

# Package ‘QHScrnomo’

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anova.cmprsk	<i>ANOVA Table for a Competing Risks Regression Model</i>
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### Description

Uses the [anova.rms](#) method to construct an analysis of variance table for the competing risks regression model fit from [crr.fit](#).

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'cmprsk'
anova(object, ...)
```

### Arguments

object	A model fit by <a href="#">crr.fit</a>
...	Not used

### Value

An [anova.rms](#) matrix

### Note

This function requires that the [rms](#) package is attached

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**See Also**[crr.fit anova.rms](#)**Examples**

```
dd <- datadist(prostate.dat)
options(datadist = "dd")
prostate.f <- cph(Surv(TIME_EVENT,EVENT_DOD == 1) ~ TX + rcs(PSA,3) +
  BX_GLSN_CAT + CLIN_STG + rcs(AGE,3) +
  RACE_AA, data = prostate.dat,
  x = TRUE, y = TRUE, surv = TRUE,time.inc = 144)
prostate.crr <- crr.fit(prostate.f, cencode = 0, failcode = 1)
anova(prostate.crr)
```

cindex

*Concordance Index Calculation (C-Index)***Description**

Computes the concordance index for a predictor as a discrimination metric for binary, time-to-event, and competing risks outcomes.

**Usage**

```
cindex(
  prob,
  fstatus,
  ftime,
  type = "crr",
  failcode = 1,
  cencode = 0,
  tol = 1e-20
)
```

**Arguments**

prob	A risk score (typically a probability giving the risk of event failure)
fstatus	The event status
ftime	The event times. Applies when the type argument is "survival" or "crr"
type	The outcome type: "logistic" for binary, "survival" for ordinary time-to-event, and "crr" for competing risks outcomes. Defaults to "crr".
failcode	The value of fstatus that indicates the event of interest. Defaults to 1.
cencode	The censoring event code. Defaults to 0.
tol	Error tolerance (not used)

**Value**

A named vector with following elements:

N	Total number of observations in the input data
n	Number of observations used for calculation
usable	Total number of usable pairs
concordant	Number of concordant pairs
cindex	The concordance index: number of concordant pairs divided by the total number of usable pairs

**Author(s)**

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**Examples**

```
dd <- datadist(prostate.dat)
options(datadist = "dd")
prostate.f <- cph(Surv(TIME_EVENT,EVENT_DOD == 1) ~ TX + rcs(PSA,3) +
  BX_GLSN_CAT + CLIN_STG + rcs(AGE,3) +
  RACE_AA, data = prostate.dat,
  x = TRUE, y = TRUE, surv = TRUE,time.inc = 144)
prostate.crr <- crr.fit(prostate.f, cencode = 0, failcode = 1)

# Cross-validated predictions
prostate.dat$preds.cv.prostate.crr.120 <- tenf.crr(prostate.crr, time = 120, fold = 2)

## calculate the competing-risks version of concordance index
with(prostate.dat, cindex(preds.cv.prostate.crr.120,
  ftime = TIME_EVENT,
  fstatus =EVENT_DOD, type = "crr"))["cindex"]
```

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crr.fit

*Fit A Competing Risks Regression Model*

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**Description**

Fits a competing risks regression model using the `crr` function from an existing `cph` object which can then be used to construct a nomogram.

**Usage**

```
crr.fit(fit, cencode = 0, failcode = 1)
```

**Arguments**

fit	A Cox proportional hazards regression model constructed from <code>cph</code> (by Frank Harrell)
cencode	The value of the status column that indicates a censored observation
failcode	The value of the status column that indicates the event of interest

**Value**

Returns a list of class `cmprsk`, with components:

coef	the estimated regression coefficients
loglik	log pseudo-likelihood evaluated at coef
lscore	derivitives of the log pseudo-likelihood evaluated at coef
inf	-second derivatives of the log pseudo-likelihood
var	estimated variance covariance matrix of coef
res	matrix of residuals giving the contribution to each score (columns) at each unique failure time (rows)
uftime	vector of unique failure times
bfitj	jumps in the Breslow-type estimate of the underlying sub-distribution cumulative hazard (used by <code>predict.crr()</code> )
tfs	the tfs matrix (output of <code>tf()</code> , if used)
converged	TRUE if the iterative algorithm converged.
cencode	the value of the status indicator that indicates a censored observation
failcode	the value of the status indicator that indicates an event of interest
cph.f	regular survival model fitted by <code>cph</code> which is saved for function <code>nomogram.crr</code> to adjust <code>lp</code> for competing risks
cphdat	data used for <code>cph</code> model, where all predictors are represented in numeric format, which is used by function <code>tenf.crr</code> to do ten fold cross-validation

**Note**

This function requires that the `rms` package is attached

**Author(s)**

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**References**

Michael W. Kattan, Glenn Heller and Murray F. Brennan (2003). A competing-risks nomogram for sarcoma-specific death following local recurrence. *Statistics in Medicine*. *Stat Med.* 2003;22:3515-3525.

**See Also**

[cph.crr](#) nomogram.crr

**Examples**

```
dd <- datadist(prostate.dat)
options(datadist = "dd")
prostate.f <- cph(Surv(TIME_EVENT,EVENT_DOD == 1) ~ TX + rcs(PSA,3) +
  BX_GLSN_CAT + CLIN_STG + rcs(AGE,3) +
  RACE_AA, data = prostate.dat,
  x = TRUE, y = TRUE, surv = TRUE,time.inc = 144)
prostate.crr <- crr.fit(prostate.f, cencode = 0, failcode = 1)
prostate.crr
```

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groupci

*Assess Calibration for a Competing Risks Endpoint*

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**Description**

Uses [cuminc](#) to estimate the cumulative incidence at a given time point within subgroups of a continuous variable (often predicted failure probabilities from a [crr.fit](#) model).

**Usage**

```
groupci(
  x,
  ftime,
  fstatus,
  u,
  cencode = 0,
  failcode = 1,
  ci = TRUE,
  m = 50,
  g = NULL,
  cuts = NULL,
  pl = TRUE,
  conf.int = 0.95,
  xlab = NULL,
  ylab = NULL,
  xlim = c(0, 1),
  ylim = c(0, 1),
  lty = 1,
  add = FALSE,
  cex.subtitle = FALSE,
  ab = TRUE,
  a = 0,
  b = 1,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

x	A numeric variable to assess calibration for
f <code>time</code>	The event time variable. See <a href="#">cuminc</a> .
f <code>status</code>	The event status variable. See <a href="#">cuminc</a> .
u	A single time point to assess calibration at
c <code>encode</code>	The censoring event code. See <a href="#">cuminc</a> .
f <code>ailcode</code>	The value of f <code>status</code> that indicates the event of interest
c <code>i</code>	Should the failure probability be assessed? Defaults to TRUE. If FALSE, the event-free probability is assessed.
m	Minimum number of observations in each group. See <a href="#">cut2</a> .
g	Number of quantile groups. See <a href="#">cut2</a> .
c <code>uts</code>	Actual cut points to use for x. See <a href="#">cut2</a> .
p <code>1</code>	Should the calibration curve be plotted? Defaults to TRUE.
c <code>onf.int</code>	Confidence limit on error bars. Defaults to 0.95. Set to FALSE to suppress.
x <code>lab</code>	The x-axis label. Uses <a href="#">label</a> or name of calling argument if not specified.
y <code>lab</code>	The y-axis label. Uses a default label is none specified.
x <code>lim</code>	The x-axis limits. Defaults to c(0, 1).
y <code>lim</code>	The y-axis limits. Defaults to c(0, 1).
l <code>ty</code>	Line type for connecting estimates and error bars
a <code>dd</code>	Defaults to FALSE. Set to TRUE to add to an existing plot.
c <code>ex.subtitle</code>	Character size for subtitle (default 0.7). Defaults to FALSE to suppress.
a <code>b</code>	Should a reference line be added? See <a href="#">abline</a> .
a	The intercept for the reference line. See <a href="#">abline</a> .
b	The slope for the reference line. See <a href="#">abline</a> .
...	Other arguments passed to <a href="#">lines</a> and <a href="#">errbar</a> .

**Details**

To divide x, the function first looks for `cuts`, then `g`, then `m`.

**Value**

A matrix with a row for each group of x:

x	Mean value of x
n	Number of observations
events	Number of events (of type failcode)
c <code>i</code>	Estimated cumulative incidence (or event-free probability if c <code>i</code> =FALSE)
s <code>td.err</code>	Estimated standard error for the c <code>i</code> value

If p`1`=TRUE, a calibration plot is also displayed.

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**See Also**

[cuminc.pred.ci.cut2](#)

**Examples**

```
dd <- datadist(prostate.dat)
options(datadist = "dd")
prostate.f <- cph(Surv(TIME_EVENT,EVENT_DOD == 1) ~ TX + rcs(PSA,3) +
  BX_GLSN_CAT + CLIN_STG + rcs(AGE,3) +
  RACE_AA, data = prostate.dat,
  x = TRUE, y = TRUE, surv = TRUE,time.inc = 144)
prostate.crr <- crr.fit(prostate.f, cencode = 0, failcode = 1)

# Cross-validated predictions
prostate.dat$preds.cv.prostate.crr.120 <- tenf.crr(prostate.crr, time = 120, fold = 2)

with(prostate.dat,
  groupci(preds.cv.prostate.crr.120, ftime = TIME_EVENT,
    fstatus =EVENT_DOD, g = 5, u = 120,
    xlab = "Nomogram predicted 10-year cancerspecific mortality",
    ylab = "Observed predicted 10-year cancerspecific mortality")
)
```

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Newlabels.cmprsk

*Change the Predictor Labels for a Competing Risks Regression Model*

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**Description**

Uses the [Newlabels](#) function to change the labels predictors when constructing a nomogram.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'cmprsk'
Newlabels(fit, labels, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>fit</code>	A model fit by <a href="#">crr.fit</a>
<code>labels</code>	A character vector specifying the new labels for variables in a fit.
<code>...</code>	Other arguments for <a href="#">Newlabels</a>



**Details**

To give new labels for all variables, you can specify labels of the form `labels = c("Age in Years", "Cholesterol")`, where the list of new labels is assumed to be the length of all main effect-type variables in the fit and in their original order in the model formula. You may specify a named vector to give new labels in any order for a subset of the variables, e.g., `labels = c(age = "Age in Years", chol = "Cholesterol")`.

**Value**

A new `crr.fit` object with adjusted labels

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

[Newlevels.cmprsk](#)

**Examples**

```
dd <- datadist(prostate.dat)
options(datadist = "dd")
prostate.f <- cph(Surv(TIME_EVENT,EVENT_DOD == 1) ~ TX + rcs(PSA,3) +
  BX_GLSN_CAT + CLIN_STG + rcs(AGE,3) +
  RACE_AA, data = prostate.dat,
  x = TRUE, y = TRUE, surv = TRUE,time.inc = 144)
prostate.crr <- crr.fit(prostate.f, cencode = 0, failcode = 1)
prostate.g <- Newlabels(
prostate.crr,
c(
  TX = 'Treatment options',
  BX_GLSN_CAT = 'Biopsy Gleason Score Sum',
  CLIN_STG = 'Clinical stage'
)
)
```

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Newlevels.cmprsk	<i>Change the Level Labels of Categorical Predictors for a Competing Risks Regression Model</i>
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**Description**

Uses the [Newlevels](#) function to change the labels predictors when constructing a nomogram.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'cmprsk'
Newlevels(fit, levels, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>fit</code>	A model fit by <a href="#">crr.fit</a>
<code>levels</code>	A list of named vectors specifying the new level labels for categorical predictors.
<code>...</code>	Other arguments for <a href="#">Newlevels</a>

**Value**

A new [crr.fit](#) object with adjusted labels on the factor levels

**Note**

This will override `parms` and `datadist` information that were stored with the fit.

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**See Also**

[Newlabels.cmprsk](#)

**Examples**

```
dd <- datadist(prostate.dat)
options(datadist = "dd")
prostate.f <- cph(Surv(TIME_EVENT,EVENT_DOD == 1) ~ TX + rcs(PSA,3) +
  BX_GLSN_CAT + CLIN_STG + rcs(AGE,3) +
  RACE_AA, data = prostate.dat,
  x = TRUE, y = TRUE, surv = TRUE,time.inc = 144)
prostate.crr <- crr.fit(prostate.f, cencode = 0, failcode = 1)
prostate.g <- Newlevels(prostate.crr, list(TX = c('Treatment 1', 'Treatment 2', 'Treatment 3')))
```

**Description**

Draws a partial nomogram from a [crr.fit](#) object that can be used to manually obtain predicted values from from a competing risks regression model.

**Usage**

```
nomogram.crr(  
  fit,  
  failtime,  
  ci = TRUE,  
  ...,  
  adj.to,  
  lp = TRUE,  
  lp.at,  
  lp.label = "Linear Predictor",  
  fun.at,  
  fun.lp.at,  
  funlabel = "Predicted Value",  
  fun.side,  
  interact = NULL,  
  intercept = 1,  
  conf.int = FALSE,  
  col.conf = c(1, 12),  
  conf.space = c(0.08, 0.2),  
  conf.lp = c("representative", "all", "none"),  
  est.all = TRUE,  
  abbrev = FALSE,  
  minlength = 4,  
  maxscale = 100,  
  nint = 10,  
  label.every = 1,  
  force.label = FALSE,  
  xfrac = 0.35,  
  cex.axis = 0.85,  
  cex.var = 1,  
  col.grid = FALSE,  
  vnames = c("labels", "names"),  
  varname.label = TRUE,  
  varname.label.sep = "=",  
  ia.space = 0.7,  
  tck = -0.009,  
  lmgp = 0.4,  
  omit = NULL,  
  naxes,  
  points.label = "Points",  
  total.points.label = "Total Points",  
  total.sep.page = FALSE,  
  total.fun,  
  verbose = FALSE,  
  total.min,  
  total.max,  
  mikeomit = NULL  
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>fit</code>	A model fit by <code>crr.fit</code>
<code>failtime</code>	A vector of time points to display failure probability axes for.
<code>ci</code>	Should the failure probability be displayed? Defaults to TRUE. If FALSE, the event-free probability is displayed.
<code>...</code>	Settings of variables to use in constructing axes. If <code>datadist</code> was in effect, the default is to use <code>pretty(total range, nint)</code> for continuous variables, and the class levels for discrete ones. For <code>legend.nomabbrev, ...</code> specifies optional parameters to pass to the legend. Common ones are <code>bty = "n"</code> to suppress drawing the box. You may want to specify a non-proportionally spaced font (e.g., <code>courier</code> ) number if abbreviations are more than one letter long. This will make the abbreviation definitions line up (e.g., <code>specify font = 2</code> , the default for <code>courier</code> ). Ignored for <code>print</code> .
<code>adj.to</code>	If <code>datadist</code> was not defined for all predictors, it is required to define adjustment settings for the undefined ones (e.g. <code>adj.to=list(age=50, sex="female")</code> ).
<code>lp</code>	Set to FALSE to suppress creation of an axis for scoring $X\beta$ . Defaults to TRUE.
<code>lp.at</code>	If <code>lp=TRUE</code> , specifies a vector of settings of $X\beta$ . Default is to use <code>pretty(range of linear predictors, nint)</code> .
<code>lp.label</code>	label for linear predictor axis. Default is "Linear Predictor".
<code>fun.at</code>	Function values to label on axis. Default <code>fun</code> evaluated at <code>lp.at</code> . If more than one <code>fun</code> was specified, using a vector for <code>fun.at</code> will cause all functions to be evaluated at the same argument values. To use different values, specify a list of vectors for <code>fun.at</code> , with elements corresponding to the different functions (lists of vectors also applies to <code>fun.lp.at</code> and <code>fun.side</code> ).
<code>fun.lp.at</code>	If you want to evaluate one of the functions at a different set of linear predictor values than may have been used in constructing the linear predictor axis, specify a vector or list of vectors of linear predictor values at which to evaluate the function. This is especially useful for discrete functions. The presence of this attribute also does away with the need for <code>nomogram</code> to compute numerical approximations of the inverse of the function. It also allows the user-supplied function to return <code>factor</code> objects, which is useful when e.g. a single tick mark position actually represents a range. If the <code>fun.lp.at</code> parameter is present, the <code>fun.at</code> vector for that function is ignored.
<code>funlabel</code>	Label for <code>fun</code> axis. If more than one function was given but <code>funlabel</code> is of length one, it will be duplicated as needed. If <code>fun</code> is a list of functions for which you specified names (see the final example below), these names will be used as labels.
<code>fun.side</code>	A vector or list of vectors of <code>side</code> parameters for the <code>axis</code> function for labeling function values. Values may be 1 to position a tick mark label below the axis (the default), or 3 for above the axis. If for example an axis has 5 tick mark labels and the second and third will run into each other, specify <code>fun.side=c(1,1,3,1,1)</code> (assuming only one function is specified as <code>fun</code> ).
<code>interact</code>	When a continuous variable interacts with a discrete one, axes are constructed so that the continuous variable moves within the axis, and separate axes represent

levels of interacting factors. For interactions between two continuous variables, all but the axis variable must have discrete levels defined in `interact`. For discrete interacting factors, you may specify levels to use in constructing the multiple axes. For continuous interacting factors, you must do this. Examples: `interact=list(age=seq(10,70,by=10), treat=c("A","B","D"))`.

<code>intercept</code>	For models such as the ordinal logistic model with multiple intercepts, specifies which one to use in evaluating the linear predictor.
<code>conf.int</code>	Confidence levels to display for each scoring. Default is FALSE to display no confidence limits. Setting <code>conf.int</code> to TRUE is the same as setting it to <code>c(0.7, 0.9)</code> , with the line segment between the 0.7 and 0.9 levels shaded using gray scale.
<code>col.conf</code>	Colors corresponding to <code>conf.int</code> . Use fractions for gray scale (for UNIX S-PLUS).
<code>conf.space</code>	A 2-element vector with the vertical range within which to draw confidence bars, in units of <code>1=spacing</code> between main bars. Four heights are used within this range (8 for the linear predictor if more than 16 unique values were evaluated), cycling them among separate confidence intervals to reduce overlapping.
<code>conf.lp</code>	Default is "representative" to group all linear predictors evaluated into deciles, and to show, for the linear predictor confidence intervals, only the mean linear predictor within the deciles along with the median standard error within the deciles. Set <code>conf.lp="none"</code> to suppress confidence limits for the linear predictors, and to "all" to show all confidence limits.
<code>est.all</code>	To plot axes for only the subset of variables named in <code>...{}</code> , set <code>est.all=FALSE</code> . Note: This option only works when zero has a special meaning for the variables that are omitted from the graph.
<code>abbrev</code>	Set to TRUE to use the <code>abbreviate</code> function to abbreviate levels of categorical factors, both for labeling tick marks and for axis titles. If you only want to abbreviate certain predictor variables, set <code>abbrev</code> to a vector of character strings containing their names.
<code>minlength</code>	Applies if <code>abbrev=TRUE</code> . Is the minimum abbreviation length passed to the <code>abbreviate</code> function. If you set <code>minlength=1</code> , the letters of the alphabet are used to label tick marks for categorical predictors, and all letters are drawn no matter how close together they are. For labeling axes (interaction settings), <code>minlength=1</code> causes <code>minlength=4</code> to be used.
<code>maxscale</code>	Default maximum point score is 100.
<code>nint</code>	Number of intervals to label for axes representing continuous variables. See <a href="#">pretty</a> .
<code>label.every</code>	Specify <code>label.every=i</code> to label on every <i>i</i> th tick mark.
<code>force.label</code>	Set to TRUE to force every tick mark intended to be labeled to have a label plotted (whether the labels run into each other or not)
<code>xfrac</code>	Fraction of horizontal plot to set aside for axis titles
<code>cex.axis</code>	Character size for tick mark labels
<code>cex.var</code>	Character size for axis titles (variable names)

<code>col.grid</code>	If <code>col.grid=1</code> , no gray scale is used, but an ordinary line is drawn. If $0 < \text{col.grid} < 1$ , a <code>col</code> (gray scale) of <code>col.grid</code> is used to draw vertical reference lines for major axis divisions and <code>col.grid/2</code> for minor divisions. The default is <code>col.grid=FALSE</code> , i.e., reference lines are omitted. Specifying <code>col.grid=TRUE</code> is the same as specifying a gray scale level of <code>col.grid=.2</code> (5 for Windows S-PLUS).
<code>vnames</code>	By default, variable labels are used to label axes. Set <code>vnames="names"</code> to instead use variable names.
<code>varname.label</code>	In constructing axis titles for interactions, the default is to add <code>"(interacting.varname=level)"</code> on the right. Specify <code>varname.label=FALSE</code> to instead use <code>"(level)"</code> .
<code>varname.label.sep</code>	If <code>varname.label=TRUE</code> , you can change the separator to something other than <code>=</code> by specifying this parameter.
<code>ia.space</code>	When multiple axes are draw for levels of interacting factors, the default is to group combinations related to a main effect. This is done by spacing the axes for the second to last of these within a group only 0.7 (by default) of the way down as compared with normal space of 1 unit.
<code>tck</code>	See <code>tck</code> under <code>par</code> .
<code>lmgp</code>	Spacing between numeric axis labels and axis (see <code>par</code> for <code>mgp</code> )
<code>omit</code>	Vector of character strings containing names of variables for which to suppress drawing axes. Default is to show all variables.
<code>naxes</code>	Maximum number of axes to allow on one plot. If the nomogram requires more than one "page", the "Points" axis will be repeated at the top of each page when necessary.
<code>points.label</code>	A character string giving the axis label for the points scale
<code>total.points.label</code>	A character string giving the axis label for the total points scale
<code>total.sep.page</code>	Set to <code>TRUE</code> to force the total points and later axes to be placed on a separate page
<code>total.fun</code>	A user-provided function that will be executed before the total points axis is drawn. Default is not to execute a function. This is useful e.g. when <code>total.sep.page=TRUE</code> and you wish to use <code>locator</code> to find the coordinates for positioning an abbreviation legend before it's too late and a new page is started (i.e., <code>total.fun=function()print(locator(1))</code> )
<code>verbose</code>	Set to <code>TRUE</code> to get printed output detailing how tick marks are chosen and labeled for function axes. This is useful in seeing how certain linear predictor values cannot be solved for using inverse linear interpolation on the (requested linear predictor values, function values at these <code>lp</code> values). When this happens you will see <code>NA</code> s in the verbose output, and the corresponding tick marks will not appear in the nomogram.
<code>total.min</code>	Setting the minimal value in the total point axis on the nomogram.
<code>total.max</code>	Setting the maximal value in the total point axis.
<code>mikeomit</code>	The predictor variables specified by their names here will not be shown in the nomogram. The predicted outcome based on this reduced nomogram would be the same as if users were using the full version of the nomogram by entering the some values for the predictors remaining in the reduced nomogram but adjusted values for the hidden predictors so that 0 points will be achieved from these hidden predictor variables in the full nomogram.

**Value**

A list of class "nomogram" that contains information used in plotting the axes. Please see [nomogram](#) for details.

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**See Also**

[nomogram](#) [nomogram.mk6](#) [crr.fit](#)

**Examples**

```
data(prostate.dat)
dd <- datadist(prostate.dat)
options(datadist = "dd")
prostate.f <- cph(Surv(TIME_EVENT,EVENT_DOD == 1) ~ TX + rcs(PSA,3) +
  BX_GLSN_CAT + CLIN_STG + rcs(AGE,3) +
  RACE_AA, data = prostate.dat,
  x = TRUE, y= TRUE, surv=TRUE,time.inc = 144)
prostate.crr <- crr.fit(prostate.f,cencode = 0,failcode = 1)
## make a CRR nomogram
nomogram.crr(prostate.crr,failtime = 120,lp=FALSE,
funlabel = "Predicted 10-year cumulative incidence")
```

**Description**

Draws a partial nomogram that can be used to manually obtain predicted values. This is a modified version of [nomogram](#).

**Usage**

```
nomogram.mk6(  
  fit,  
  ...,  
  adj.to,  
  lp = TRUE,  
  lp.at,  
  lp.label = "Linear Predictor",  
  fun,  
  fun.at,  
  fun.lp.at,  
  funlabel = "Predicted Value",  
  fun.side,  
  interact = NULL,  
  intercept = 1,  
  conf.int = FALSE,  
  col.conf = c(1, 12),  
  conf.space = c(0.08, 0.2),  
  conf.lp = c("representative", "all", "none"),  
  est.all = TRUE,  
  abbrev = FALSE,  
  minlength = 4,  
  maxscale = 100,  
  nint = 10,  
  label.every = 1,  
  force.label = FALSE,  
  xfrac = 0.35,  
  cex.axis = 0.85,  
  cex.var = 1,  
  col.grid = NULL,  
  vnames = c("labels", "names"),  
  varname.label = TRUE,  
  varname.label.sep = "=",  
  ia.space = 0.7,  
  tck = NA,  
  tcl = -0.25,  
  lmgp = 0.4,  
  omit = NULL,
```



```

naxes,
points.label = "Points",
total.points.label = "Total Points",
total.sep.page = FALSE,
total.fun,
verbose = FALSE,
cap.labels = FALSE,
total.min,
total.max,
survtime,
mikeomit = NULL
)

```

### Arguments

fit	A regression model that was created with <code>library(rms)</code> in effect, and (usually) with <code>options(datadist = "object.name")</code> in effect.
...	Settings of variables to use in constructing axes. If <code>datadist</code> was in effect, the default is to use <code>pretty(total range, nint)</code> for continuous variables, and the class levels for discrete ones. For <code>legend.nomabbrev</code> , ... specifies optional parameters to pass to <code>legend</code> . Common ones are <code>btty = "n"</code> to suppress drawing the box. You may want to specify a non-proportionally spaced font (e.g., <code>courier</code> ) number if abbreviations are more than one letter long. This will make the abbreviation definitions line up (e.g., specify <code>font = 2</code> , the default for <code>courier</code> ). Ignored for <code>print</code> .
adj.to	If you didn't define <code>datadist</code> for all predictors, you will have to define adjustment settings for the undefined ones, e.g. <code>adj.to= list(age = 50, sex = "female")</code> .
lp	Set to <code>FALSE</code> to suppress creation of an axis for scoring $X\beta$ .
lp.at	If <code>lp=TRUE</code> , <code>lp.at</code> may specify a vector of settings of $X\beta$ . Default is to use <code>pretty(range of linear predictors, nint)</code> .
lp.label	label for linear predictor axis. Default is "Linear Predictor".
fun	on another axis. If more than one transformation is plotted, put them in a list, e.g. <code>list(function(x) x/2, function(x) 2*x)</code> . Any function values equal to <code>NA</code> will be ignored.
fun.at	function values to label on axis. Default <code>fun</code> evaluated at <code>lp.at</code> . If more than one <code>fun</code> was specified, using a vector for <code>fun.at</code> will cause all functions to be evaluated at the same argument values. To use different values, specify a list of vectors for <code>fun.at</code> , with elements corresponding to the different functions (lists of vectors also applies to <code>fun.lp.at</code> and <code>fun.side</code> ).
fun.lp.at	If you want to evaluate one of the functions at a different set of linear predictor values than may have been used in constructing the linear predictor axis, specify a vector or list of vectors of linear predictor values at which to evaluate the function. This is especially useful for discrete functions. The presence of this attribute also does away with the need for <code>nomogram</code> to compute numerical approximations of the inverse of the function. It also allows the user-supplied

	function to return factor objects, which is useful when e.g. a single tick mark position actually represents a range. If the <code>fun.lp.at</code> parameter is present, the <code>fun.at</code> vector for that function is ignored.
<code>funlabel</code>	label for <code>fun</code> axis. If more than one function was given but <code>funlabel</code> is of length one, it will be duplicated as needed. If <code>fun</code> is a list of functions for which you specified names (see the final example below), these names will be used as labels.
<code>fun.side</code>	a vector or list of vectors of side parameters for the axis function for labeling function values. Values may be 1 to position a tick mark label below the axis (the default), or 3 for above the axis. If for example an axis has 5 tick mark labels and the second and third will run into each other, specify <code>fun.side=c(1,1,3,1,1)</code> (assuming only one function is specified as <code>fun</code> ).
<code>interact</code>	When a continuous variable interacts with a discrete one, axes are constructed so that the continuous variable moves within the axis, and separate axes represent levels of interacting factors. For interactions between two continuous variables, all but the axis variable must have discrete levels defined in <code>interact</code> . For discrete interacting factors, you may specify levels to use in constructing the multiple axes. For continuous interacting factors, you must do this. Examples: <code>interact = list(age = seq(10,70,by=10), treat = c("A", "B", "D"))</code> .
<code>intercept</code>	for models such as the ordinal logistic model with multiple intercepts, specifies which one to use in evaluating the linear predictor.
<code>conf.int</code>	confidence levels to display for each scoring. Default is FALSE to display no confidence limits. Setting <code>conf.int</code> to TRUE is the same as setting it to <code>c(0.7, 0.9)</code> , with the line segment between the 0.7 and 0.9 levels shaded using gray scale.
<code>col.conf</code>	colors corresponding to <code>conf.int</code> . Use fractions for gray scale(for UNIX S-PLUS).
<code>conf.space</code>	a 2-element vector with the vertical range within which to draw confidence bars, in units of <code>1=spacing</code> between main bars. Four heights are used within this range (8 for the linear predictor if more than 16 unique values were evaluated), cycling them among separate confidence intervals to reduce overlapping
<code>conf.lp</code>	default is "representative" to group all linear predictors evaluated into deciles, and to show, for the linear predictor confidence intervals, only the mean linear predictor within the deciles along with the median standard error within the deciles. Set <code>conf.lp = "none"</code> to suppress confidence limits for the linear predictors, and to "all" to show all confidence limits.
<code>est.all</code>	To plot axes for only the subset of variables named in . . . , set <code>est.all = FALSE</code> . Note: This option only works when zero has a special meaning for the variables that are omitted from the graph
<code>abbrev</code>	Set to TRUE to use the <code>abbreviate</code> function to abbreviate levels of categorical factors, both for labeling tick marks and for axis titles. If you only want to abbreviate certain predictor variables, set <code>abbrev</code> to a vector of character strings containing their names.
<code>minlength</code>	<code>abbreviate</code> function. If you set <code>minlength = 1</code> , the letters of the alphabet are used to label tick marks for categorical predictors, and all letters are drawn no

	matter how close together they are. For labeling axes (interaction settings), <code>minlength = 1</code> causes <code>minlength = 4</code> to be used
<code>maxscale</code>	default maximum point score is 100
<code>nint</code>	number of intervals to label for axes representing continuous variables. See <a href="#">pretty</a> .
<code>label.every</code>	Specify <code>label.every = i</code> to label on every <i>i</i> th tick mark
<code>force.label</code>	set to TRUE to force every tick mark intended to be labeled to have a label plotted (whether the labels run into each other or not)
<code>xfrac</code>	fraction of horizontal plot to set aside for axis titles
<code>cex.axis</code>	character size for tick mark labels
<code>cex.var</code>	character size for axis titles (variable names)
<code>col.grid</code>	If left unspecified, no vertical reference lines are drawn. Specify a vector of length one (to use the same color for both minor and major reference lines) or two (corresponding to the color for the major and minor divisions, respectively) containing colors, to cause vertical reference lines to the top points scale to be drawn. For R, a good choice is <code>col.grid = gray(c(0.8, 0.95))</code> .
<code>vnames</code>	By default, variable labels are used to label axes. Set <code>vnames = "names"</code> to instead use variable names.
<code>varname.label</code>	In constructing axis titles for interactions, the default is to add ( <code>interacting.varname = level</code> ) on the right. Specify <code>varname.label = FALSE</code> to instead use "(level)".
<code>varname.label.sep</code>	If <code>varname.label = TRUE</code> , you can change the separator to something other than = by specifying this parameter.
<code>ia.space</code>	When multiple axes are draw for levels of interacting factors, the default is to group combinations related to a main effect. This is done by spacing the axes for the second to last of these within a group only 0.7 (by default) of the way down as compared with normal space of 1 unit.
<code>tck</code>	see <code>tck</code> under <a href="#">par</a>
<code>tcl</code>	length of tick marks in nomogram
<code>lmgp</code>	spacing between numeric axis labels and axis (see <a href="#">par</a> for <code>mgp</code> )
<code>omit</code>	vector of character strings containing names of variables for which to suppress drawing axes. Default is to show all variables.
<code>naxes</code>	maximum number of axes to allow on one plot. If the nomogram requires more than one "page", the "Points" axis will be repeated at the top of each page when necessary.
<code>points.label</code>	a character string giving the axis label for the points scale
<code>total.points.label</code>	a character string giving the axis label for the total points scale
<code>total.sep.page</code>	set to TRUE to force the total points and later axes to be placed on a separate page
<code>total.fun</code>	a user-provided function that will be executed before the total points axis is drawn. Default is not to execute a function. This is useful e.g. when <code>total.sep.page = TRUE</code> and you wish to use <code>locator</code> to find the coordinates for positioning an abbreviation legend before it's too late and a new page is started (i.e., <code>total.fun = function() print(locator(1))</code> ).

verbose	set to TRUE to get printed output detailing how tick marks are chosen and labeled for function axes. This is useful in seeing how certain linear predictor values cannot be solved for using inverse linear interpolation on the (requested linear predictor values, function values at these lp values). When this happens you will see NAs in the verbose output, and the corresponding tick marks will not appear in the nomogram.
cap.labels	logical: should the factor labels have their first letter capitalized?
total.min	the minimum point for the total point axis
total.max	the maximum point for the total point axis
survtime	specified survival time for the predicted survival probability
mikeomit	a modified version of omit

**Value**

A [nomogram](#)

**Note**

Used internally for [nomogram.crr](#). See [nomogram](#).

**References**

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Lubsen J, Pool J, van der Does, E: A practical device for the application of a diagnostic or prognostic function. Meth. Inform. Med. 17:127–129; 1978.

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**See Also**

[nomogram.crr](#) [rms](#) [nomogram](#) [plot.summary.rms](#) [axis](#) [pretty](#) [approx](#)

**Examples**

```
data(prostate.dat)
dd <- datadist(prostate.dat)
options(datadist = "dd")
prostate.f <- cph(Surv(TIME_EVENT, EVENT_DOD == 1) ~ TX + rcs(PSA, 3) +
  BX_GLSN_CAT + CLIN_STG + rcs(AGE, 3) +
  RACE_AA, data = prostate.dat,
  x = TRUE, y = TRUE, surv = TRUE, time.inc = 144)
## make a cph nomogram
nomogram.mk6(prostate.f, survtime=120, lp=FALSE,
  funlabel = "Predicted 10-year cumulative incidence")
```

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pred.ci *Extract Cumulative Incidence Estimates at a Specified Time Point*

---

### Description

Extracts the cumulative incidence estimates from a `cuminc` object for the cause of interest at a specified time point into a `data.frame`.

### Usage

```
pred.ci(cum, tm1, failcode = 1)
```

### Arguments

<code>cum</code>	A <code>cuminc</code> object
<code>tm1</code>	A single time point to return the cumulative incidence at
<code>failcode</code>	The value of the status column that indicates the event of interest

### Value

A `data.frame` with 3 columns:

<code>Group</code>	The group name. If the <code>group</code> argument was used in the <code>cuminc</code> fit, there will be one row per group. Otherwise this is non-informative.
<code>CI.Prob</code>	The cumulative incidence probability at the desired time point
<code>CI.Var</code>	The estimated variance of the cumulative incidence estimate

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### See Also

`cuminc`

### Examples

```
cum <- cmprsk::cuminc(prostate.dat$TIME_EVENT, prostate.dat$EVENT_DOD, cencode = 0)
pred.ci(cum, 60, failcode = 1)
```

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predict.cmprsk	<i>Calculate the Failure Time Probability from a Competing Risks Regression Model</i>
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### Description

Computes the predicted probability of the event of interest at a specified time point for a competing risks regression model fit by [crr.fit](#). This function is adapted from [predict.crr](#).

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'cmprsk'  
predict(object, newdata = NULL, time, lps, ...)
```

### Arguments

object	A model fit by <a href="#">crr.fit</a>
newdata	A data.frame for prediction containing values of covariates in the model. If missing, the model development dataset (object\$cphdat) is used.
time	A single time point to calculate the failure probability
lps	Should the linear predictor be returned instead of the failure probability? Defaults to FALSE.
...	Additional arguments such as cov2 as in <a href="#">crr</a>

### Value

A vector of failure probabilities at the specified time point (or linear predictors if lps=TRUE) with length equal to the number of rows in newdata

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### References

Fine JP and Gray RJ (1999) A proportional hazards model for the subdistribution of a competing risk. JASA 94:496-509.

### See Also

[crr.fit](#), [predict.crr](#)

## Examples

```
dd <- datadist(prostate.dat)
options(datadist = "dd")
prostate.f <- cph(Surv(TIME_EVENT,EVENT_DOD == 1) ~ TX + rcs(PSA,3) +
  BX_GLSN_CAT + CLIN_STG + rcs(AGE,3) +
  RACE_AA, data = prostate.dat,
  x = TRUE, y = TRUE, surv = TRUE,time.inc = 144)
prostate.crr <- crr.fit(prostate.f, cencode = 0, failcode = 1)
predict(prostate.crr, time = 60)
```

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prostate.dat	<i>Prostate cancer data set</i>
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---

## Description

This is an artificial prostate cancer dataset used for illustrating the usage of functions in QHScrnomo

## Usage

```
prostate.dat
```

## Format

prostate.dat:

A data frame with 2000 observations on the following 9 variables:

**UNIQID** patient ID

**TX** Treatment options of prostate cancer with levels EBRT, PI, RP

**PSA** Pre-treatment PSA levels

**BX\_GLSN\_CAT** Biopsy Gleason Score Sum. a factor with levels 1 for 2-6 2 for 7 and 3 for 8-10

**CLIN\_STG** Clinical stage with levels T1, T2, T3

**AGE** Age at treatment date

**RACE\_AA** patient ethnicity.a factor with levels 0 for other and 1 for African American

**TIME\_EVENT** follow up time in months

**EVENT\_DOD** followup status, 0 - censored, 1 - died of prostate cancer, 2 - died of other causes

## Details

This is a simulated dataset

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`sas.cmprsk`*Generate a Prediction Equation for a Competing Risks Regression Model*

---

## Description

Uses [Function](#) to generate and print the linear predictor to the console or file which can be hard-coded into a function for evaluation on the scale of the original data. A time point can optionally be specified to retrieve the base sub-cumulative rate at that time point (i.e, the failure probability when all covariate values are 0).

## Usage

```
sas.cmprsk(f, time = NA, baseonly = FALSE, file = "", append = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

<code>f</code>	A model fit by <a href="#">crr.fit</a>
<code>time</code>	A single time point to calculate the failure probability
<code>baseonly</code>	Should we only display the failure probability at the specified time? Defaults to FALSE.
<code>file</code>	An optional connection or character string naming the file to print to.
<code>append</code>	Only used if the <code>file</code> argument is specified. If TRUE, the output will be appended to <code>file</code> , otherwise it will be overwritten.

## Value

A printed equation using [cat](#) (invisible NULL)

## Author(s)

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## See Also

[crr.fit sascode Function](#)

## Examples

```
dd <- datadist(prostate.dat)
options(datadist = "dd")
prostate.f <- cph(Surv(TIME_EVENT, EVENT_DOD == 1) ~ TX + rcs(PSA,3) +
  BX_GLSN_CAT + CLIN_STG + rcs(AGE,3) +
  RACE_AA, data = prostate.dat,
  x = TRUE, y = TRUE, surv = TRUE, time.inc = 144)
prostate.crr <- crr.fit(prostate.f, cencode = 0, failcode = 1)
sas.cmprsk(prostate.crr, time = 60)
```



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`summary.cmprsk`*Summary of a Competing Risks Regression Model*

---

## Description

Uses the `summary.rms` method to construct a summary for the competing risks regression model fit from `crr.fit`.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'cmprsk'  
summary(object, ...)
```

## Arguments

<code>object</code>	A model fit by <code>crr.fit</code>
<code>...</code>	Other arguments for <code>summary.rms</code>

## Value

A `summary.rms` matrix

## Note

This function requires that the `rms` package is attached

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## See Also

`crr.fit` `summary.rms`

## Examples

```
dd <- datadist(prostate.dat)  
options(datadist = "dd")  
prostate.f <- cph(Surv(TIME_EVENT, EVENT_DOD == 1) ~ TX + rcs(PSA, 3) +  
  BX_GLSN_CAT + CLIN_STG + rcs(AGE, 3) +  
  RACE_AA, data = prostate.dat,  
  x = TRUE, y = TRUE, surv = TRUE, time.inc = 144)  
prostate.crr <- crr.fit(prostate.f, cencode = 0, failcode = 1)  
summary(prostate.crr)
```

tenf.crr

*Obtain K-Fold Cross-Validated Predictions***Description**

Computes "out-of-sample" predictions by K-fold cross-validation for each observation in the modeling data set from a [crr.fit](#) object.

**Usage**

```
tenf.crr(fit, time = NULL, lps = FALSE, fold = 10, trace = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

<code>fit</code>	A model fit by <a href="#">crr.fit</a>
<code>time</code>	A single time point to calculate the failure probability
<code>lps</code>	Should the linear predictor be returned instead of the failure probability? Defaults to FALSE.
<code>fold</code>	The number of folds. Defaults to 10.
<code>trace</code>	Should the progress of cross-validation be printed to the console? Defaults to TRUE.

**Value**

A vector of failure probabilities at the specified time point (or linear predictors if `lps=TRUE`) with length equal to the number of rows in the original data set.

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**See Also**

[crr.fit](#) [crr](#)

**Examples**

```
dd <- datadist(prostate.dat)
options(datadist = "dd")
prostate.f <- cph(Surv(TIME_EVENT, EVENT_DOD == 1) ~ TX + rcs(PSA, 3) +
  BX_GLSN_CAT + CLIN_STG + rcs(AGE, 3) +
  RACE_AA, data = prostate.dat,
  x = TRUE, y = TRUE, surv = TRUE, time.inc = 144)
prostate.crr <- crr.fit(prostate.f, cencode = 0, failcode = 1)
tenf.crr(prostate.crr, time = 120, fold = 2)
```

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