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Description Simulates time-to-event data

with type I right censoring using two methods: the inverse CDF method and our proposed memoryless method. The latter method takes advantage of the memoryless property of survival and simulates a separate distribution between change-points. We include two parametric distributions: exponential and Weibull. Inverse CDF method draws on the work of Rainer Walke (2010), <<https://www.demogr.mpg.de/papers/technicalreports/tr-2010-003.pdf>>.

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cpsurvsim	<i>cpsurvsim: Simulating Survival Data from Change-Point Hazard Distributions</i>
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Description

The `cpsurvsim` package simulates time-to-event data with type I right censoring using two methods: the inverse CDF method and a memoryless method (for more information on simulation methods, see the vignette). We include two parametric distributions: exponential and Weibull.

`cpsurvsim` functions

For the exponential distribution, the `exp_icdf` function simulates values from the inverse exponential distribution. `exp_cdfsim` and `exp_memsim` return time-to-event datasets simulated using the inverse CDF and memoryless methods respectively.

For the Weibull distribution, the `weib_icdf` function simulates values from the inverse Weibull distribution. `weib_cdfsim` and `weib_memsim` return time-to-event datasets simulated using the inverse CDF and memoryless methods respectively.

exp_cdfsim	<i>Inverse CDF simulation for the exponential change-point hazard distribution</i>
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Description

`exp_cdfsim` simulates time-to-event data from the exponential change-point hazard distribution by implementing the inverse CDF method.

Usage

```
exp_cdfsim(n, endtime, theta, tau = NA)
```

Arguments

n	Sample size
endtime	Maximum study time, point at which all participants are censored
theta	Scale parameter θ
tau	Change-point(s) τ

Details

This function simulates data for the exponential change-point hazard distribution with K change-points by simulating values of the exponential distribution and substituting them into the inverse hazard function. This method applies Type I right censoring at the endtime specified by the user. This function allows for up to four change-points.

Value

Dataset with n participants including a survival time and censoring indicator (0 = censored, 1 = event).

Examples

```

nochangept <- exp_cdfsims(n = 10, endtime = 20, theta = 0.05)
onechangept <- exp_cdfsims(n = 10, endtime = 20,
  theta = c(0.05, 0.01), tau = 10)
twochangepts <- exp_cdfsims(n = 10, endtime = 20,
  theta = c(0.05, 0.01, 0.05), tau = c(8, 12))

# Pay attention to how you parameterize your model!
# This simulates a decreasing hazard
set.seed(7830)
decreasingHazard <- exp_cdfsims(n = 10, endtime = 20,
  theta = c(0.5, 0.2, 0.01), tau = c(8, 12))
# This tries to fit an increasing hazard, resulting in biased estimates
cp2.nll <- function(par, tau = tau, dta = dta){
  theta1 <- par[1]
  theta2 <- par[2]
  theta3 <- par[3]
  ll <- log(theta1) * sum(dta$time < tau[1]) +
    log(theta2) * sum((tau[1] <= dta$time) * (dta$time < tau[2])) +
    log(theta3) * sum((dta$time >= tau[2]) * dta$censor) -
    theta1 * sum(dta$time * (dta$time < tau[1]) +
      tau[1] * (dta$time >= tau[1])) -
    theta2 * sum((dta$time - tau[1]) * (dta$time >= tau[1]) *
      (dta$time < tau[2]) + (tau[2] - tau[1]) * (dta$time >= tau[2])) -
    theta3 * sum((dta$time - tau[2]) * (dta$time >= tau[2]))
  return(-ll)
}
optim(par = c(0.001, 0.1, 0.5), fn = cp2.nll,
  tau = c(8, 12), dta = decreasingHazard)

```

`exp_icdf`*Inverse CDF for the exponential distribution*

Description

`exp_icdf` simulates values from the inverse CDF of the exponential distribution.

Usage

```
exp_icdf(n, theta)
```

Arguments

<code>n</code>	Number of output exponential values
<code>theta</code>	Scale parameter θ

Details

This function uses the exponential distribution of the form

$$f(t) = \theta \exp(-\theta t)$$

to get the inverse CDF

$$F^{-1}(u) = (-\log(1 - u)) / \theta$$

where u is a uniform random variable. It can be implemented directly and is also called by the function `exp_memsim`.

Value

Output is a value or a vector of values from the exponential distribution.

Examples

```
simdta <- exp_icdf(n = 10, theta = 0.05)
```

exp_memsim	<i>Memoryless simulation for the exponential change-point hazard distribution</i>
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Description

exp_memsim simulates time-to-event data from the exponential change-point hazard distribution by implementing the memoryless method.

Usage

```
exp_memsim(n, endtime, theta, tau = NA)
```

Arguments

n	Sample size
endtime	Maximum study time, point at which all participants are censored
theta	Scale parameter θ
tau	Change-point(s) τ

Details

This function simulates time-to-event data between K change-points from independent exponential distributions using the inverse CDF implemented in exp_icdf. This method applies Type I right censoring at the endtime specified by the user.

Value

Dataset with n participants including a survival time and censoring indicator (0 = censored, 1 = event).

Examples

```
nochangept <- exp_memsim( n = 10, endtime = 20, theta = 0.05)
onechangept <- exp_memsim(n = 10, endtime = 20,
  theta = c(0.05, 0.01), tau = 10)
twochangepts <- exp_memsim(n = 10, endtime = 20,
  theta = c(0.05, 0.01, 0.05), tau = c(8, 12))

# Pay attention to how you parameterize your model!
# This simulates a decreasing hazard
set.seed(1245)
decreasingHazard <- exp_memsim(n = 10, endtime = 20,
  theta = c(0.05, 0.02, 0.01), tau = c(8, 12))
# This tries to fit an increasing hazard, resulting in biased estimates
cp2.nll <- function(par, tau = tau, dta = dta){
  theta1 <- par[1]
  theta2 <- par[2]
```

```

theta3 <- par[3]
ll <- log(theta1) * sum(dta$time < tau[1])+
      log(theta2) * sum((tau[1] <= dta$time) * (dta$time < tau[2])) +
      log(theta3) * sum((dta$time >= tau[2]) * dta$censor) -
      theta1 * sum(dta$time * (dta$time < tau[1]) +
                  tau[1] * (dta$time >= tau[1])) -
      theta2 * sum((dta$time - tau[1]) * (dta$time >= tau[1]) *
                  (dta$time < tau[2]) + (tau[2] - tau[1]) * (dta$time >= tau[2])) -
      theta3 * sum((dta$time - tau[2]) * (dta$time >= tau[2]))
return(-ll)
}
optim(par = c(0.001, 0.1, 0.5), fn = cp2.nll,
      tau = c(8, 12), dta = decreasingHazard)

```

weib_cdfsims

Inverse CDF simulation for the Weibull change-point hazard distribution

Description

weib_cdfsims simulates time-to-event data from the Weibull change-point hazard distribution by implementing the inverse CDF method.

Usage

```
weib_cdfsims(n, endtime, gamma, theta, tau = NA)
```

Arguments

n	Sample size
endtime	Maximum study time, point at which all participants are censored
gamma	Shape parameter γ
theta	Scale parameter θ
tau	Change-point(s) τ

Details

This function simulates data from the Weibull change-point hazard distribution with K change-points by simulating values of the exponential distribution and substituting them into the inverse hazard function. This method applies Type I right censoring at the endtime specified by the user. This function allows for up to four change-points and γ is held constant.

Value

Dataset with n participants including a survival time and censoring indicator (0 = censored, 1 = event).

Examples

```

nochangept <- weib_cdfsims(n = 10, endtime = 20, gamma = 2,
  theta = 0.5)
onechangept <- weib_cdfsims(n = 10, endtime = 20, gamma = 2,
  theta = c(0.05, 0.01), tau = 10)
twochangepts <- weib_cdfsims(n = 10, endtime = 20, gamma = 2,
  theta = c(0.05, 0.01, 0.05), tau = c(8, 12))

#' # Pay attention to how you parameterize your model!
# This simulates an increasing hazard
set.seed(9945)
increasingHazard <- weib_cdfsims(n = 100, endtime = 20, gamma = 2,
  theta = c(0.001, 0.005, 0.02), tau = c(8, 12))
# This tries to fit a decreasing hazard, resulting in biased estimates
cp2.nll <- function(par, tau = tau, gamma = gamma, dta = dta){
  theta1 <- par[1]
  theta2 <- par[2]
  theta3 <- par[3]
  ll <- (gamma - 1) * sum(dta$censor * log(dta$time)) +
    log(theta1) * sum((dta$time < tau[1])) +
    log(theta2) * sum((tau[1] <= dta$time) * (dta$time < tau[2])) +
    log(theta3) * sum((dta$time >= tau[2]) * dta$censor) -
    (theta1/gamma) * sum((dta$time^gamma) * (dta$time < tau[1]) +
      (tau[1]^gamma) * (dta$time >= tau[1])) -
    (theta2/gamma) * sum((dta$time^gamma - tau[1]^gamma) *
      (dta$time >= tau[1]) * (dta$time < tau[2]) +
      (tau[2]^gamma - tau[1]^gamma) * (dta$time >= tau[2])) -
    (theta3/gamma) * sum((dta$time^gamma - tau[2]^gamma) *
      (dta$time >= tau[2]))
  return(-ll)
}
optim(par = c(0.2, 0.02, 0.01), fn = cp2.nll,
  tau = c(8, 12), gamma = 2,
  dta = increasingHazard)

```

weib_icdf

*Inverse CDF value generation for the Weibull distribution***Description**

weib_icdf returns a value from the Weibull distribution by using the inverse CDF.

Usage

```
weib_icdf(n, gamma, theta)
```

Arguments

n	Number of output Weibull values
gamma	Shape parameter γ
theta	Scale parameter θ

Details

This function uses the Weibull density of the form

$$f(t) = \theta t^{\gamma-1} \exp(-\theta/\gamma t^{\gamma})$$

to get the inverse CDF

$$F^{-1}(u) = (-\gamma/\theta \log(1-u))^{1/\gamma}$$

where u is a uniform random variable. It can be implemented directly and is also called by the function [weib_memsim](#).

Value

Output is a value or vector of values from the Weibull distribution.

Examples

```
simdta <- weib_icdf(n = 10, theta = 0.05, gamma = 2)
```

weib_memsim	<i>Memoryless simulation for the Weibull change-point hazard distribution</i>
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Description

weib_memsim simulates time-to-event data from the Weibull change-point hazard distribution by implementing the memoryless method.

Usage

```
weib_memsim(n, endtime, gamma, theta, tau = NA)
```

Arguments

n	Sample size
endtime	Maximum study time, point at which all participants are censored
gamma	Shape parameter γ
theta	Scale parameter θ
tau	Change-point(s) τ

Details

This function simulates time-to-event data between K change-points τ from independent Weibull distributions using the inverse Weibull CDF implemented in `weib_icdf`. This method applies Type I right censoring at the endtime specified by the user. γ is held constant.

Value

Dataset with n participants including a survival time and censoring indicator (0 = censored, 1 = event).

Examples

```
nochangept <- weib_memsim(n = 10, endtime = 20, gamma = 2,
  theta = 0.05)
onechangept <- weib_memsim(n = 10, endtime = 20, gamma = 2,
  theta = c(0.05, 0.01), tau = 10)
twochangepts <- weib_memsim(n = 10, endtime = 20, gamma = 2,
  theta = c(0.05, 0.01, 0.05), tau = c(8, 12))

# Pay attention to how you parameterize your model!
# This simulates an increasing hazard
set.seed(5738)
increasingHazard <- weib_memsim(n = 100, endtime = 20, gamma = 2,
  theta = c(0.001, 0.005, 0.02), tau = c(8, 12))
# This tries to fit a decreasing hazard, resulting in biased estimates
cp2.nll <- function(par, tau = tau, gamma = gamma, dta = dta){
  theta1 <- par[1]
  theta2 <- par[2]
  theta3 <- par[3]
  ll <- (gamma - 1) * sum(dta$censor * log(dta$time)) +
    log(theta1) * sum((dta$time < tau[1])) +
    log(theta2) * sum((tau[1] <= dta$time) * (dta$time < tau[2])) +
    log(theta3) * sum((dta$time >= tau[2]) * dta$censor) -
    (theta1/gamma) * sum((dta$time^gamma) * (dta$time < tau[1]) +
      (tau[1]^gamma) * (dta$time >= tau[1])) -
    (theta2/gamma) * sum((dta$time^gamma - tau[1]^gamma) *
      (dta$time >= tau[1]) * (dta$time < tau[2]) +
      (tau[2]^gamma - tau[1]^gamma) * (dta$time >= tau[2])) -
    (theta3/gamma) * sum((dta$time^gamma - tau[2]^gamma) *
      (dta$time >= tau[2]))
  return(-ll)
}
optim(par = c(0.2, 0.02, 0.01), fn = cp2.nll,
  tau = c(8, 12), gamma = 2,
  dta = increasingHazard)
```

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