# Details of the functions available in the file Functions-SIC.R

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# **NZD**

(from np package - https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/np/index.html)

NZD stands for 'no zero divide'. This function is used to deal with division by zero when using fixed precision architectures. This accomplishes the fact using a simple algorithm from computer science (in the underlying C code). It avoids NaN (not a number) in computations.

Fed a vector/scalar, it checks for a negative/positive value and, if positive divides by the smallest positive floating-point number 'x' such that 1+x!=1, if negative returns the same with appropriate sign.

#### smsurv

(from smcure package - https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/smcure/
index.html)

### Description:

The estimated baseline survival function of the mixuture cure model based on the Breslow method, which is used in order to update the E-step in the EM algorithm.

# Usage:

```
smsurv(Time, Status, X, beta, w, model)
```

initial beta from coxph

#### **Arguments:**

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w conditional probability of the ith individual remains uncured at the mth iteration. We use Status as initial value

specifies your model, it can be 'ph' or 'aft'

# SIC

beta

model

### Description:

EM algorithm for the estimation of a single-index/Cox mixture cure model.

#### Usage:

SIC(Time, Status, gamma.init, beta.init, X, Z, LCMM, eps, emmax, dataset, rescale)

#### Arguments:

Time follow-up time

Status censoring indicator - 1 = event of interest happens, and 0 = cen

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beta.init initial value for the single-index model (incidence)

gamma.init initial value for the Cox PH model (latency)

X covariates considered in the single-index (incidence)
 Z covariates considered in the Cox PH model (latency)

LCMM a smcure object

(see smcure package - https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/smcure/index.html - for more details about the sm-

cure function)

eps value of the convergence criterion

emmax maximum number of iteration for the EM algorithm

dataset a matrix or a data frame containing the data on which the model

has to be estimated

rescale TRUE/FALSE - if TRUE, parameters of the incidence are rescaled

according to an euclidian norm equal to 1

#### Value:

b parameter estimates for the single-index (incidence)

h bandwidth value

beta parameter estimates for the Cox PH model (latency)

iteration number of iteration of the EM algorithm

survival baseline conditional survival function estimate

uncured conditional probability of the ith individual remains uncured at

the final iteration

pred estimated value of  $\gamma^t \mathbf{X}$  and  $p(\mathbf{X})$  at the final iteration

h.conv value given by the value 'convergence' of the optim function for

the bandwidth computation

conv value given by the value 'convergence' of the optim function for

the maximum likelihood

#### **SICMM**

#### Description:

Estimation of a single-index/Cox mixture cure model with computation of the standard errors of the parameters by bootstrap.

#### Usage:

```
SICMM(Time, Status, X, Z, LCMM, eps, emmax, dataset, rescale, bootstrap, nboot)
```

#### **Arguments:**

Time follow-up time

Delta censoring indicator - 1 = event of interest happens, and 0 = cen

soring

X covariates considered in the single-index (incidence)
 Z covariates considered in the Cox PH model (latency)

LCMM a smcure object

(see smcure package - https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/smcure/index.html - for more details about the secure

function)

eps value of the convergence criterion

emmax maximum number of iteration for the EM algorithm

dataset a matrix or a data frame containing the data on which the model

has to be estimated

rescale TRUE/FALSE - if TRUE, parameters of the incidence are rescaled

according to an euclidian norm equal to 1

bootstrap TRUE/FALSE - if TRUE, computation of the standard errors of

the parameters based on a bootstrap approach

nboot number of bootstrap sampling

#### Value:

b parameter estimates for the single-index (incidence)

b.se standard errors for vector of parameters b

b.pvalue p-value for the Wald test for the vector of estimated parameters b

h bandwidth value

beta parameter estimates for the Cox PH model (latency)

beta.se standard errors for vector of parameters beta

beta.pvalue p-value for the Wald test for the vector of estimated parameters

beta

survival baseline conditional survival function estimate

pred estimated value of the  $\gamma^t \mathbf{X}$  and  $p(\mathbf{X})$ 

h.conv value given by the value 'convergence' of the optim function for

the bandwidth computation

conv value given by the value 'convergence' of the optim function for

the maximum likelihood