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 Accuracy

Accuracy of forecasts

Description

Function calculates several error measures using the provided data for the holdout sample.

Usage

```
Accuracy(holdout, forecast, actual, digits = NULL)
```

Arguments

holdout	The vector of the holdout values.
forecast	The vector of forecasts produced by a model.
actual	The vector of actual in-sample values.
digits	Number of digits of the output. If NULL then digits=100.

Value

The functions returns the named vector of errors:

- MPE,
- cbias,
- MAPE,
- MASE,
- sMAE,
- RelMAE,
- RelMSE,
- RelAME,
- sMSE,
- sPIS,
- sCE.

For the details on these errors, see [Errors](#).

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Examples

```
y <- rnorm(100,10,2)
esmodel <- es(y[1:90],model="ANN",h=10)

Accuracy(y[91:100],esmodel$forecast,y[1:90],digits=5)
```

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(data, models = c("none", "simple", "full"),
  initial = c("optimal", "backcasting"), ic = c("AICc", "AIC", "BIC",
  "BICc"), cfType = c("MSE", "MAE", "HAM", "MSEh", "TMSE", "GTMSE",
  "MSCE"), h = 10, holdout = FALSE, cumulative = FALSE,
  intervals = c("none", "parametric", "semiparametric", "nonparametric"),
  level = 0.95, intermittent = c("none", "auto", "fixed", "interval",
  "probability", "sba", "logistic"), imodel = "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

data	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.
cfType	Type of Cost Function used in optimization. cfType 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 cfType!="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 intervals are produced instead of the normal ones. This is useful for inventory control systems.
intervals	Type of intervals to construct. This can be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • none, aka n - do not produce prediction intervals. • 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. • semiparametric, sp - intervals based on covariance matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors and assumption of normal / log-normal distribution (depending on error type). • nonparametric, np - intervals 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 $j=1,\dots,h$. <p>The parameter also accepts TRUE and FALSE. The former means that parametric intervals are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to none. If the forecasts of the models were combined, then the intervals are combined quantile-wise (Lichtendahl et al., 2013).</p>
level	Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.
intermittent	Defines type of intermittent model used. Can be: 1. none, meaning that the data should be considered as non-intermittent; 2. fixed, taking into account constant Bernoulli distribution of demand occurrences; 3. interval, Interval-based model, underlying Croston, 1972 method; 4. probability, Probability-based model, underlying Teunter et al., 2011 method. 5. auto - automatic selection of intermittency type based on information criteria. The first letter can be used instead. 6. "sba" - Syntetos-Boylan Approximation for Croston's method (bias correction) discussed in Syntetos and Boylan, 2005. 7. "logistic" - the probability is estimated based on logistic regression model principles.
imodel	Type of ETS model used for the modelling of the time varying probability. Object of the class "iss" 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	Vector (either numeric or time series) or 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	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	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	Persistence vector g_X , containing smoothing parameters for exogenous variables. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.
transitionX	Transition matrix F_x for exogenous variables. Can be provided as a vector. Matrix will be formed using the default <code>matrix(transition,nc,nc)</code> , where nc is number of components in state vector. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.
...	Other non-documented parameters. For example <code>FI=TRUE</code> 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.

Value

Object of class "smooth" is returned. See [ces](#) for details.

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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"),intervals="p",level=0.8,ic="AIC")
## End(Not run)

y <- ts(c(M3$N1683$x,M3$N1683$xx),start=start(M3$N1683$x),frequency=frequency(M3$N1683$x))
ourModel <- auto.ces(y,h=18,holdout=TRUE,intervals="sp")

summary(ourModel)
forecast(ourModel)
plot(forecast(ourModel))

```

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(data, orderMax = 3, lagMax = frequency(data), type = c("A",
  "M", "Z"), initial = c("backcasting", "optimal"), ic = c("AICc",
  "AIC", "BIC", "BICc"), cfType = c("MSE", "MAE", "HAM", "MSEh", "TMSE",
  "GTMSE", "MSCE"), h = 10, holdout = FALSE, cumulative = FALSE,
  intervals = c("none", "parametric", "semiparametric", "nonparametric"),
  level = 0.95, intermittent = c("none", "auto", "fixed", "interval",
  "probability", "sba", "logistic"), imodel = "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

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

lagMax	The value of the maximum lag to check. This should usually be a maximum frequency of the data.
type	Type of model. Can either be "Additive" or "Multiplicative". The latter means that the GUM is fitted on log-transformed data. If "Z", then this is selected automatically, which may slow down things twice.
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.
cfType	Type of Cost Function used in optimization. cfType 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 cfType!="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 intervals are produced instead of the normal ones. This is useful for inventory control systems.
intervals	Type of intervals to construct. This can be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • none, aka n - do not produce prediction intervals. • 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. • semiparametric, sp - intervals based on covariance matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors and assumption of normal / log-normal distribution (depending on error type). • nonparametric, np - intervals based on values from a quantile regression on error matrix (see Taylor and Bunn, 1999). The model used in this process is $e[j] = a \cdot j^b$, where $j=1, \dots, h$. <p>The parameter also accepts TRUE and FALSE. The former means that parametric intervals are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to none. If the forecasts of the models were combined, then the intervals are combined quantile-wise (Lichtendahl et al., 2013).</p>
level	Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.
intermittent	Defines type of intermittent model used. Can be: 1. none, meaning that the data should be considered as non-intermittent; 2. fixed, taking into account constant Bernoulli distribution of demand occurrences; 3. interval, Interval-based model, underlying Croston, 1972 method; 4. probability, Probability-based model, underlying Teunter et al., 2011 method. 5. auto - automatic selection

of intermittency type based on information criteria. The first letter can be used instead. 6. "sba" - Syntetos-Boylan Approximation for Croston's method (bias correction) discussed in Syntetos and Boylan, 2005. 7. "logistic" - the probability is estimated based on logistic regression model principles.

imodel	Type of ETS model used for the modelling of the time varying probability. Object of the class "iss" 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	Vector (either numeric or time series) or 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	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	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	Persistence vector g_X , containing smoothing parameters for exogenous variables. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.
transitionX	Transition matrix F_x for exogenous variables. Can be provided as a vector. Matrix will be formed using the default <code>matrix(transition,nc,nc)</code> , 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 function also produce Fisher Information matrix, which then can be used to calculate 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.

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.

Value

Object of class "smooth" is returned. See [gum](#) for details.

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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,orderMax=2,lagMax=4,h=18,holdout=TRUE,intervals="np")

summary(ourModel)
forecast(ourModel)
plot(forecast(ourModel))
```

 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.

Usage

```
auto.msarima(data, orders = list(ar = c(3, 3), i = c(2, 1), ma = c(3,
  3)), lags = c(1, frequency(data)), combine = FALSE,
  workFast = TRUE, constant = NULL, initial = c("backcasting",
  "optimal"), ic = c("AICc", "AIC", "BIC", "BICc"), cfType = c("MSE",
  "MAE", "HAM", "MSEh", "TMSE", "GTMSE", "MSCE"), h = 10,
  holdout = FALSE, cumulative = FALSE, intervals = c("none",
  "parametric", "semiparametric", "nonparametric"), level = 0.95,
  intermittent = c("none", "auto", "fixed", "interval", "probability",
  "sba"), imodel = "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

data	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.
workFast	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.

cfType	<p>Type of Cost Function used in optimization. cfType 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 cfType!="MSE", then likelihood and model selection is done based on equivalent MSE. Model selection in this cases becomes not optimal.</p> <p>There are also available analytical approximations for multistep functions: aMSEh, aTMSE and aGTMSE. These can be useful in cases of small samples.</p> <p>Finally, just for fun the absolute and half analogues of multistep estimators are available: MAEh, TMAE, GTMAE, MACE, TMAE, HAMh, THAM, GTHAM, CHAM.</p>
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 intervals are produced instead of the normal ones. This is useful for inventory control systems.
intervals	<p>Type of intervals to construct. This can be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • none, aka n - do not produce prediction intervals. • 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. • semiparametric, sp - intervals based on covariance matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors and assumption of normal / log-normal distribution (depending on error type). • nonparametric, np - intervals based on values from a quantile regression on error matrix (see Taylor and Bunn, 1999). The model used in this process is $e[j] = a \cdot j^b$, where $j=1, \dots, h$. <p>The parameter also accepts TRUE and FALSE. The former means that parametric intervals are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to none. If the forecasts of the models were combined, then the intervals are combined quantile-wise (Lichtendahl et al., 2013).</p>
level	Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.
intermittent	Defines type of intermittent model used. Can be: 1. none, meaning that the data should be considered as non-intermittent; 2. fixed, taking into account constant Bernoulli distribution of demand occurrences; 3. interval, Interval-based model, underlying Croston, 1972 method; 4. probability, Probability-based model, underlying Teunter et al., 2011 method. 5. auto - automatic selection of intermittency type based on information criteria. The first letter can be used instead. 6. "sba" - Syntetos-Boylan Approximation for Croston's method (bias correction) discussed in Syntetos and Boylan, 2005. 7. "logistic" - the probability is estimated based on logistic regression model principles.
imodel	Type of ETS model used for the modelling of the time varying probability. Object of the class "iss" 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	Vector (either numeric or time series) or 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	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	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	Persistence vector g_X , containing smoothing parameters for exogenous variables. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.
transitionX	Transition matrix F_x for exogenous variables. Can be provided as a vector. Matrix will be formed using the default <code>matrix(transition,nc,nc)</code> , where <code>nc</code> is number of components in state vector. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.
...	Other non-documented parameters. For example <code>FI=TRUE</code> will make the function also produce Fisher Information matrix, which then can be used to calculate variances of parameters of the model. Maximum orders to check can also be specified separately, however orders variable must be set to NULL: <code>ar.orders</code> - Maximum order of AR term. Can be vector, defining max orders of AR, SAR etc. <code>i.orders</code> - Maximum order of I. Can be vector, defining max orders of I, SI etc. <code>ma.orders</code> - 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 a lot of time...

Value

Object of class "smooth" is returned. See [msarima](#) for details.

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See Also

[ets](#), [es](#), [ces](#), [sim.es](#), [gum](#), [msarima](#)

Examples

```
x <- rnorm(118,100,3)

# The best ARIMA for the data
ourModel <- auto.msarima(x,orders=list(ar=c(2,1),i=c(1,1),ma=c(2,1)),lags=c(1,12),
                        h=18,holdout=TRUE,intervals="np")

# The other one using optimised states
## Not run: auto.msarima(x,orders=list(ar=c(3,2),i=c(2,1),ma=c(3,2)),lags=c(1,12),
                        initial="o",h=18,holdout=TRUE)
## End(Not run)

# And now combined ARIMA
## Not run: auto.msarima(x,orders=list(ar=c(3,2),i=c(2,1),ma=c(3,2)),lags=c(1,12),
                        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(data, orders = list(ar = c(3, 3), i = c(2, 1), ma = c(3,
  3)), lags = c(1, frequency(data)), combine = FALSE,
  workFast = TRUE, constant = NULL, initial = c("backcasting",
  "optimal"), ic = c("AICc", "AIC", "BIC", "BICc"), cfType = c("MSE",
  "MAE", "HAM", "MSEh", "TMSE", "GTMSE", "MSCE"), h = 10,
  holdout = FALSE, cumulative = FALSE, intervals = c("none",
  "parametric", "semiparametric", "nonparametric"), level = 0.95,
  intermittent = c("none", "auto", "fixed", "interval", "probability",
  "sba"), imodel = "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

data	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.
workFast	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.

cfType	<p>Type of Cost Function used in optimization. cfType 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 cfType!="MSE", then likelihood and model selection is done based on equivalent MSE. Model selection in this cases becomes not optimal.</p> <p>There are also available analytical approximations for multistep functions: aMSEh, aTMSE and aGTMSE. These can be useful in cases of small samples.</p> <p>Finally, just for fun the absolute and half analogues of multistep estimators are available: MAEh, TMAE, GTMAE, MACE, TMAE, HAMh, THAM, GTHAM, CHAM.</p>
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 intervals are produced instead of the normal ones. This is useful for inventory control systems.
intervals	<p>Type of intervals to construct. This can be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • none, aka n - do not produce prediction intervals. • 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. • semiparametric, sp - intervals based on covariance matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors and assumption of normal / log-normal distribution (depending on error type). • nonparametric, np - intervals based on values from a quantile regression on error matrix (see Taylor and Bunn, 1999). The model used in this process is $e[j] = a \cdot j^b$, where $j=1, \dots, h$. <p>The parameter also accepts TRUE and FALSE. The former means that parametric intervals are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to none. If the forecasts of the models were combined, then the intervals are combined quantile-wise (Lichtendahl et al., 2013).</p>
level	Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.
intermittent	Defines type of intermittent model used. Can be: 1. none, meaning that the data should be considered as non-intermittent; 2. fixed, taking into account constant Bernoulli distribution of demand occurrences; 3. interval, Interval-based model, underlying Croston, 1972 method; 4. probability, Probability-based model, underlying Teunter et al., 2011 method. 5. auto - automatic selection of intermittency type based on information criteria. The first letter can be used instead. 6. "sba" - Syntetos-Boylan Approximation for Croston's method (bias correction) discussed in Syntetos and Boylan, 2005. 7. "logistic" - the probability is estimated based on logistic regression model principles.
imodel	Type of ETS model used for the modelling of the time varying probability. Object of the class "iss" 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	Vector (either numeric or time series) or 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	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	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	Persistence vector g_X , containing smoothing parameters for exogenous variables. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.
transitionX	Transition matrix F_x for exogenous variables. Can be provided as a vector. Matrix will be formed using the default <code>matrix(transition,nc,nc)</code> , 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 function also produce Fisher Information matrix, which then can be used to calculate 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.

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...

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

```
x <- rnorm(118,100,3)

# The best ARIMA for the data
ourModel <- auto.ssarima(x,orders=list(ar=c(2,1),i=c(1,1),ma=c(2,1)),lags=c(1,12),
                        h=18,holdout=TRUE,intervals="np")

# The other one using optimised states
## Not run: auto.ssarima(x,orders=list(ar=c(3,2),i=c(2,1),ma=c(3,2)),lags=c(1,12),
                        initial="o",h=18,holdout=TRUE)
## End(Not run)

# And now combined ARIMA
## Not run: auto.ssarima(x,orders=list(ar=c(3,2),i=c(2,1),ma=c(3,2)),lags=c(1,12),
                        combine=TRUE,h=18,holdout=TRUE)
## End(Not run)

summary(ourModel)
forecast(ourModel)
plot(forecast(ourModel))
```

Description

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

Usage

```
ces(data, seasonality = c("none", "simple", "partial", "full"),
    initial = c("optimal", "backcasting"), A = NULL, B = NULL,
    ic = c("AICc", "AIC", "BIC", "BICc"), cfType = c("MSE", "MAE", "HAM",
    "MSEh", "TMSE", "GTMSE", "MSCE"), h = 10, holdout = FALSE,
    cumulative = FALSE, intervals = c("none", "parametric",
    "semiparametric", "nonparametric"), level = 0.95,
    intermittent = c("none", "auto", "fixed", "interval", "probability",
    "sba", "logistic"), imodel = "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

<code>data</code>	Vector or ts object, containing data needed to be forecasted.
<code>seasonality</code>	The type of seasonality used in CES. Can be: <code>none</code> - No seasonality; <code>simple</code> - Simple seasonality, using lagged CES (based on $t-m$ observation, where m is the seasonality lag); <code>partial</code> - Partial seasonality with real seasonal components (equivalent to additive seasonality); <code>full</code> - 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.
<code>initial</code>	Can be either character or a vector of initial states. If it is character, then it can be <code>"optimal"</code> , meaning that the initial states are optimised, or <code>"backcasting"</code> , meaning that the initials are produced using backcasting procedure.
<code>A</code>	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.
<code>B</code>	Second complex smoothing parameter. Can be real if <code>seasonality="partial"</code> . In case of <code>seasonality="full"</code> must be complex number.
<code>ic</code>	The information criterion used in the model selection procedure.
<code>cfType</code>	Type of Cost Function used in optimization. <code>cfType</code> 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 `cfType!="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 `aGMSE`. 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`.

<code>h</code>	Length of forecasting horizon.
<code>holdout</code>	If TRUE, holdout sample of size <code>h</code> is taken from the end of the data.
<code>cumulative</code>	If TRUE, then the cumulative forecast and prediction intervals are produced instead of the normal ones. This is useful for inventory control systems.
<code>intervals</code>	Type of intervals to construct. This can be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • none, aka <code>n</code> - do not produce prediction intervals. • parametric, <code>p</code> - 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. • semiparametric, <code>sp</code> - intervals based on covariance matrix of 1 to <code>h</code> steps ahead errors and assumption of normal / log-normal distribution (depending on error type). • nonparametric, <code>np</code> - intervals based on values from a quantile regression on error matrix (see Taylor and Bunn, 1999). The model used in this process is $e[j] = a \cdot j^b$, where $j=1,\dots,h$. <p>The parameter also accepts TRUE and FALSE. The former means that parametric intervals are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to none. If the forecasts of the models were combined, then the intervals are combined quantile-wise (Lichtendahl et al., 2013).</p>
<code>level</code>	Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.
<code>intermittent</code>	Defines type of intermittent model used. Can be: 1. none, meaning that the data should be considered as non-intermittent; 2. fixed, taking into account constant Bernoulli distribution of demand occurrences; 3. interval, Interval-based model, underlying Croston, 1972 method; 4. probability, Probability-based model, underlying Teunter et al., 2011 method. 5. auto - automatic selection of intermittency type based on information criteria. The first letter can be used instead. 6. "sba" - Syntetos-Boylan Approximation for Croston's method (bias correction) discussed in Syntetos and Boylan, 2005. 7. "logistic" - the probability is estimated based on logistic regression model principles.
<code>imodel</code>	Type of ETS model used for the modelling of the time varying probability. Object of the class "iss" can be provided here, and its parameters would be used in iETS model.
<code>bounds</code>	What type of bounds to use in the model estimation. The first letter can be used instead of the whole word.
<code>silent</code>	If <code>silent="none"</code> , then nothing is silent, everything is printed out and drawn. <code>silent="all"</code> means that nothing is produced or drawn (except for warnings). In case of <code>silent="graph"</code> , no graph is produced. If <code>silent="legend"</code> , 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").

<code>xreg</code>	Vector (either numeric or time series) or matrix (or <code>data.frame</code>) of exogenous variables that should be included in the model. If matrix included than columns should contain variables and rows - observations. Note that <code>xreg</code> should have number of observations equal either to in-sample or to the whole series. If the number of observations in <code>xreg</code> is equal to in-sample, then values for the holdout sample are produced using <code>es</code> function.
<code>xregDo</code>	Variable defines what to do with the provided <code>xreg</code> : "use" means that all of the data should be used, while "select" means that a selection using <code>ic</code> should be done. "combine" will be available at some point in future...
<code>initialX</code>	Vector of initial parameters for exogenous variables. Ignored if <code>xreg</code> is <code>NULL</code> .
<code>updateX</code>	If <code>TRUE</code> , transition matrix for exogenous variables is estimated, introducing non-linear interactions between parameters. Prerequisite - non- <code>NULL</code> <code>xreg</code> .
<code>persistenceX</code>	Persistence vector g_X , containing smoothing parameters for exogenous variables. If <code>NULL</code> , then estimated. Prerequisite - non- <code>NULL</code> <code>xreg</code> .
<code>transitionX</code>	Transition matrix F_x for exogenous variables. Can be provided as a vector. Matrix will be formed using the default <code>matrix(transition,nc,nc)</code> , where <code>nc</code> is number of components in state vector. If <code>NULL</code> , then estimated. Prerequisite - non- <code>NULL</code> <code>xreg</code> .
...	Other non-documented parameters. For example parameter <code>model</code> can accept a previously estimated CES model and use all its parameters. <code>FI=TRUE</code> 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.

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 $a_0 + ia_1$
- `B` - smoothing parameter for the seasonal component. Can either be real (if `seasonality="P"`) or complex (if `seasonality="F"`) in a form $b_0 + ib_1$.

- 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 intervals="none" then NA is returned.
- upper - the upper bound of prediction interval. When intervals="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).
- intervals - type of intervals asked by user.
- level - confidence level for intervals.
- cumulative - whether the produced forecast was cumulative or not.
- actuals - The data provided in the call of the function.
- holdout - the holdout part of the original data.
- imodel - model of the class "iss" if intermittent model was estimated. If the model is non-intermittent, then imodel 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.
- cf - Cost function value.
- cfType - Type of cost 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.

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See Also

[ets](#), [forecast](#), [ts](#), [auto.ces](#)

Examples

```

y <- rnorm(100,10,3)
ces(y,h=20,holdout=TRUE)
ces(y,h=20,holdout=FALSE)

y <- 500 - c(1:100)*0.5 + rnorm(100,10,3)
ces(y,h=20,holdout=TRUE,intervals="p",bounds="a")

library("Mcomp")
y <- 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",intervals="sp",level=0.8)

## Not run: y <- 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",intervals="sp")
ces(y,h=18,holdout=TRUE,seasonality="p",intervals="np")
ces(y,h=18,holdout=TRUE,seasonality="f",intervals="p")
## End(Not run)

## 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,
     intervals="np",xreg=x,cfType="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)
ourModel <- 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 intermittent model based on iETS(Z,Z,N)
ourModel <- ces(x,intermittent="auto")

```

```
summary(ourModel)
forecast(ourModel)
plot(forecast(ourModel))
```

cma

Centered Moving Average

Description

Function constructs centered moving average based on state space SMA

Usage

```
cma(data, order = NULL, silent = TRUE)
```

Arguments

data	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...

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:

$$\text{phi}_i = 0.5, 1, 1, \dots, 0.5 / \text{order}$$

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.
- `actuals` - 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.
- `cf` - Cost function value (for the SMA / AR model).
- `cfType` - Type of cost function used in the estimation.

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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,intervals="p")

# SMA of arbitrary order
ourModel <- sma(rnorm(118,100,3),h=18,holdout=TRUE,intervals="sp")

summary(ourModel)
forecast(ourModel)
plot(forecast(ourModel))
```

covar	<i>Function returns the covariance matrix of conditional multiple steps ahead forecast errors</i>
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Description

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

Usage

```
covar(object, type = c("analytical", "empirical", "simulated"), ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'smooth'
covar(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: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <code>analytical</code> - 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. <code>empirical</code> - based on the in-sample 1 to h steps ahead forecast errors (works fine on larger samples); 3. <code>simulated</code> - 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 <code>type="simulated"</code> is used). These are <code>obs</code> , <code>nsim</code> and <code>seed</code> . By default <code>obs=1000</code> , <code>nsim=100</code> . 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)
covar(ourModel)
```

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(data, model = "ZZZ", persistence = NULL, phi = NULL,
    initial = c("optimal", "backcasting"), initialSeason = NULL,
    ic = c("AICc", "AIC", "BIC", "BICc"), cfType = c("MSE", "MAE", "HAM",
    "MSEh", "TMSE", "GTMSE", "MSCE"), h = 10, holdout = FALSE,
    cumulative = FALSE, intervals = c("none", "parametric",
    "semiparametric", "nonparametric"), level = 0.95,
    intermittent = c("none", "auto", "fixed", "interval", "probability",
    "sba", "logistic"), imodel = "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

<code>data</code>	Vector or ts object, containing data needed to be forecasted.
<code>model</code>	The type of ETS model. Can consist of 3 or 4 chars: 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 <code>model="XXX"</code> . For example, making selection between models with none / additive / damped additive trend component only (i.e. excluding multiplicative trend) can be done with <code>model="ZXZ"</code> . Furthermore, selection between multiplicative models (excluding additive components) is regulated using <code>model="YYY"</code> . This can be useful for positive data with low values (for example, slow moving products). Finally, if <code>model="CCC"</code> , 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, <code>model="CCN"</code>

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.

<code>persistence</code>	Persistence vector g , containing smoothing parameters. If NULL, then estimated.
<code>phi</code>	Value of damping parameter. If NULL then it is estimated.
<code>initial</code>	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 <code>initialSeason</code> will be estimated in the way defined by <code>initial</code> .
<code>initialSeason</code>	Vector of initial values for seasonal components. If NULL, they are estimated during optimisation.
<code>ic</code>	The information criterion used in the model selection procedure.
<code>cfType</code>	Type of Cost Function used in optimization. <code>cfType</code> 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 <code>cfType!="MSE"</code> , 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.
<code>h</code>	Length of forecasting horizon.
<code>holdout</code>	If TRUE, holdout sample of size h is taken from the end of the data.
<code>cumulative</code>	If TRUE, then the cumulative forecast and prediction intervals are produced instead of the normal ones. This is useful for inventory control systems.
<code>intervals</code>	Type of intervals to construct. This can be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • none, aka <code>n</code> - do not produce prediction intervals. • parametric, <code>p</code> - 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. • semiparametric, <code>sp</code> - intervals based on covariance matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors and assumption of normal / log-normal distribution (depending on error type).

- nonparametric, np - intervals based on values from a quantile regression on error matrix (see Taylor and Bunn, 1999). The model used in this process is $e[j] = a \cdot j^b$, where $j=1, \dots, h$.

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

level	Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.
intermittent	Defines type of intermittent model used. Can be: 1. none, meaning that the data should be considered as non-intermittent; 2. fixed, taking into account constant Bernoulli distribution of demand occurrences; 3. interval, Interval-based model, underlying Croston, 1972 method; 4. probability, Probability-based model, underlying Teunter et al., 2011 method. 5. auto - automatic selection of intermittency type based on information criteria. The first letter can be used instead. 6. "sba" - Syntetos-Boylan Approximation for Croston's method (bias correction) discussed in Syntetos and Boylan, 2005. 7. "logistic" - the probability is estimated based on logistic regression model principles.
imodel	Type of ETS model used for the modelling of the time varying probability. Object of the class "iss" 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	Vector (either numeric or time series) or 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	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	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	Persistence vector g_X , containing smoothing parameters for exogenous variables. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.

transitionX	Transition matrix F_x for exogenous variables. Can be provided as a vector. Matrix will be formed using the default <code>matrix(transition,nc,nc)</code> , where <code>nc</code> is number of components in state vector. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL <code>xreg</code> .
...	Other non-documented parameters. For example <code>FI=TRUE</code> will make the function also produce Fisher Information matrix, which then can be used to calculate variances of smoothing parameters and initial states of the model. Parameters <code>C</code> , <code>CLower</code> and <code>CUpper</code> can be passed via ellipsis as well. In this case they will be used for optimisation. <code>C</code> sets the initial values before the optimisation, <code>CLower</code> and <code>CUpper</code> define lower and upper bounds for the search inside of the specified bounds. These values should have exactly the length equal to the number of parameters to estimate. You can also pass two parameters to the optimiser: 1. <code>maxeval</code> - maximum number of evaluations to carry on; 2. <code>xtol_rel</code> - the precision of the optimiser. The default values used in <code>es()</code> are <code>maxeval=500</code> and <code>xtol_rel=1e-8</code> . 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:

$$y_t = o_t(w(v_{t-l}) + x_t a_{t-1} + r(v_{t-l})\epsilon_t)$$

$$v_t = f(v_{t-l}) + g(v_{t-l})\epsilon_t$$

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

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. $w(\cdot)$ is the measurement function, $r(\cdot)$ is the error function, $f(\cdot)$ is the transition function and $g(\cdot)$ is the persistence 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, ϵ_t is the error term.

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

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.
- `forecast` - point forecast of ETS.
- `lower` - lower bound of prediction interval. When `intervals="none"` then NA is returned.
- `upper` - higher bound of prediction interval. When `intervals="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.
- `intervals` - type of intervals asked by user.
- `level` - confidence level for intervals.
- `cumulative` - whether the produced forecast was cumulative or not.
- `actuals` - original data.
- `holdout` - holdout part of the original data.
- `imodel` - model of the class "iss" if intermittent model was estimated. If the model is non-intermittent, then `imodel` 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.
- `cf` - cost function value.
- `cfType` - type of cost 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.

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,
- intervals,
- level,
- cumulative,
- actuals,
- holdout,
- imodel,
- ICs - combined ic,
- ICw - ic weights used in the combination,
- cfType,
- 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,cfType="MSE")
## Not run: es(M3$N2568$x,model="MAM",h=18,holdout=TRUE,cfType="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)

# Combination example
## Not run: es(M3$N1245$x,model="CCN",h=8,holdout=TRUE)

# Model selection using a specified pool of models
ourModel <- es(M3$N1587$x,model=c("ANN","AAM","AMdA"),h=18)

# Redo previous model and produce prediction intervals
es(M3$N1587$x,model=ourModel,h=18,intervals="p")

# Semiparametric intervals example
## Not run: es(M3$N1587$x,h=18,holdout=TRUE,intervals="sp")
```

```

# Exogenous variables in ETS example
## Not run: x <- cbind(c(rep(0,25),1,rep(0,43)),c(rep(0,10),1,rep(0,58)))
y <- ts(c(M3$N1457$x,M3$N1457$xx),frequency=12)
es(y,h=18,holdout=TRUE,xreg=x,cfType="aTMSE",intervals="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)
# Intervals-based model (Croston's method) with the best ETS for demand sizes
es(x,"ZZN",intermittent="i")
# Intervals-based model (TSB) on iETS(M,N,N)
es(x,"MNN",intermittent="p")
# Constant probability based on iETS(M,N,N)
es(x,"MNN",intermittent="fixed")
# Best type of intermittent model based on iETS(Z,Z,N)
ourModel <- es(x,"ZZN",intermittent="auto")

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

Usage

```

## S3 method for class 'smooth'
forecast(object, h = 10, intervals = c("parametric",
  "semiparametric", "nonparametric", "none"), level = 0.95, ...)

```

Arguments

object	Time series model for which forecasts are required.
h	Forecast horizon
intervals	Type of intervals to construct. See es for details.
level	Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.
...	Other arguments accepted by either es , ces , gum or ssarima .

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).
- `fitted` - fitted values of the model.
- `actuals` - actuals provided in the call of the model.
- `forecast` aka mean - point forecasts of the model (conditional mean).
- `lower` - lower bound of prediction intervals.
- `upper` - upper bound of prediction intervals.
- `level` - confidence level.
- `intervals` - binary variable (whether intervals were produced or not).
- `residuals` - the residuals of the original model.

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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,intervals=TRUE)
plot(forecast.smooth(ourModel,h=10,intervals=TRUE))
```

Description

Function constructs VES model with restrictions on seasonal indices

Usage

```
gsi(data, model = "MNM", weights = 1/ncol(data), type = c(3, 2, 1),
    cfType = c("likelihood", "diagonal", "trace"), ic = c("AICc", "AIC",
    "BIC", "BICc"), h = 10, holdout = FALSE, intervals = c("none",
    "conditional", "unconditional", "independent"), level = 0.95,
    bounds = c("admissible", "usual", "none"), silent = c("all", "graph",
    "output", "none"), ...)
```

Arguments

data	The matrix with data, where series are in columns and observations are in rows.
model	The type of seasonal ETS model. Currently only "MMM" is available.
weights	The vector of weights for seasonal indices of the length equal to the number of time series in the model.
type	Type of the GSI model. Can be "Model 1", "Model 2" or "Model 3".
cfType	Type of Cost Function used in optimization. cfType can be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.
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.
intervals	Type of intervals to construct. NOT AVAILABLE YET! This can be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • none, aka n - do not produce prediction intervals. • conditional, c - produces multidimensional elliptic intervals for each step ahead forecast. • 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 intervals than needed), but these could still be useful.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • independent, <code>i</code> - produces intervals based on variances of each separate series. This does not take vector structure into account.
	The parameter also accepts <code>TRUE</code> and <code>FALSE</code> . The former means that conditional intervals are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to <code>none</code> .
<code>level</code>	Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.
<code>bounds</code>	What type of bounds to use in the model estimation. The first letter can be used instead of the whole word. Currently only "admissible" bounds are available.
<code>silent</code>	If <code>silent="none"</code> , then nothing is silent, everything is printed out and drawn. <code>silent="all"</code> means that nothing is produced or drawn (except for warnings). In case of <code>silent="graph"</code> , no graph is produced. If <code>silent="legend"</code> , then legend of the graph is skipped. And finally <code>silent="output"</code> means that nothing is printed out in the console, but the graph is produced. <code>silent</code> also accepts <code>TRUE</code> and <code>FALSE</code> . In this case <code>silent=TRUE</code> is equivalent to <code>silent="all"</code> , while <code>silent=FALSE</code> is equivalent to <code>silent="none"</code> . The parameter also accepts first letter of words ("n", "a", "g", "l", "o").
<code>...</code>	Other non-documented parameters. For example <code>FI=TRUE</code> will make the function also produce Fisher Information matrix, which then can be used to calculate variances of smoothing parameters and initial states of the model.

Details

Function estimates VES in a form of the Single Source of Error state space model, restricting the seasonal indices. The model is based on [ves](#)

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.

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;
- `coefficients` - 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;
- `actuals` - 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 intervals;
- intervals - The type of the constructed prediction intervals;
- level - The level of the confidence for the prediction intervals;
- ICs - The values of the information criteria;
- logLik - The log-likelihood function;
- cf - The value of the cost function;
- cfType - The type of the used cost 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

```
initialSeason <- runif(12,-1,1)
Y <- sim.ves("AAA", obs=120, nSeries=2, frequency=12, initial=c(10,0),
            initialSeason=initialSeason-mean(initialSeason),
            persistence=c(0.06,0.05,0.2), mean=0, sd=0.03)
Y$data <- exp(Y$data)

# The simplest model applied to the data with the default values
gsi(Y, h=10, holdout=TRUE, interval="u")

# An example with MASS package and correlated errors
## Not run: library(MASS)
## Not run: Y <- sim.ves("AAA", obs=120, nSeries=2, frequency=12,
                        initial=c(5,0), initialSeason=initialSeason-mean(initialSeason),
```

```

        persistence=c(0.02,0.01,0.1), randomizer="mvrnorm", mu=c(0,0),
        Sigma=matrix(c(0.2,0.1,0.1,0.1),2,2))
## End(Not run)
## Not run: Y$data <- exp(Y$data)
## Not run: gsi(Y, h=10, holdout=TRUE, interval="u", silent=FALSE)

```

gum

*Generalised Univariate Model***Description**

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

Usage

```

gum(data, orders = c(1, 1), lags = c(1, frequency(data)),
     type = c("A", "M"), persistence = NULL, transition = NULL,
     measurement = NULL, initial = c("optimal", "backcasting"),
     ic = c("AICc", "AIC", "BIC", "BICc"), cfType = c("MSE", "MAE", "HAM",
     "MSEh", "TMSE", "GTMSE", "MSCE"), h = 10, holdout = FALSE,
     cumulative = FALSE, intervals = c("none", "parametric",
     "semiparametric", "nonparametric"), level = 0.95,
     intermittent = c("none", "auto", "fixed", "interval", "probability",
     "sba", "logistic"), imodel = "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, ...)

ges(...)

```

Arguments

data	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 g , containing smoothing parameters. If NULL, then estimated.

transition	Transition matrix F . Can be provided as a vector. Matrix will be formed using the default <code>matrix(transition,nc,nc)</code> , where <code>nc</code> is the number of components 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.
cfType	Type of Cost Function used in optimization. <code>cfType</code> 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 <code>cfType!="MSE"</code> , 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: <code>aMSEh</code> , <code>aTMSE</code> and <code>aGTMSE</code> . These can be useful in cases of small samples. Finally, just for fun the absolute and half analogues of multistep estimators are available: <code>MAEh</code> , <code>TMAE</code> , <code>GTMAE</code> , <code>MACE</code> , <code>TMAE</code> , <code>HAMh</code> , <code>THAM</code> , <code>GTHAM</code> , <code>CHAM</code> .
h	Length of forecasting horizon.
holdout	If TRUE, holdout sample of size <code>h</code> is taken from the end of the data.
cumulative	If TRUE, then the cumulative forecast and prediction intervals are produced instead of the normal ones. This is useful for inventory control systems.
intervals	Type of intervals to construct. This can be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • none, aka <code>n</code> - do not produce prediction intervals. • parametric, <code>p</code> - 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. • semiparametric, <code>sp</code> - intervals based on covariance matrix of 1 to <code>h</code> steps ahead errors and assumption of normal / log-normal distribution (depending on error type). • nonparametric, <code>np</code> - intervals based on values from a quantile regression on error matrix (see Taylor and Bunn, 1999). The model used in this process is $e[j] = a \cdot j^b$, where $j=1,\dots,h$. <p>The parameter also accepts TRUE and FALSE. The former means that parametric intervals are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to none. If the forecasts of the models were combined, then the intervals are combined quantile-wise (Lichtendahl et al., 2013).</p>
level	Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.
intermittent	Defines type of intermittent model used. Can be: 1. none, meaning that the data should be considered as non-intermittent; 2. fixed, taking into account constant Bernoulli distribution of demand occurrences; 3. interval, Interval-based model, underlying Croston, 1972 method; 4. probability, Probability-based model, underlying Teunter et al., 2011 method. 5. auto - automatic selection of intermittency type based on information criteria. The first letter can be used

	instead. 6. "sba" - Syntetos-Boylan Approximation for Croston's method (bias correction) discussed in Syntetos and Boylan, 2005. 7. "logistic" - the probability is estimated based on logistic regression model principles.
imodel	Type of ETS model used for the modelling of the time varying probability. Object of the class "iss" 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	Vector (either numeric or time series) or 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	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	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	Persistence vector g_X , containing smoothing parameters for exogenous variables. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.
transitionX	Transition matrix F_x for exogenous variables. Can be provided as a vector. Matrix will be formed using the default <code>matrix(transition, nc, nc)</code> , 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 GUM model and use all its parameters. FI=TRUE will make the function produce Fisher Information matrix, which then can be used to calculate 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 <code>es()</code> 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:

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

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

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

Where o_t is the Bernoulli distributed random variable (in case of normal data equal to 1), v_t is the state vector (defined 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 transition matrix and g_X is the persistence matrix. Finally, ϵ_t is the error term.

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 .
- 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 intervals="none" then NA is returned.
- upper - higher bound of prediction interval. When intervals="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).
- intervals - type of intervals asked by user.
- level - confidence level for intervals.
- cumulative - whether the produced forecast was cumulative or not.
- actuals - original data.

- holdout - holdout part of the original data.
- imodel - model of the class "iss" if intermittent model was estimated. If the model is non-intermittent, then imodel 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.
- cf - Cost function value.
- cfType - Type of cost 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.

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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",intervals="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 intervals
## Not run: gum(rnorm(118,100,3),model=ourModel,h=18,intervals="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 estimated using trace forecast error cost function and its analytical analogue
## Not run: gum(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=c(1),lags=c(1),h=18,holdout=TRUE,bounds="n",cfType="TMSE")
gum(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=c(1),lags=c(1),h=18,holdout=TRUE,bounds="n",cfType="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,cfType="TMSE")
ourModel <- gum(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=c(1),lags=c(1),h=18,holdout=TRUE,cfType="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)
forecast(ourModel)
plot(forecast(ourModel))
## End(Not run)

```

 hm

Half moment of a distribution and its derivatives.

Description

hm function estimates half moment from some predefined constant C. ham estimates half absolute moment. Finally, cbias function returns bias based on hm.

Usage

```

hm(x, C = mean(x), digits = 5, ...)

ham(x, C = mean(x), digits = 5, ...)

cbias(x, C = mean(x), digits = 5, ...)

```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	A variable based on which HM is estimated.
<code>C</code>	Centering parameter.
<code>digits</code>	Number of digits for rounding.
<code>...</code>	Other parameters passed to mean function.

Details

NA values of `x` are excluded on the first step of calculation.

Value

A complex variable is returned for `hm` function and real values are returned for `cbias` and `ham`.

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Examples

```
x <- rnorm(100,0,1)
hm(x)
ham(x)
cbias(x)
```

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.viss(x)
```

```
is.smooth.sim(x)
```

```
is.vsmooth.sim(x)
```

```
is.smooth.forecast(x)
```

Arguments

x The object to check.

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](#) / [gsi](#));
- `is.iss()` tests if the object was produced by [iss](#) 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)
```

Description

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

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

<code>data</code>	Either numeric vector or time series vector.
<code>intermittent</code>	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.
<code>ic</code>	Information criteria to use in case of model selection.
<code>h</code>	Forecast horizon.
<code>holdout</code>	If TRUE, holdout sample of size h is taken from the end of the data.
<code>model</code>	Type of ETS model used for the estimation. Normally this should be either "ANN" or "MNN".
<code>persistence</code>	Persistence vector. If NULL, then it is estimated.
<code>initial</code>	Initial vector. If NULL, then it is estimated.
<code>initialSeason</code>	Initial vector of seasonal components. If NULL, then it is estimated.
<code>xreg</code>	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;
- `actuals` - 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)
```

Description

Functions allow to calculate different types of errors:

1. MAE - Mean Absolute Error,
2. MSE - Mean Squared Error,
3. MRE - Mean Root Error,
4. MPE - Mean Percentage Error,
5. MAPE - Mean Absolute Percentage Error,
6. SMAPE - Symmetric Mean Absolute Percentage Error,
7. MASE - Mean Absolute Scaled Error,
8. RelMAE - Relative Mean Absolute Error,
9. RelMSE - Relative Mean Squared Error,
10. RelAME - Relative Absolute Mean Error,
11. sMSE - Scaled Mean Squared Error,
12. sPIS- Scaled Periods-In-Stock,
13. sCE - Scaled Cumulative Error.

Usage

```
MAE(actual, forecast, digits = 3)
```

```
MSE(actual, forecast, digits = 3)
```

```
MRE(actual, forecast, digits = 3)
```

```
MPE(actual, forecast, digits = 3)
```

```
MAPE(actual, forecast, digits = 3)
```

```
SMAPE(actual, forecast, digits = 3)
```

```
MASE(actual, forecast, scale, digits = 3)
```

```
RelMAE(actual, forecast, benchmark, digits = 3)
```

```
RelMSE(actual, forecast, benchmark, digits = 3)
```

```
RelAME(actual, forecast, benchmark, digits = 3)
```

```
sMSE(actual, forecast, scale, digits = 3)
```

```
sPIS(actual, forecast, scale, digits = 3)
```

```
sCE(actual, forecast, scale, digits = 3)
```

Arguments

actual	The vector or matrix of actual values.
forecast	The vector or matrix of forecasts values.
digits	Number of digits of the output.
scale	The value that should be used in the denominator of MASE. Can be anything but advised values are: mean absolute deviation of in-sample one step ahead Naive error or mean absolute value of the in-sample actuals.
benchmark	The vector or matrix of the forecasts of the benchmark model.

Details

In case of sMSE, scale needs to be a squared value. Typical one – squared mean value of in-sample actuals.

SMAPE is biased and prefers when you overforecast, so be careful when using it.

Value

All the functions return the scalar value.

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Examples

```

y <- rnorm(100,10,2)
esmodel <- es(y[1:90],model="ANN",h=10)

MAE(y[91:100],esmodel$forecast,digits=5)
MSE(y[91:100],esmodel$forecast,digits=5)

MPE(y[91:100],esmodel$forecast,digits=5)
MAPE(y[91:100],esmodel$forecast,digits=5)
MASE(y[91:100],esmodel$forecast,mean(abs(y[1:90])),digits=5)
MASE(y[91:100],esmodel$forecast,mean(abs(diff(y[1:90]))),digits=5)

esmodel2 <- es(y[1:90],model="AAN",h=10)
RelMAE(y[91:100],esmodel2$forecast,esmodel$forecast,digits=5)

MASE(y[91:100],esmodel$forecast,mean(abs(y[1:90]))^2,digits=5)

sMSE(y[91:100],esmodel$forecast,mean(abs(y[1:90])),digits=5)
sPIS(y[91:100],esmodel$forecast,mean(abs(y[1:90])),digits=5)
sCE(y[91:100],esmodel$forecast,mean(abs(y[1:90])),digits=5)

```

msarima

Multiple Seasonal ARIMA

Description

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

Usage

```

msarima(data, 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"), cfType = c("MSE", "MAE", "HAM", "MSEh", "TMSE", "GTMSE",
  "MSCE"), h = 10, holdout = FALSE, cumulative = FALSE,
  intervals = c("none", "parametric", "semiparametric", "nonparametric"),
  level = 0.95, intermittent = c("none", "auto", "fixed", "interval",
  "probability", "sba", "logistic"), imodel = "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

data	Vector or ts object, containing data needed to be forecasted.
orders	List of orders, containing vector variables ar, i and ma. Example: <code>orders=list(ar=c(1,2),i=c(1),ma=</code> 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 <code>orders=c(p,d,q)</code> . The non-seasonal ARIMA(p,d,q) is constructed in this case.
lags	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.
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 first 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 first 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.
cfType	Type of Cost Function used in optimization. cfType 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 <code>cfType!="MSE"</code> , 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 intervals are produced instead of the normal ones. This is useful for inventory control systems.
intervals	Type of intervals to construct. This can be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • none, aka n - do not produce prediction intervals. • 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.

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

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

level	Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.
intermittent	Defines type of intermittent model used. Can be: 1. none, meaning that the data should be considered as non-intermittent; 2. fixed, taking into account constant Bernoulli distribution of demand occurrences; 3. interval, Interval-based model, underlying Croston, 1972 method; 4. probability, Probability-based model, underlying Teunter et al., 2011 method. 5. auto - automatic selection of intermittency type based on information criteria. The first letter can be used instead. 6. "sba" - Syntetos-Boylan Approximation for Croston's method (bias correction) discussed in Syntetos and Boylan, 2005. 7. "logistic" - the probability is estimated based on logistic regression model principles.
imodel	Type of ETS model used for the modelling of the time varying probability. Object of the class "iss" 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	Vector (either numeric or time series) or 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	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	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	Persistence vector g_X , containing smoothing parameters for exogenous variables. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.
transitionX	Transition matrix F_x for exogenous variables. Can be provided as a vector. Matrix will be formed using the default <code>matrix(transition,nc,nc)</code> , where <code>nc</code> 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 calculate variances of parameters of the model.

Details

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

$$(1 - B)^d(1 - a_1B - a_2B^2 - \dots - a_pB^p)y[t] = (1 + b_1B + b_2B^2 + \dots + b_qB^q)\epsilon[t] + c$$

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):

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

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

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

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`).

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 intervals="none" then NA is returned.
- upper - the higher bound of prediction interval. When intervals="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).
- intervals - type of intervals asked by user.
- level - confidence level for intervals.
- cumulative - whether the produced forecast was cumulative or not.
- actuals - the original data.
- holdout - the holdout part of the original data.
- imodel - model of the class "iss" if intermittent model was estimated. If the model is non-intermittent, then imodel 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.
- cf - Cost function value.
- cfType - Type of cost 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.

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See Also

[auto.msarima](#), [orders](#), [lags](#), [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,intervals="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 intervals for the parameters of the model
ourCoefs <- coef(ourModel)
ourCoefsSD <- sqrt(abs(diag(solve(ourModel$FI))))
# Sort values accordingly
ourCoefs <- ourCoefs[names(ourCoefsSD)]
ourConfInt <- cbind(ourCoefs + qt(0.025,nobs(ourModel)) * ourCoefsSD,
  ourCoefs + qt(0.975,nobs(ourModel)) * ourCoefsSD)
colnames(ourConfInt) <- c("2.25%","97.5%")
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,cfType="TMSE")

msarima(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=list(ar=1,i=1,ma=1),lags=1,h=18,holdout=TRUE,cfType="aTMSE")

# SARIMA(0,1,1) with exogenous variables with crazy estimation of xreg
ourModel <- msarima(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=list(i=1,ma=1),h=18,holdout=TRUE,
```

```
xreg=c(1:118),updateX=TRUE)

summary(ourModel)
forecast(ourModel)
plot(forecast(ourModel))
```

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

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

Details

`orders()` and `lags()` are useful only for SSARIMA, GUM and SMA. They return NA for other functions. This can also be applied to `arma()`, `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 <- 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)
ssarima(x, orders=orders(ourModel), lags=lags(ourModel), constant=ourModel$constant)
sim.ssarima(orders=orders(ourModel), lags=lags(ourModel), constant=ourModel$constant)

ourModel <- es(x)
es(x, model=modelType(ourModel))
sim.es(model=modelType(ourModel))
```

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 covar 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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Examples

```
# Generate data, apply es() with the holdout parameter and calculate PLS  
x <- rnorm(100,0,1)  
ourModel <- es(x, h=10, holdout=TRUE, intervals=TRUE)  
pls(ourModel, type="a")  
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"), iprob = 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.
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.
A	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.
iprob	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).

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`.
- `occurrences` - 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

[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)
```

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"), iprob = 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.
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.
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.

iprob	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 <code>sd=0.5</code> to <code>rnorm</code> function will lead to the call <code>rnorm(obs, mean=0.5, sd=1)</code> . ATTENTION! When generating the multiplicative errors some tuning might be needed to obtain meaningful data. <code>sd=0.1</code> is usually already a high value for such models.

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.
- `initialSeason` - Vector (or matrix) of initial seasonal coefficients.
- `iprob` - 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`.
- `occurrences` - 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
ETS.AAA <- 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
ETS.AAA <- 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.
ETS.AAA <- 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
ETS.ANN <- sim.es(model="ANN", persistence=c(1.5), frequency=12, obs=60,
                  randomizer="rbeta", sshape1=1.5, sshape2=1.5)
plot(ETS.ANN$states)

# Create 60 observations of monthly data using MAM model
# with errors from uniform distribution
ETS.MAM <- 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)

# Create 80 observations of quarterly data using MMM model
# with predefined initial values and errors from the normal distribution
ETS.MMM <- sim.es(model="MMM", persistence=c(0.1, 0.1, 0.1), initial=c(2000, 1),
                  initialSeason=c(1.1, 1.05, 0.9, .95), frequency=4, obs=80, mean=0, sd=0.01)

# Generate intermittent data using AAdN
iETS.AAdN <- sim.es("AAdN", frequency=1, obs=30, iprob=0.1, initial=c(3, 0), phi=0.8)

# Generate iETS(MNN) with TSB style probabilities
pt <- sim.es("MNN", persistence=0.2, initial=0.5, obs=50, mean=0, sd=0.3)
iprob <- mean(rbeta(50, shape1=pt$states, shape2=1-pt$states))
iETS.MNN <- sim.es("MNN", frequency=12, persistence=0.2, initial=4, iprob=iprob, obs=50)

```

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"), iprob = 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.
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.
iprob	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).

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`.
- `occurrences` - 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

[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)
```

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"),
        iprob = 1, ...)
```

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.
iprob	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).

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.
- iprob - 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.
- occurrences - 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"), iprob = 1, ...)
```

Arguments

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.
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 first 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 first 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.
iprob	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).

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 SSARIM. 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.
- occurrences - 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

[sim.es](#), [ssarima](#), [Distributions](#), [orders](#), [lags](#)

Examples

```
# Create 120 observations from ARIMA(1,1,1) with drift. Generate 100 time series of this kind.
x <- sim.ssarima(ar.orders=1,i.orders=1,ma.orders=1,obs=120,nsim=100,constant=TRUE)

# Generate similar thing for seasonal series of SARIMA(1,1,1)(0,0,2)_4
x <- sim.ssarima(ar.orders=c(1,0),i.orders=c(1,0),ma.orders=c(1,2),lags=c(1,4),
                frequency=4,obs=80,nsim=100,constant=FALSE)

# Generate 10 series of high frequency data from SARIMA(1,0,2)_1(0,1,1)_7(1,0,1)_30
x <- sim.ssarima(ar.orders=c(1,0,1),i.orders=c(0,1,0),ma.orders=c(2,1,1),lags=c(1,7,30),
                obs=360,nsim=10)
```

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, bounds = c("usual",
        "admissible", "restricted"), randomizer = c("rnorm", "rt", "rlaplace",
        "rs"), ...)
```

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

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

```
# Create 40 observations of quarterly data using AAA model with errors
# from normal distribution
## Not run: VESAAA <- sim.ves(model="AAA",frequency=4,obs=40,nSeries=3,
                             randomizer="rnorm",mean=0,sd=100)
## End(Not run)

# You can also use mvrnorm function from MASS package as randomizer,
# but you need to provide mu and Sigma explicitly
## Not run: VESANN <- sim.ves(model="ANN",frequency=4,obs=40,nSeries=2,
                             randomizer="mvrnorm",mu=c(100,50),Sigma=matrix(c(40,20,20,30),2,2))
## End(Not run)

# When generating the data with multiplicative model a more diligent definition
# of parameters is needed. Here's an example with MMM model:

VESMMM <- sim.ves("AAA", obs=120, nSeries=2, frequency=12, initial=c(10,0),
                 initialSeason=runif(12,-1,1), persistence=c(0.06,0.05,0.2), mean=0, sd=0.03)
VESMMM$data <- exp(VESMMM$data)

# Note that smoothing parameters should be low and the standard deviation should
# definitely be less than 0.1. Otherwise you might face the explosions.
```

sma

*Simple Moving Average***Description**

Function constructs state space simple moving average of predefined order

Usage

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

Arguments

data	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 intervals are produced instead of the normal ones. This is useful for inventory control systems.
intervals	Type of intervals to construct. This can be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • none, aka n - do not produce prediction intervals. • 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. • semiparametric, sp - intervals based on covariance matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors and assumption of normal / log-normal distribution (depending on error type). • nonparametric, np - intervals based on values from a quantile regression on error matrix (see Taylor and Bunn, 1999). The model used in this process is $e[j] = a \cdot j^b$, where $j=1,\dots,h$. <p>The parameter also accepts TRUE and FALSE. The former means that parametric intervals are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to none. If the forecasts of the models were combined, then the intervals are combined quantile-wise (Lichtendahl et al., 2013).</p>
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").

... 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.

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.
- `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 `intervals=FALSE` then `NA` is returned.
- `upper` - the higher bound of prediction interval. When `intervals=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).

- `intervals` - type of intervals asked by user.
- `level` - confidence level for intervals.
- `cumulative` - whether the produced forecast was cumulative or not.
- `actuals` - 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.
- `cf` - Cost function value.
- `cfType` - Type of cost 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,intervals="p")

# SMA of arbitrary order
ourModel <- sma(rnorm(118,100,3),h=18,holdout=TRUE,intervals="sp")

summary(ourModel)
forecast(ourModel)
plot(forecast(ourModel))
```

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.
- [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.
- `covar` - returns covariance matrix of multiple steps ahead forecast errors.
- `pls` - returns Prediction Likelihood Score.
- `nParam` - returns number of the estimated parameters.
- `Accuracy` - returns vector of error measures for the provided forecasts and holdout.
- `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)
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(data, models = NULL, initial = c("optimal",
  "backcasting"), ic = c("AICc", "AIC", "BIC", "BICc"),
  cfType = c("MSE", "MAE", "HAM", "MSEh", "TMSE", "GTMSE", "MSCE"),
  h = 10, holdout = FALSE, cumulative = FALSE,
  intervals = c("none", "parametric", "semiparametric", "nonparametric"),
  level = 0.95, bins = 200, intervalsCombine = c("quantile",
  "probability"), intermittent = c("none", "auto", "fixed", "interval",
  "probability", "sba", "logistic"), imodel = "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

data	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.
cfType	Type of Cost Function used in optimization. cfType 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 cfType!="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 intervals are produced instead of the normal ones. This is useful for inventory control systems.
intervals	Type of intervals to construct. This can be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • none, aka n - do not produce prediction intervals. • 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. • semiparametric, sp - intervals based on covariance matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors and assumption of normal / log-normal distribution (depending on error type). • nonparametric, np - intervals based on values from a quantile regression on error matrix (see Taylor and Bunn, 1999). The model used in this process is $e[j] = a \cdot j^b$, where $j=1, \dots, h$. <p>The parameter also accepts TRUE and FALSE. The former means that parametric intervals are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to none. If the forecasts of the models were combined, then the intervals are combined quantile-wise (Lichtendahl et al., 2013).</p>
level	Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.
bins	The number of bins for the prediction intervals. The lower value means faster work of the function, but less precise estimates of the quantiles. This needs to be an even number.
intervalsCombine	How to average the prediction intervals: quantile-wise ("quantile") or probability-wise ("probability").

intermittent	Defines type of intermittent model used. Can be: 1. none, meaning that the data should be considered as non-intermittent; 2. fixed, taking into account constant Bernoulli distribution of demand occurrences; 3. interval, Interval-based model, underlying Croston, 1972 method; 4. probability, Probability-based model, underlying Teunter et al., 2011 method. 5. auto - automatic selection of intermittency type based on information criteria. The first letter can be used instead. 6. "sba" - Syntetos-Boylan Approximation for Croston's method (bias correction) discussed in Syntetos and Boylan, 2005. 7. "logistic" - the probability is estimated based on logistic regression model principles.
imodel	Type of ETS model used for the modelling of the time varying probability. Object of the class "iss" 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	Vector (either numeric or time series) or 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	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	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	Persistence vector g_x , containing smoothing parameters for exogenous variables. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.
transitionX	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. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 `intervals!="none"` with the dimensions: (number of models) x (bins) x (h).
- `forecast` - point forecast of ETS.
- `lower` - lower bound of prediction interval. When `intervals="none"` then NA is returned.
- `upper` - higher bound of prediction interval. When `intervals="none"` then NA is returned.
- `residuals` - residuals of the estimated model.
- `s2` - variance of the residuals (taking degrees of freedom into account).
- `intervals` - type of intervals asked by user.
- `level` - confidence level for intervals.
- `cumulative` - whether the produced forecast was cumulative or not.
- `actuals` - original data.
- `holdout` - holdout part of the original data.
- `imodel` - model of the class "iss" if intermittent model was estimated. If the model is non-intermittent, then `imodel` 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 the complexity of some of the models, the estimation process may take some time. So be patient.

The prediction intervals 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 intervals may be imprecise.

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See Also

[es](#), [auto.ssarima](#), [auto.ces](#), [auto.gum](#), [sma](#)

Examples

```
library(Mcomp)

ourModel <- smoothCombine(M3[[578]],intervals="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)
```

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?

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References

- [Sowhat?](#)
- [Sowhat?](#)
- [42](#)

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(data, 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"), cfType = c("MSE", "MAE", "HAM", "MSEh", "TMSE", "GTMSE",
  "MSCE"), h = 10, holdout = FALSE, cumulative = FALSE,
  intervals = c("none", "parametric", "semiparametric", "nonparametric"),
  level = 0.95, intermittent = c("none", "auto", "fixed", "interval"),
```

```
"probability", "sba", "logistic"), imodel = "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

data	Vector or ts object, containing data needed to be forecasted.
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.
lags	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.
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 first 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 first 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.
cfType	Type of Cost Function used in optimization. cfType 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 cfType!="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 intervals are produced instead of the normal ones. This is useful for inventory control systems.

intervals	<p>Type of intervals to construct. This can be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • none, aka n - do not produce prediction intervals. • 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. • semiparametric, sp - intervals based on covariance matrix of 1 to h steps ahead errors and assumption of normal / log-normal distribution (depending on error type). • nonparametric, np - intervals 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 $j=1,\dots,h$. <p>The parameter also accepts TRUE and FALSE. The former means that parametric intervals are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to none. If the forecasts of the models were combined, then the intervals are combined quantile-wise (Lichtendahl et al., 2013).</p>
level	Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.
intermittent	Defines type of intermittent model used. Can be: 1. none, meaning that the data should be considered as non-intermittent; 2. fixed, taking into account constant Bernoulli distribution of demand occurrences; 3. interval, Interval-based model, underlying Croston, 1972 method; 4. probability, Probability-based model, underlying Teunter et al., 2011 method. 5. auto - automatic selection of intermittency type based on information criteria. The first letter can be used instead. 6. "sba" - Syntetos-Boylan Approximation for Croston's method (bias correction) discussed in Syntetos and Boylan, 2005. 7. "logistic" - the probability is estimated based on logistic regression model principles.
imodel	Type of ETS model used for the modelling of the time varying probability. Object of the class "iss" 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	Vector (either numeric or time series) or 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	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	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	Persistence vector g_X , containing smoothing parameters for exogenous variables. If NULL, then estimated. Prerequisite - non-NULL xreg.
transitionX	Transition matrix F_x for exogenous variables. Can be provided as a vector. Matrix will be formed using the default <code>matrix(transition,nc,nc)</code> , 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 calculate variances of parameters of the model.

Details

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

$$(1 - B)^d(1 - a_1B - a_2B^2 - \dots - a_pB^p)y[t] = (1 + b_1B + b_2B^2 + \dots + b_qB^q)\epsilon[t] + c$$

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):

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

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

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

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...

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 intervals="none" then NA is returned.
- upper - the higher bound of prediction interval. When intervals="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).
- intervals - type of intervals asked by user.
- level - confidence level for intervals.
- cumulative - whether the produced forecast was cumulative or not.
- actuals - the original data.
- holdout - the holdout part of the original data.
- imodel - model of the class "iss" if intermittent model was estimated. If the model is non-intermittent, then imodel 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.
- cf - Cost function value.
- cfType - Type of cost 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.

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See Also

[auto.ssarima](#), [orders](#), [lags](#), [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,intervals="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,intervals="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,cfType="TMSE")
ssarima(rnorm(118,100,3),orders=list(ar=1,i=1,ma=1),lags=1,h=18,holdout=TRUE,cfType="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(data, model = "ANN", persistence = c("group", "independent",
    "dependent"), transition = c("group", "independent", "dependent"),
    phi = c("group", "individual"), initial = c("individual", "group"),
    initialSeason = c("group", "individual"), cfType = c("likelihood",
    "diagonal", "trace"), ic = c("AICc", "AIC", "BIC", "BICc"), h = 10,
    holdout = FALSE, intervals = c("none", "conditional",
    "unconditional", "independent"), 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

data	The matrix with 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, AAdN, AAA, AAdA, 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 $\log(\text{data})$.

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	<p>Persistence matrix G, containing smoothing parameters. Can be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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). • provided by user as a vector or as a matrix. The value is used by the model.
transition	<p>Transition matrix F. Can be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.
phi	<p>In cases of damped trend this parameter defines whether the ϕ should be estimated separately for each series (individual) or for the whole set (group). If vector or a value is provided here, then it is used by the model.</p>
initial	<p>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 "group", 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.</p>
initialSeason	<p>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.</p>
cfType	<p>Type of Cost Function used in optimization. cfType can be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • trace - the trace of the covariance matrix. The sum of variances is minimised in this case.
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.
intervals	Type of intervals to construct. NOT AVAILABLE YET! This can be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • none, aka n - do not produce prediction intervals. • conditional, c - produces multidimensional elliptic intervals for each step ahead forecast. • 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 intervals than needed), but these could still be useful. • independent, i - produces intervals based on variances of each separate series. This does not take vector structure into account. <p>The parameter also accepts TRUE and FALSE. The former means that conditional intervals are constructed, while the latter is equivalent to none.</p>
level	Confidence level. Defines width of prediction interval.
cumulative	If TRUE, then the cumulative forecast and prediction intervals are produced instead of the normal ones. This is useful for inventory control systems.
intermittent	Defines type of intermittent model used. Can be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. Currently only "admissible" bounds are available.
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").

... Other non-documented parameters. For example `FI=TRUE` will make the function also produce Fisher Information matrix, which then can be used to calculate variances of smoothing parameters and initial states of the model.

Details

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

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

$$\mathbf{v}_t = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{v}_{t-l} + \mathbf{G}\epsilon_t$$

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

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, ϵ_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 \mathbf{y}_t we use its logarithms. As a result the multiplicative model is much easier to work with.

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;
- coefficients - 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;
- actuals - 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 intervals;
- intervals - The type of the constructed prediction intervals;
- level - The level of the confidence for the prediction intervals;
- ICs - The values of the information criteria;
- logLik - The log-likelihood function;
- cf - The value of the cost function;
- cfType - The type of the used cost 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="g")

Y <- cbind(c(rpois(25,0.1),rpois(25,0.5),rpois(25,1),rpois(25,5)),
           c(rpois(25,0.1),rpois(25,0.5),rpois(25,1),rpois(25,5)))

# Intermittent VES with logistic probability
ves(Y,model="MNN",h=10,holdout=TRUE,intermittent="l")
```

 viss

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.

Usage

```
viss(data, 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

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

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;
- actuals - 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="l" and probability="d".

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See Also

[ets](#), [forecast](#), [es](#)

Examples

```
Y <- cbind(c(rpois(25,0.1),rpois(25,0.5),rpois(25,1),rpois(25,5)),
           c(rpois(25,0.1),rpois(25,0.5),rpois(25,1),rpois(25,5)))

viss(Y, intermittent="1")
viss(Y, intermittent="1", probability="i")
```

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