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Description The currentSurvival package contains functions for the estimation of the current cumulative incidence (CCI) and the current leukaemia-free survival (CLFS). The CCI is the probability that a patient is alive and in any disease remission (e.g. complete cytogenetic remission in chronic myeloid leukaemia) after initiating his or her therapy (e.g. tyrosine kinase therapy for chronic myeloid leukaemia). The CLFS is the probability that a patient is alive and in any disease remission after achieving the first disease remission.								
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Description

This function estimates the current cumulative incidence (CCI), i.e. the probability that a patient is alive and in any disease remission (e.g. complete cytogenetic remission in chronic myeloid leukaemia) after initiating his or her therapy (e.g. tyrosine kinase therapy for chronic myeloid leukaemia). Optionally, this function estimates the common cumulative incidence (comCI), i.e. the probability that a patient is alive and in the first disease remission after therapy initiation. The CCI and comCI curves can also be stratified by risk factors. Moreover, statistical test can be applied to compare the risk groups.

#### Usage

```
cci(data, maxx = NULL, com.est = TRUE, conf.int = FALSE,
    conf.int.level = NULL, no.iter = NULL, points = NULL,
    fig = TRUE, strat = FALSE, pvals = FALSE, pval.test = NULL)
```

## **Arguments**

data

a matrix with ascending times from therapy initiation to occurrence of individual events (in days, i.e. positive integer values), total follow-up times from therapy initiation to data cut-off date (in days), and censoring indicators; moreover, a vector for stratification factor may be included;

if no stratification factor is included, the size of the data matrix is n times (2\*r+2), where n is the number of patients and r is the maximum number of disease remissions achieved by patients;

if the data contain a stratification factor, the size of the data matrix is n times (2\*r+3), where n is the number of patients and r is the maximum number of disease remissions achieved by patients;

the data matrix consists of the following columns:

data[,1] is the time from therapy initiation to achievement of the first disease remission

data[,2] is the time from therapy initiation to loss of the first disease remission data[,3] is the time from therapy initiation to achievement of the second disease remission

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data[,2\*r-1] is the time from therapy initiation to achievement of the rth disease remission

data[,2\*r] is the time from therapy initiation to loss of the *r*th disease remission data[,2\*r+1] is the follow-up time (time from the therapy initiation to death or to the date of last contact with a patient)

data[,2\*r+2] is the censoring indicator (1..patient died, 0..patient is censored) (data[,2\*r+3] is the stratification factor (maximum number of stratification levels is 8 because of figure clarity))

maxx

maximum follow-up time calculated from therapy initiation in years (defining time period for which the point estimates will be computed and curves will be plotted). Setting maxx smaller than the maximum follow-up time enables creating plots without fluctuating curve ends that may be caused by small number of patients. The default value is the maximum follow-up time (i.e.  $\max(\text{data}[,2*r+1])/365$ ).

com.est

a logical value indicating whether common cumulative incidence function should be estimated. The default value is TRUE.

conf.int

a logical value indicating whether confidence interval for the function(s) should

be estimated. The default value is FALSE.

conf.int.level

two-sided confidence interval level (must be in range 0.9 and 0.99). The default

value is 0.95.

no.iter

a number of bootstrap iterations for confidence interval computation (must be in

range between 10 and 10,000). The default value is 100.

points

time points in which the point estimates will be computed (in months). The default values are 0, 12, 24, ..., floor(maxx/(365/12)).

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fig

a logical value indicating whether a figure should be plotted. The default value is TRUE.

strat

a logical value indicating whether a stratification factor is included. The default

value is FALSE.

pvals

a logical value indicating whether p-values for the comparison of stratified curves at pre-defined time points should be computed. The default value is FALSE.

pval.test

a type of a test that will be used for the computation of p-values. Possible values are "naive", "log", "loglog". The default value is "loglog".

# Value

a list containing the following elements:

no.risk numbers of patients at risk at the defined time points

pest a matrix of point estimates (accompanied with confidence intervals) at the de-

fined time points

pest.day a matrix of point estimates (accompanied with confidence intervals) at each day

of the follow-up time

p-values for the comparison of point estimates at the defined time points

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#### References

Pavlik T., Janousova E., Pospisil Z., et al. (2011). Estimation of current cumulative incidence of leukaemia-free patients and current leukaemia-free survival in chronic myeloid leukaemia in the era of modern pharmacotherapy. *BMC Med Res Methodol* **11**:140.

#### See Also

clfs

## **Examples**

```
## 4 examples of CCI estimation without stratification (and
## comCI estimation) with and without confidence intervals:
data(cml) # load example data set
cml \leftarrow cml[,c(1:7)] # select event and follow-up times and death
           # (stratification factor is not included)
res <- cci(cml) # CCI + comCI without confidence intervals
res <- cci(cml, com.est=FALSE) # CCI without confidence intervals
## Not run:
res <- cci(cml, conf.int=TRUE, no.iter=10) # CCI + comCI with
           # confidence intervals
res <- cci(cml, com.est=FALSE, conf.int=TRUE, no.iter=10) # CCI
           # with confidence intervals
## End(Not run)
## 4 examples of CCI estimation with stratification (and comCI
## estimation) with and without confidence intervals:
data(cml) # load example data set
cml \leftarrow cml[,c(1:7,10)] # select event and follow-up times, death,
           # and the EUTOS score as a stratification parameter
res <- cci(cml, strat=TRUE) # stratified CCI + comCI without
           # confidence intervals
res <- cci(cml, com.est=FALSE, strat=TRUE) # stratified CCI
           # without confidence intervals
## Not run:
res <- cci(cml, conf.int=TRUE, no.iter=10, strat=TRUE, pvals=TRUE)
           # stratified CCI + comCI with confidence intervals
res <- cci(cml, com.est=FALSE, conf.int=TRUE, no.iter=10,
           strat=TRUE, pvals=TRUE) # stratified CCI with
           # confidence intervals
## End(Not run)
## Not run:
## As the function does not allow setting plot option (e.g. line
```

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## colour, width and type), you can create a plot using the
## following commands:
data(cml) # load example data set
cml \leftarrow cml[,c(1:7)] # select event and follow-up times and death
           # (stratification factor is not included)
res <- cci(cml, conf.int=TRUE, no.iter=10) # CCI + comCI with
           # confidence intervals
maxx <- max(res$pest.day[,1]) # maximum follow-up time in days</pre>
x=0:maxx
yrs <- floor(maxx/365) # maximum follow-up time in years</pre>
plot(0,0,pch='.',cex=0.01,xlab="Years after therapy initiation",
     ylab="Probability",axes=FALSE,xlim=c(0,maxx),ylim=c(0,1))
     # plot initialization
axis(2,at=seq(0,1,0.2)) # setting of points where tick-marks are
     # to be drawn on the y-axis
axis(1,at=seq(0,((yrs+1)*365),365),labels=seq(0,(yrs+1),1))
     # setting of points where tick-marks are to be drawn on the
lines(x,res$pest.day[,2],type="S",lty=1,lwd=1) # lower confidence
     # interval for the CCI function estimate
lines(x,res$pest.day[,3],type="S",lty=1,lwd=2) # CCI estimate
lines(x,res$pest.day[,4],type="S",lty=1,lwd=1) # upper confidence
     # interval for the CCI function estimate
lines(x,res$pest.day[,5],type="S",lty=2,lwd=1) # lower confidence
     \mbox{\tt\#} interval for the comCI function estimate
lines(x,res$pest.day[,6],type="S",lty=2,lwd=2) # comCI estimate
lines(x,res$pest.day[,7],type="S",lty=2,lwd=1) # upper confidence
     # interval for the comCI function estimate
legend("bottomright",legend=c("CCI","95% conf. int.","comCI",
       "95% conf. int."), lwd=c(2,1,2,1), lty=c(1,1,2,2), bty="n",
       cex=0.9)
## End(Not run)
```

cci.nostrat

Estimates Current Cumulative Incidence (CCI) and Common Cumulative Incidence (comCI) Functions Without Stratification

#### **Description**

This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

This function estimates the unstratified current cumulative incidence (CCI), i.e. the probability that a patient is alive and in any disease remission after initiating his or her therapy. Optionally, this function estimates the unstratified common cumulative incidence (comCI) function.

# Usage

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# Arguments

data

a matrix with ascending times from therapy initiation to occurrence of individual events (in days, i.e. positive integer values), total follow-up times from therapy initiation to data cut-off date (in days), and censoring indicators; the size of the data matrix is n times (2\*r+2), where n is the number of patients and r is the maximum number of disease remissions achieved by patients; the data matrix consists of the following columns:

data[,1] is the time from therapy initiation to achievement of the first disease remission

data[,2] is the time from therapy initiation to loss of the first disease remission data[,3] is the time from therapy initiation to achievement of the second disease remission

. . .

data[,2\*r-1] is the time from therapy initiation to achievement of the rth disease remission

data[,2\*r] is the time from therapy initiation to loss of the *r*th disease remission data[,2\*r+1] is the follow-up time (time from the therapy initiation to death or to the date of last contact with a patient)

data[,2\*r+2] is the censoring indicator (1..patient died, 0..patient is censored)

maxx

maximum follow-up time calculated from therapy initiation in days (defining time period for which the point estimates will be computed and curves will be plotted). Setting maxx smaller than the maximum follow-up time enables creating plots without fluctuating curve ends that may be caused by small number of patients. The default value is the maximum follow-up time (i.e.  $\max(\text{data}[,2*r+1])$ ).

com. est a logical value indicating whether common cumulative incidence function should

be estimated. The default value is TRUE.

conf.int a logical value indicating whether confidence interval for the function(s) should

be estimated. The default value is FALSE.

conf.int.level two-sided confidence interval level (must be in range 0.9 and 0.99). The default

value is 0.95.

no.iter a number of bootstrap iterations for confidence interval computation (must be in

range between 10 and 10,000). The default value is 100.

points time points in which the point estimates will be computed (in months). The

default values are 0, 12, 24, ..., floor(maxx/(365/12)).

fig a logical value indicating whether a figure should be plotted. The default value

is TRUE.

# Value

a list containing the following elements:

no.risk numbers of patients at risk at the defined time points

pest a matrix of point estimates (accompanied with confidence intervals) at the de-

fined time points

pest.day a matrix of point estimates (accompanied with confidence intervals) at each day

of the follow-up time

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#### References

Pavlik T., Janousova E., Pospisil Z., et al. (2011). Estimation of current cumulative incidence of leukaemia-free patients and current leukaemia-free survival in chronic myeloid leukaemia in the era of modern pharmacotherapy. *BMC Med Res Methodol* **11**:140.

#### See Also

cci

## **Examples**

# This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

cci.pest

Estimates Current Cumulative Incidence (CCI) Function

# **Description**

This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

This function estimates the current cumulative incidence (CCI), i.e. the probability that a patient is alive and in any disease remission after initiating his or her therapy.

#### Usage

```
cci.pest(E, LastContact, Exitus, maxx)
```

# **Arguments**

Ε

a matrix with ascending times from therapy initiation to occurrence of individual events (in days); the size of the data matrix is n times (2\*r), where n is the number of patients and r is the maximum number of disease remissions achieved by patients; the data matrix consists of the following columns:

E[,1] is the time from the rapy initiation to achievement of the first disease remission

E[,2] is the time from therapy initiation to loss of the first disease remission E[,3] is the time from therapy initiation to achievement of the second disease remission

. . .

E[,2\*r-1] is the time from therapy initiation to achievement of the rth disease remission

E[,2\*r] is the time from therapy initiation to loss of the rth disease remission

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LastContact a vector containing the follow-up time (time from therapy initiation to death or

to the date of last contact with a patient)

Exitus a vector containing the censoring indicators (1..patient died, 0..patient is cen-

sored)

maxx maximum follow-up time in days

#### Value

x days from 0 to maximum follow-up time maxx

y CCI function estimates at each day

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## References

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#### See Also

cci

## **Examples**

# This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

cci.strat Estimates Stratified Current Cumulative Incidence (CCI) and Common Cumulative Incidence (comCI) Functions

## **Description**

This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

This function estimates the stratified current cumulative incidence (CCI), i.e. the probability that a patient is alive and in any disease remission after initiating his or her therapy. Optionally, this function estimates the stratified common cumulative incidence (comCI) function. Moreover, statistical test can be applied to compare the risk groups.

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#### Usage

```
cci.strat(data, stratf = NULL, maxx = NULL, com.est = TRUE,
          conf.int = FALSE, conf.int.level = NULL,
          no.iter = NULL, points = NULL, fig = TRUE,
          pvals = FALSE, pval.test = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

data

a matrix with ascending times from therapy initiation to occurrence of individual events (in days, i.e. positive integer values), total follow-up times from therapy initiation to data cut-off date (in days), and censoring indicators; the size of the data matrix is n times (2\*r+2), where n is the number of patients and r is the maximum number of disease remissions achieved by patients; the data matrix consists of the following columns:

data[,1] is the time from therapy initiation to achievement of the first disease remission

data[,2] is the time from therapy initiation to loss of the first disease remission data[,3] is the time from therapy initiation to achievement of the second disease remission

data[,2\*r-1] is the time from therapy initiation to achievement of the rth disease remission

data[,2\*r] is the time from therapy initiation to loss of the rth disease remission data[,2\*r+1] is the follow-up time (time from the therapy initiation to death or to the date of last contact with a patient)

data[,2\*r+2] is the censoring indicator (1..patient died, 0..patient is censored)

stratf

stratification factor (maximum number of stratification levels is 8 because of figure clarity)

maxx

maximum follow-up time calculated from therapy initiation in days (defining time period for which the point estimates will be computed and curves will be plotted). Setting maxx smaller than the maximum follow-up time enables creating plots without fluctuating curve ends that may be caused by small number of patients. The default value is the maximum follow-up time (i.e. max(data[,2\*r+1])).

com.est

a logical value indicating whether common cumulative incidence function should be estimated. The default value is TRUE.

conf.int

a logical value indicating whether confidence interval for the function(s) should be estimated. The default value is FALSE.

conf.int.level two-sided confidence interval level (must be in range 0.9 and 0.99). The default value is 0.95.

no.iter

a number of bootstrap iterations for confidence interval computation (must be in range between 10 and 10,000). The default value is 100.

points

time points in which the point estimates will be computed (in months). The default values are 0, 12, 24, ..., floor(maxx/(365/12)).

fig

a logical value indicating whether a figure should be plotted. The default value is TRUE.

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pvals a logical value indicating whether p-values for the comparison of stratified curves

at pre-defined time points should be computed. The default value is FALSE.

pval.test a type of a test that will be used for the computation of p-values. Possible values

are "naive", "log", "loglog". The default value is "loglog".

#### Value

a list containing the following elements:

no.risk numbers of patients at risk at the defined time points

pest a matrix of point estimates (accompanied with confidence intervals) at the de-

fined time points

pest.day a matrix of point estimates (accompanied with confidence intervals) at each day

of the follow-up time

p-values for the comparison of point estimates at the defined time points

summary summary of input data

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# References

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## See Also

cci

## **Examples**

# This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

chisq.log Compares Three or More Survival Estimates Using Log Te	est.
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# Description

This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

This function computes chi-square test for the comparison of three or more survival curves at fixed points in time using log transformation of the survival estimates.

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## Usage

```
chisq.log(st, ot.sq)
```

## **Arguments**

st point estimates at fixed points in time

ot.sq estimated variance

#### Value

chi-square test statistic

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#### References

Klein J.P., Logan B., Harhoff M., et al. (2007). Analyzing survival curves at a fixed point in time. *Statistics in Medicine* **26**:4505–4519.

# See Also

```
cci, clfs, chisq.loglog, chisq.naive
```

## **Examples**

# This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

chisq.loglog Compares Three or More Survival Estimates Using Complementary
Log-log Test

## **Description**

This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

This function computes chi-square test for the comparison of three or more survival curves at fixed points in time using complementary log-log transformation of the survival estimates.

# Usage

```
chisq.loglog(st, ot.sq)
```

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# **Arguments**

st point estimates at fixed points in time

ot.sq estimated variance

## Value

chi-square test statistic

# Author(s)

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## References

Klein J.P., Logan B., Harhoff M., et al. (2007). Analyzing survival curves at a fixed point in time. *Statistics in Medicine* **26**:4505–4519.

## See Also

```
cci, clfs, chisq.log, chisq.naive
```

# **Examples**

# This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

chisq.naive	Compares Three or More Survival Estimates Using Naive Chi-square
	Test

# **Description**

This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

This function computes naive chi-square test for the comparison of three or more survival curves at fixed points in time.

# Usage

```
chisq.naive(st, ot.sq)
```

# **Arguments**

st point estimates at fixed points in time

ot.sq estimated variance

#### Value

chi-square test statistic

## Author(s)

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#### References

Klein J.P., Logan B., Harhoff M., et al. (2007). Analyzing survival curves at a fixed point in time. *Statistics in Medicine* **26**:4505–4519.

#### See Also

```
cci, clfs, chisq.log, chisq.loglog
```

# **Examples**

# This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

clfs

Estimates Current Leukaemia-Free Survival (CLFS) and Common Leukaemia-Free Survival (LFS) Functions

# Description

This function estimates the current leukaemia-free survival (CLFS), i.e. the probability that a patient is alive and in any disease remission (e.g. complete cytogenetic remission in chronic myeloid leukaemia) after achieving the first disease remission. Optionally, this function estimates the common leukaemia-free survival (LFS), i.e. the probability that a patient is alive and in the first disease remission after achieving the first disease remission. The CLFS and LFS curves can also be stratified by risk factors. Moreover, statistical test can be applied to compare the risk groups. Only patients who achieved at least one disease remission during their treatment course are used for the estimation of the CLFS and LFS functions.

## Usage

#### **Arguments**

data

a matrix with ascending times from therapy initiation to occurrence of individual events (in days, i.e. positive integer values), total follow-up times from therapy initiation to data cut-off date (in days), and censoring indicators; moreover, a vector for stratification factor may be included;

if no stratification factor is included, the size of the data matrix is n times (2\*r+2), where n is the number of patients and r is the maximum number of disease remissions achieved by patients;

if the data contain a stratification factor, the size of the data matrix is n times (2\*r+3), where n is the number of patients and r is the maximum number of disease remissions achieved by patients;

the data matrix consists of the following columns:

data[,1] is the time from therapy initiation to achievement of the first disease remission

data[,2] is the time from therapy initiation to loss of the first disease remission data[,3] is the time from therapy initiation to achievement of the second disease remission

data[,2\*r-1] is the time from therapy initiation to achievement of the rth disease remission

data[,2\*r] is the time from therapy initiation to loss of the rth disease remission data[,2\*r+1] is the follow-up time (time from the therapy initiation to death or to the date of last contact with a patient)

data[.2\*r+2] is the censoring indicator (1..patient died, 0..patient is censored) (data[,2\*r+3]) is the stratification factor (maximum number of stratification levels is 8 because of figure clarity))

maxx

maximum follow-up time calculated from the achievement of the first disease remission in years (defining time period for which the point estimates will be computed and curves will be plotted). Setting maxx smaller than the maximum follow-up time enables creating plots without fluctuating curve ends that may be caused by small number of patients. The default value is the maximum followup time except the time from therapy initiation to achievement of the first disease remission (i.e.  $\max(\text{data}[,2*r+1]-\text{data}[,1])/365$ ).

com.est

a logical value indicating whether common leukaemia-free survival function should be estimated. The default value is TRUE.

conf.int

a logical value indicating whether confidence interval for the function(s) should be estimated. The default value is FALSE.

conf.int.level two-sided confidence interval level (must be in range 0.9 and 0.99). The default value is 0.95.

no.iter

a number of bootstrap iterations for confidence interval computation (must be in range between 10 and 10,000). The default value is 100.

points

time points in which the point estimates will be computed (in months). The default values are 0, 12, 24, ..., floor(maxx/(365/12)).

fig

a logical value indicating whether a figure should be plotted. The default value is TRUE.

strat	a logical value indicating whether a stratification factor is included. The default value is FALSE.
pvals	a logical value indicating whether p-values for the comparison of stratified curves at pre-defined time points should be computed. The default value is FALSE.
pval.test	a type of a test that will be used for the computation of p-values. Possible values are "naive", "log", "loglog". The default value is "loglog".

## Value

a list containing the following elements:

no.risk

numbers of patients at risk at the defined time points

a matrix of point estimates (accompanied with confidence intervals) at the defined time points

pest.day

a matrix of point estimates (accompanied with confidence intervals) at each day of the follow-up time

pval

p-values for the comparison of point estimates at the defined time points

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## References

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#### See Also

cci

# **Examples**

```
res <- clfs(cml, com.est=FALSE, conf.int=TRUE, no.iter=10) # CLFS
           # with confidence intervals
## End(Not run)
## 4 examples of CLFS estimation with stratification (and LFS
## estimation) with and without confidence intervals:
data(cml) # load example data set
cml \leftarrow cml[,c(1:7,10)] # select event and follow-up times, death,
           # and the EUTOS score as a stratification parameter
res <- clfs(cml, strat=TRUE) # stratified CLFS + LFS without
           # confidence intervals
res <- clfs(cml, com.est=FALSE, strat=TRUE) # stratified CLFS
           # without confidence intervals
res <- clfs(cml, conf.int=TRUE, no.iter=10, strat=TRUE, pvals=TRUE)
           # stratified CLFS + LFS with confidence intervals
res <- clfs(cml, com.est=FALSE, conf.int=TRUE, no.iter=10,
           strat=TRUE, pvals=TRUE) # stratified CLFS with
           # confidence intervals
## End(Not run)
## Not run:
## As the function does not allow setting plot option (e.g. line
## colour, width and type), you can create a plot using the
## following commands:
data(cml) # load example data set
cml \leftarrow cml[,c(1:7)] # select event and follow-up times and death
           # (stratification factor is not included)
res <- clfs(cml, conf.int=TRUE, no.iter=10) # CLFS + LFS with
           # confidence intervals
maxx <- max(res$pest.day[,1]) # maximum follow-up time in days</pre>
x=0:maxx
yrs <- floor(maxx/365) # maximum follow-up time in years</pre>
plot(0,1,pch='.',cex=0.01,xlim=c(0,maxx),ylim=c(0,1),axes=FALSE,
     xlab="Years after achievement of the first remission",
     ylab="Probability") # plot initialization
axis(2,at=seq(0,1,0.2)) # setting of points where tick-marks are
     # to be drawn on the y-axis
axis(1,at=seq(0,((yrs+1)*365),365),labels=seq(0,(yrs+1),1))
     # setting of points where tick-marks are to be drawn on the
     # x-axis
lines(x,res$pest.day[,2],type="S",lty=1,lwd=1) # lower confidence
     # interval for the CLFS function estimate
lines(x,res$pest.day[,3],type="S",lty=1,lwd=2) # CLFS estimate
lines(x,res$pest.day[,4],type="S",lty=1,lwd=1) # upper confidence
     # interval for the CLFS function estimate
lines(x,res$pest.day[,5],type="S",lty=2,lwd=1) # lower confidence
     # interval for the LFS function estimate
lines(x,res\$pest.day[,6],type="S",lty=2,lwd=2) \ \# \ LFS \ estimate
lines(x,res$pest.day[,7],type="S",lty=2,lwd=1) # upper confidence
     # interval for the LFS function estimate
legend("bottomright",legend=c("CLFS","95% conf. int.","LFS",
       "95% conf. int."), lwd=c(2,1,2,1), lty=c(1,1,2,2), bty="n",
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```
cex=0.9)
## End(Not run)
```

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Estimates Current Leukaemia-Free Survival (CLFS) and Common Leukaemia-Free Survival (LFS) Functions Without Stratification

## **Description**

This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

This function estimates the unstratified current leukaemia-free survival (CLFS), i.e. the probability that a patient is alive and in any disease remission after achieving the first disease remission. Optionally, this function estimates the unstratified common leukaemia-free survival (LFS) function. Only patients who achieved at least one disease remission during their treatment course are used for the estimation of the CLFS and LFS functions.

#### Usage

#### **Arguments**

data

a matrix with ascending times from therapy initiation to occurrence of individual events (in days, i.e. positive integer values), total follow-up times from therapy initiation to data cut-off date (in days), and censoring indicators; the size of the data matrix is n times (2\*r+2), where n is the number of patients and r is the maximum number of disease remissions achieved by patients; the data matrix consists of the following columns:

data[,1] is the time from therapy initiation to achievement of the first disease remission

data[,2] is the time from therapy initiation to loss of the first disease remission data[,3] is the time from therapy initiation to achievement of the second disease remission

. . .

data[,2\*r-1] is the time from therapy initiation to achievement of the rth disease remission

data[,2\*r] is the time from therapy initiation to loss of the *r*th disease remission data[,2\*r+1] is the follow-up time (time from the therapy initiation to death or to the date of last contact with a patient)

data[,2\*r+2] is the censoring indicator (1...patient died, 0...patient is censored)

maxx

maximum follow-up time calculated from the achievement of the first disease remission in days (defining time period for which the point estimates will be computed and curves will be plotted). Setting maxx smaller than the maximum follow-up time enables creating plots without fluctuating curve ends that may be

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caused by small number of patients. The default value is the maximum followup time except the time from therapy initiation to achievement of the first disease remission (i.e.  $\max(\text{data}[,2*r+1]-\text{data}[,1])$ ). a logical value indicating whether common cumulative incidence function should com.est be estimated. The default value is TRUE. conf.int a logical value indicating whether confidence interval for the function(s) should be estimated. The default value is FALSE. conf.int.level two-sided confidence interval level (must be in range 0.9 and 0.99). The default value is 0.95. a number of bootstrap iterations for confidence interval computation (must be in no.iter range between 10 and 10,000). The default value is 100. points time points in which the point estimates will be computed (in months). The default values are 0, 12, 24, ..., floor(maxx/(365/12)). a logical value indicating whether a figure should be plotted. The default value fig is TRUE.

#### Value

a list containing the following elements:

no.risk numbers of patients at risk at the defined time points

a matrix of point estimates (accompanied with confidence intervals) at the defined time points

pest.day a matrix of point estimates (accompanied with confidence intervals) at each day of the follow-up time

summary summary of input data

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#### References

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#### See Also

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## **Examples**

# This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

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clfs.pest	Estimates Current Leukaemia-Free Survival (CLFS) Function	

# **Description**

This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

This function estimates the current leukaemia-free survival (CLFS) function, i.e. the probability that a patient is alive and in any disease remission after achieving the first disease remission. Only patients who achieved at least one disease remission during their treatment course are used for the estimation of the CLFS function.

## **Usage**

```
clfs.pest(E, LastContact, Exitus, maxx)
```

## **Arguments**

a matrix with ascending times from achievement of the first disease remission to occurrence of individual events (in days); the size of the data matrix is n times (2\*r-1), where n is the number of patients and r is the maximum number of disease remissions achieved by patients; the data matrix consists of the following columns:

E[,1] is the time from achievement of the first disease remission to loss of the first disease remission

E[,2] is the time from achievement of the first disease remission to achievement of the second disease remission

E[,3] is the time from achievement of the first disease remission to loss of the second disease remission

E[,2\*r-2] is the time from achievement of the first disease remission to achievement of the rth disease remission

E[,2\*r-1] is the time from achievement of the first disease remission to loss of the rth disease remission

LastContact

a vector containing the follow-up time (time from achievement of the first disease remission to death or to the date of last contact with a patient)

Exitus

a vector containing the censoring indicators (1..patient died, 0..patient is cen-

sored)

maxx

maximum follow-up time in days

# Value

a list containing the following elements:

days from 0 to maximum follow-up time maxx Χ

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#### See Also

clfs

# **Examples**

# This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

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Estimates Stratified Current Leukaemia-Free Survival (CLFS) and Common Leukaemia-Free Survival (LFS) Functions

# Description

This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

This function estimates the stratified current leukaemia-free survival (CLFS), i.e. the probability that a patient is alive and in any disease remission after achieving the first disease remission. Optionally, this function estimates the stratified common leukaemia-free survival (LFS) function. Moreover, statistical test can be applied to compare the risk groups. Only patients who achieved at least one disease remission during their treatment course are used for the estimation of the CLFS and LFS functions.

# Usage

## **Arguments**

data

a matrix with ascending times from therapy initiation to occurrence of individual events (in days, i.e. positive integer values), total follow-up times from therapy initiation to data cut-off date (in days), and censoring indicators; the size of the data matrix is n times (2\*r+2), where n is the number of patients and r is the

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maximum number of disease remissions achieved by patients; the data matrix consists of the following columns:

data[,1] is the time from therapy initiation to achievement of the first disease remission

data[,2] is the time from therapy initiation to loss of the first disease remission data[,3] is the time from therapy initiation to achievement of the second disease remission

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data[,2\*r-1] is the time from therapy initiation to achievement of the rth disease remission

data[,2\*r] is the time from therapy initiation to loss of the *r*th disease remission data[,2\*r+1] is the follow-up time (time from the therapy initiation to death or to the date of last contact with a patient)

data[,2\*r+2] is the censoring indicator (1..patient died, 0..patient is censored)

stratification factor (maximum number of stratification levels is 8 because of

figure clarity)

maximum follow-up time calculated from the achievement of the first disease remission in days (defining time period for which the point estimates will be computed and curves will be plotted). Setting maxx smaller than the maximum follow-up time enables creating plots without fluctuating curve ends that may be caused by small number of patients. The default value is the maximum follow-up time except the time from therapy initiation to achievement of the first disease remission (i.e.  $\max(\text{data}[,2*r+1]-\text{data}[,1])$ ).

com.est a logical value indicating whether common cumulative incidence function should be estimated. The default value is TRUE.

conf. int a logical value indicating whether confidence interval for the function(s) should be estimated. The default value is FALSE.

conf.int.level two-sided confidence interval level (must be in range 0.9 and 0.99). The default value is 0.95.

a number of bootstrap iterations for confidence interval computation (must be in range between 10 and 10,000). The default value is 100.

points time points in which the point estimates will be computed (in months). The default values are 0, 12, 24, ..., floor(maxx/(365/12)).

a logical value indicating whether a figure should be plotted. The default value is TRUE.

a logical value indicating whether p-values for the comparison of stratified curves

at pre-defined time points should be computed. The default value is FALSE.

pval.test a type of a test that will be used for the computation of p-values. Possible values are "naive", "log", "loglog". The default value is "loglog".

## Value

a list containing the following elements:

no.risk numbers of patients at risk at the defined time points

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pest a matrix of point estimates (accompanied with confidence intervals) at the de-

fined time points

pest.day a matrix of point estimates (accompanied with confidence intervals) at each day

of the follow-up time

pval p-values for the comparison of point estimates at the defined time points

summary summary of input data

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#### References

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## See Also

clfs

# **Examples**

# This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

cml

Data of Patients With Chronic Myeloid Leukaemia

#### **Description**

data of patients with chronic myeloid leukaemia

# Usage

data(cml)

#### **Format**

A data frame with 104 observations on the following 10 variables.

CCgR01 time from therapy initiation to achievement of the first disease remission loss\_CCgR01 time from therapy initiation to loss of the first disease remission CCgR02 time from therapy initiation to achievement of the second disease remission loss\_CCgR02 time from therapy initiation to loss of the second disease remission

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```
CCgR03 time from therapy initiation to achievement of the third disease remission follow.up follow-up time (time from therapy initiation to death or to the date of last contact with a patient)
death censoring indicator (1..patient died, 0..patient is censored)
sokal Sokal score (1..low-risk, 2..intermediate-risk, 3..high-risk)
euro Euro score (1..low-risk, 2..intermediate-risk, 3..high-risk)
```

#### Source

```
population-based, observational study, INFINITY (http://www.leukemia-cell.org/en/)
```

#### References

Pavlik T., Janousova E., Pospisil Z., et al. (2011). Estimation of current cumulative incidence of leukaemia-free patients and current leukaemia-free survival in chronic myeloid leukaemia in the era of modern pharmacotherapy. *BMC Med Res Methodol* 11:140.

## **Examples**

```
data(cml)
str(cml)
```

comci.pest

Estimates Common Cumulative Incidence (comCI) Function

# **Description**

This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

This function estimates the common cumulative incidence (comCI), i.e. the probability that a patient is alive and in the first disease remission after initiating his or her therapy.

## Usage

```
comci.pest(t, LastContact, Exitus, maxx)
```

eutos EUTOS score (0..low-risk, 1..high-risk)

# **Arguments**

t	a vector containing the time from therapy initiation to achievement of the first disease remission (in days)
LastContact	a vector containing the follow-up time (time from therapy initiation to death or to the date of last contact with a patient)
Exitus	a vector containing the censoring indicators (1patient died, 0patient is censored)
maxx	maximum follow-up time in days

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## Value

a list containing the following elements:

x days from 0 to maximum follow-up time maxx

y comCI function estimates at each day

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#### References

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## See Also

cci

#### **Examples**

# This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

lfs.pest

Estimates Common Leukaemia-Free Survival (LFS) Function

## **Description**

This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

This function estimates the common leukaemia-free survival (LFS) function, i.e. the probability that a patient is alive and in the first disease remission after achieving the first disease remission. Only patients who achieved at least one disease remission during their treatment course are used for the estimation of the LFS function.

# Usage

```
lfs.pest(t, LastContact, Exitus, maxx)
```

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## **Arguments**

t a vector containing the time from achievement of the first disease remission to

loss of the first disease remission (in days)

LastContact a vector containing the follow-up time (time from achievement of the first dis-

ease remission to death or to the date of last contact with a patient)

Exitus a vector containing the censoring indicators (1..patient died, 0..patient is cen-

sored)

maxx maximum follow-up time in days

## Value

a list containing the following elements:

x days from 0 to maximum follow-up time maxx

y LFS function estimates at each day

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#### References

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#### See Also

clfs

# **Examples**

# This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

pvals.2cat Computes p-Values for The Comparison of Two Survival Curves at Fixed Points in Time

# **Description**

This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

This function computes p-values for the comparison of two survival curves at fixed time points.

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## Usage

```
pvals.2cat(pest, pval.test)
```

## **Arguments**

pest a matrix of point estimates accompanied with confidence intervals at fixed time

points

pval.test a type of a test used for the computation of p-values. Possible values are "naive",

"log", "loglog". The default value is "loglog".

## Value

a vector containing p-values for the comparison of the point estimates at fixed time points

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#### References

Klein J.P., Logan B., Harhoff M., et al. (2007). Analyzing survival curves at a fixed point in time. *Statistics in Medicine* **26**:4505–4519.

#### See Also

```
cci, clfs, pvals.cat
```

# **Examples**

# This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

pvals.cat	Computes p-Values for The Comparison of Three or More Survival
	Curves at Fixed Points in Time

# Description

This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

This function computes p-values for the comparison of three or more survival curves at fixed time points.

## Usage

```
pvals.cat(pest, pval.test)
```

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## **Arguments**

pest a matrix of point estimates accompanied with confidence intervals at fixed time

points

pval.test a type of a test used for the computation of p-values. Possible values are "naive",

"log", "loglog". The default value is "loglog".

#### Value

a vector containing p-values for the comparison of the point estimates at fixed time points

#### Author(s)

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#### References

Klein J.P., Logan B., Harhoff M., et al. (2007). Analyzing survival curves at a fixed point in time. *Statistics in Medicine* **26**:4505–4519.

#### See Also

```
cci, clfs, pvals.2cat
```

# **Examples**

# This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

stretch

Assigns Survival Estimates to Each Day of the Follow-up

# Description

This is an internal function and is not usually called by user.

This function assigns survival estimates to each day of the follow-up.

# Usage

```
stretch(S, maxx)
```

# **Arguments**

S a list containing:

x - the time points in which the survival curve has a step

y - survival estimates at the time points in which the survival curve has a step

maxx maximum follow-up time in days

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# Value

a list containing the following elements:

x days from 0 to maximum follow-up time maxx

y survival estimates at each day

# Author(s)

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## References

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# **Examples**

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