

# Package ‘survivalmodels’

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**Description** Implementations of classical and machine learning models for survival analysis, including deep neural networks via 'keras' and 'tensorflow'. Each model includes a separated fit and predict interface with consistent prediction types for predicting risk, survival probabilities, or survival distributions with 'distr6' <<https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=distr6>>. Models are either implemented from 'Python' via 'reticulate' <<https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=reticulate>>, from code in GitHub packages, or novel implementations using 'Rcpp' <<https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=Rcpp>>. Novel machine learning survival models will be included in the package in near-future updates. Neural networks are implemented from the 'Python' package 'pycox' <<https://github.com/havakv/pycox>> and are detailed by Kvamme et al. (2019) <<https://jmlr.org/papers/v20/18-424.html>>. The 'Akritas' estimator is defined in Akritas (1994) <[doi:10.1214/aos/1176325630](https://doi.org/10.1214/aos/1176325630)>. 'DNNSurv' is defined in Zhao and Feng (2020) <[arXiv:1908.02337](https://arxiv.org/abs/1908.02337)>.

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### survivalmodels-package

*survivalmodels: Models for Survival Analysis*

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### Description

survivalmodels implements classical and machine learning models for survival analysis that either do not already exist in R or for more efficient implementations.

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### See Also

Useful links:

- <https://github.com/RaphaelS1/survivalmodels/>
- Report bugs at <https://github.com/RaphaelS1/survivalmodels/issues>

## Description

The Akritas survival estimator is a conditional nearest-neighbours approach to the more common Kaplan-Meier estimator. Common usage includes IPCW Survival models and measures, which do not assume that censoring is independent of the covariates.

## Usage

```
akritas(
  formula = NULL,
  data = NULL,
  reverse = FALSE,
  time_variable = "time",
  status_variable = "status",
  x = NULL,
  y = NULL,
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

<code>formula</code>	( <code>formula(1)</code> )
	Object specifying the model fit, left-hand-side of formula should describe a <code>survival::Surv()</code> object.
<code>data</code>	( <code>data.frame(1)</code> )
	Training data of <code>data.frame</code> like object, internally is coerced with <code>stats::model.matrix()</code> .
<code>reverse</code>	( <code>logical(1)</code> )
	If TRUE fits estimator on censoring distribution, otherwise (default) survival distribution.
<code>time_variable</code>	( <code>character(1)</code> )
	Alternative method to call the function. Name of the 'time' variable, required if <code>formula</code> , or <code>x</code> and <code>Y</code> not given.
<code>status_variable</code>	( <code>character(1)</code> )
	Alternative method to call the function. Name of the 'status' variable, required if <code>formula</code> or <code>x</code> and <code>Y</code> not given.
<code>x</code>	( <code>data.frame(1)</code> )
	Alternative method to call the function. Required if <code>formula</code> , <code>time_variable</code> and <code>status_variable</code> not given. Data frame like object of features which is internally coerced with <code>model.matrix</code> .
<code>y</code>	( <code>[survival::Surv()]</code> )
	Alternative method to call the function. Required if <code>formula</code> , <code>time_variable</code> and <code>status_variable</code> not given. Survival outcome of right-censored observations.

... ANY  
 Additional arguments, currently unused.

## Details

This implementation uses a fit/predict interface to allow estimation on unseen data after fitting on training data. This is achieved by fitting the empirical CDF on the training data and applying this to the new data.

## Value

An object inheriting from class `akritas`.

## References

Akritas, M. G. (1994). Nearest Neighbor Estimation of a Bivariate Distribution Under Random Censoring. *Ann. Statist.*, 22(3), 1299–1327. doi: [10.1214/aos/1176325630](https://doi.org/10.1214/aos/1176325630)

## Examples

```
if (requireNamespaces(c("distr6", "survival"))) {
  library(survival)
  akritas(Surv(time, status) ~ ., data = rats[1:10, ])
}
```

`build_keras_net`      *Build a Keras Multilayer Perceptron*

## Description

Utility function to build a Keras MLP.

## Usage

```
build_keras_net(
  n_in,
  n_out,
  nodes = c(32L, 32L),
  layer_pars = list(),
  activation = "linear",
  act_pars = list(),
  dropout = 0.1,
  batch_norm = TRUE,
  batch_pars = list()
)
```

## Arguments

n_in	(integer(1))
	Number of input features.
n_out	(integer(1))
	Number of targets.
nodes	(numeric())
	Hidden nodes in network, each element in vector represents number of hidden nodes in respective layer.
layer_pars	(list())
	Arguments passed to <a href="#">keras::layer_dense</a> .
activation	(character(1))
	Activation function passed to <a href="#">keras::layer_activation</a> . Default is linear.
act_pars	(list())
	Parameters for activation function, see <a href="#">keras::layer_activation</a> .
dropout	(numeric(1))
	Optional dropout layer, if NULL then no dropout layer added otherwise either same dropout will be added to all layers.
batch_norm	(logical(1))
	If TRUE (default) then batch normalisation is applied to all layers.
batch_pars	(list())
	Parameters for batch normalisation, see <a href="#">keras::layer_batch_normalization</a> .

## Details

This function is a helper for R users with less Python experience. Currently it is limited to simple MLPs and with identical layers. More advanced networks will require manual creation with [keras](#).

## Examples

```
if (requireNamespaces("keras")) {
  build_keras_net(4L, 2L)

  build_keras_net(n_in = 4L, n_out = 2L, nodes = c(32L, 64L, 32L),
    activation = "elu", dropout = 0.4)
}
```

## Description

Utility function to build an MLP with a choice of activation function and weight initialization with optional dropout and batch normalization.

**Usage**

```
build_pytorch_net(
  n_in,
  n_out,
  nodes = c(32, 32),
  activation = "relu",
  act_pars = list(),
  dropout = 0.1,
  bias = TRUE,
  batch_norm = TRUE,
  batch_pars = list(eps = 1e-05, momentum = 0.1, affine = TRUE),
  init = "uniform",
  init_pars = list()
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>n_in</code>	<code>(integer(1))</code>	
		Number of input features.
<code>n_out</code>	<code>(integer(1))</code>	
		Number of targets.
<code>nodes</code>	<code>(numeric())</code>	
		Hidden nodes in network, each element in vector represents number of hidden nodes in respective layer.
<code>activation</code>	<code>(character(1) list())</code>	
		Activation function, can either be a single character and the same function is used in all layers, or a list of length <code>length(nodes)</code> . See <a href="#">get_pycox_activation</a> for options.
<code>act_pars</code>	<code>(list())</code>	
		Passed to <a href="#">get_pycox_activation</a> .
<code>dropout</code>	<code>(numeric())</code>	
		Optional dropout layer, if NULL then no dropout layer added otherwise either a single numeric which will be added to all layers or a vector of differing drop-out amounts.
<code>bias</code>	<code>(logical(1))</code>	
		If TRUE (default) then a bias parameter is added to all linear layers.
<code>batch_norm</code>	<code>(logical(1))</code>	
		If TRUE (default) then batch normalisation is applied to all layers.
<code>batch_pars</code>	<code>(list())</code>	
		Parameters for batch normalisation, see <code>reticulate::py_help(torch\$nn\$BatchNorm1d)</code> .
<code>init</code>	<code>(character(1))</code>	
		Weight initialization method. See <a href="#">get_pycox_init</a> for options.
<code>init_pars</code>	<code>(list())</code>	
		Passed to <a href="#">get_pycox_init</a> .

## Details

This function is a helper for R users with less Python experience. Currently it is limited to simple MLPs. More advanced networks will require manual creation with **reticulate**.

## Examples

```
if (requireNamespaces("reticulate")) {
  build_pytorch_net(4L, 2L, nodes = c(32, 64, 32), activation = "selu")

  # pass parameters to activation and initializer functions
  build_pytorch_net(4L, 2L, activation = "elu", act_pars = list(alpha = 0.1),
  init  = "kaiming_uniform", init_pars = list(mode = "fan_out"))
}
```

## Description

Cox-Time fits a neural network based on the Cox PH with time-varying effects.

## Usage

```
coxtime(
  formula = NULL,
  data = NULL,
  reverse = FALSE,
  time_variable = "time",
  status_variable = "status",
  x = NULL,
  y = NULL,
  frac = 0,
  standardize_time = FALSE,
  log_duration = FALSE,
  with_mean = TRUE,
  with_std = TRUE,
  activation = "relu",
  num_nodes = c(32L, 32L),
  batch_norm = TRUE,
  dropout = NULL,
  device = NULL,
  shrink = 0,
  early_stopping = FALSE,
  best_weights = FALSE,
  min_delta = 0,
```

```

    patience = 10L,
    batch_size = 256L,
    epochs = 1L,
    verbose = FALSE,
    num_workers = 0L,
    shuffle = TRUE,
    ...
)

```

## Arguments

formula	(formula(1))
	Object specifying the model fit, left-hand-side of formula should describe a <a href="#">survival::Surv()</a> object.
data	(data.frame(1))
	Training data of data.frame like object, internally is coerced with <a href="#">stats::model.matrix()</a> .
reverse	(logical(1))
	If TRUE fits estimator on censoring distribution, otherwise (default) survival distribution.
time_variable	(character(1))
	Alternative method to call the function. Name of the 'time' variable, required if formula. or x and Y not given.
status_variable	(character(1))
	Alternative method to call the function. Name of the 'status' variable, required if formula or x and Y not given.
x	(data.frame(1))
	Alternative method to call the function. Required if formula, time_variable and status_variable not given. Data frame like object of features which is internally coerced with <a href="#">model.matrix</a> .
y	([survival::Surv()])
	Alternative method to call the function. Required if formula, time_variable and status_variable not given. Survival outcome of right-censored observations.
frac	(numeric(1))
	Fraction of data to use for validation dataset, default is 0 and therefore no separate validation dataset.
standardize_time	(logical(1))
	If TRUE, the time outcome is standardized.
log_duration	(logical(1))
	If TRUE and standardize_time is TRUE then time variable is log transformed.
with_mean	(logical(1))
	If TRUE (default) and standardize_time is TRUE then time variable is centered.
with_std	(logical(1))
	If TRUE (default) and standardize_time is TRUE then time variable is scaled to unit variance.

```

activation      (character(1))
  See get\_pycox\_activation.
num_nodes, batch_norm, dropout
  (integer()/logical(1)/numeric(1))
  See build\_pytorch\_net.
device          (integer(1)|character(1))
  Passed to pycox.models.Coxtime, specifies device to compute models on.
shrink          (numeric(1))
  Passed to pycox.models.Coxtime, shrinkage parameter for regularization.
early_stopping, best_weights, min_delta, patience
  (logical(1)/logical(1)/numeric(1)/integer(1))
  See get\_pycox\_callbacks.
batch_size      (integer(1))
  Passed to pycox.models.Coxtime.fit, elements in each batch.
epochs          (integer(1))
  Passed to pycox.models.Coxtime.fit, number of epochs.
verbose         (logical(1))
  Passed to pycox.models.Coxtime.fit, should information be displayed during fitting.
num_workers     (integer(1))
  Passed to pycox.models.Coxtime.fit, number of workers used in the dataloader.
shuffle         (logical(1))
  Passed to pycox.models.Coxtime.fit, should order of dataset be shuffled?
...
ANY
  Passed to get\_pycox\_optim.

```

## Details

Implemented from the `pycox` Python package via **reticulate**. Calls `pycox.models.Coxtime`.

## Value

An object inheriting from class `coxtime`.

An object of class `survivalmodel`.

## References

Kvamme, H., Borgan, Ø., & Scheel, I. (2019). Time-to-event prediction with neural networks and Cox regression. *Journal of Machine Learning Research*, 20(129), 1–30.

## Examples

```

if (requireNamespaces("reticulate")) {
  # all defaults
  coxtime(data = simsurvdata(50))
}

```

```
# common parameters
coxtime(data = simsurvdata(50), frac = 0.3, activation = "relu",
        num_nodes = c(4L, 8L, 4L, 2L), dropout = 0.1, early_stopping = TRUE, epochs = 100L,
        batch_size = 32L)
}
```

deephit

*DeepHit Survival Neural Network*

## Description

DeepHit fits a neural network based on the PMF of a discrete Cox model. This is the single (non-competing) event implementation.

## Usage

```
deephit(
  formula = NULL,
  data = NULL,
  reverse = FALSE,
  time_variable = "time",
  status_variable = "status",
  x = NULL,
  y = NULL,
  frac = 0,
  cuts = 10,
  cutpoints = NULL,
  scheme = c("equidistant", "quantiles"),
  cut_min = 0,
  activation = "relu",
  custom_net = NULL,
  num_nodes = c(32L, 32L),
  batch_norm = TRUE,
  dropout = NULL,
  device = NULL,
  mod_alpha = 0.2,
  sigma = 0.1,
  early_stopping = FALSE,
  best_weights = FALSE,
  min_delta = 0,
  patience = 10L,
  batch_size = 256L,
  epochs = 1L,
  verbose = FALSE,
  num_workers = 0L,
```

```
shuffle = TRUE,
...
)
```

## Arguments

formula	(formula(1))
	Object specifying the model fit, left-hand-side of formula should describe a <a href="#">survival::Surv()</a> object.
data	(data.frame(1))
	Training data of data.frame like object, internally is coerced with <a href="#">stats::model.matrix()</a> .
reverse	(logical(1))
	If TRUE fits estimator on censoring distribution, otherwise (default) survival distribution.
time_variable	(character(1))
	Alternative method to call the function. Name of the 'time' variable, required if formula. or x and Y not given.
status_variable	(character(1))
	Alternative method to call the function. Name of the 'status' variable, required if formula or x and Y not given.
x	(data.frame(1))
	Alternative method to call the function. Required if formula, time_variable and status_variable not given. Data frame like object of features which is internally coerced with model.matrix.
y	([survival::Surv()])
	Alternative method to call the function. Required if formula, time_variable and status_variable not given. Survival outcome of right-censored observations.
frac	(numeric(1))
	Fraction of data to use for validation dataset, default is 0 and therefore no separate validation dataset.
cuts	(integer(1))
	If discretise is TRUE then determines number of cut-points for discretisation.
cutpoints	(numeric())
	Alternative to cuts if discretise is true, provide exact cutpoints for discretisation. cuts is ignored if cutpoints is non-NULL.
scheme	(character(1))
	Method of discretisation, either "equidistant" (default) or "quantiles". See <a href="#">reticulate::py_help(pycox\$models\$LogisticHazard\$label_transform)</a> for more detail.
cut_min	(integer(1))
	Starting duration for discretisation, see <a href="#">reticulate::py_help(pycox\$models\$LogisticHazard\$label_transform)</a> for more detail.
activation	(character(1))
	See <a href="#">get_pycox_activation</a> .

custom_net	(torch.nn.modules.module.Module(1)) Optional custom network built with <a href="#">build_pytorch_net</a> , otherwise default architecture used. Note that if building a custom network the number of output channels depends on cuts or cutpoints.
num_nodes, batch_norm, dropout	(integer()/logical(1)/numeric(1)) See <a href="#">build_pytorch_net</a> .
device	(integer(1) character(1)) Passed to <code>pycox.models.DeepHitSingle</code> , specifies device to compute models on.
mod_alpha	(numeric(1)) Weighting in (0,1) for combining likelihood (L1) and rank loss (L2). See reference and <code>py_help(pycox\$models\$DeepHitSingle)</code> for more detail.
sigma	(numeric(1)) From eta in rank loss (L2) of ref. See reference and <code>py_help(pycox\$models\$DeepHitSingle)</code> for more detail.
early_stopping, best_weights, min_delta, patience	(logical(1)/logical(1)/numeric(1)/integer(1)) See <a href="#">get_pycox_callbacks</a> .
batch_size	(integer(1)) Passed to <code>pycox.models.DeepHitSingle.fit</code> , elements in each batch.
epochs	(integer(1)) Passed to <code>pycox.models.DeepHitSingle.fit</code> , number of epochs.
verbose	(logical(1)) Passed to <code>pycox.models.DeepHitSingle.fit</code> , should information be displayed during fitting.
num_workers	(integer(1)) Passed to <code>pycox.models.DeepHitSingle.fit</code> , number of workers used in the dataloader.
shuffle	(logical(1)) Passed to <code>pycox.models.DeepHitSingle.fit</code> , should order of dataset be shuffled?
...	ANY Passed to <a href="#">get_pycox_optim</a> .

## Details

Implemented from the `pycox` Python package via **reticulate**. Calls `pycox.models.DeepHitSingle`.

## Value

An object inheriting from class `deephit`.

An object of class `survivalmodel`.

## References

Changhee Lee, William R Zame, Jinsung Yoon, and Mihaela van der Schaar. Deephit: A deep learning approach to survival analysis with competing risks. In Thirty-Second AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence, 2018. [http://medianetlab.ee.ucla.edu/papers/AAAI\\_2018\\_DeepHit](http://medianetlab.ee.ucla.edu/papers/AAAI_2018_DeepHit)

## Examples

```
if (requireNamespaces("reticulate")) {
  # all defaults
  deephit(data = simsurvdata(50))

  # common parameters
  deephit(data = simsurvdata(50), frac = 0.3, activation = "relu",
    num_nodes = c(4L, 8L, 4L, 2L), dropout = 0.1, early_stopping = TRUE, epochs = 100L,
    batch_size = 32L)
}
```

deepsurv

*DeepSurv Survival Neural Network*

## Description

DeepSurv neural fits a neural network based on the partial likelihood from a Cox PH.

## Usage

```
deepsurv(
  formula = NULL,
  data = NULL,
  reverse = FALSE,
  time_variable = "time",
  status_variable = "status",
  x = NULL,
  y = NULL,
  frac = 0,
  activation = "relu",
  num_nodes = c(32L, 32L),
  batch_norm = TRUE,
  dropout = NULL,
  device = NULL,
  early_stopping = FALSE,
  best_weights = FALSE,
  min_delta = 0,
  patience = 10L,
  batch_size = 256L,
```

```

epochs = 1L,
verbose = FALSE,
num_workers = 0L,
shuffle = TRUE,
...
)

```

## Arguments

formula	(formula(1))
	Object specifying the model fit, left-hand-side of formula should describe a <code>survival::Surv()</code> object.
data	(data.frame(1))
	Training data of <code>data.frame</code> like object, internally is coerced with <code>stats::model.matrix()</code> .
reverse	(logical(1))
	If TRUE fits estimator on censoring distribution, otherwise (default) survival distribution.
time_variable	(character(1))
	Alternative method to call the function. Name of the 'time' variable, required if <code>formula.</code> or <code>x</code> and <code>Y</code> not given.
status_variable	(character(1))
	Alternative method to call the function. Name of the 'status' variable, required if <code>formula</code> or <code>x</code> and <code>Y</code> not given.
x	(data.frame(1))
	Alternative method to call the function. Required if <code>formula</code> , <code>time_variable</code> and <code>status_variable</code> not given. Data frame like object of features which is internally coerced with <code>model.matrix</code> .
y	([survival::Surv()])
	Alternative method to call the function. Required if <code>formula</code> , <code>time_variable</code> and <code>status_variable</code> not given. Survival outcome of right-censored observations.
frac	(numeric(1))
	Fraction of data to use for validation dataset, default is 0 and therefore no separate validation dataset.
activation	(character(1))
	See <a href="#">get_pycox_activation</a> .
num_nodes, batch_norm, dropout	(integer()/logical(1)/numeric(1))
	See <a href="#">build_pytorch_net</a> .
device	(integer(1) character(1))
	Passed to <code>pycox.models.CoxPH</code> , specifies device to compute models on.
early_stopping, best_weights, min_delta, patience	(logical(1)/logical(1)/numeric(1)/integer(1))
	See <a href="#">get_pycox_callbacks</a> .
batch_size	(integer(1))
	Passed to <code>pycox.models.CoxPH.fit</code> , elements in each batch.

epochs	(integer(1))
	Passed to <code>pycox.models.CoxPH.fit</code> , number of epochs.
verbose	(logical(1))
	Passed to <code>pycox.models.CoxPH.fit</code> , should information be displayed during fitting.
num_workers	(integer(1))
	Passed to <code>pycox.models.CoxPH.fit</code> , number of workers used in the dataloader.
shuffle	(logical(1))
	Passed to <code>pycox.models.CoxPH.fit</code> , should order of dataset be shuffled?
...	ANY
	Passed to <a href="#">get_pycox_optim</a> .

## Details

Implemented from the `pycox` Python package via **reticulate**. Calls `pycox.models.CoxPH`.

## Value

An object inheriting from class `deepsurv`.

An object of class `survivalmodel`.

## References

Katzman, J. L., Shaham, U., Cloninger, A., Bates, J., Jiang, T., & Kluger, Y. (2018). DeepSurv: personalized treatment recommender system using a Cox proportional hazards deep neural network. *BMC Medical Research Methodology*, 18(1), 24. <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12874-018-0482-1>

## Examples

```
if (requireNamespaces("reticulate")) {
  # all defaults
  deepsurv(data = simsurvdata(50))

  # common parameters
  deepsurv(data = simsurvdata(50), frac = 0.3, activation = "relu",
            num_nodes = c(4L, 8L, 4L, 2L), dropout = 0.1, early_stopping = TRUE, epochs = 100L,
            batch_size = 32L)
}
```

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`dnnsurv`*DNNSurv Neural Network for Conditional Survival Probabilities*

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## Description

`DNNSurv` neural fits a neural network based on pseudo-conditional survival probabilities.

## Usage

```
dnnsurv(
  formula = NULL,
  data = NULL,
  reverse = FALSE,
  time_variable = "time",
  status_variable = "status",
  x = NULL,
  y = NULL,
  cutpoints = NULL,
  cuts = 5L,
  custom_model = NULL,
  loss_weights = NULL,
  weighted_metrics = NULL,
  optimizer = "adam",
  early_stopping = FALSE,
  min_delta = 0,
  patience = 0L,
  verbose = 0L,
  baseline = NULL,
  restore_best_weights = FALSE,
  batch_size = 32L,
  epochs = 10L,
  validation_split = 0,
  shuffle = TRUE,
  sample_weight = NULL,
  initial_epoch = 0L,
  steps_per_epoch = NULL,
  validation_steps = NULL,
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

<code>formula</code>	<code>(formula(1))</code>
	Object specifying the model fit, left-hand-side of formula should describe a <code>survival::Surv()</code> object.
<code>data</code>	<code>(data.frame(1))</code>
	Training data of <code>data.frame</code> like object, internally is coerced with <code>stats::model.matrix()</code> .

reverse (logical(1))  
 If TRUE fits estimator on censoring distribution, otherwise (default) survival distribution.

time\_variable (character(1))  
 Alternative method to call the function. Name of the 'time' variable, required if formula, or x and Y not given.

status\_variable (character(1))  
 Alternative method to call the function. Name of the 'status' variable, required if formula or x and Y not given.

x (data.frame(1))  
 Alternative method to call the function. Required if formula, time\_variable and status\_variable not given. Data frame like object of features which is internally coerced with `model.matrix`.

y ([survival::Surv()])  
 Alternative method to call the function. Required if formula, time\_variable and status\_variable not given. Survival outcome of right-censored observations.

cutpoints (numeric())  
 Points at which to cut survival time into discrete points.

cuts (integer(1))  
 If cutpoints not provided then number of equally spaced points at which to cut survival time.

custom\_model (keras.engine.training.Model(1))  
 Optional custom architecture built with `build_keras_net` or directly with **keras**. Output layer should be of length 1 input is number of features plus number of cuts.

loss\_weights, weighted\_metrics  
 See `keras::compile.keras.engine.training.Model`.

optimizer (character(1))  
 See `get_keras_optimizer`.

early\_stopping (logical(1))  
 If TRUE then early stopping callback is included.

min\_delta, patience, baseline, restore\_best\_weights  
 See `keras::callback_early_stopping`.

verbose (integer(1))  
 Level of verbosity for printing, 0 or 1.

batch\_size, epochs, validation\_split, shuffle, sample\_weight, initial\_epoch, steps\_per\_epoch, validation\_steps  
 See `keras::fit.keras.engine.training.Model`. # nolint

... ANY  
 Passed to `get_keras_optimizer`.

## Details

Code for generating the conditional probabilities and pre-processing data is taken from <https://github.com/lilizhaoUM/DNNSurv>.

**Value**

An object of class `survivalmodel`.

**References**

Zhao, L., & Feng, D. (2020). DNNSurv: Deep Neural Networks for Survival Analysis Using Pseudo Values. <https://arxiv.org/abs/1908.02337>

**Examples**

```
if (requireNamespaces(c("keras", "pseudo")))
  # all defaults
  dnnsurv(data = simsurvdata(10))

  # setting common parameters
dnnsurv(time_variable = "time", status_variable = "status", data = simsurvdata(10),
        early_stopping = TRUE, epochs = 100L, validation_split = 0.3)
```

*get\_keras\_optimizer     Get Keras Optimizer*

**Description**

Utility function to construct optimiser from **keras**, primarily for internal use.

**Usage**

```
get_keras_optimizer(
  optimizer = "adam",
  lr = 0.02,
  beta_1 = 0.9,
  beta_2 = 0.999,
  epsilon = NULL,
  decay = 0,
  clipnorm = NULL,
  clipvalue = NULL,
  schedule_decay = 0.004,
  momentum = 0,
  nesterov = FALSE
)
```

## Arguments

optimizer	(character(1))
	Optimizer to construct, see details for those available. Default is "adam".
lr	(numeric(1))
	Passed to all optimizers except adadelta and adagrad.
beta_1, beta_2, epsilon	(numeric(1))
	Passed to adamax, adam, and nadam.
decay	(numeric(1))
	Passed to adamax, adam, and sgd.
clipnorm, clipvalue	(numeric(1))
	Passed to adamax, adam, nadam, and sgd.
schedule_decay	(numeric(1))
	Passed to nadam.
momentum	(numeric(1))
	Passed to sgd.
nesterov	(logical(1))
	Passed to sgd.

## Details

Implemented optimizers are

- "adadelta"  
[keras::optimizer\\_adadelta](#)
- "adagrad"  
[keras::optimizer\\_adagrad](#)
- "adamax"  
[keras::optimizer\\_adamax](#)
- "adam"  
[keras::optimizer\\_adam](#)
- "nadam"  
[keras::optimizer\\_nadam](#)
- "rmsprop"  
[keras::optimizer\\_rmsprop](#)
- "sgd"  
[keras::optimizer\\_sgd](#)

## Examples

```
if (requireNamespaces("keras")) {  
  get_keras_optimizer()
```

```
get_keras_optimizer(optimizer = "adamax", decay = 0.1, lr = 0.01)
}
```

### get\_pycox\_activation *Get Pytorch Activation Function*

#### Description

Helper function to return a class or constructed object for pytorch activation function from `torch.nn.modules.activation`.

#### Usage

```
get_pycox_activation(
  activation = "relu",
  construct = TRUE,
  alpha = 1,
  dim = NULL,
  lambd = 0.5,
  min_val = -1,
  max_val = 1,
  negative_slope = 0.01,
  num_parameters = 1L,
  init = 0.25,
  lower = 1/8,
  upper = 1/3,
  beta = 1,
  threshold = 20,
  value = 20
)
```

#### Arguments

activation	(character(1))
	Activation function method, see details for list of implemented methods.
construct	(logical(1))
	If TRUE (default) returns constructed object, otherwise a class.
alpha	(numeric(1))
	Passed to celu and elu.
dim	(integer(1))
	Passed to glu, logsoftmax, softmax, and softmin.
lambd	(numeric(1))
	Passed to hardshrink and softshrink.
min_val, max_val	(numeric(1))
	Passed tohardtanh.

```

negative_slope (numeric(1))
    Passed to leakyrelu.

num_parameters (integer(1))
    Passed to prelu.

init (numeric(1))
    Passed to prelu.

lower, upper (numeric(1))
    Passed to rrelu.

beta (numeric(1))
    Passed to softplus.

threshold (numeric(1))
    Passed to softplus and threshold.

value (numeric(1))
    Passed to threshold.

```

## Details

Implemented methods (with help pages) are

- "celu"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$CELU)
- "elu"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$ELU)
- "gelu"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$GELU)
- "glu"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$GLU)
- "hardshrink"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$Hardshrink)
- "hardsigmoid"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$Hardsigmoid)
- "hardswish"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$Hardswish)
- "hardtanh"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$Hardtanh)
- "relu6"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$ReLU6)
- "leakyrelu"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$LeakyReLU)
- "logsigmoid"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$LogSigmoid)
- "logsoftmax"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$LogSoftmax)

- "prelu"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$PReLU)
- "rrelu"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$RReLU)
- "relu"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$ReLU)
- "selu"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$SELU)
- "sigmoid"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$Sigmoid)
- "softmax"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$Softmax)
- "softmax2d"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$Softmax2d)
- "softmin"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$Softmin)
- "softplus"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$Softplus)
- "softshrink"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$Softshrink)
- "softsign"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$Softsign)
- "tanh"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$Tanh)
- "tanhshrink"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$Tanhshrink)
- "threshold"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$modules\$activation\$Threshold)

## Examples

```
if (requireNamespaces("reticulate")) {
  #' # returns constructed objects
  get_pycocx_activation(activation = "relu", construct = TRUE)

  # returns class
  get_pycocx_activation(activation = "selu", construct = FALSE)
}
```

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**get\_pycox\_callbacks**     *Get TorchTuples Callbacks*

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**Description**

Helper function to return torchTuples callbacks from torchTuples.callbacks.

**Usage**

```
get_pycox_callbacks(  
  early_stopping = FALSE,  
  best_weights = FALSE,  
  min_delta = 0,  
  patience = 10L  
)
```

**Arguments**

early_stopping	(logical(1))	
		If TRUE then constructs torchTuples.callbacks.EarlyStopping.
best_weights	(logical(1))	
		If TRUE then returns torchTuples.callbacks.BestWeights. Ignored if early_stopping is TRUE.
min_delta	(numeric(1))	
		Passed to torchTuples.callbacks.EarlyStopping.
patience	(integer(1))	
		Passed to torchTuples.callbacks.EarlyStopping.

**Examples**

```
if (requireNamespaces("reticulate")) {  
  get_pycox_callbacks(early_stopping = TRUE)  
  
  get_pycox_callbacks(best_weights = TRUE)  
}
```

---

**get\_pycox\_init**      *Get Pytorch Weight Initialization Method*

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**Description**

Helper function to return a character string with a populated pytorch weight initializer method from `torch.nn.init`. Used in [build\\_pytorch\\_net](#) to define a weighting function.

**Usage**

```
get_pycox_init(
    init = "uniform",
    a = 0,
    b = 1,
    mean = 0,
    std = 1,
    val,
    gain = 1,
    mode = c("fan_in", "fan_out"),
    non_linearity = c("leaky_relu", "relu")
)
```

**Arguments**

init	(character(1))
	Initialization method, see details for list of implemented methods.
a	(numeric(1))
	Passed to uniform, kaiming_uniform, and kaiming_normal.
b	(numeric(1))
	Passed to uniform.
mean, std	(numeric(1))
	Passed to normal.
val	(numeric(1))
	Passed to constant.
gain	(numeric(1))
	Passed to xavier_uniform, xavier_normal, and orthogonal.
mode	(character(1))
	Passed to kaiming_uniform and kaiming_normal, one of fan_in (default) and fan_out.
non_linearity	(character(1))
	Passed to kaiming_uniform and kaiming_normal, one of leaky_relu (default) and relu.

## Details

Implemented methods (with help pages) are

- "uniform"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$init\$uniform\_)
- "normal"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$init\$normal\_)
- "constant"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$init\$constant\_)
- "xavier\_uniform"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$init\$xavier\_uniform\_)
- "xavier\_normal"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$init\$xavier\_normal\_)
- "kaiming\_uniform"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$init\$kaiming\_uniform\_)
- "kaiming\_normal"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$init\$kaiming\_normal\_)
- "orthogonal"  
reticulate::py\_help(torch\$nn\$init\$orthogonal\_)

## Examples

```
if (requireNamespaces("reticulate")) {
  get_pycox_init(init = "uniform")

  get_pycox_init(init = "kaiming_uniform", a = 0, mode = "fan_out")
}
```

`get_pycox_optim`      *Get Pytorch Optimizer*

## Description

Helper function to return a constructed pytorch optimizer from `torch.optim`.

## Usage

```
get_pycox_optim(
  optimizer = "adam",
  net,
  rho = 0.9,
  eps = 1e-08,
```

```

    lr = 1,
    weight_decay = 0,
    learning_rate = 0.01,
    lr_decay = 0,
    betas = c(0.9, 0.999),
    amsgrad = FALSE,
    lambd = 1e-04,
    alpha = 0.75,
    t0 = 1e+06,
    momentum = 0,
    centered = TRUE,
    etas = c(0.5, 1.2),
    step_sizes = c(1e-06, 50),
    dampening = 0,
    nesterov = FALSE
)

```

## Arguments

optimizer	(character(1))
	Optimizer, see details for list of implemented methods.
net	(torch.nn.modules.module.Module)
	Network architecture, can be built from <a href="#">build_pytorch_net</a> .
rho, lr, lr_decay	(numeric(1))
	Passed to adadelta.
eps	(numeric(1))
	Passed to all methods except asgd, rprop, and sgd.
weight_decay	(numeric(1))
	Passed to all methods except rprop and sparse_adam.
learning_rate	(numeric(1))
	Passed to all methods except adadelta.
betas	(numeric(2))
	Passed to adam, adamax, adamw, and sparse_adam.
amsgrad	(logical(1))
	Passed to adam and adamw.
lambd, t0	(numeric(1))
	Passed to asgd.
alpha	(numeric(1))
	Passed to asgd and rmsprop.
momentum	(numeric(1))
	Passed to rmsprop and sgd.
centered	(logical(1))
	Passed to rmsprop.

```
etas, step_sizes  
        (numeric(2))  
        Passed to rprop.  
dampening      (numeric(1))  
        Passed to sgd.  
nesterov       (logical(1))  
        Passed to sgd.
```

## Details

Implemented methods (with help pages) are

- "adadelta"  
`reticulate::py_help(torch$optim$Adadelta)`
- "adagrad"  
`reticulate::py_help(torch$optim$Adagrad)`
- "adam"  
`reticulate::py_help(torch$optim$Adam)`
- "adamax"  
`reticulate::py_help(torch$optim$Adamax)`
- "adamw"  
`reticulate::py_help(torch$optim$AdamW)`
- "asgd"  
`reticulate::py_help(torch$optim$ASGD)`
- "rmsprop"  
`reticulate::py_help(torch$optim$RMSprop)`
- "rprop"  
`reticulate::py_help(torch$optim$Rprop)`
- "sgd"  
`reticulate::py_help(torch$optim$SGD)`
- "sparse\_adam"  
`reticulate::py_help(torch$optim$SparseAdam)`

## Description

Stripped back version of [keras::install\\_keras](#).

**Usage**

```
install_keras(
  method = "auto",
  conda = "auto",
  pip = FALSE,
  install_tensorflow = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

`method, conda, pip`

See [reticulate::py\\_install](#).

`install_tensorflow`

If TRUE installs the dependency tensorflow package as well.

`install_pycox`

*Install Pycox With Reticulate*

**Description**

Installs the python 'pycox' package via reticulate.

**Usage**

```
install_pycox(
  method = "auto",
  conda = "auto",
  pip = FALSE,
  install_torch = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

`method, conda, pip`

See [reticulate::py\\_install](#).

`install_torch` If TRUE installs the dependency torch package as well.

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install_torch	<i>Install Torch With Reticulate</i>
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### Description

Installs the python 'torch' package via reticulate.

### Usage

```
install_torch(method = "auto", conda = "auto", pip = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

method, conda, pip

See [reticulate::py\\_install](#)

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loghaz	<i>Logistic-Hazard Survival Neural Network</i>
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### Description

Logistic-Hazard fits a discrete neural network based on a cross-entropy loss and predictions of a discrete hazard function, also known as Nnet-Survival.

### Usage

```
loghaz(  
  formula = NULL,  
  data = NULL,  
  reverse = FALSE,  
  time_variable = "time",  
  status_variable = "status",  
  x = NULL,  
  y = NULL,  
  frac = 0,  
  cuts = 10,  
  cutpoints = NULL,  
  scheme = c("equidistant", "quantiles"),  
  cut_min = 0,  
  activation = "relu",  
  custom_net = NULL,  
  num_nodes = c(32L, 32L),  
  batch_norm = TRUE,  
  dropout = NULL,  
  device = NULL,  
  early_stopping = FALSE,
```

```

best_weights = FALSE,
min_delta = 0,
patience = 10L,
batch_size = 256L,
epochs = 1L,
verbose = FALSE,
num_workers = 0L,
shuffle = TRUE,
...
)

```

## Arguments

formula	(formula(1))
	Object specifying the model fit, left-hand-side of formula should describe a <code>survival::Surv()</code> object.
data	(data.frame(1))
	Training data of <code>data.frame</code> like object, internally is coerced with <code>stats::model.matrix()</code> .
reverse	(logical(1))
	If TRUE fits estimator on censoring distribution, otherwise (default) survival distribution.
time_variable	(character(1))
	Alternative method to call the function. Name of the 'time' variable, required if <code>formula</code> . or <code>x</code> and <code>Y</code> not given.
status_variable	(character(1))
	Alternative method to call the function. Name of the 'status' variable, required if <code>formula</code> or <code>x</code> and <code>Y</code> not given.
x	(data.frame(1))
	Alternative method to call the function. Required if <code>formula</code> , <code>time_variable</code> and <code>status_variable</code> not given. Data frame like object of features which is internally coerced with <code>model.matrix</code> .
y	([survival::Surv()])
	Alternative method to call the function. Required if <code>formula</code> , <code>time_variable</code> and <code>status_variable</code> not given. Survival outcome of right-censored observations.
frac	(numeric(1))
	Fraction of data to use for validation dataset, default is 0 and therefore no separate validation dataset.
cuts	(integer(1))
	If <code>discretise</code> is TRUE then determines number of cut-points for discretisation.
cutpoints	(numeric())
	Alternative to <code>cuts</code> if <code>discretise</code> is true, provide exact cutpoints for discretisation. <code>cuts</code> is ignored if <code>cutpoints</code> is non-NULL.
scheme	(character(1))
	Method of discretisation, either "equidistant" (default) or "quantiles". See <code>reticulate::py_help(pycox\$models\$LogisticHazard\$label_transform)</code> for more detail.

```

cut_min      (integer(1))
Starting duration for discretisation, see reticulate::py_help(pycox$models$LogisticHazard$label)
for more detail.

activation   (character(1))
See get\_pycox\_activation.

custom_net   (torch.nn.modules.module.Module(1))
Optional custom network built with build\_pytorch\_net, otherwise default archi-
tecture used. Note that if building a custom network the number of output chan-
nels depends on cuts or cutpoints.

num_nodes, batch_norm, dropout
(integer()/logical(1)/numeric(1))
See build\_pytorch\_net.

device        (integer(1)|character(1))
Passed to pycox.models.LogisticHazard, specifies device to compute models
on.

early_stopping, best_weights, min_delta, patience
(logical(1)/logical(1)/numeric(1)/integer(1))
See get\_pycox\_callbacks.

batch_size    (integer(1))
Passed to pycox.models.LogisticHazard.fit, elements in each batch.

epochs        (integer(1))
Passed to pycox.models.LogisticHazard.fit, number of epochs.

verbose       (logical(1))
Passed to pycox.models.LogisticHazard.fit, should information be displayed
during fitting.

num_workers   (integer(1))
Passed to pycox.models.LogisticHazard.fit, number of workers used in the
dataloader.

shuffle       (logical(1))
Passed to pycox.models.LogisticHazard.fit, should order of dataset be shuf-
fled?

...
ANY
Passed to get\_pycox\_optim.

```

## Details

Implemented from the `pycox` Python package via **reticulate**. Calls `pycox.models.LogisticHazard`.

## Value

An object inheriting from class `loghaz`.

An object of class `survivalmodel`.

## References

- Gensheimer, M. F., & Narasimhan, B. (2018). A Simple Discrete-Time Survival Model for Neural Networks, 1–17. <https://doi.org/arXiv:1805.00917v3>
- Kvamme, H., & Borgan, Ø. (2019). Continuous and discrete-time survival prediction with neural networks. <https://doi.org/arXiv:1910.06724>.

## Examples

```
if (requireNamespaces("reticulate")) {
  # all defaults
  loghaz(data = simsurvdata(50))

  # common parameters
  loghaz(data = simsurvdata(50), frac = 0.3, activation = "relu",
          num_nodes = c(4L, 8L, 4L, 2L), dropout = 0.1, early_stopping = TRUE, epochs = 100L,
          batch_size = 32L)
}
```

## Description

Logistic-Hazard fits a discrete neural network based on a cross-entropy loss and predictions of a discrete hazard function, also known as Nnet-Survival.

## Usage

```
pchazard(
  formula = NULL,
  data = NULL,
  reverse = FALSE,
  time_variable = "time",
  status_variable = "status",
  x = NULL,
  y = NULL,
  frac = 0,
  cuts = 10,
  cutpoints = NULL,
  scheme = c("equidistant", "quantiles"),
  cut_min = 0,
  activation = "relu",
  custom_net = NULL,
  num_nodes = c(32L, 32L),
```

```

batch_norm = TRUE,
reduction = c("mean", "none", "sum"),
dropout = NULL,
device = NULL,
early_stopping = FALSE,
best_weights = FALSE,
min_delta = 0,
patience = 10L,
batch_size = 256L,
epochs = 1L,
verbose = FALSE,
num_workers = 0L,
shuffle = TRUE,
...
)

```

## Arguments

formula	(formula(1))
	Object specifying the model fit, left-hand-side of formula should describe a <code>survival::Surv()</code> object.
data	(data.frame(1))
	Training data of <code>data.frame</code> like object, internally is coerced with <code>stats::model.matrix()</code> .
reverse	(logical(1))
	If TRUE fits estimator on censoring distribution, otherwise (default) survival distribution.
time_variable	(character(1))
	Alternative method to call the function. Name of the 'time' variable, required if formula, or x and Y not given.
status_variable	(character(1))
	Alternative method to call the function. Name of the 'status' variable, required if formula or x and Y not given.
x	(data.frame(1))
	Alternative method to call the function. Required if formula, time_variable and status_variable not given. Data frame like object of features which is internally coerced with <code>model.matrix</code> .
y	([survival::Surv()])
	Alternative method to call the function. Required if formula, time_variable and status_variable not given. Survival outcome of right-censored observations.
frac	(numeric(1))
	Fraction of data to use for validation dataset, default is 0 and therefore no separate validation dataset.
cuts	(integer(1))
	If discretise is TRUE then determines number of cut-points for discretisation.

cutpoints	(numeric())
	Alternative to cuts if discretise is true, provide exact cutpoints for discretisation. cuts is ignored if cutpoints is non-NULL.
scheme	(character(1))
	Method of discretisation, either "equidistant" (default) or "quantiles". See <code>reticulate::py_help(pycox\$models\$LogisticHazard\$label_transform)</code> for more detail.
cut_min	(integer(1))
	Starting duration for discretisation, see <code>reticulate::py_help(pycox\$models\$LogisticHazard\$label)</code> for more detail.
activation	(character(1))
	See <a href="#">get_pycox_activation</a> .
custom_net	(torch.nn.modules.module.Module(1))
	Optional custom network built with <a href="#">build_pytorch_net</a> , otherwise default architecture used. Note that if building a custom network the number of output channels depends on cuts or cutpoints.
num_nodes, batch_norm, dropout	(integer()/logical(1)/numeric(1))
	See <a href="#">build_pytorch_net</a> .
reduction	(character(1))
	How to reduce the loss, see to <code>reticulate::py_help(pycox\$models\$loss\$NLLPHazardLoss)</code> .
device	(integer(1) character(1))
	Passed to <code>pycox.models.PCHazard</code> , specifies device to compute models on.
early_stopping, best_weights, min_delta, patience	(logical(1)/logical(1)/numeric(1)/integer(1))
	See <a href="#">get_pycox_callbacks</a> .
batch_size	(integer(1))
	Passed to <code>pycox.models.PCHazard.fit</code> , elements in each batch.
epochs	(integer(1))
	Passed to <code>pycox.models.PCHazard.fit</code> , number of epochs.
verbose	(logical(1))
	Passed to <code>pycox.models.PCHazard.fit</code> , should information be displayed during fitting.
num_workers	(integer(1))
	Passed to <code>pycox.models.PCHazard.fit</code> , number of workers used in the dataloader.
shuffle	(logical(1))
	Passed to <code>pycox.models.PCHazard.fit</code> , should order of dataset be shuffled?
...	ANY
	Passed to <a href="#">get_pycox_optim</a> .

## Details

Implemented from the `pycox` Python package via **reticulate**. Calls `pycox.models.PCHazard`.

**Value**

An object inheriting from class pchazard.

An object of class `survivalmodel`.

**References**

Kvamme, H., & Borgan, Ø. (2019). Continuous and discrete-time survival prediction with neural networks. <https://doi.org/arXiv:1910.06724>.

**Examples**

```
if (requireNamespaces("reticulate")) {
  # all defaults
  pchazard(data = simsurvdata(50))

  # common parameters
  pchazard(data = simsurvdata(50), frac = 0.3, activation = "relu",
            num_nodes = c(4L, 8L, 4L, 2L), dropout = 0.1, early_stopping = TRUE, epochs = 100L,
            batch_size = 32L)
}
```

`predict.akritas`      *Predict method for Akritas Estimator*

**Description**

Predicted values from a fitted Akritas estimator.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'akritas'
predict(
  object,
  newdata,
  times = NULL,
  lambda = 0.5,
  type = c("survival", "risk", "all"),
  distr6 = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

object	( <i>akritas</i> (1))
	Object of class inheriting from " <i>akritas</i> ".
newdata	( <i>data.frame</i> (1))
	Testing data of <i>data.frame</i> like object, internally is coerced with <i>stats::model.matrix()</i> . If missing then training data from fitted object is used.
times	( <i>numeric</i> ())
	Times at which to evaluate the estimator. If NULL (default) then evaluated at all unique times in the training set.
lambda	( <i>numeric</i> (1))
	Bandwidth parameter for uniform smoothing kernel in nearest neighbours estimation. The default value of 0.5 is arbitrary and should be chosen by the user.
type	( <i>character</i> (1))
	Type of predicted value. Choices are survival probabilities over all time-points in training data ("survival") or a relative risk ranking ("risk"), which is the negative mean survival time so higher rank implies higher risk of event, or both ("all").
distr6	( <i>logical</i> (1))
	If FALSE (default) and type is "survival" or "all" returns matrix of survival probabilities, otherwise returns a <i>distr6::VectorDistribution()</i> .
...	ANY
	Currently ignored.

## Details

This implementation uses a fit/predict interface to allow estimation on unseen data after fitting on training data. This is achieved by fitting the empirical CDF on the training data and applying this to the new data.

## Value

A numeric if type = "risk", a *distr6::VectorDistribution()* (if distr6 = TRUE) and type = "survival"; a matrix if (distr6 = FALSE) and type = "survival" where entries are survival probabilities with rows of observations and columns are time-points; or a list combining above if type = "all".

## References

Akritas, M. G. (1994). Nearest Neighbor Estimation of a Bivariate Distribution Under Random Censoring. *Ann. Statist.*, 22(3), 1299–1327. doi: [10.1214/aos/1176325630](https://doi.org/10.1214/aos/1176325630)

## Examples

```
if (requireNamespaces(c("distr6", "survival"))) {

library(survival)
```

```

train <- 1:10
test <- 11:20
fit <- akritas(Surv(time, status) ~ ., data = rats[train, ])
predict(fit, newdata = rats[test, ])

# when lambda = 1, identical to Kaplan-Meier
fit <- akritas(Surv(time, status) ~ ., data = rats[1:100, ])
predict_akritas <- predict(fit, newdata = rats[1:100, ], lambda = 1)[1, ]
predict_km <- survfit(Surv(time, status) ~ 1, data = rats[1:100, ])$surv
all(predict_akritas == predict_km)

# Use distr6 = TRUE to return a distribution
predict_distr <- predict(fit, newdata = rats[test, ], distr6 = TRUE)
predict_distr$survival(100)

# Return a relative risk ranking with type = "risk"
predict(fit, newdata = rats[test, ], type = "risk")

# Or survival probabilities and a rank
predict(fit, newdata = rats[test, ], type = "all", distr6 = TRUE)
}

```

**predict.dnnsurv***Predict Method for DNNSurv***Description**

Predicted values from a fitted object of class dnnsurv.

**Usage**

```

## S3 method for class 'dnnsurv'
predict(
  object,
  newdata,
  batch_size = 32L,
  verbose = 0L,
  steps = NULL,
  callbacks = NULL,
  type = c("survival", "risk", "all"),
  distr6 = FALSE,
  ...
)

```

**Arguments**

object	(dnnsurv(1))
	Object of class inheriting from "dnnsurv".

newdata	( <code>data.frame(1)</code> )
	Testing data of <code>data.frame</code> like object, internally is coerced with <code>stats::model.matrix()</code> . If missing then training data from fitted object is used.
batch_size	( <code>integer(1)</code> )
	Passed to <code>keras::predict.keras.engine.training.Model</code> , elements in each batch.
verbose	( <code>integer(1)</code> )
	Level of verbosity for printing, 0 or 1.
steps	( <code>integer(1)</code> )
	Number of batches before evaluation finished, see <code>keras::predict.keras.engine.training.Model</code> .
callbacks	( <code>list()</code> )
	Optional callbacks to apply during prediction.
type	( <code>character(1)</code> )
	Type of predicted value. Choices are survival probabilities over all time-points in training data ("survival") or a relative risk ranking ("risk"), which is the negative mean survival time so higher rank implies higher risk of event, or both ("all").
distr6	( <code>logical(1)</code> )
	If FALSE (default) and type is "survival" or "all" returns matrix of survival probabilities, otherwise returns a <code>distr6::VectorDistribution()</code> .
...	ANY
	Currently ignored.

## Value

A numeric if `type = "risk"`, a `distr6::VectorDistribution()` (if `distr6 = TRUE`) and `type = "survival"`; a matrix if (`distr6 = FALSE`) and `type = "survival"` where entries are survival probabilities with rows of observations and columns are time-points; or a list combining above if `type = "all"`.

## Examples

```
if (requireNamespaces(c("keras", "pseudo")))
  fit <- dnnsurv(data = simsurvdata(10))

  # predict survival matrix and relative risks
  predict(fit, simsurvdata(10), type = "all")

  # return as distribution
  if (requireNamespaces("distr6")) {
    predict(fit, simsurvdata(10), distr6 = TRUE)
  }
```

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<code>predict.pycox</code>	<i>Predict Method for pycox Neural Networks</i>
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## Description

Predicted values from a fitted pycox ANN.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'pycox'
predict(
  object,
  newdata,
  batch_size = 256L,
  num_workers = 0L,
  interpolate = FALSE,
  inter_scheme = c("const_hazard", "const_pdf"),
  sub = 10L,
  type = c("survival", "risk", "all"),
  distr6 = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

<code>object</code>	( <code>pycox(1)</code> ) Object of class inheriting from "pycox".
<code>newdata</code>	( <code>data.frame(1)</code> ) Testing data of <code>data.frame</code> like object, internally is coerced with <code>stats::model.matrix()</code> . If missing then training data from fitted object is used.
<code>batch_size</code>	( <code>integer(1)</code> ) Passed to <code>pycox.models.X.fit</code> , elements in each batch.
<code>num_workers</code>	( <code>integer(1)</code> ) Passed to <code>pycox.models.X.fit</code> , number of workers used in the dataloader.
<code>interpolate</code>	( <code>logical(1)</code> ) For models deephit and loghaz, should predictions be linearly interpolated? Ignored for other models.
<code>inter_scheme</code>	( <code>character(1)</code> ) If <code>interpolate</code> is TRUE then the scheme for interpolation, see <code>reticulate::py_help(py_help(pycox\$models\$DeepHitSingle\$interpolate))</code> ' for further details.
<code>sub</code>	( <code>integer(1)</code> ) If <code>interpolate</code> is TRUE or model is loghaz, number of sub-divisions for interpolation. See <code>reticulate::py_help(py_help(pycox\$models\$DeepHitSingle\$interpolate))</code> ' for further details.

<code>type</code>	(character(1))
	Type of predicted value. Choices are survival probabilities over all time-points in training data ("survival") or a relative risk ranking ("risk"), which is the negative mean survival time so higher rank implies higher risk of event, or both ("all").
<code>distr6</code>	(logical(1))
	If FALSE (default) and type is "survival" or "all" returns matrix of survival probabilities, otherwise returns a <a href="#">distr6::VectorDistribution()</a> .
...	ANY
	Currently ignored.

**Value**

A numeric if `type` = "risk", a [distr6::VectorDistribution\(\)](#) (if `distr6` = TRUE) and `type` = "survival"; a matrix if (`distr6` = FALSE) and `type` = "survival" where entries are survival probabilities with rows of observations and columns are time-points; or a list combining above if `type` = "all".

**Examples**

```
if (requireNamespaces("reticulate")) {
  fit <- coxtime(data = simsurvdata(50))

  # predict survival matrix and relative risks
  predict(fit, simsurvdata(10), type = "all")

  # return as distribution
  if (requireNamespaces("distr6")) {
    predict(fit, simsurvdata(10), distr6 = TRUE)
  }
}
```

**pycox\_prepare\_train\_data**

*Prepare Data for Pycox Model Training*

**Description**

Utility function to prepare data for training in a Pycox model. Generally used internally only.

**Usage**

```
pycox_prepare_train_data(
  x_train,
  y_train,
```

```

frac = 0,
standardize_time = FALSE,
log_duration = FALSE,
with_mean = TRUE,
with_std = TRUE,
discretise = FALSE,
cuts = 10L,
cutpoints = NULL,
scheme = c("equidistant", "quantiles"),
cut_min = 0L,
model = c("coxtime", "deepsurv", "deephit", "loghaz", "pchazard")
)

```

## Arguments

x_train	(matrix(1))	Training covariates.
y_train	(matrix(1))	Training outcomes.
frac	(numeric(1))	Fraction of data to use for validation dataset, default is 0 and therefore no separate validation dataset.
standardize_time	(logical(1))	If TRUE, the time outcome to be standardized. For use with <b>coxtime</b> .
log_duration	(logical(1))	If TRUE and standardize_time is TRUE then time variable is log transformed.
with_mean	(logical(1))	If TRUE (default) and standardize_time is TRUE then time variable is centered.
with_std	(logical(1))	If TRUE (default) and standardize_time is TRUE then time variable is scaled to unit variance.
discretise	(logical(1))	If TRUE then time is discretised. For use with the models <b>deephit</b> , <b>pchazard</b> , and <b>loghaz</b> .
cuts	(integer(1))	If discretise is TRUE then determines number of cut-points for discretisation.
cutpoints	(numeric())	Alternative to cuts if discretise is true, provide exact cutpoints for discretisation. cuts is ignored if cutpoints is non-NULL.
scheme	(character(1))	Method of discretisation, either "equidistant" (default) or "quantiles". See <code>reticulate::py_help(pycox\$models\$LogisticHazard\$label_transform)</code> .
cut_min	(integer(1))	Starting duration for discretisation, see <code>reticulate::py_help(pycox\$models\$LogisticHazard\$label</code>

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model	(character(1))
	Corresponding pycox model.

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requireNamespaces	<i>Vectorised Logical requireNamespace</i>
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## Description

Helper function for internal use. Vectorises the `requireNamespace` function and returns TRUE if all packages, x, are available and FALSE otherwise.

## Usage

```
requireNamespaces(x)
```

## Arguments

x	(character())
	string naming the packages/name spaces to load.

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simsurvdata	<i>Simulate Survival Data</i>
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## Description

Function for simulating survival data.

## Usage

```
simsurvdata(n = 100, trt = 2, age = 2, sex = 1.5, cutoff = NULL, cens = 0.3)
```

## Arguments

n	(integer(1))
	Number of samples
trt, age, sex	(numeric(1))
	Coefficients for covariates.
cutoff	(numeric(1))
	Deprecated, in future use cens.
cens	(numeric(1))
	Proportion of censoring to be generated, cut-off time is then selected as the quantile that results in cens.

**Details**

Currently limited to three covariates, Weibull survival times, and Type I censoring. This will be expanded to a flexible simulation function in future updates. For now the function is primarily limited to helping function examples.

**Value**

`data.frame()`

**Examples**

`simsurvdata()`

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