

Appendix A

Khmaladze's transformation

In the sequel we review, based on Martinussen & Skovgaard (2002), how certain processes may be transformed to Gaussian martingales. The technique is originally developed in Khmaladze (1981), where strict proofs are given. Let us first consider the prototype example of a (time-transformed) Brownian bridge before we turn to the general formulation. Let $B(t) = H(t) - \beta t$, where $H(t)$ is a Gaussian martingale on $[0, 1]$ with variance function $\text{var}H(t) = \int_0^t a(s)^{-1} ds$. The quantity β may be stochastic such as $\beta = H(1) - H(0)$ corresponding to the Brownian bridge case. We seek a linear transformation of the process B to a Gaussian martingale. Furthermore we can make the term βt vanish by this transformation. The transformation to the new process \tilde{B} is given as

$$\tilde{B}(t) = B(t) - \int_0^t \left(\int_s^1 a(u) du \right)^{-1} \int_s^1 a(u) dB(u) ds, \quad (\text{A.1})$$

which is a Gaussian martingale with the same variance function as H . The idea behind this result of Khmaladze is described below. But first a direct calculation shows that $\tilde{H} = \tilde{B}$ (with $\tilde{H}(t)$ defined by (A.1) replacing B with H), or in other words that the term βt is killed by the transformation. Thus, in particular, the distribution of \tilde{B} is not affected by β being stochastic, even if it depends on the entire process. More generally let $H(t)$ and $B(t)$ be p -vector processes on $[0, \tau]$ so that that $B(t) = H(t) + g(t)\beta$, where $H(t)$ is a Gaussian martingale, $g(t)$ is a (known) $p \times q$ -matrix and β is a q -vector that should be thought of as being random so that B is not Gaussian martingale. Let the variance function H be $\text{var}H(t) = \int_0^t a(s)^{-1} ds$, which

is now a $p \times p$ -matrix. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{H}(t) &= H(t) - \int_0^t a^{-1}(s)a(s)g'(s) \left(\int_s^\tau g'(u)^T a(u)a^{-1}(u)a(u)g'(u) du \right)^{-1} \\ &\quad \times \int_s^\tau g'(u)^T a(u) dH(u) ds \\ &= H(t) - \int_0^t g'(s) \left(\int_s^\tau g'(u)^T a(u)g'(u) du \right)^{-1} \\ &\quad \times \int_s^\tau g'(u)^T a(u) dH(u) ds \end{aligned}$$

is again a Gaussian martingale with the same variance function, and it is directly verified that $\tilde{H}(t) = \tilde{B}(t)$ for all t , so that any component $g(t)\beta$ is killed by conversion from the process $B(t)$ to $\tilde{B}(t)$. We hence also have that

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{B}(t) &= B(t) - \int_0^t g'(s) \left(\int_s^\tau g'(u)^T a(u)g'(u) du \right)^{-1} \\ &\quad \times \int_s^\tau g'(u)^T a(u) dB(u) ds, \end{aligned} \tag{A.2}$$

is a Gaussian martingale with the same variance function as $H(t)$. The transformation of B to \tilde{B} given by (A.2) is what we usually call *Khmaladze's transformation*.

The two key steps in the derivation of the result are a projection followed by a Doob-Meyer decomposition. First the projection, P_L onto the subspace, L , spanned by the columns of $g(t)$ is

$$(P_L H)(t) = g(t) \left(\int_0^\tau g'(s)^T a(s)g'(s) ds \right)^{-1} \int_0^\tau g'(s)^T a(s) dH(s),$$

where the inverse variance is used as inner product in the definition of the projection. Application of the orthogonal projection $I - P_L$ to $B(t)$ kills the term $g(t)\beta$ and hence gives the same result as when applied to $H(t)$.

Next we need to adjust $(I - P_L)H(t)$ by subtraction of its compensator given the σ -algebra spanned by the original σ -algebra defining the martingale, \mathcal{F}_t say, and $P_L H$. This is done by calculating the martingale increment by subtraction of the conditional expectation,

$$d\tilde{H}(t) = dH(t) - \text{cov}(dH(t), Z(t)) \text{var}(Z(t))^{-1} Z(t),$$

where

$$Z(t) = \int_t^\tau g'(s)^T a(s) dH(s)$$

is a non-singular representation of the extra information contained in $P_L H$ relative to the σ -algebra \mathcal{F}_t . Note that when we subtract the compensator

we should in principle start from the process $(I - P_L)H(t)$ but the term $P_L H(t)$ disappears because it is predictable. The expression for \tilde{H} follows directly by calculation of the covariance and variance above.

That the covariance function for \tilde{H} is the same as that for H may be seen by the following calculation. First write

$$\text{cov}\{\tilde{H}(t_1), \tilde{H}(t_2)\} = \int_0^{t_1} \int_0^{t_2} \text{cov}\{d\tilde{H}(t_1), d\tilde{H}(t_2)\} ds_2 ds_1.$$

For $s_1 < s_2$ we rewrite the integrand as

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cov}\{d\tilde{H}(s_1), d\tilde{H}(s_2)\} = & \text{cov}\{dH(s_1), dH(s_2)\} - \text{cov}\{dH(s_1), b(s_2)Z(s_2)\} \\ & - \text{cov}\{b(s_1)Z(s_1), d\tilde{H}(s_2)\}, \end{aligned}$$

where $b(s)$ equals the non-random regression coefficient

$$\text{cov}\{dg(s), Z(s)\} \text{var}\{Z(s)\}^{-1}.$$

Using the fact that H has independent increments we see that the second term on the right vanishes because $Z(s_2)$ is a linear function of increments of H over the interval (s_2, τ) which is disjoint from $(s_1, s_1 + ds_1)$. To see that also the third term vanishes note that $Z(s_1) = Z(s_2) + U$ where U is a function of increments over the interval (s_1, s_2) . By construction $d\tilde{H}(s_2)$ is independent of the "past" and orthogonalized on $Z(s_2)$ thus completing the argument, which applies similarly to $s_2 < s_1$.

Appendix B

Matrix derivatives

In the following we give some convenient formulae for matrix differentiation. The results are taken from MacRae (1974) where additional results and details can be found.

Consider a $m \times n$ -matrix Y , which is a function of the $p \times q$ -matrix X . The derivative of matrix Y with respect to X is defined to be an $mp \times nq$ -matrix of partial derivatives

$$dY/dX = Y \otimes dX,$$

where \otimes denotes the Kronecher product. Hence

$$dY/dX = \begin{pmatrix} dy_{11}/dX & \cdots & dy_{1n}/dX \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ dy_{m1}/dX & \cdots & dy_{mn}/dX \end{pmatrix}.$$

The following results can then be shown.

Theorem B.0.1 *Let Y and Z be matrix functions of X , and let the product YZ be defined. Then*

$$d(YZ)/dX = (dY/dX)(Z \otimes I_q) + (Y \otimes I_p)(dZ/dX). \quad (\text{Product rule})$$

Theorem B.0.2 *Let Y be a nonsingular matrix function of X . Then*

$$d(Y^{-1})/dX = -(Y^{-1} \otimes I_p)(dY/dX)(Y^{-1} \otimes I_q). \quad (\text{Inverse rule})$$

Appendix C

The Timereg survival package for **R**

This chapter contains a brief description of how to obtain the programs used for the analyses in the book. All programs are available as an add-on-package for the statistical software **R**. The package is available under the general public license (GPL).

The package is available from the Timereg page

`http:\\biostat.ku.dk\\ts\\timereg.html`

where versions for Linux (Unix) and Windows are available.

After downloading the package and following the instructions given on the homepage you should get a library to use within **R**.

We here give a few extra details in the Linux case. If you do not have super-user permissions you might set up your own local library by the commands

```
R CMD INSTALL timereg --library localdir
```

and then inside **R** write

```
> .libPaths("localdir")
```

```
> library(timereg)
```

```
This is timereg 0.1-2
```

Manual pages from Timereg package

aalen

Fit additive hazards model

Description

Fits both the additive hazards model of Aalen and the semi-parametric additive hazards model of McKeague and Sasieni. Estimates are un-weighted. Time dependent variables and counting process data (multiple events per subject) are possible.

Resampling is used for computing p-values for tests of time-varying effects.

The modeling formula uses the standard survival modeling given in the **survival package**.

Usage

```
aalen(formula, data=sys.parent(), start.time=0, max.time=0,
       robust=1, id=NULL, clusters=NULL, residuals=0, n.sim=1000,
       weighted.test=0, covariance=0, resample.iid=0)
```

Arguments

formula	a formula object with the response on the left of a ‘~’ operator, and the independent terms on the right as regressors. The response must be a survival object as returned by the ‘Surv’ function.
data	a data.frame with the variables.
start.time	start of observation period where estimates are computed.
max.time	end of observation period where estimates are computed. Estimates thus computed from [start.time, max.time]
robust	to compute robust variances and construct processes for resampling. May be set to 0 to save memory.
id	For time-varying covariates the variable must associate each record with the id of a subject.
clusters	cluster variable for computation of robust variances.
n.sim	number of simulations in resampling.

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<code>weighted.test</code>	to compute a variance weighted version of the test-processes used for testing time-varying effects.
<code>residuals</code>	to returns residuals that can be used for model validation in the function <code>cum.residuals</code>
<code>covariance</code>	to compute covariance estimates for nonparametric terms rather than just the variances.
<code>resample.iid</code>	to return i.i.d. representation for nonparametric and parametric terms.

Details

The data for a subject is presented as multiple rows or “observations”, each of which applies to an interval of observation (`start`, `stop`]. For counting process data with the `]start,stop]` notation is used the `'id'` variable is needed to identify the records for each subject. The program assumes that there are no ties, and if such are present random noise is added to break the ties.

Value

returns an object of type `"aalen"`. With the following arguments:

<code>cum</code>	cumulative time-varying regression coefficient estimates are computed within the estimation interval.
<code>var.cum</code>	the martingale based pointwise variance estimates for cumulatives.
<code>robvar.cum</code>	robust pointwise variances estimates for cumulatives.
<code>gamma</code>	estimate of parametric components of model.
<code>var.gamma</code>	variance for gamma.
<code>robvar.gamma</code>	robust variance for gamma.
<code>residuals</code>	list with residuals.
<code>obs.testBeq0</code>	observed absolute value of supremum of cumulative components scaled with the variance.
<code>pval.testBeq0</code>	p-value for covariate effects based on supremum test.
<code>sim.testBeq0</code>	resampled supremum values.
<code>obs.testBeqC</code>	observed absolute value of supremum of difference between observed cumulative process and estimate under null of constant effect.
<code>pval.testBeqC</code>	p-value based on resampling.
<code>sim.testBeqC</code>	resampled supremum values.

<code>obs.testBeqC.is</code>	observed integrated squared differences between observed cumulative and estimate under null of constant effect.
<code>pval.testBeqC.is</code>	p-value based on resampling.
<code>sim.testBeqC.is</code>	resampled supremum values.
<code>conf.band</code>	resampling based constant to construct robust 95% uniform confidence bands.
<code>test.procBeqC</code>	observed test-process of difference between observed cumulative process and estimate under null of constant effect over time.
<code>sim.test.procBeqC</code>	list of 50 random realizations of test-processes under null based on resampling.
<code>covariance</code>	covariances for nonparametric terms of model.
<code>B.iid</code>	Resample processes for nonparametric terms of model.
<code>gamma.iid</code>	Resample processes for parametric terms of model.

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References

Martinussen and Scheike, Dynamic Regression Models for Survival Data, Springer (2006).

Examples

```
library(survival)
data(sTRACE)
# Fits Aalen model
out<-aalen(Surv(time,status==9)~age+sex+diabetes+chf+vf,
sTRACE,max.time=7,n.sim=500)

summary(out)
par(mfrow=c(2,3))
plot(out)

# Fits semi-parametric additive hazards model
out<-aalen(Surv(time,status==9)~const(age)+const(sex)+const(diabetes)+chf
+vf,sTRACE,max.time=7,n.sim=500)

summary(out)
par(mfrow=c(2,3))
plot(out)
```

cd4

The multicenter AIDS cohort study

Description

Format

This data frame contains the following columns:

obs a numeric vector. Number of observations.

id a numeric vector. Id of subject.

visit a numeric vector. Timings of the visits in years.

smoke a numeric vector code. 0: non-smoker, 1: smoker.

age a numeric vector. Age of the patient at the start of the trial.

cd4 a numeric vector. CD4 percentage at the current visit.

cd4.prev a numeric vector. CD4 level at the preceding visit.

precd4 a numeric vector. Post-infection CD4 percentage.

lt a numeric vector. Gives the starting time for the time-intervals.

rt a numeric vector. Gives the stopping time for the time-interval.

Source

MACS Public Use Data Set Release PO4 (1984-1991). See reference.

References

Kaslow et al. (1987), The multicenter AIDS cohort study: rationale, organization and selected characteristics of the participants. *Am. J. Epidemiology* 126, 310–318.

Examples

```
data(cd4)
names(cd4)
```

const*Identifies parametric terms of model*

Description

Specifies which of the regressors that have constant effect.

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cox*Identifies proportional excess terms of model*

Description

Specifies which of the regressors that lead to proportional excess hazard

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cox.aalen*Fit Cox-Aalen survival model*

Description

Fits an Cox-Aalen survival model. Time dependent variables and counting process data (multiple events per subject) are possible.

Resampling is used for computing p-values for tests of time-varying effects. Test for proportionality is considered by considering the score processes for the proportional effects of model.

The modeling formula uses the standard survival modeling given in the **survival package**.

Usage

```
cox.aalen(formula=formula(data), data=sys.parent(), beta=0,
Nit=10, detail=0, start.time=0, max.time=0, id=NULL,
clusters=NULL, n.sim=500, residuals=0, robust=1,
weighted.test=0, covariance=0, resample.iid=0, weights=NULL)
```

Arguments

<code>formula</code>	a formula object with the response on the left of a ‘~’ operator, and the independent terms on the right as regressors. The response must be a survival object as returned by the ‘Surv’ function.
<code>data</code>	a <code>data.frame</code> with the variables.
<code>start.time</code>	start of observation period where estimates are computed.
<code>max.time</code>	end of observation period where estimates are computed. Estimates thus computed from <code>[start.time, max.time]</code>
<code>robust</code>	to compute robust variances and construct processes for resampling. May be set to 0 to save memory.
<code>id</code>	For time-varying covariates the variable must associate each record with the id of a subject.
<code>clusters</code>	cluster variable for computation of robust variances.
<code>n.sim</code>	number of simulations in resampling.
<code>weighted.test</code>	to compute a variance weighted version of the test-processes used for testing time-varying effects.
<code>residuals</code>	to returns residuals that can be used for model validation in the function <code>cum.residuals</code>
<code>covariance</code>	to compute covariance estimates for nonparametric terms rather than just the variances.
<code>resample.iid</code>	to return i.i.d. representation for nonparametric and parametric terms.
<code>beta</code>	starting value for relative risk estimates
<code>Nit</code>	number of iterations for Newton-Raphson algorithm.
<code>detail</code>	if 0 no details is printed during iterations, if 1 details are given.
<code>weights</code>	weights for weighted analysis.

Details

The data for a subject is presented as multiple rows or “observations”, each of which applies to an interval of observation (`start`, `stop`]. For counting process data with the `)start,stop]` notation is used the ‘`id`’ variable is needed to identify the records for each subject. The program assumes that there are no ties, and if such are present random noise is added to break the ties.

Value

returns an object of type "cox.aalen". With the following arguments:

<code>cum</code>	cumulative time-varying regression coefficient estimates are computed within the estimation interval.
<code>var.cum</code>	the martingale based pointwise variance estimates.
<code>robvar.cum</code>	robust pointwise variances estimates.
<code>gamma</code>	estimate of parametric components of model.
<code>var.gamma</code>	variance for gamma.
<code>robvar.gamma</code>	robust variance for gamma.
<code>residuals</code>	list with residuals.
<code>obs.testBeq0</code>	observed absolute value of supremum of cumulative components scaled with the variance.
<code>pval.testBeq0</code>	p-value for covariate effects based on supremum test.
<code>sim.testBeq0</code>	resampled supremum values.
<code>obs.testBeqC</code>	observed absolute value of supremum of difference between observed cumulative process and estimate under null of constant effect.
<code>pval.testBeqC</code>	p-value based on resampling.
<code>sim.testBeqC</code>	resampled supremum values.
<code>obs.testBeqC.is</code>	observed integrated squared differences between observed cumulative and estimate under null of constant effect.
<code>pval.testBeqC.is</code>	p-value based on resampling.
<code>sim.testBeqC.is</code>	resampled supremum values.
<code>conf.band</code>	resampling based constant to construct robust 95% uniform confidence bands.
<code>test.procBeqC</code>	observed test-process of difference between observed cumulative process and estimate under null of constant effect over time.
<code>sim.test.procBeqC</code>	list of 50 random realizations of test-processes under null based on resampling.
<code>covariance</code>	covariances for nonparametric terms of model.
<code>B.iid</code>	Resample processes for nonparametric terms of model.
<code>gamma.iid</code>	Resample processes for parametric terms of model.

<code>loglike</code>	approximate log-likelihood for model, similar to Cox's partial likelihood.
<code>D2linv</code>	inverse of the derivative of the score function.
<code>score</code>	value of score for final estimates.
<code>test.procProp</code>	observed score process for proportional part of model.
<code>pval.Prop</code>	p-value based on resampling.
<code>sim.supProp</code>	re-sampled absolute supremum values.
<code>sim.test.procProp</code>	list of 50 random realizations of test-processes for proportionality under the model based on resampling.

Author(s)

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References

Martinussen and Scheike, Dynamic Regression Models for Survival Data, Springer (2006).

Examples

```
library(survival)
data(sTRACE)
# Fits Cox model
out<-cox.aalen(Surv(time,status==9)~prop(age)+prop(sex)+
prop(vf)+prop(chf)+prop(diabetes),sTRACE,max.time=7,n.sim=500)

# makes Lin, Wei, Ying test for proportionality
summary(out)
par(mfrow=c(2,3))
plot(out,score=1)

# Fits Cox-Aalen model
out<-cox.aalen(Surv(time,status==9)~prop(age)+prop(sex)+
vf+chf+prop(diabetes),sTRACE,max.time=7,n.sim=500)

# plots the additive part of the model. To obtain more sensible
# plots center covariates in proportional part of model
summary(out)
par(mfrow=c(2,3))
plot(out)
```

cs1*CSL liver cirrhosis data*

Description

Format

This data frame contains the following columns:

id a numeric vector. Id of subject.

time a numeric vector. Time of measurement.

prot a numeric vector. Prothrombin level at measurement time.

dc a numeric vector code. 0: censored observation, 1: died at eventT.

eventT a numeric vector. Time of event (death).

treat a numeric vector code. 0: active treatment of prednisone, 1: placebo treatment.

sex a numeric vector code. 0: female, 1: male.

age a numeric vector. Age of subject at inclusion time subtracted 60.

prot.base a numeric vector. Prothrombin base level before entering the study.

prot.prev a numeric vector. Level of prothrombin at previous measurement time.

lt a numeric vector. Gives the starting time for the time-intervals.

rt a numeric vector. Gives the stopping time for the time-intervals.

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References

Schlichting, P., Christensen, E., Andersen, P., Fauerholds, L., Juhl, E., Poulsen, H. and Tygstrup, N. (1983), The Copenhagen Study Group for Liver Diseases, *Hepatology* 3, 889–895

Examples

```
data(cs1)
names(cs1)
```

<code>cum.residuals</code>	<i>Model validation based on cumulative residuals</i>
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Description

Computes cumulative residuals and approximative p-values based on resampling techniques.

Usage

```
cum.residuals(object,data=sys.parent(),modelmatrix=0,
cum.resid=0,n.sim=500,weighted.test=1,start.design=1)
```

Arguments

<code>object</code>	an object of class 'aalen', 'timecox', 'cox.aalen' where the residuals are returned ('residuals=1')
<code>data</code>	data frame based on which residuals are computed.
<code>modelmatrix</code>	specifies a grouping of the data that is used for cumulating residuals. Must have same size as data and be ordered in the same way.
<code>n.sim</code>	number of simulations in resampling.
<code>weighted.test</code>	to compute a variance weighted version of the test-processes used for testing constant effects of covariates.
<code>cum.resid</code>	to compute residuals versus each of the continuous covariates in the model.
<code>start.design</code>	if '1' the groupings specified in modelmatrix changes over time, i.e. in the case with time-dependent covariates.

Value

returns an object of type "cum.residuals" with the following arguments:

<code>cum</code>	cumulative residuals versus time for the groups specified by modelmatrix.
<code>var.cum</code>	the martingale based pointwise variance estimates.
<code>robvar.cum</code>	robust pointwise variances estimates of cumulatives.
<code>obs.testBeq0</code>	observed absolute value of supremum of cumulative components scaled with the variance.
<code>pval.testBeq0</code>	p-value covariate effects based on supremum test.
<code>sim.testBeq0</code>	resampled supremum value.

<code>conf.band</code>	resampling based constant to construct robust 95% uniform confidence bands for cumulative residuals.
<code>obs.test</code>	absolute value of supremum of observed test-process.
<code>pval.test</code>	p-value for supremum test statistic.
<code>sim.test</code>	resampled absolute value of supremum cumulative residuals.
<code>proc.cumz</code>	observed cumulative residuals versus all continuous covariates of model.
<code>sim.test.proccumz</code>	list of 50 random realizations of test-processes under model for all continuous covariates.

Author(s)

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References

Martinussen and Scheike, Dynamic Regression Models for Survival Data, Springer (2006).

Examples

```
library(survival)
data(sTRACE)
# Fits Aalen model and returns residuals
fit<-aalen(Surv(time,status==9)~age+sex+diabetes+chf+vf,
sTRACE,max.time=7,n.sim=0,residuals=1)

# constructs and simulates cumulative residuals versus age groups
fit.mg<-cum.residuals(fit,sTRACE,
                      model.matrix(~-1+factor(cut(age,4)),sTRACE))

par(mfrow=c(1,4))
# cumulative residuals with confidence intervals
plot(fit.mg);
# cumulative residuals versus processes under model
plot(fit.mg,score=1);
summary(fit.mg)

# cumulative residuals vs. covariates Lin, Wei, Ying style
fit.mg<-cum.residuals(fit,sTRACE,cum.resid=1)

par(mfrow=c(2,4))
plot(fit.mg,score=2)
summary(fit.mg)
```

dynreg*Fit time-varying regression model*

Description

Fits time-varying regression model with partly parametric components. Time-dependent variables for longitudinal data. The model assumes that the mean of the observed responses given covariates is a linear time-varying regression model :

$$E(Z_{ij}|X_{ij}(t)) = \beta^T(t)X_{ij}^1(t) + \gamma^T X_{ij}^2(t)$$

where Z_{ij} is the j 'th measurement at time t for the i 'th subject with covariates X_{ij}^1 and X_{ij}^2 . Resampling is used for computing p-values for tests of time-varying effects.

Usage

```
dynreg(formula,data=sys.parent(),aalenmod,bandwidth=0.5,
id=NULL,bhat=NULL,start.time=0,max.time=0,n.sim=500,
residuals=0,meansub=1,weighted.test=0)
```

Arguments

formula	a formula object with the response on the left of a '~' operator, and the independent terms on the right as regressors.
data	a data.frame with the variables.
start.time	start of observation period where estimates are computed.
max.time	end of observation period where estimates are computed. Estimates thus computed from [start.time, max.time]
id	For time-varying covariates the variable must associate each record with the id of a subject.
n.sim	number of simulations in resampling.
weighted.test	to compute a variance weighted version of the test-processes used for testing time-varying effects.
residuals	to returns residuals that can be used for model validation in the function 'cum.residuals'.
aalenmod	Aalen model for measurement times. Specified as a survival model (see aalen function).

bandwidth	bandwidth for local iterations. Default is 50% of the range of the considered observation period.
bhat	initial value for estimates. If NULL local linear estimate is computed.
meansub	if '1' then the mean of the responses is subtracted before the estimation is carried out.

Details

The data for a subject is presented as multiple rows or “observations”, each of which applies to an interval of observation (start, stop]. For counting process data with the)start,stop] notation is used the 'id' variable is needed to identify the records for each subject. The program assumes that there are no ties, and if such are present random noise is added to break the ties.

Value

returns an object of type ”dynreg”. With the following arguments:

cum	the cumulative regression coefficients. This is the efficient estimator based on an initial smoother obtained by local linear regression :
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$$\hat{B}(t) = \int_0^t \tilde{\beta}(s) ds + \int_0^t X^{-} (Diag(z) - Diag(X^T(s)\tilde{\beta}(s))) dp(ds \times dz),$$

where $\tilde{\beta}(t)$ is an initial estimate either provided or computed by local linear regression. To plot this estimate use type=”eff.smooth” in the plot() command.

var.cum	the martingale based pointwise variance estimates.
robvar.cum	robust pointwise variances estimates.
gamma	estimate of semi-parametric components of model.
var.gamma	variance for gamma.
robvar.gamma	robust variance for gamma.
cum0	simple estimate of cumulative regression coefficients that does not use use an initial smoothing based estimate

$$\hat{B}_0(t) = \int_0^t X^{-} Diag(z) dp(ds \times dz).$$

To plot this estimate use type=”0.mpp” in the plot() command.

`var.cum0` the martingale based pointwise variance estimates of `cum0`.

`cum.ms` estimate of cumulative regression coefficients based on initial smoother (but robust to this estimator).

$$\hat{B}_{ms}(t) = \int_0^t X^-(\text{Diag}(z) - f(s))dp(ds \times dz),$$

where f is chosen as the matrix

$$f(s) = \text{Diag}(X^T(s)\tilde{\beta}(s))(I - X_\alpha(s)X_\alpha^-(s)),$$

where X_α is the design for the sampling intensities.

This is also an efficient estimator when the initial estimator is consistent for $\beta(t)$ and then asymptotically equivalent to `cum`, but small sample properties appear inferior. Its variance is estimated by `var.cum`. To plot this estimate use `type="ms.mpp"` in the `plot()` command.

`cum.ly` estimator where local averages are subtracted. Special case of `cum.ms`.

To plot this estimate use `type="ly.mpp"` in `plot`.

`var.cum.ly` the martingale based pointwise variance estimates.

`gamma0` estimate of parametric component of model.

`var.gamma0` estimate of variance of parametric component of model.

`gamma.ly` estimate of parametric components of model.

`var.gamma.ly` estimate of variance of parametric component of model.

`gamma.ms` estimate of variance of parametric component of model.

`var.gamma.ms` estimate of variance of parametric component of model.

`residuals` list of residuals.

`obs.testBeq0` observed absolute value of supremum of cumulative components scaled with the variance.

`pval.testBeq0` p-value for covariate effects based on supremum test.

`sim.testBeq0` resampled supremum values.

`obs.testBeqC` observed absolute value of supremum of difference between observed cumulative process and estimate under null of constant effect.

`pval.testBeqC` p-value based on resampling.

`sim.testBeqC` resampled supremum values.

<code>obs.testBeqC.is</code>	observed integrated squared differences between observed cumulative and estimate under null of constant effect.
<code>pval.testBeqC.is</code>	p-value based on resampling.
<code>sim.testBeqC.is</code>	resampled supremum values.
<code>conf.band</code>	resampling based constant to construct robust 95% uniform confidence bands.
<code>test.procBeqC</code>	observed test-process of difference between observed cumulative process and estimate under null of constant effect.
<code>sim.test.procBeqC</code>	list of 50 random realizations of test-processes under null based on resampling.
<code>covariance</code>	covariances for nonparametric terms of model.

Author(s)

Thomas Scheike

References

Martinussen and Scheike, Dynamic Regression Models for Survival Data, Springer (2006).

Examples

```
library(survival)
data(csl)
indi.m<-rep(1,length(csl$lt))

# Fits time-varying regression model on time-range from 0 to 3 years.
out<-dynreg(prot~treat+prot.prev+sex+age,csl,
Surv(lt,rt,indi.m)^+1,start.time=0,max.time=3,id=csl$id,
n.sim=500,bandwidth=0.3,meansub=0)
summary(out)
par(mfrow=c(2,3))
plot(out)

# Fits time-varying semi-parametric regression model.
outS<-dynreg(prot~treat+const(prot.prev)+const(sex)+const(age),csl,
Surv(lt,rt,indi.m)^+1,start.time=0,max.time=3,id=csl$id,
n.sim=500,bandwidth=0.3,meansub=0)
summary(outS)
```

melanoma*The Melanoma Survival Data*

Description

The melanoma data frame has 205 rows and 7 columns. It contains data relating to survival of patients after operation for malignant melanoma collected at Odense University Hospital by K.T. Drzewiecki.

Format

This data frame contains the following columns:

no a numeric vector. Patient code.

status a numeric vector code. Survival status. 1: dead from melanoma, 2: alive, 3: dead from other cause.

days a numeric vector. Survival time.

ulc a numeric vector code. Ulceration, 1: present, 0: absent.

thick a numeric vector. Tumor thickness (1/100 mm).

sex a numeric vector code. 0: female, 1: male.

Source

Andersen, P.K., Borgan Ø., Gill R.D., Keiding N. (1993), *Statistical Models Based on Counting Processes*, Springer-Verlag.

Drzewiecki, K.T., Ladefoged, C., and Christensen, H.E. (1980), Biopsy and prognosis for cutaneous malignant melanoma in clinical stage I. *Scand. J. Plast. Reconstr. Surg.* 14, 141-144.

Examples

```
data(melanoma)
names(melanoma)
```

<code>mela.pop</code>	<i>Melanoma data and Danish population mortality by age and sex</i>
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Description

Melanoma data with Danish population mortality rates by age and sex.

Format

This data frame contains the following columns:

id a numeric vector. Gives patient id.

sex a numeric vector. Gives sex of patient.

start a numeric vector. Gives the starting time for the time-interval for which the covariate rate is representative.

stop a numeric vector. Gives the stopping time for the time-interval for which the covariate rate is representative.

status a numeric vector code. Survival status. 1: dead from melanoma, 0: alive or dead from other cause.

age a numeric vector. Gives the age of the patient at removal of tumor.

rate a numeric vector. Gives the population mortality for the given sex and age. Based on Table A.2 in Andersen et al. (1993).

Source

Andersen, P.K., Borgan Ø, Gill R.D., Keiding N. (1993), *Statistical Models Based on Counting Processes*, Springer-Verlag.

Examples

```
data(mela.pop)
names(mela.pop)
```

`plot.aalen`*Plots estimates and test-processes*

Description

This function plots the non-parametric cumulative estimates for the additive risk model or the test-processes for the hypothesis of time-varying effects with re-sampled processes under the null.

Usage

```
plot.aalen(object,pointwise.ci=1,hw.ci=0,sim.ci=0,robust=0,
specific.comps=FALSE,level=0.05, start.time=0,stop.time=0,
add.to.plot=FALSE,mains=TRUE,xlab="Time",
ylab="Cumulative coefficients",score=FALSE)
```

Arguments

<code>object</code>	the output from the "aalen" function.
<code>pointwise.ci</code>	if >1 pointwise confidence intervals are plotted with <code>lty=pointwise.ci</code>
<code>hw.ci</code>	if >1 Hall-Wellner confidence bands are plotted with <code>lty=hw.ci</code> . Only 0.95 % bands can be constructed.
<code>sim.ci</code>	if >1 simulation based confidence bands are plotted with <code>lty=sim.ci</code> . These confidence bands are robust to non-martingale behaviour.
<code>robust</code>	robust standard errors are used to estimate standard error of estimate, otherwise martingale based standard errors are used.
<code>specific.comps</code>	all components of the model is plotted by default, but a list of components may be specified, for example first and third "c(1,3)".
<code>level</code>	gives the significance level.
<code>start.time</code>	start of observation period where estimates are plotted.
<code>stop.time</code>	end of period where estimates are plotted. Estimates thus plotted from [start.time, max.time].
<code>add.to.plot</code>	to add to an already existing plot.
<code>mains</code>	add names of covariates as titles to plots.
<code>xlab</code>	label for x-axis.

<code>ylab</code>	label for y-axis.
<code>score</code>	to plot test processes for test of time-varying effects along with 50 random realization under the null-hypothesis.

Author(s)

Thomas Scheike

References

Martinussen and Scheike

Examples

```
library(survival)
data(sTRACE)
# Fits Aalen model
out<-aalen(Surv(time,status==9)~age+sex+diabetes+chf+vf,
sTRACE,max.time=7,n.sim=500)

par(mfrow=c(2,3))
# plots estimates
plot(out)
# plots tests-processes for time-varying effects
plot(out,score=TRUE)
```

`plot.cum.residuals`

Plots cumulative residuals

Description

This function plots the output from the cumulative residuals function "cum.residuals". The cumulative residuals are compared with the performance of similar processes under the model.

Usage

```
plot.cum.residuals(object,pointwise.ci=1,hw.ci=0,sim.ci=0,
robust=1,specific.comps=FALSE,level=0.05,start.time=0,
stop.time=0,add.to.plot=FALSE,mains=TRUE,xlab="Time",
ylab="Cumulative Residuals",ylim=NULL,score=0)
```

Arguments

<code>object</code>	the output from the "cum.residuals" function.
<code>pointwise.ci</code>	if >1 pointwise confidence intervals are plotted with <code>lty=pointwise.ci</code>

<code>hw.ci</code>	if >1 Hall-Wellner confidence bands are plotted with <code>lty=hw.ci</code> . Only 95% bands can be constructed.
<code>sim.ci</code>	if >1 simulation based confidence bands are plotted with <code>lty=sim.ci</code> . These confidence bands are robust to non-martingale behaviour.
<code>robust</code>	if "1" robust standard errors are used to estimate standard error of estimate, otherwise martingale based estimate are used.
<code>specific.comps</code>	all components of the model is plotted by default, but a list of components may be specified, for example first and third "c(1,3)".
<code>level</code>	gives the significance level. Default is 0.05.
<code>start.time</code>	start of observation period where estimates are plotted. Default is 0.
<code>stop.time</code>	end of period where estimates are plotted. Estimates thus plotted from <code>[start.time, max.time]</code> .
<code>add.to.plot</code>	to add to an already existing plot. Default is "FALSE".
<code>mains</code>	add names of covariates as titles to plots.
<code>xlab</code>	label for x-axis. Default is "Time".
<code>ylab</code>	label for y-axis. Default is "Cumulative Residuals".
<code>ylim</code>	limits for y-axis.
<code>score</code>	if '0' plots related to <code>modelmatrix</code> are specified, thus resulting in grouped residuals, if '1' plots for <code>modelmatrix</code> but with random realizations under model, if '2' plots residuals versus continuous covariates of model with random realizations under the model.

Author(s)

Thomas Scheike

References

Martinussen and Scheike, Dynamic Regression Models for Survival Data, Springer (2006).

Examples

```
library(survival)
data(sTRACE)
# Fits Aalen model and returns residuals
out<-aalen(Surv(time,status==9)~age+sex+diabetes+chf+vf,
sTRACE,max.time=7,n.sim=0,residuals=1)
```

```

# constructs and simulates cumulative residuals versus age groups
out.mg<-cum.residuals(out,sTRACE,
                      model.matrix(~-1+factor(cut(age,4)),sTRACE))

par(mfrow=c(1,4))
# cumulative residuals with pointwise confidence intervals
plot(out.mg);
# cumulative residuals versus processes under model
plot(out.mg,score=1);

# cumulative residuals against covariates Lin, Wei, Ying style
out.mg<-cum.residuals(out,sTRACE,cum.resid=1)
par(mfrow=c(2,4))
plot(out.mg,score=2)

```

<code>plot.dynreg</code>	<i>Plots estimates and test-processes</i>
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Description

This function plots the non-parametric cumulative estimates for the additive risk model or the test-processes for the hypothesis of constant effects with re-sampled processes under the null.

Usage

```

plot.dynreg(object,type="eff.smooth",pointwise.ci=1,hw.ci=0,
sim.ci=0,robust=0,specific.comps=FALSE,level=0.05,
start.time=0,stop.time=0,add.to.plot=FALSE,mains=TRUE,
xlab="Time",ylab="Cumulative coefficients",score=FALSE)

```

Arguments

<code>object</code>	the output from the "dynreg" function.
<code>type</code>	the estimator plotted. Choices "eff.smooth", "ms.mpp", "0.mpp" and "ly.mpp". See the dynreg function for more on this.
<code>pointwise.ci</code>	if >1 pointwise confidence intervals are plotted with <code>lty=pointwise.ci</code>
<code>hw.ci</code>	if >1 Hall-Wellner confidence bands are plotted with <code>lty=hw.ci</code> . Only 0.95 % bands can be constructed.
<code>sim.ci</code>	if >1 simulation based confidence bands are plotted with <code>lty=sim.ci</code> . These confidence bands are robust to non-martingale behavior.

<code>robust</code>	robust standard errors are used to estimate standard error of estimate, otherwise martingale based estimate are used.
<code>specific.comps</code>	all components of the model is plotted by default, but a list of components may be specified, for example first and third "c(1,3)".
<code>level</code>	gives the significance level.
<code>start.time</code>	start of observation period where estimates are plotted.
<code>stop.time</code>	end of period where estimates are plotted. Estimates thus plotted from [start.time, max.time].
<code>add.to.plot</code>	to add to an already existing plot.
<code>mains</code>	add names of covariates as titles to plots.
<code>xlab</code>	label for x-axis.
<code>ylab</code>	label for y-axis.
<code>score</code>	to plot test processes for test of time-varying effects along with 50 random realization under the null-hypothesis.

Author(s)

Thomas Scheike

References

Martinussen and Scheike, Dynamic Regression Models for Survival Data, Springer (2006).

Examples

```
library(survival)
data(csl)
indi.m<-rep(1,length(csl$lt))

# Fits time-varying regression model on time-range from 0 to 3 years.
out<-dynreg(prot~treat+prot.prev+sex+age,csl,
Surv(lt,rt,indi.m)^+1,start.time=0,max.time=3,id=csl$id,
n.sim=500,bandwidth=0.3,meansub=0)

par(mfrow=c(2,3))
# plots estimates
plot(out)
# plots tests-processes for time-varying effects
plot(out,score=TRUE)
```

<code>print.aalen</code>	<i>Prints call</i>
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Description

Prints call for object. Lists nonparametric and parametric terms of model

Usage

```
print.aalen(object)
```

Arguments

`object` an aalen object

Author(s)

Thomas Scheike

<code>prop</code>	<i>Identifies the multiplicative terms in Cox-Aalen model and proportional excess risk model</i>
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Description

Specifies which of the regressors that belong to the multiplicative part of the Cox-Aalen model or the proportional excess risk model.

Usage

```
see cox.aalen or prop.excess
```

Author(s)

Thomas Scheike

prop.excess*Fits Proportional excess hazards model*

Description

Fits proportional excess hazards model.

The models are written using the survival modeling given in the survival package.

Usage

```
prop.excess(formula=formula(data),data=sys.parent(),
excess=1,tol=0.0001,max.time=0,n.sim=1000,alpha=1,frac=1)
```

Arguments

formula	a formula object, with the response on the left of a ‘~’ operator, and the terms on the right. The response must be a survival object as returned by the ‘Surv’ function.
data	a data.frame with the variables.
excess	specifies for which of the subjects the excess term is present. Default is that the term is present for all subjects.
tol	tolerance for numerical procedure.
max.time	stopping considered time-period if different from 0. Estimates thus computed from [0,max.time] if max.time>0.
n.sim	number of simulations in re-sampling.
alpha	tuning parameter in Newton-Raphson procedure. Value smaller than one may give more stable convergence.
frac	number between 0 and 1. Is used in supremum test where observed jump times t_1, \dots, t_k is replaced by t_1, \dots, t_l with $l=\text{round}(\text{frac}*k)$.

Details

The program assumes that there are no ties, and if such are present random noise is added to break the ties.

Value

Returns an object of type "prop.excess". With the following arguments:

<code>cum</code>	estimated cumulative regression functions. First column contains the jump times, then follows the estimated components of additive part of model and finally the excess cumulative baseline.
<code>var.cum</code>	robust pointwise variance estimates for estimated cumulatives.
<code>gamma</code>	estimate of parametric components of model.
<code>var.gamma</code>	robust variance estimate for gamma.
<code>pval</code>	p-value of Kolmogorov-Smirnov test (variance weighted) for excess baseline and Aalen terms, $H: B(t)=0$.
<code>pval.HW</code>	p-value of supremum test (corresponding to Hall-Wellner band) for excess baseline and Aalen terms, $H: B(t)=0$. Reported in summary.
<code>pval.CM</code>	p-value of Cramer von Mises test for excess baseline and Aalen terms, $H: B(t)=0$.
<code>quant</code>	95 percent quantile in distribution of resampled Kolmogorov-Smirnov test statistics for excess baseline and Aalen terms. Used to construct 95 percent simulation band.
<code>quant95HW</code>	95 percent quantile in distribution of resampled supremum test statistics corresponding to Hall-Wellner band for excess baseline and Aalen terms. Used to construct 95 percent Hall-Wellner band.
<code>simScoreProp</code>	observed scoreprocess and 50 resampled scoreprocesses (under model). List with 51 elements.

Author(s)

Torben Martinussen

References

Martinussen and Scheike, Dynamic Regression Models for Survival Data, Springer (2006).

Examples

```
library(survival)
data(melanoma)
attach(melanoma)
lt<-log(thick)           # log-thickness
```

```

excess<-(thick>=210)    # excess risk for thick tumors

# Fits Proportional Excess hazards model
fit<-prop.excess(Surv(days/365,status==1)~sex+ulc+cox(sex)+cox(ulc)
                +cox(lt),excess=excess,n.sim=2000)

summary(fit)
par(mfrow=c(2,3))
plot(fit)

```

prop.odds
Fit Semiparametric Proportional Odds Model

Description

Fits a semiparametric proportional odds model:

$$\text{logit}(1 - S_Z(t)) = \log(G(t)) + \beta^T Z$$

where $G(t)$ is increasing but otherwise unspecified. Model is fitted by maximizing the modified partial likelihood. A goodness-of-fit test by considering the score functions is also computed by resampling methods.

The modeling formula uses the standard survival modeling given in the `survival` package.

Usage

```

prop.odds(formula,data=sys.parent(),beta=0,Nit=10,
           detail=0,start.time=0,max.time=0,id=NULL,n.sim=500,
           weighted.test=0,profile=1,sym=0)

```

Arguments

formula	a formula object, with the response on the left of a <code>'</code> operator, and the terms on the right. The response must be a survival object as returned by the <code>'Surv'</code> function.
data	a <code>data.frame</code> with the variables.
start.time	start of observation period where estimates are computed.
max.time	end of observation period where estimates are computed. Estimates thus computed from <code>[start.time, max.time]</code> . This is very useful to obtain stable estimates, especially for the baseline.
id	For time-varying covariates the variable must associate each record with the id of a subject.

<code>n.sim</code>	number of simulations in resampling.
<code>weighted.test</code>	to compute a variance weighted version of the test-processes used for testing time-varying effects.
<code>beta</code>	starting value for relative risk estimates
<code>Nit</code>	number of iterations for Newton-Raphson algorithm.
<code>detail</code>	if 0 no details is printed during iterations, if 1 details are given.
<code>profile</code>	if profile is 1 then modified partial likelihood is used, profile=0 fits by simple estimating equation. The modified partial likelihood is recommended.
<code>sym</code>	to use symmetrized second derivative in the case of the estimating equation approach (profile=0). This may improve the numerical performance.

Details

The data for a subject is presented as multiple rows or “observations”, each of which applies to an interval of observation (start, stop]. The program essentially assumes no ties, and if such are present a little random noise is added to break the ties.

Value

returns an object of type 'cox.aalen'. With the following arguments:

<code>cum</code>	cumulative time-varying regression coefficient estimates are computed within the estimation interval.
<code>var.cum</code>	the martingale based pointwise variance estimates.
<code>robvar.cum</code>	robust pointwise variances estimates.
<code>gamma</code>	estimate of proportional odds parameters of model.
<code>var.gamma</code>	variance for gamma.
<code>robvar.gamma</code>	robust variance for gamma.
<code>residuals</code>	list with residuals.
<code>obs.testBeq0</code>	observed absolute value of supremum of cumulative components scaled with the variance.
<code>pval.testBeq0</code>	p-value for covariate effects based on supremum test.
<code>sim.testBeq0</code>	resampled supremum values.
<code>obs.testBeqC</code>	observed absolute value of supremum of difference between observed cumulative process and estimate under null of constant effect.
<code>pval.testBeqC</code>	p-value based on resampling.

<code>sim.testBeqC</code>	resampled supremum values.
<code>obs.testBeqC.is</code>	observed integrated squared differences between observed cumulative and estimate under null of constant effect.
<code>pval.testBeqC.is</code>	p-value based on resampling.
<code>sim.testBeqC.is</code>	resampled supremum values.
<code>conf.band</code>	resampling based constant to construct robust 95% uniform confidence bands.
<code>test.procBeqC</code>	observed test-process of difference between observed cumulative process and estimate under null of constant effect over time.
<code>loglike</code>	modified partial likelihood, pseudo profile likelihood for regression parameters.
<code>D2linv</code>	inverse of the derivative of the score function.
<code>score</code>	value of score for final estimates.
<code>test.procProp</code>	observed score process for proportional odds regression effects.
<code>pval.Prop</code>	p-value based on resampling.
<code>sim.supProp</code>	re-sampled supremum values.
<code>sim.test.procProp</code>	list of 50 random realizations of test-processes for constant proportional odds under the model based on resampling.

Author(s)

Thomas Scheike

References

Martinussen and Scheike, Dynamic Regression Models for Survival Data, Springer (2006).

Examples

```
library(survival)
data(sTRACE)
# Fits Proportional odds model
out<-prop.odds(Surv(time,status==9)~age+diabetes+chf+vf+sex,
sTRACE,max.time=7,n.sim=500)
```

```
summary(out)

par(mfrow=c(2,3))
plot(out,sim.ci=2)
plot(out,score=1)
```

<code>summary.aalen</code>	<i>Prints summary statistics</i>
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Description

Computes p-values for test of significance for nonparametric terms of model, p-values for test of constant effects based on both supremum and integrated squared difference.

Returns parameter estimates and their standard errors.

Usage

```
summary.aalen(aalen.object,digits=3)
```

Arguments

`aalen.object` an aalen object.

`digits` number of digits in printouts.

Author(s)

Thomas Scheike

Examples

```
library(survival)
data(sTRACE)
# Fits Aalen model
out<-aalen(Surv(time,status==9)~age+sex+diabetes+chf+vf,
sTRACE,max.time=7,n.sim=500)

summary(out)
```

```
summary.cum.residuals
```

Prints summary statistics for goodness-of-fit tests based on cumulative residuals

Description

Computes p-values for extreme behaviour relative to the model of various cumulative residual processes.

Usage

```
summary.cum.residuals(cum.residuals.object,digits=3
```

Arguments

```
cum.resids.object
```

an cum.residuals object.

```
digits
```

number of digits in printouts.

Author(s)

Thomas Scheike

Examples

```
library(survival)
data(sTRACE)
# Fits Aalen model and returns residuals
out<-aalen(Surv(time,status==9)~age+sex+diabetes+chf+vf,
sTRACE,max.time=7,n.sim=0,residuals=1)

# constructs and simulates cumulative residuals versus age groups
# and versus covariates of model
out.mg<-cum.residuals(out,sTRACE,
modelmatrix=model.matrix(~-1+factor(cut(age,4)),sTRACE),cum.resid=1)

summary(out.mg)
```

```
timecox
```

Fit Cox model with partly time-varying effects.

Description

Fits proportional hazards model with some effects time-varying and some effects constant. Time dependent variables and counting process data (multiple events per subject) are possible.

Resampling is used for computing p-values for tests of time-varying effects.

The modeling formula uses the standard survival modeling given in the **survival package**.

Usage

```
timecox(formula=formula(data), data=sys.parent(),
start.time=0, max.time=0, id=NULL, clusters=NULL, n.sim=1000,
residuals=0, robust=1, Nit=20, bandwidth=0.5, method="basic",
weighted.test=0, degree=1, covariance=0)
```

Arguments

<code>formula</code>	a formula object with the response on the left of a '~' operator, and the independent terms on the right as regressors. The response must be a survival object as returned by the 'Surv' function.
<code>data</code>	a data.frame with the variables.
<code>start.time</code>	start of observation period where estimates are computed.
<code>max.time</code>	end of observation period where estimates are computed. Estimates thus computed from [start.time, max.time]
<code>robust</code>	to compute robust variances and construct processes for resampling. May be set to 0 to save memory.
<code>id</code>	For time-varying covariates the variable must associate each record with the id of a subject.
<code>clusters</code>	cluster variable for computation of robust variances.
<code>n.sim</code>	number of simulations in resampling.
<code>weighted.test</code>	to compute a variance weighted version of the test-processes used for testing time-varying effects.
<code>residuals</code>	to returns residuals that can be used for model validation in the function cum.residuals
<code>covariance</code>	to compute covariance estimates for nonparametric terms rather than just the variances.
<code>Nit</code>	number of iterations for score equations.
<code>bandwidth</code>	bandwidth for local iterations. Default is 50 % of the range of the considered observation period.
<code>method</code>	Method for estimation. This refers to different parametrizations of the baseline of the model. Options

are "basic" where the baseline is written as $\lambda_0(t) = \exp(\alpha_0(t))$ or the "breslow" version where the baseline is parametrised as $\lambda_0(t)$.

degree gives the degree of the local linear smoothing, that is local smoothing. Possible values are 1 or 2.

Details

The data for a subject is presented as multiple rows or "observations", each of which applies to an interval of observation (start, stop]. When counting process data with the `(start,stop]` notation is used the `'id'` variable is needed to identify the records for each subject. The program assumes that there are no ties, and if such are present random noise is added to break the ties.

Value

Returns an object of type "timecox". With the following arguments:

<code>cum</code>	cumulative time-varying regression coefficient estimates are computed within the estimation interval.
<code>var.cum</code>	the martingale based pointwise variance estimates.
<code>robvar.cum</code>	robust pointwise variances estimates.
<code>gamma</code>	estimate of parametric components of model.
<code>var.gamma</code>	variance for gamma.
<code>robvar.gamma</code>	robust variance for gamma.
<code>residuals</code>	list with residuals.
<code>obs.testBeq0</code>	observed absolute value of supremum of cumulative components scaled with the variance.
<code>pval.testBeq0</code>	p-value for covariate effects based on supremum test.
<code>sim.testBeq0</code>	resampled supremum values.
<code>obs.testBeqC</code>	observed absolute value of supremum of difference between observed cumulative process and estimate under null of constant effect.
<code>pval.testBeqC</code>	p-value based on resampling.
<code>sim.testBeqC</code>	resampled supremum values.
<code>obs.testBeqC.is</code>	observed integrated squared differences between observed cumulative and estimate under null of constant effect.
<code>pval.testBeqC.is</code>	p-value based on resampling.

`sim.testBeqC.is` resampled supremum values.

`conf.band` resampling based constant to construct robust 95% uniform confidence bands.

`test.procBeqC` observed test-process of difference between observed cumulative process and estimate under null of constant effect over time.

`sim.test.procBeqC` list of 50 random realizations of test-processes under null based on resampling.

`schoenfeld.residuals` Schoenfeld residuals are returned for "breslow" parametrization.

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Examples

```
library(survival)
data(sTRACE)
# Fits time-varying Cox model
out<-timecox(Surv(time/365,status==9)~age+sex+diabetes+chf+vf,
sTRACE,max.time=7,n.sim=500)

summary(out)
par(mfrow=c(2,3))
plot(out)
par(mfrow=c(2,3))
plot(out,score=TRUE)

# Fits semi-parametric time-varying Cox model
out<-timecox(Surv(time/365,status==9)~const(age)+const(sex)+
const(diabetes)+chf+vf,sTRACE,max.time=7,n.sim=500)

summary(out)
par(mfrow=c(2,3))
plot(out)
```

TRACE	<i>The TRACE study group of myocardial infarction</i>
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Description

The TRACE data frame contains 1877 patients and is a subset of a data set consisting of approximately 6000 patients. It contains data relating survival of patients after myocardial infarction to various risk factors.

sTRACE is a subsample consisting of 300 patients.

tTRACE is a subsample consisting of 1000 patients.

Format

This data frame contains the following columns:

id a numeric vector. Patient code.

status a numeric vector code. Survival status. 9: dead from myocardial infarction, 0: alive, 7: dead from other causes.

time a numeric vector. Survival time in years.

chf a numeric vector code. Clinical heart pump failure, 1: present, 0: absent.

diabetes a numeric vector code. Diabetes, 1: present, 0: absent.

vf a numeric vector code. Ventricular fibrillation, 1: present, 0: absent.

wmi a numeric vector. Measure of heart pumping effect based on ultrasound measurements where 2 is normal and 0 is worst.

sex a numeric vector code. 1: female, 0: male.

age a numeric vector code. Age of patient.

Source

The TRACE study group.

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Examples

```
data(TRACE)
names(TRACE)
```

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