

# How can I calculate the Intraclass Correlation Coefficient using Python?

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The process of calculating the Intraclass Correlation Coefficient (ICC) using Python involves using statistical functions and libraries to determine the level of agreement between two or more variables in a dataset. This measure is commonly used in research and data analysis to assess the reliability and consistency of measurements. By inputting the necessary data and parameters into the appropriate Python functions, the ICC value can be calculated, providing valuable insights into the relationship between variables and aiding in the interpretation of results. This method allows for efficient and accurate determination of the ICC, making it a valuable tool for researchers and data analysts.

## Calculate Intraclass Correlation Coefficient in Python

**An (ICC) is used to determine if items or subjects can be rated reliably by different raters.**

**The value of an ICC can range from 0 to 1, with 0 indicating no among raters and 1 indicating perfect reliability.**

**The easiest way to calculate ICC in Python is to use the function from the , which uses the following syntax:**

```
pingouin.intraclass_corr(data, targets, raters, ratings)
```

**where:**

**data:** The name of the dataframe

**targets:** Name of column containing the "targets" (the things being rated)

**raters:** Name of column containing the raters

**ratings:** Name of column containing the ratings

This tutorial provides an example of how to use this function in practice.

Step 1: Install Pingouin

First, we must install Pingouin:

```
pip install pingouin
```

Step 2: Create the Data

Suppose four different judges were asked to rate the quality of six different college entrance exams. We can create the following dataframe to hold the ratings of the judges:

```
import pandas as pd
```

```
#create DataFrame
```

```
df = pd.DataFrame({'exam': ,  
'judge': ,  
'rating': })
```

```
#view first five rows of DataFrame
```

```
df.head()
```

## exam judge rating

0 1 A 1

1 2 A 1

2 3 A 3

3 4 A 6

4 5 A 6

### Step 3: Calculate the Intraclass Correlation Coefficient

Next, we'll use the following code to calculate the intraclass correlation coefficient:

```
import pingouin as pg
```

```
icc = pg.intraclass_corr(data=df, targets='exam',  
raters='judge', ratings='rating')
```

```
icc.set_index('Type')
```

Description	ICC	F	df1	df2	pval	CI95%
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Type						
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ICC1 Single raters absolute	0.505252	5.084916	5	18	0.004430	
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ICC2 Single random raters	0.503054	4.909385	5	15	0.007352	
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ICC3 Single fixed raters	0.494272	4.909385	5	15		
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**0.007352**

**ICC1k Average raters absolute 0.803340 5.084916 5 18**

**0.004430**

**ICC2k Average random raters 0.801947 4.909385 5 15**

**0.007352**

**ICC3k Average fixed raters 0.796309 4.909385 5 15**

**0.007352**

**This function returns the following results:**

**Description: The type of ICC calculated**

**ICC: The intraclass correlation coefficient (ICC)**

**F: The F-value of the ICC**

**df1, df2: The degrees of freedom associated with the F-value**

**pval: The p-value associated with the F-value**

**CI95%: The 95% confidence interval for the ICC**

**Notice that there are six different ICC's calculated here. This is because there are multiple ways to calculate the ICC depending on the following assumptions:**

**Model: One-Way Random Effects, Two-Way Random Effects, or Two-Way Mixed Effects**

**Type of Relationship: Consistency or Absolute**

## Agreement

**Unit: Single rater or the mean of raters**

**For a detailed explanation of these assumptions, please refer to .**

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