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    # Sample code to show use of JMbayes for joint longitudinal-survival modeling
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    # - as applied to simulated data (note, this runs as intendend but does not
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    # provide convincing results due to limitations inherent to the simulated data)
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   # clear memory
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  rm(list=ls())
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   # load libraries
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13 require(nlme)
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    require(survival)
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    require('JMbayes')
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    # load data
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    wd = "/path/to/your/data/directory/"
    d = read.csv(paste(wd, 'S2 JMB example data.csv', sep=''), header =
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    TRUE)
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    str(d)
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    # Use age at testing, centered, as longitudinal time metric
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    d$Time = d$AgeTest - median(d$AgeTest)
24
    # wide-format data for survival model (important that same IDs are present
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    # in long-format and wide format data, otherwise joint models won't work)
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    dW = unique(d[,c(1:7)])
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    # ------
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    # Multilevel change models
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         note that lme() uses REML estimation by default, which is preferred for
         parameter estimates but not appropriate for model testing. For the latter,
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         models need to be fit with ML.
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    # intercept-only model
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    mlm 00 = lme(fixed = GF \sim 1 + AgeStart, random = \sim 1 | ID,
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                 data = d,
                 method = "ML"
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                 )
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    # + linear slope (fixed and random effects)
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   mlm 01 = lme(fixed = GF \sim 1 + Time + AgeStart, random = \sim 1 + Time | ID,
                 data = d,
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                 method = "ML"
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    # which is the better fit?
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   anova(mlm 00, mlm 01)
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    # mlm 01 has better fit, so re-estimate with REML for param ests
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    mlm 01 = update(mlm 01, method = "REML")
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    summary(mlm 01)
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    # Cox proportional hazards survival model
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    srv 00 = Surv(dW$AgeLastObs, dW$Dead)
    srv 01 = coxph(srv 00 ~ 1 + AgeStart + Female + Smoker,
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                   data = dW,
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                   x = TRUE,
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                   model = TRUE
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    summary(srv 01)
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   # ------
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   # Joint longitudinal-survival model with shared random effects parameterization
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   # ------
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   jnt_01 = jointModelBayes(lmeObject = mlm_01,
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                       survObject = srv_01,
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                       timeVar = "Time",
                       param = "shared-RE",
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                       n.iter = 5000,  # MCMC iterations, adjust higher
n.burnin = 500  # MCMC burn-in, adjust higher
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                       )
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   summary(jnt 01)
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