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auto.ces

Complex Exponential Smoothing Auto

## Description

Function estimates CES in state space form with information potential equal to errors with different seasonality types and chooses the one with the lowest IC value.

## Usage

```
auto.ces(y, models = c("none", "simple", "full"),
  initial = c("backcasting", "optimal"), ic = c("AICc", "AIC", "BIC",
  "BICc"), loss = c("MSE", "MAE", "HAM", "MSEh", "TMSE", "GTMSE", "MSCE"),
  h = 10, holdout = FALSE, cumulative = FALSE, interval = c("none",
  "parametric", "likelihood", "semiparametric", "nonparametric"),
  level = 0.95, occurrence = c("none", "auto", "fixed", "general",
  "odds-ratio", "inverse-odds-ratio", "direct"), oesmodel = "MNN",
  bounds = c("admissible", "none"), silent = c("all", "graph", "legend",
  "output", "none"), xreg = NULL, xregDo = c("use", "select"),
  initialX = NULL, updateX = FALSE, persistenceX = NULL,
  transitionX = NULL, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

у	Vector or ts object, containing data needed to be forecasted.
models	The vector containing several types of seasonality that should be used in CES selection. See ces for more details about the possible types of seasonal models.
initial	Can be either character or a vector of initial states. If it is character, then it can be "optimal", meaning that the initial states are optimised, or "backcasting", meaning that the initials are produced using backcasting procedure.
ic	The information criterion used in the model selection procedure.
loss	The type of Loss Function used in optimization. loss can be: MSE (Mean Squared Error), MAE (Mean Absolute Error), HAM (Half Absolute Moment), TMSE - Trace Mean Squared Error, GTMSE - Geometric Trace Mean Squared Error, MSEh - optimisation using only h-steps ahead error, MSCE - Mean Squared Cumulative Error. If loss!="MSE", then likelihood and model selection is done based on equivalent MSE. Model selection in this cases becomes not optimal. There are also available analytical approximations for multistep functions: aMSEh, aTMSE and aGTMSE. These can be useful in cases of small samples. Finally, just for fun the absolute and half analogues of multistep estimators are available: MAEh, TMAE, GTMAE, MACE, TMAE, HAMH, THAM, GTHAM, CHAM.
h	Length of forecasting horizon.
holdout	If TRUE, holdout sample of size h is taken from the end of the data.
cumulative	If TRUE, then the cumulative forecast and prediction interval are produced in-

stead of the normal ones. This is useful for inventory control systems.

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interval Type of interval to construct. This can be:

• "none", aka "n" - do not produce prediction interval.

- "parametric", "p" use state-space structure of ETS. In case of mixed models this is done using simulations, which may take longer time than for the pure additive and pure multiplicative models. This type of interval relies on unbiased estimate of in-sample error variance, which divides the sume of squared errors by T-k rather than just T.
- "likelihood", "l" these are the same as "p", but relies on the biased estimate of variance from the likelihood (division by T, not by T-k).
- "semiparametric", "sp" interval based on covariance matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors and assumption of normal / log-normal distribution (depending on error type).
- "nonparametric", "np" interval based on values from a quantile regression on error matrix (see Taylor and Bunn, 1999). The model used in this process is e[j] = a j^b, where j=1,..,h.

The parameter also accepts TRUE and FALSE. The former means that parametric interval are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to none. If the forecasts of the models were combined, then the interval are combined quantile-wise (Lichtendahl et al., 2013).

level

Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.

occurrence

The type of model used in probability estimation. Can be "none" - none, "fixed" - constant probability, "general" - the general Beta model with two parameters, "odds-ratio" - the Odds-ratio model with b=1 in Beta distribution, "inverse-odds-ratio" - the model with a=1 in Beta distribution, "direct" - the TSB-like (Teunter et al., 2011) probability update mechanism a+b=1, "auto" - the automatically selected type of occurrence model.

oesmodel

The type of ETS model used for the modelling of the time varying probability. Object of the class "oes" can be provided here, and its parameters would be used in iETS model.

bounds

What type of bounds to use in the model estimation. The first letter can be used instead of the whole word.

silent

If silent="none", then nothing is silent, everything is printed out and drawn. silent="all" means that nothing is produced or drawn (except for warnings). In case of silent="graph", no graph is produced. If silent="legend", then legend of the graph is skipped. And finally silent="output" means that nothing is printed out in the console, but the graph is produced. silent also accepts TRUE and FALSE. In this case silent=TRUE is equivalent to silent="all", while silent=FALSE is equivalent to silent="none". The parameter also accepts first letter of words ("n", "a", "g", "l", "o").

xreg

The vector (either numeric or time series) or the matrix (or data.frame) of exogenous variables that should be included in the model. If matrix included than columns should contain variables and rows - observations. Note that xreg should have number of observations equal either to in-sample or to the whole series. If the number of observations in xreg is equal to in-sample, then values for the holdout sample are produced using es function.

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NULL.  updateX	xregDo	The variable defines what to do with the provided xreg: "use" means that all of the data should be used, while "select" means that a selection using ic should be done. "combine" will be available at some point in future
linear interactions between parameters. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.  persistenceX The persistence vector $g_X$ , containing smoothing parameters for exogenous variables. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.  transitionX The transition matrix $F_x$ for exogenous variables. Can be provided as a vector Matrix will be formed using the default matrix(transition, nc, nc), where no is number of components in state vector. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite non-NULL xreg.  Other non-documented parameters. For example FI=TRUE will make the function produce Fisher Information matrix, which then can be used to calculated	initialX	The vector of initial parameters for exogenous variables. Ignored if xreg is NULL.
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		Other non-documented parameters. For example FI=TRUE will make the function produce Fisher Information matrix, which then can be used to calculated variances of parameters of the model.

#### **Details**

The function estimates several Complex Exponential Smoothing in the state space 2 described in Svetunkov, Kourentzes (2015) with the information potential equal to the approximation error using different types of seasonality and chooses the one with the lowest value of information criterion.

For some more information about the model and its implementation, see the vignette: vignette("ces", "smooth")

## Value

Object of class "smooth" is returned. See ces for details.

## Author(s)

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## References

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## See Also

```
ces, ets, forecast, ts
```

## **Examples**

```
y <- ts(rnorm(100,10,3),frequency=12)
# CES with and without holdout
auto.ces(y,h=20,holdout=TRUE)
auto.ces(y,h=20,holdout=FALSE)

library("Mcomp")
## Not run: y <- ts(c(M3$N0740$x,M3$N0740$xx),start=start(M3$N0740$x),frequency=frequency(M3$N0740$x))
# Selection between "none" and "full" seasonalities
auto.ces(y,h=8,holdout=TRUE,models=c("n","f"),interval="p",level=0.8,ic="AIC")
## End(Not run)

ourModel <- auto.ces(M3[[1683]],interval="sp")

summary(ourModel)
forecast(ourModel)
plot(forecast(ourModel))</pre>
```

auto.gum

Automatic GUM

## **Description**

Function selects the order of GUM model based on information criteria, using fancy branch and bound mechanism.

## Usage

```
auto.gum(y, orders = 3, lags = frequency(y), type = c("additive",
   "multiplicative", "select"), initial = c("backcasting", "optimal"),
   ic = c("AICc", "AIC", "BIC", "BICc"), loss = c("MSE", "MAE", "HAM",
   "MSEh", "TMSE", "GTMSE", "MSCE"), h = 10, holdout = FALSE,
   cumulative = FALSE, interval = c("none", "parametric", "likelihood",
   "semiparametric", "nonparametric"), level = 0.95, occurrence = c("none",
   "auto", "fixed", "general", "odds-ratio", "inverse-odds-ratio", "direct"),
   oesmodel = "MNN", bounds = c("restricted", "admissible", "none"),
   silent = c("all", "graph", "legend", "output", "none"), xreg = NULL,
   xregDo = c("use", "select"), initialX = NULL, updateX = FALSE,
   persistenceX = NULL, transitionX = NULL, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

У

Vector or ts object, containing data needed to be forecasted.

orders

The value of the max order to check. This is the upper bound of orders, but the real orders could be lower than this because of the increasing number of parameters in the models with higher orders.

The value of the maximum lag to check. This should usually be a maximum frequency of the data.

Type of model. Can either be "additive" or "multiplicative". The latter means that the GUM is fitted on log-transformed data. If "select", then this is selected automatically, which may slow down things twice.

Can be either character or a vector of initial states. If it is character, then it can be "optimal", meaning that the initial states are optimised, or "backcasting", meaning that the initials are produced using backcasting procedure.

The information criterion used in the model selection procedure.

The type of Loss Function used in optimization. loss can be: MSE (Mean Squared Error), MAE (Mean Absolute Error), HAM (Half Absolute Moment), TMSE - Trace Mean Squared Error, GTMSE - Geometric Trace Mean Squared Error, MSEh - optimisation using only h-steps ahead error, MSCE - Mean Squared Cumulative Error. If loss!="MSE", then likelihood and model selection is done based on equivalent MSE. Model selection in this cases becomes not optimal.

There are also available analytical approximations for multistep functions: aMSEh, aTMSE and aGTMSE. These can be useful in cases of small samples.

Finally, just for fun the absolute and half analogues of multistep estimators are available: MAEh, TMAE, GTMAE, MACE, TMAE, HAMh, THAM, GTHAM, CHAM.

h Length of forecasting horizon.

type

initial

ic

loss

holdout

cumulative

If TRUE, holdout sample of size h is taken from the end of the data.

If TRUE, then the cumulative forecast and prediction interval are produced instead of the normal ones. This is useful for inventory control systems.

interval Type of interval to construct. This can be:

- "none", aka "n" do not produce prediction interval.
- "parametric", "p" use state-space structure of ETS. In case of mixed models this is done using simulations, which may take longer time than for the pure additive and pure multiplicative models. This type of interval relies on unbiased estimate of in-sample error variance, which divides the sume of squared errors by T-k rather than just T.
- "likelihood", "l" these are the same as "p", but relies on the biased estimate of variance from the likelihood (division by T, not by T-k).
- "semiparametric", "sp" interval based on covariance matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors and assumption of normal / log-normal distribution (depending on error type).
- "nonparametric", "np" interval based on values from a quantile regression on error matrix (see Taylor and Bunn, 1999). The model used in this process is e[i] = a i^b, where j=1,...h.

The parameter also accepts TRUE and FALSE. The former means that parametric interval are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to none. If the forecasts of the models were combined, then the interval are combined quantile-wise (Lichtendahl et al., 2013).

level Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.

occurrence The type of model used in probability estimation. Can be "none" - none,

> "fixed" - constant probability, "general" - the general Beta model with two parameters, "odds-ratio" - the Odds-ratio model with b=1 in Beta distribution, "inverse-odds-ratio" - the model with a=1 in Beta distribution, "direct" the TSB-like (Teunter et al., 2011) probability update mechanism a+b=1, "auto"

- the automatically selected type of occurrence model.

oesmodel The type of ETS model used for the modelling of the time varying probability.

Object of the class "oes" can be provided here, and its parameters would be used

in iETS model.

What type of bounds to use in the model estimation. The first letter can be used bounds

instead of the whole word.

If silent="none", then nothing is silent, everything is printed out and drawn. silent

> silent="all" means that nothing is produced or drawn (except for warnings). In case of silent="graph", no graph is produced. If silent="legend", then legend of the graph is skipped. And finally silent="output" means that nothing is printed out in the console, but the graph is produced. silent also accepts TRUE and FALSE. In this case silent=TRUE is equivalent to silent="all", while silent=FALSE is equivalent to silent="none". The parameter also ac-

cepts first letter of words ("n", "a", "g", "l", "o").

The vector (either numeric or time series) or the matrix (or data.frame) of exxreg

> ogenous variables that should be included in the model. If matrix included than columns should contain variables and rows - observations. Note that xreg should have number of observations equal either to in-sample or to the whole series. If the number of observations in xreg is equal to in-sample, then values

for the holdout sample are produced using es function.

The variable defines what to do with the provided xreg: "use" means that all of

the data should be used, while "select" means that a selection using ic should

be done. "combine" will be available at some point in future...

The vector of initial parameters for exogenous variables. Ignored if xreg is

NULL.

If TRUE, transition matrix for exogenous variables is estimated, introducing nonupdateX

linear interactions between parameters. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.

persistenceX The persistence vector  $g_X$ , containing smoothing parameters for exogenous vari-

ables. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.

transitionX The transition matrix  $F_x$  for exogenous variables. Can be provided as a vector.

> Matrix will be formed using the default matrix(transition, nc, nc), where nc is number of components in state vector. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite -

non-NULL xreg.

Other non-documented parameters. For example FI=TRUE will make the func-

tion also produce Fisher Information matrix, which then can be used to calcu-

lated variances of parameters of the model.

#### **Details**

The function checks several GUM models (see gum documentation) and selects the best one based on the specified information criterion.

xregDo

initialX

The resulting model can be complicated and not straightforward, because GUM allows capturing hidden orders that no ARIMA model can. It is advised to use initial="b", because optimising GUM of arbitrary order is not a simple task.

For some more information about the model and its implementation, see the vignette: vignette("gum", "smooth")

#### Value

Object of class "smooth" is returned. See gum for details.

## Author(s)

Ivan Svetunkov, <ivan@svetunkov.ru>

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#### See Also

```
gum, ets, es, ces, sim.es, ssarima
```

## **Examples**

```
x <- rnorm(50,100,3)

# The best GUM model for the data
ourModel <- auto.gum(x,orders=2,lags=4,h=18,holdout=TRUE,interval="np")
summary(ourModel)
forecast(ourModel)
plot(forecast(ourModel))</pre>
```

auto.msarima

Automatic Multiple Seasonal ARIMA

## Description

Function selects the best State Space ARIMA based on information criteria, using fancy branch and bound mechanism. The resulting model can be not optimal in IC meaning, but it is usually reasonable. This mechanism is described in Svetunkov & Boylan (2019).

## Usage

```
auto.msarima(y, orders = list(ar = c(3, 3), i = c(2, 1), ma = c(3, 3)),
  lags = c(1, frequency(y)), combine = FALSE, fast = TRUE,
  constant = NULL, initial = c("backcasting", "optimal"), ic = c("AICc",
  "AIC", "BIC", "BICc"), loss = c("MSE", "MAE", "HAM", "MSEh", "TMSE",
  "GTMSE", "MSCE"), h = 10, holdout = FALSE, cumulative = FALSE,
  interval = c("none", "parametric", "likelihood", "semiparametric",
  "nonparametric"), level = 0.95, occurrence = c("none", "auto", "fixed",
  "general", "odds-ratio", "inverse-odds-ratio", "direct"), oesmodel = "MNN",
  bounds = c("admissible", "none"), silent = c("all", "graph", "legend",
  "output", "none"), xreg = NULL, xregDo = c("use", "select"),
  initialX = NULL, updateX = FALSE, persistenceX = NULL,
  transitionX = NULL, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

У	Vector or ts object, containing data needed to be forecasted.
orders	List of maximum orders to check, containing vector variables ar, i and ma. If a variable is not provided in the list, then it is assumed to be equal to zero. At least one variable should have the same length as lags.
lags	Defines lags for the corresponding orders (see examples). The length of lags must correspond to the length of orders. There is no restrictions on the length of lags vector.
combine	If TRUE, then resulting ARIMA is combined using AIC weights.
fast	If TRUE, then some of the orders of ARIMA are skipped. This is not advised for models with lags greater than $12$ .
constant	If NULL, then the function will check if constant is needed. if TRUE, then constant is forced in the model. Otherwise constant is not used.
initial	Can be either character or a vector of initial states. If it is character, then it can be "optimal", meaning that the initial states are optimised, or "backcasting", meaning that the initials are produced using backcasting procedure.
ic	The information criterion used in the model selection procedure.

loss

The type of Loss Function used in optimization. loss can be: MSE (Mean Squared Error), MAE (Mean Absolute Error), HAM (Half Absolute Moment), TMSE - Trace Mean Squared Error, GTMSE - Geometric Trace Mean Squared Error, MSEh - optimisation using only h-steps ahead error, MSCE - Mean Squared Cumulative Error. If loss!="MSE", then likelihood and model selection is done based on equivalent MSE. Model selection in this cases becomes not optimal.

There are also available analytical approximations for multistep functions: aMSEh, aTMSE and aGTMSE. These can be useful in cases of small samples.

Finally, just for fun the absolute and half analogues of multistep estimators are available: MAEh, TMAE, GTMAE, MACE, TMAE, HAMh, THAM, GTHAM, CHAM.

h

Length of forecasting horizon.

holdout

If TRUE, holdout sample of size h is taken from the end of the data.

cumulative

If TRUE, then the cumulative forecast and prediction interval are produced instead of the normal ones. This is useful for inventory control systems.

interval

Type of interval to construct. This can be:

- "none", aka "n" do not produce prediction interval.
- "parametric", "p" use state-space structure of ETS. In case of mixed models this is done using simulations, which may take longer time than for the pure additive and pure multiplicative models. This type of interval relies on unbiased estimate of in-sample error variance, which divides the sume of squared errors by T-k rather than just T.
- "likelihood", "l" these are the same as "p", but relies on the biased estimate of variance from the likelihood (division by T, not by T-k).
- "semiparametric", "sp" interval based on covariance matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors and assumption of normal / log-normal distribution (depending on error type).
- "nonparametric", "np" interval based on values from a quantile regression on error matrix (see Taylor and Bunn, 1999). The model used in this process is e[j] = a j^b, where j=1,...,h.

The parameter also accepts TRUE and FALSE. The former means that parametric interval are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to none. If the forecasts of the models were combined, then the interval are combined quantile-wise (Lichtendahl et al., 2013).

level

Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.

occurrence

The type of model used in probability estimation. Can be "none" - none, "fixed" - constant probability, "general" - the general Beta model with two parameters, "odds-ratio" - the Odds-ratio model with b=1 in Beta distribution, "inverse-odds-ratio" - the model with a=1 in Beta distribution, "direct" - the TSB-like (Teunter et al., 2011) probability update mechanism a+b=1, "auto" - the automatically selected type of occurrence model.

oesmodel

The type of ETS model used for the modelling of the time varying probability. Object of the class "oes" can be provided here, and its parameters would be used in iETS model.

bounds

What type of bounds to use in the model estimation. The first letter can be used instead of the whole word.

silent If silent="none", then nothing is silent, everything is printed out and drawn.

> silent="all" means that nothing is produced or drawn (except for warnings). In case of silent="graph", no graph is produced. If silent="legend", then legend of the graph is skipped. And finally silent="output" means that nothing is printed out in the console, but the graph is produced. silent also accepts TRUE and FALSE. In this case silent=TRUE is equivalent to silent="all", while silent=FALSE is equivalent to silent="none". The parameter also ac-

cepts first letter of words ("n", "a", "g", "l", "o").

The vector (either numeric or time series) or the matrix (or data,frame) of exxreg

> ogenous variables that should be included in the model. If matrix included than columns should contain variables and rows - observations. Note that xreg should have number of observations equal either to in-sample or to the whole series. If the number of observations in xreg is equal to in-sample, then values

for the holdout sample are produced using es function.

The variable defines what to do with the provided xreg: "use" means that all of xregDo

the data should be used, while "select" means that a selection using ic should

be done. "combine" will be available at some point in future...

initialX The vector of initial parameters for exogenous variables. Ignored if xreg is

NULL.

updateX If TRUE, transition matrix for exogenous variables is estimated, introducing non-

linear interactions between parameters. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.

persistenceX The persistence vector  $q_X$ , containing smoothing parameters for exogenous vari-

ables. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.

The transition matrix  $F_x$  for exogenous variables. Can be provided as a vector. transitionX

> Matrix will be formed using the default matrix(transition, nc, nc), where nc is number of components in state vector. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite -

non-NULL xreg.

Other non-documented parameters. For example FI=TRUE will make the func-

tion also produce Fisher Information matrix, which then can be used to calculated variances of parameters of the model. Maximum orders to check can also be specified separately, however orders variable must be set to NULL: ar. orders - Maximum order of AR term. Can be vector, defining max orders of AR, SAR etc. i.orders - Maximum order of I. Can be vector, defining max orders of I, SI etc. ma.orders - Maximum order of MA term. Can be vector,

defining max orders of MA, SMA etc.

#### **Details**

The function constructs bunch of ARIMAs in Single Source of Error state space form (see msarima documentation) and selects the best one based on information criterion. It works faster than auto.ssarima on large datasets and high frequency data.

Due to the flexibility of the model, multiple seasonalities can be used. For example, something crazy like this can be constructed: SARIMA(1,1,1)(0,1,1)[24](2,0,1)[24\*7](0,0,1)[24\*30], but the estimation may take some time...

For some more information about the model and its implementation, see the vignette: vignette("ssarima", "smooth")

#### Value

Object of class "smooth" is returned. See msarima for details.

#### Author(s)

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#### See Also

```
ets,es,ces,sim.es,gum,msarima
```

## **Examples**

```
combine=TRUE,h=18,holdout=TRUE)
## End(Not run)
summary(ourModel)
forecast(ourModel)
plot(forecast(ourModel))
```

auto.ssarima

State Space ARIMA

## **Description**

Function selects the best State Space ARIMA based on information criteria, using fancy branch and bound mechanism. The resulting model can be not optimal in IC meaning, but it is usually reasonable.

## Usage

```
auto.ssarima(y, orders = list(ar = c(3, 3), i = c(2, 1), ma = c(3, 3)),
  lags = c(1, frequency(y)), combine = FALSE, fast = TRUE,
  constant = NULL, initial = c("backcasting", "optimal"), ic = c("AICc",
  "AIC", "BIC", "BICc"), loss = c("MSE", "MAE", "HAM", "MSEh", "TMSE",
  "GTMSE", "MSCE"), h = 10, holdout = FALSE, cumulative = FALSE,
  interval = c("none", "parametric", "likelihood", "semiparametric",
  "nonparametric"), level = 0.95, occurrence = c("none", "auto", "fixed",
  "general", "odds-ratio", "inverse-odds-ratio", "direct"), oesmodel = "MNN",
  bounds = c("admissible", "none"), silent = c("all", "graph", "legend",
  "output", "none"), xreg = NULL, xregDo = c("use", "select"),
  initialX = NULL, updateX = FALSE, persistenceX = NULL,
  transitionX = NULL, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

У	Vector or ts object, containing data needed to be forecasted.
orders	List of maximum orders to check, containing vector variables ar, i and ma. If a variable is not provided in the list, then it is assumed to be equal to zero. At least one variable should have the same length as lags.
lags	Defines lags for the corresponding orders (see examples). The length of lags must correspond to the length of orders. There is no restrictions on the length of lags vector.
combine	If TRUE, then resulting ARIMA is combined using AIC weights.
fast	If TRUE, then some of the orders of ARIMA are skipped. This is not advised for models with lags greater than 12.
constant	If NULL, then the function will check if constant is needed. if TRUE, then constant is forced in the model. Otherwise constant is not used.

initial

Can be either character or a vector of initial states. If it is character, then it can be "optimal", meaning that the initial states are optimised, or "backcasting", meaning that the initials are produced using backcasting procedure.

ic

The information criterion used in the model selection procedure.

loss

The type of Loss Function used in optimization. loss can be: MSE (Mean Squared Error), MAE (Mean Absolute Error), HAM (Half Absolute Moment), TMSE - Trace Mean Squared Error, GTMSE - Geometric Trace Mean Squared Error, MSEh - optimisation using only h-steps ahead error, MSCE - Mean Squared Cumulative Error. If loss!="MSE", then likelihood and model selection is done based on equivalent MSE. Model selection in this cases becomes not optimal.

There are also available analytical approximations for multistep functions: aMSEh, aTMSE and aGTMSE. These can be useful in cases of small samples.

Finally, just for fun the absolute and half analogues of multistep estimators are available: MAEh, TMAE, GTMAE, MACE, TMAE, HAMh, THAM, GTHAM, CHAM.

h

Length of forecasting horizon.

holdout

If TRUE, holdout sample of size h is taken from the end of the data.

cumulative

If TRUE, then the cumulative forecast and prediction interval are produced instead of the normal ones. This is useful for inventory control systems.

interval

Type of interval to construct. This can be:

- "none", aka "n" do not produce prediction interval.
- "parametric", "p" use state-space structure of ETS. In case of mixed models this is done using simulations, which may take longer time than for the pure additive and pure multiplicative models. This type of interval relies on unbiased estimate of in-sample error variance, which divides the sume of squared errors by T-k rather than just T.
- "likelihood", "l" these are the same as "p", but relies on the biased estimate of variance from the likelihood (division by T, not by T-k).
- "semiparametric", "sp" interval based on covariance matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors and assumption of normal / log-normal distribution (depending on error type).
- "nonparametric", "np" interval based on values from a quantile regression on error matrix (see Taylor and Bunn, 1999). The model used in this process is  $e[j] = a j^b$ , where j=1,...,h.

The parameter also accepts TRUE and FALSE. The former means that parametric interval are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to none. If the forecasts of the models were combined, then the interval are combined quantile-wise (Lichtendahl et al., 2013).

level

Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.

occurrence

The type of model used in probability estimation. Can be "none" - none, "fixed" - constant probability, "general" - the general Beta model with two parameters, "odds-ratio" - the Odds-ratio model with b=1 in Beta distribution, "inverse-odds-ratio" - the model with a=1 in Beta distribution, "direct" the TSB-like (Teunter et al., 2011) probability update mechanism a+b=1, "auto" - the automatically selected type of occurrence model.

oesmodel The type of ETS model used for the modelling of the time varying probability.

Object of the class "oes" can be provided here, and its parameters would be used

in iETS model.

bounds What type of bounds to use in the model estimation. The first letter can be used

instead of the whole word.

silent If silent="none", then nothing is silent, everything is printed out and drawn.

silent="all" means that nothing is produced or drawn (except for warnings). In case of silent="graph", no graph is produced. If silent="legend", then legend of the graph is skipped. And finally silent="output" means that nothing is printed out in the console, but the graph is produced. silent also accepts TRUE and FALSE. In this case silent=TRUE is equivalent to silent="all", while silent=FALSE is equivalent to silent="none". The parameter also ac-

cepts first letter of words ("n", "a", "g", "l", "o").

xreg The vector (either numeric or time series) or the matrix (or data.frame) of ex-

ogenous variables that should be included in the model. If matrix included than columns should contain variables and rows - observations. Note that xreg should have number of observations equal either to in-sample or to the whole series. If the number of observations in xreg is equal to in-sample, then values

for the holdout sample are produced using es function.

xregDo The variable defines what to do with the provided xreg: "use" means that all of

the data should be used, while "select" means that a selection using ic should

be done. "combine" will be available at some point in future...

initialX The vector of initial parameters for exogenous variables. Ignored if xreg is

NULL.

updateX If TRUE, transition matrix for exogenous variables is estimated, introducing non-

linear interactions between parameters. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.

persistence X The persistence vector  $g_X$ , containing smoothing parameters for exogenous vari-

ables. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.

transitionX The transition matrix  $F_x$  for exogenous variables. Can be provided as a vector.

Matrix will be formed using the default matrix(transition,nc,nc), where nc is number of components in state vector. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite -

non-NULL xreg.

.. Other non-documented parameters. For example FI=TRUE will make the func-

tion also produce Fisher Information matrix, which then can be used to calculated variances of parameters of the model. Maximum orders to check can also be specified separately, however orders variable must be set to NULL: ar.orders - Maximum order of AR term. Can be vector, defining max orders of AR, SAR etc. i.orders - Maximum order of I. Can be vector, defining max orders of I, SI etc. ma.orders - Maximum order of MA term. Can be vector,

defining max orders of MA, SMA etc.

## **Details**

The function constructs bunch of ARIMAs in Single Source of Error state space form (see ssarima documentation) and selects the best one based on information criterion. The mechanism is described in Svetunkov & Boylan (2019).

Due to the flexibility of the model, multiple seasonalities can be used. For example, something crazy like this can be constructed: SARIMA(1,1,1)(0,1,1)[24](2,0,1)[24\*7](0,0,1)[24\*30], but the estimation may take a lot of time... It is recommended to use auto.msarima in cases with more than one seasonality and high frequencies.

For some more information about the model and its implementation, see the vignette: vignette("ssarima", "smooth")

#### Value

Object of class "smooth" is returned. See ssarima for details.

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#### See Also

```
ets, es, ces, sim. es, gum, ssarima
```

## **Examples**

ces

Complex Exponential Smoothing

#### **Description**

Function estimates CES in state space form with information potential equal to errors and returns several variables.

#### **Usage**

```
ces(y, seasonality = c("none", "simple", "partial", "full"),
  initial = c("backcasting", "optimal"), a = NULL, b = NULL,
  ic = c("AICc", "AIC", "BIC", "BICc"), loss = c("MSE", "MAE", "HAM",
  "MSEh", "TMSE", "GTMSE", "MSCE"), h = 10, holdout = FALSE,
  cumulative = FALSE, interval = c("none", "parametric", "likelihood",
  "semiparametric", "nonparametric"), level = 0.95, occurrence = c("none",
  "auto", "fixed", "general", "odds-ratio", "inverse-odds-ratio", "direct"),
  oesmodel = "MNN", bounds = c("admissible", "none"), silent = c("all",
  "graph", "legend", "output", "none"), xreg = NULL, xregDo = c("use",
  "select"), initialX = NULL, updateX = FALSE, persistenceX = NULL,
  transitionX = NULL, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

Vector or ts object, containing data needed to be forecasted.

seasonality

The type of seasonality used in CES. Can be: none - No seasonality; simple - Simple seasonality, using lagged CES (based on t-m observation, where m is the seasonality lag); partial - Partial seasonality with real seasonal components (equivalent to additive seasonality); full - Full seasonality with complex seasonal components (can do both multiplicative and additive seasonality, depending on the data). First letter can be used instead of full words. Any seasonal CES can only be constructed for time series vectors.

initial

Can be either character or a vector of initial states. If it is character, then it can be "optimal", meaning that the initial states are optimised, or "backcasting", meaning that the initials are produced using backcasting procedure.

а

First complex smoothing parameter. Should be a complex number.

NOTE! CES is very sensitive to a and b values so it is advised either to leave them alone, or to use values from previously estimated model.

b

Second complex smoothing parameter. Can be real if seasonality="partial". In case of seasonality="full" must be complex number.

ic

The information criterion used in the model selection procedure.

loss

The type of Loss Function used in optimization. loss can be: MSE (Mean Squared Error), MAE (Mean Absolute Error), HAM (Half Absolute Moment), TMSE - Trace Mean Squared Error, GTMSE - Geometric Trace Mean Squared Error, MSEh - optimisation using only h-steps ahead error, MSCE - Mean Squared Cumulative Error. If loss!="MSE", then likelihood and model selection is done based on equivalent MSE. Model selection in this cases becomes not optimal.

There are also available analytical approximations for multistep functions: aMSEh, aTMSE and aGTMSE. These can be useful in cases of small samples.

Finally, just for fun the absolute and half analogues of multistep estimators are available: MAEh, TMAE, GTMAE, MACE, TMAE, HAMh, THAM, GTHAM, CHAM.

h

Length of forecasting horizon.

holdout

If TRUE, holdout sample of size h is taken from the end of the data.

cumulative

If TRUE, then the cumulative forecast and prediction interval are produced instead of the normal ones. This is useful for inventory control systems.

interval

Type of interval to construct. This can be:

- "none", aka "n" do not produce prediction interval.
- "parametric", "p" use state-space structure of ETS. In case of mixed models this is done using simulations, which may take longer time than for the pure additive and pure multiplicative models. This type of interval relies on unbiased estimate of in-sample error variance, which divides the sume of squared errors by T-k rather than just T.
- "likelihood", "l" these are the same as "p", but relies on the biased estimate of variance from the likelihood (division by T, not by T-k).
- "semiparametric", "sp" interval based on covariance matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors and assumption of normal / log-normal distribution (depending on error type).
- "nonparametric", "np" interval based on values from a quantile regression on error matrix (see Taylor and Bunn, 1999). The model used in this process is e[j] = a j^b, where j=1,..,h.

The parameter also accepts TRUE and FALSE. The former means that parametric interval are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to none. If the forecasts of the models were combined, then the interval are combined quantile-wise (Lichtendahl et al., 2013).

level

Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.

occurrence The type of model used in probability estimation. Can be "none" - none,

> "fixed" - constant probability, "general" - the general Beta model with two parameters, "odds-ratio" - the Odds-ratio model with b=1 in Beta distribution, "inverse-odds-ratio" - the model with a=1 in Beta distribution, "direct" the TSB-like (Teunter et al., 2011) probability update mechanism a+b=1, "auto"

- the automatically selected type of occurrence model.

oesmodel The type of ETS model used for the modelling of the time varying probability.

Object of the class "oes" can be provided here, and its parameters would be used

in iETS model.

bounds What type of bounds to use in the model estimation. The first letter can be used

instead of the whole word.

silent If silent="none", then nothing is silent, everything is printed out and drawn.

> silent="all" means that nothing is produced or drawn (except for warnings). In case of silent="graph", no graph is produced. If silent="legend", then legend of the graph is skipped. And finally silent="output" means that nothing is printed out in the console, but the graph is produced. silent also accepts TRUE and FALSE. In this case silent=TRUE is equivalent to silent="all", while silent=FALSE is equivalent to silent="none". The parameter also ac-

cepts first letter of words ("n", "a", "g", "l", "o").

The vector (either numeric or time series) or the matrix (or data.frame) of exxreg

ogenous variables that should be included in the model. If matrix included than columns should contain variables and rows - observations. Note that xreg should have number of observations equal either to in-sample or to the whole series. If the number of observations in xreg is equal to in-sample, then values

for the holdout sample are produced using es function.

xregDo The variable defines what to do with the provided xreg: "use" means that all of

the data should be used, while "select" means that a selection using ic should

be done. "combine" will be available at some point in future...

initialX The vector of initial parameters for exogenous variables. Ignored if xreg is

NULL.

updateX If TRUE, transition matrix for exogenous variables is estimated, introducing non-

linear interactions between parameters. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.

The persistence vector  $q_X$ , containing smoothing parameters for exogenous varipersistenceX

ables. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.

The transition matrix  $F_x$  for exogenous variables. Can be provided as a vector. transitionX

> Matrix will be formed using the default matrix(transition, nc, nc), where nc is number of components in state vector. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite -

non-NULL xreg.

Other non-documented parameters. For example parameter model can accept

a previously estimated CES model and use all its parameters. FI=TRUE will make the function produce Fisher Information matrix, which then can be used

to calculated variances of parameters of the model.

#### **Details**

The function estimates Complex Exponential Smoothing in the state space 2 described in Svetunkov, Kourentzes (2017) with the information potential equal to the approximation error. The

estimation of initial states of xt is done using backcast.

For some more information about the model and its implementation, see the vignette: vignette("ces", "smooth")

#### Value

Object of class "smooth" is returned. It contains the list of the following values:

- model type of constructed model.
- timeElapsed time elapsed for the construction of the model.
- states the matrix of the components of CES. The included minimum is "level" and "potential". In the case of seasonal model the seasonal component is also included. In the case of exogenous variables the estimated coefficients for the exogenous variables are also included.
- a complex smoothing parameter in the form a0 + ia1
- b smoothing parameter for the seasonal component. Can either be real (if seasonality="P") or complex (if seasonality="F") in a form b0 + ib1.
- persistence persistence vector. This is the place, where smoothing parameters live.
- transition transition matrix of the model.
- measurement measurement vector of the model.
- initialType Type of the initial values used.
- initial the initial values of the state vector (non-seasonal).
- nParam table with the number of estimated / provided parameters. If a previous model was reused, then its initials are reused and the number of provided parameters will take this into account.
- fitted the fitted values of CES.
- forecast the point forecast of CES.
- lower the lower bound of prediction interval. When interval="none" then NA is returned.
- upper the upper bound of prediction interval. When interval="none" then NA is returned.
- residuals the residuals of the estimated model.
- errors The matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors.
- s2 variance of the residuals (taking degrees of freedom into account).
- interval type of interval asked by user.
- level confidence level for interval.
- cumulative whether the produced forecast was cumulative or not.
- y The data provided in the call of the function.
- holdout the holdout part of the original data.
- occurrence model of the class "oes" if the occurrence model was estimated. If the model is non-intermittent, then occurrence is NULL.
- xreg provided vector or matrix of exogenous variables. If xregDo="s", then this value will contain only selected exogenous variables.
- updateX boolean, defining, if the states of exogenous variables were estimated as well.
- initialX initial values for parameters of exogenous variables.

- persistenceX persistence vector g for exogenous variables.
- transitionX transition matrix F for exogenous variables.
- ICs values of information criteria of the model. Includes AIC, AICc, BIC and BICc.
- logLik log-likelihood of the function.
- lossValue Cost function value.
- loss Type of loss function used in the estimation.
- FI Fisher Information. Equal to NULL if FI=FALSE or when FI is not provided at all.
- accuracy vector of accuracy measures for the holdout sample. In case of non-intermittent data includes: MPE, MAPE, SMAPE, MASE, sMAE, RelMAE, sMSE and Bias coefficient (based on complex numbers). In case of intermittent data the set of errors will be: sMSE, sPIS, sCE (scaled cumulative error) and Bias coefficient. This is available only when holdout=TRUE.
- B the vector of all the estimated parameters.

## Author(s)

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#### See Also

```
ets, forecast, ts, auto.ces
```

## **Examples**

```
y \leftarrow rnorm(100,10,3)
ces(y,h=20,holdout=TRUE)
ces(y,h=20,holdout=FALSE)
y \leftarrow 500 - c(1:100)*0.5 + rnorm(100,10,3)
ces(y,h=20,holdout=TRUE,interval="p",bounds="a")
library("Mcomp")
y \leftarrow ts(c(M3\$N0740\$x,M3\$N0740\$xx),start=start(M3\$N0740\$x),frequency=frequency(M3\$N0740\$x))
ces(y,h=8,holdout=TRUE,seasonality="s",interval="sp",level=0.8)
\#\# \ Not \ run: \ y \leftarrow ts(c(M3\$N1683\$x,M3\$N1683\$xx),start=start(M3\$N1683\$x),frequency=frequency(M3\$N1683\$x))
ces(y,h=18,holdout=TRUE,seasonality="s",interval="sp")
ces(y,h=18,holdout=TRUE,seasonality="p",interval="np")
ces(y,h=18,holdout=TRUE,seasonality="f",interval="p")
\#\# \ End(Not \ run)
```

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```
## Not run: x <- cbind(c(rep(0,25),1,rep(0,43)),c(rep(0,10),1,rep(0,58)))
ces(ts(c(M3$N1457$x,M3$N1457$xx),frequency=12),h=18,holdout=TRUE,
    interval="np",xreg=x,loss="TMSE")
## End(Not run)
# Exogenous variables in CES
## Not run: x < - cbind(c(rep(0,25),1,rep(0,43)),c(rep(0,10),1,rep(0,58)))
ces(ts(c(M3\$N1457\$x,M3\$N1457\$xx),frequency=12),h=18,holdout=TRUE,xreg=x)
our Model <- ces(ts(c(M3\$N1457\$x,M3\$N1457\$xx),frequency=12),h=18,holdout=TRUE,xreg=x,updateX=TRUE)
# This will be the same model as in previous line but estimated on new portion of data
ces(ts(c(M3\$N1457\$x,M3\$N1457\$xx),frequency=12),model=ourModel,h=18,holdout=FALSE)
## End(Not run)
# Intermittent data example
x <- rpois(100, 0.2)
# Best type of the occurrence model based on iETS(Z,Z,N)
ourModel <- ces(x,occurrence="auto")</pre>
summary(ourModel)
forecast(ourModel)
plot(forecast(ourModel))
```

cma

Centered Moving Average

# Description

Function constructs centered moving average based on state space SMA

## Usage

```
cma(y, order = NULL, silent = TRUE, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

У	Vector or ts object, containing data needed to be smoothed.
order	Order of centered moving average. If NULL, then the function will try to select order of SMA based on information criteria. See sma for details.
silent	If TRUE, then plot is not produced. Otherwise, there is a plot
	Nothing. Needed only for the transition to the new name of variables.

## **Details**

If the order is odd, then the function constructs SMA(order) and shifts it back in time. Otherwise an AR(order+1) model is constructed with the preset parameters:

```
phi_i = 0.5, 1, 1, ..., 0.5 / order
```

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This then corresponds to the centered MA with 0.5 weight for the first observation and 0.5 weight for an additional one. e.g. if this is monthly data and we use order=12, then half of the first january and half of the new one is taken.

This is not a forecasting tool. This is supposed to smooth the time series in order to find trend. So don't expect any forecasts from this function!

#### Value

Object of class "smooth" is returned. It contains the list of the following values:

- model the name of the estimated model.
- timeElapsed time elapsed for the construction of the model.
- order order of the moving average.
- nParam table with the number of estimated / provided parameters. If a previous model was
  reused, then its initials are reused and the number of provided parameters will take this into
  account.
- fitted the fitted values, shifted in time.
- forecast NAs, because this function does not produce forecasts.
- residuals the residuals of the SMA / AR model.
- s2 variance of the residuals (taking degrees of freedom into account) of the SMA / AR model.
- y the original data.
- ICs values of information criteria from the respective SMA or AR model. Includes AIC, AICc, BIC and BICc.
- logLik log-likelihood of the SMA / AR model.
- lossValue Cost function value (for the SMA / AR model).
- loss Type of loss function used in the estimation.

#### Author(s)

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## References

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#### See Also

ma, es, ssarima

#### **Examples**

```
# CMA of specific order
ourModel <- cma(rnorm(118,100,3),order=12)
# CMA of arbitrary order
ourModel <- cma(rnorm(118,100,3))
summary(ourModel)</pre>
```

es

Exponential Smoothing in SSOE state space model

## **Description**

Function constructs ETS model and returns forecast, fitted values, errors and matrix of states.

## Usage

```
es(y, model = "ZZZ", persistence = NULL, phi = NULL,
  initial = c("optimal", "backcasting"), initialSeason = NULL,
  ic = c("AICC", "AIC", "BIC", "BICC"), loss = c("MSE", "MAE", "HAM",
  "MSEh", "TMSE", "GTMSE", "MSCE"), h = 10, holdout = FALSE,
  cumulative = FALSE, interval = c("none", "parametric", "likelihood",
  "semiparametric", "nonparametric"), level = 0.95, occurrence = c("none",
  "auto", "fixed", "general", "odds-ratio", "inverse-odds-ratio", "direct"),
  oesmodel = "MNN", bounds = c("usual", "admissible", "none"),
  silent = c("all", "graph", "legend", "output", "none"), xreg = NULL,
  xregDo = c("use", "select"), initialX = NULL, updateX = FALSE,
  persistenceX = NULL, transitionX = NULL, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

У

Vector or ts object, containing data needed to be forecasted.

mode1

The type of ETS model. The first letter stands for the type of the error term ("A" or "M"), the second (and sometimes the third as well) is for the trend ("N", "A", "Ad", "M" or "Md"), and the last one is for the type of seasonality ("N", "A" or "M"). So, the function accepts words with 3 or 4 characters: ANN, AAN, AAdN, AAA, AAdA, MAdM etc. ZZZ means that the model will be selected based on the chosen information criteria type. Models pool can be restricted with additive only components. This is done via model="XXX". For example, making selection between models with none / additive / damped additive trend component only (i.e. excluding multiplicative trend) can be done with model="ZXZ". Furthermore, selection between multiplicative models (excluding additive components) is regulated using model="YYY". This can be useful for positive data with low values

(for example, slow moving products). Finally, if model="CCC", then all the models are estimated and combination of their forecasts using AIC weights is produced (Kolassa, 2011). This can also be regulated. For example, model="CCN" will combine forecasts of all non-seasonal models and model="CXY" will combine forecasts of all the models with non-multiplicative trend and non-additive seasonality with either additive or multiplicative error. Not sure why anyone would need this thing, but it is available.

The parameter model can also be a vector of names of models for a finer tuning (pool of models). For example, model=c("ANN", "AAA") will estimate only two models and select the best of them.

Also model can accept a previously estimated ES or ETS (from forecast package) model and use all its parameters.

Keep in mind that model selection with "Z" components uses Branch and Bound algorithm and may skip some models that could have slightly smaller information criteria.

persistence phi Persistence vector g, containing smoothing parameters. If NULL, then estimated. Value of damping parameter. If NULL then it is estimated.

initial

Can be either character or a vector of initial states. If it is character, then it can be "optimal", meaning that the initial states are optimised, or "backcasting", meaning that the initials are produced using backcasting procedure (advised for data with high frequency). If character, then initialSeason will be estimated in the way defined by initial.

initialSeason

Vector of initial values for seasonal components. If NULL, they are estimated during optimisation.

ic

The information criterion used in the model selection procedure.

loss

The type of Loss Function used in optimization. loss can be: MSE (Mean Squared Error), MAE (Mean Absolute Error), HAM (Half Absolute Moment), TMSE - Trace Mean Squared Error, GTMSE - Geometric Trace Mean Squared Error, MSEh - optimisation using only h-steps ahead error, MSCE - Mean Squared Cumulative Error. If loss!="MSE", then likelihood and model selection is done based on equivalent MSE. Model selection in this cases becomes not optimal.

There are also available analytical approximations for multistep functions: aMSEh, aTMSE and aGTMSE. These can be useful in cases of small samples.

Finally, just for fun the absolute and half analogues of multistep estimators are available: MAEh, TMAE, GTMAE, MACE, TMAE, HAMh, THAM, GTHAM, CHAM.

h

Length of forecasting horizon.

holdout

If TRUE, holdout sample of size h is taken from the end of the data.

cumulative

If TRUE, then the cumulative forecast and prediction interval are produced instead of the normal ones. This is useful for inventory control systems.

interval

Type of interval to construct. This can be:

- "none", aka "n" do not produce prediction interval.
- "parametric", "p" use state-space structure of ETS. In case of mixed models this is done using simulations, which may take longer time than for the pure additive and pure multiplicative models. This type of interval relies on unbiased estimate of in-sample error variance, which divides the sume of squared errors by T-k rather than just T.

• "likelihood", "l" - these are the same as "p", but relies on the biased estimate of variance from the likelihood (division by T, not by T-k).

- "semiparametric", "sp" interval based on covariance matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors and assumption of normal / log-normal distribution (depending on error type).
- "nonparametric", "np" interval based on values from a quantile regression on error matrix (see Taylor and Bunn, 1999). The model used in this process is e[j] = a j^b, where j=1,..,h.

The parameter also accepts TRUE and FALSE. The former means that parametric interval are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to none. If the forecasts of the models were combined, then the interval are combined quantile-wise (Lichtendahl et al., 2013).

level

Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.

occurrence

The type of model used in probability estimation. Can be "none" - none, "fixed" - constant probability, "general" - the general Beta model with two parameters, "odds-ratio" - the Odds-ratio model with b=1 in Beta distribution, "inverse-odds-ratio" - the model with a=1 in Beta distribution, "direct" - the TSB-like (Teunter et al., 2011) probability update mechanism a+b=1, "auto" - the automatically selected type of occurrence model.

oesmodel

The type of ETS model used for the modelling of the time varying probability. Object of the class "oes" can be provided here, and its parameters would be used in iETS model.

bounds

What type of bounds to use in the model estimation. The first letter can be used instead of the whole word.

silent

If silent="none", then nothing is silent, everything is printed out and drawn. silent="all" means that nothing is produced or drawn (except for warnings). In case of silent="graph", no graph is produced. If silent="legend", then legend of the graph is skipped. And finally silent="output" means that nothing is printed out in the console, but the graph is produced. silent also accepts TRUE and FALSE. In this case silent=TRUE is equivalent to silent="all", while silent=FALSE is equivalent to silent="none". The parameter also accepts first letter of words ("n", "a", "g", "l", "o").

xreg

The vector (either numeric or time series) or the matrix (or data.frame) of exogenous variables that should be included in the model. If matrix included than columns should contain variables and rows - observations. Note that xreg should have number of observations equal either to in-sample or to the whole series. If the number of observations in xreg is equal to in-sample, then values for the holdout sample are produced using es function.

xregDo

The variable defines what to do with the provided xreg: "use" means that all of the data should be used, while "select" means that a selection using ic should be done. "combine" will be available at some point in future...

initialX

The vector of initial parameters for exogenous variables. Ignored if xreg is NULL.

updateX

If TRUE, transition matrix for exogenous variables is estimated, introducing non-linear interactions between parameters. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.

persistence X The persistence vector  $g_X$ , containing smoothing parameters for exogenous variables. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.

transitionX The transition matrix  $F_x$  for exogenous variables. Can be provided as a vector. Matrix will be formed using the default matrix(transition,nc,nc), where no

is number of components in state vector. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite -

non-NULL xreg.

Other non-documented parameters. For example FI=TRUE will make the function also produce Fisher Information matrix, which then can be used to calculated variances of smoothing parameters and initial states of the model. Parameters B, 1b and ub can be passed via ellipsis as well. In this case they will be used for optimisation. B sets the initial values before the optimisation, 1b and ub define lower and upper bounds for the search inside of the specified bounds. These values should have length equal to the number of parameters to estimate. You can also pass two parameters to the optimiser: 1. maxeval - maximum number of evaluations to carry on; 2. xtol\_rel - the precision of the optimiser. The default values used in es() are maxeval=500 and xtol\_rel=1e-8. You can read more about these parameters in the documentation of nloptr function.

#### **Details**

Function estimates ETS in a form of the Single Source of Error state space model of the following type:

$$y_t = o_t(w(v_{t-l}) + h(x_t, a_{t-1}) + r(v_{t-l})\epsilon_t)$$
$$v_t = f(v_{t-l}) + g(v_{t-l})\epsilon_t$$
$$a_t = F_X a_{t-1} + g_X \epsilon_t / x_t$$

Where  $o_t$  is the Bernoulli distributed random variable (in case of normal data it equals to 1 for all observations),  $v_t$  is the state vector and l is the vector of lags,  $x_t$  is the vector of exogenous variables. w(.) is the measurement function, r(.) is the error function, f(.) is the transition function, g(.) is the persistence function and h(.) is the explanatory variables function.  $a_t$  is the vector of parameters for exogenous variables,  $F_X$  is the transitionX matrix and  $g_X$  is the persistenceX matrix. Finally,  $\epsilon_t$  is the error term.

For the details see Hyndman et al.(2008).

For some more information about the model and its implementation, see the vignette: vignette("es", "smooth").

Also, there are posts about the functions of the package smooth on the website of Ivan Svetunkov: <a href="https://forecasting.svetunkov.ru/en/tag/smooth/">https://forecasting.svetunkov.ru/en/tag/smooth/</a> - they explain the underlying models and how to use the functions.

#### Value

Object of class "smooth" is returned. It contains the list of the following values for classical ETS models:

- model type of constructed model.
- formula mathematical formula, describing interactions between components of es() and exogenous variables.
- timeElapsed time elapsed for the construction of the model.
- states matrix of the components of ETS.
- persistence persistence vector. This is the place, where smoothing parameters live.
- phi value of damping parameter.
- transition transition matrix of the model.
- measurement measurement vector of the model.
- initialType type of the initial values used.
- initial initial values of the state vector (non-seasonal).
- initialSeason initial values of the seasonal part of state vector.
- nParam table with the number of estimated / provided parameters. If a previous model was
  reused, then its initials are reused and the number of provided parameters will take this into
  account.
- fitted fitted values of ETS. In case of the intermittent model, the fitted are multiplied by the probability of occurrence.
- forecast point forecast of ETS.
- lower lower bound of prediction interval. When interval="none" then NA is returned.
- upper higher bound of prediction interval. When interval="none" then NA is returned.
- residuals residuals of the estimated model.
- errors trace forecast in-sample errors, returned as a matrix. In the case of trace forecasts
  this is the matrix used in optimisation. In non-trace estimations it is returned just for the
  information.
- s2 variance of the residuals (taking degrees of freedom into account). This is an unbiased estimate of variance.
- interval type of interval asked by user.
- level confidence level for interval.
- cumulative whether the produced forecast was cumulative or not.
- y original data.
- holdout holdout part of the original data.
- occurrence model of the class "oes" if the occurrence model was estimated. If the model is non-intermittent, then occurrence is NULL.
- xreg provided vector or matrix of exogenous variables. If xregDo="s", then this value will contain only selected exogenous variables.
- updateX boolean, defining, if the states of exogenous variables were estimated as well.
- initialX initial values for parameters of exogenous variables.
- persistenceX persistence vector g for exogenous variables.
- transitionX transition matrix F for exogenous variables.

- ICs values of information criteria of the model. Includes AIC, AICc, BIC and BICc.
- logLik concentrated log-likelihood of the function.
- lossValue loss function value.
- loss type of loss function used in the estimation.
- FI Fisher Information. Equal to NULL if FI=FALSE or when FI is not provided at all.
- accuracy vector of accuracy measures for the holdout sample. In case of non-intermittent data includes: MPE, MAPE, SMAPE, MASE, sMAE, RelMAE, sMSE and Bias coefficient (based on complex numbers). In case of intermittent data the set of errors will be: sMSE, sPIS, sCE (scaled cumulative error) and Bias coefficient. This is available only when holdout=TRUE.
- B the vector of all the estimated parameters.

If combination of forecasts is produced (using model="CCC"), then a shorter list of values is returned:

- model,
- timeElapsed,
- initialType,
- fitted,
- · forecast,
- lower,
- upper,
- residuals,
- s2 variance of additive error of combined one-step-ahead forecasts,
- interval,
- level,
- cumulative,
- y,
- holdout.
- occurrence,
- ICs combined ic,
- ICw ic weights used in the combination,
- loss,
- xreg,
- accuracy.

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## See Also

```
ets, forecast, ts, sim.es
```

# Examples

```
library(Mcomp)

# See how holdout and trace parameters influence the forecast
es(M3$N1245$x,model="AAdN",h=8,holdout=FALSE,loss="MSE")
## Not run: es(M3$N2568$x,model="MAM",h=18,holdout=TRUE,loss="TMSE")

# Model selection example
es(M3$N1245$x,model="ZZN",ic="AIC",h=8,holdout=FALSE,bounds="a")

# Model selection. Compare AICc of these two models:
## Not run: es(M3$N1683$x,"ZZZ",h=10,holdout=TRUE)
es(M3$N1683$x,"MAdM",h=10,holdout=TRUE)
## End(Not run)

# Model selection, excluding multiplicative trend
## Not run: es(M3$N1245$x,model="ZXZ",h=8,holdout=TRUE)
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```
# Combination example
## Not run: es(M3$N1245$x,model="CCN",h=8,holdout=TRUE)
# Model selection using a specified pool of models
ourModel \leftarrow es(M3$N1587$x,model=c("ANN","AAM","AMdA"),h=18)
# Redo previous model and produce prediction interval
es(M3$N1587$x,model=ourModel,h=18,interval="p")
# Semiparametric interval example
## Not run: es(M3$N1587$x,h=18,holdout=TRUE,interval="sp")
# Exogenous variables in ETS example
## Not run: x \leftarrow cbind(c(rep(0,25),1,rep(0,43)),c(rep(0,10),1,rep(0,58)))
y \leftarrow ts(c(M3$N1457$x,M3$N1457$xx),frequency=12)
es(y,h=18,holdout=TRUE,xreg=x,loss="aTMSE",interval="np")
ourModel <- es(ts(c(M3$N1457$x,M3$N1457$xx),frequency=12),h=18,holdout=TRUE,xreg=x,updateX=TRUE)
## End(Not run)
# This will be the same model as in previous line but estimated on new portion of data
## Not run: es(ts(c(M3$N1457$x,M3$N1457$xx),frequency=12),model=ourModel,h=18,holdout=FALSE)
# Intermittent data example
x <- rpois(100, 0.2)
\mbox{\#} Odds ratio model with the best ETS for demand sizes
es(x,"ZZN",occurrence="o")
# Inverse odds ratio model (underlies Croston) on iETS(M,N,N)
es(x,"MNN",occurrence="i")
# Constant probability based on iETS(M,N,N)
es(x,"MNN",occurrence="fixed")
\# Best type of occurrence model based on iETS(Z,Z,N)
ourModel <- es(x,"ZZN",occurrence="auto")</pre>
par(mfcol=c(2,2))
plot(ourModel)
summary(ourModel)
forecast(ourModel)
plot(forecast(ourModel))
```

forecast.smooth

Forecasting time series using smooth functions

# Description

This function is created in order for the package to be compatible with Rob Hyndman's "forecast" package

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## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'smooth'
forecast(object, h = 10, interval = c("parametric",
    "semiparametric", "nonparametric", "none"), level = 0.95,
    side = c("both", "upper", "lower"), ...)

## S3 method for class 'oes'
forecast(object, h = 10, interval = c("parametric",
    "semiparametric", "nonparametric", "none"), level = 0.95,
    side = c("both", "upper", "lower"), ...)

## S3 method for class 'msdecompose'
forecast(object, h = 10, interval = c("parametric",
    "semiparametric", "nonparametric", "none"), level = 0.95, model = NULL,
    ...)
```

Time series model for which forecasts are required

#### **Arguments**

object

object	Time series model for which forecasts are required.
h	Forecast horizon
interval	Type of interval to construct. See es for details.
level	Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.
side	Defines, whether to provide "both" sides of prediction interval or only "upper", or "lower".
	Other arguments accepted by either es, ces, gum or ssarima.
model	The type of ETS model to fit on the decomposed trend. Only applicable to "ms-

The type of ETS model to fit on the decomposed trend. Only applicable to "ms-decompose" class. This is then returned in parameter "esmodel". If NULL, then it will be selected automatically based on the type of the used decomposition

(either among pure additive or among pure additive ETS models).

#### **Details**

This is not a compulsory function. You can simply use es, ces, gum or ssarima without forecast. smooth. But if you are really used to forecast function, then go ahead!

### Value

Returns object of class "smooth.forecast", which contains:

- model the estimated model (ES / CES / GUM / SSARIMA).
- method the name of the estimated model (ES / CES / GUM / SSARIMA).
- forecast aka mean point forecasts of the model (conditional mean).
- lower lower bound of prediction interval.
- upper upper bound of prediction interval.
- level confidence level.
- interval binary variable (whether interval were produced or not).

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#### See Also

```
ets, forecast
```

#### **Examples**

```
ourModel <- ces(rnorm(100,0,1),h=10)
forecast.smooth(ourModel,h=10)
forecast.smooth(ourModel,h=10,interval=TRUE)
plot(forecast.smooth(ourModel,h=10,interval=TRUE))</pre>
```

gum

Generalised Univariate Model

#### **Description**

Function constructs Generalised Univariate Model, estimating matrices F, w, vector g and initial parameters.

#### Usage

```
gum(y, orders = c(1, 1), lags = c(1, frequency(y)), type = c("additive",
    "multiplicative"), persistence = NULL, transition = NULL,
    measurement = NULL, initial = c("optimal", "backcasting"),
    ic = c("AICc", "AIC", "BIC", "BICc"), loss = c("MSE", "MAE", "HAM",
    "MSEh", "TMSE", "GTMSE", "MSCE"), h = 10, holdout = FALSE,
    cumulative = FALSE, interval = c("none", "parametric", "likelihood",
    "semiparametric", "nonparametric"), level = 0.95, occurrence = c("none",
    "auto", "fixed", "general", "odds-ratio", "inverse-odds-ratio", "direct"),
    oesmodel = "MNN", bounds = c("restricted", "admissible", "none"),
    silent = c("all", "graph", "legend", "output", "none"), xreg = NULL,
    xregDo = c("use", "select"), initialX = NULL, updateX = FALSE,
    persistenceX = NULL, transitionX = NULL, ...)
```

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## **Arguments**

y Vector or ts object, containing data needed to be forecasted.

orders Order of the model. Specified as vector of number of states with different lags.

For example, orders=c(1,1) means that there are two states: one of the first

lag type, the second of the second type.

lags Defines lags for the corresponding orders. If, for example, orders=c(1,1) and

lags are defined as lags=c(1,12), then the model will have two states: the first will have lag 1 and the second will have lag 12. The length of lags must

correspond to the length of orders.

type Type of model. Can either be "A" - additive - or "M" - multiplicative. The latter

means that the GUM is fitted on log-transformed data.

persistence Persistence vector q, containing smoothing parameters. If NULL, then estimated.

transition Transition matrix F. Can be provided as a vector. Matrix will be formed using

the default matrix(transition,nc,nc), where nc is the number of compo-

nents in state vector. If NULL, then estimated.

measurement Measurement vector w. If NULL, then estimated.

initial Can be either character or a vector of initial states. If it is character, then it can

be "optimal", meaning that the initial states are optimised, or "backcasting",

meaning that the initials are produced using backcasting procedure.

ic The information criterion used in the model selection procedure.

loss The type of Loss Function used in optimization. loss can be: MSE (Mean

Squared Error), MAE (Mean Absolute Error), HAM (Half Absolute Moment), TMSE - Trace Mean Squared Error, GTMSE - Geometric Trace Mean Squared Error, MSEh - optimisation using only h-steps ahead error, MSCE - Mean Squared Cumulative Error. If loss!="MSE", then likelihood and model selection is done based on equivalent MSE. Model selection in this cases becomes not optimal.

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aTMSE and aGTMSE. These can be useful in cases of small samples.

Finally, just for fun the absolute and half analogues of multistep estimators are available: MAEh, TMAE, GTMAE, MACE, TMAE, HAMh, THAM, GTHAM, CHAM.

h Length of forecasting horizon.

holdout If TRUE, holdout sample of size h is taken from the end of the data.

cumulative If TRUE, then the cumulative forecast and prediction interval are produced in-

stead of the normal ones. This is useful for inventory control systems.

interval Type of interval to construct. This can be:

• "none", aka "n" - do not produce prediction interval.

- "parametric", "p" use state-space structure of ETS. In case of mixed models this is done using simulations, which may take longer time than for the pure additive and pure multiplicative models. This type of interval relies on unbiased estimate of in-sample error variance, which divides the sume of squared errors by T-k rather than just T.
- "likelihood", "l" these are the same as "p", but relies on the biased estimate of variance from the likelihood (division by T, not by T-k).

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• "semiparametric", "sp" - interval based on covariance matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors and assumption of normal / log-normal distribution (depending on error type).

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The parameter also accepts TRUE and FALSE. The former means that parametric interval are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to none. If the forecasts of the models were combined, then the interval are combined quantile-wise (Lichtendahl et al., 2013).

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oesmodel

The type of ETS model used for the modelling of the time varying probability. Object of the class "oes" can be provided here, and its parameters would be used in iETS model.

bounds

What type of bounds to use in the model estimation. The first letter can be used instead of the whole word.

silent

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xreg

The vector (either numeric or time series) or the matrix (or data.frame) of exogenous variables that should be included in the model. If matrix included than columns should contain variables and rows - observations. Note that xreg should have number of observations equal either to in-sample or to the whole series. If the number of observations in xreg is equal to in-sample, then values for the holdout sample are produced using es function.

xregDo

The variable defines what to do with the provided xreg: "use" means that all of the data should be used, while "select" means that a selection using ic should be done. "combine" will be available at some point in future...

initialX

The vector of initial parameters for exogenous variables. Ignored if xreg is NULL.

updateX

If TRUE, transition matrix for exogenous variables is estimated, introducing non-linear interactions between parameters. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.

persistenceX

The persistence vector  $g_X$ , containing smoothing parameters for exogenous variables. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.

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transitionX

The transition matrix  $F_x$  for exogenous variables. Can be provided as a vector. Matrix will be formed using the default matrix(transition,nc,nc), where nc is number of components in state vector. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite -non-NULL xreg.

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Other non-documented parameters. For example parameter model can accept a previously estimated GUM model and use all its parameters. FI=TRUE will make the function produce Fisher Information matrix, which then can be used to calculated variances of parameters of the model. You can also pass two parameters to the optimiser: 1. maxeval - maximum number of evaluations to carry on; 2. xtol\_rel - the precision of the optimiser. The default values used in es() are maxeval=5000 and xtol\_rel=1e-8. You can read more about these parameters in the documentation of nloptr function.

#### **Details**

The function estimates the Single Source of Error state space model of the following type:

$$y_t = o_t(w'v_{t-l} + x_t a_{t-1} + \epsilon_t)$$
$$v_t = Fv_{t-l} + g\epsilon_t$$

Where  $o_t$  is the Bernoulli distributed random variable (in case of normal data equal to 1),  $v_t$  is the state vector (defined using orders) and l is the vector of lags,  $x_t$  is the vector of exogenous parameters. w is the measurement vector, F is the transition matrix, g is the persistence vector,  $a_t$  is the vector of parameters for exogenous variables,  $F_X$  is the transitionX matrix and  $g_X$  is the persistenceX matrix. Finally,  $\epsilon_t$  is the error term.

 $a_t = F_X a_{t-1} + g_X \epsilon_t / x_t$ 

For some more information about the model and its implementation, see the vignette: vignette("gum", "smooth")

#### Value

Object of class "smooth" is returned. It contains:

- model name of the estimated model.
- timeElapsed time elapsed for the construction of the model.
- states matrix of fuzzy components of GUM, where rows correspond to time and cols to states.
- initialType Type of the initial values used.
- initial initial values of state vector (extracted from states).
- nParam table with the number of estimated / provided parameters. If a previous model was
  reused, then its initials are reused and the number of provided parameters will take this into
  account.
- measurement matrix w.

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- transition matrix F.
- persistence persistence vector. This is the place, where smoothing parameters live.
- fitted fitted values.
- forecast point forecast.
- lower lower bound of prediction interval. When interval="none" then NA is returned.
- upper higher bound of prediction interval. When interval="none" then NA is returned.
- residuals the residuals of the estimated model.
- errors matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors.
- s2 variance of the residuals (taking degrees of freedom into account).
- interval type of interval asked by user.
- level confidence level for interval.
- cumulative whether the produced forecast was cumulative or not.
- y original data.
- holdout holdout part of the original data.
- occurrence model of the class "oes" if the occurrence model was estimated. If the model is non-intermittent, then occurrence is NULL.
- xreg provided vector or matrix of exogenous variables. If xregDo="s", then this value will contain only selected exogenous variables.
- updateX boolean, defining, if the states of exogenous variables were estimated as well.
- initialX initial values for parameters of exogenous variables.
- persistenceX persistence vector g for exogenous variables.
- transitionX transition matrix F for exogenous variables.
- ICs values of information criteria of the model. Includes AIC, AICc, BIC and BICc.
- logLik log-likelihood of the function.
- lossValue Cost function value.
- loss Type of loss function used in the estimation.
- FI Fisher Information. Equal to NULL if FI=FALSE or when FI variable is not provided at all.
- accuracy vector of accuracy measures for the holdout sample. In case of non-intermittent data includes: MPE, MAPE, SMAPE, MASE, sMAE, RelMAE, sMSE and Bias coefficient (based on complex numbers). In case of intermittent data the set of errors will be: sMSE, sPIS, sCE (scaled cumulative error) and Bias coefficient. This is available only when holdout=TRUE.
- B the vector of all the estimated parameters.

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#### See Also

```
ets, es, ces, sim. es
```

## **Examples**

```
# Something simple:
gum(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=c(1),lags=c(1),h=18,holdout=TRUE,bounds="a",interval="p")
# A more complicated model with seasonality
## Not run: ourModel <- gum(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=c(2,1),lags=c(1,4),h=18,holdout=TRUE)
# Redo previous model on a new data and produce prediction interval
## Not run: gum(rnorm(118,100,3),model=ourModel,h=18,interval="sp")
# Produce something crazy with optimal initials (not recommended)
## Not run: gum(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=c(1,1,1),lags=c(1,3,5),h=18,holdout=TRUE,initial="o")
# Simpler model estiamted using trace forecast error loss function and its analytical analogue
## Not run: gum(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=c(1),lags=c(1),h=18,holdout=TRUE,bounds="n",loss="TMSE")
gum(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=c(1),lags=c(1),h=18,holdout=TRUE,bounds="n",loss="aTMSE")
## End(Not run)
# Introduce exogenous variables
## Not run: gum(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=c(1),lags=c(1),h=18,holdout=TRUE,xreg=c(1:118))
# Ask for their update
## Not run: gum(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=c(1),lags=c(1),h=18,holdout=TRUE,xreg=c(1:118),updateX=TRUE)
# Do the same but now let's shrink parameters...
## Not run: gum(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=c(1),lags=c(1),h=18,xreg=c(1:118),updateX=TRUE,loss="TMSE")
ourModel <- gum(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=c(1),lags=c(1),h=18,holdout=TRUE,loss="aTMSE")
## End(Not run)
# Or select the most appropriate one
## Not run: gum(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=c(1),lags=c(1),h=18,holdout=TRUE,xreg=c(1:118),xregDo="s")
summary(ourModel)
```

is.smooth

```
forecast(ourModel)
plot(forecast(ourModel))
## End(Not run)
```

is.smooth

Smooth classes checkers

# Description

Functions to check if an object is of the specified class

## Usage

```
is.smooth(x)
is.vsmooth(x)
is.smoothC(x)
is.msarima(x)
is.iss(x)
is.oes(x)
is.oesg(x)
is.viss(x)
is.smooth.sim(x)
is.vsmooth.sim(x)
is.msdecompose(x)
is.msdecompose.forecast(x)
```

## **Arguments**

x The object to check.

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## **Details**

The list of functions includes:

• is.smooth() tests if the object was produced by a smooth function (e.g. es / ces / ssarima / gum / sma / msarima);

- is.msarima() tests if the object was produced by the msarima function;
- is.smoothC() tests if the object was produced by a combination function (currently applies only to smoothCombine);
- is.vsmooth() tests if the object was produced by a vector model (e.g. ves);
- is.oes() tests if the object was produced by oes function;
- is.viss() tests if the object was produced by viss function;
- is.smooth.sim() tests if the object was produced by simulate functions (e.g. sim.es / sim.ces / sim.ssarima / sim.sma / sim.gum);
- is.vsmooth.sim() tests if the object was produced by the functions sim.ves;
- is.smooth.forecast() checks if the forecast was produced from a smooth function using forecast() function.

#### Value

TRUE if this is the specified class and FALSE otherwise.

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## **Examples**

```
ourModel <- msarima(rnorm(100,100,10))
is.smooth(ourModel)
is.iss(ourModel)
is.msarima(ourModel)
is.vsmooth(ourModel)</pre>
```

iss

Intermittent State Space

## **Description**

Function calculates the probability for intermittent state space model. This is needed in order to forecast intermittent demand using other functions.

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## Usage

```
iss(data, intermittent = c("none", "fixed", "interval", "probability", "sba",
   "logistic"), ic = c("AICc", "AIC", "BIC", "BICc"), h = 10,
   holdout = FALSE, model = NULL, persistence = NULL, initial = NULL,
   initialSeason = NULL, xreg = NULL)
```

## Arguments

data Either numeric vector or time series vector.

intermittent Type of method used in probability estimation. Can be "none" - none, "fixed"

- constant probability, "croston" - estimated using Croston, 1972 method and "TSB" - Teunter et al., 2011 method., "sba" - Syntetos-Boylan Approximation for Croston's method (bias correction) discussed in Syntetos and Boylan, 2005,

"logistic" - probability based on logit model.

ic Information criteria to use in case of model selection.

h Forecast horizon.

holdout If TRUE, holdout sample of size h is taken from the end of the data.

model Type of ETS model used for the estimation. Normally this should be either

"ANN" or "MNN".

persistence Persistence vector. If NULL, then it is estimated.

Initial Initial vector. If NULL, then it is estimated.

initial Season Initial vector of seasonal components. If NULL, then it is estimated.

vector of matrix of exogenous variables, explaining some parts of occurrence

variable (probability).

#### **Details**

The function estimates probability of demand occurrence, using one of the ETS state space models.

#### Value

The object of class "iss" is returned. It contains following list of values:

- model the type of the estimated ETS model;
- fitted fitted values of the constructed model;
- forecast forecast for h observations ahead;
- states values of states (currently level only);
- variance conditional variance of the forecast;
- logLik likelihood value for the model
- nParam number of parameters used in the model;
- residuals residuals of the model;
- y actual values of probabilities (zeros and ones).
- persistence the vector of smoothing parameters;
- initial initial values of the state vector;
- initialSeason the matrix of initials seasonal states;

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#### See Also

```
ets, forecast, es
```

## **Examples**

```
y <- rpois(100,0.1)
iss(y, intermittent="p")
iss(y, intermittent="i", persistence=0.1)</pre>
```

msarima

Multiple Seasonal ARIMA

#### **Description**

Function constructs Multiple Seasonal State Space ARIMA, estimating AR, MA terms and initial states.

## Usage

```
msarima(y, orders = list(ar = c(0), i = c(1), ma = c(1)), lags = c(1),
  constant = FALSE, AR = NULL, MA = NULL, initial = c("backcasting",
  "optimal"), ic = c("AICc", "AIC", "BIC", "BICc"), loss = c("MSE", "MAE",
  "HAM", "MSEh", "TMSE", "GTMSE", "MSCE"), h = 10, holdout = FALSE,
  cumulative = FALSE, interval = c("none", "parametric", "likelihood",
  "semiparametric", "nonparametric"), level = 0.95, occurrence = c("none",
  "auto", "fixed", "general", "odds-ratio", "inverse-odds-ratio", "direct"),
  oesmodel = "MNN", bounds = c("admissible", "none"), silent = c("all",
  "graph", "legend", "output", "none"), xreg = NULL, xregDo = c("use",
  "select"), initialX = NULL, updateX = FALSE, persistenceX = NULL,
  transitionX = NULL, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

Vector or ts object, containing data needed to be forecasted. y

orders List of orders, containing vector variables ar, i and ma. Example: orders=list(ar=c(1,2),i=c(1), ma= If a variable is not provided in the list, then it is assumed to be equal to zero.

At least one variable should have the same length as lags. Another option is to specify orders as a vector of a form orders=c(p,d,q). The non-seasonal

ARIMA(p,d,q) is constructed in this case.

Defines lags for the corresponding orders (see examples above). The length of lags

lags must correspond to the length of either ar, i or ma in orders variable. There is no restrictions on the length of lags vector. It is recommended to order lags ascending. The orders are set by a user. If you want the automatic order

selection, then use auto.ssarima function instead.

If TRUE, constant term is included in the model. Can also be a number (constant constant

value).

AR Vector or matrix of AR parameters. The order of parameters should be lag-wise.

This means that first all the AR parameters of the firs lag should be passed, then

for the second etc. AR of another ssarima can be passed here.

Vector or matrix of MA parameters. The order of parameters should be lag-wise. MA

This means that first all the MA parameters of the firs lag should be passed, then

for the second etc. MA of another ssarima can be passed here.

initial Can be either character or a vector of initial states. If it is character, then it can

be "optimal", meaning that the initial states are optimised, or "backcasting", meaning that the initials are produced using backcasting procedure.

ic The information criterion used in the model selection procedure.

loss The type of Loss Function used in optimization. loss can be: MSE (Mean

> Squared Error), MAE (Mean Absolute Error), HAM (Half Absolute Moment), TMSE - Trace Mean Squared Error, GTMSE - Geometric Trace Mean Squared Error, MSEh - optimisation using only h-steps ahead error, MSCE - Mean Squared Cumulative Error. If loss!="MSE", then likelihood and model selection is done based on equivalent MSE. Model selection in this cases becomes not optimal.

There are also available analytical approximations for multistep functions: aMSEh, aTMSE and aGTMSE. These can be useful in cases of small samples.

Finally, just for fun the absolute and half analogues of multistep estimators are available: MAEh, TMAE, GTMAE, MACE, TMAE, HAMh, THAM, GTHAM, CHAM.

h Length of forecasting horizon.

holdout If TRUE, holdout sample of size h is taken from the end of the data.

cumulative If TRUE, then the cumulative forecast and prediction interval are produced in-

stead of the normal ones. This is useful for inventory control systems.

interval Type of interval to construct. This can be:

- "none", aka "n" do not produce prediction interval.
- "parametric", "p" use state-space structure of ETS. In case of mixed models this is done using simulations, which may take longer time than for the pure additive and pure multiplicative models. This type of interval relies on unbiased estimate of in-sample error variance, which divides the sume of squared errors by T-k rather than just T.

• "likelihood", "l" - these are the same as "p", but relies on the biased estimate of variance from the likelihood (division by T, not by T-k).

- "semiparametric", "sp" interval based on covariance matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors and assumption of normal / log-normal distribution (depending on error type).
- "nonparametric", "np" interval based on values from a quantile regression on error matrix (see Taylor and Bunn, 1999). The model used in this process is e[j] = a j^b, where j=1,..,h.

The parameter also accepts TRUE and FALSE. The former means that parametric interval are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to none. If the forecasts of the models were combined, then the interval are combined quantile-wise (Lichtendahl et al., 2013).

level

Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.

occurrence

The type of model used in probability estimation. Can be "none" - none, "fixed" - constant probability, "general" - the general Beta model with two parameters, "odds-ratio" - the Odds-ratio model with b=1 in Beta distribution, "inverse-odds-ratio" - the model with a=1 in Beta distribution, "direct" - the TSB-like (Teunter et al., 2011) probability update mechanism a+b=1, "auto" - the automatically selected type of occurrence model.

oesmodel

The type of ETS model used for the modelling of the time varying probability. Object of the class "oes" can be provided here, and its parameters would be used in iETS model.

bounds

What type of bounds to use in the model estimation. The first letter can be used instead of the whole word.

silent

If silent="none", then nothing is silent, everything is printed out and drawn. silent="all" means that nothing is produced or drawn (except for warnings). In case of silent="graph", no graph is produced. If silent="legend", then legend of the graph is skipped. And finally silent="output" means that nothing is printed out in the console, but the graph is produced. silent also accepts TRUE and FALSE. In this case silent=TRUE is equivalent to silent="all", while silent=FALSE is equivalent to silent="none". The parameter also accepts first letter of words ("n", "a", "g", "l", "o").

xreg

The vector (either numeric or time series) or the matrix (or data.frame) of exogenous variables that should be included in the model. If matrix included than columns should contain variables and rows - observations. Note that xreg should have number of observations equal either to in-sample or to the whole series. If the number of observations in xreg is equal to in-sample, then values for the holdout sample are produced using es function.

xregDo

The variable defines what to do with the provided xreg: "use" means that all of the data should be used, while "select" means that a selection using ic should be done. "combine" will be available at some point in future...

initialX

The vector of initial parameters for exogenous variables. Ignored if xreg is NULL.

updateX

If TRUE, transition matrix for exogenous variables is estimated, introducing non-linear interactions between parameters. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.

persistence X The persistence vector X, containing smoothing parameters for exogenous vari-

ables. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.

The transition matrix  $F_x$  for exogenous variables. Can be provided as a vector. Matrix will be formed using the default matrix(transition,nc,nc), where nc is number of components in state vector. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite -

non-NULL xreg.

... Other non-documented parameters.

Parameter model can accept a previously estimated SARIMA model and use all its parameters.

FI=TRUE will make the function produce Fisher Information matrix, which then can be used to calculated variances of parameters of the model.

#### **Details**

transitionX

The model, implemented in this function differs from the one in ssarima function (Svetunkov & Boylan, 2019), but it is more efficient and better fitting the data (which might be a limitation).

The basic ARIMA(p,d,q) used in the function has the following form:

$$(1-B)^d(1-a_1B-a_2B^2-\ldots-a_pB^p)y_{\bar{l}}t] = (1+b_1B+b_2B^2+\ldots+b_qB^q)\epsilon_{\bar{l}}t]+c$$

where  $y_[t]$  is the actual values,  $\epsilon_[t]$  is the error term,  $a_i, b_j$  are the parameters for AR and MA respectively and c is the constant. In case of non-zero differences c acts as drift.

This model is then transformed into ARIMA in the Single Source of Error State space form (based by Snyder, 1985, but in a slightly different formulation):

$$y_t = o_t(w'v_{t-l} + x_t a_{t-1} + \epsilon_t)$$
  

$$v_t = Fv_{t-l} + g\epsilon_t$$
  

$$a_t = F_X a_{t-1} + g_X \epsilon_t / x_t$$

Where  $o_t$  is the Bernoulli distributed random variable (in case of normal data equal to 1),  $v_t$  is the state vector (defined based on orders) and l is the vector of lags,  $x_t$  is the vector of exogenous parameters. w is the measurement vector, F is the transition matrix, g is the persistence vector,  $a_t$  is the vector of parameters for exogenous variables,  $F_X$  is the transitionX matrix and  $g_X$  is the persistenceX matrix. The main difference from ssarima function is that this implementation skips zero polynomials, substantially decreasing the dimension of the transition matrix. As a result, this function works faster than ssarima on high frequency data, and it is more accurate.

Due to the flexibility of the model, multiple seasonalities can be used. For example, something crazy like this can be constructed: SARIMA(1,1,1)(0,1,1)[24](2,0,1)[24\*7](0,0,1)[24\*30], but the estimation may take some time... Still this should be estimated in finite time (not like with ssarima).

For some additional details see the vignette: vignette("ssarima", "smooth")

### Value

Object of class "smooth" is returned. It contains the list of the following values:

- model the name of the estimated model.
- timeElapsed time elapsed for the construction of the model.
- states the matrix of the fuzzy components of ssarima, where rows correspond to time and cols to states.

- transition matrix F.
- persistence the persistence vector. This is the place, where smoothing parameters live.
- measurement measurement vector of the model.
- AR the matrix of coefficients of AR terms.
- I the matrix of coefficients of I terms.
- MA the matrix of coefficients of MA terms.
- constant the value of the constant term.
- initialType Type of the initial values used.
- initial the initial values of the state vector (extracted from states).
- nParam table with the number of estimated / provided parameters. If a previous model was
  reused, then its initials are reused and the number of provided parameters will take this into
  account.
- fitted the fitted values.
- forecast the point forecast.
- lower the lower bound of prediction interval. When interval="none" then NA is returned.
- upper the higher bound of prediction interval. When interval="none" then NA is returned.
- residuals the residuals of the estimated model.
- errors The matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors.
- s2 variance of the residuals (taking degrees of freedom into account).
- interval type of interval asked by user.
- level confidence level for interval.
- cumulative whether the produced forecast was cumulative or not.
- y the original data.
- holdout the holdout part of the original data.
- occurrence model of the class "oes" if the occurrence model was estimated. If the model is non-intermittent, then occurrence is NULL.
- xreg provided vector or matrix of exogenous variables. If xregDo="s", then this value will contain only selected exogenous variables.
- updateX boolean, defining, if the states of exogenous variables were estimated as well.
- initialX initial values for parameters of exogenous variables.
- persistenceX persistence vector g for exogenous variables.
- transitionX transition matrix F for exogenous variables.
- ICs values of information criteria of the model. Includes AIC, AICc, BIC and BICc.
- logLik log-likelihood of the function.
- lossValue Cost function value.
- loss Type of loss function used in the estimation.
- FI Fisher Information. Equal to NULL if FI=FALSE or when FI is not provided at all.
- accuracy vector of accuracy measures for the holdout sample. In case of non-intermittent data includes: MPE, MAPE, SMAPE, MASE, sMAE, RelMAE, sMSE and Bias coefficient (based on complex numbers). In case of intermittent data the set of errors will be: sMSE, sPIS, sCE (scaled cumulative error) and Bias coefficient. This is available only when holdout=TRUE.
- B the vector of all the estimated parameters.

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#### See Also

```
auto.msarima, orders, ssarima, auto.arima
```

## **Examples**

```
# The previous one is equivalent to:
ourModel <- msarima(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=c(1,1,1),lags=1,h=18,holdout=TRUE,interval="p")
# Example of SARIMA(2,0,0)(1,0,0)[4]
msarima(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=list(ar=c(2,1)),lags=c(1,4),h=18,holdout=TRUE)
# SARIMA of a peculiar order on AirPassengers data with Fisher Information
ourModel <- msarima(AirPassengers,orders=list(ar=c(1,0,3),i=c(1,0,1),ma=c(0,1,2)),
                    lags=c(1,6,12),h=10,holdout=TRUE,FI=TRUE)
# Construct the 95% confidence interval for the parameters of the model
ourCoefs <- coef(ourModel)</pre>
ourCoefsSD <- sqrt(abs(diag(solve(ourModel$FI))))</pre>
# Sort values accordingly
ourCoefs <- ourCoefs[names(ourCoefsSD)]</pre>
ourConfInt <- cbind(ourCoefs + qt(0.025,nobs(ourModel)) * ourCoefsSD,
                    ourCoefs + qt(0.975,nobs(ourModel)) * ourCoefsSD)
colnames(ourConfInt) <- c("2.25%", "97.5%")</pre>
ourConfInt
# ARIMA(1,1,1) with Mean Squared Trace Forecast Error
msarima(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=list(ar=1,i=1,ma=1),lags=1,h=18,holdout=TRUE,loss="TMSE")
```

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msdecompose

Multiple seasonal classical decomposition

## **Description**

Function decomposes multiple seasonal time series into components using the principles of classical decomposition.

## Usage

```
msdecompose(y, lags = c(12), type = c("additive", "multiplicative"))
```

## **Arguments**

y Vector or ts object, containing data needed to be smoothed.

lags Vector of lags, corresponding to the frequencies in the data.

type The type of decomposition. If "multiplicative" is selected, then the logarithm of data is taken prior to the decomposition.

## **Details**

The function applies centred moving averages based on ma function and order specified in lags variable in order to smooth the original series and obtain level, trend and seasonal components of the series.

# Value

The object of the class "msdecompose" is return, containing:

- y the original time series.
- initial the estimates of the initial level and trend.
- trend the long term trend in the data.
- seasonal the list of seasonal parameters.
- lags the provided lags.
- type the selected type of the decomposition.
- yName the name of the provided data.

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#### See Also

ma

## **Examples**

```
# Decomposition of multiple frequency data
## Not run: ourModel <- msdecompose(forecast::taylor, lags=c(48,336), type="m")
ourModel <- msdecompose(AirPassengers, lags=c(12), type="m")
plot(ourModel)
plot(forecast(ourModel, model="AAN", h=12))</pre>
```

multicov

Function returns the multiple steps ahead covariance matrix of forecast errors

## Description

This function extracts covariance matrix of 1 to h steps ahead forecast errors for ssarima(), gum(), sma(), es() and ces() models.

## Usage

```
multicov(object, type = c("analytical", "empirical", "simulated"), ...)
## S3 method for class 'smooth'
multicov(object, type = c("analytical", "empirical", "simulated"), ...)
```

## **Arguments**

object

Model estimated using one of the functions of smooth package.

type

What method to use in order to produce covariance matrix:

- 1. analytical based on the state space structure of the model and the one-step-ahead forecast error. This works for pure additive and pure multiplicative models. The values for the mixed models might be off.
- 2. empirical based on the in-sample 1 to h steps ahead forecast errors (works fine on larger samples);
- 3. simulated the data is simulated from the estimated model, then the same model is applied to it and then the empirical 1 to h steps ahead forecast errors are produced;

... Other parameters passed to simulate function (if type="simulated" is used). These are obs, nsim and seed. By default obs=1000, nsim=100. This approach increases the accuracy of covariance matrix on small samples and intermittent

data;

#### **Details**

The function returns either scalar (if it is a non-smooth model) or the matrix of (h x h) size with variances and covariances of 1 to h steps ahead forecast errors. This is currently done based on empirical values. The analytical ones are more complicated.

## Value

Scalar in cases of non-smooth functions. (h x h) matrix otherwise.

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#### See Also

orders

## **Examples**

```
x <- rnorm(100,0,1)
# A simple example with a 5x5 covariance matrix
ourModel <- ces(x, h=5)
multicov(ourModel)</pre>
```

oes

Occurrence ETS model

## **Description**

Function returns the occurrence part of iETS model with the specified probability update and model types.

# Usage

```
oes(y, model = "MNN", persistence = NULL, initial = "o",
  initialSeason = NULL, phi = NULL, occurrence = c("fixed", "general",
  "odds-ratio", "inverse-odds-ratio", "direct", "auto", "none"),
  ic = c("AICc", "AIC", "BIC", "BICc"), h = 10, holdout = FALSE,
  interval = c("none", "parametric", "likelihood", "semiparametric",
  "nonparametric"), level = 0.95, bounds = c("usual", "admissible",
```

```
"none"), silent = c("all", "graph", "legend", "output", "none"),
xreg = NULL, xregDo = c("use", "select"), initialX = NULL,
updateX = FALSE, transitionX = NULL, persistenceX = NULL, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

phi

y Either numeric vector or time series vector.

model The type of ETS model used for the estimation. Normally this should be "MNN" or any other pure multiplicative or additive model. The model selection is avail-

able here (although it's not fast), so you can use, for example, "YYN" and "XXN" for selecting between the pure multiplicative and pure additive models respec-

tively. Using mixed models is possible, but not recommended.

persistence Persistence vector g, containing smoothing parameters. If NULL, then estimated.

initial Can be either character or a vector of initial states. If it is character, then it can be "optimal", meaning that the initial states are optimised, or "backcasting",

meaning that the initials are produced using backcasting procedure.

initialSeason The vector of the initial seasonal components. If NULL, then it is estimated.

The value of the dampening parameter. Used only for damped-trend models.

occurrence The type of model used in probability estimation. Can be "none" - none,

"fixed" - constant probability, "odds-ratio" - the Odds-ratio model with b=1 in Beta distribution, "inverse-odds-ratio" - the model with a=1 in Beta distribution, "direct" - the TSB-like (Teunter et al., 2011) probability update mechanism a+b=1, "auto" - the automatically selected type of occurrence model, "general" - the general Beta model with two parameters. This will call oesg() function with two similar ETS models and the same provided parame-

ters (initials and smoothing).

ic The information criteria to use in case of model selection.

h The forecast horizon.

holdout If TRUE, holdout sample of size h is taken from the end of the data.

interval Type of interval to construct. This can be:

- "none", aka "n" do not produce prediction interval.
- "parametric", "p" use state-space structure of ETS. In case of mixed models this is done using simulations, which may take longer time than for the pure additive and pure multiplicative models. This type of interval relies on unbiased estimate of in-sample error variance, which divides the sume of squared errors by T-k rather than just T.
- "likelihood", "1" these are the same as "p", but relies on the biased estimate of variance from the likelihood (division by T, not by T-k).
- "semiparametric", "sp" interval based on covariance matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors and assumption of normal / log-normal distribution (depending on error type).
- "nonparametric", "np" interval based on values from a quantile regression on error matrix (see Taylor and Bunn, 1999). The model used in this process is e[j] = a j^b, where j=1,..,h.

The parameter also accepts TRUE and FALSE. The former means that parametric interval are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to none. If the forecasts of the models were combined, then the interval are combined quantile-wise (Lichtendahl et al., 2013).

level Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.

bounds What type of bounds to use in the model estimation. The first letter can be used

instead of the whole word.

silent If silent="none", then nothing is silent, everything is printed out and drawn.

silent="all" means that nothing is produced or drawn (except for warnings). In case of silent="graph", no graph is produced. If silent="legend", then legend of the graph is skipped. And finally silent="output" means that nothing is printed out in the console, but the graph is produced. silent also accepts TRUE and FALSE. In this case silent=TRUE is equivalent to silent="all", while silent=FALSE is equivalent to silent="none". The parameter also ac-

cepts first letter of words ("n", "a", "g", "l", "o").

xreg The vector or the matrix of exogenous variables, explaining some parts of oc-

currence variable (probability).

xregDo Variable defines what to do with the provided xreg: "use" means that all of the

data should be used, while "select" means that a selection using ic should be

done. "combine" will be available at some point in future...

initialX The vector of initial parameters for exogenous variables. Ignored if xreg is

NULL.

updateX If TRUE, transition matrix for exogenous variables is estimated, introducing non-

linear interactions between parameters. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.

transition X The transition matrix  $F_x$  for exogenous variables. Can be provided as a vector.

Matrix will be formed using the default matrix(transition,nc,nc), where nc is number of components in state vector. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite -

non-NULL xreg.

persistence X The persistence vector  $g_X$ , containing smoothing parameters for exogenous vari-

ables. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.

... The parameters passed to the optimiser, such as maxeval, xtol\_rel, algorithm

and print\_level. The description of these is printed out by nloptr.print.options() function from the nloptr package. The default values in the oes function are

maxeval=500, xtol\_rel=1E-8, algorithm="NLOPT\_LN\_SBPLX" and print\_level=0.

#### **Details**

The function estimates probability of demand occurrence, using the selected ETS state space models.

For the details about the model and its implementation, see the respective vignette: vignette("oes", "smooth")

## Value

The object of class "occurrence" is returned. It contains following list of values:

• model - the type of the estimated ETS model;

- timeElapsed the time elapsed for the construction of the model;
- fitted the fitted values for the probability;
- fittedModel the fitted values of the underlying ETS model, where applicable (only for occurrence=c("o","i","d"));
- forecast the forecast of the probability for h observations ahead;
- forecastModel the forecast of the underlying ETS model, where applicable (only for occurrence=c("o","i","d"));
- lower the lower bound of the interval if interval!="none";
- upper the upper bound of the interval if interval!="none";
- lowerModel the lower bound of the interval of the undelying ETS model if interval!="none";
- upperModel the upper bound of the interval of the undelying ETS model if interval!="none";
- states the values of the state vector;
- logLik the log-likelihood value of the model;
- nParam the number of parameters in the model (the matrix is returned);
- residuals the residuals of the model:
- y actual values of occurrence (zeros and ones).
- persistence the vector of smoothing parameters;
- phi the value of the damped trend parameter;
- initial initial values of the state vector;
- initialSeason the matrix of initials seasonal states;
- occurrence the type of the occurrence model;
- updateX boolean, defining, if the states of exogenous variables were estimated as well.
- initialX initial values for parameters of exogenous variables.
- persistenceX persistence vector g for exogenous variables.
- transitionX transition matrix F for exogenous variables.
- accuracy The error measures for the forecast (in case of holdout=TRUE).
- B the vector of all the estimated parameters (in case of "odds-ratio", "inverse-odds-ratio" and "direct" models).

#### Author(s)

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## See Also

```
ets, oesg, es
```

## **Examples**

```
y <- rpois(100,0.1)
oes(y, occurrence="auto")
oes(y, occurrence="f")</pre>
```

oesg

Occurrence ETS, general model

# Description

Function returns the general occurrence model of the of iETS model.

## Usage

```
oesg(y, modelA = "MNN", modelB = "MNN", persistenceA = NULL,
  persistenceB = NULL, phiA = NULL, phiB = NULL, initialA = "o",
  initialB = "o", initialSeasonA = NULL, initialSeasonB = NULL,
  ic = c("AICc", "AIC", "BIC", "BICc"), h = 10, holdout = FALSE,
  interval = c("none", "parametric", "likelihood", "semiparametric",
  "nonparametric"), level = 0.95, bounds = c("usual", "admissible",
  "none"), silent = c("all", "graph", "legend", "output", "none"),
  xregA = NULL, xregB = NULL, initialXA = NULL, initialXB = NULL,
  xregDoA = c("use", "select"), xregDoB = c("use", "select"),
  updateXA = FALSE, updateXB = FALSE, transitionXA = NULL,
  transitionXB = NULL, persistenceXA = NULL, persistenceXB = NULL, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

У	Either numeric vector or time series vector.
modelA	The type of the ETS for the model A.
modelB	The type of the ETS for the model B.
persistenceA	The persistence vector $g$ , containing smoothing parameters used in the model A. If NULL, then estimated.
persistenceB	The persistence vector $g$ , containing smoothing parameters used in the model B. If NULL, then estimated.
phiA	The value of the dampening parameter in the model A. Used only for damped-trend models.
phiB	The value of the dampening parameter in the model B. Used only for damped-trend models

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initialA Either "o" - optimal or the vector of initials for the level and / or trend for the

model A.

initialB Either "o" - optimal or the vector of initials for the level and / or trend for the

model B.

initialSeasonA The vector of the initial seasonal components for the model A. If NULL, then it

is estimated.

initialSeasonB The vector of the initial seasonal components for the model B. If NULL, then it is

estimated.

ic Information criteria to use in case of model selection.

h Forecast horizon.

holdout If TRUE, holdout sample of size h is taken from the end of the data.

interval Type of interval to construct. This can be:

• "none", aka "n" - do not produce prediction interval.

- "parametric", "p" use state-space structure of ETS. In case of mixed models this is done using simulations, which may take longer time than for the pure additive and pure multiplicative models. This type of interval relies on unbiased estimate of in-sample error variance, which divides the sume of squared errors by T-k rather than just T.
- "likelihood", "1" these are the same as "p", but relies on the biased estimate of variance from the likelihood (division by T, not by T-k).
- "semiparametric", "sp" interval based on covariance matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors and assumption of normal / log-normal distribution (depending on error type).
- "nonparametric", "np" interval based on values from a quantile regression on error matrix (see Taylor and Bunn, 1999). The model used in this process is e[j] = a j^b, where j=1,..,h.

The parameter also accepts TRUE and FALSE. The former means that parametric interval are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to none. If the forecasts of the models were combined, then the interval are combined quantile-wise (Lichtendahl et al., 2013).

level Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.

What type of bounds to use in the model estimation. The first letter can be used

instead of the whole word.

If silent="none", then nothing is silent, everything is printed out and drawn. silent="all" means that nothing is produced or drawn (except for warnings). In case of silent="graph", no graph is produced. If silent="legend", then legend of the graph is skipped. And finally silent="output" means that nothing is printed out in the console, but the graph is produced. silent also accepts TRUE and FALSE. In this case silent=TRUE is equivalent to silent="all", while silent=FALSE is equivalent to silent="none". The parameter also ac-

cepts first letter of words ("n", "a", "g", "l", "o").

The vector or the matrix of exogenous variables, explaining some parts of occurrence variable of the model A.

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xregB	The vector or the matrix of exogenous variables, explaining some parts of occurrence variable of the model B.
initialXA	The vector of initial parameters for exogenous variables in the model A. Ignored if xregA is NULL.
initialXB	The vector of initial parameters for exogenous variables in the model B. Ignored if xregB is NULL.
xregDoA	Variable defines what to do with the provided xregA: "use" means that all of the data should be used, while "select" means that a selection using ic should be done.
xregDoB	Similar to the xregDoA, but for the part B of the model.
updateXA	If TRUE, transition matrix for exogenous variables is estimated, introducing non-linear interactions between parameters. Prerequisite - non-NULL xregA.
updateXB	If TRUE, transition matrix for exogenous variables is estimated, introducing non- linear interactions between parameters. Prerequisite - non-NULL xregB.
transitionXA	The transition matrix $F_x$ for exogenous variables of the model A. Can be provided as a vector. Matrix will be formed using the default matrix(transition,nc,nc), where nc is number of components in state vector. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xregA.
transitionXB	The transition matrix ${\cal F}_x$ for exogenous variables of the model B. Similar to the transitionXA.
persistenceXA	The persistence vector $g_X$ , containing smoothing parameters for the exogenous variables of the model A. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xregA.
persistenceXB	The persistence vector $g_X$ , containing smoothing parameters for the exogenous variables of the model B. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xregB.
	The parameters passed to the optimiser, such as maxeval, xtol_rel, algorithm and print_level. The description of these is printed out by nloptr.print.options() function from the nloptr package. The default values in the oes function are maxeval=500, xtol_rel=1E-8, algorithm="NLOPT_LN_SBPLX" and print_level=0.

## **Details**

The function estimates probability of demand occurrence, based on the iETS\_G state-space model. It involves the estimation and modelling of the two simultaneous state space equations. Thus two parts for the model type, persistence, initials etc.

For the details about the model and its implementation, see the respective vignette: vignette("oes", "smooth") The model is based on:

$$o_t \sim Bernoulli(p_t)$$
$$p_t = \frac{a_t}{a_t + b_t}$$

where a\_t and b\_t are the parameters of the Beta distribution and are modelled using separate ETS models.

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## Value

The object of class "occurrence" is returned. It contains following list of values:

- modelA the model A of the class oes, that contains the output similar to the one from the oes() function;
- modelB the model B of the class oes, that contains the output similar to the one from the oes() function.
- B the vector of all the estimated parameters.

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#### See Also

```
es,oes
```

## **Examples**

```
y <- rpois(100,0.1)
oesg(y, modelA="MNN", modelB="ANN")</pre>
```

orders

Functions that extract values from the fitted model

# Description

These functions allow extracting orders and lags for ssarima(), gum() and sma(), type of model from es() and ces() and name of model.

## Usage

```
orders(object, ...)
lags(object, ...)
modelName(object, ...)
modelType(object, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

object Model estimated using one of the functions of smooth package.
... Currently nothing is accepted via ellipsis.

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#### **Details**

orders() and lags() are useful only for SSARIMA, GUM and SMA. They return NA for other functions. This can also be applied to arima(), Arima() and auto.arima() functions from stats and forecast packages. modelType() is useful only for ETS and CES. They return NA for other functions. This can also be applied to ets() function from forecast package. errorType extracts the type of error from the model (either additive or multiplicative). Finally, modelName returns the name of the fitted model. For example, "ARIMA(0,1,1)". This is purely descriptive and can also be applied to non-smooth classes, so that, for example, you can easily extract the name of the fitted AR model from ar() function from stats package.

#### Value

Either vector, scalar or list with values is returned. orders() in case of ssarima returns list of values:

- ar AR orders.
- i I orders.
- ma MA orders.

lags() returns the vector of lags of the model. All the other functions return strings of character.

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#### See Also

forecast, ssarima

## **Examples**

```
x <- rnorm(100,0,1)
# Just as example. orders and lags do not return anything for ces() and es(). But modelType() does.
ourModel <- ces(x, h=10)
orders(ourModel)
lags(ourModel)
modelType(ourModel)
modelName(ourModel)
# And as another example it does the opposite for gum() and ssarima()
ourModel \leftarrow gum(x, h=10, orders=c(1,1), lags=c(1,4))
orders(ourModel)
lags(ourModel)
modelType(ourModel)
modelName(ourModel)
# Finally these values can be used for simulate functions or original functions.
ourModel <- auto.ssarima(x)</pre>
ssarima(x, orders=orders(ourModel), lags=lags(ourModel), constant=ourModel$constant)
```

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```
sim.ssarima(orders=orders(ourModel), lags=lags(ourModel), constant=ourModel$constant)
ourModel <- es(x)
es(x, model=modelType(ourModel))
sim.es(model=modelType(ourModel))</pre>
```

plot.smooth

Plots for the fit and states

## Description

The function produces plot actuals, fitted values and forecasts and states of the model

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'smooth'
plot(x, which = c(1, 2, 4, 6), level = 0.95,
  legend = FALSE, ask = prod(par("mfcol")) < length(which) &&
  dev.interactive(), lowess = TRUE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'msdecompose'
plot(x, which = c(1, 2, 4, 6), level = 0.95,
  legend = FALSE, ask = prod(par("mfcol")) < length(which) &&
  dev.interactive(), lowess = TRUE, ...)</pre>
```

# Arguments

х

Time series model for which forecasts are required.

which

Which of the plots to produce. The possible options (see details for explanations):

- 1. Actuals vs Fitted values;
- 2. Standardised residuals vs Fitted;
- 3. Studentised residuals vs Fitted;
- 4. Absolute residuals vs Fitted;
- 5. Squared residuals vs Fitted;
- 6. Q-Q plot with the specified distribution;
- 7. Fitted over time;
- 8. Standardised residuals vs Time;
- 9. Studentised residuals vs Time;
- 10. ACF of the residuals;
- 11. PACF of the residuals.
- 12. Plot of states of the model.

level

Confidence level. Defines width of confidence interval. Used in plots (2), (3), (7), (8), (9), (10) and (11).

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legend If TRUE, then the legend is produced on plots (2), (3) and (7).

Logical; if TRUE, the user is asked to press Enter before each plot.

Logical; if TRUE, LOWESS lines are drawn on scatterplots, see lowess.

The parameters passed to the plot functions. Recommended to use with separate plots.

#### **Details**

The list of produced plots includes:

1. Actuals vs Fitted values. Allows analysing, whether there are any issues in the fit. Does the variability of actuals increase with the increase of fitted values? Is the relation well captured? They grey line on the plot corresponds to the perfect fit of the model.

- 2. Standardised residuals vs Fitted. Plots the points and the confidence bounds (red lines) for the specified confidence level. Useful for the analysis of outliers;
- 3. Studentised residuals vs Fitted. This is similar to the previous plot, but with the residuals divided by the scales with the leave-one-out approach. Should be more sensitive to outliers;
- 4. Absolute residuals vs Fitted. Useful for the analysis of heteroscedasticity;
- 5. Squared residuals vs Fitted similar to (3), but with squared values;
- 6. Q-Q plot with the specified distribution. Can be used in order to see if the residuals follow the assumed distribution. The type of distribution depends on the one used in the estimation (see distribution parameter in alm);
- 7. ACF of the residuals. Are the residuals autocorrelated? See acf for details;
- 8. Fitted over time. Plots actuals (black line), fitted values (purple line), point forecast (blue line) and prediction interval (grey lines). Can be used in order to make sure that the model did not miss any important events over time;
- 9. Standardised residuals vs Time. Useful if you want to see, if there is autocorrelation or if there is heteroscedasticity in time. This also shows, when the outliers happen;
- 10. Studentised residuals vs Time. Similar to previous, but with studentised residuals;
- 11. PACF of the residuals. No, really, are they autocorrelated? See pacf function from stats package for details;
- 12. Plot of the states of the model. It is not recommended to produce this plot together with the others, because there might be several states, which would cause the creation of a different canvas. In case of "msdecompose", this will produce the decomposition of the series into states on a different canvas.

Which of the plots to produce, is specified via the which parameter.

## Value

The function produces the number of plots, specified in the parameter which.

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## See Also

```
plot.greybox
```

## **Examples**

```
ourModel <- es(c(rnorm(50,100,10),rnorm(50,120,10)), "ANN", h=10)
par(mfcol=c(3,4))
plot(ourModel, c(1:11))
plot(ourModel, 12)</pre>
```

pls

Prediction Likelihood Score

# Description

Function estimates Prediction Likelihood Score for the provided model

## Usage

```
pls(object, holdout = NULL, ...)
## S3 method for class 'smooth'
pls(object, holdout = NULL, ...)
```

# Arguments

object	The model estimated using smooth functions. This thing also accepts other models (e.g. estimated using functions from forecast package), but may not always work properly with them.
holdout	The values for the holdout part of the sample. If the model was fitted on the data with the holdout=TRUE, then the parameter is not needed.
•••	Parameters passed to multicov function. The function is called in order to get the covariance matrix of 1 to h steps ahead forecast errors.

## **Details**

Prediction likelihood score (PLS) is based on either normal or log-normal distribution of errors. This is extracted from the provided model. The likelihood based on the distribution of 1 to h steps ahead forecast errors is used in the process.

## Value

A value of the log-likelihood.

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#### References

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## **Examples**

```
# Generate data, apply es() with the holdout parameter and calculate PLS x \leftarrow rnorm(100,0,1) ourModel \leftarrow es(x, h=10, holdout=TRUE, interval=TRUE) pls(ourModel, type="a") pls(ourModel, type="e") pls(ourModel, type="e") pls(ourModel, type="s", obs=100, nsim=100)
```

sim.ces

Simulate Complex Exponential Smoothing

## **Description**

Function generates data using CES with Single Source of Error as a data generating process.

#### Usage

```
sim.ces(seasonality = c("none", "simple", "partial", "full"), obs = 10,
   nsim = 1, frequency = 1, a = NULL, b = NULL, initial = NULL,
   randomizer = c("rnorm", "rt", "rlaplace", "rs"), probability = 1, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

seasonality

The type of seasonality used in CES. Can be: none - No seasonality; simple - Simple seasonality, using lagged CES (based on t-m observation, where m is the seasonality lag); partial - Partial seasonality with real seasonal components (equivalent to additive seasonality); full - Full seasonality with complex seasonal components (can do both multiplicative and additive seasonality, depending on the data). First letter can be used instead of full words. Any seasonal CES can only be constructed for time series vectors.

obs

Number of observations in each generated time series.

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nsim	Number of series to generate (number of simulations to do).
frequency	Frequency of generated data. In cases of seasonal models must be greater than 1.
а	First complex smoothing parameter. Should be a complex number.
	NOTE! CES is very sensitive to a and b values so it is advised to use values from previously estimated model.
b	Second complex smoothing parameter. Can be real if seasonality="partial". In case of seasonality="full" must be complex number.
initial	A matrix with initial values for CES. In case with seasonality="partial" and seasonality="full" first two columns should contain initial values for non-seasonal components, repeated frequency times.
randomizer	Type of random number generator function used for error term. Defaults are: rnorm, rt, rlaplace and rs. rlnorm should be used for multiplicative models (e.g. ETS(M,N,N)). But any function from Distributions will do the trick if the appropriate parameters are passed. For example rpois with lambda=2 can be used as well, but might result in weird values.
probability	Probability of occurrence, used for intermittent data generation. This can be a vector, implying that probability varies in time (in TSB or Croston style).
	Additional parameters passed to the chosen randomizer. All the parameters should be passed in the order they are used in chosen randomizer. For example, passing just sd=0.5 to rnorm function will lead to the call rnorm(obs, mean=0.5, sd=1).

#### **Details**

For the information about the function, see the vignette: vignette("simulate", "smooth")

## Value

List of the following values is returned:

- model Name of CES model.
- a Value of complex smoothing parameter a. If nsim>1, then this is a vector.
- b Value of complex smoothing parameter b. If seasonality="n" or seasonality="s", then this is equal to NULL. If nsim>1, then this is a vector.
- initial Initial values of CES in a form of matrix. If nsim>1, then this is an array.
- data Time series vector (or matrix if nsim>1) of the generated series.
- states Matrix (or array if nsim>1) of states. States are in columns, time is in rows.
- residuals Error terms used in the simulation. Either vector or matrix, depending on nsim.
- occurrence Values of occurrence variable. Once again, can be either a vector or a matrix...
- logLik Log-likelihood of the constructed model.

# Author(s)

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## See Also

```
sim.es, sim.ssarima, ces, Distributions
```

## **Examples**

```
# Create 120 observations from CES(n). Generate 100 time series of this kind.
x <- sim.ces("n",obs=120,nsim=100)

# Generate similar thing for seasonal series of CES(s)_4
x <- sim.ces("s",frequency=4,obs=80,nsim=100)

# Estimate model and then generate 10 time series from it
ourModel <- ces(rnorm(100,100,5))
simulate(ourModel,nsim=10)</pre>
```

sim.es

Simulate Exponential Smoothing

## **Description**

Function generates data using ETS with Single Source of Error as a data generating process.

## Usage

```
sim.es(model = "ANN", obs = 10, nsim = 1, frequency = 1,
   persistence = NULL, phi = 1, initial = NULL, initialSeason = NULL,
   bounds = c("usual", "admissible", "restricted"), randomizer = c("rnorm",
   "rlnorm", "rt", "rlaplace", "rs"), probability = 1, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

model	Type of ETS model according to [Hyndman et. al., 2008] taxonomy. Can consist of 3 or 4 chars: ANN, AAN, AAdN, AAA, AAdA, MAdM etc.
obs	Number of observations in each generated time series.
nsim	Number of series to generate (number of simulations to do).
frequency	Frequency of generated data. In cases of seasonal models must be greater than 1.

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persistence Persistence vector, which includes all the smoothing parameters. Must corre-

spond to the chosen model. The maximum length is 3: level, trend and seasonal

smoothing parameters. If NULL, values are generated.

phi Value of damping parameter. If trend is not chosen in the model, the parameter

is ignored.

initial Vector of initial states of level and trend. The maximum length is 2. If NULL,

values are generated.

initialSeason Vector of initial states for seasonal coefficients. Should have length equal to

frequency parameter. If NULL, values are generated.

bounds Type of bounds to use for persistence vector if values are generated. "usual"

- bounds from p.156 by Hyndman et. al., 2008. "restricted" - similar to "usual" but with upper bound equal to 0.3. "admissible" - bounds from tables 10.1 and 10.2 of Hyndman et. al., 2008. Using first letter of the type of bounds also works. These bounds are also used for multiplicative models, but the models are much more restrictive, so weird results might be obtained. Be

careful!

randomizer Type of random number generator function used for error term. Defaults are:

rnorm, rt, rlaplace and rs. rlnorm should be used for multiplicative models (e.g. ETS(M,N,N)). But any function from Distributions will do the trick if the appropriate parameters are passed. For example rpois with lambda=2 can be

used as well, but might result in weird values.

probability Probability of occurrence, used for intermittent data generation. This can be a

vector, implying that probability varies in time (in TSB or Croston style).

Additional parameters passed to the chosen randomizer. All the parameters

should be passed in the order they are used in chosen randomizer. For example, passing just sd=0.5 to rnorm function will lead to the call rnorm(obs, mean=0.5, sd=1).

ATTENTION! When generating the multiplicative errors some tuning might be needed to obtain meaningful data. sd=0.1 is usually already a high value for such models. ALSO NOTE: In case of multiplicative error model, the randomizer will generate 1+e\_t error, not e\_t. This means that the mean should typi-

cally be equal to 1, not zero.

# **Details**

For the information about the function, see the vignette: vignette("simulate", "smooth")

#### Value

List of the following values is returned:

- model Name of ETS model.
- data Time series vector (or matrix if nsim>1) of the generated series.
- states Matrix (or array if nsim>1) of states. States are in columns, time is in rows.
- persistence Vector (or matrix if nsim>1) of smoothing parameters used in the simulation.
- phi Value of damping parameter used in time series generation.
- initial Vector (or matrix) of initial values.

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- initialSeason Vector (or matrix) of initial seasonal coefficients.
- probability vector of probabilities used in the simulation.
- intermittent type of the intermittent model used.
- residuals Error terms used in the simulation. Either vector or matrix, depending on nsim.
- occurrence Values of occurrence variable. Once again, can be either a vector or a matrix...
- logLik Log-likelihood of the constructed model.

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- Hyndman, R.J., Koehler, A.B., Ord, J.K., and Snyder, R.D. (2008) Forecasting with exponential smoothing: the state space approach, Springer-Verlag. http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/978-3-540-71918-2.

#### See Also

```
es, ets, forecast, ts, Distributions
```

## **Examples**

```
# Create 40 observations of quarterly data using AAA model with errors from normal distribution
ETSAAA <- sim.es(model="AAA",frequency=4,obs=40,randomizer="rnorm",mean=0,sd=100)
# Create 50 series of quarterly data using AAA model
# with 40 observations each with errors from normal distribution
ETSAAA <- sim.es(model="AAA", frequency=4, obs=40, randomizer="rnorm", mean=0, sd=100, nsim=50)
# Create 50 series of quarterly data using AAdA model
# with 40 observations each with errors from normal distribution
# and smoothing parameters lying in the "admissible" range.
ETSAAA <- sim.es(model="AAA",phi=0.9,frequency=4,obs=40,bounds="admissible",
                  randomizer="rnorm", mean=0, sd=100, nsim=50)
# Create 60 observations of monthly data using ANN model
# with errors from beta distribution
ETSANN <- sim.es(model="ANN",persistence=c(1.5),frequency=12,obs=60,
                  randomizer="rbeta", shape1=1.5, shape2=1.5)
plot(ETSANN$states)
# Create 60 observations of monthly data using MAM model
# with errors from uniform distribution
ETSMAM \leftarrow sim.es(model="MAM",persistence=c(0.3,0.2,0.1),initial=c(2000,50),
           phi=0.8, frequency=12, obs=60, randomizer="runif", min=-0.5, max=0.5)
```

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sim.gum

Simulate Generalised Exponential Smoothing

## **Description**

Function generates data using GUM with Single Source of Error as a data generating process.

## Usage

```
sim.gum(orders = c(1), lags = c(1), obs = 10, nsim = 1,
  frequency = 1, measurement = NULL, transition = NULL,
  persistence = NULL, initial = NULL, randomizer = c("rnorm", "rt",
    "rlaplace", "rs"), probability = 1, ...)
```

# Arguments

orders	Order of the model. Specified as vector of number of states with different lags. For example, orders=c(1,1) means that there are two states: one of the first lag type, the second of the second type.
lags	Defines lags for the corresponding orders. If, for example, orders= $c(1,1)$ and lags are defined as lags= $c(1,12)$ , then the model will have two states: the first will have lag 1 and the second will have lag 12. The length of lags must correspond to the length of orders.
obs	Number of observations in each generated time series.
nsim	Number of series to generate (number of simulations to do).
frequency	Frequency of generated data. In cases of seasonal models must be greater than 1.
measurement	Measurement vector $w$ . If NULL, then estimated.
transition	Transition matrix $F$ . Can be provided as a vector. Matrix will be formed using the default matrix(transition,nc,nc), where nc is the number of components in state vector. If NULL, then estimated.

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persistence Persistence vector g, containing smoothing parameters. If NULL, then estimated. initial Vector of initial values for state matrix. If NULL, then generated using advanced, sophisticated technique - uniform distribution. randomizer Type of random number generator function used for error term. Defaults are: rnorm, rt, rlaplace and rs. rlnorm should be used for multiplicative models (e.g. ETS(M,N,N)). But any function from Distributions will do the trick if the appropriate parameters are passed. For example rpois with lambda=2 can be used as well, but might result in weird values. probability Probability of occurrence, used for intermittent data generation. This can be a vector, implying that probability varies in time (in TSB or Croston style). Additional parameters passed to the chosen randomizer. All the parameters should be passed in the order they are used in chosen randomizer. For example, passing just sd=0.5 to rnorm function will lead to the call rnorm(obs, mean=0.5, sd=1).

#### **Details**

For the information about the function, see the vignette: vignette("simulate", "smooth")

#### Value

List of the following values is returned:

- model Name of GUM model.
- measurement Matrix w.
- transition Matrix F.
- persistence Persistence vector. This is the place, where smoothing parameters live.
- initial Initial values of GUM in a form of matrix. If nsim>1, then this is an array.
- data Time series vector (or matrix if nsim>1) of the generated series.
- states Matrix (or array if nsim>1) of states. States are in columns, time is in rows.
- residuals Error terms used in the simulation. Either vector or matrix, depending on nsim.
- occurrence Values of occurrence variable. Once again, can be either a vector or a matrix...
- logLik Log-likelihood of the constructed model.

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## References

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#### See Also

```
sim.es, sim.ssarima, sim.ces, gum, Distributions
```

#### **Examples**

```
# Create 120 observations from GUM(1[1]). Generate 100 time series of this kind.
x <- sim.gum(orders=c(1),lags=c(1),obs=120,nsim=100)

# Generate similar thing for seasonal series of GUM(1[1],1[4]])
x <- sim.gum(orders=c(1,1),lags=c(1,4),frequency=4,obs=80,nsim=100,transition=c(1,0,0.9,0.9))

# Estimate model and then generate 10 time series from it
ourModel <- gum(rnorm(100,100,5))
simulate(ourModel,nsim=10)</pre>
```

sim.oes

Simulate Occurrence Part of ETS model

## **Description**

Function generates data using ETS with Single Source of Error as a data generating process for the demand occurrence. As the main output it produces probabilities of occurrence.

# Usage

```
sim.oes(model = "MNN", obs = 10, nsim = 1, frequency = 1,
  occurrence = c("odds-ratio", "inverse-odds-ratio", "direct", "general"),
  bounds = c("usual", "admissible", "restricted"), randomizer = c("rlnorm",
  "rinvgauss", "rgamma", "rnorm"), persistence = NULL, phi = 1,
  initial = NULL, initialSeason = NULL, modelB = model,
  persistenceB = persistence, phiB = phi, initialB = initial,
  initialSeasonB = initialSeason, ...)
```

# Arguments

Type of ETS model according to [Hyndman et. al., 2008] taxonomy. Can consist of 3 or 4 chars: ANN, AAN, AAdN, AAA, AAdA, MAdM etc. The conventional oETS model assumes that the error term is positive, so "MZZ" models are recommended for this. If you use additive error models, then the function will exponentiate the obtained values before transforming them and getting the probability. This is the type of model A.

obs Number of observations in each generated time series.

Number of series to generate (number of simulations to do).

frequency Frequency of generated data. In cases of seasonal models must be greater than 1.

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Type of occurrence model. See vignette("oes", "smooth") for details.

Type of bounds to use for persistence vector if values are generated. "usual" bounds - bounds from p.156 by Hyndman et. al., 2008. "restricted" - similar to "usual" but with upper bound equal to 0.3. "admissible" - bounds from tables 10.1 and 10.2 of Hyndman et. al., 2008. Using first letter of the type of bounds also works. These bounds are also used for multiplicative models, but the models are much more restrictive, so weird results might be obtained. Be careful! randomizer Type of random number generator function used for error term. It is advised to use rlnorm() or rinvgauss() in case of multiplicative error models. If a randomiser is used, it is advised to specify the parameters in the ellipsis. persistence Persistence vector, which includes all the smoothing parameters. Must correspond to the chosen model. The maximum length is 3: level, trend and seasonal smoothing parameters. If NULL, values are generated. phi Value of damping parameter. If trend is not chosen in the model, the parameter is ignored. initial Vector of initial states of level and trend. The maximum length is 2. If NULL, values are generated. Vector of initial states for seasonal coefficients. Should have length equal to initialSeason frequency parameter. If NULL, values are generated.

modelB Type of model B. This is used in occurrence="general" and occurrence="inverse-odds-ratio".

persistenceB The persistence vector for the model B.

phiB Value of damping parameter for the model B.

initialB Vector of initial states of level and trend for the model B.

initialSeasonB Vector of initial states for seasonal coefficients for the model B.

.. Additional parameters passed to the chosen randomizer. All the parameters should be passed in the order they are used in chosen randomizer. Both model

A and model B share the same parameters for the randomizer.

#### **Details**

occurrence

For the information about the function, see the vignette: vignette("simulate", "smooth")

#### Value

List of the following values is returned:

- model Name of ETS model.
- modelA Model A, generated using sim.es() function;
- modelB Model B, generated using sim.es() function;
- probability The value of probability generated by the model;
- occurrence Type of occurrence used in the model;
- logLik Log-likelihood of the constructed model.

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## References

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#### See Also

```
oes, sim.es, Distributions
```

## **Examples**

sim.sma

Simulate Simple Moving Average

## Description

Function generates data using SMA in a Single Source of Error state space model as a data generating process.

# Usage

```
sim.sma(order = NULL, obs = 10, nsim = 1, frequency = 1,
  initial = NULL, randomizer = c("rnorm", "rt", "rlaplace", "rs"),
  probability = 1, ...)
```

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## **Arguments**

order	Order of the modelled series. If omitted, then a random order from 1 to 100 is selected.
obs	Number of observations in each generated time series.
nsim	Number of series to generate (number of simulations to do).
frequency	Frequency of generated data. In cases of seasonal models must be greater than 1.
initial	Vector of initial states for the model. If NULL, values are generated.
randomizer	Type of random number generator function used for error term. Defaults are: rnorm, rt, rlaplace and rs. rlnorm should be used for multiplicative models (e.g. ETS(M,N,N)). But any function from Distributions will do the trick if the appropriate parameters are passed. For example rpois with lambda=2 can be used as well, but might result in weird values.
probability	Probability of occurrence, used for intermittent data generation. This can be a vector, implying that probability varies in time (in TSB or Croston style).
• • •	Additional parameters passed to the chosen randomizer. All the parameters should be passed in the order they are used in chosen randomizer. For example, passing just sd=0.5 to rnorm function will lead to the call rnorm(obs, mean=0.5, sd=1).

#### **Details**

For the information about the function, see the vignette: vignette("simulate", "smooth")

## Value

List of the following values is returned:

- model Name of SMA model.
- data Time series vector (or matrix if nsim>1) of the generated series.
- states Matrix (or array if nsim>1) of states. States are in columns, time is in rows.
- initial Vector (or matrix) of initial values.
- probability vector of probabilities used in the simulation.
- intermittent type of the intermittent model used.
- residuals Error terms used in the simulation. Either vector or matrix, depending on nsim.
- occurrence Values of occurrence variable. Once again, can be either a vector or a matrix...
- logLik Log-likelihood of the constructed model.

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#### See Also

```
es, ets, forecast, ts, Distributions
```

#### **Examples**

# Create 40 observations of quarterly data using AAA model with errors from normal distribution sma10 <- sim.sma(order=10, frequency=4, obs=40, randomizer="rnorm", mean=0, sd=100)

sim.ssarima

Simulate SSARIMA

## **Description**

Function generates data using SSARIMA with Single Source of Error as a data generating process.

## Usage

```
sim.ssarima(orders = list(ar = 0, i = 1, ma = 1), lags = 1, obs = 10,
   nsim = 1, frequency = 1, AR = NULL, MA = NULL, constant = FALSE,
   initial = NULL, bounds = c("admissible", "none"),
   randomizer = c("rnorm", "rt", "rlaplace", "rs"), probability = 1, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

O	
orders	List of orders, containing vector variables ar, i and ma. Example: orders=list(ar=c(1,2),i=c(1),ma= If a variable is not provided in the list, then it is assumed to be equal to zero. At least one variable should have the same length as lags.
lags	Defines lags for the corresponding orders (see examples above). The length of lags must correspond to the length of orders. There is no restrictions on the length of lags vector. It is recommended to order lags ascending.
obs	Number of observations in each generated time series.

nsim Number of series to generate (number of simulations to do).

frequency Frequency of generated data. In cases of seasonal models must be greater than

1.

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AR	Vector or matrix of AR parameters. The order of parameters should be lag-wise. This means that first all the AR parameters of the firs lag should be passed, then for the second etc. AR of another ssarima can be passed here.
MA	Vector or matrix of MA parameters. The order of parameters should be lag-wise. This means that first all the MA parameters of the firs lag should be passed, then for the second etc. MA of another ssarima can be passed here.
constant	If TRUE, constant term is included in the model. Can also be a number (constant value).
initial	Vector of initial values for state matrix. If NULL, then generated using advanced, sophisticated technique - uniform distribution.
bounds	Type of bounds to use for AR and MA if values are generated. "admissible" - bounds guaranteeing stability and stationarity of SSARIMA. "none" - we generate something, but do not guarantee stationarity and stability. Using first letter of the type of bounds also works.
randomizer	Type of random number generator function used for error term. Defaults are: rnorm, rt, rlaplace and rs. rlnorm should be used for multiplicative models (e.g. ETS(M,N,N)). But any function from Distributions will do the trick if the appropriate parameters are passed. For example rpois with lambda=2 can be used as well, but might result in weird values.
probability	Probability of occurrence, used for intermittent data generation. This can be a vector, implying that probability varies in time (in TSB or Croston style).
	Additional parameters passed to the chosen randomizer. All the parameters should be passed in the order they are used in chosen randomizer. For example, passing just sd=0.5 to rnorm function will lead to the call rnorm(obs, mean=0.5, sd=1).

## **Details**

For the information about the function, see the vignette: vignette("simulate", "smooth")

## Value

List of the following values is returned:

- model Name of SSARIMA model.
- AR Value of AR parameters. If nsim>1, then this is a matrix.
- MA Value of MA parameters. If nsim>1, then this is a matrix.
- constant Value of constant term. If nsim>1, then this is a vector.
- initial Initial values of SSARIMA. If nsim>1, then this is a matrix.
- data Time series vector (or matrix if nsim>1) of the generated series.
- states Matrix (or array if nsim>1) of states. States are in columns, time is in rows.
- residuals Error terms used in the simulation. Either vector or matrix, depending on nsim.
- occurrence Values of occurrence variable. Once again, can be either a vector or a matrix...
- logLik Log-likelihood of the constructed model.

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#### References

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#### See Also

```
sim.es,ssarima,Distributions,orders
```

## Examples

sim.ves

Simulate Vector Exponential Smoothing

#### **Description**

Function generates data using VES model as a data generating process.

## Usage

```
sim.ves(model = "ANN", obs = 10, nsim = 1, nSeries = 2,
  frequency = 1, persistence = NULL, phi = 1, transition = NULL,
  initial = NULL, initialSeason = NULL,
  seasonal = c("individual, common"), weights = rep(1/nSeries, nSeries),
  bounds = c("usual", "admissible", "restricted"), randomizer = c("rnorm",
  "rt", "rlaplace", "rs"), ...)
```

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#### **Arguments**

model Type of ETS model. This can consist of 3 or 4 chars: ANN, AAN, AAdN, AAA, AAdA

etc. Only pure additive models are supported. If you want to have multiplicative

one, then just take exponent of the generated data.

obs Number of observations in each generated time series.

nsim Number of series to generate (number of simulations to do).

nSeries Number of series in each generated group of series.

frequency Frequency of generated data. In cases of seasonal models must be greater than

1.

persistence Matrix of smoothing parameters for all the components of all the generated time

series.

phi Value of damping parameter. If trend is not chosen in the model, the parameter

is ignored. If vector is provided, then several parameters are used for different

series.

transition Transition matrix. This should have the size appropriate to the selected model

and nSeries. e.g. if ETS(A,A,N) is selected and nSeries=3, then the transition matrix should be 6 x 6. In case of damped trend, the phi parameter should be placed in the matrix manually. if NULL, then the default transition matrix for the selected type of model is used. If both phi and transition are provided, then

the value of phi is ignored.

initial Vector of initial states of level and trend. The minimum length is one (in case

of ETS(A,N,N), the initial is used for all the series), the maximum length is 2 x

nSeries. If NULL, values are generated for each series.

initialSeason Vector or matrix of initial states for seasonal coefficients. Should have number

of rows equal to frequency parameter. If NULL, values are generated for each

series.

seasonal The type of seasonal component across the series. Can be "individual", so

that each series has its own component or "common", so that the component is

shared across the series.

weights The weights for the errors between the series with the common seasonal com-

ponent. Ignored if seasonal="individual".

bounds Type of bounds to use for persistence vector if values are generated. "usual"

- bounds from p.156 by Hyndman et. al., 2008. "restricted" - similar to "usual" but with upper bound equal to 0.3. "admissible" - bounds from tables 10.1 and 10.2 of Hyndman et. al., 2008. Using first letter of the type of bounds

also works.

randomizer Type of random number generator function used for error term. Defaults are:

rnorm, rt, rlaplace, rs. But any function from Distributions will do the trick if the appropriate parameters are passed. mvrnorm from MASS package can also

be used.

... Additional parameters passed to the chosen randomizer. All the parameters

should be passed in the order they are used in chosen randomizer. For example,

passing just sd=0.5 to rnorm function will lead to the call rnorm(obs, mean=0.5, sd=1).

ATTENTION! When generating the multiplicative errors some tuning might be

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needed to obtain meaningful data. sd=0.1 is usually already a high value for such models.

#### **Details**

For the information about the function, see the vignette: vignette("simulate", "smooth")

#### Value

List of the following values is returned:

- model Name of ETS model.
- data The matrix (or an array if nsim>1) of the generated series.
- states The matrix (or array if nsim>1) of states. States are in columns, time is in rows.
- persistence The matrix (or array if nsim>1) of smoothing parameters used in the simulation.
- transition The transition matrix (or array if nsim>1).
- initial Vector (or matrix) of initial values.
- initialSeason Vector (or matrix) of initial seasonal coefficients.
- residuals Error terms used in the simulation. Either matrix or array, depending on nsim.

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#### See Also

```
es, ets, forecast, ts, Distributions
```

## **Examples**

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Simple Moving Average

#### **Description**

Function constructs state space simple moving average of predefined order

## Usage

```
sma(y, order = NULL, ic = c("AICc", "AIC", "BIC", "BICc"), h = 10,
holdout = FALSE, cumulative = FALSE, interval = c("none", "parametric",
   "likelihood", "semiparametric", "nonparametric"), level = 0.95,
   silent = c("all", "graph", "legend", "output", "none"), ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

У	Vector or ts object, containing data needed to be forecasted.
order	Order of simple moving average. If NULL, then it is selected automatically using information criteria. $\  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \ $
ic	The information criterion used in the model selection procedure.
h	Length of forecasting horizon.
holdout	If TRUE, holdout sample of size h is taken from the end of the data.
cumulative	If TRUE, then the cumulative forecast and prediction interval are produced instead of the normal ones. This is useful for inventory control systems.
interval	Type of interval to construct. This can be:
	• "none", aka "n" - do not produce prediction interval.

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• "parametric", "p" - use state-space structure of ETS. In case of mixed models this is done using simulations, which may take longer time than for the pure additive and pure multiplicative models. This type of interval relies on unbiased estimate of in-sample error variance, which divides the sume of squared errors by T-k rather than just T.

- "likelihood", "l" these are the same as "p", but relies on the biased estimate of variance from the likelihood (division by T, not by T-k).
- "semiparametric", "sp" interval based on covariance matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors and assumption of normal / log-normal distribution (depending on error type).
- "nonparametric", "np" interval based on values from a quantile regression on error matrix (see Taylor and Bunn, 1999). The model used in this process is e[j] = a j^b, where j=1,...,h.

The parameter also accepts TRUE and FALSE. The former means that parametric interval are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to none. If the forecasts of the models were combined, then the interval are combined quantile-wise (Lichtendahl et al., 2013).

level

Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.

silent

If silent="none", then nothing is silent, everything is printed out and drawn. silent="all" means that nothing is produced or drawn (except for warnings). In case of silent="graph", no graph is produced. If silent="legend", then legend of the graph is skipped. And finally silent="output" means that nothing is printed out in the console, but the graph is produced. silent also accepts TRUE and FALSE. In this case silent=TRUE is equivalent to silent="all", while silent=FALSE is equivalent to silent="none". The parameter also accepts first letter of words ("n", "a", "g", "l", "o").

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Other non-documented parameters. For example parameter model can accept a previously estimated SMA model and use its parameters.

#### **Details**

The function constructs AR model in the Single Source of Error state space form based on the idea that:

$$y_t = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n y_{t-j}$$

which is AR(n) process, that can be modelled using:

$$y_t = w'v_{t-1} + \epsilon_t$$

$$v_t = Fv_{t-1} + g\epsilon_t$$

Where  $v_t$  is a state vector.

For some more information about the model and its implementation, see the vignette: vignette("sma", "smooth")

#### Value

Object of class "smooth" is returned. It contains the list of the following values:

• model - the name of the estimated model.

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- timeElapsed time elapsed for the construction of the model.
- states the matrix of the fuzzy components of ssarima, where rows correspond to time and cols to states.
- transition matrix F.
- persistence the persistence vector. This is the place, where smoothing parameters live.
- measurement measurement vector of the model.
- order order of moving average.
- initial Initial state vector values.
- initialType Type of initial values used.
- nParam table with the number of estimated / provided parameters. If a previous model was reused, then its initials are reused and the number of provided parameters will take this into account
- fitted the fitted values.
- forecast the point forecast.
- lower the lower bound of prediction interval. When interval=FALSE then NA is returned.
- upper the higher bound of prediction interval. When interval=FALSE then NA is returned.
- residuals the residuals of the estimated model.
- errors The matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors.
- s2 variance of the residuals (taking degrees of freedom into account).
- interval type of interval asked by user.
- level confidence level for interval.
- cumulative whether the produced forecast was cumulative or not.
- y the original data.
- holdout the holdout part of the original data.
- ICs values of information criteria of the model. Includes AIC, AICc, BIC and BICc.
- logLik log-likelihood of the function.
- lossValue Cost function value.
- loss Type of loss function used in the estimation.
- accuracy vector of accuracy measures for the holdout sample. Includes: MPE, MAPE, SMAPE, MASE, sMAE, RelMAE, sMSE and Bias coefficient (based on complex numbers). This is available only when holdout=TRUE.

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#### See Also

```
ma, es, ssarima
```

## **Examples**

```
# SMA of specific order
ourModel <- sma(rnorm(118,100,3),order=12,h=18,holdout=TRUE,interval="p")
# SMA of arbitrary order
ourModel <- sma(rnorm(118,100,3),h=18,holdout=TRUE,interval="sp")
summary(ourModel)
forecast(ourModel)
plot(forecast(ourModel))</pre>
```

smooth

Smooth package

## **Description**

Package contains functions implementing Single Source of Error state space models for purposes of time series analysis and forecasting.

#### **Details**

Package: smooth
Type: Package
Date: 2016-01-27 - Inf

License: GPL-2

The following functions are included in the package:

• es - Exponential Smoothing in Single Source of Errors State Space form.

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- · ces Complex Exponential Smoothing.
- gum Generalised Exponential Smoothing.
- ssarima SARIMA in state space framework.
- auto.ces Automatic selection between seasonal and non-seasonal CES.
- auto.ssarima Automatic selection of ARIMA orders.
- sma Simple Moving Average in state space form.
- smoothCombine the function that combines forecasts from es(), ces(), gum(), ssarima() and sma() functions.
- cma Centered Moving Average. This is for smoothing time series, not for forecasting.
- ves Vector Exponential Smoothing.
- sim.es simulate time series using ETS as a model.
- sim.ces simulate time series using CES as a model.
- sim.ssarima simulate time series using SARIMA as a model.
- sim.gum simulate time series using GUM as a model.
- sim.sma simulate time series using SMA.
- iss intermittent data state space model. This function models the part with data occurrences using one of three methods.
- viss Does the same as iss, but for the multivariate models.

There are also several methods implemented in the package for the classes "smooth" and "smooth.sim":

- orders extracts orders of the fitted model.
- lags extracts lags of the fitted model.
- modelType extracts type of the fitted model.
- forecast produces forecast using provided model.
- multicov returns covariance matrix of multiple steps ahead forecast errors.
- pls returns Prediction Likelihood Score.
- nparam returns number of the estimated parameters.
- fitted extracts fitted values from provided model.
- getResponse returns actual values from the provided model.
- residuals extracts residuals of provided model.
- plot plots either states of the model or produced forecast (depending on what object is passed).
- simulate uses sim functions in order to simulate data using the provided object.
- summary provides summary of the object.
- AICc, BICc return, guess what...

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## See Also

```
forecast,es,ssarima,ces,gum
```

## **Examples**

```
## Not run: y <- ts(rnorm(100,10,3),frequency=12)
es(y,h=20,holdout=TRUE)
gum(y,h=20,holdout=TRUE)
auto.ces(y,h=20,holdout=TRUE)</pre>
```

```
auto.ssarima(y, h=20, holdout=TRUE)
## End(Not run)
```

smoothCombine

Combination of forecasts of state space models

#### **Description**

Function constructs ETS, SSARIMA, CES, GUM and SMA and combines their forecasts using IC weights.

## Usage

```
smoothCombine(y, models = NULL, initial = c("optimal", "backcasting"),
 ic = c("AICc", "AIC", "BIC", "BICc"), loss = c("MSE", "MAE", "HAM",
 "MSEh", "TMSE", "GTMSE", "MSCE"), h = 10, holdout = FALSE,
 cumulative = FALSE, interval = c("none", "parametric", "likelihood",
 "semiparametric", "nonparametric"), level = 0.95, bins = 200,
 intervalCombine = c("quantile", "probability"), occurrence = c("none",
 "auto", "fixed", "general", "odds-ratio", "inverse-odds-ratio",
 "probability"), oesmodel = "MNN", bounds = c("admissible", "none"),
 silent = c("all", "graph", "legend", "output", "none"), xreg = NULL,
 xregDo = c("use", "select"), initialX = NULL, updateX = FALSE,
 persistenceX = NULL, transitionX = NULL, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

У	Vector or ts object, containing data needed to be forecasted.
models	List of the estimated smooth models to use in the combination. If NULL, then all the models are estimated in the function.
initial	Can be "optimal", meaning that the initial states are optimised, or "backcasting" meaning that the initials are produced using backcasting procedure.
ic	The information criterion used in the model selection procedure.
loss	The type of Loss Function used in optimization. loss can be: MSE (Mean Squared Error), MAE (Mean Absolute Error), HAM (Half Absolute Moment), TMSE - Trace Mean Squared Error, GTMSE - Geometric Trace Mean Squared Error, MSEh - optimisation using only h-steps ahead error, MSCE - Mean Squared Cumulative Error. If loss!="MSE", then likelihood and model selection is done based on equivalent MSE. Model selection in this cases becomes not optimal.
	There are also available analytical approximations for multistep functions: aMSEh, aTMSE and aGTMSE. These can be useful in cases of small samples.
	Finally, just for fun the absolute and half analogues of multistep estimators are available: MAEh, TMAE, GTMAE, MACE, TMAE, HAMh, THAM, GTHAM, CHAM.
h	Length of forecasting horizon.

holdout

If TRUE, holdout sample of size h is taken from the end of the data.

cumulative

If TRUE, then the cumulative forecast and prediction interval are produced instead of the normal ones. This is useful for inventory control systems.

interval

Type of interval to construct. This can be:

- "none", aka "n" do not produce prediction interval.
- "parametric", "p" use state-space structure of ETS. In case of mixed models this is done using simulations, which may take longer time than for the pure additive and pure multiplicative models. This type of interval relies on unbiased estimate of in-sample error variance, which divides the sume of squared errors by T-k rather than just T.
- "likelihood", "l" these are the same as "p", but relies on the biased estimate of variance from the likelihood (division by T, not by T-k).
- "semiparametric", "sp" interval based on covariance matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors and assumption of normal / log-normal distribution (depending on error type).
- "nonparametric", "np" interval based on values from a quantile regression on error matrix (see Taylor and Bunn, 1999). The model used in this process is  $e[j] = a j^b$ , where j=1,...,h.

The parameter also accepts TRUE and FALSE. The former means that parametric interval are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to none. If the forecasts of the models were combined, then the interval are combined quantile-wise (Lichtendahl et al., 2013).

level

Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.

bins

The number of bins for the prediction interval. The lower value means faster work of the function, but less precise estimates of the quantiles. This needs to be an even number.

intervalCombine

How to average the prediction interval: quantile-wise ("quantile") or probabilitywise ("probability").

occurrence

The type of model used in probability estimation. Can be "none" - none, "fixed" - constant probability, "general" - the general Beta model with two parameters, "odds-ratio" - the Odds-ratio model with b=1 in Beta distribution, "inverse-odds-ratio" - the model with a=1 in Beta distribution, "direct" the TSB-like (Teunter et al., 2011) probability update mechanism a+b=1, "auto" - the automatically selected type of occurrence model.

oesmodel

The type of ETS model used for the modelling of the time varying probability. Object of the class "oes" can be provided here, and its parameters would be used in iETS model.

bounds

What type of bounds to use in the model estimation. The first letter can be used instead of the whole word.

silent

If silent="none", then nothing is silent, everything is printed out and drawn. silent="all" means that nothing is produced or drawn (except for warnings). In case of silent="graph", no graph is produced. If silent="legend", then legend of the graph is skipped. And finally silent="output" means that nothing is printed out in the console, but the graph is produced. silent also accepts TRUE and FALSE. In this case silent=TRUE is equivalent to silent="all",

while silent=FALSE is equivalent to silent="none". The parameter also accepts first letter of words ("n", "a", "g", "l", "o").

xreg

The vector (either numeric or time series) or the matrix (or data.frame) of exogenous variables that should be included in the model. If matrix included than columns should contain variables and rows - observations. Note that xreg should have number of observations equal either to in-sample or to the whole series. If the number of observations in xreg is equal to in-sample, then values for the holdout sample are produced using es function.

xregDo

The variable defines what to do with the provided xreg: "use" means that all of the data should be used, while "select" means that a selection using ic should be done. "combine" will be available at some point in future...

initialX

The vector of initial parameters for exogenous variables. Ignored if xreg is NULL.

updateX

If TRUE, transition matrix for exogenous variables is estimated, introducing nonlinear interactions between parameters. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.

persistenceX

The persistence vector  $g_X$ , containing smoothing parameters for exogenous variables. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.

transitionX

The transition matrix  $F_x$  for exogenous variables. Can be provided as a vector. Matrix will be formed using the default matrix(transition,nc,nc), where nc is number of components in state vector. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.

... This currently determines nothing.

- timeElapsed time elapsed for the construction of the model.
- initialType type of the initial values used.
- fitted fitted values of ETS.
- quantiles the 3D array of produced quantiles if interval!="none" with the dimensions: (number of models) x (bins) x (h).
- forecast point forecast of ETS.
- lower lower bound of prediction interval. When interval="none" then NA is returned.
- upper higher bound of prediction interval. When interval="none" then NA is returned.
- residuals residuals of the estimated model.
- s2 variance of the residuals (taking degrees of freedom into account).
- interval type of interval asked by user.
- level confidence level for interval.
- cumulative whether the produced forecast was cumulative or not.
- y original data.
- holdout holdout part of the original data.
- occurrence model of the class "oes" if the occurrence model was estimated. If the model is non-intermittent, then occurrence is NULL.
- xreg provided vector or matrix of exogenous variables. If xregDo="s", then this value will contain only selected exogenous variables.

updateX - boolean, defining, if the states of exogenous variables were estimated as well.

- ICs values of information criteria of the model. Includes AIC, AICc, BIC and BICc.
- accuracy vector of accuracy measures for the holdout sample. In case
  of non-intermittent data includes: MPE, MAPE, SMAPE, MASE, sMAE,
  RelMAE, sMSE and Bias coefficient (based on complex numbers). In case
  of intermittent data the set of errors will be: sMSE, sPIS, sCE (scaled cumulative error) and Bias coefficient.

#### **Details**

The combination of these models using information criteria weights is possible because they are all formulated in Single Source of Error framework. Due to the complexity of some of the models, the estimation process may take some time. So be patient.

The prediction interval are combined either probability-wise or quantile-wise (Lichtendahl et al., 2013), which may take extra time, because we need to produce all the distributions for all the models. This can be sped up with the smaller value for bins parameter, but the resulting interval may be imprecise.

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#### See Also

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## **Examples**

```
library(Mcomp)
ourModel <- smoothCombine(M3[[578]],interval="p")
plot(ourModel)

# models parameter accepts either previously estimated smoothCombine
# or a manually formed list of smooth models estimated in sample:
smoothCombine(M3[[578]],models=ourModel)

## Not run: models <- list(es(M3[[578]]), sma(M3[[578]]))
smoothCombine(M3[[578]],models=models)

## End(Not run)</pre>
```

sowhat

Function returns the ultimate answer to any question

## **Description**

You need description? So what?

## Usage

```
sowhat(...)
```

#### **Arguments**

... Any number of variables or string with a question.

#### **Details**

You need details? So what?

## Value

It doesn't return any value, only messages. So what?

## Author(s)

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#### References

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#### See Also

Nowwhat (to be implemented),

#### **Examples**

```
x <- rnorm(10000,0,1);
sowhat(x);
sowhat("What's the meaning of life?")
sowhat("I don't have a girlfriend.")
```

ssarima

State Space ARIMA

## **Description**

Function constructs State Space ARIMA, estimating AR, MA terms and initial states.

## Usage

```
ssarima(y, orders = list(ar = c(0), i = c(1), ma = c(1)), lags = c(1),
 constant = FALSE, AR = NULL, MA = NULL, initial = c("backcasting",
 "optimal"), ic = c("AICc", "AIC", "BICc"), loss = c("MSE", "MAE",
 "HAM", "MSEh", "TMSE", "GTMSE", "MSCE"), h = 10, holdout = FALSE,
 cumulative = FALSE, interval = c("none", "parametric", "likelihood",
 "semiparametric", "nonparametric"), level = 0.95, occurrence = c("none",
 "auto", "fixed", "general", "odds-ratio", "inverse-odds-ratio", "direct"),
 oesmodel = "MNN", bounds = c("admissible", "none"), silent = c("all",
 "graph", "legend", "output", "none"), xreg = NULL, xregDo = c("use",
 "select"), initialX = NULL, updateX = FALSE, persistenceX = NULL,
 transitionX = NULL, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

Vector or ts object, containing data needed to be forecasted. y

orders List of orders, containing vector variables ar, i and ma. Example: orders=list(ar=c(1,2),i=c(1),ma=

If a variable is not provided in the list, then it is assumed to be equal to zero. At least one variable should have the same length as lags. Another option is to specify orders as a vector of a form orders=c(p,d,q). The non-seasonal

ARIMA(p,d,q) is constructed in this case.

Defines lags for the corresponding orders (see examples above). The length of lags must correspond to the length of either ar, i or ma in orders variable. There is no restrictions on the length of lags vector. It is recommended to order lags ascending. The orders are set by a user. If you want the automatic order

selection, then use auto.ssarima function instead.

lags

constant

If TRUE, constant term is included in the model. Can also be a number (constant value).

AR

Vector or matrix of AR parameters. The order of parameters should be lag-wise. This means that first all the AR parameters of the firs lag should be passed, then for the second etc. AR of another ssarima can be passed here.

MA

Vector or matrix of MA parameters. The order of parameters should be lag-wise. This means that first all the MA parameters of the firs lag should be passed, then for the second etc. MA of another ssarima can be passed here.

initial

Can be either character or a vector of initial states. If it is character, then it can be "optimal", meaning that the initial states are optimised, or "backcasting", meaning that the initials are produced using backcasting procedure.

ic

The information criterion used in the model selection procedure.

loss

The type of Loss Function used in optimization. loss can be: MSE (Mean Squared Error), MAE (Mean Absolute Error), HAM (Half Absolute Moment), TMSE - Trace Mean Squared Error, GTMSE - Geometric Trace Mean Squared Error, MSEh - optimisation using only h-steps ahead error, MSCE - Mean Squared Cumulative Error. If loss!="MSE", then likelihood and model selection is done based on equivalent MSE. Model selection in this cases becomes not optimal.

There are also available analytical approximations for multistep functions: aMSEh, aTMSE and aGTMSE. These can be useful in cases of small samples.

Finally, just for fun the absolute and half analogues of multistep estimators are available: MAEh, TMAE, GTMAE, MACE, TMAE, HAMh, THAM, GTHAM, CHAM.

h

Length of forecasting horizon.

holdout

If TRUE, holdout sample of size h is taken from the end of the data.

cumulative

If TRUE, then the cumulative forecast and prediction interval are produced instead of the normal ones. This is useful for inventory control systems.

interval

Type of interval to construct. This can be:

- "none", aka "n" do not produce prediction interval.
- "parametric", "p" use state-space structure of ETS. In case of mixed models this is done using simulations, which may take longer time than for the pure additive and pure multiplicative models. This type of interval relies on unbiased estimate of in-sample error variance, which divides the sume of squared errors by T-k rather than just T.
- "likelihood", "l" these are the same as "p", but relies on the biased estimate of variance from the likelihood (division by T, not by T-k).
- "semiparametric", "sp" interval based on covariance matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors and assumption of normal / log-normal distribution (depending on error type).
- "nonparametric", "np" interval based on values from a quantile regression on error matrix (see Taylor and Bunn, 1999). The model used in this process is e[j] = a j^b, where j=1,...,h.

The parameter also accepts TRUE and FALSE. The former means that parametric interval are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to none. If the forecasts of the models were combined, then the interval are combined quantile-wise (Lichtendahl et al., 2013).

level Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.

The type of model used in probability estimation. Can be "none" - none, occurrence

> "fixed" - constant probability, "general" - the general Beta model with two parameters, "odds-ratio" - the Odds-ratio model with b=1 in Beta distribution, "inverse-odds-ratio" - the model with a=1 in Beta distribution, "direct" the TSB-like (Teunter et al., 2011) probability update mechanism a+b=1, "auto"

- the automatically selected type of occurrence model.

oesmodel The type of ETS model used for the modelling of the time varying probability.

Object of the class "oes" can be provided here, and its parameters would be used

in iETS model.

bounds What type of bounds to use in the model estimation. The first letter can be used

instead of the whole word.

silent If silent="none", then nothing is silent, everything is printed out and drawn.

> silent="all" means that nothing is produced or drawn (except for warnings). In case of silent="graph", no graph is produced. If silent="legend", then legend of the graph is skipped. And finally silent="output" means that nothing is printed out in the console, but the graph is produced. silent also accepts TRUE and FALSE. In this case silent=TRUE is equivalent to silent="all", while silent=FALSE is equivalent to silent="none". The parameter also ac-

cepts first letter of words ("n", "a", "g", "l", "o").

The vector (either numeric or time series) or the matrix (or data.frame) of exxreg

> ogenous variables that should be included in the model. If matrix included than columns should contain variables and rows - observations. Note that xreg should have number of observations equal either to in-sample or to the whole series. If the number of observations in xreg is equal to in-sample, then values

for the holdout sample are produced using es function.

The variable defines what to do with the provided xreg: "use" means that all of xregDo

the data should be used, while "select" means that a selection using ic should

be done. "combine" will be available at some point in future...

initialX The vector of initial parameters for exogenous variables. Ignored if xreg is

NULL.

updateX If TRUE, transition matrix for exogenous variables is estimated, introducing non-

linear interactions between parameters. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.

persistenceX The persistence vector  $q_X$ , containing smoothing parameters for exogenous vari-

ables. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.

The transition matrix  $F_x$  for exogenous variables. Can be provided as a vector. transitionX

> Matrix will be formed using the default matrix(transition, nc, nc), where nc is number of components in state vector. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite -

non-NULL xreg.

Other non-documented parameters.

Parameter model can accept a previously estimated SSARIMA model and use

all its parameters.

FI=TRUE will make the function produce Fisher Information matrix, which then

can be used to calculated variances of parameters of the model.

#### **Details**

The model, implemented in this function, is discussed in Svetunkov & Boylan (2019).

The basic ARIMA(p,d,q) used in the function has the following form:

$$(1-B)^d(1-a_1B-a_2B^2-\ldots-a_pB^p)y_{\lceil}t]=(1+b_1B+b_2B^2+\ldots+b_qB^q)\epsilon_{\lceil}t]+c$$

where  $y_[t]$  is the actual values,  $\epsilon_[t]$  is the error term,  $a_i, b_j$  are the parameters for AR and MA respectively and c is the constant. In case of non-zero differences c acts as drift.

This model is then transformed into ARIMA in the Single Source of Error State space form (proposed in Snyder, 1985):

$$y_t = o_t(w'v_{t-l} + x_t a_{t-1} + \epsilon_t)$$
  

$$v_t = Fv_{t-l} + g\epsilon_t$$
  

$$a_t = F_X a_{t-1} + g_X \epsilon_t / x_t$$

Where  $o_t$  is the Bernoulli distributed random variable (in case of normal data equal to 1),  $v_t$  is the state vector (defined based on orders) and l is the vector of lags,  $x_t$  is the vector of exogenous parameters. w is the measurement vector, F is the transition matrix, g is the persistence vector,  $a_t$  is the vector of parameters for exogenous variables,  $F_X$  is the transitionX matrix and  $g_X$  is the persistenceX matrix.

Due to the flexibility of the model, multiple seasonalities can be used. For example, something crazy like this can be constructed: SARIMA(1,1,1)(0,1,1)[24](2,0,1)[24\*7](0,0,1)[24\*30], but the estimation may take some finite time... If you plan estimating a model with more than one seasonality, it is recommended to consider doing it using msarima.

The model selection for SSARIMA is done by the auto.ssarima function.

For some more information about the model and its implementation, see the vignette: vignette("ssarima", "smooth")

#### Value

Object of class "smooth" is returned. It contains the list of the following values:

- model the name of the estimated model.
- timeElapsed time elapsed for the construction of the model.
- states the matrix of the fuzzy components of ssarima, where rows correspond to time and cols to states.
- transition matrix F.
- persistence the persistence vector. This is the place, where smoothing parameters live.
- measurement measurement vector of the model.
- AR the matrix of coefficients of AR terms.
- I the matrix of coefficients of I terms.
- MA the matrix of coefficients of MA terms.
- constant the value of the constant term.
- initialType Type of the initial values used.
- initial the initial values of the state vector (extracted from states).

nParam - table with the number of estimated / provided parameters. If a previous model was
reused, then its initials are reused and the number of provided parameters will take this into
account.

- fitted the fitted values.
- forecast the point forecast.
- lower the lower bound of prediction interval. When interval="none" then NA is returned.
- upper the higher bound of prediction interval. When interval="none" then NA is returned.
- residuals the residuals of the estimated model.
- errors The matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors.
- s2 variance of the residuals (taking degrees of freedom into account).
- interval type of interval asked by user.
- level confidence level for interval.
- cumulative whether the produced forecast was cumulative or not.
- y the original data.
- holdout the holdout part of the original data.
- occurrence model of the class "oes" if the occurrence model was estimated. If the model is non-intermittent, then occurrence is NULL.
- xreg provided vector or matrix of exogenous variables. If xregDo="s", then this value will contain only selected exogenous variables.
- updateX boolean, defining, if the states of exogenous variables were estimated as well.
- initialX initial values for parameters of exogenous variables.
- persistenceX persistence vector g for exogenous variables.
- transitionX transition matrix F for exogenous variables.
- ICs values of information criteria of the model. Includes AIC, AICc, BIC and BICc.
- logLik log-likelihood of the function.
- lossValue Cost function value.
- loss Type of loss function used in the estimation.
- FI Fisher Information. Equal to NULL if FI=FALSE or when FI is not provided at all.
- accuracy vector of accuracy measures for the holdout sample. In case of non-intermittent data includes: MPE, MAPE, SMAPE, MASE, sMAE, RelMAE, sMSE and Bias coefficient (based on complex numbers). In case of intermittent data the set of errors will be: sMSE, sPIS, sCE (scaled cumulative error) and Bias coefficient. This is available only when holdout=TRUE.
- B the vector of all the estimated parameters.

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#### See Also

```
auto.ssarima,orders,msarima,auto.msarima,sim.ssarima,auto.arima
```

#### **Examples**

```
# ARIMA(1,1,1) fitted to some data
ourModel < ssarima(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=list(ar=c(1),i=c(1),ma=c(1)),lags=c(1),h=18,
                             holdout=TRUE,interval="p")
# The previous one is equivalent to:
## Not run: ourModel <- ssarima(rnorm(118,100,3),ar.orders=c(1),i.orders=c(1),ma.orders=c(1),lags=c(1),h=18,
                    holdout=TRUE,interval="p")
## End(Not run)
# Model with the same lags and orders, applied to a different data
ssarima(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=orders(ourModel),lags=lags(ourModel),h=18,holdout=TRUE)
# The same model applied to a different data
ssarima(rnorm(118,100,3),model=ourModel,h=18,holdout=TRUE)
# Example of SARIMA(2,0,0)(1,0,0)[4]
## Not run: ssarima(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=list(ar=c(2,1)),lags=c(1,4),h=18,holdout=TRUE)
# SARIMA(1,1,1)(0,0,1)[4] with different initialisations
## Not run: ssarima(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=list(ar=c(1),i=c(1),ma=c(1,1)),
       lags=c(1,4),h=18,holdout=TRUE)
ssarima(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=list(ar=c(1),i=c(1),ma=c(1,1)),
       lags=c(1,4),h=18,holdout=TRUE,initial="o")
## End(Not run)
# SARIMA of a peculiar order on AirPassengers data
```

```
## Not run: ssarima(AirPassengers,orders=list(ar=c(1,0,3),i=c(1,0,1),ma=c(0,1,2)),lags=c(1,6,12),
       h=10, holdout=TRUE)
## End(Not run)
# ARIMA(1,1,1) with Mean Squared Trace Forecast Error
## Not run: ssarima(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=list(ar=1,i=1,ma=1),lags=1,h=18,holdout=TRUE,loss="TMSE")
ssarima(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=list(ar=1,i=1,ma=1),lags=1,h=18,holdout=TRUE,loss="aTMSE")
## End(Not run)
# SARIMA(0,1,1) with exogenous variables
ssarima(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=list(i=1,ma=1),h=18,holdout=TRUE,xreg=c(1:118))
# SARIMA(0,1,1) with exogenous variables with crazy estimation of xreg
## Not run: ourModel <- ssarima(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=list(i=1,ma=1),h=18,holdout=TRUE,
                   xreg=c(1:118),updateX=TRUE)
## End(Not run)
summary(ourModel)
forecast(ourModel)
plot(forecast(ourModel))
```

ves

Vector Exponential Smoothing in SSOE state space model

## Description

Function constructs vector ETS model and returns forecast, fitted values, errors and matrix of states along with other useful variables.

#### Usage

```
ves(y, model = "ANN", persistence = c("common", "individual", "dependent",
    "seasonal-common"), transition = c("common", "individual", "dependent"),
    phi = c("common", "individual"), initial = c("individual", "common"),
    initialSeason = c("common", "individual"), seasonal = c("individual",
    "common"), weights = rep(1/ncol(y), ncol(y)), loss = c("likelihood",
    "diagonal", "trace"), ic = c("AICc", "AIC", "BIC", "BICc"), h = 10,
    holdout = FALSE, interval = c("none", "conditional", "unconditional",
    "individual", "likelihood"), level = 0.95, cumulative = FALSE,
    intermittent = c("none", "fixed", "logistic"), imodel = "ANN",
    iprobability = c("dependent", "independent"), bounds = c("admissible",
    "usual", "none"), silent = c("all", "graph", "output", "none"), ...)
```

#### Arguments

У

The matrix with the data, where series are in columns and observations are in rows.

model

The type of ETS model. Can consist of 3 or 4 chars: ANN, AAN, AAAN, AAAA, AAAA, MMdM etc. ZZZ means that the model will be selected based on the chosen information criteria type. ATTENTION! ONLY PURE ADDITIVE AND PURE MULTIPLICATIVE MODELS ARE CURRENTLY AVAILABLE + NO MODEL SELECTION IS AVAILABLE AT THIS STAGE! Pure multiplicative models are done as additive model applied to log(data).

Also model can accept a previously estimated VES model and use all its parameters

Keep in mind that model selection with "Z" components uses Branch and Bound algorithm and may skip some models that could have slightly smaller information criteria.

persistence

Persistence matrix G, containing smoothing parameters. Can be:

- "independent" each series has its own smoothing parameters and no interactions are modelled (all the other values in the matrix are set to zero);
- "dependent" each series has its own smoothing parameters, but interactions between the series are modelled (the whole matrix is estimated);
- "group" each series has the same smoothing parameters for respective components (the values of smoothing parameters are repeated, all the other values in the matrix are set to zero).
- "seasonal" each component has its own smoothing parameter, except for the seasonal one, which is common across the time series.
- provided by user as a vector or as a matrix. The value is used by the model.

You can also use the first letter instead of writing the full word.

transition

Transition matrix F. Can be:

- "independent" each series has its own preset transition matrix and no interactions are modelled (all the other values in the matrix are set to zero);
- "dependent" each series has its own transition matrix, but interactions between the series are modelled (the whole matrix is estimated). The estimated model behaves similar to VAR in this case;
- "group" each series has the same transition matrix for respective components (the values are repeated, all the other values in the matrix are set to zero).
- provided by user as a vector or as a matrix. The value is used by the model.

You can also use the first letter instead of writing the full word.

phi

In cases of damped trend this parameter defines whether the phi should be estimated separately for each series ("individual") or for the whole set ("common"). If vector or a value is provided here, then it is used by the model.

initial

Can be either character or a vector / matrix of initial states. If it is character, then it can be "individual", individual values of the initial non-seasonal components are used, or "common", meaning that the initials for all the time series are set to be equal to the same value. If vector of states is provided, then it is automatically transformed into a matrix, assuming that these values are provided for the whole group.

initialSeason

Can be either character or a vector / matrix of initial states. Treated the same way as initial. This means that different time series may share the same initial seasonal component.

seasonal

The type of seasonal component across the series. Can be "individual", so that each series has its own component or "common", so that the component is shared across the series.

weights

The weights for the errors between the series with the common seasonal component. Ignored if seasonal="individual".

loss

Type of Loss Function used in optimization. loss can be:

- likelihood which assumes the minimisation of the determinant of the covariance matrix of errors between the series. This implies that the series could be correlated;
- diagonal the covariance matrix is assumed to be diagonal with zeros off the diagonal. The determinant of this matrix is just a product of variances. This thing is minimised in this situation in logs.
- trace the trace of the covariance matrix. The sum of variances is minimised in this case.

The information criterion used in the model selection procedure.

ic h

Length of forecasting horizon.

holdout

If TRUE, holdout sample of size h is taken from the end of the data.

interval

Type of interval to construct.

This can be:

- "none", aka "n" do not produce prediction interval.
- "conditional", "c" produces multidimensional elliptic interval for each step ahead forecast. NOT AVAILABLE YET!
- "unconditional", "u" produces separate bounds for each series based on ellipses for each step ahead. These bounds correspond to min and max values of the ellipse assuming that all the other series but one take values in the centre of the ellipse. This leads to less accurate estimates of bounds (wider interval than needed), but these could still be useful. NOT AVAILABLE YET!
- "independent", "i" produces interval based on variances of each separate series. This does not take vector structure into account. In the calculation of covariance matrix, the division is done by T-k rather than T.
- "likelihood", "1" produces "individual" interval with the variance matrix estimated from the likelihood, which is a biased estimate of the true matrix. This means that the division of sum of squares is done by T rather than T-k.

The parameter also accepts TRUE and FALSE. The former means that the independent interval are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to none. You can also use the first letter instead of writing the full word.

level

Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.

cumulative

If TRUE, then the cumulative forecast and prediction interval are produced instead of the normal ones. This is useful for inventory control systems.

intermittent

Defines type of intermittent model used. Can be:

• none, meaning that the data should be considered as non-intermittent;

 fixed, taking into account constant Bernoulli distribution of demand occurrences;

- tsb, based on Teunter et al., 2011 method.
- auto automatic selection of intermittency type based on information criteria. The first letter can be used instead.

imodel

Either character specifying what type of VES / ETS model should be used for probability modelling, or a model estimated using viss function.

iprobability

Type of multivariate probability used in the model. Can be either "independent" or "dependent". In the former case it is assumed that non-zeroes occur in each series independently. In the latter case each possible outcome is treated separately.

bounds

What type of bounds to use in the model estimation. The first letter can be used instead of the whole word. "admissible" means that the model stability is ensured, while "usual" means that the all the parameters are restricted by the (0, 1) region.

silent

If silent="none", then nothing is silent, everything is printed out and drawn. silent="all" means that nothing is produced or drawn (except for warnings). In case of silent="graph", no graph is produced. If silent="legend", then legend of the graph is skipped. And finally silent="output" means that nothing is printed out in the console, but the graph is produced. silent also accepts TRUE and FALSE. In this case silent=TRUE is equivalent to silent="all", while silent=FALSE is equivalent to silent="none". The parameter also accepts first letter of words ("n", "a", "g", "I", "o").

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Other non-documented parameters. For example FI=TRUE will make the function also produce Fisher Information matrix, which then can be used to calculated variances of smoothing parameters and initial states of the model. The vector of initial parameter for the optimiser can be provided here as the variable B. The upper bound for the optimiser is provided via ub, while the lower one is 1b. maxeval=1000 is the default number of iterations for both optimisers used in the function. algorithm1="NLOPT\_LN\_BOBYQA" is the algorithm used in the first optimiser, while algorithm2="NLOPT\_LN\_NELDERMEAD" is the second one. xtol\_rel1=1e-8 is the relative tolerance in the first optimiser, while xtol\_rel2=1e-6 is for the second one. All of this can be amended and passed in ellipsis for finer tuning.

## Details

Function estimates vector ETS in a form of the Single Source of Error state space model of the following type:

$$\mathbf{y}_t = \mathbf{o}_t (\mathbf{W} \mathbf{v}_{t-l} + \mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{a}_{t-1} + \epsilon_t)$$
  $\mathbf{v}_t = \mathbf{F} \mathbf{v}_{t-l} + \mathbf{G} \epsilon_t$ 

$$\mathbf{a}_t = \mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{X}} \mathbf{a}_{t-1} + \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{X}} \epsilon_t / \mathbf{x}_t$$

Where  $y_t$  is the vector of time series on observation t,  $o_t$  is the vector of Bernoulli distributed random variable (in case of normal data it becomes unit vector for all observations),  $\mathbf{v}_t$  is the matrix of states and l is the matrix of lags,  $\mathbf{x}_t$  is the vector of exogenous variables.  $\mathbf{W}$  is the measurement matrix,  $\mathbf{F}$  is the transition matrix and  $\mathbf{G}$  is the persistence matrix. Finally,  $\epsilon_t$  is the vector of error terms.

Conventionally we formulate values as:

$$\mathbf{y}'_t = (y_{1,t}, y_{2,t}, \dots, y_{m,t})$$

where m is the number of series in the group.

$$\mathbf{v}_t' = (v_{1,t}, v_{2,t}, \dots, v_{m,t})$$

where  $v_{i,t}$  is vector of components for i-th time series.

$$\mathbf{W}' = (w_1, \dots, 0; \vdots, \ddots, \vdots; 0, \vdots, w_m)$$

is matrix of measurement vectors.

For the details on the additive model see Hyndman et al. (2008), chapter 17.

In case of multiplicative model, instead of the vector y\_t we use its logarithms. As a result the multiplicative model is much easier to work with.

For some more information about the model and its implementation, see the vignette: vignette("ves", "smooth")

#### Value

Object of class "vsmooth" is returned. It contains the following list of values:

- model The name of the fitted model;
- timeElapsed The time elapsed for the construction of the model;
- states The matrix of states with components in columns and time in rows;
- persistence The persistence matrix;
- transition The transition matrix;
- measurement The measurement matrix;
- phi The damping parameter value;
- B The vector of all the estimated coefficients;
- initial The initial values of the non-seasonal components;
- initialSeason The initial values of the seasonal components;
- nParam The number of estimated parameters;
- imodel The intermittent model estimated with VES;
- y The matrix with the original data;
- fitted The matrix of the fitted values;
- holdout The matrix with the holdout values (if holdout=TRUE in the estimation);
- residuals The matrix of the residuals of the model;

• Sigma - The covariance matrix of the errors (estimated with the correction for the number of degrees of freedom);

- forecast The matrix of point forecasts;
- PI The bounds of the prediction interval;
- interval The type of the constructed prediction interval;
- level The level of the confidence for the prediction interval;
- ICs The values of the information criteria;
- logLik The log-likelihood function;
- lossValue The value of the loss function;
- loss The type of the used loss function;
- accuracy the values of the error measures. Currently not available.
- FI Fisher information if user asked for it using FI=TRUE.

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#### See Also

es,ets

#### **Examples**

```
Y <- ts(cbind(rnorm(100,100,10),rnorm(100,75,8)),frequency=12)
# The simplest model applied to the data with the default values
ves(Y,model="ANN",h=10,holdout=TRUE)
# Damped trend model with the dependent persistence
ves(Y,model="AAdN",persistence="d",h=10,holdout=TRUE)
# Multiplicative damped trend model with individual phi
ves(Y,model="MMdM",persistence="i",h=10,holdout=TRUE,initialSeason="c")</pre>
```

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Vector Intermittent State Space

#### **Description**

Function calculates the probability for vector intermittent state space model. This is needed in order to forecast intermittent demand using other functions.

The matrix with data, where series are in columns and observations are in rows.

#### Usage

```
viss(y, intermittent = c("logistic", "none", "fixed"), ic = c("AICc",
   "AIC", "BIC", "BICc"), h = 10, holdout = FALSE,
   probability = c("dependent", "independent"), model = "ANN",
   persistence = NULL, transition = NULL, phi = NULL, initial = NULL,
   initialSeason = NULL, xreg = NULL, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

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intermittent	Type of method used in probability estimation. Can be "none" - none, "fixed" - constant probability or "logistic" - probability based on logit model.
ic	Information criteria to use in case of model selection.
h	Forecast horizon.
holdout	If TRUE, holdout sample of size h is taken from the end of the data.
probability	Type of probability assumed in the model. If "dependent", then it is assumed that occurrence of one variable is connected with the occurrence with another one. In case of "independent" the occurrence of the variables is assumed to happen independent of each other.
model	Type of ETS model used for the estimation. Normally this should be either "ANN" or "MNN". If you assume that there are some tendencies in occurrence, then you can use more complicated models. Model selection is not yet available.
persistence	Persistence matrix type. If NULL, then it is estimated. See ves for the details.
transition	Transition matrix type. If NULL, then it is estimated. See ves for the details.
phi	Damping parameter type. If NULL, then it is estimated. See ves for the details.
initial	Initial vector type. If NULL, then it is estimated. See ves for the details.
initialSeason	Type of the initial vector of seasonal components. If NULL, then it is estimated. See ves for the details.
xreg	Vector of matrix of exogenous variables, explaining some parts of occurrence variable (probability).
	Other parameters. This is not needed for now.

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#### **Details**

The function estimates probability of demand occurrence, using one of the VES state-space models.

#### Value

The object of class "iss" is returned. It contains following list of values:

- model the type of the estimated ETS model;
- fitted fitted values of the constructed model;
- forecast forecast for h observations ahead;
- states values of states (currently level only);
- variance conditional variance of the forecast;
- logLik likelihood value for the model
- nParam number of parameters used in the model;
- residuals residuals of the model;
- y actual values of probabilities (zeros and ones).
- persistence the vector of smoothing parameters;
- initial initial values of the state vector;
- initialSeason the matrix of initials seasonal states;
- intermittent type of intermittent model used;
- probability type of probability used;
- issModel intermittent state-space model used for calculations. Useful only in the case of intermittent="1" and probability="d".

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## See Also

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