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| ds.cox.zphSLMA | <i>Tests the proportional hazards assumption for a Cox proportional hazards model</i> |
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## Description

This function tests the proportional hazards assumption for a Cox proportional hazards model.

## Usage

```
ds.cox.zphSLMA(
  fit = NULL,
  transform = "km",
  terms = TRUE,
  singledf = FALSE,
  global = TRUE,
  datasources = NULL
)
```

## Arguments

|             |  |
|-------------|--|
| fit         | character string (potentially including * symbol without spaces) specifying the name of the fitted server-side Cox proportionanl hazards model that has been created using ds.coxphSLMAassign()  |
| transform   | character string specifying how the survival times should be transformed before the test is performed. Possible values are "km", "rank", "identity" or a function of one argument.   |
| terms       | logical if TRUE, do a test for each term in the model rather than for each separate covariate. For a factor variable with k levels, for instance, this would lead to a k-1 degree of freedom test. The plot for such variables will be a single curve evaluating the linear predictor over time. |
| singledf    | logical use a single degree of freedom test for terms that have multiple coefficients, i.e., the test that corresponds most closely to the plot. If terms=FALSE this argument has no effect.   |
| global      | logical should a global chi-square test be done, in addition to the per-variable or per-term tests tests.  |
| datasources | a list of <a href="#">DSConnection-class</a> objects obtained after login. If the datasources argument is not specified the default set of connections will be used: see <a href="#">datashield.connections.default</a> . For more information see <b>Details</b> .                              |

## Details

This is a function that performs diagnostics on a fitted Cox proportional hazards model.

Server function called: `cox.zphSLMADS`.

**Value**

cox.zphSLMADS returns to the client-side the diagnostics of the Cox proportional hazards model

**Author(s)**

Soumya Banerjee and Tom Bishop, 2020

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

## Version 6

# connecting to the Opal servers

require('DSI')
require('DSOpal')
require('dsBaseClient')

builder <- DSI::newDSLoginBuilder()
builder$append(server = "study1",
               url = "http://192.168.56.100:8080/",
               user = "administrator", password = "datashield_test&",
               table = "SURVIVAL.EXPAND_NO_MISSING1", driver = "OpalDriver")
builder$append(server = "study2",
               url = "http://192.168.56.100:8080/",
               user = "administrator", password = "datashield_test&",
               table = "SURVIVAL.EXPAND_NO_MISSING2", driver = "OpalDriver")
builder$append(server = "study3",
               url = "http://192.168.56.100:8080/",
               user = "administrator", password = "datashield_test&",
               table = "SURVIVAL.EXPAND_NO_MISSING3", driver = "OpalDriver")
logindata <- builder$build()

connections <- DSI::datashield.login(logins = logindata, assign = TRUE, symbol = "D")

# make sure that the outcome is numeric
ds.asNumeric(x.name = "D$cens",
             newobj = "EVENT",
             datasources = connections)

ds.asNumeric(x.name = "D$survtime",
             newobj = "SURVTIME",
             datasources = connections)

dsBaseClient::ds.Surv(time='SURVTIME', event='EVENT', objectname='surv_object')

dsBaseClient::ds.coxph.SLMA(formula = 'surv_object ~ D$female',
                           dataName = 'D', datasources = connections)

# clear the Datashield R sessions and logout
```

```
datashield.logout(connections)

## End(Not run)
```

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ds.coxph.SLMA

*Performs survival analysis using Cox proportional hazards model*


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## Description

Passes a formula to a server side environment and returns the summary of Cox proportional hazards model from the server.

## Usage

```
ds.coxph.SLMA(
  formula = NULL,
  dataName = NULL,
  weights = NULL,
  init = NULL,
  ties = "efron",
  singular.ok = TRUE,
  model = FALSE,
  x = FALSE,
  y = TRUE,
  control = NULL,
  combine_with_metafor = FALSE,
  datasources = NULL
)
```

## Arguments

|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| formula     | character string (potentially including * symbol without spaces) specifying the formula that you want to pass to the server-side. For more information see <b>Details</b> .   |
| dataName    | character string of name of data frame  |
| weights     | vector of case weights  |
| init        | vector of initial values of the iteration.  |
| ties        | character string specifying the method for tie handling. The Efron approximation is used as the default. Other options are 'breslow' and 'exact'.   |
| singular.ok | logical value indicating how to handle collinearity in the model matrix. Default is TRUE. If TRUE, the program will automatically skip over columns of the X matrix that are linear combinations of earlier columns. In this case the coefficients of such columns will be NA and the variance matrix will contain zeros. |
| model       | logical value. If TRUE, the model frame is returned in component model.   |

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|-----------------------------------|---|
| <code>x</code>                    | logical value. If TRUE, the x matrix is returned in component x.  |
| <code>y</code>                    | logical value. If TRUE, the response vector is returned in component y.   |
| <code>control</code>              | object of class <code>survival::coxph.control()</code> specifying iteration limit and other control options. Default is <code>survival::coxph.control()</code>  |
| <code>combine_with_metafor</code> | logical If TRUE the estimates and standard errors for each regression coefficient are pooled across studies using random-effects meta-analysis under maximum likelihood (ML), restricted maximum likelihood (REML) or fixed-effects meta-analysis (FE). Default is FALSE. |
| <code>datasources</code>          | a list of <a href="#">DSConnection-class</a> objects obtained after login. If the <code>datasources</code> argument is not specified the default set of connections will be used: see <a href="#">datashield.connections.default</a> .                                    |

## Details

This is a function that performs survival analysis using the Cox proportional hazards model.  
Server function called: `coxphSLMADS`.

## Value

`coxphSLMADS` returns to the client-side a summary of the Cox proportional hazards model

## Author(s)

Soumya Banerjee and Tom Bishop, 2020

## Examples

```
## Not run:

## Version 6

# connecting to the Opal servers

require('DSI')
require('DSOpal')
require('dsBaseClient')

builder <- DSI::newDSLoginBuilder()
builder$append(server = "study1",
               url = "http://192.168.56.100:8080/",
               user = "administrator", password = "datashield_test&",
               table = "SURVIVAL.EXPAND_NO_MISSING1", driver = "OpalDriver")
builder$append(server = "study2",
               url = "http://192.168.56.100:8080/",
               user = "administrator", password = "datashield_test&",
               table = "SURVIVAL.EXPAND_NO_MISSING2", driver = "OpalDriver")
builder$append(server = "study3",
               url = "http://192.168.56.100:8080/",
               user = "administrator", password = "datashield_test&",
```

```

        table = "SURVIVAL.EXPAND_NO_MISSING3", driver = "OpalDriver")
logindata <- builder$build()

connections <- DSI::datashield.login(logins = logindata, assign = TRUE, symbol = "D")

# make sure that the outcome is numeric
ds.asNumeric(x.name = "D$cens",
             newobj = "EVENT",
             datasources = connections)

ds.asNumeric(x.name = "D$survtime",
             newobj = "SURVTIME",
             datasources = connections)

dsBaseClient::ds.Surv(time='SURVTIME', event='EVENT', objectname='surv_object')

dsBaseClient::ds.coxph.SLMA(formula = 'surv_object ~ D$female',
                           dataName = 'D', datasources = connections)

# clear the Datashield R sessions and logout
datashield.logout(connections)

## End(Not run)

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| ds.coxphSLMAassign | <i>Performs survival analysis using Cox proportional hazards model</i> |
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## Description

Passes a formula to a server side environment and stores the Cox proportional hazards model from the server.

## Usage

```

ds.coxphSLMAassign(
  formula = NULL,
  dataName = NULL,
  weights = NULL,
  init = NULL,
  ties = "efron",
  singular.ok = TRUE,
  model = FALSE,
  x = FALSE,
  y = TRUE,
  control = NULL,
  datasources = NULL,
  objectname = NULL
)

```

**Arguments**

|                          |   |
|--------------------------|---|
| <code>formula</code>     | character string (potentially including * symbol without spaces) specifying the formula that you want to pass to the server-side. For more information see <b>Details</b> .   |
| <code>dataName</code>    | character string of name of data frame  |
| <code>weights</code>     | vector of case weights  |
| <code>init</code>        | vector of initial values of the iteration.  |
| <code>ties</code>        | character string specifying the method for tie handling. The Efron approximation is used as the default. Other options are 'breslow' and 'exact'.   |
| <code>singular.ok</code> | logical value indicating how to handle collinearity in the model matrix. Default is TRUE. If TRUE, the program will automatically skip over columns of the X matrix that are linear combinations of earlier columns. In this case the coefficients of such columns will be NA and the variance matrix will contain zeros. |
| <code>model</code>       | logical value. If TRUE, the model frame is returned in component model.   |
| <code>x</code>           | logical value. If TRUE, the x matrix is returned in component x.  |
| <code>y</code>           | logical value. If TRUE, the response vector is returned in component y.   |
| <code>control</code>     | object of class <code>survival::coxph.control()</code> specifying iteration limit and other control options. Default is <code>survival::coxph.control()</code>  |
| <code>datasources</code> | a list of <a href="#">DSConnection-class</a> objects obtained after login. If the <code>datasources</code> argument is not specified the default set of connections will be used: see <a href="#">datashield.connections.default</a> .  |
| <code>objectname</code>  | character name of server-side variable to store the Cox model   |

**Details**

This is a function that performs survival analysis using the Cox proportional hazards model. Server function called: `coxphSLMAassignDS`.

**Author(s)**

Soumya Banerjee and Tom Bishop, 2020

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

## Version 6

# connecting to the Opal servers

require('DSI')
require('DSOpal')
require('dsBaseClient')

builder <- DSI::newDSLoginBuilder()
```

```

builder$append(server = "study1",
               url = "http://192.168.56.100:8080/",
               user = "administrator", password = "datashield_test&",
               table = "SURVIVAL.EXPAND_NO_MISSING1", driver = "OpalDriver")
builder$append(server = "study2",
               url = "http://192.168.56.100:8080/",
               user = "administrator", password = "datashield_test&",
               table = "SURVIVAL.EXPAND_NO_MISSING2", driver = "OpalDriver")
builder$append(server = "study3",
               url = "http://192.168.56.100:8080/",
               user = "administrator", password = "datashield_test&",
               table = "SURVIVAL.EXPAND_NO_MISSING3", driver = "OpalDriver")
logindata <- builder$build()

connections <- DSI::datashield.login(logins = logindata, assign = TRUE, symbol = "D")

# make sure that the outcome is numeric
ds.asNumeric(x.name = "D$cens",
             newobj = "EVENT",
             datasources = connections)

ds.asNumeric(x.name = "D$survtime",
             newobj = "SURVTIME",
             datasources = connections)

dsBaseClient::ds.Surv(time='SURVTIME', event='EVENT', objectname='surv_object')

dsBaseClient::ds.coxph.SLMA(formula = 'surv_object ~ D$female',
                           dataName = 'D', datasources = connections)

dsBaseClient::ds.coxphSLMAassign(formula = 'surv_object ~ D$female',
                                dataName = 'D', datasources = connections,
                                objectname = 'coxph_serverside')

# clear the Datashield R sessions and logout
datashield.logout(connections)

## End(Not run)

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| ds.coxphSummary | <i>Returns a summary of a server-side Cox proportional hazards model</i> |
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## Description

This function returns a summary of server-side for a Cox proportional hazards model.

## Usage

```
ds.coxphSummary(x = NULL, datasources = NULL)
```



## Arguments

- x** character string (potentially including \* symbol without spaces) specifying the name of the fitted server-side Cox proportionanl hazards model that has been created using `ds.coxphSLMAassign()`
- datasources** a list of [DSConnection-class](#) objects obtained after login. If the **datasources** argument is not specified the default set of connections will be used: see [datashield.connections.default](#). For more information see **Details**.

## Details

This is a function that returns a summary of a fitted Cox proportional hazards model.  
 Server function called: `coxphSummaryDS`.

## Value

`coxphSummaryDS` returns to the client-side the summary of the Cox proportional hazards model

## Author(s)

Soumya Banerjee and Tom Bishop, 2020

## Examples

```
## Not run:

## Version 6

# connecting to the Opal servers

require('DSI')
require('DSOpal')
require('dsBaseClient')

builder <- DSI::newDSLoginBuilder()
builder$append(server = "study1",
               url = "http://192.168.56.100:8080/",
               user = "administrator", password = "datashield_test&",
               table = "SURVIVAL.EXPAND_NO_MISSING1", driver = "OpalDriver")
builder$append(server = "study2",
               url = "http://192.168.56.100:8080/",
               user = "administrator", password = "datashield_test&",
               table = "SURVIVAL.EXPAND_NO_MISSING2", driver = "OpalDriver")
builder$append(server = "study3",
               url = "http://192.168.56.100:8080/",
               user = "administrator", password = "datashield_test&",
               table = "SURVIVAL.EXPAND_NO_MISSING3", driver = "OpalDriver")
logindata <- builder$build()

connections <- DSI::datashield.login(logins = logindata, assign = TRUE, symbol = "D")
```

```

# make sure that the outcome is numeric
ds.asNumeric(x.name = "D$cens",
             newobj = "EVENT",
             datasources = connections)

ds.asNumeric(x.name = "D$survtime",
             newobj = "SURVTIME",
             datasources = connections)

dsBaseClient::ds.Surv(time='SURVTIME', event='EVENT', objectname='surv_object')

dsBaseClient::ds.coxphSLMAassign(formula = 'surv_object ~ D$female',
                                dataName = 'D', datasources = connections,
                                objectname = 'coxph_serverside')

dsBaseClient::ds.coxphSummary(x = 'coxph_serverside')

# clear the Datashield R sessions and logout
datashield.logout(connections)

## End(Not run)

```

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| ds.Surv | <i>Creates a server-side Survival object. This is used as a response variable in survival models and Cox proportional hazards models.</i> |
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## Description

Creates a server side Survival object of type `survival::Surv()`

## Usage

```

ds.Surv(
  time = NULL,
  event = NULL,
  time2 = NULL,
  type = NULL,
  origin = 0,
  objectname = NULL,
  datasources = NULL
)

```

## Arguments

|      |  |
|------|--|
| time | character string specifying the server-side start time or follow up timeparameter that has the start time element or follow-up time for survival analysis. |
|------|--|

|             |  |
|-------------|--|
| event       | character string of name of server side event parameter for use in survival analysis   |
| time2       | character string specifying the server-side stop time parameter that has the stop time element for survival analysis. For more information see <b>Details</b> .  |
| type        | character string specifying the type of censoring. Possible values are "right", "left", "counting", "interval", "interval2", or "mstate"   |
| origin      | numeric, used for counting process data and is the hazard function origin. The origin parameter is used with time-dependent strata in order to align the subjects properly when they cross over from one strata to another. This parameter has rarely proven useful. |
| objectname  | character string of name of new server-side object which will store object of class survival::Surv()   |
| datasources | a list of <a href="#">DSConnection-class</a> objects obtained after login. If the <code>datasources</code> argument is not specified the default set of connections will be used: see <a href="#">datashield.connections.default</a> .                               |

### Details

This is a function that Creates a server side Survival object of type survival::Surv(). This can be used to perform survival analysis using the Cox proportional hazards model.

Server function called: SurvDS.

### Value

SurvDS returns to the client-side a Surv() object for use in the Cox proportional hazards model

### Author(s)

Soumya Banerjee and Tom Bishop, 2020

### Examples

```
## Not run:

## Version 6

# connecting to the Opal servers

require('DSI')
require('DSOpal')
require('dsBaseClient')

builder <- DSI::newDSLoginBuilder()
builder$append(server = "study1",
               url = "http://192.168.56.100:8080/",
               user = "administrator", password = "datashield_test&",
               table = "SURVIVAL.EXPAND_NO_MISSING1", driver = "OpalDriver")
```

```

builder$append(server = "study2",
               url = "http://192.168.56.100:8080/",
               user = "administrator", password = "datashield_test&",
               table = "SURVIVAL.EXPAND_NO_MISSING2", driver = "OpalDriver")
builder$append(server = "study3",
               url = "http://192.168.56.100:8080/",
               user = "administrator", password = "datashield_test&",
               table = "SURVIVAL.EXPAND_NO_MISSING3", driver = "OpalDriver")
logindata <- builder$build()

connections <- DSI::datashield.login(logins = logindata, assign = TRUE, symbol = "D")

# make sure that the outcome is numeric
ds.asNumeric(x.name = "D$cens",
             newobj = "EVENT",
             datasources = connections)

ds.asNumeric(x.name = "D$survtime",
             newobj = "SURVTIME",
             datasources = connections)

# create start time variable
ds.asNumeric(x.name = "D$starttime",
             newobj = "STARTTIME",
             datasources = connections)

# create end time variable
ds.asNumeric(x.name = "D$endtime",
             newobj = "ENDTIME",
             datasources = connections)

# create a server-side survival object
dsBaseClient::ds.Surv(time='STARTTIME', time2='ENDTIME',
                     event = 'EVENT', objectname='surv_object')

# create a Cox proportional hazards model using the created survival object
dsBaseClient::ds.coxph.SLMA(formula = 'surv_object~D$age+D$female')

# clear the Datashield R sessions and logout
datashield.logout(connections)

## End(Not run)

```

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ds.survfit

*Creates a server-side Survival fit (survfit) object for use in Cox proportional hazards model.*

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## Description

Creates a server side Survival fit (survfit) object,

**Usage**

```
ds.survfit(formula = NULL, objectname = NULL, datasources = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

|                    |  |
|--------------------|--|
| <b>formula</b>     | character string specifying the formula to be used in <code>survival::survfit()</code> on the server-side. For more information see <b>Details</b> .   |
| <b>objectname</b>  | character string of name of new server-side object which will store object of class <code>survival::Surv()</code>  |
| <b>datasources</b> | a list of <a href="#">DSConnection-class</a> objects obtained after login. If the <b>datasources</b> argument is not specified the default set of connections will be used: see <a href="#">datashield.connections.default</a> . |

**Details**

This is a function that creates a server side `survfit` object. This is to be used in plotting results from survival analysis using the Cox proportional hazards model.

Server function called: `survfitDS`.

**Value**

`SurvDS` returns to the client-side a `Surv()` object for use in the Cox proportional hazards model

**Author(s)**

Soumya Banerjee and Tom Bishop, 2020

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

## Version 6

# connecting to the Opal servers

require('DSI')
require('DSOpal')
require('dsBaseClient')

builder <- DSI::newDSLoginBuilder()
builder$append(server = "study1",
               url = "http://192.168.56.100:8080/",
               user = "administrator", password = "datashield_test&",
               table = "SURVIVAL.EXPAND_NO_MISSING1", driver = "OpalDriver")
builder$append(server = "study2",
               url = "http://192.168.56.100:8080/",
               user = "administrator", password = "datashield_test&",
               table = "SURVIVAL.EXPAND_NO_MISSING2", driver = "OpalDriver")
builder$append(server = "study3",
```

```
url = "http://192.168.56.100:8080/",
user = "administrator", password = "datashield_test&",
table = "SURVIVAL.EXPAND_NO_MISSING3", driver = "OpalDriver")
logindata <- builder$build()

connections <- DSI::datashield.login(logins = logindata, assign = TRUE, symbol = "D")

# make sure that the outcome is numeric
ds.asNumeric(x.name = "D$cens",
             newobj = "EVENT",
             datasources = connections)

ds.asNumeric(x.name = "D$survtime",
             newobj = "SURVTIME",
             datasources = connections)

dsBaseClient::ds.Surv('SURVTIME', 'EVENT', 'surv_object')
dsBaseClient::ds.coxph.SLMA(formula = 'surv_object~D$age+D$female')
dsBaseClient::ds.survfit(formula='surv_object',object='survfit_object')

# clear the Datashield R sessions and logout
datashield.logout(connections)

## End(Not run)
```