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calc_ipcw_pos

Compute inverse probability of censoring weights pseudo observations

Description

Compute inverse probability of censoring weights pseudo observations

```
calc_ipcw_pos(mr, time, causen, type, ipcw.method, Gi)
```

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Arguments

mr Model response object returned by Surv

time Max time

causen Cause of interest (numeric)

type Outcome type, "cuminc", "survival", or "rmean"

ipcw.method "binder" or "hajek"

Gi vector of estimated censoring probabilities

Description

Censoring model must take the same named arguments as the predefined modules (though they do not all have to be used), and return a vector of pseudo observations.

Usage

```
check_mod_cens(model.censoring)
```

Arguments

model.censoring

censoring model specification as character or function

colon *Chemotherapy for Stage B/C colon cancer*

Description

These are data from one of the first successful trials of adjuvant chemotherapy for colon cancer. Levamisole is a low-toxicity compound previously used to treat worm infestations in animals; 5-FU is a moderately toxic (as these things go) chemotherapy agent. There are only one record per patient for the death outcome (or censoring). This is redistributed from the survival package, with a small modification to include only the death outcome.

Usage

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Format

```
A data frame with 929 rows and 17 variables:
id id
study 1 for all patients
rx Treatment - Obs(ervation), Lev(amisole), Lev(amisole)+5-FU
sex 1=male
age in years
obstruct obstruction of colon by tumour
perfor perforation of colon
adhere adherence to nearby organs
nodes number of lymph nodes with detectable cancer
time days until death or censoring
status censoring status
differ differentiation of tumour (1=well, 2=moderate, 3=poor)
extent Extent of local spread (1=submucosa, 2=muscle, 3=serosa, 4=contiguous structures)
surg time from surgery to registration (0=short, 1=long)
node4 more than 4 positive lymph nodes
etype event type: 1=recurrence,2=death
event event indicator: censored, death
```

See Also

colon

confint.pseudoglm

Confidence Intervals for pseudoglm Model Parameters

Description

Computes Wald confidence intervals for one or more parameters in a fitted model. Users can specify the type of variance estimate used, with the default being the robust sandwich variance estimator.

```
## S3 method for class 'pseudoglm'
confint(object, parm, level = 0.95, type = "robust", ...)
```

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Arguments

object	A fitted model object from cumincglm or rmeanglm
parm	a specification of which parameters are to be given confidence intervals, either a vector of numbers or a vector of names. If missing, all parameters are considered.
level	the confidence level required.
type	The type of variance estimate to use, see vcov.pseudoglm
	Not used

Value

A matrix (or vector) with columns giving lower and upper confidence limits for each parameter. These will be labelled as (1-level)/2 and 1 - (1-level)/2 in

Examples

cumincglm

Generalized linear models for cumulative incidence

Description

Using pseudo observations for the cumulative incidence, this function then runs a generalized linear model and estimates the parameters representing contrasts in the cumulative incidence at a particular set of times (specified by the time argument) across covariate values. The link function can be "identity" for estimating differences in the cumulative incidence, "log" for estimating ratios, and any of the other link functions supported by quasi.

```
cumincglm(
  formula,
  time,
  cause = 1,
  link = "identity",
  model.censoring = "independent",
  formula.censoring = NULL,
  ipcw.method = "binder",
  data,
  survival = FALSE,
  weights,
```

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```
subset,
na.action,
offset,
control = list(...),
model = FALSE,
x = TRUE,
y = TRUE,
singular.ok = TRUE,
contrasts = NULL,
...
)
```

Arguments

formula

A formula specifying the model. The left hand side must be a Surv object specifying a right censored survival or competing risks outcome. The status indicator, normally 0=alive, 1=dead. Other choices are TRUE/FALSE (TRUE = death) or 1/2 (2=death). For competing risks, the event variable will be a factor, whose first level is treated as censoring. The right hand side is the usual linear combination of covariates. If there are multiple time points, the special term "tve(.)" can be used to specify that the effect of the variable inside the parentheses will be time varying. In the output this will be represented as the interaction between the time points and the variable.

time

Numeric vector specifying the times at which the cumulative incidence or survival probability effect estimates are desired.

cause

Numeric or character constant specifying the cause indicator of interest.

link

Link function for the cumulative incidence regression model.

model.censoring

Type of model for the censoring distribution. Options are "stratified", which computes the pseudo-observations stratified on a set of categorical covariates, "aareg" for Aalen's additive hazards model, and "coxph" for Cox's proportional hazards model. With those options, we assume that the time to event and event indicator are conditionally independent of the censoring time, and that the censoring model is correctly specified. If "independent", we assume completely independent censoring, i.e., that the time to event and covariates are independent of the censoring time. the censoring time is independent of the covariates in the model. Can also be a custom function, see Details and the "Extending eventglm" vignette.

formula.censoring

A one sided formula (e.g., $\sim x1 + x2$) specifying the model for the censoring distribution. If NULL, uses the same mean model as for the outcome.

ipcw.method

Which method to use for calculation of inverse probability of censoring weighted pseudo observations. "binder" the default, uses the number of observations as the denominator, while the "hajek" method uses the sum of the weights as the denominator.

data

Data frame in which all variables of formula can be interpreted.

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survival	Set to TRUE to use survival (one minus the cumulative incidence) as the outcome. Not available for competing risks models.
weights	an optional vector of 'prior weights' to be used in the fitting process. Should be NULL or a numeric vector.
subset	an optional vector specifying a subset of observations to be used in the fitting process.
na.action	a function which indicates what should happen when the data contain NAs. The default is set by the na.action setting of options, and is na.fail if that is unset. The 'factory-fresh' default is na.omit. Another possible value is NULL, no action. Value na.exclude can be useful.
offset	this can be used to specify an a priori known component to be included in the linear predictor during fitting. This should be NULL or a numeric vector of length equal to the number of cases. One or more offset terms can be included in the formula instead or as well, and if more than one is specified their sum is used. See model.offset. If length(time) > 1, then any offset terms must appear in the formula.
control	a list of parameters for controlling the fitting process. This is passed to glm.control.
model	a logical value indicating whether model frame should be included as a component of the returned value.
Х	logical value indicating whether the model matrix used in the fitting process should be returned as components of the returned value.
У	logical value indicating whether the response vector (pseudo-observations) used in the fitting process should be returned as components of the returned value.
singular.ok	logical; if FALSE a singular fit is an error.
contrasts	an optional list. See the contrasts.arg of model.matrix.default.
	Other arguments passed to glm.fit

Details

The argument "model.censoring" determines how the pseudo observations are calculated. This can be the name of a function or the function itself, which must have arguments "formula", "time", "cause", "data", "type", "formula.censoring", and "ipcw.method". If it is the name of a function, this code will look for a function with the prefix "pseudo_" first, to avoid clashes with related methods such as coxph. The function then must return a vector of pseudo observations, one for each subject in data which are used in subsequent calculations. For examples of the implementation, see the "pseudo-modules.R" file, or the vignette "Extending eventglm".

Value

A pseudoglm object, with its own methods for print, summary, and vcov. It inherits from glm, so predict and other glm methods are supported.

```
cumincipcw <- cumincglm(Surv(etime, event) ~ age + sex,
    time = 200, cause = "pcm", link = "identity",</pre>
```

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eventglm

Regression Models for Event History Outcomes

Description

A user friendly, easy to understand way of doing event history regression for marginal estimands of interest, including the cumulative incidence and the restricted mean survival, using the pseudo observation framework for estimation. The interface uses the well known formulation of a generalized linear model and allows for features including plotting of residuals, the use of sampling weights, and corrected variance estimation.

References

Sachs MC, Gabriel EE (2022). "Event History Regression with Pseudo-Observations: Computational Approaches and an Implementation in R." Journal of Statistical Software, 102(9), 1-34. <doi:10.18637/jss.v102.i09>

get_pseudo_cuminc

Utility to get jackknife pseudo observations of cumulative incidence

Description

Utility to get jackknife pseudo observations of cumulative incidence

Usage

```
get_pseudo_cuminc(marginal.estimate, time, cause, mr)
```

Arguments

time

marginal.estimate

A survfit object with no covariates

Time at which to calculate the obs

cause which cause

mr Model response of the survival object

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Value

A vector of pseudo-observations

get_pseudo_rmean

Utility to get jackknife pseudo observations of restricted mean

Description

Utility to get jackknife pseudo observations of restricted mean

Usage

```
get_pseudo_rmean(marginal.estimate, time, cause, mr)
```

Arguments

marginal.estimate

A survfit object with no covariates

time Time at which to calculate the obs

cause which cause

mr Model response of the survival object

Value

A vector of pseudo-observations

```
jackknife.competing.risks2
```

Compute jackknife pseudo-observations of the cause-specific cumulative incidence for competing risks

Description

Compute jackknife pseudo-observations of the cause-specific cumulative incidence for competing risks

```
jackknife.competing.risks2(object, times, cause, mr)
```

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Arguments

object	A survfit object, with competing events
times	Times at which the cumulative incidence is computed, must be length 1
cause	Value indicating for which cause the cumulative incidence is to be computed, it must match one of the values available in object (see example)
mr	Model response, the result of a call to Surv, or a matrix with two columns: "time" (observed follow up time) and "status" $(0 = censored, 1,, k = event types)$

Value

A vector of jackknifed pseudo-observations of the cause-specific cumulative incidence at time times

Examples

```
sfit.cuminc <- survival::survfit(survival::Surv(etime, event) ~ 1, data = mgus2)
mrs <- with(mgus2, Surv(etime, event))
pseudo.obs <- jackknife.competing.risks2(sfit.cuminc, times = 200, cause = "pcm", mrs)
mean(pseudo.obs)
# agrees with
summary(sfit.cuminc, times = 200)</pre>
```

jackknife.survival2

Compute jackknife pseudo-observations of the survival function

Description

Compute jackknife pseudo-observations of the survival function

Usage

```
jackknife.survival2(object, times, mr)
```

Arguments

object A survfit object, with a single event (no competing risks)
times Times at which the survival is computed, must be length 1

mr Model response, the result of a call to Surv, or a matrix with two columns: "time"

(observed follow up time) and "status" (0 = censored, 1 = event)

Value

A vector of jackknifed estimates of survival at time times

Examples

```
sfit.surv <- survival::survfit(survival::Surv(time, status) ~ 1, data = colon)
mrs <- with(colon, Surv(time, status))
pseudo.obs <- jackknife.survival2(sfit.surv, times = 1000, mrs)
mean(pseudo.obs)
# agrees with
summary(sfit.surv, times = 1000)</pre>
```

leaveOneOut.competing.risks

Compute jackknife pseudo-observations of the cause-specific cumulative incidence for competing risks

Description

This version computes them for all times up to times, for the restricted mean lifetime lost

Usage

```
leaveOneOut.competing.risks(object, times, cause, mr)
```

Arguments

object	A survfit object, with competing events
times	Times at which the cumulative incidence is computed, must be length 1
cause	Value indicating for which cause the cumulative incidence is to be computed, it must match one of the values available in object (see example)
mr	Model response, the result of a call to Surv, or a matrix with two columns: "time" (observed follow up time) and "status" $(0 = \text{censored}, 1,, k = \text{event types})$

Value

A vector of jackknifed values of the cause-specific cumulative incidence at time times

```
sfit.cuminc <- survival::survfit(survival::Surv(etime, event) ~ 1, data = mgus2)
mrs <- with(mgus2, Surv(etime, event))
jackvals <- leaveOneOut.competing.risks(sfit.cuminc, times = 200, cause = "pcm", mrs)</pre>
```

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```
leaveOneOut.competing.risks2
```

Compute jackknife pseudo-observations of the cause-specific cumulative incidence for competing risks

Description

Compute jackknife pseudo-observations of the cause-specific cumulative incidence for competing risks

Usage

```
leaveOneOut.competing.risks2(object, times, cause, mr)
```

Arguments

object	A survfit object, with competing events
times	Times at which the cumulative incidence is computed, must be length 1
cause	Value indicating for which cause the cumulative incidence is to be computed, it must match one of the values available in object (see example)
mr	Model response, the result of a call to Surv, or a matrix with two columns: "time" (observed follow up time) and "status" $(0 = \text{censored}, 1,, k = \text{event types})$

Value

A vector of jackknifed values of the cause-specific cumulative incidence at time times

Examples

```
sfit.cuminc <- survival::survfit(survival::Surv(etime, event) ~ 1, data = mgus2)
mrs <- with(mgus2, Surv(etime, event))
jackvals <- leaveOneOut.competing.risks2(sfit.cuminc, times = 200, cause = "pcm", mrs)</pre>
```

leaveOneOut.survival

Compute leave one out jackknife contributions of the survival function

Description

For each subject, the survival function is recomputed leaving that subject out. This one does the calculation for all observed times, for calculation of the restricted mean

```
leaveOneOut.survival(object, times, mr)
```

leaveOneOut.survival2

Arguments

object A survfit object, with a single event (no competing risks)

times Compute values at observed times up to and including this time

mr Model response, the result of a call to Surv, or a matrix with two columns: "time"

(observed follow up time) and "status" (0 = censored, 1 = event)

Value

A vector of jackknifed values of survival at time times

Examples

```
sfit.surv <- survival::survfit(survival::Surv(time, status) ~ 1, data = colon)
mrs <- with(colon, Surv(time, status))
jackvals <- leaveOneOut.survival(sfit.surv, 1000, mrs)</pre>
```

leaveOneOut.survival2 Compute leave one out jackknife contributions of the survival function

Description

For each subject, the survival function is recomputed leaving that subject out. This is the workhorse for jackknife.survival2 and will generally not be called by the user.

Usage

```
leaveOneOut.survival2(object, times, mr)
```

Arguments

object A survfit object, with a single event (no competing risks)
times Times at which the survival is computed, must be length 1

mr Model response, the result of a call to Surv, or a matrix with two columns: "time"

(observed follow up time) and "status" (0 = censored, 1 = event)

Value

A vector of jackknifed values of survival at time times

```
sfit.surv <- survival::survfit(survival::Surv(time, status) ~ 1, data = colon)
mrs <- with(colon, Surv(time, status))
jackvals <- leaveOneOut.survival2(sfit.surv, times = 1000, mrs)</pre>
```

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Match cause specification against model response

Description

Match cause specification against model response

Usage

```
match_cause(mr, cause)
```

Arguments

mr	mode	l.respon	se a	s r	eturr	ied	by S	Surv	
		_	-	_		-	_		

cause Numeric or string indicating the cause of interest

mgus2

Monoclonal gammopathy data

Description

Natural history of 1341 sequential patients with monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance (MGUS). This is a superset of the mgus data, at a later point in the accrual process. This dataset is redistributed from the survival package with an added competing risks event indicator.

Usage

mgus2

Format

A data frame with 1384 observations on the following 10 variables.

```
id subject identifier
```

age age at diagnosis, in years

sex a factor with levels F M

dxyr year of diagnosis

hgb hemoglobin

creat creatinine

mspike size of the monoclonal serum spike

ptime time until progression to a plasma cell malignancy (PCM) or last contact, in months

pstat occurrence of PCM: 0=no, 1=yes

futime time until death or last contact, in months

death occurrence of death: 0=no, 1=yes

etime time until either death, pcm, or last contact

event factor indicating which event occurred first

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See Also

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print.pseudoglm

Print method for pseudoglm

Description

Print method for pseudoglm

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'pseudoglm'
print(x, digits = max(3L, getOption("digits") - 3L), ...)
```

Arguments

x A pseudoglm object, as returned by cumincglm or rmeanglmdigits Number of significant digits... Not used

Value

x, invisibly

pseudo_aareg

Compute censoring weighted pseudo observations

Description

Assuming that the censoring depends on covariates, the pseudo observations are calculated with the inverse probability of censoring weighted approach, where the censoring probabilities are estimated using Aalen's additive hazards model.

```
pseudo_aareg(
  formula,
  time,
  cause = 1,
  data,
  type = c("cuminc", "survival", "rmean"),
  formula.censoring = NULL,
  ipcw.method = NULL
)
```

pseudo_coxph

Arguments

formula A formula specifying the outcome model. The left hand side must be a Surv

object specifying a right censored survival or competing risks outcome. The status indicator, normally 0=alive, 1=dead. Other choices are TRUE/FALSE (TRUE = death) or 1/2 (2=death). For competing risks, the event variable will be a factor, whose first level is treated as censoring. The right hand side is the

usual linear combination of covariates.

time Numeric constant specifying the time at which the cumulative incidence or sur-

vival probability effect estimates are desired.

cause Numeric or character constant specifying the cause indicator of interest.

data Data frame in which all variables of formula can be interpreted.

type One of "survival", "cuminc", or "rmean"

formula.censoring

A right-sided formula specifying which variables to use in the model for the

censoring distribution.

ipcw.method Which method to use for calculation of inverse probability of censoring weighted

pseudo observations. "binder" the default, uses the number of observations as the denominator, while the "hajek" method uses the sum of the weights as the

denominator.

Value

A vector of pseudo observations

See Also

aareg

Examples

```
POi <- pseudo_aareg(Surv(time, status) ~ 1, 1500, cause = 1,
   data = colon, type = "rmean", formula.censoring = ~ sex + age,
   ipcw.method = "binder")
mean(POi)</pre>
```

pseudo_coxph

Compute censoring weighted pseudo observations

Description

Assuming that the censoring depends on covariates, the pseudo observations are calculated with the inverse probability of censoring weighted approach, where the censoring probabilities are estimated using Cox's proportional hazards model.

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Usage

```
pseudo_coxph(
  formula,
  time,
  cause = 1,
  data,
  type = c("cuminc", "survival", "rmean"),
  formula.censoring = NULL,
  ipcw.method = NULL
)
```

Arguments

formula A formula specifying the outcome model. The left hand side must be a Surv

object specifying a right censored survival or competing risks outcome. The status indicator, normally 0=alive, 1=dead. Other choices are TRUE/FALSE (TRUE = death) or 1/2 (2=death). For competing risks, the event variable will be a factor, whose first level is treated as censoring. The right hand side is the

usual linear combination of covariates.

time Numeric constant specifying the time at which the cumulative incidence or sur-

vival probability effect estimates are desired.

cause Numeric or character constant specifying the cause indicator of interest.

data Data frame in which all variables of formula can be interpreted.

type One of "survival", "cuminc", or "rmean"

formula.censoring

A right-sided formula specifying which variables to use in the model for the

censoring distribution.

ipcw.method Which method to use for calculation of inverse probability of censoring weighted

pseudo observations. "binder" the default, uses the number of observations as the denominator, while the "hajek" method uses the sum of the weights as the

denominator.

Value

A vector of pseudo observations

See Also

coxph

```
POi <- pseudo_coxph(Surv(time, status) ~ 1, 1500, cause = 1,
   data = colon, type = "survival", formula.censoring = ~ sex + age,
   ipcw.method = "hajek")
mean(POi)</pre>
```

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pseudo_independent

Compute pseudo observations under independent censoring

Description

Assuming completely independent censoring, i.e., censoring does not depend on the survival time nor any covariates in the model, the pseudo observations are calculated with the standard jackknife approach

Usage

```
pseudo_independent(
  formula,
  time,
  cause = 1,
  data,
  type = c("cuminc", "survival", "rmean"),
  formula.censoring = NULL,
  ipcw.method = NULL
)
```

Arguments

formula	A formula specifying the model. The left hand side must be a Surv object specifying a right censored survival or competing risks outcome. The status indicator, normally 0=alive, 1=dead. Other choices are TRUE/FALSE (TRUE = death) or 1/2 (2=death). For competing risks, the event variable will be a factor, whose first level is treated as censoring. The right hand side is the usual linear combination of covariates.
time	Numeric constant specifying the time at which the cumulative incidence or survival probability effect estimates are desired.
cause	Numeric or character constant specifying the cause indicator of interest.
data	Data frame in which all variables of formula can be interpreted.
type	One of "survival", "cuminc", or "rmean"
formula.censor	ing
	Not used with this method, see pseudo_stratified, pseudo_aareg or pseudo_coxph
ipcw.method	Not used with this method

Value

A vector of jackknife pseudo observations

```
P0i <- pseudo_independent(Surv(time, status) ~ 1, 1500, cause = 1, data = colon, type = "survival") mean(P0i)
```

pseudo_rmst2

pseudo_rmst2	Compute pseudo-observations for the restricted mean survival

Description

Compute pseudo-observations for the restricted mean survival

Usage

```
pseudo_rmst2(sfit, jacks, times, tmax, type = "cuminc")
```

Arguments

sfit	A survfit object
jacks	A matrix of leave-one-out jackknife values, subjects in the rows, times in the columns
times	Times at which the survival is calculated
tmax	Max time
type	"cuminc" or "survival"

Value

A vector of pseudo observations for the restricted mean or lifetime lost

pseudo_stratified Compute pseudo observations using stratified jackknife

Description

Assuming that the censoring depends on covariates with a finite set of levels, the pseudo observations are calculated with the jackknife approach stratified on those covariates.

```
pseudo_stratified(
  formula,
  time,
  cause = 1,
  data,
  type = c("cuminc", "survival", "rmean"),
  formula.censoring = NULL,
  ipcw.method = NULL
)
```

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Arguments

formula A formula specifying the model. The left hand side must be a Surv object speci-

fying a right censored survival or competing risks outcome. The status indicator, normally 0=alive, 1=dead. Other choices are TRUE/FALSE (TRUE = death) or 1/2 (2=death). For competing risks, the event variable will be a factor, whose first level is treated as censoring. The right hand side is the usual linear combi-

nation of covariates.

time Numeric constant specifying the time at which the cumulative incidence or sur-

vival probability effect estimates are desired.

cause Numeric or character constant specifying the cause indicator of interest.

data Data frame in which all variables of formula can be interpreted.

type One of "survival", "cuminc", or "rmean"

formula.censoring

A right-sided formula specifying which variables to stratify on. All variables in

this formula must be categorical.

ipcw.method Not used with this method

Value

A vector of jackknife pseudo observations

Examples

```
POi <- pseudo_stratified(Surv(time, status) ~ 1, 1500, cause = 1, data = colon, formula.censoring = ~ sex, type = "rmean")
mean(POi)
```

residuals.pseudoglm

Pseudo-observation scaled residuals

Description

Computes residuals according to the recommendations of Pohar-Perme and Andersen (2009) <doi: 10.1002/sim.3401>.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'pseudoglm'
residuals(object, type = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

object A pseudoglm object, as returned by cumincglm or rmeanglm

type Either "scaled" (the default for cumulative incidence outcomes) or one of the

types available in residuals.glm for restricted mean outcomes, with the default

being "deviance".

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Details

The scaled residuals are computed as

$$\hat{\epsilon}_i = \frac{\hat{E}(V_i) - \hat{Y}_i}{\sqrt{\hat{Y}_i(1 - \hat{Y}_i)}}$$

When the outcome is the cumulative incidence, the denominator corresponds to an estimate of the standard error of the conditional estimate of the outcome in the absence of censoring. For the restricted mean, no such rescaling is done and the computation is passed off to residuals.glm.

Value

A numeric vector of residuals

References

Perme MP, Andersen PK. Checking hazard regression models using pseudo-observations. Stat Med. 2008;27(25):5309-5328. <doi:10.1002/sim.3401>

rmeanglm

Generalized linear models for the restricted mean survival

Description

Using pseudo observations for the restricted mean, or the restricted mean lifetime lost in the competing risks case, this function then runs a generalized linear model to estimate associations of the restricted mean/lifetime lost up to a particular time (specified by the time argument) with covariates. The link function can be "identity" for estimating differences in the restricted mean, "log" for estimating ratios, and any of the other link functions supported by quasi.

```
rmeanglm(
  formula,
  time,
  cause = 1,
  link = "identity",
  model.censoring = "independent",
  formula.censoring = NULL,
  ipcw.method = "binder",
  data,
  weights,
  subset,
  na.action,
  offset,
  control = list(...),
  model = FALSE,
```

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```
x = TRUE,
y = TRUE,
singular.ok = TRUE,
contrasts = NULL,
...
)
```

Arguments

formula

A formula specifying the model. The left hand side must be a Surv object specifying a right censored survival or competing risks outcome. The status indicator, normally 0=alive, 1=dead. Other choices are TRUE/FALSE (TRUE = death) or 1/2 (2=death). For competing risks, the event variable will be a factor, whose first level is treated as censoring. The right hand side is the usual linear combination of covariates.

time

Numeric constant specifying the time up to which the restricted mean effect estimates are desired.

cause

Numeric or character constant specifying the cause indicator of interest.

link

Link function for the restricted mean regression model.

model.censoring

Type of model for the censoring distribution. Options are "stratified", which computes the pseudo-observations stratified on a set of categorical covariates, "aareg" for Aalen's additive hazards model, and "coxph" for Cox's proportional hazards model. With those options, we assume that the time to event and event indicator are conditionally independent of the censoring time, and that the censoring model is correctly specified. If "independent", we assume completely independent censoring, i.e., that the time to event and covariates are independent of the censoring time. the censoring time is independent of the covariates in the model. Can also be a custom function, see Details and the "Extending eventglm" vignette.

formula.censoring

A one sided formula (e.g., $\sim x1 + x2$) specifying the model for the censoring distribution. If NULL, uses the same mean model as for the outcome.

ipcw.method

Which method to use for calculation of inverse probability of censoring weighted pseudo observations. "binder" the default, uses the number of observations as the denominator, while the "hajek" method uses the sum of the weights as the denominator.

data

Data frame in which all variables of formula can be interpreted.

weights

an optional vector of 'prior weights' to be used in the fitting process. Should be NULL or a numeric vector.

subset

an optional vector specifying a subset of observations to be used in the fitting

na.action

a function which indicates what should happen when the data contain NAs. The default is set by the na.action setting of options, and is na.fail if that is unset. The 'factory-fresh' default is na.omit. Another possible value is NULL, no action. Value na.exclude can be useful.

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offset	this can be used to specify an a priori known component to be included in the linear predictor during fitting. This should be NULL or a numeric vector of length equal to the number of cases. One or more offset terms can be included in the formula instead or as well, and if more than one is specified their sum is used. See model.offset.
control	a list of parameters for controlling the fitting process. This is passed to ${\sf glm.control}$.
model	a logical value indicating whether model frame should be included as a component of the returned value.
X	logical value indicating whether the model matrix used in the fitting process should be returned as components of the returned value.
У	logical value indicating whether the response vector (pseudo-observations) used in the fitting process should be returned as components of the returned value.
singular.ok	logical; if FALSE a singular fit is an error.
contrasts	an optional list. See the contrasts.arg of model.matrix.default.
	Other arguments passed to glm.fit

Details

The argument "model.censoring" determines how the pseudo observations are calculated. This can be the name of a function or the function itself, which must have arguments "formula", "time", "cause", "data", "type", "formula.censoring", and "ipcw.method". If it is the name of a function, this code will look for a function with the prefix "pseudo_" first, to avoid clashes with related methods such as coxph. The function then must return a vector of pseudo observations, one for each subject in data which are used in subsequent calculations. For examples of the implementation, see the "pseudo-modules.R" file, or the vignette "Extending eventglm".

Value

A pseudoglm object, with its own methods for print, summary, and vcov. It inherits from glm, so predict and other glm methods are supported.

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summary.pseudoglm

Summary method

Description

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Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'pseudoglm'
summary(
   object,
   correlation = FALSE,
   symbolic.cor = FALSE,
   type = "robust",
   ...
)
```

Arguments

object A pseudoglm object, as returned by cumincglm or rmeanglm

correlation logical; if TRUE, the correlation matrix of the estimated parameters is returned

and printed.

symbolic.cor logical; If TRUE, print the correlations in a symbolic form rather than as num-

bers.

type The method to use for variance estimation; one of "corrected", "robust", "naive",

or "cluster"

... Not used

Value

An object of class summary.glm

vcov.pseudoglm

Compute covariance matrix of regression coefficient estimates

Description

Compute covariance matrix of regression coefficient estimates

```
## S3 method for class 'pseudoglm'
vcov(object, type = "robust", ...)
```

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Arguments

object A pseudoglm object, as returned by cumincglm or rmeanglm.

The method to use for variance estimation; one of "corrected", "robust", "naive",

or "cluster"

... Not used

Details

The "corrected" variance estimate for the cumulative incidence is as described in Overgaard et al. (2017) <doi:10.1214/16-AOS1516>, with code adapted from Overgaard's Stata program. This method does not handle ties and only has marginal benefits in reasonable sample sizes. The default is "robust" which uses the sandwich estimator vcovHC as implemented in the sandwich package. "cluster" is another option if you have clustered observations that uses the vcovCL function in sandwich. Finally "naive" uses the same method as glm to compute the variance, and is known to be anti-conservative. The bootstrap is another recommended option that can be implemented using other tools; there is an example in the vignette.

Value

A numeric matrix containing the variance-covariance estimates

References

Overgaard, Morten; Parner, Erik Thorlund; Pedersen, Jan. Asymptotic theory of generalized estimating equations based on jack-knife pseudo-observations. Ann. Statist. 45 (2017), no. 5, 1988–2015. <doi:10.1214/16-AOS1516>.

See Also

vcovHC, vcovCL

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