

# Package ‘MRMR’

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CompleteTriangle	<i>CompleteTriangle</i>
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### Description

This function will bind the projected values to the base triangle data for a "complete" triangle. This facilitates comparison of ultimates between multiple TriangleModels.

### Usage

```
CompleteTriangle(objProjection)
```

### Arguments

objProjection A TriangleProjection object

**Value**

A data frame with the sample data (the "upper triangle") bound with the projected data (the "lower triangle").

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CreateCumulative      *Create cumulative*

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**Description**

Create cumulative

**Usage**

```
CreateCumulative(dfTriangleData, measureCols, Groups)
```

**Arguments**

dfTriangleData    A data frame of triangle variables  
 measureCols      A character vector which holds column names identifying stochastic measures  
 Groups            A character vector which holds column names identifying groups

**Value**

A data frame of measures with cumulatives included

**See Also**

[CreateIncrementals](#), [CreatePriors](#)

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CreateDevelopmentLags    *Create triangle development lags*

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**Description**

If the triangle dataframe does not record development lags as lubridate periods, they must be created. Development lags may be established one of three ways: 1. The development lags are passed in as lubridate periods. Everything's cool. The evaluation dates are established by adding the periods to the starting point of the origin periods. 2. The development lags are passed in as integers, with a presumed time period. The program will establish lubridate period objects using the integers and time periods and then proceed as above. 3. An evaluation date is passed in. Here we must take the difference between the evaluation dates and the origin periods. We will assume months as the default period. The user may pass in another.

**Usage**

```
CreateDevelopmentLags(LagValues, DevelopmentPeriod = months(1),
  EvaluationDates = NULL, OriginPeriods = NULL, Verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

LagValues        Vector of development lags  
 DevelopmentPeriod        A period object indicating the common time period between evaluations  
 EvaluationDates        A vector of evaluation dates  
 OriginPeriods    A vector of origin periods  
 Verbose         Show warnings?

**Value**

A vector of intervals

**See Also**

[CreateDevelopmentLags](#), [CreateEvaluationDates](#)

CreateEvaluationDates *Create triangle evaluation dates*

**Description**

Triangle evaluation dates are established by adding development lags to the starting point of the origin periods.

**Usage**

```
CreateEvaluationDates(OriginPeriod, DevelopmentLag)
```

**Arguments**

OriginPeriod    A vector of interval objects  
 DevelopmentLag A vector of period objects

**Value**

A vector of intervals

**See Also**

[CreateDevelopmentLags](#), [CreateOriginPeriods](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
OriginStart = c(mdy("1/1/2000"), mdy("1/1/2000"), mdy("1/1/2001"))
OriginEnd = c(mdy("12/31/2000"), mdy("12/31/2000"), mdy("12/31/2001"))
OriginPeriod = CreateOriginPeriods(OriginStart, OriginEnd)
DevelopmentLag = c(months(12), months(24), months(12))

EvaluationDates = CreateEvaluationDates(OriginPeriod, DevelopmentLag)
EvaluationDates

## End(Not run)
```

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CreateIncrementals      *Create incrementals*

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**Description**

Create incrementals

**Usage**

```
CreateIncrementals(dfTriangleData, measureCols, Groups)
```

**Arguments**

dfTriangleData    A data frame of triangle variables  
measureCols        A character vector which holds column names identifying stochastic measures  
Groups             A character vector which holds column names identifying groups

**Value**

A data frame of measures which includes incrementals

**See Also**

[CreateCumulative](#), [CreatePriors](#)

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CreateOriginPeriods    *CreateOriginPeriods*

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## Description

This will create a set of origin period values

## Usage

```
CreateOriginPeriods(OriginStart, OriginEnd = NULL, OriginLength = years(1),  
  StartDay = 1, StartMonth = 1, Verbose = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

OriginStart	Either a vector of date-time objects, or a vector of numbers indicating the year.
OriginEnd	A vector of date-time objects. If this argument is supplied, it is assumed that OriginStart contains date-time objects.
OriginLength	A Period object. These are easily created as shown in the example below. The default is a period of one year. If OriginStart and OriginEnd are supplied, this argument is ignored.
StartDay	If OriginStart and OriginEnd are supplied, this argument is ignored.
StartMonth	If OriginStart and OriginEnd are supplied, this argument is ignored.
Verbose	Boolean indicating whether or not to display warning messages.

## Details

If the triangle dataframe does not have lubridate intervals, they must be created. Origin periods may be established one of three ways: 1. The origin periods are passed in as POSIX dates. This is a simple matter of forming the interval using lubridate. 2. The origin periods are passed in with a start date, but no end date. We need to have a common period to establish the end date. 3. The origin periods are passed in as parts of a date. This will typically happen if we know the year, but not the month or day. In this case , the user may pass in month and day values

## Value

A vector of intervals

## See Also

[CreateDevelopmentLags](#), [CreateEvaluationDates](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:
# Case 1
library(lubridate)
OriginStart = c(mdy("1/1/2000"), mdy("1/1/2000"), mdy("1/1/2001"))
OriginEnd = c(mdy("12/31/2000"), mdy("12/31/2000"), mdy("12/31/2001"))

OriginPeriods = CreateOriginPeriods(OriginStart, OriginEnd)
OriginPeriods

# Case 2
OriginStart = c(mdy("1/1/2000"), mdy("1/1/2000"), mdy("1/1/2001"))
OriginPeriods = CreateOriginPeriods(OriginStart, OriginLength = months(12))
OriginPeriods

# Case 3
OriginStartYear = c(2000, 2000, 2001)
OriginPeriods = CreateOriginPeriods(OriginStartYear, OriginLength = years(1)
                                     , StartDay = 1, StartMonth = 1)

OriginPeriods

## End(Not run)
```

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CreatePriors

*Create priors*

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## Description

Create priors

## Usage

```
CreatePriors(dfTriangleData, measureCols, Groups)
```

## Arguments

`dfTriangleData` A data frame of triangle variables  
`measureCols` A character vector which holds column names identifying stochastic measures  
`Groups` A character vector which holds column names identifying groups

## Value

A data frame of measures which includes prior values

## See Also

[CreateIncrementals](#), [CreateCumulative](#)

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FitSerialCorrelation    *Fit the serial correlation in a triangle*

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### Description

Fit the serial correlation in a triangle

### Usage

FitSerialCorrelation(objTriangleModel)

### Arguments

objTriangleModel  
                                 A Triangle model

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FormMeasureNames    *Form measures*

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### Description

Form measures

### Usage

FormMeasureNames(Measures, Cumulative = TRUE)

### Arguments

Measures            A character vector of stochastic measure names  
 Cumulative        Boolean indicating whether the measure names are cumulative or incremental

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Friedland            *Friedland data*

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### Description

This is a single triangle taken from blah by Jacqueline Friedland, page 65.

### References

[http://www.casact.org/library/studynotes/Friedland\\_estimating.pdf](http://www.casact.org/library/studynotes/Friedland_estimating.pdf)



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GetStochasticColumnNames  
*GetStochasticColumnNames*

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**Description**

GetStochasticColumnNames

**Usage**

GetStochasticColumnNames(MeasureNames)

**Arguments**

MeasureNames    A character vector of base measure names

**Value**

A character vector of measure names augmented with the words Incremental, Cumulative and Prior

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GetTriangleData    *GetTriangleData*

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**Description**

This function will return data values from a triangle.

**Usage**

GetTriangleData(Triangle, OriginPeriodStart = NULL, DevInteger = NULL,  
 EvaluationDate = NULL, Measure)

**Arguments**

Triangle            A Triangle object  
 OriginPeriodStart    A vector of origin years. This parameter may be null.  
 DevInteger          A vector of development integers. This parameter may be null.  
 EvaluationDate      A vector of evaluation dates. This parameter may be null.  
 Measure             A character vector with the names of measures to return.

**Value**

A data frame

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`is.Triangle`*is.Triangle*

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**Description**

Tests whether the object is a triangle

**Usage**

```
is.Triangle(object)
```

**Arguments**

object            The object to be tested

**Value**

TRUE if the object is a triangle, FALSE if it is not

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`LatestDiagonal`*LatestDiagonal*

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**Description**

This function will return all of the values for the most recent evaluation date. Note that this applies for each origin period individually. For example, if some origin periods have an evaluation at December 31, 2010, but others only have evaluations at December 31, 2009, the data frame which is returned will have two different evaluation dates present.

**Usage**

```
LatestDiagonal(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                a data frame or a triangle

**Value**

A data frame

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Mack	<i>Mack data</i>
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**Description**

RAA data from Mack's paper

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MRMR	<i>Multivariate Regression Models for Reserving</i>
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**Description**

MRMR allows an actuary to create sets of loss data and forecast liabilities. It uses a set of 3 S4 objects to store data, models and predictions.

**Details****Triangle**

A Triangle is a collection of aggregate loss data. All triangles must have a defined set of Origin-Periods, a defined set of DevelopmentIntervals and data along those axes. A triangle may carry additional descriptive information such as line of business, geographic region and so on.

**TriangleModel**

A TriangleModel is a statistical model fit to triangle data. The formula may be defined by the user and will generally be a linear or generalized linear model. A triangle may have more than one model. It usually will.

**TriangleProjection**

A TriangleProjection is a prediction based on a TriangleModel. A TriangleModel may have more than one projection.

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Multiline	<i>Multiline data</i>
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**Description**

This data set is taken from the NAIC data prepared by Glenn Meyers and Peng Shi

**References**

[http://www.casact.org/research/index.cfm?fa=loss\\_reserves\\_data](http://www.casact.org/research/index.cfm?fa=loss_reserves_data)

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newTriangle                      *Create a Triangle object.*

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### Description

Create a Triangle object.

### Usage

```
newTriangle(TriangleData, OriginPeriods = NULL, DevelopmentLags = NULL,
  OriginEnd = NULL, OriginLength = years(1), StartDay = 1,
  StartMonth = 1, DevelopmentPeriod = months(1), EvaluationDates = NULL,
  OriginPeriodType = "Accident Year", TriangleName = NULL,
  StaticMeasures = NULL, StochasticMeasures = NULL, Groups = NULL,
  Cumulative = TRUE, Verbose = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

TriangleData	A dataframe
OriginPeriods	The name of the column in the TriangleData which holds the origin period.
DevelopmentLags	The column which holds the development lags.
OriginEnd	If the OriginPeriods argument refers to the start date of an origin period, this column holds the end dates.
OriginLength	If origin period is not an interval, this is used to construct the origin period.
StartDay	If origin period is not an interval, this is used to construct the origin period.
StartMonth	If origin period is not an interval, this is used to construct the origin period.
DevelopmentPeriod	If DevelopmentLags is not a period object, this is used to construct DevelopmentLags.
EvaluationDates	A vector of dates corresponding to the data in TriangleData.
OriginPeriodType	A character value describing the type of origin period.
TriangleName	A character value used to refer to the Triangle object.
StaticMeasures	A character vector which names the static measures in the Triangle object.
StochasticMeasures	A character vector which names the stochastic measures in the Triangle object.
Groups	A character vector which names the column which contains grouping data.
Cumulative	Boolean indicating if the stochastic measures are cumulative or incremental.
Verbose	Boolean indicating whether or not warnings should be displayed.

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newTriangleModel      *Create a new TriangleModel object*

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**Description**

Create a new TriangleModel object

**Usage**

```
newTriangleModel(Triangle, Response, Predictor, FitCategory,  
Intercept = FALSE, Alpha = 0, Tail = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

Triangle	A Triangle object
Response	Character vector indicating the response being measured
Predictor	Character vector indicating the variable used to predict the response
FitCategory	Character vector indicating the column used to categorize the predictor variable
Intercept	Boolean indicating whether or not to include an intercept
Alpha	Numeric indicating the parameter used to weight the predictors
Tail	Integer indicating the maximum development lag for grouping

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PlotModelFactors      *PlotModelFactors*

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**Description**

This function will plot the model factors associated with a triangle model.

**Usage**

```
PlotModelFactors(objTriangleModel)
```

**Arguments**

objTriangleModel	A TriangleModel object
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**Value**

A ggplot2 plot object

**See Also**

[PlotModelFactors](#)

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PlotModelGoF	<i>PlotModelGoF</i>
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**Description**

This function will plot the F distribution associated with the TriangleModel, along with a vertical line indicating the F statistic for this model.

**Usage**

```
PlotModelGoF(objTriangleModel)
```

**Arguments**

objTriangleModel  
A TriangleModel object

**Value**

A vector of intervals

**See Also**

[PlotModelFactors](#)

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PlotResiduals	<i>PlotResiduals</i>
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**Description**

This will produce a 2x2 set of residual graphs.

**Usage**

```
PlotResiduals(objTriangleModel)
```

**Arguments**

objTriangleModel  
A TriangleModel object

**Details**

This function will produce four charts.

**Value**

This function does not return a value.

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plotSerialCorrelation *Plot the serial correlation in a triangle*

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### Description

Plot the serial correlation in a triangle

### Usage

```
plotSerialCorrelation(objTriangleModel)
```

### Arguments

objTriangleModel  
A Triangle model

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plotTriangle *plot.Triangle*

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### Description

plot.Triangle

### Usage

```
plotTriangle(objTriangle, Response, Predictor, Group = "OriginPeriodStart",  
Lines = TRUE, FitLines = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

objTriangle	A triangle object
Response	The measure being plotted
Predictor	The variable used to predict the response
Group	The name of the group column used to group the data. The default is OriginPeriodStart
Lines	Draw lines to connect the observations?
FitLines	Draw a line of best fit? Note that fit lines will have an intercept

plotTriangleModel      *plotTriangleModel*

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**Description**

plotTriangleModel

**Usage**

```
plotTriangleModel(objTriangleModel)
```

**Arguments**

objTriangleModel  
A TriangleModel object

**Value**

None

**See Also**

[PlotModelGoF](#), [PlotModelFactors](#)

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ProjectToDate      *ProjectToDate*

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**Description**

This function

**Usage**

```
ProjectToDate(objTriangleModel, lOriginYears, AsOfDate)
```

**Arguments**

objTriangleModel      A TriangleModel object  
lOriginYears      A list of origin years  
AsOfDate      A date to which to project

**Value**

A data frame which has projected dates and columns for the new stochastic values



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summaryTriangleModel    *summaryTriangleModel*

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**Description**

summaryTriangleModel

**Usage**

summaryTriangleModel(objTriangleModel)

**Arguments**

objTriangleModel  
TriangleModel object

**Value**

A vector of intervals

**See Also**

[CreateCumulative](#), [CreatePriors](#)

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Triangle-class    *Triangle class*

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**Description**

Triangle is an S4 class used to store aggregated loss data. All triangles must have a defined set of OriginPeriods, a defined set of DevelopmentIntervals and data along those axes. A triangle may carry additional descriptive information such as line of business, geographic region and so on.

**Details**

One will rarely, if ever use the setClass method directly. The function [newTriangle](#) will generally be used to create a new Triangle object

**See Also**

[newTriangle](#)

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TriangleModel-class    *TriangleModel class*

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### Description

Triangle is an S4 class used to store a model fit to a Triangle object.

### Details

Some stuff

### See Also

[Triangle-class](#)

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TriangleProjection    *TriangleProjection*

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### Description

This will construct a TriangleProjection object

### Usage

```
TriangleProjection(objTriangleModel, ProjectToDev = TRUE, MaxDev = 10,
  AsOfDate = NULL)
```

### Arguments

objTriangleModel	A TriangleModel object
ProjectToDev	Boolean indicating whether one is projecting to a maximum development interval. If this parameter is FALSE, there must be an argument for AsOfDate
MaxDev	The maximum development interval to which to project.
AsOfDate	The date to which one wants to project.

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TriangleProjection-class

*TriangleProjection class*

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### **Description**

TriangleProjection is an S4 class used to project values.

### **See Also**

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