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Description Implements the routines to compare the survival curves with recurrent events, including the estimations of survival curves. The first model is a model for recurrent event, when the data are correlated or not correlated. It was proposed by Wang and Chang (1999) <doi:10.2307/2669690>. In the independent case, the survival function can be estimated by the generalization of the limit product model of Pena (2001) <doi:10.1198/016214501753381922>.

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newTestSurvRec-package
package newTestSurvRec

Description

package newTestSurvRec

Details

Recurrent events are common in many areas: *psychology, engineering, medicine, physics, astronomy, biology, economics* and *so on*. Such events are very common in the real world: *viral diseases, carcinogenic tumors, machinery and equipment failures, births, murders, rain, industrial accidents, car accidents* and *so on*. The availability of computerized tools for the analysis is indispensable. The survival analysis is a branch of statistics that allows us to model the time until the occurrence of an events. In general, the objectives of analysis are: the modeling of the survival function to estimate the risk or benefit of the occurrence of an event, the probability occurrence of this event and comparing population groups. The development of tools for the statistical analysis of recurrent event is relatively recent and are not fully known. The purpose of this package is to present statistical tests for the analysis of recurrent event data. **Martinez et al. (2009)** published a statistical test to compare survival curves of two groups with recurrent events. The hypothesis of the problem is:

$$H_o : S_1(t) = S_2(t)$$

$$H_1 : S_1(t) \neq S_2(t)$$

Where, $S_1(t)$ and $S_2(t)$ are the survival curves of the both group. The statistic of test is,

$$Z = \frac{\sum_{t \leq z} w_z [\Delta N(s, z; r) - E \{ \Delta N(s, z; r) \}]}{\sqrt{\sum_{t \leq z} w_z^2 Var \{ \Delta N(s, z; r) \}}}$$

The statistic Z has a normal asymptotic behavior. Its square has a chi-square approximate behavior with a degree of freedom. So,

$$\Delta N(s, z; 1) = N(s, z + \Delta z; 1) - N(s, z; 1)$$

Now, Δz is approaches to zero and as $\Delta N(s, z; 1)$ has a hyper-geometric behavior and expected value is equal to

$$Y(s, z; 1)\Delta N(s, z)/Y(s, z)$$

and variance equal to,

$$Var [\Delta N(s, z; 1)] = \frac{Y(s, z) - Y(s, z; 1)}{Y(s, z) - 1} Y(s, z; 1) \frac{\Delta N(s, z)}{Y(s, z)} \left[1 - \frac{\Delta N(s, z)}{Y(s, z)} \right]$$

This author proposed various types of weights (w_z),

$$w_z = [S(z)]^\gamma [1 - S(z)]^\eta \frac{[Y(s, z)]^\alpha}{[Y(s, z) + 1]^\beta}$$

The appropriate selection of weights depends on the behavior of the curves. With the selection of the values of the parameters (α , β , γ and η), on the proposal, is possible adjust its behavior. With the proposal, we are able of make studies on survival analysis with recurrent events and generate tests for analysis others, including the classical tests type: **logrank**, **Gehan**, **Peto-Peto**, **Fleming-Harrington** and so on. Note that, if all parameters are zero, $w_z = 1$, its generates the test type logrank for recurrent events. If, $\alpha = 1$ and the other parameters are zero $w_z = Y(s, z)$, its generates the test type **Gehan**. If, $\gamma = 1$ and the other parameters are zero $w_z = S(z)$, its generate the test of **Peto-Peto**. If, $\gamma = 1$ and $\eta = 1$ and the rest of the parameters are zero, its generate **Fleming-Harrington** test. On the other hand, if you analyze the test statistical of comparison for recurrent events, it depends on the counting processes \mathbf{N} and \mathbf{Y} , which are doubles indexed. The index S measures calendar time and Z index measures the gap times. So, if the observation time tends to infinity and unity event study can only occur once in each unit and the statistical comparison becomes the weighted classical statistical comparison of groups of the survival analysis. We can conclude that test proposed by **Martinez et al.(2009)** are useful on diverse fields of research, such as: *medicine, public health, insurance, social science, reliability and others.*

Note

This package have some functions that them were originally performed by the survrec package, which solved the adjustment problem of the PSH and WC estimators using Fortran routines. With the permission of the author, Dr. Juan R. Gonzalez, the algorithm of base was taken, modified, the algorithm, WC estimator was reprogrammed and adapted to the needs of the newTestSurvRec package and thus avoid dependence. Thanks to Dr. Gonzalez

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References

Martinez C., Ramirez, G., Vasquez M. (2009). Pruebas no parametricas para comparar curvas de supervivencia de dos grupos que experimentan eventos recurrentes. Propuestas. *Revista Ingenieria*

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See Also

Dif.Surv.Rec, Plot.Event, Rec,Plot.Surv. Rec, Print.Summary, Plot.Cusum.Events

Examples

```
##library(newTestSurvRec)
getOption("defaultPackages")
XL<-data(TBCplapyr)
XL
Plot.Event.Rec(TBCplapyr)
Dif.Surv.Rec(TBCplapyr, 'all', 1, 1, 0, 0)
Print.Summary(TBCplapyr)
```

DataColonDukesABvsC *Re-hospitalization of patients with colorectal cancer*

Description

This data set contains the re-hospitalization times of patients diagnosed with stage AB and patients diagnosed with stage C.

Usage

```
data(DataColonDukesABvsC)
```

Format

A data frame with 655 observations on the following 10 variables.

This data.frame contains the following columns

j Observation number

Iden identification of each subject. Repeated for each recurrence

id identification of each subject. Repeated for each recurrence

Tinicio Initial time of observation just before each recurrence

time re-hospitalization o censoring gaptime

Tcal re-hospitalization o censoring calendar time

event censoring status. All event are 1 for each subject excepting last one that it is 0

chemoter Did patient receive chemotherapy? 1: No or 2:Yes

dukes Dukes tumor stage: 1:A-B or 2:C

distance distance from living place to hospital 1:<=30 Km. or 2:>30 Km.

Details

The patients included in the study have been operated between January 1996 and December 1998. For each patient, we have considered this date as the beginning of the observational period. All patients were followed until June 2002. Consequently, the length of the monitoring period can differ for each patient, depending on its surgery date. The first inter occurrence time has been considered as the time between the surgical intervention and the first hospitalization related to cancer. Four hundred and three patients with colon and rectum cancer have been included in the study. Information about their sex (male or female), age (60, 60-74 or 75), and tumor stage using Dukes classification (A-B, C, or D) have been recorded. The following inter- occurrence times have been considered as the difference between the last hospitalization and the current one. Only re-admissions related to cancer have been considered.

Source

This data were obtained from **Gonzalez, J.R. et al. (2009)**

References

Martinez C., Ramirez, G., Vasquez M. (2009). Pruebas no parametricas para comparar curvas de supervivencia de dos grupos que experimentan eventos recurrentes. Propuestas. *Revista Ingenieria U.C.*, Vol 16, 3, 45-55.// **Martinez, C. (2009)**. Generalizacion de algunas pruebas clasicas de comparacion de curvas de supervivencia al caso de eventos de naturaleza recurrente. Tesis doctoral. *Universidad Central de Venezuela (UCV)*. Caracas-Venezuela.//**Gonzalez, J.R., Fernandez, E., Moreno, V. et al.** Gender differences in hospital readmission among colorectal cancer patients. Currently submitted to J.C.O.

Examples

```
data(DataColonDukesABvsC)
```

DataColonDukesABvsD *Re-hospitalization of patients with colorectal cancer*

Description

This data contains re-hospitalization times of patients diagnosed with stage AB and patients diagnosed with stage D.

Usage

```
data(DataColonDukesABvsD)
```

Format

A data frame with 527 observations on the following 10 variables

This data.frame contains the following columns:

j Observation number

Iden Observation of each subject. Repeated for each recurrence

id Observation of each subject. Repeated for each recurrence

Tinicio Initial time of observation just before each recurrence

time re-hospitalization o censoring gaptime

Tcal re-hospitalization o censoring calendar time

event censoring status. All event are 1 for each subject excepting last one that it is 0

chemoter Did patient receive chemotherapy? 1: No or 2:Yes

dukes Dukes tumoral stage: 1:A-B or 3:D

distance distance from living place to hospital 1:<=30 Km. or 2:>30 Km.

Details

See details on DataColonDukesABvs

Source

This data were obtained from **Gonzalez, J. R. et al. (2009)**

References

Martinez, C. (2009). Generalizacion de algunas pruebas classicas de comparacion de curvas de supervivencia al caso de eventos de naturaleza recurrente. Tesis doctoral. *Universidad Central de Venezuela (UCV)*. Caracas-Venezuela.// **Gonzalez, J.R., Fernandez, E., Moreno, V. et al.** Gender differences in hospital readmission among colorectal cancer patients. Currently submitted to J.C.O.

Examples

```
data(DataColonDukesABvsD)
XL<-data(DataColonDukesABvsD)
print(XL)
```

DataColonDukesCvsD *Rehospitalization of patients with colorectal cancer*

Description

This data contains the re-hospitalization times of patients diagnosed with stage C and patients diagnosed with stage D

Usage

```
data(DataColonDukesCvsD)
```

Format

A data frame with 537 observations on the following 10 variables

This data.frame contains the following columns

j Observation number

Iden identification of each subject. Repeated for each recurrence

id identification of each subject. Repeated for each recurrence

Tinicio Initial time of observation just before each recurrence

time re-hospitalization o censoring gaptime

Tcal re-hospitalization o censoring calendar time

event censoring status. All event are 1 for each subject excepting last one that it is 0

chemoter Did patient receive chemotherapy? 1: No or 2:Yes

dukes Dukes tumor stage: 2:C or 3:D

distance distance from living place to hospital 1:<=30 Km. or 2:>30 Km.

Details

See details on DataColonDukesABvs

Source

This data were obtained from **Gonzalez, J.R. et al. (2009)**

References

Martinez, C. (2009). Generalizacion de algunas pruebas clasicas de comparacion de curvas de supervivencia al caso de eventos de naturaleza recurrente. Tesis doctoral. *Universidad Central de Venezuela (UCV)*. Caracas-Venezuela.//**Gonzalez, J.R., Fernandez, E., Moreno, V. et al.** Gender differences in hospital re-admission among colorectal cancer patients. Currently submitted to J.C.O.

Examples

```
data(DataColonDukesCvsD)
XL<-data(DataColonDukesCvsD)
print(XL)
```

Dif.Surv.Rec	<i>This function computes statistical difference between two survival curves</i>
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Description

p-values of these tests are computed.

Usage

```
Dif.Surv.Rec(XX, type, alfa, beta, gamma, eta)
```

Arguments

XX	Object type recurrent events data
type	"LRrec", "Grec", "TWrec", "PPrec", "PMrec", "FHrec", "CMrec", "Mrec", "all"
alfa	The appropriate choice, see w_z . Defect value is equal zero
beta	The appropriate choice, see w_z . Defect value is equal zero
gamma	The appropriate choice, see w_z . Defect value is equal zero
eta	The appropriate choice, see w_z . Defect value is equal zero

Details

This function contains tests to compare survival curves with recurrent events. The curves are estimated using **Pena-Strawderman-Hollander** or **Wang-Chang** estimator. **GPLe or PSH model:** **Pena et al. (2001)** defined an estimator of the survival function to recurrent events or **Kaplan-Meier** estimator **GPLe**. They used two counting processes **N** and **Y**. The PSH estimator was defined as,

$$\hat{S}(z) = \prod_{t \leq z} \left[1 - \frac{\Delta N(s, z)}{Y(s, z)} \right]$$

The authors considered two time scales: one related to calendar time (S) and other related to inter occurrences time (T). So, the counting process **N(s, z)** represents the number of observed events in the calendar period $[0, s]$ with $t \leq z$ and **Y(s, z)** represents the number of observed events in the period $[0, s]$ with $t \geq z$. The product-limit estimator was developed by **Pena, Strawderman** and **Hollander**, called PSH. This estimator is useful when the inter occurrence times are assumed to represents IID sample from some underlying distribution F. The **GPLe** estimator is defined as: A fundamental assumption of this approach is that individuals have been previously and properly classified in groups according to a stratification variable denote by r . Thus, the estimator of the survival curve by each group is defined as,

$$\hat{S}_r(z) = \prod_{t \leq z} \left[1 - \frac{\Delta N(s, z; r)}{Y(s, z; r)} \right] \nabla r = 1, 2.$$

WC model: **Wang-Chang (1999)** proposed an estimator of the common marginal survivor function in the case where within-unit inter occurrences times are correlated. The correlation structure

considered by Wang and Chang (1999) is quite general and contains, the cases particular, both the i.i.d. and multiplicative frailty model as special cases. The WC estimator was defined using two new processes, d^* and R^* .

$$\hat{S}(t) = \prod_{T \leq t} \left[1 - \frac{d^*(T_k)}{R^*(T_k)} \right]$$

The authors try take into account in the definition of N and Y that an individual may have more than one event. In fact, this estimator has the same way as the GPLE estimator but using these two different processes. the index d^* represents the sum of the proportion of individuals of the inter occurrences times which are equal to t when there is at least one event. On the other hand, R^* represents an average of the individuals that are at risk time t , where for each individual the average is the number of failures or censored times at least equal to t . This average is done regarding the number of events that there are to each individual and in case K is 0 is divided by 1. For definition more formal see Martinez (2009) and Pena *et. al* (2001). The WC estimator of S eliminates the bias for the product-limit estimator developed by PSH (2001) when the inter occurrences times are correlated within units. However, when applied to i.i.d. inter occurrence times, this estimator is not expected to perform as well as the PSH estimator, especially with regard to efficiency.

Value

Dif.Surv.Rec(TBCplapyr,"all",0,0,0,0). Values returned

Nomb.Est	Chi.square	p.value
LRrec	0.3052411	0.5806152
Grec	1.4448446	0.2293570
TWrec	0.9551746	0.3284056
PPrec	1.1322772	0.2872901
PMrec	1.1430319	0.2850126
PPrrec	1.1834042	0.2766641
HFrec	0.3052411	0.5806152
CMrec	0.3052411	0.5806152
Mrec	1.5298763	0.2161310

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References

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See Also

Plot.Event.Rec, Plot.Surv.Rec, Print.Summary

Examples

```
data(TBCplapyr)
#Return the p-values of the all tests
Dif.Surv.Rec(TBCplapyr,"all",0,0,0,0)
#Return the p-value of the LRrec test
Dif.Surv.Rec(TBCplapyr)
#Return the p-value of the Grec test
Dif.Surv.Rec(TBCplapyr,"Grec")
#Return the p-values of the CMrec tests
#The CMrec test with this parameters generates LRrec test
Dif.Surv.Rec(TBCplapyr,"all",0,0,0,0)
#The CMrec test with this parameters generates Grec test
Dif.Surv.Rec(TBCplapyr,"all",0,0,1,0)
#The CMrec test with this parameters generates TWrec test
Dif.Surv.Rec(TBCplapyr,"all",0,0,0.5,0)
```

fit.Data.Survrecu *This function let to adjust the IDs the database*

Description

This function let to adjust the ID's the database in case that it is not have the order numeric correct. Observation: this function only let to adjust the id variable not sort the rest of the data.

Usage

```
fit.Data.Survrecu(x)
```

Arguments

x a database type dataframe

Value

Returns the correct numeric order for the dataframe

Note

The last id on each unit of the database to have be a censored data and the occurrences have that to precede to this last it.

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References

Martinez C., Ramirez, G., Vasquez M. (2009). Pruebas no parametricas para comparar curvas de supervivencia de dos grupos que experimentan eventos recurrentes. Propuestas. *Revista Ingenieria U.C.*, Vol 16, 3, 45-55. // **Pena E., Strawderman R., Hollander M. (2001).** Nonparametric Estimation with Recurrent Event Data. *J.A.S.A.* 96, 1299-1315

See Also

FitSurvRec, Survrecu, is.Survrecu

Examples

```
data(MMC.TestSurvRec)
ID<-fit.Data.Survrecu(Survrecu(MMC.TestSurvRec$id,MMC.TestSurvRec$time,
                               MMC.TestSurvRec$event))
ID
fit<-PSH.fit(Survrecu(ID,MMC.TestSurvRec$time,
                      MMC.TestSurvRec$event))
fit$time
fit$urv
plot(fit$time,fit$urv)

data(DataColonDukesABvsD)
XL<-data(DataColonDukesABvsD)
DataColonDukesABvsD$Iden
Y<-fit.Data.Survrecu(Survrecu(DataColonDukesABvsD$Iden,DataColonDukesABvsD$time,
                               DataColonDukesABvsD$event))
Y
fit<-WC.fit(Survrecu(Y,DataColonDukesABvsD$time,DataColonDukesABvsD$event))
fit$time
fit$urv
plot(fit$time,fit$urv)
print(data.frame(time=fit$time,n.event=fit$n.event,
                  Surv=fit$urvfunc,std.error=fit$std.error))
```

FitSurvRec

Compute a Survival Curve for Recurrent Event Data given a variable of group

Description

Computes an estimate of a survival curve for recurrent event data using either the *Pena, Strawderman and Hollander* or *Wang and Chang* estimators. It also computes the asymptotic standard errors. The resulting object of class Survrecu is plotted.

Usage

```
FitSurvRec(formula, data, type = "pena-strawderman-hollander", ...)
```

Arguments

formula	A formula object. If a formula object is supplied it must have a Survrecu object as the response on the left of the operator and a term on the right. For a single survival curve as part of the formula is required.
data	a data frame in which to interpret the variables named in the formula.
type	a character string specifying the type of survival curve. Possible values are "pena-strawderman-hollander" or "wang-chang". The default is "pena-strawderman-hollander".
...	additional arguments passed to the type of estimator.

Details

See the help details of PSH.fit or WC.fit depending on the type chosen

Value

A FitSurvRec object. Methods defined for FitSurvRec objects are provided for print, lines and plot.

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References

Martinez C., Ramirez, G., Vasquez M. (2009). Pruebas no paramétricas para comparar curvas de supervivencia de dos grupos que experimentan eventos recurrentes. Propuestas. *Revista Ingeniería U.C.*, Vol 16, 3, 45-55. // **Pena E., Strawderman R., Hollander M. (2001).** Nonparametric Estimation with Recurrent Event Data. *J.A.S.A.* 96, 1299-1315

See Also

is.Survrecu, Survrecu, PSH.fit, Plot.Event.Rec, Plot.Surv.Rec, Print.Summary

Examples

```
data(MMC.TestSurvRec)
# fit a PSH survival function and plot it
fitPSH<-FitSurvRec(Survrecu(id,time,event)~1,data=MMC.TestSurvRec)
plot(fitPSH$time,fitPSH$survfunc,type="s" ,ylim=c(0,1),
     xlim=c(0,max(fitPSH$time)))
title(main = list("Survival Curve with Recurrent Event Data",
                 cex = 0.8, font = 2.3, col = "dark blue"))
mtext("Research Group: AVANCE USE R!", cex = 0.7, font = 2,
      col = "dark blue", line = 1)
mtext("Software made by: Dr. Carlos Martinez", cex = 0.6, font = 2,
```

```

col = "dark red", line = 0)

fitWC<-FitSurvRec(Survrecu(id,time,event)~1,data=MMC.TestSurvRec,
                  type="wang-chang")
plot(fitWC$time,fitWC$survfunc,type="s" ,ylim=c(0,1),xlim=c(0,max(fitWC$time)))
title(main = list("Survival Curve with Recurrent Event Data",
                  cex = 0.8, font = 2.3, col = "dark blue"))
mtext("Research Group: AVANCE USE R!", cex = 0.7, font = 2,
      col = "dark blue", line = 1)
mtext("Software made by: Dr. Carlos Martinez", cex = 0.6, font = 2,
      col = "dark red", line = 0)

```

is.Survrecu	<i>This function verify if the formula type of survival recurrent is object type newTestSurvRec</i>
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Description

To verify if the create object type Survrecu is a formula model type newTestSurvRec

Usage

```
is.Survrecu(x)
```

Arguments

x	Object type formula of the class newTestSurvRec
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Value

False	if the object is not type formula
True	if the object is type formula

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References

Martinez, C. (2009). Generalizacion de algunas pruebas clasicas de comparacion de curvas de supervivencia al caso de eventos de naturaleza recurrente. Tesis doctoral. *Universidad Central de Venezuela (UCV)*. Caracas-Venezuela.// **Pena E., Strawderman R., Hollander, M. (2001)**. Non-parametric Estimation with Recurrent Event Data. *J.A.S.A.* 96, 1299-1315

See Also

FitSurvRec, Dif.Surv.Rec, Survrecu, FitSurvRec

Examples

```
data(MMC.TestSurvRec)
x<-Survrecu(MMC.TestSurvRec$id,MMC.TestSurvRec$time,MMC.TestSurvRec$event)~1
is.Survrecu(x)
```

MMC.TestSurvRec	<i>Migratory Motor Complex</i>
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Description

This contains the Migratory Motor Complex data

Usage

```
data(MMC.TestSurvRec)
```

Format

A data frame with 99 observations on the following 5 variables.

j Number of the observation on dataset

id ID of each subject. Repeated for each recurrence

time recurrence or censoring time

event censoring status. All events are 1 for each subject excepting last one that it is 0

group A factor with levels Females Males

Details

The data correspond to a study from the Section for Gastroenterology of Department of Internal Medicine, Ulleval University Hospital of Oslo.

Source

Husebye E, Skar V, Aalen O. and Osnes M (1990), Digestive Diseases and Sciences.

References

Husebye E, Skar V, Aalen O.O., Osnes M.(1990). Digital ambulatory manometry of the small intestine in healthy adults. Estimates of variation within and between individuals and statistical management of incomplete MMC periods. Digestive Diseases and Sciences.35:1057: 65.

Examples

```
data(MMC.TestSurvRec)
XL<-data(MMC.TestSurvRec)
print(XL)
Print.Summary(MMC.TestSurvRec)
## maybe str(MMC.TestSurvRec) ; plot(MMC.TestSurvRec) ...
```

 Plot.Cusum.Events *Plot data with recurrent events*

Description

This function plot data with recurrent events

Usage

```
Plot.Cusum.Events(yy, xy = 1, xf= 1, colevent = "blue", colcensor = "red",
                 ltyx = 1, lwdx = 1)
```

Arguments

yy	Data type recurrent events. Examples: TBCplapyr, TBCplathi or TBCpyrthi
xy	Initial unit to start the plotted
xf	Final unit of the plotted
colevent	It is color that identifies the event
colcensor	it is color that identifies the censor
ltyx	The line type. Line types can either be specified as an integer (0="blank", 1="solid" (default),2="dashed",3="dotted",4="dotdash", 5="longdash", 6="twodash") or as one of the character strings: "blank", "solid", "dashed","dotted", "dotdash"," longdash", or "twodash", where blank uses invisible lines (i.e., does not draw them)
lwdx	The line width, a positive number, defaulting to 1. The interpretation is device-specific, and some devices do not implement line widths less than one. (See the help on the device for details of the interpretation.)

Details

This function print and plot as max 5 units each intent.

Value

Print the data correspond to the selects units

Note

This graph is useful because it facilitates the processes of counting in the units

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References

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See Also

Plot.Data, Events, Plot. Surv.Rec

Examples

```
XL<-data(TBCplapyr)
#TBCplapyr
# See, the unit number 1 to 24
Plot.Cusum.Events(TBCplapyr,1,24,"green","red",2,1)
# See, the unit number 10 to 12
Plot.Cusum.Events(TBCplapyr,10,12,"pink","blue",1,3)
# See, the unit number 5 to 9
Plot.Cusum.Events(TBCplapyr,5,11,,2,3)
```

Plot.Data.Events *Plot data with recurrent events*

Description

This function plot data with recurrent events

Usage

```
Plot.Data.Events(yy, paciente, inicio, dias, censored, especiales,
                 colevent="red", colcensor="blue")
```

Arguments

yy	Data type recurrent events. Examples: TBCplapyr, TBCplathi or TBCpyrthi
paciente	Vector of number of units on the data base
inicio	Vector, its assumed that the units are observed from one time equal to zero.
dias	Vector of the periods of observations of the study untis
censored	vector of times of censorship for each unit
especiales	Three-column matrix containing the identification of the units of study in each observation, the times of occurrence of the event or censorship and type of event.
colevent	Color event identifier.
colcensor	Color censored data identifier.

Details

The plot shows the recurrence of the events on the time

Value

This function returned the pictorial representation of the set of recurrence events data

Note

We recommend users to use routines similar to the example.

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References

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See Also

Dif.Surv.Rec, Plot.Surv.Rec, Print.Summary

Examples

```
data(TBCplapyr)
XL<-data(TBCplapyr)
p<-ncol(TBCplapyr)
N<-nrow(TBCplapyr)
censor<-matrix(TBCplapyr$event)
especiales<-matrix(data=0,nrow(TBCplapyr),3)
especiales[,1]<-matrix(TBCplapyr$id)
especiales[,2]<-matrix(TBCplapyr$Tcal)
especiales[,3]<-matrix(TBCplapyr$event)
niveles<-levels(factor(especiales[,1]))
for(i in 1:N){
  for(j in 1:nrow(matrix(niveles))){
    if (as.character(especiales[i,1])==niveles[j]) especiales[i,1]<-j}}
StudyPeriod<-matrix(data=0,nrow(matrix(niveles)),1)
start<-matrix(data=0,nrow(matrix(niveles)),1)
k<-0
for(j in 1:N){if (TBCplapyr$event[j]==0){k<-k+1;StudyPeriod[k,1]<-TBCplapyr$Tcal[j]}}
units<-matrix(1:nrow(matrix(niveles)),nrow(matrix(niveles)),1)
Plot.Data.Events(TBCplapyr,units,start,StudyPeriod,censor,especiales,"black","blue")
Plot.Data.Events(TBCplapyr,units,start,StudyPeriod,censor,especiales,"red","black")
```

 Plot.Event.Rec

This function plots the occurrence of a event in two scales time

Description

Recurrent events are plotted. A plot is returned. The counting processes are a powerful tools in survival analysis. These process consider two scale time, a calendar time and a gap time. This idea originally provides from **Gill (1981)** and the concept was extended by **Pena et al. (2001)**.

Usage

```
Plot.Event.Rec(yy, xy, xf)
```

Arguments

yy	Object type recurrent events data. Example: TBCplapyr
xy	Identification of the unit to plotted. 'xy = 1' is defect value.
xf	Argument to plot the ocurrent events of the unit 'xf'. 'xf = 1' is defect value.

Value

Plot is returned. **Pena et al. (2001)** designed a special graphic, that allows to count the occurrence of events per unit time. Doubly-indexed processes illustration for an case. The graphic shows a case followed during 24.01 months. This patient presents four recurrences at months 7, 10, 16 and 24 from the beginning of study. This fact implies that interoccurrence. times are 7, 3, 6, 8 and the censored time correspond to 0.01 months. Let us assume that we are interested in computing the single processes, $N(t)$ and $Y(t)$ for a selected interoccurrence time $t = 5$. In this case $N(t = 5) = 1$ and $Y(t = 5) = 3$. For the calendar time scale, $s = 20$, we have $N(s = 20) = 3$ and $Y(s = 20) = 1$. Now, let us assume that we would like to know double-indexed processes for both selected interoccurrence and calendar times. Using both time scales we observe that $N_{14}(s = 20, t = 5) = 1$, $Y_{14}(s = 20, t = 5) = 2$ and $\Delta N_{14}(s = 20, t = 6) = 1$.

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References

Martinez, C. (2009). Generalizacion de algunas pruebas classicas de comparacion de curvas de supervivencia al caso de eventos de naturaleza recurrente. Tesis doctoral. *Universidad Central de Venezuela (UCV)*. Caracas-Venezuela.// **Pena E., Strawderman R., Hollander, M. (2001)**. Nonparametric Estimation with Recurrent Event Data. *J.A.S.A.* 96, 1299-1315.// **Gill, R. (1981)** Testing with replacement and the product-limit estimator. *Ann. Statist.*, 9, 853-860.

See Also

Dif.Surv.Rec, Plot.Data.Events

Examples

```
XL<-data(TBCplapyr)
# See, the unit number 14
Plot.Event.Rec(TBCplapyr,14,14)
# See, the unit number 5
Plot.Event.Rec(TBCplapyr,5,5)
```

Plot.Surv.Rec	<i>Plots of the survival function from an object with class newTest-SurvRec, using PHS or WC models</i>
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Description

The survival curves are plotted. Both curves are estimates using PSH or WC estimator. This package is available in language R. This important clearly, that the PHS estimator is of valid use when it assumed that the inter-occurrence times are IID. Its obvious that this assumption is restrictive in biomedical applications and its use is more valid on the field of engineering. For WC estimated not import if the data is correlated.

Usage

```
Plot.Surv.Rec(XX, ...)
```

Arguments

XX	Data type recurrent events. Example: TBCplapyr
...	Other objects

Value

The survival curves for both groups are plotted.

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References

Martinez C., Ramirez, G., Vasquez M. (2009). Pruebas no parametricas para comparar curvas de supervivencia de dos grupos que experimentan eventos recurrentes. Propuestas. *Revista Ingenieria U.C.*, Vol 16, 3, 45-55.// **Pena E., Strawderman R., Hollander M. (2001).** Nonparametric Estimation with Recurrent Event Data. *J.A.S.A.* 96, 1299-1315.

See Also

Plot.Event.Rec, Dif.Surv.Rec

Examples

```
XL<-data(TBCplapyr)
Plot.Surv.Rec(TBCplapyr)
```

Print.Summary	<i>Function to print summary of statistics tests to comparison of the survival curves of the groups with recurrent events</i>
---------------	---

Description

Returns matrices that contain the estimations of the survival curves for both groups. The estimations of survival curves of both groups are made using PSH estimator. The p.values of the tests are returned.

Usage

```
Print.Summary(XX,...)
```

Arguments

XX	Object type recurrent events data
...	other objects

Details

See Dif.Surv.Rec(XX,...)

Value

Put object type recurrent events data. #Print.Summary(TBCplapyr). #Values returned:

time	n.event	n.risk	Surv_G1	std.error
1	2	127	0.984	0.0110
2	9	124	0.913	0.0243
3	14	113	0.800	0.0340
4	9	98	0.726	0.0380
...
...
29	1	18	0.244	0.0422
31	1	13	0.225	0.0427
35	1	9	0.200	0.0439

time	n.event	n.risk	Surv_G2	std.error
1	3	84	0.964	0.0199
2	6	81	0.893	0.0327

3	12	73	0.746	0.0447
4	10	61	0.624	0.0494
...
...
15	1	17	0.283	0.0514
42	1	6	0.236	0.0582
44	1	5	0.189	0.0599

Group Median

Group	Median
Pooled Group	8
1er Group	9
2do Group	6

Nomb.Est	Chi.square	p.value
LRrec	0.3052411	0.5806152
GreC	1.4448446	0.2293570
TWrec	0.9551746	0.3284056
PPrec	1.1322772	0.2872901
PMrec	1.1430319	0.2850126
PPrec	1.1834042	0.2766641
HFrec	0.3052411	0.5806152
CMrec	0.3052411	0.5806152
Mrec	1.5298763	0.2161310

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References

Martinez, C. (2009). Generalizacion de algunas pruebas clasicas de comparacion de curvas de supervivencia al caso de eventos de naturaleza recurrente. Tesis doctoral. *Universidad Central de Venezuela (UCV)*. Caracas-Venezuela.

See Also

Dif.Surv.Rec, Plot.Surv.Rec

Examples

```
data(TBCplapyr)
Print.Summary(TBCplapyr)
```

PSH.fit	<i>Estimator of the survival curve using the estimator developed by Pena, Strawderman and Hollander</i>
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Description

Estimation of survival function for recurrence time data by means the generalized product limit estimator (PLE) method developed by Pena, Strawderman and Hollander. The resulting object of class Survrecu is plotted by plot, before it is returned.

Usage

```
PSH.fit(x, tvals)
```

Arguments

x	a survival recurrent event object
tvals	vector of times where the survival function can be estimated.

Details

The estimator computed by this object is the nonparametric estimator of the inter-event time survivor function under the assumption of a renewal or IID model. This generalizes the product-limit estimator to the situation where the event is recurrent. For details and the theory behind this estimator, please refer to Pena, Strawderman and Hollander (2001, JASA).

Value

Value returned

n	number of unit or subjects observed.
m	vector of number of recurrences in each subject (length n)
failed	vector of number of recurrences in each subject (length n*m). Vector ordered (e.g. times of first unit, times of second unit, ..., times of n-unit)
censored	vector of times of censorship for each subject (length n)
numdistinct	number of distinct failures times.
distinct	vector of distinct failures times.
AtRisk	matrix of number of persons-at-risk at each distinct time and for each subject
survfunc	vector of survival estimated in distinct times
tvals	copy of argument.

Note

This function was originally performed by the survrec package, which solved the adjustment problem of the PSH estimator using Fortran routines. With the permission of its author, the algorithm of the packet base was taken, modified, the algorithm of the PSH estimates was reprogrammed and adapted to the needs of the newTestSurvRec package and thus avoid dependence.

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Pena, E.A., Strawderman, R. and Hollander M. (2001). Nonparametric Estimation with Recurrent Event Data. *J. Amer. Statist. Assoc.* 96, 1299-1315.// **Pena E., Strawderman R., Hollander, M. (2001)**. Nonparametric Estimation with Recurrent Event Data. *J.A.S.A.* 96, 1299-1315.

See Also

WC.fit, Survrecu, Plot.Event.Rec, Plot.Surv.Rec, Print.Summary

Examples

```
data(MMC.TestSurvRec)
fitPSHa<-PSH.fit(Survrecu(MMC.TestSurvRec$id,MMC.TestSurvRec$time,
                        MMC.TestSurvRec$event))

fitPSHa$surv
fitPSHa$time
plot(fitPSHa$time,fitPSHa$survfunc,type="s" ,ylim=c(0,1),xlim=c(0,max(fitPSHa$time)))
  title(main = list("Survival Curve with Recurrent Event Data",
                    cex = 0.8, font = 2.3, col = "dark blue"))
mtext("Research Group: AVANCE USE R!", cex = 0.7, font = 2,
      col = "dark blue", line = 1)
mtext("Software made by: Dr. Carlos Martinez", cex = 0.6, font = 2,
      col = "dark red", line = 0)
```

Qsearch.Fractil

Calculate the survival time to a selected quantile

Description

Auxiliary function called from Dif.Surv.Rec function. Given a FitSurvRec object we obtain the quantile from a survival function using PHS o WC estimators.

Usage

```
Qsearch.Fractil(fr, qr = 0.5)
```

Arguments

fr	FitSurvRec object
qr	quantile. Default is 0.5

Value

Returns the time in a selected quantile

Author(s)

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References

Martinez C., Ramirez, G., Vasquez M. (2009). Pruebas no parametricas para comparar curvas de supervivencia de dos grupos que experimentan eventos recurrentes. Propuestas. *Revista Ingenieria U.C.*, Vol 16, 3, 45-55.// **Martinez, C. (2009)**. Generalizacion de algunas pruebas classicas de comparacion de curvas de supervivencia al caso de eventos de naturaleza recurrente. Tesis doctoral. *Universidad Central de Venezuela (UCV)*. Caracas-Venezuela.

See Also

FitSurvRe, Survrecu, is.Survrecu

Examples

```
XL<-data(MMC.TestSurvRec)
fit<-FitSurvRec(Survrecu(id,time,event)~1,data=MMC.TestSurvRec)
# 35th percentile from the survival function
Qsearch.Fractil(fit,q=0.35)
```

Survrecu

Create a Survival recurrent object type newTestSurvRec

Description

Create a survival recurrent object, usually used as a response variable in a model formula

Usage

```
Survrecu(id, time, event)
```

Arguments

id	Identifier of each subject. This value is the same for all recurrent times of each subject.
time	time of recurrence. For each subject the last time are censored.
event	The status indicator, 0=no recurrence 1=recurrence. Only these values are accepted.

Value

An object of class newTestSurvRec is returned. newTestSurvRec object is implemented as a matrix of 3 columns. No method for print. In the case of is.Survrecu, a logical value TRUE if x inherits from class Survrecu, otherwise an FALSE.

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References

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See Also

FitSurvRec, is.Survrecu

Examples

```
data(MMC.TestSurvRec)
Survrecu(MMC.TestSurvRec$id,MMC.TestSurvRec$time,MMC.TestSurvRec$event)~1
```

TBCplapyr

Data in patients with bladder cancer treated with placebo or pyridoxine

Description

This database corresponds to the time of recurrence of tumors in 78 patients with bladder cancer. Patients were randomly assigned to treatments: placebo (47 patients) and pyridoxine (31 patients). Data type data.frame with 222 observations on 8 variables.

Usage

```
data(TBCplapyr)
```

Format

A data frame with 222 observations on the following 9 variables.

j Observation number

id ID of each unit. Repeated for each recurrence

Tinicio Inicial time

time recurrence o censoring time. For each unit the last time is censored

Tca1 Time if observation for each unit

event censoring status. 1 = occurrence of the event in the unit and 0 right censored time

strata Number of strata

trt a factor with levels *Placebo* or *Pyridoxine*

group A factor with levels. Group identification

Details

Experiment **Byar(1980)**. The database Byar experiment is used and the time (months) of recurrence of tumors in 116 sick patients with superficial bladder cancer is measured. These patients were randomly allocated to the following treatments: placebo (47 patients), pyridoxine (31 patients) and thiotepa (38 patients).

Source

Andrews D. , Herzberg A., (1985). Data. A collections of problems from many fields for the student and reserach worker, Springer series in statistics, Springer-Verlag, USA

References

Martinez C., Ramirez, G., Vasquez M. (2009). Pruebas no parametricas para comparar curvas de supervivencia de dos grupos que experimentan eventos recurrentes. Propuestas. *Revista Ingenieria U.C.*, Vol 16, 3, 45-55.// **Martinez, C. (2009)**. Generalizacion de algunas pruebas classicas de comparacion de curvas de supervivencia al caso de eventos de naturaleza recurrente. Tesis doctoral. *Universidad Central de Venezuela (UCV)*. Caracas-Venezuela.// **Pena E., Strawderman R., Hol-lander M. (2001)**. Nonparametric Estimation with Recurrent Event Data. *J.A.S.A.* 96, 1299-1315.

Examples

```
XL<-data(TBCplapyr)
XL<-data(TBCplapyr)
print(XL)
Print.Summary(TBCplapyr)
```

TBCplathi

Data in patients with bladder cancer treated as placebo or thiotepa

Description

This database corresponds to the time of recurrence of tumors of 85 patients with bladder cancer. Patients were randomly assigned to treatments: placebo (47 patients) and thiotepa (38 patients). Data type data.frame with 217 observations on 8 variables.

Usage

```
data(TBCplathi)
```

Format

A data frame with 217 observations on the following 9 variables.

j Observation number
id ID of each unit. Repeated for each recurrence
Tinicio Inicial time

time recurrence o censoring time. For each unit the last time is censored
 Tcal Time if observation for each unit
 event censoring status. 1 = ocurrence of the event in the unit and 0 right censored time
 strata Number of strata
 trt a factor with levels *Placebo* or *Thiotepa*
 group A factor with levels. Group identifier

Details

Experiment **Byar (1980)**. The database Byar experiment is used and the time (months) of recurrence of tumors in 116 sick patients with superficial bladder cancer is measured. These patients were randomly allocated to the following treatments: placebo (47 patients), pyridoxine (31 patients) and thiotepa (38 patients).

Source

Andrews D., Herzberg A., (1985). Data. A collections of problems from many fields for the student and reserach worker, *Springer series in statistics, Springer-Verlag, USA*

References

Martinez C., Ramirez, G., Vasquez M. (2009). Pruebas no parametricas para comparar curvas de supervivencia de dos grupos que experimentan eventos recurrentes. Propuestas. *Revista Ingenieria U.C.*, Vol 16, 3, 45-55.// **Pena E., Strawderman R., Hollander M. (2001)**. Nonparametric Estimation with Recurrent Event Data. *J.A.S.A.* 96, 1299-1315.

Examples

```
data(TBCplathi)
XL<-data(TBCplathi)
print(XL)
Print.Summary(TBCplathi)
## maybe str(TBCplathi) ; plot(TBCplathi) ...
```

TBCpyrthi	<i>Data in patients with bladder cancers and treated with pyridoxine or thiotepa</i>
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Description

This database corresponds to the time of recurrence of tumors of 69 patients with bladder cancer. Patients were randomly assigned to treatments: pyridoxine (38 patients) and thiotepa (31 patients). Data type data.frame with 171 observations on 8 variables.

Usage

```
data(TBCpyrthi)
```

Format

A data frame with 171 observations on the following 9 variables.

j Observation number

id ID of each unit. Repeated for each recurrence

Tinicio Inicial time

time recurrence o censoring time. For each unit the last time is censored

Tcal Time if observation for each unit

event censoring status. 1 = ocurrence of the event in the unit and' 0 right censored time

strata Number of strata

trt a factor with levels *Pyridoxine* or *Thiotepa*

group A factor with levels. Group identifier

Details

Experiment **Byar (1980)**. The database Byar experiment is used and the time (months) of recurrence of tumors in 116 sick patients with superficial bladder cancer is measured. These patients were randomly allocated to the following treatments: placebo (47 patients), pyridoxine (31 patients) and thiotepa (38 patients).

Source

Andrews D., Herzberg A., (1985). Data. A collections of problems from many fields for the student and reserach worker, *Springer series in statistics, Springer-Verlag, USA*

References

Martinez C., Ramirez, G., Vasquez M. (2009). Pruebas no parametricas para comparar curvas de supervivencia de dos grupos que experimentan eventos recurrentes. Propuestas. *Revista Ingenieria U.C.*, Vol 16, 3, 45-55. // **Pena E., Strawderman R., Hollander M. (2001)**. Nonparametric Estimation with Recurrent Event Data. *J.A.S.A.* 96, 1299-1315.

Examples

```
data(TBCpyrthi)
XL<-data(TBCpyrthi)
print(XL)
Print.Summary(TBCpyrthi)
## maybe str(TBCpyrthi) ; plot(TBCpyrthi) ...
```

WC.fit	<i>Survival function estimator for recurrence time data using the estimator developed by Wang and Chang</i>
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Description

Estimation of survival function for correlated by the product limit estimator PLE method developed by Wang and Chang.

Usage

```
WC.fit(x, tvals)
```

Arguments

x	a survival recurrent event object
tvals	vector of times where the survival function can be estimated.

Details

Wang-Chang (1999) proposed an estimator of the common marginal survivor function in the case where within-unit inter-occurrence times are correlated. The correlation structure considered by Wang and Chang (1999) is quite general and contains, in particular, both the i.i.d. and multiplicative (hence gamma) frailty model as special cases. This estimator removes the bias noted for the product-limit estimator developed by Pena, Strawderman and Hollander (PSH, 2001) when inter-occurrence times are correlated within units. However, when applied to i.i.d. inter-occurrence times, this estimator is not expected to perform as well as the PSH estimator, especially with regard to efficiency.

Value

Value returned

n	number of unit or subjects observed.
m	vector of number of recurrences in each subject (length n)
failed	vector of number of recurrences in each subject (length n*m). Vector ordered (e.g. times of first unit, times of second unit, ..., times of n-unit)
censored	vector of times of censorship for each subject (length n)
numdistinct	number of distinct failures times.
distinct	vector of distinct failures times.
AtRisk	matrix of number of persons-at-risk at each distinct time and for each subject
survfunc	vector of survival estimated in distinct times
tvals	copy of argument.

Note

This function was originally performed by the survrec package, which solved the adjustment problem of the WC estimator using Fortran routines. With the permission of its author, the algorithm was taken, modified, the algorithm, WC estimator was reprogrammed and adapted to the needs of the newTestSurvRec package and thus avoid dependence.

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References

Wang, M. C. and Chang, S.H. (1999). Nonparametric Estimation of a Recurrent Survival Function. *J. Amer. Statist. Assoc.* 94, 146-153.// **Pena E., Strawderman R., Hollander M. (2001).** Nonparametric Estimation with Recurrent Event Data. *J.A.S.A.* 96, 1299-1315.

See Also

PSH.fit, Plot.Event.Rec, Plot.Surv.Rec, Print.Summary

Examples

```
XL<-data(MMC.TestSurvRec)
#-----
fitPSHa<-PSH.fit(Survrecu(MMC.TestSurvRec$id,MMC.TestSurvRec$time,
                        MMC.TestSurvRec$event))

fitPSHa$urv
fitPSHa$time
plot(fitPSHa$time,fitPSHa$urvfunc,type="s" ,ylim=c(0,1),
     xlim=c(0,max(fitPSHa$time)))
title(main = list("Survival Curve with Recurrent Event Data",
                  cex = 0.8, font = 2.3, col = "dark blue"))
mtext("Research Group: AVANCE USE R!", cex = 0.7, font = 2,
      col = "dark blue", line = 1)
mtext("Software made by: Dr. Carlos Martinez", cex = 0.6, font = 2,
      col = "dark red", line = 0)

fitWCa<-WC.fit(Survrecu(MMC.TestSurvRec$id,MMC.TestSurvRec$time,
                        MMC.TestSurvRec$event))

fitWCa$urv
fitWCa$time
plot(fitWCa$time,fitWCa$urvfunc,type="s" ,ylim=c(0,1),
     xlim=c(0,max(fitWCa$time)))
```

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