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Description Implements multiple imputation for proportional hazards regression with interval censored data or proportional sub-distribution hazards regression for interval censored competing risks data. The main functions allow to estimate survival function, cumulative incidence function, Cox and Fine & Gray regression coefficients and associated variance-covariance matrix. 'MIICD' functions call 'Surv', 'survfit' and 'coxph' from the 'survival' package, 'crprep' from the 'mstate' package, and 'mvrnorm' from the 'MASS' package.

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bcos	<i>bcos : breast cosmesis data</i>
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Description

A data frame with 94 observations on the following 3 variables :

- left
- right
- treatment

The data comes from the Interval library by Michael P. Fay.

Author(s)

Michael P. Fay

References

Finkelstein, D.M., and Wolfe, R.A. (1985). A semiparametric model for regression analysis of interval-censored failure time data. *Biometrics* 41: 731-740.

Examples

```
head(bcos)
```

ICCRD	<i>ICCRD : interval censored competing risks data</i>
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Description

Interval censored competing risks data. A data frame with 150 observations. the columns are :

- left -> lower bound of the interval
- right -> upper bound of the interval
- status -> cause of failure (1 or 2)
- treatment -> treatment (1 or 2)
- cov2 -> another covariate (continuous)

Details

This dataset is given for demonstration purpose. 2 causes of failure are given, only cause 1 is interval censored. Right censored observations are indicated by 0 in the status column.

Examples

```
head(ICCRD)
```

MI.ci	<i>Cumulative incidence estimation for interval censored competing risks data using multiple imputation</i>
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Description

Uses multiple imputation to compute the cumulative incidence function for interval censored competing risks data

Usage

```
MI.ci(k, m, data, status, trans, cens.code, conf.int = F, alpha = 0.05)
```

Arguments

k	An integer, indicates the number of iteration to perform
m	An integer, indicates the number of imputation to perform at each iteration
status	The name of the column where status are to be found
trans	Denomination of the event of interest in the status column
data	The input data (see details)
conf.int	Logical, computes the confidence interval
cens.code	Censor indicator in the status column of the data
alpha	Parametrize the confidence interval width

Details

This function uses a multiple imputation approach to estimate a cumulative incidence function for interval censored competing risks data. Estimates are computed using Rubin's rules (Rubin (1987)). The cumulative incidence is computed as the mean of cumulative incidences over imputations. The variance is computed at each point by combining the within imputation variance and the between imputation variance augmented by an inflation factor to take into account the finite number of imputations. At each iteration, the cumulative incidence is updated and multiple imputation is performed using the updated estimate. If `conf.int` is required, the log-log transformation is used to compute the lower confidence interval.

Print and plot methods are available to handle results.

The data must contain at least three columns: `left`, `right` and `status`. For interval censored data, the `left` and `right` columns indicates lower and upper bounds of intervals, respectively. Inf in

the right column stands for right censored observations. When an observation is right censored, the status column must contain the censor indicator specified by `cens.code`. The transition of interest must be specified by the `trans` parameter.

Value

`est` A data frame with estimates

... Other objects

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References

Delord, M. & Genin, E. Multiple Imputation for Competing Risks Regression with Interval Censored Data *Journal of Statistical Computation and Simulation*, 2015

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See Also

[Surv](#), [survfit](#)

Examples

```
res <- MI.ci(k = 5, m = 5, status = 'status', trans = 1, data = ICCRD,  
  conf.int = TRUE, cens.code = 0, alpha = 0.05)  
res  
print(res)  
plot(res)
```

MI.surv	<i>Survival estimation for interval censored data using multiple imputation</i>
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Description

Uses multiple imputation schemes to compute the survival function when data are interval censored

Usage

```
MI.surv(k, m, data, conf.int = FALSE, alpha = 0.05)
```

Arguments

k	An integer, indicates the number of iteration to perform
m	An integer, indicates the number of imputation to perform at each iteration
data	The input data (see details)
conf.int	Logical, computes the confidence interval
alpha	Parametrize the confidence interval width

Details

This function uses multiple imputation approach to estimate the survival function when data are interval censored. Estimates are #' computed using Rubin's rules (Rubin (1987)). The survival is computed as the mean of survival over imputations. The variance is computed at each point by combining the within imputation variance and the between imputation variance augmented by an inflation factor to take into account the finite number of imputation. At each iteration, the survival function is updated and multiple imputation is performed using the updated estimate. If `conf.int` is required, the log-log transformation is used to compute the lower confidence interval.

Print and plot methods are available to handle results.

The data must contain at last two columns: `left` and `right`. For interval censored data, the `left` and `right` columns indicate lower and upper bounds of intervals, respectively. `Inf` in the right column stands for right censored observations

Value

`est` A data frame with estimates

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References

- Delord, M. & Genin, E. Multiple Imputation for Competing Risks Regression with Interval Censored Data *Journal of Statistical Computation and Simulation*, 2015
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See Also

[Surv](#), [survfit](#)

Examples

```
res<-MI.surv(k = 5 , m = 5 , data = ICCRD , conf.int = TRUE , alpha = 0.05 )
res
plot(res)
```

MIICD.coxph

Cox regression for interval censored data using multiple imputation

Description

Uses the multiple imputation approach to compute the regression coefficient and its associated variance-covariance matrix, and the baseline survival estimates of a Cox proportional hazards regression for interval censored data

Usage

```
MIICD.coxph(formula, k, m, data, method = c("PMDA", "ANDA"),
  verbose = FALSE)
```

Arguments

formula	A formula. The right hand side indicates names of covariables to be found in data
method	Which data augmentation scheme shall be used ? Two algorithms are implemented : <i>The Poor man's Data Augmentation scheme</i> and the <i>Asymptotic Normal Data Augmentation scheme</i> (the later may be preferred).
verbose	Logical, display the results ?

k	An integer, indicates the number of iteration to perform
m	An integer, indicates the number of imputation to perform at each iteration
data	The input data (see details)

Details

This function uses multiple imputation approach to estimate regression coefficient, its variance-covariance matrix, and baseline survival estimates for a Cox proportional hazards regression for interval censored data.

Estimates are computed using Rubin's rules (Rubin (1987)). Estimate of coefficient is computed as the mean of estimates over imputation. #' The variance-covariance matrix is computed as the within imputation variance and the between imputation variance augmented by an inflation factor to take into account the finite number of imputation. At each iteration, the baseline survival function is updated and multiple imputation is performed using updated estimates.

Print and plot methods are available to handle results.

The data must contain at last two columns: `left` and `right`. For interval censored data, the `left` and the `right` columns indicates lower and upper bounds of intervals respectively. `Inf` in the `right` column stands for right censored observations.

Value

`est` A data frame with estimates

Author(s)

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References

- Delord, M. & Genin, E. Multiple Imputation for Competing Risks Regression with Interval Censored Data *Journal of Statistical Computation and Simulation*, 2015
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See Also

[Surv](#), [survfit](#), [coxph](#), [mvrnorm](#)

Examples

```
res <- MIICD.coxph(formula = ~ treatment, k = 5, m = 5, data = bcos, verbose = FALSE)
plot(res)
#diagnostic plot for coefficients and associated standard error
plot(res , type = 'coef' , coef = 1)
plot(res , type = 'sigma' , coef = 1)
```

MIICD.crrreg

Fine & Gray regression for interval censored competing risks data using multiple imputation

Description

Uses the multiple imputation approach to compute regression coefficient and its associated variance-covariance matrix, and baseline cumulative incidence estimates for interval censored competing risks data

Usage

```
MIICD.crrreg(formula, k, m, status, trans, cens.code, data, method = c("PMDA",
  "ANDA"), verbose = FALSE)
```

Arguments

formula	A formula. The right hand side indicates names of covariables to be found in data
verbose	Logical, display the results ?
method	Which data augmentation scheme shall be used ? Two algorithms are implemented : <i>The Poor man's Data Augmentation scheme</i> and the <i>Asymptotic Normal Data Augmentation scheme</i> (the later may be preferred).
k	An integer, indicates the number of iteration to perform
m	An integer, indicates the number of imputation to perform at each iteration
status	The name of the column where status are to be found
trans	Denomination of the event of interest in the status column
cens.code	Censor indicator in the status column of the data
data	The input data (see details)

Details

This function uses data augmentation and multiple imputation approach to estimate regression coefficient, variance-covariance matrix and baseline cumulative incidence estimates in a competing risks proportional hazards regression model for interval censored competing risks data.

Estimates are computed using Rubin's rules (Rubin (1987)). Estimate of coefficient is computed as the mean of estimates over imputation. The variance-covariance matrix is computed as the within

imputation variance and the between imputation variance augmented by an inflation factor to take into account the finite number of imputation. At each iteration, the baseline cumulative incidence function is updated and multiple imputation is performed using the updated estimates. Print and plot methods are available to handle results.

Print and plot methods are available to handle results.

The data must contain at least four columns. One named `left`, one named `right`, the name of the 3rd is indicated by the `status` parameter and one for the covariate to be tested. For interval censored data, the `left` and `right` columns indicate the lower and the upper bounds of the intervals respectively. `Inf` in the `right` column stands for right censored observations. When an observation is right censored, the `status` column must contain the censor indicator specified by `cens.code`. The transition of interest must be specified by the `trans` parameter.

Value

`Coef`. Final estimate of the coefficient
`vcov` Final estimate of the variance-covariance matrix
`Coef_seq` Sequence of the coefficient estimate over iterations
`Sigma_seq` Sequence of the coefficient standard deviation over iterations
`df` data frame containing the main results
 ... Other returned values

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See Also

[Surv](#), [survfit](#), [FGR](#), [mvrnorm](#)

Examples

```
res <- MIICD.crreg(formula = ~ treatment, k = 5, m = 5, status = 'status',
  trans = 1, data = ICCRD, cens.code = 0, method = 'ANDA', verbose = FALSE )
res
plot(res)
#diagnostic plot for coefficients and associated standard error
plot(res , type = 'coef' , coef = 1)
plot(res , type = 'sigma' , coef = 1)
```

`plot.MIICD_coxph` *plot method for MIICD_coxph objects*

Description

plot method for MIICD_coxph objects

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'MIICD_coxph'
plot(x, type = c("baseline", "coef", "sigma"),
  coef = 1, ylab = "Survival", xlab = "Time", ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	a MIICD_coxph object
<code>type</code>	type of diagnostic plot to display
<code>coef</code>	An integer: the no of the coefficient to display
<code>ylab</code>	Label for y axis
<code>xlab</code>	Label for x axis
<code>...</code>	other arguments

`plot.MIICD_crreg` *plot method for MIICD_crreg objects*

Description

plot method for MIICD_crreg objects

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'MIICD_crreg'
plot(x, type = c("baseline", "coef", "sigma"),
  coef = 1, ylab = "Cumulative incidence", xlab = "Time", ...)
```

Arguments

x	a MIICD_crreg object
type	type of diagnostic plot to display
coef	An integer: the no of the coefficient to display
ylab	Label for y axis
xlab	Label for x axis
...	other arguments

plot.MI_ci *plot method for MI_ci objects*

Description

plot method for MI_ci objects

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'MI_ci'
plot(x, xlab = "Time", ylab = "Cumulative incidence", ...)
```

Arguments

x	A MI_ci object
xlab	Label for x axis
ylab	Label for y axis
...	other arguments

plot.MI_surv *plot method for MI_surv objects*

Description

plot method for MI_surv objects

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'MI_surv'
plot(x, xlab = "Time", ylab = "Survival",
     fun = c("surv", "event"), ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	a <code>MI_surv</code> object
<code>xlab</code>	Label for x axis
<code>ylab</code>	Label for y axis
<code>fun</code>	If <code>fun = event</code> , 1 - the surv is drown
<code>...</code>	other arguments

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