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TBFmultinomial-package

*Objective Bayesian variable selection for multinomial regression and discrete time-to-event models with competing risks*

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### Description

Extension of the TBF methodology introduced by Held et al. (2015) <doi:10.1214/14-STS510> to discrete time-to-event models with competing risks (also applicable to the multinomial regression model)

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AIC\_BIC\_based\_marginalLikelihood

*Marginal likelihoods based on AIC or BIC*

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### Description

This function computes the marginal likelihoods based on the AIC or on the BIC, that will later be used to calculate the TBF.

### Usage

```
AIC_BIC_based_marginalLikelihood(fullModel = NULL, candidateModels = NULL,
  data, discreteSurv = TRUE, AIC = TRUE, package = "nnet", maxit = 150,
  numberCores = 1)
```

**Arguments**

fullModel	formula of the model including all potential variables
candidateModels	Instead of defining the full model we can also specify the candidate models whose deviance statistic and d.o.f should be computed
data	the data
discreteSurv	Boolean variable telling us whether a 'simple' multinomial regression is looked for or if the goal is a discrete survival-time model for multiple modes of failure is needed.
AIC	if TRUE, AIC will be used, else we use BIC
package	Which package should be used to fit the models; by default the nnet package is used; we could also specify to use the package 'VGAM'
maxit	Only needs to be specified with package nnet: maximal number of iterations
numberCores	How many cores should be used in parallel?

**Value**

a vector with the marginal likelihoods of all candidate models

**Author(s)**

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**Examples**

```
# data extraction:
data("VAP_data")

# the definition of the full model with three potential predictors:
FULL <- outcome ~ ns(day, df = 4) + gender + type + SOFA
# here the define time as a spline with 3 knots

# now we can compute the marginal likelihoods based on the AIC f.ex:
mL_AIC <-
AIC_BIC_based_marginalLikelihood(fullModel = FULL,
                                  data = VAP_data,
                                  discreteSurv = TRUE,
                                  AIC = TRUE)
```

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all\_formulas

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*Formulas of all the candidate models*


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**Description**

This function retrieves the formulas of all the candidate models if the reference model is the null / baseline model.

**Usage**

```
all_formulas(fullModel, discreteSurv = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

`fullModel` formula of the model including all potential variables

`discreteSurv` Boolean variable telling us whether a ‘simple’ multinomial regression is looked for or if the goal is a discrete survival-time model for multiple modes of failure is needed.

**Value**

character vector with all the formulas; the first one will be the reference model; the last element will be the full model.

**Author(s)**

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**Examples**

```
data("VAP_data")
FULL <- outcome ~ ns(day, df = 4) + male + type + SOFA
models <- TBFmultinomial:::all_formulas(fullModel = FULL,
discreteSurv = TRUE)
# models
```

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as.data.frame.PMP      *Convert a PMP object into a data frame*

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**Description**

This function takes a PMP object and returns a `data.frame` summarising the information.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'PMP'
as.data.frame(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

`x` valid [PMP](#) object

`...` arguments to be passed to `data.frame`

**Value**

a `data.frame` with the posterior and prior probabilities as well as the definition of the models

**Author(s)**

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CSVS

*Cause-specific variable selection (CSVS)***Description**

This function performs CSVS given a model fitted using the `multinom()` function of the `nnet` package or the `vglm()` function of the `VGAM` package.

**Usage**

```
CSVS(g, model, discreteSurv = TRUE, nbIntercepts = NULL, package = "nnet")
```

**Arguments**

<code>g</code>	the estimated <code>g</code> , must be fixed to one value
<code>model</code>	the model fitted using either <code>nnet</code> or <code>VGAM</code>
<code>discreteSurv</code>	Boolean variable telling us whether a 'simple' multinomial regression is looked for or if the goal is a discrete survival-time model for multiple modes of failure is needed.
<code>nbIntercepts</code>	how many cause-specific intercepts are there? they
<code>package</code>	Which package has been used to fit the model, <code>nnet</code> or <code>VGAM</code> ?

**Author(s)**

Rachel Heyard

**Examples**

```
# data extraction:
data("VAP_data")

# the definition of the full model with three potential predictors:
FULL <- outcome ~ ns(day, df = 4) + gender + type + SOFA
# here the define time as a spline with 3 knots

# we first need to fit the multinomial model:
model_full <- multinom(formula = FULL, data = VAP_data,
                       maxit = 150, trace = FALSE)

G <- 9 # let's suppose g equals to nine

# then we proceed to CSVS
CSVS_nnet <- CSVS(g = G, model = model_full,
                 discreteSurv = TRUE, package = 'nnet')
```

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model_priors	<i>Prior model probability</i>
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## Description

This function computes the prior model probabilities of the candidate models

## Usage

```
model_priors(fullModel, discreteSurv = TRUE, modelPrior = "flat")
```

## Arguments

fullModel	formula of the model including all potential variables
discreteSurv	Boolean var telling us whether a 'simple' multinomial regression is looked for or if the goal is a discrete survival-time model for multiple modes of failure is needed.
modelPrior	what prior should be used on the model space? modelPrior should be included in {'flat', 'dependent'} where 'flat' means a uniform prior and 'dependent' sets a multiplicity-corrected model prior on the model space.

## Value

a numerical vector with the prior model probabilities

## Author(s)

Rachel Heyard

## Examples

```
# the definition of the full model with three potential predictors:
FULL <- outcome ~ ns(day, df = 4) + gender + type + SOFA
# here we define time as a spline with 3 knots

priors <- model_priors(fullModel = FULL, discreteSurv = TRUE,
  modelPrior = 'dependent')
```

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PIPs\_by\_landmarking     *Posterior inclusion probabilities (PIPs) by landmarking*

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## Description

This function gives us the PIPs for each landmark.

## Usage

```
PIPs_by_landmarking(fullModel, data, discreteSurv = TRUE, numberCores = 1,  
  package = "nnet", maxit = 150, prior = "flat", method = "LEB",  
  landmarkLength = 1, lastlandmark, timeVariableName)
```

## Arguments

fullModel	formula of the model including all potential variables
data	the data frame with all the information
discreteSurv	Boolean variable telling us whether a 'simple' multinomial regression is looked for or if the goal is a discrete survival-time model for multiple modes of failure is needed.
numberCores	How many cores should be used in parallel?
package	Which package should be used to fit the models; by default the nnet package is used; we could also specify to use the package 'VGAM'
maxit	Only needs to be specified with package nnet: maximal number of iterations
prior	Prior on the model space
method	Method for the g definition
landmarkLength	Length of the landmark, by default we use each day
lastlandmark	Where will be the last landmark?
timeVariableName	What is the name of the variable indicating time?

## Value

a list with the PIPs for each landmark

## Author(s)

Rachel Heyard

**Examples**

```
# extract the data:
data("VAP_data")

# the definition of the full model with three potential predictors:
FULL <- outcome ~ ns(day, df = 4) + gender + type + SOFA
# here we define time as a spline with 3 knots

PIPs_landmark <- PIPs_by_landmarking(fullModel = FULL, data = VAP_data,
                                     discreteSurv = TRUE, numberCores = 1,
                                     package = 'nnet', maxit = 150,
                                     prior = 'flat', method = 'LEB',
                                     landmarkLength = 7, lastlandmark = 21,
                                     timeVariableName = 'day')
```

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plot\_CSVS

*Plot a CSVS object*


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**Description**

Plot a CSVS object

**Usage**

```
plot_CSVS(CSVSobject, namesVar = NULL, shrunken = FALSE,
          standardized = FALSE, numberIntercepts, ...)
```

**Arguments**

CSVSobject	valid <a href="#">CSV</a> object
namesVar	names of the variables
shrunken	should the coefficients be shrunken?
standardized	should the coefficients be standardized?
numberIntercepts	how many cause-specific intercepts are in the model for each outcome
...	parameters for plot

**Author(s)**

Rachel Heyard



**Description**

This function computes the posterior probability of all candidate models

**Usage**

```
PMP(fullModel = NULL, candidateModels = NULL, data = NULL,
    discreteSurv = TRUE, modelPrior = NULL, method = "LEB",
    prior = "flat", package = "nnet", maxit = 150, numberCores = 1)
```

**Arguments**

fullModel	formula of the model including all potential variables
candidateModels	Instead of defining the full model we can also specify the candidate models whose deviance statistic and d.o.f should be computed
data	the data frame with all the information
discreteSurv	Boolean variable telling us whether a 'simple' multinomial regression is looked for or if the goal is a discrete survival-time model for multiple modes of failure is needed.
modelPrior	optionally the model priors can be computed before if candidateModels is different from NULL.
method	tells us which method for the definition of g should be used. Possibilities are: LEB, GEB, g=n, hyperG, ZS, ZSadapted and hyperGN
prior	should a dependent or a flat prior be used on the model space? Only needed if method = `GEB`.
package	Which package should be used to fit the models; by default the nnet package is used; we could also specify to use the package `VGAM`
maxit	Only needs to be specified with package nnet: maximal number of iterations
numberCores	How many cores should be used in parallel?

**Value**

an object of class `TBF.ingredients`

**Author(s)**

Rachel Heyard

**Examples**

```
# extract the data:
data("VAP_data")

# the definition of the full model with three potential predictors:
FULL <- outcome ~ ns(day, df = 4) + gender + type + SOFA
# here we define time as a spline with 3 knots

# computation of the posterior model probabilities:
test <- PMP(fullModel = FULL, data = VAP_data,
            discreteSurv = TRUE, maxit = 150)
class(test)
```

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PMP-class	<i>Class for PMP objects</i>
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**Description**

Class for PMP objects

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postInclusionProb	<i>Posterior inclusion probability (PIP)</i>
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**Description**

This function computes the PIPs of all potential predictors

**Usage**

```
postInclusionProb(object)
```

**Arguments**

object            An object of class PMP

**Value**

an named vector with all PIPs

**Author(s)**

Rachel Heyard

**Examples**

```
# extract the data:
data("VAP_data")

# the definition of the full model with three potential predictors:
FULL <- outcome ~ ns(day, df = 4) + gender + type + SOFA
# here we define time as a spline with 3 knots

# computation of the posterior model probabilities:
test <- PMP(fullModel = FULL, data = VAP_data,
            discreteSurv = TRUE, maxit = 150)
class(test)

#computation of the posterior inclusion probabilities:
postInclusionProb(test)
```

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sample\_multinomial      *Samples from a PMP object*

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**Description**

This function samples from a specific model inside a PMP object.

**Usage**

```
sample_multinomial(PMP_object, shrink = TRUE, data, which = "MPM",
                  discreteSurv = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

PMP_object	formula of the model including all potential variables
shrink	should the coefficients be shrunken towards their prior mean?
data	the (training) data frame with all the information
which	which model should be sampled from? either an integer, 'MPM' or 'MAP'
discreteSurv	Boolean variable telling us whether a 'simple' multinomial regression is looked for or if the goal is a discrete survival-time model for multiple modes of failure is needed.

**Value**

returns an object with the model coefficients and supplementary information

**Author(s)**

Rachel Heyard

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TBF *Test-based Bayes factor*

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### Description

This function computes the TBF as well as  $g$

### Usage

```
TBF(ingredients = NULL, fullModel = NULL, method = "LEB", data = NULL,
    discreteSurv = TRUE, prior = NULL, package = "nnet", maxit = 150)
```

### Arguments

<code>ingredients</code>	TBF_ingredients_object ingredients for the TBF (and $g$ ) calculation.
<code>fullModel</code>	if <code>ingredients</code> is NULL, formula of the model including all potential variables
<code>method</code>	tells us which method for the definition of $g$ should be used. Possibilities are: LEB, GEB, $g=n$ , hyperG, ZS, ZSadapted and hyperGN
<code>data</code>	the data frame with all the information. Only needed if <code>ingredients</code> is NULL
<code>discreteSurv</code>	Boolean variable telling us whether a 'simple' multinomial regression is looked for or if the goal is a discrete survival-time model for multiple modes of failure is needed.
<code>prior</code>	should a dependent or a flat prior be used on the model space? Only needed if <code>method = "GEB"</code> .
<code>package</code>	Which package should be used to fit the models; by default the <code>nnet</code> package is used; we could also specify to use the package 'VGAM'
<code>maxit</code>	Only needs to be specified with package <code>nnet</code> : maximal number of iterations

### Value

A list with the TBF and the  $g$  (if it is fixed) for all the candidate models.

### Author(s)

Rachel Heyard

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TBF_ingredients	<i>Ingredients to calculate the TBF</i>
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### Description

This function calculates the ingredients needed to compute the TBFs: like the deviances with their degrees of freedom of the relevant candidate models.

### Usage

```
TBF_ingredients(fullModel = NULL, data, discreteSurv = FALSE,  
  numberCores = 1, candidateModels = NULL, package = "nnet",  
  maxit = 150)
```

### Arguments

fullModel	formula of the model including all potential variables
data	the data frame with all the information
discreteSurv	Boolean variable telling us whether a 'simple' multinomial regression is looked for or if the goal is a discrete survival-time model for multiple modes of failure is needed.
numberCores	How many cores should be used in parallel?
candidateModels	Instead of defining the full model we can also specify the candidate models whose deviance statistic and d.o.f should be computed
package	Which package should be used to fit the models; by default the nnet package is used; we could also specify to use the package 'VGAM'
maxit	Only needs to be specified with package nnet: maximal number of iterations

### Value

an object of class `TBF.ingredients`

### Author(s)

Rachel Heyard

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VAP\_data

*Data on VAP acquisition in one ICU*

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### **Description**

It is a tiny subset of the OUTCOMEREA database whose only perhaps will be to test and illustrate the functions of this package.

### **Usage**

```
data(VAP_data)
```

### **Format**

A data frame with 1640 rows and 7 variables on 90 distinct patients:

**ID** distinct ID for each patient

**day** day of ventilation, day = 1 is the first day of ventilation

**type** is it a medical or a surgical patient

**gender** gender of the patient, 1 = male, 0 = female

**SAPSadmission** the SAPS 2 score at admission to the ICU

**SOFA** the daily SOFA score

**outcome** final outcome after the first observation period

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