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Horseshoe prior in the accelerated failure time model with log normal assumption
in order to achieve high dimensional pan-cancer variable selection as developed in
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hsaft	*Function to implement the horseshoe shrinkage prior in Bayesian survival regression*

Description

This function employs the algorithm provided by van der Pas et. al. (2016) for log normal Accelerated Failure Rate (AFT) model to fit survival regression. The censored observations are updated according to the data augmentation of approach of Tanner and Wong (1984).

Usage

```
hsaft(ct, X, method.tau = c("fixed", "truncatedCauchy", "halfCauchy"),
  tau = 1, method.sigma = c("fixed", "Jeffreys"), Sigma2 = 1,
  burn = 1000, nmc = 5000, thin = 1, alpha = 0.05)
```

Arguments

ct	Response, a $n * 2$ matrix with first column as response and second column as right censored indicator, 1 is event time and 0 is right censored.
X	Matrix of covariates, dimension $n * p$.
method.tau	Method for handling τ. Select "truncatedCauchy" for full Bayes with the Cauchy prior truncated to [1/p, 1], "halfCauchy" for full Bayes with the half-Cauchy prior, or "fixed" to use a fixed value (an empirical Bayes estimate, for example).
tau	Use this argument to pass the (estimated) value of τ in case "fixed" is selected for method.tau. Not necessary when method.tau is equal to"halfCauchy" or "truncatedCauchy". The default (tau = 1) is not suitable for most purposes and should be replaced.
method.sigma	Select "Jeffreys" for full Bayes with Jeffrey's prior on the error variance σ^2, or "fixed" to use a fixed value (an empirical Bayes estimate, for example).
Sigma2	A fixed value for the error variance σ^2. Not necessary when method.sigma is equal to "Jeffreys". Use this argument to pass the (estimated) value of Sigma2 in case "fixed" is selected for method.sigma. The default (Sigma2 = 1) is not suitable for most purposes and should be replaced.
burn	Number of burn-in MCMC samples. Default is 1000.
nmc	Number of posterior draws to be saved. Default is 5000.
thin	Thinning parameter of the chain. Default is 1 (no thinning).
alpha	Level for the credible intervals. For example, alpha = 0.05 results in 95% credible intervals.

Details

The model is: t_i is response, c_i is censored time, $t_i^* = \min(t_i, c_i)$ is observed time, w_i is censored data, so $w_i = \log t_i^*$ if t_i is event time and $w_i = \log t_i^*$ if t_i is right censored $\log t_i = X\beta + \epsilon, \epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$

Value

`SurvivalHat`	Predictive survival probability.
`LogTimeHat`	Predictive log time.
`BetaHat`	Posterior mean of Beta, a p by 1 vector.
`LeftCI`	The left bounds of the credible intervals.
`RightCI`	The right bounds of the credible intervals.
`BetaMedian`	Posterior median of Beta, a p by 1 vector.
`Sigma2Hat`	Posterior mean of error variance σ^2. If method.sigma = "fixed" is used, this value will be equal to the user-selected value of Sigma2 passed to the function.
`TauHat`	Posterior mean of global scale parameter tau, a positive scalar. If method.tau = "fixed" is used, this value will be equal to the user-selected value of tau passed to the function.
`BetaSamples`	Posterior samples of Beta.
`TauSamples`	Posterior samples of tau.
`Sigma2Samples`	Posterior samples of Sigma2.
`LikelihoodSamples`	
	Posterior Samples of likelihood.

References

Stephanie van der Pas, James Scott, Antik Chakraborty and Anirban Bhattacharya (2016). horseshoe: Implementation of the Horseshoe Prior. R package version 0.1.0. https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=horseshoe

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Examples

```
burnin <- 500   # number of burnin
nmc    <- 1000  # number of Markov Chain samples
y.sd   <- 1     # standard deviation of the data
p      <- 80    # number of covariates
n      <- 40    # number of samples
beta   <- as.vector(smoothmest::rdoublex(p))  # from double exponential distribution
x      <- mvtnorm::rmvnorm(n, mean = rep(0, p))  # from multivariate normal distribution
y.mu   <- x %*% beta  # mean of the data
y      <- as.numeric(stats::rnorm(n, mean = y.mu, sd = y.sd))  # from normal distribution
T      <- exp(y)   # AFT model
C      <- rgamma(n, shape = 1.75, scale = 3)  # censoring time
time   <- pmin(T, C)  # observed time is min of censored and true
status = time == T   # set to 1 if event is observed
ct     <- as.matrix(cbind(time = time, status = status))  # censored time

posterior.fit <- hsaft(ct, x, method.tau = "truncatedCauchy", method.sigma = "Jeffreys",
                   burn = burnin, nmc = nmc)
summary(posterior.fit$BetaHat)
```

hsaftallcorr	*This function extends the main function* hsaft *to create correlation among covariates.*

Description

This function extends the main function hsaft to create correlation among covariates.

Usage

```
hsaftallcorr(ct, X, method.tau = c("fixed", "truncatedCauchy",
  "halfCauchy"), tau = 1, method.sigma = c("fixed", "Jeffreys"),
  Sigma2 = 1, burn = 1000, nmc = 5000, thin = 1, alpha = 0.05, r,
  n.seq, pk)
```

Arguments

ct	Response, a $n * 2$ matrix with first column as response and second column as right censored indicator, 1 is event time and 0 is right censored.
X	Matrix of covariates, dimension $n * p$.
method.tau	Method for handling τ. Select "truncatedCauchy" for full Bayes with the Cauchy prior truncated to [1/p, 1], "halfCauchy" for full Bayes with the half-Cauchy prior, or "fixed" to use a fixed value (an empirical Bayes estimate, for example).
tau	Use this argument to pass the (estimated) value of τ in case "fixed" is selected for method.tau. Not necessary when method.tau is equal to"halfCauchy" or "truncatedCauchy". The default (tau = 1) is not suitable for most purposes and should be replaced.
method.sigma	Select "Jeffreys" for full Bayes with Jeffrey's prior on the error variance σ^2, or "fixed" to use a fixed value (an empirical Bayes estimate, for example).
Sigma2	A fixed value for the error variance σ^2. Not necessary when method.sigma is equal to "Jeffreys". Use this argument to pass the (estimated) value of Sigma2 in case "fixed" is selected for method.sigma. The default (Sigma2 = 1) is not suitable for most purposes and should be replaced.
burn	Number of burn-in MCMC samples. Default is 1000.
nmc	Number of posterior draws to be saved. Default is 5000.
thin	Thinning parameter of the chain. Default is 1 (no thinning).
alpha	Level for the credible intervals. For example, alpha = 0.05 results in 95% credible intervals.
r	number of groups.
n.seq	a vector of sample sizes for all groups.
pk	number of covariates in each group.

Value

SurvivalHat	Predictive survival probability.
LogTimeHat	Predictive log time.
BetaHat	Posterior mean of Beta, a p by 1 vector.
LeftCI	The left bounds of the credible intervals.
RightCI	The right bounds of the credible intervals.
BetaMedian	Posterior median of Beta, a p by 1 vector.
Sigma2Hat	Posterior mean of error variance σ^2. If method.sigma = "fixed" is used, this value will be equal to the user-selected value of Sigma2 passed to the function.
TauHat	Posterior mean of global scale parameter tau, a positive scalar. If method.tau = "fixed" is used, this value will be equal to the user-selected value of tau passed to the function.
BetaSamples	Posterior samples of Beta.
TauSamples	Posterior samples of tau.
Sigma2Samples	Posterior samples of Sigma2.
BGHat	Posterior samples of b which is a part of the mean of β.
BPHat	Posterior samples of b which is the other part of the mean of β.
LikelihoodSamples	
	Posterior Samples of likelihood.

References

Stephanie van der Pas, James Scott, Antik Chakraborty and Anirban Bhattacharya (2016). horseshoe: Implementation of the Horseshoe Prior. R package version 0.1.0. https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=horseshoe

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Examples

```
# Examples for hsaftallcorr function
burnin <- 50   # number of burnin
nmc    <- 100  # number of Markov Chain samples
y.sd   <- 1    # standard deviation of the data
p      <- 80   # number of covariates
r      <- 5    # number of groups
p      <- 80   # number of covariate in each group
n1     <- 40   # sample size of 1st group
n2     <- 50   # sample size of 2nd group
n3     <- 70   # sample size of 3rd group
n4     <- 100  # sample size of 4th group
n5     <- 120  # sample size of 5th group
n      <- sum(c(n1, n2, n3, n4, n5))  # total sample size
n.seq  <- c(n1, n2, n3, n4, n5)
Beta   <- matrix(smoothmest::rdoublex(p * r), nrow = r, ncol = p, byrow = TRUE)
# from double exponential distribution
```

```
beta    <- as.vector(t(Beta))  # vectorize Beta
x1      <- mvtnorm::rmvnorm(n1, mean = rep(0, p))
x2      <- mvtnorm::rmvnorm(n2, mean = rep(0, p))
x3      <- mvtnorm::rmvnorm(n3, mean = rep(0, p))
x4      <- mvtnorm::rmvnorm(n4, mean = rep(0, p))
x5      <- mvtnorm::rmvnorm(n5, mean = rep(0, p))  # from multivariate normal distribution
y.mu1   <- x1 %*% Beta[1, ]
y.mu2   <- x2 %*% Beta[2, ]
y.mu3   <- x3 %*% Beta[3, ]
y.mu4   <- x4 %*% Beta[4, ]
y.mu5   <- x5 %*% Beta[5, ]
y1      <- stats::rnorm(n1, mean = y.mu1, sd = y.sd)
y2      <- stats::rnorm(n2, mean = y.mu2, sd = y.sd)
y3      <- stats::rnorm(n3, mean = y.mu3, sd = y.sd)
y4      <- stats::rnorm(n4, mean = y.mu4, sd = y.sd)
y5      <- stats::rnorm(n5, mean = y.mu5, sd = y.sd)
y       <- c(y1, y2, y3, y4, y5)
x       <- Matrix::bdiag(x1, x2, x3, x4, x5)
X       <- as.matrix(x)
y       <- as.numeric(as.matrix(y))  # from normal distribution
T       <- exp(y)   # AFT model
C       <- rgamma(n, shape = 1.75, scale = 3)  # censoring time
time    <- pmin(T, C)  # observed time is min of censored and true
status = time == T   # set to 1 if event is observed
ct      <- as.matrix(cbind(time = time, status = status))  # censored time
posterior.fit <- hsaftallcorr(ct, X, method.tau = "truncatedCauchy", method.sigma = "Jeffreys",
                              burn = burnin, nmc = nmc,
                              r = r, n.seq = n.seq, pk = p)
summary(posterior.fit$BetaHat)
```

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hsaftcovariatecorr	*This function extends the main function* hsaft *to create correlation among covariates.*

Description

This function extends the main function hsaft to create correlation among covariates.

Usage

```
hsaftcovariatecorr(ct, X, method.tau = c("fixed", "truncatedCauchy",
  "halfCauchy"), tau = 1, method.sigma = c("fixed", "Jeffreys"),
  Sigma2 = 1, burn = 100, nmc = 500, thin = 1, alpha = 0.05, r,
  n.seq, pk)
```

Arguments

ct	Response, a $n * 2$ matrix with first column as response and second column as right censored indicator, 1 is event time and 0 is right censored.
X	Matrix of covariates, dimension $n * p$.
method.tau	Method for handling τ. Select "truncatedCauchy" for full Bayes with the Cauchy prior truncated to [1/p, 1], "halfCauchy" for full Bayes with the half-Cauchy prior, or "fixed" to use a fixed value (an empirical Bayes estimate, for example).
tau	Use this argument to pass the (estimated) value of τ in case "fixed" is selected for method.tau. Not necessary when method.tau is equal to"halfCauchy" or "truncatedCauchy". The default (tau = 1) is not suitable for most purposes and should be replaced.
method.sigma	Select "Jeffreys" for full Bayes with Jeffrey's prior on the error variance σ^2, or "fixed" to use a fixed value (an empirical Bayes estimate, for example).
Sigma2	A fixed value for the error variance σ^2. Not necessary when method.sigma is equal to "Jeffreys". Use this argument to pass the (estimated) value of Sigma2 in case "fixed" is selected for method.sigma. The default (Sigma2 = 1) is not suitable for most purposes and should be replaced.
burn	Number of burn-in MCMC samples. Default is 1000.
nmc	Number of posterior draws to be saved. Default is 5000.
thin	Thinning parameter of the chain. Default is 1 (no thinning).
alpha	Level for the credible intervals. For example, alpha = 0.05 results in 95% credible intervals.
r	number of groups.
n.seq	a vector of sample sizes for all groups.
pk	number of covariates in each group.

Value

SurvivalHat	Predictive survival probability.
LogTimeHat	Predictive log time.
BetaHat	Posterior mean of Beta, a p by 1 vector.
LeftCI	The left bounds of the credible intervals.
RightCI	The right bounds of the credible intervals.
BetaMedian	Posterior median of Beta, a p by 1 vector.
Sigma2Hat	Posterior mean of error variance σ^2. If method.sigma = "fixed" is used, this value will be equal to the user-selected value of Sigma2 passed to the function.
TauHat	Posterior mean of global scale parameter tau, a positive scalar. If method.tau = "fixed" is used, this value will be equal to the user-selected value of tau passed to the function.
BetaSamples	Posterior samples of Beta.
TauSamples	Posterior samples of tau.

Sigma2Samples   Posterior samples of Sigma2.

BHat   Posterior samples of b which is the mean of β.

LikelihoodSamples

                  Posterior Samples of likelihood.

References

Stephanie van der Pas, James Scott, Antik Chakraborty and Anirban Bhattacharya (2016). horse-shoe: Implementation of the Horseshoe Prior. R package version 0.1.0. https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=horseshoe

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Examples

```
# Examples for hsaftcovariatecorr function
burnin <- 50   # number of burnin
nmc    <- 100  # number of Markov Chain samples
y.sd   <- 1    # standard deviation of the data
p      <- 80   # number of covariates
r      <- 5    # number of groups
p      <- 80   # number of covariate in each group
n1     <- 40   # sample size of 1st group
n2     <- 50   # sample size of 2nd group
n3     <- 70   # sample size of 3rd group
n4     <- 100  # sample size of 4th group
n5     <- 120  # sample size of 5th group
n      <- sum(c(n1, n2, n3, n4, n5))  # total sample size
n.seq  <- c(n1, n2, n3, n4, n5)
Beta   <- matrix(smoothmest::rdoublex(p * r), nrow = r, ncol = p, byrow = TRUE)
# from double exponential distribution
beta   <- as.vector(t(Beta))  # vectorize Beta
x1     <- mvtnorm::rmvnorm(n1, mean = rep(0, p))
x2     <- mvtnorm::rmvnorm(n2, mean = rep(0, p))
x3     <- mvtnorm::rmvnorm(n3, mean = rep(0, p))
x4     <- mvtnorm::rmvnorm(n4, mean = rep(0, p))
x5     <- mvtnorm::rmvnorm(n5, mean = rep(0, p))  # from multivariate normal distribution
y.mu1  <- x1 %*% Beta[1, ]
y.mu2  <- x2 %*% Beta[2, ]
y.mu3  <- x3 %*% Beta[3, ]
y.mu4  <- x4 %*% Beta[4, ]
y.mu5  <- x5 %*% Beta[5, ]
y1     <- stats::rnorm(n1, mean = y.mu1, sd = y.sd)
y2     <- stats::rnorm(n2, mean = y.mu2, sd = y.sd)
y3     <- stats::rnorm(n3, mean = y.mu3, sd = y.sd)
y4     <- stats::rnorm(n4, mean = y.mu4, sd = y.sd)
y5     <- stats::rnorm(n5, mean = y.mu5, sd = y.sd)
y      <- c(y1, y2, y3, y4, y5)
x      <- Matrix::bdiag(x1, x2, x3, x4, x5)
X      <- as.matrix(x)
y      <- as.numeric(as.matrix(y))  # from normal distribution
T      <- exp(y)   # AFT model
```

```
C       <- rgamma(n, shape = 1.75, scale = 3)  # censoring time
time    <- pmin(T, C)  # observed time is min of censored and true
status = time == T    # set to 1 if event is observed
ct      <- as.matrix(cbind(time = time, status = status))  # censored time

posterior.fit <- hsaftcovariatecorr(ct, X, method.tau = "truncatedCauchy",
                                    method.sigma = "Jeffreys",
                                    burn = burnin, nmc = nmc,
                                    r = r, n.seq = n.seq, pk = p)
                                    summary(posterior.fit$BetaHat)
```

hsaftgroupcorr	*This function extends the main function* hsaft *to create correlation among groups.*

Description

This function extends the main function hsaft to create correlation among groups.

Usage

```
hsaftgroupcorr(ct, X, method.tau = c("fixed", "truncatedCauchy",
  "halfCauchy"), tau = 1, method.sigma = c("fixed", "Jeffreys"),
  Sigma2 = 1, burn = 1000, nmc = 5000, thin = 1, alpha = 0.05, r,
  n.seq, pk)
```

Arguments

ct	Response, a $n * 2$ matrix with first column as response and second column as right censored indicator, 1 is event time and 0 is right censored.
X	Matrix of covariates, dimension $n * p$.
method.tau	Method for handling τ. Select "truncatedCauchy" for full Bayes with the Cauchy prior truncated to [1/p, 1], "halfCauchy" for full Bayes with the half-Cauchy prior, or "fixed" to use a fixed value (an empirical Bayes estimate, for example).
tau	Use this argument to pass the (estimated) value of τ in case "fixed" is selected for method.tau. Not necessary when method.tau is equal to"halfCauchy" or "truncatedCauchy". The default (tau = 1) is not suitable for most purposes and should be replaced.
method.sigma	Select "Jeffreys" for full Bayes with Jeffrey's prior on the error variance σ^2, or "fixed" to use a fixed value (an empirical Bayes estimate, for example).
Sigma2	A fixed value for the error variance σ^2. Not necessary when method.sigma is equal to "Jeffreys". Use this argument to pass the (estimated) value of Sigma2 in case "fixed" is selected for method.sigma. The default (Sigma2 = 1) is not suitable for most purposes and should be replaced.

burn	Number of burn-in MCMC samples. Default is 1000.
nmc	Number of posterior draws to be saved. Default is 5000.
thin	Thinning parameter of the chain. Default is 1 (no thinning).
alpha	Level for the credible intervals. For example, alpha = 0.05 results in 95% credible intervals.
r	number of groups.
n.seq	a vector of sample sizes for all groups.
pk	number of covariates in each group.

Value

SurvivalHat	Predictive survival probability.
LogTimeHat	Predictive log time.
BetaHat	Posterior mean of Beta, a p by 1 vector.
LeftCI	The left bounds of the credible intervals.
RightCI	The right bounds of the credible intervals.
BetaMedian	Posterior median of Beta, a p by 1 vector.
Sigma2Hat	Posterior mean of error variance σ^2. If method.sigma = "fixed" is used, this value will be equal to the user-selected value of Sigma2 passed to the function.
TauHat	Posterior mean of global scale parameter tau, a positive scalar. If method.tau = "fixed" is used, this value will be equal to the user-selected value of tau passed to the function.
BetaSamples	Posterior samples of Beta.
TauSamples	Posterior samples of tau.
Sigma2Samples	Posterior samples of Sigma2.
BHat	Posterior samples of b which is the mean of β.
LikelihoodSamples	
	Posterior Samples of likelihood.

References

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Examples

```
# Examples for hsaftgroupcorr function
burnin <- 50   # number of burnin
nmc    <- 100  # number of Markov Chain samples
y.sd   <- 1    # standard deviation of the data
p      <- 80   # number of covariates
r      <- 5    # number of groups
```

```
p       <- 80     # number of covariate in each group
n1      <- 40     # sample size of 1st group
n2      <- 50     # sample size of 2nd group
n3      <- 70     # sample size of 3rd group
n4      <- 100    # sample size of 4th group
n5      <- 120    # sample size of 5th group
n       <- sum(c(n1, n2, n3, n4, n5))  # total sample size
n.seq   <- c(n1, n2, n3, n4, n5)
Beta    <- matrix(smoothmest::rdoublex(p * r), nrow = r, ncol = p, byrow = TRUE)
# from double exponential distribution
beta    <- as.vector(t(Beta))  # vectorize Beta
x1      <- mvtnorm::rmvnorm(n1, mean = rep(0, p))
x2      <- mvtnorm::rmvnorm(n2, mean = rep(0, p))
x3      <- mvtnorm::rmvnorm(n3, mean = rep(0, p))
x4      <- mvtnorm::rmvnorm(n4, mean = rep(0, p))
x5      <- mvtnorm::rmvnorm(n5, mean = rep(0, p))  # from multivariate normal distribution
y.mu1   <- x1 %*% Beta[1, ]
y.mu2   <- x2 %*% Beta[2, ]
y.mu3   <- x3 %*% Beta[3, ]
y.mu4   <- x4 %*% Beta[4, ]
y.mu5   <- x5 %*% Beta[5, ]
y1      <- stats::rnorm(n1, mean = y.mu1, sd = y.sd)
y2      <- stats::rnorm(n2, mean = y.mu2, sd = y.sd)
y3      <- stats::rnorm(n3, mean = y.mu3, sd = y.sd)
y4      <- stats::rnorm(n4, mean = y.mu4, sd = y.sd)
y5      <- stats::rnorm(n5, mean = y.mu5, sd = y.sd)
y       <- c(y1, y2, y3, y4, y5)
x       <- Matrix::bdiag(x1, x2, x3, x4, x5)
X       <- as.matrix(x)
y       <- as.numeric(as.matrix(y))  # from normal distribution
T       <- exp(y)   # AFT model
C       <- rgamma(n, shape = 1.75, scale = 3)  # censoring time
time    <- pmin(T, C)  # observed time is min of censored and true
status = time == T   # set to 1 if event is observed
ct      <- as.matrix(cbind(time = time, status = status))  # censored time
posterior.fit <- hsaftgroupcorr(ct, X, method.tau = "truncatedCauchy", method.sigma = "Jeffreys",
                                burn = burnin, nmc = nmc,
                                r = r, n.seq = n.seq, pk = p)
summary(posterior.fit$BetaHat)
```

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