest volubility from each recording, as calculated from the metric `metric`.

metrics can be any of three values: words, turns, and vocs.

- The **words** metric sums the amount of words within each window. For LENA annotations, it is equivalent to **awc**.
- The **turns** metric (aka `ctc`) sums conversational turns within each window. It relies on **lena\_conv\_turn\_type** for LENA annotations. For other annotations, turns are estimated as adult/child speech switches in close temporal proximity.
- The **vocs** metric sums vocalizations within each window. If `metric="vocs"` and `speakers=['CHI']`, it is equivalent to the usual `cvc` metric (child vocalization counts).

#### Parameters

- **project** ([ChildProject.projects.ChildProject](#)) – ChildProject instance of the target dataset.
- **annotation\_set** (*str*) – set of annotations to calculate volubility from.
- **metric** (*str*) – the metric to evaluate high-volubility. should be any of ‘words’, ‘turns’, ‘vocs’.
- **windows\_length** (*int*) – length of the windows, in milliseconds
- **windows\_count** (*int*) – amount of top regions to extract per recording
- **by** (*str, optional*) – units to sample from, defaults to ‘recording\_filename’

- **recordings** (*Union[str, List[str], pd.DataFrame]*, *optional*) – recordings to sample from; if None, all recordings will be sampled, defaults to None
- **threads** (*int*) – amount of threads to run the sampler on

**SUBCOMMAND = 'high-volubility'**

**static add\_parser**(*subparsers, subcommand*)

```
class ChildProject.pipelines.samplers.PeriodicSampler(project: ChildProject.projects.ChildProject,
length: int, period: int, offset: int = 0, profile:
Optional[str] = None, recordings:
Optional[Union[str, List[str],
pandas.core.frame.DataFrame]] = None,
exclude: Optional[Union[str,
pandas.core.frame.DataFrame]] = None)
```

Bases: *ChildProject.pipelines.samplers.Sampler*

Periodic sampling of a recording.

#### Parameters

- **project** (*ChildProject.projects.ChildProject*) – ChildProject instance of the target dataset.
- **length** (*int*) – length of each segment, in milliseconds
- **period** (*int*) – spacing between two consecutive segments, in milliseconds
- **offset** (*int*) – offset of the first segment, in milliseconds, defaults to 0
- **recordings** (*Union[str, List[str], pd.DataFrame]*, *optional*) – recordings to sample from; if None, all recordings will be sampled, defaults to None

**SUBCOMMAND = 'periodic'**

**static add\_parser**(*subparsers, subcommand*)

```
class ChildProject.pipelines.samplers.RandomVocalizationSampler(project: ChildProject.projects.ChildProject,
annotation_set: str,
target_speaker_type: list,
sample_size: int, threads: int = 1, by: str = 'recording_filename',
recordings: Optional[Union[str,
List[str],
pandas.core.frame.DataFrame]]
= None, exclude:
Optional[Union[str,
pandas.core.frame.DataFrame]]
= None)
```

Bases: *ChildProject.pipelines.samplers.Sampler*

Sample vocalizations based on some input annotation set.

#### Parameters

- **project** (*ChildProject.projects.ChildProject*) – ChildProject instance of the target dataset.
- **annotation\_set** (*str*) – Set of annotations to get vocalizations from.
- **target\_speaker\_type** (*list*) – List of speaker types to sample vocalizations from.

- **sample\_size** (*int*) – Amount of vocalizations to sample, per recording.
- **by** (*str*, *optional*) – units to sample from, defaults to ‘recording\_filename’
- **recordings** (*Union[str, List[str], pd.DataFrame]*, *optional*) – recordings to sample from; if None, all recordings will be sampled, defaults to None
- **threads** (*int*, *optional*) – amount of threads to run on, defaults to 1

**SUBCOMMAND = 'random-vocalizations'**

**static add\_parser**(*subparsers*, *subcommand*)

```
class ChildProject.pipelines.samplers.Sampler(project: ChildProject.projects.ChildProject, recordings: Optional[Union[str, List[str], pandas.core.frame.DataFrame]] = None, exclude: Optional[Union[str, pandas.core.frame.DataFrame]] = None)
```

Bases: `abc.ABC`

**abstract static add\_parser**(*parsers*)

**assert\_valid**()

**export\_audio**(*destination*, *profile=None*, *\*\*kwargs*)

**remove\_excluded**()

**retrieve\_segments**(*recording\_filename=None*)

**sample**()

```
class ChildProject.pipelines.samplers.SamplerPipeline
```

Bases: `ChildProject.pipelines.pipeline.Pipeline`

**run**(*path*, *destination*, *sampler*, *func=None*, *\*\*kwargs*)

**static setup\_parser**(*parser*)

## ChildProject.pipelines.zooniverse module

```
class ChildProject.pipelines.zooniverse.Chunk(recording_filename, onset, offset, segment_onset, segment_offset)
```

Bases: `object`

**getbasename**(*extension*)

```
class ChildProject.pipelines.zooniverse.ZooniversePipeline
```

Bases: `ChildProject.pipelines.pipeline.Pipeline`

**extract\_chunks**(*path: str*, *destination: str*, *keyword: str*, *segments: str*, *chunks\_length: int = -1*, *chunks\_min\_amount: int = 1*, *profile: str = "*, *threads: int = 1*, *\*\*kwargs*)

extract-audio chunks based on a list of segments and prepare them for upload to zooniverse.

### Parameters

- **path** (*str*) – dataset path
- **destination** (*str*) – path to the folder where to store the metadata and audio chunks
- **segments** (*str*) – path to the input segments csv dataframe, defaults to None
- **keyword** (*str*) – keyword to insert in the output metadata
- **chunks\_length** (*int*, *optional*) – length of the chunks, in milliseconds, defaults to -1

- **chunks\_min\_amount** (*int*, *optional*) – minimum amount of chunk per segment, defaults to 1
- **profile** (*str*) – recording profile to extract from. If undefined, raw recordings will be used.
- **threads** (*int*, *optional*) – amount of threads to run-on, defaults to 0

**get\_credentials**(*login: str = "", pwd: str = ""*)

returns input credentials if provided or attempts to read them from the environment variables.

#### Parameters

- **login** (*str*, *optional*) – input login, defaults to ''
- **pwd** (*str*, *optional*) – input password, defaults to ''

**Returns** (login, pwd)

**Return type** (str, str)

**retrieve\_classifications**(*destination: str, project\_id: int, zooniverse\_login: str = "", zooniverse\_pwd: str = "", chunks: List[str] = [], \*\*kwargs*)

Retrieve classifications from Zooniverse as a CSV dataframe. They will be matched with the original chunks metadata if the path one or more chunk metadata files is provided.

#### Parameters

- **destination** (*str*) – output CSV dataframe destination
- **project\_id** (*int*) – zooniverse project id
- **zooniverse\_login** (*str*, *optional*) – zooniverse login. If not specified, the program attempts to get it from the environment variable ZOOIVERSE\_LOGIN instead, defaults to ''
- **zooniverse\_pwd** (*str*, *optional*) – zooniverse password. If not specified, the program attempts to get it from the environment variable ZOOIVERSE\_PWD instead, defaults to ''
- **chunks** (*List[str]*, *optional*) – the list of chunk metadata files to match the classifications to. If provided, only the classifications that have a match will be returned.

**run**(*action, \*\*kwargs*)

**static setup\_parser**(*parser*)

**upload\_chunks**(*chunks: str, project\_id: int, set\_name: str, zooniverse\_login="", zooniverse\_pwd="", amount: int = 1000, ignore\_errors: bool = False, \*\*kwargs*)

Uploads amount audio chunks from the CSV dataframe *chunks* to a zooniverse project.

#### Parameters

- **chunks** (*[type]*) – path to the chunk CSV dataframe
- **project\_id** (*int*) – zooniverse project id
- **set\_name** (*str*) – name of the subject set
- **zooniverse\_login** (*str*, *optional*) – zooniverse login. If not specified, the program attempts to get it from the environment variable ZOOIVERSE\_LOGIN instead, defaults to ''
- **zooniverse\_pwd** (*str*, *optional*) – zooniverse password. If not specified, the program attempts to get it from the environment variable ZOOIVERSE\_PWD instead, defaults to ''
- **amount** (*int*, *optional*) – amount of chunks to upload, defaults to 0

ChildProject.pipelines.zooniverse.pad\_interval(*onset: int, offset: int, chunks\_length: int, chunks\_min\_amount: int = 1*) → Tuple[int, int]

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### 19.1.3 ChildProject.annotations module

**class** ChildProject.annotations.AnnotationManager(*project: ChildProject.projects.ChildProject*)

Bases: object

```
INDEX_COLUMNS = [IndexColumn(name = set), IndexColumn(name = recording_filename),
IndexColumn(name = time_seek), IndexColumn(name = range_onset), IndexColumn(name =
range_offset), IndexColumn(name = raw_filename), IndexColumn(name = format),
IndexColumn(name = filter), IndexColumn(name = annotation_filename),
IndexColumn(name = imported_at), IndexColumn(name = package_version),
IndexColumn(name = error)]
```

```
SEGMENTS_COLUMNS = [IndexColumn(name = raw_filename), IndexColumn(name =
segment_onset), IndexColumn(name = segment_offset), IndexColumn(name = speaker_id),
IndexColumn(name = speaker_type), IndexColumn(name = ling_type), IndexColumn(name =
vcm_type), IndexColumn(name = lex_type), IndexColumn(name = mwu_type),
IndexColumn(name = addressee), IndexColumn(name = transcription), IndexColumn(name =
phonemes), IndexColumn(name = syllables), IndexColumn(name = words),
IndexColumn(name = lena_block_type), IndexColumn(name = lena_block_number),
IndexColumn(name = lena_conv_status), IndexColumn(name = lena_response_count),
IndexColumn(name = lena_conv_floor_type), IndexColumn(name = lena_conv_turn_type),
IndexColumn(name = lena_speaker), IndexColumn(name = utterances_count),
IndexColumn(name = utterances_length), IndexColumn(name = non_speech_length),
IndexColumn(name = average_db), IndexColumn(name = peak_db), IndexColumn(name =
child_cry_vfx_len), IndexColumn(name = utterances), IndexColumn(name = cries),
IndexColumn(name = vfxs)]
```

**static clip\_segments**(*segments: pandas.core.frame.DataFrame, start: int, stop: int*) → pandas.core.frame.DataFrame

Clip all segments onsets and offsets within start and stop. Segments outside of the range [start, stop] will be removed.

#### Parameters

- **segments** (*pd.DataFrame*) – Dataframe of the segments to clip
- **start** (*int*) – range start (in milliseconds)
- **stop** (*int*) – range end (in milliseconds)

**Returns** Dataframe of the clipped segments

**Return type** pd.DataFrame

**get\_collapsed\_segments**(*annotations: pandas.core.frame.DataFrame*) → pandas.core.frame.DataFrame  
 get all segments associated to the annotations referenced in *annotations*, and collapses into one virtual timeline.

**Parameters** *annotations* (*pd.DataFrame*) – dataframe of annotations, according to [Annotations index](#)

**Returns** dataframe of all the segments merged (as specified in [Annotations format](#)), merged with *annotations*

**Return type** *pd.DataFrame*

**get\_segments**(*annotations: pandas.core.frame.DataFrame*) → pandas.core.frame.DataFrame  
 get all segments associated to the annotations referenced in *annotations*.

**Parameters** *annotations* (*pd.DataFrame*) – dataframe of annotations, according to [Annotations index](#)

**Returns** dataframe of all the segments merged (as specified in [Annotations format](#)), merged with *annotations*.

**Return type** *pd.DataFrame*

**get\_segments\_timestamps**(*segments: pandas.core.frame.DataFrame, ignore\_date: bool = False, onset: str = 'segment\_onset', offset: str = 'segment\_offset'*) → pandas.core.frame.DataFrame

Calculate the onset and offset clock-time of each segment

#### Parameters

- **segments** (*pd.DataFrame*) – DataFrame of segments (as returned by [get\\_segments\(\)](#)).
- **ignore\_date** (*bool, optional*) – leave date information and use time data only, defaults to False
- **onset** (*str, optional*) – column storing the onset timestamp in milliseconds, defaults to “segment\_onset”
- **offset** (*str, optional*) – column storing the offset timestamp in milliseconds, defaults to “segment\_offset”

**Returns** Returns the input dataframe with two new columns *onset\_time* and *offset\_time*.

*onset\_time* is a datetime object corresponding to the onset of the segment. *offset\_time* is a datetime object corresponding to the offset of the segment. In case either *start\_time* or *date\_iso* is not specified for the corresponding recording, both values will be set to NaT. :rtype: *pd.DataFrame*

**get\_subsets**(*annotation\_set: str, recursive: bool = False*) → List[str]

Retrieve the list of subsets belonging to a given set of annotations.

#### Parameters

- **annotation\_set** (*str*) – input set
- **recursive** (*bool, optional*) – If True, get subsets recursively, defaults to False

**Returns** the list of subsets names

**Return type** list

**get\_within\_ranges**(*ranges: pandas.core.frame.DataFrame, sets: Optional[Union[Set, List]] = None, missing\_data: str = 'ignore'*)

Retrieve and clip annotations that cover specific portions of recordings (*ranges*).

The desired ranges are defined by an input dataframe with three columns: `recording_filename`, `range_onset`, and `range_offset`. The function returns a dataframe of annotations under the same format as the index of annotations (*Annotations index*).

This output get can then be provided to `get_segments()` in order to retrieve segments of annotations that match the desired range.

For instance, the code belows will prints all the segments of annotations corresponding to the first hour of each recording:

```
>>> from ChildProject.projects import ChildProject
>>> from ChildProject.annotations import AnnotationManager
>>> project = ChildProject('.')
>>> am = AnnotationManager(project)
>>> am.read()
>>> ranges = project.recordings
>>> ranges['range_onset'] = 0
>>> ranges['range_offset'] = 60*60*1000
>>> matches = am.get_within_ranges(ranges)
>>> am.get_segments(matches)
```

#### Parameters

- **ranges** (*pd.DataFrame*) – pandas dataframe with one row per range to be considered and three columns: `recording_filename`, `range_onset`, `range_offset`.
- **sets** (*Union[Set, List]*) – optional list of annotation sets to retrieve. If None, all annotations from all sets will be retrieved.
- **missing\_data** (*str, defaults to ignore*) – how to handle missing annotations (“ignore”, “warn” or “raise”)

**Return type** *pd.DataFrame*

**get\_within\_time\_range** (*annotations: pandas.core.frame.DataFrame, start\_time: str, end\_time: str, errors='raise'*)

Clip all input annotations within a given HH:MM clock-time range. Those that do not intersect the input time range at all are filtered out.

#### Parameters

- **annotations** (*pd.DataFrame*) – DataFrame of input annotations to filter. The only columns that are required are: `recording_filename`, `range_onset`, and `range_offset`.
- **start** (*str*) – onset HH:MM clocktime
- **end** (*str*) – offset HH:MM clocktime
- **errors** (*str*) – how to deal with invalid start\_time values for the recordings. Takes the same values as `pandas.to_datetime`.

**Returns** a DataFrame of annotations;

For each row, `range_onset` and `range_offset` are clipped within the desired clock-time range. The clock-time corresponding to the onset and offset of each annotation is stored in two newly created columns named `range_onset_time` and `range_offset_time`. If the input annotation exceeds 24 hours, one row per matching interval is returned. :rtype: *pd.DataFrame*

**import\_annotations**(*input: pandas.core.frame.DataFrame, threads: int = - 1, import\_function: Optional[Callable[[str], pandas.core.frame.DataFrame]] = None*) → pandas.core.frame.DataFrame

Import and convert annotations.

#### Parameters

- **input** (*pd.DataFrame*) – dataframe of all annotations to import, as described in format-input-annotations.
- **threads** (*int, optional*) – If > 1, conversions will be run on threads threads, defaults to -1
- **import\_function** (*Callable[[str], pd.DataFrame], optional*) – If specified, the custom `import_function` function will be used to convert all input annotations, defaults to None

**Returns** dataframe of imported annotations, as in [Annotations index](#).

**Return type** `pd.DataFrame`

**static intersection**(*annotations: pandas.core.frame.DataFrame, sets: Optional[list] = None*) → pandas.core.frame.DataFrame

Compute the intersection of all annotations for all sets and recordings, based on their `recording_filename`, `range_onset` and `range_offset` attributes. (Only these columns are required, but more can be passed and they will be preserved).

**Parameters** **annotations** (*pd.DataFrame*) – dataframe of annotations, according to [Annotations index](#)

**Returns** dataframe of annotations, according to [Annotations index](#)

**Return type** `pd.DataFrame`

**merge\_annotations**(*left\_columns, right\_columns, columns, output\_set, input*)

**merge\_sets**(*left\_set: str, right\_set: str, left\_columns: List[str], right\_columns: List[str], output\_set: str, columns: dict = {}, threads=- 1*)

Merge columns from `left_set` and `right_set` annotations, for all matching segments, into a new set of annotations named `output_set`.

#### Parameters

- **left\_set** (*str*) – Left set of annotations.
- **right\_set** (*str*) – Right set of annotations.
- **left\_columns** (*List*) – Columns which values will be based on the left set.
- **right\_columns** (*List*) – Columns which values will be based on the right set.
- **output\_set** (*str*) – Name of the output annotations set.

**Returns** [description]

**Return type** [type]

**read**() → `Tuple[List[str], List[str]]`

Read the index of annotations from `metadata/annotations.csv` and store it into `self.annotations`.

**Returns** a tuple containing the list of errors and the list of warnings generated while reading the index

**Return type** `Tuple[List[str],List[str]]`

**remove\_set**(*annotation\_set: str, recursive: bool = False*)

Remove a set of annotations, deleting every converted file and removing them from the index. This preserves raw annotations.

**Parameters**

- **annotation\_set** (*str*) – set of annotations to remove
- **recursive** (*bool, optional*) – remove subsets as well, defaults to False

**rename\_set**(*annotation\_set: str, new\_set: str, recursive: bool = False, ignore\_errors: bool = False*)

Rename a set of annotations, moving all related files and updating the index accordingly.

**Parameters**

- **annotation\_set** (*str*) – name of the set to rename
- **new\_set** (*str*) – new set name
- **recursive** (*bool, optional*) – rename subsets as well, defaults to False
- **ignore\_errors** (*bool, optional*) – If True, keep going even if unindexed files are detected, defaults to False

**set\_from\_path**(*path: str*) → *str*

**validate**(*annotations: Optional[pandas.core.frame.DataFrame] = None, threads: int = 0*) → *Tuple[List[str], List[str]]*

check all indexed annotations for errors

**Parameters**

- **annotations** (*pd.DataFrame, optional*) – annotations to validate, defaults to None. If None, the whole index will be scanned.
- **threads** (*int, optional*) – how many threads to run the tests with, defaults to 0. If <= 0, all available CPU cores will be used.

**Returns** a tuple containing the list of errors and the list of warnings detected

**Return type** *Tuple[List[str], List[str]]*

**validate\_annotation**(*annotation: dict*) → *Tuple[List[str], List[str]]*

**write**()

Update the annotations index, while enforcing its good shape.

### 19.1.4 ChildProject.cmdline module

`ChildProject.cmdline.arg(*name_or_flags, **kwargs)`

`ChildProject.cmdline.get_doc_summary(doc)`

`ChildProject.cmdline.main()`

`ChildProject.cmdline.perform_validation(project: ChildProject.projects.ChildProject, require_success: bool = True, **args)`

`ChildProject.cmdline.register_pipeline(subcommand, cls)`

```

ChildProject.cmdline.subcommand(args=[], parent=_SubParsersAction(option_strings=[],
    dest='==SUPPRESS==', nargs='A...', const=None, default=None,
    type=None, choices={'validate': ArgumentParser(prog='__main__.py
    validate', usage=None, description='validate the consistency of the dataset
    returning detailed errors and warnings', formatter_class=<class
    'argparse.HelpFormatter'>, conflict_handler='error', add_help=True),
    'import-annotations': ArgumentParser(prog='__main__.py
    import-annotations', usage=None, description='convert and import a set of
    annotations', formatter_class=<class 'argparse.HelpFormatter'>,
    conflict_handler='error', add_help=True), 'merge-annotations':
    ArgumentParser(prog='__main__.py merge-annotations', usage=None,
    description='merge segments sharing identical onset and offset from two
    sets of annotations', formatter_class=<class 'argparse.HelpFormatter'>,
    conflict_handler='error', add_help=True), 'intersect-annotations':
    ArgumentParser(prog='__main__.py intersect-annotations', usage=None,
    description='calculate the intersection of the annotations belonging to the
    given sets', formatter_class=<class 'argparse.HelpFormatter'>,
    conflict_handler='error', add_help=True), 'remove-annotations':
    ArgumentParser(prog='__main__.py remove-annotations', usage=None,
    description='remove converted annotations of a given set and their entries
    in the index', formatter_class=<class 'argparse.HelpFormatter'>,
    conflict_handler='error', add_help=True), 'rename-annotations':
    ArgumentParser(prog='__main__.py rename-annotations', usage=None,
    description='rename a set of annotations by moving the files and updating
    the index accordingly', formatter_class=<class
    'argparse.HelpFormatter'>, conflict_handler='error', add_help=True),
    'overview': ArgumentParser(prog='__main__.py overview', usage=None,
    description='prints an overview of the contents of a given dataset',
    formatter_class=<class 'argparse.HelpFormatter'>,
    conflict_handler='error', add_help=True), 'explain':
    ArgumentParser(prog='__main__.py explain', usage=None,
    description='prints information about a certain metadata variable',
    formatter_class=<class 'argparse.HelpFormatter'>,
    conflict_handler='error', add_help=True), 'compute-durations':
    ArgumentParser(prog='__main__.py compute-durations', usage=None,
    description="creates a 'duration' column into metadata/recordings",
    formatter_class=<class 'argparse.HelpFormatter'>,
    conflict_handler='error', add_help=True)}, help=None, metavar=None))

```

### 19.1.5 ChildProject.converters module

```
class ChildProject.converters.AliceConverter
```

```
    Bases: ChildProject.converters.AnnotationConverter
```

```
    FORMAT = 'alice'
```

```
    static convert(filename: str, source_file: str = "") → pandas.core.frame.DataFrame
```

```
class ChildProject.converters.AnnotationConverter
```

```
    Bases: object
```

```

SPEAKER_ID_TO_TYPE = {'C1': 'OCH', 'C2': 'OCH', 'CHI': 'CHI', 'CHI*': 'CHI',
'EE1': 'NA', 'EE2': 'NA', 'FA0': 'FEM', 'FA1': 'FEM', 'FA2': 'FEM', 'FA3':
'FEM', 'FA4': 'FEM', 'FA5': 'FEM', 'FA6': 'FEM', 'FA7': 'FEM', 'FA8': 'FEM',
'FAE': 'NA', 'FC1': 'OCH', 'FC2': 'OCH', 'FC3': 'OCH', 'FCE': 'NA', 'MA0':
'MAL', 'MA1': 'MAL', 'MA2': 'MAL', 'MA3': 'MAL', 'MA4': 'MAL', 'MA5': 'MAL',
'MAE': 'NA', 'MC1': 'OCH', 'MC2': 'OCH', 'MC3': 'OCH', 'MC4': 'OCH', 'MC5':
'OCH', 'MCE': 'NA', 'MI1': 'OCH', 'MOT*': 'FEM', 'OC0': 'OCH', 'UA1': 'NA',
'UA2': 'NA', 'UA3': 'NA', 'UA4': 'NA', 'UA5': 'NA', 'UA6': 'NA', 'UC1': 'OCH',
'UC2': 'OCH', 'UC3': 'OCH', 'UC4': 'OCH', 'UC5': 'OCH', 'UC6': 'OCH'}

THREAD_SAFE = True

class ChildProject.converters.ChatConverter
    Bases: ChildProject.converters.AnnotationConverter

    ADDRESSEE_TABLE = {'CHI': 'T', 'FEM': 'A', 'MAL': 'A', 'OCH': 'C'}

    FORMAT = 'cha'

    SPEAKER_ROLE_TO_TYPE = {'Adult': 'NA', 'Attorney': 'NA', 'Audience': 'NA', 'Boy':
'OCH', 'Brother': 'OCH', 'Caretaker': 'NA', 'Child': 'OCH', 'Doctor': 'NA',
'Environment': 'NA', 'Father': 'MAL', 'Female': 'FEM', 'Friend': 'OCH', 'Girl':
'OCH', 'Grandfather': 'MAL', 'Grandmother': 'FEM', 'Group': 'NA', 'Guest': 'NA',
'Host': 'NA', 'Investigator': 'NA', 'Justice': 'NA', 'LENA': 'NA', 'Leader':
'NA', 'Male': 'MAL', 'Media': 'NA', 'Member': 'NA', 'Mother': 'FEM', 'Narrator':
'NA', 'Nurse': 'NA', 'Other': 'NA', 'Participant': 'CHI', 'Partner': 'NA',
'PlayRole': 'NA', 'Playmate': 'OCH', 'Relative': 'NA', 'Sibling': 'OCH',
'Sister': 'OCH', 'Speaker': 'NA', 'Student': 'NA', 'Target_Adult': 'NA',
'Target_Child': 'CHI', 'Teacher': 'NA', 'Teenager': 'NA', 'Text': 'NA',
'Uncertain': 'NA', 'Unidentified': 'NA', 'Visitor': 'NA'}

    THREAD_SAFE = False

    static convert(filename: str, filter=None) → pandas.core.frame.DataFrame

    static role_to_addressee(role)

class ChildProject.converters.CsvConverter
    Bases: ChildProject.converters.AnnotationConverter

    FORMAT = 'csv'

    static convert(filename: str, filter="") → pandas.core.frame.DataFrame

class ChildProject.converters.EafConverter
    Bases: ChildProject.converters.AnnotationConverter

    FORMAT = 'eaf'

    static convert(filename: str, filter=None) → pandas.core.frame.DataFrame

class ChildProject.converters.ItsConverter
    Bases: ChildProject.converters.AnnotationConverter

    FORMAT = 'its'

    SPEAKER_TYPE_TRANSLATION = {'CHN': 'CHI', 'CXN': 'OCH', 'FAN': 'FEM', 'MAN': 'MAL'}

    static convert(filename: str, recording_num: Optional[int] = None) → pandas.core.frame.DataFrame

class ChildProject.converters.TextGridConverter
    Bases: ChildProject.converters.AnnotationConverter

    FORMAT = 'TextGrid'

```

```

    static convert(filename: str, filter=None) → pandas.core.frame.DataFrame

class ChildProject.converters.VcmConverter
    Bases: ChildProject.converters.AnnotationConverter

    FORMAT = 'vcm_rttm'

    SPEAKER_TYPE_TRANSLATION = {'CHI': 'OCH', 'CNS': 'CHI', 'CRY': 'CHI', 'FEM': 'FEM',
                                'MAL': 'MAL', 'NCS': 'CHI'}

    VCM_TRANSLATION = {'CNS': 'C', 'CRY': 'Y', 'NCS': 'N', 'OTH': 'J'}

    static convert(filename: str, source_file: str = "") → pandas.core.frame.DataFrame

class ChildProject.converters.VtcConverter
    Bases: ChildProject.converters.AnnotationConverter

    FORMAT = 'vtc_rttm'

    SPEAKER_TYPE_TRANSLATION = {'CHI': 'OCH', 'FEM': 'FEM', 'KCHI': 'CHI', 'MAL': 'MAL'}

    static convert(filename: str, source_file: str = "") → pandas.core.frame.DataFrame

```

### 19.1.6 ChildProject.metrics module

ChildProject.metrics.conf\_matrix(rows\_grid, columns\_grid)  
 compute the confusion matrix (as counts) from grids of active classes.

See [ChildProject.metrics.segments\\_to\\_grid\(\)](#) for a description of grids.

#### Parameters

- **rows\_grid** (*numpy.array*) – the grid corresponding to the rows of the confusion matrix.
- **columns\_grid** (*numpy.array*) – the grid corresponding to the columns of the confusion matrix.
- **categories** (*list of strings*) – the labels corresponding to each class

**Returns** a square numpy array of counts

**Return type** numpy.array

ChildProject.metrics.gamma(segments: pandas.core.frame.DataFrame, column: str, alpha: float = 1, beta: float = 1, precision\_level: float = 0.05) → float

Compute Mathet et al. gamma agreement on *segments*.

The gamma measure evaluates the reliability of both the segmentation and the categorization simultaneously; a extensive description of the method and its parameters can be found in Mathet et al., 2015 ([doi:10.1162/COLL\\_a\\_00227](https://doi.org/10.1162/COLL_a_00227))

This function uses the [pyagreement-agreement package](#) by Titeux et al.

#### Parameters

- **segments** (*pd.DataFrame*) – input segments dataframe (see [Annotations format](#) for the dataframe format)
- **column** (*str*) – name of the categorical column of the segments to consider, e.g. 'speaker\_type'
- **alpha** (*float, optional*) – gamma agreement time alignment weight, defaults to 1
- **beta** (*float, optional*) – gamma agreement categorical weight, defaults to 1

- **precision\_level** (*float, optional*) – level of precision (see pygamma-agreement’s documentation), defaults to 0.05

**Returns** gamma agreement

**Return type** float

ChildProject.metrics.**grid\_to\_vector**(*grid, categories*)

Transform a grid of active classes into a vector of labels. In case several classes are active at time *i*, the label is set to ‘overlap’.

See `ChildProject.metrics.segments_to_grid()` for a description of grids.

**Parameters**

- **grid** (*numpy.array*) – a NumPy array of shape (*n, len(categories)*)
- **categories** (*list*) – the list of categories

**Returns** the vector of labels of length *n* (e.g. `np.array([none FEM FEM FEM overlap overlap CHI])`)

**Return type** `numpy.array`

ChildProject.metrics.**pyannotate\_metric**(*segments: pandas.core.frame.DataFrame, reference: str, hypothesis: str, metric, column: str*)

ChildProject.metrics.**segments\_to\_annotation**(*segments: pandas.core.frame.DataFrame, column: str*)

Transform a dataframe of annotation segments into a `pyannotate.core.Annotation` object

**Parameters**

- **segments** (*pd.DataFrame*) – a dataframe of input segments. It should at least have the following columns: `segment_onset`, `segment_offset` and `column`.
- **column** (*str*) – the name of the column in `segments` that should be used for the values of the annotations (e.g. `speaker_type`).

**Returns** the `pyannotate.core.Annotation` object.

**Return type** `pyannotate.core.Annotation`

ChildProject.metrics.**segments\_to\_grid**(*segments: pandas.core.frame.DataFrame, range\_onset: int, range\_offset: int, timescale: int, column: str, categories: list, none=True, overlap=False*) → float

Transform a dataframe of annotation segments into a 2d matrix representing the indicator function of each of the categories across time.

Each row of the matrix corresponds to a unit of time of length `timescale` (in milliseconds), ranging from `range_onset` to `range_offset`; each column corresponds to one of the `categories` provided, plus two special columns (overlap and none).

The value of the cell `ij` of the output matrix is set to 1 if the class `j` is active at time `i`, 0 otherwise.

If `overlap` is True, an additional column is appended to the grid, which is set to 1 if more than two classes are active at time `i`.

If `none` is set to True, an additional column is appended to the grid, which is set to one if none of the classes are active at time `i`.

The shape of the output matrix is therefore `((range_offset-range_onset)/timescale, len(categories) + n)`, where `n = 2` if both `overlap` and `none` are True, 1 if one of them is True, and 0 otherwise.

The fraction of time a class `j` is active can therefore be calculated as `np.mean(grid, axis = 0)[j]`

**Parameters**

- **segments** (*pd.DataFrame*) – a dataframe of input segments. It should at least have the following columns: `segment_onset`, `segment_offset` and `column`.
- **range\_onset** (*int*) – timestamp of the beginning of the range to consider (in milliseconds)
- **range\_offset** (*int*) – timestamp of the end of the range to consider (in milliseconds)
- **timescale** (*int*) – length of each time unit (in milliseconds)
- **column** (*str*) – the name of the column in `segments` that should be used for the values of the annotations (e.g. `speaker_type`).
- **categories** (*list*) – the list of categories
- **none** (*bool*) – append a ‘none’ column, default True
- **overlap** (*bool*) – append an overlap column, default False

**Returns** the output grid

**Return type** `numpy.array`

`ChildProject.metrics.vectors_to_annotation_task(*args, drop: List[str] = [])`  
transform vectors of labels into a nltk AnnotationTask object.

**Parameters**

- **\*args** – vector of labels for each annotator; add one argument per annotator.
- **drop** (*List[str]*) – list of labels that should be ignored

**Returns** the AnnotationTask object

**Return type** `nltk.metrics.agreement.AnnotationTask`

### 19.1.7 ChildProject.projects module

**class** `ChildProject.projects.ChildProject`(*path: str, enforce\_dtypes: bool = False, ignore\_discarded: bool = False*)

Bases: `object`

ChildProject instance This class is a representation of a ChildProject dataset

Constructor parameters:

**Parameters**

- **path** (*str*) – path to the root of the dataset.
- **enforce\_dtypes** (*bool, optional*) – enforce dtypes on children/recordings dataframes, defaults to False
- **ignore\_discarded** (*bool, optional*) – ignore entries such that `discard=1`, defaults to False

Attributes: `:param path: path to the root of the dataset. :type path: str` `:param recordings: pandas dataframe representation of this dataset metadata/recordings.csv :type recordings: class:pd.DataFrame` `:param children: pandas dataframe representation of this dataset metadata/children.csv :type children: class:pd.DataFrame`

```
CHILDREN_COLUMNS = [IndexColumn(name = experiment), IndexColumn(name = child_id),
IndexColumn(name = child_dob), IndexColumn(name = location_id), IndexColumn(name =
child_sex), IndexColumn(name = language), IndexColumn(name = languages),
IndexColumn(name = mat_ed), IndexColumn(name = fat_ed), IndexColumn(name = car_ed),
IndexColumn(name = monoling), IndexColumn(name = monoling_criterion),
IndexColumn(name = normative), IndexColumn(name = normative_criterion),
IndexColumn(name = mother_id), IndexColumn(name = father_id), IndexColumn(name =
order_of_birth), IndexColumn(name = n_of_siblings), IndexColumn(name =
household_size), IndexColumn(name = dob_criterion), IndexColumn(name =
dob_accuracy), IndexColumn(name = discard)]
```

```
CONVERTED_RECORDINGS = 'recordings/converted'
```

```
DOCUMENTATION_COLUMNS = [IndexColumn(name = variable), IndexColumn(name =
description), IndexColumn(name = values), IndexColumn(name = scope),
IndexColumn(name = annotation_set)]
```

```
PROJECT_FOLDERS = ['recordings', 'annotations', 'metadata', 'doc', 'scripts']
```

```
RAW_RECORDINGS = 'recordings/raw'
```

```
RECORDINGS_COLUMNS = [IndexColumn(name = experiment), IndexColumn(name = child_id),
IndexColumn(name = date_iso), IndexColumn(name = start_time), IndexColumn(name =
recording_device_type), IndexColumn(name = recording_filename), IndexColumn(name =
duration), IndexColumn(name = session_id), IndexColumn(name = session_offset),
IndexColumn(name = recording_device_id), IndexColumn(name = experimenter),
IndexColumn(name = location_id), IndexColumn(name = its_filename), IndexColumn(name
= upl_filename), IndexColumn(name = trs_filename), IndexColumn(name = lena_id),
IndexColumn(name = lena_recording_num), IndexColumn(name = might_feature_gaps),
IndexColumn(name = start_time_accuracy), IndexColumn(name = noisy_setting),
IndexColumn(name = notes), IndexColumn(name = discard)]
```

```
REQUIRED_DIRECTORIES = ['recordings', 'extra']
```

```
accumulate_metadata(table: str, df: pandas.core.frame.DataFrame, columns: list, merge_column: str,
verbose=False) → pandas.core.frame.DataFrame
```

```
compute_recordings_duration(profile: Optional[str] = None) → pandas.core.frame.DataFrame
compute recordings duration
```

**Parameters** `profile` (*str*, *optional*) – name of the profile of recordings to compute the duration from. If None, raw recordings are used. defaults to None

**Returns** dataframe of the recordings, with an additional/updated duration columns.

**Return type** `pd.DataFrame`

```
get_converted_recording_filename(profile: str, recording_filename: str) → str
retrieve the converted filename of a recording under a given profile, from its original filename.
```

**Parameters**

- **profile** (*str*) – recording profile
- **recording\_filename** (*str*) – original recording filename, as indexed in the metadata

**Returns** corresponding converted filename of the recording under this profile

**Return type** `str`

```
get_recording_path(recording_filename: str, profile: Optional[str] = None) → str
return the path to a recording
```

**Parameters**

- **recording\_filename** (*str*) – recording filename, as in the metadata
- **profile** (*str*, *optional*) – name of the conversion profile, defaults to None

**Returns** path to the recording

**Return type** *str*

**get\_recordings\_from\_list**(*recordings: list*, *profile: Optional[str] = None*) → *pandas.core.frame.DataFrame*

Recover recordings metadata from a list of recordings or path to recordings.

**Parameters** **recordings** (*List*) – list of recording names or paths

**Returns** matching recordings

**Return type** *pd.DataFrame*

**read**(*verbose=False*)

Read the metadata

**read\_documentation**() → *pandas.core.frame.DataFrame*

**recording\_from\_path**(*path: str*, *profile: Optional[str] = None*) → *str*

**validate**(*ignore\_recordings: bool = False*, *profile: Optional[str] = None*) → *tuple*

Validate a dataset, returning all errors and warnings.

**Parameters** **ignore\_recordings** (*bool*, *optional*) – if True, no errors will be returned for missing recordings.

**Returns** A tuple containing the list of errors, and the list of warnings.

**Return type** a tuple of two lists

### 19.1.8 ChildProject.tables module

**class** ChildProject.tables.**IndexColumn**(*name=""*, *description=""*, *required=False*, *regex=None*, *filename=False*, *datetime=None*, *function=None*, *choices=None*, *dtype=None*, *unique=False*, *generated=False*)

Bases: object

**class** ChildProject.tables.**IndexTable**(*name*, *path=None*, *columns=[]*, *enforce\_dtypes: bool = False*)

Bases: object

**msg**(*text*)

**read**()

**validate**()

**exception** ChildProject.tables.**MissingColumnsException**(*name: str*, *missing: Set*)

Bases: Exception

ChildProject.tables.**assert\_columns\_presence**(*name: str*, *df: pandas.core.frame.DataFrame*, *columns: Union[Set, List]*)

ChildProject.tables.**assert\_dataframe**(*name: str*, *df: pandas.core.frame.DataFrame*, *not\_empty: bool = False*)

ChildProject.tables.**is\_boolean**(*x*)

### 19.1.9 ChildProject.utils module

`class ChildProject.utils.Segment(start, stop)`

Bases: object

`length()`

`ChildProject.utils.get_audio_duration(filename)`

`ChildProject.utils.intersect_ranges(xs, ys)`

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