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autoreg_forc

Autoregression forecast

Description

autoreg_forc takes a vector of realized values, an integer number of periods ahead to forecast, an integer number of lags to include in the autoregressive model, a period to end the initial model estimation and begin forecasting, an optional vector of time data associated with the realized values, and an optional integer number of past periods to estimate the model over. An AR(ar_lags) autoregressive model is originally estimated with realized values up to estimation_end minus the number of periods specified in estimation_window. If estimation_window is left NULL then the autoregressive model is estimated with all realized values up to estimation_end. The AR(ar_lags) model is estimated by regressing the realized values on the same realized values that have been lagged by one to ar_lags steps. The AR coefficients of this model are multiplied by lagged values and the present period realized value to create a forecast for one period ahead. If h_ahead is greater than one, this process of forecasting one period ahead is iteratively repeated so that the two period ahead forecast conditions on the one period ahead forecasted value and so on until a h_ahead forecast is obtained. This forecasting process is repeated for each period after estimation_end with AR model coefficients updating as more information would have become available to the forecaster. Optionally returns the coefficients used to create each forecast. Returns an autoregression forecast based on information that would have been available at the forecast origin and replicates the forecasts that an AR model would have produced in real-time.

Usage

```
autoreg_forc(
  realized_vec,
  h_ahead,
  ar_lags,
  estimation_end,
  time_vec = NULL,
  estimation_window = NULL,
  return_betas = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

realized_vec	Vector of realized values. This is the series that is being forecasted.	
h_ahead	Integer representing the number of periods ahead that is being forecasted.	
ar_lags	Integer representing the number of lags included in the AR model.	
estimation_end	Value of any class representing when to end the initial coefficient estimation period and begin forecasting.	
time_vec	Vector of any class that is equal in length to the realized_vec vector.	
estimation_window		
	Integer representing the number of past periods that the autoregressive model should be estimated over in each period.	
	should be estimated over in each period.	

return_betas	Boolean, selects whether the coefficients used in each period to create the fore-
	cast are returned. If TRUE, a data frame of betas is returned to the Global
	Environment.

Value

Forecast object that contains the autoregression forecast.

See Also

For a detailed example see the help vignette: vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")

Examples

```
date <- as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
                   "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31"
                  "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30", "2012-09-30", "2012-12-31"))
y <- c(1.09, 1.71, 1.09, 2.46, 1.78, 1.35, 2.89, 2.11, 2.97, 0.99, 1.31, 2.33)
data <- data.frame(date, y)</pre>
autoreg_forc(
  realized_vec = data$y,
  h_{ahead} = 1L,
  ar_lags = 2L,
  estimation_end = as.Date("2011-06-30"),
  time_vec = data$date,
  estimation_window = 4L,
  return_betas = FALSE
)
autoreg_forc(
  realized_vec = data$y,
  h_{ahead} = 4L,
  ar_lags = 2L,
  estimation_end = 4L,
  time_vec = NULL,
  estimation_window = NULL
)
```

conditional_forc Linear model forecast conditioned on an input forecast

Description

conditional_forc takes a linear model call, a vector of time data associated with the linear model, and a forecast for each covariate in the linear model. The linear model is estimated once over the entire sample period and the coefficients are multiplied by the forecasts of each covariate. Returns a forecast conditional on forecasts of each covariate. Used to create a forecast for the present period or replicate a forecast made at a specific period in the past.

conditional_forc

Usage

conditional_forc(lm_call, time_vec, ...)

Arguments

lm_call	Linear model call of the class lm.
time_vec	Vector of any class that is equal in length to the data in lm_call.
	One or more forecasts of class Forecast, one forecast for each covariate in the linear model.

Value

Forecast object that contains the conditional forecast.

See Also

For a detailed example see the help vignette: vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")

Examples

```
x1_forecast <- Forecast(</pre>
  origin = as.Date(c("2012-06-30", "2012-06-30", "2012-06-30")),
  future = as.Date(c("2012-09-30", "2012-12-31", "2013-03-31", "2013-06-30")),
  forecast = c(4.14, 4.04, 4.97, 5.12),
  realized = NULL,
  h_ahead = NULL
)
x2_forecast <- Forecast(</pre>
  origin = as.Date(c("2012-06-30", "2012-06-30", "2012-06-30", "2012-06-30")),
  future = as.Date(c("2012-09-30", "2012-12-31", "2013-03-31", "2013-06-30")),
  forecast = c(6.01, 6.05, 6.55, 7.45),
  realized = NULL,
  h_ahead = NULL
)
y <- c(1.09, 1.71, 1.09, 2.46, 1.78, 1.35, 2.89, 2.11, 2.97, 0.99)
x1 \leftarrow c(4.22, 3.86, 4.27, 5.60, 5.11, 4.31, 4.92, 5.80, 6.30, 4.17)
x2 <- c(10.03, 10.49, 10.85, 10.47, 9.09, 10.91, 8.68, 9.91, 7.87, 6.63)
data <- data.frame(date, y, x1, x2)</pre>
conditional_forc(
 lm_call = lm(y \sim x1 + x2, data),
 time_vec = data$date,
 x1_forecast, x2_forecast
)
```

```
conditional_forc_general
```

General model forecast conditioned on input forecasts

Description

conditional_forc_general takes a model function, a prediction function, input data for estimating the model, and a vector of time data associated with the model. The model is estimated once over the entire sample period and the model parameters are then combined with the input forecasts to generate a forecast. Returns a forecast conditional on forecasts of each parameter. Used to create a forecast for the present period or replicate a forecast made at a specific period in the past.

Usage

```
conditional_forc_general(
  model_function,
  prediction_function,
  data,
  time_vec,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

model_function Function that estimates a model using the data input.

prediction_function

. –	Function that generates model predictions using model_function and data ar- guments. Note* that the data argument passed to the prediction_function takes the form of a data.frame with a number of columns equal to the number of input vintage forecasts passed by the user. The prediction_function needs to be able to take this input format and generate a prediction based on it.
data	Input data for estimating the model.
time_vec	Vector of any class that represents time and is equal in length to the length of realized and data.
	Set of forecasts of class Forecast, one forecast for each parameter in the linear model.

Value

Forecast object that contains the out-of-sample forecast.

See Also

For a detailed example see the help vignette: vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")

convert_byh

Examples

```
# Estimation Data.
date <- as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
                   "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31",
"2012-03-31", "2012-06-30", "2012-09-30", "2012-12-31",
                   "2013-03-31", "2013-06-30", "2013-09-30", "2013-12-31"))
y <- c(1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0)
x1 <- c(8.22, 3.86, 4.27, 3.37, 5.88, 3.34, 2.92, 1.80, 3.30, 7.17, 3.22, 3.86,
    4.27, 3.37, 5.88, 3.34)
x2 <- c(4.03, 2.46, 2.04, 2.44, 6.09, 2.91, 1.68, 2.91, 3.87, 1.63, 4.03, 2.46,
    2.04, 2.44, 6.09, 2.91)
dataLogit <- data.frame(date, y, x1, x2)</pre>
# Parameter Forecasts.
x1_forecastLogit <- Forecast(</pre>
   origin = as.Date(c("2013-12-31", "2013-12-31", "2013-12-31", "2013-12-31")),
   future = as.Date(c("2014-03-31", "2014-06-30", "2014-09-30", "2014-12-31")),
   forecast = c(2.11, 6.11, 6.75, 4.30),
   realized = NULL,
   h_ahead = NULL
)
x2_forecastLogit <- Forecast(</pre>
   origin = as.Date(c("2013-12-31", "2013-12-31", "2013-12-31")),
   future = as.Date(c("2014-03-31", "2014-06-30", "2014-09-30", "2014-12-31")),
   forecast = c(1.98, 7.44, 7.86, 5.98),
   realized = NULL,
   h_ahead = NULL
)
# Forecasting Function.
conditional_forc_general(
    model_function = function(data) {glm(y \sim x1 + x2, data = data, family = binomial)},
    prediction_function = function(model_function, data) {
        names(data) <- c("x1", "x2")</pre>
        as.vector(predict(model_function, data, type = "response"))
    },
    data = dataLogit,
    time_vec = dataLogit$date,
    x1_forecastLogit, x2_forecastLogit
)
```

convert_byh

Convert a list of time format Forecast objects to a h_ahead format Forecast object.

Description

Given a list of forecasts with homogenous origin or future values, converts the forecasts to h_ahead format based on the index passed to the index argument. Subsets all forecasts at the index value and aggregates these forecasts into an h_ahead Forecast object with h_ahead equal to the value passed to the h_aheads argument.

Usage

```
convert_byh(forcs, index, h_aheads)
```

Arguments

forcs	List of Forecast objects with the same number of observations.
index	Numeric or logical value or vector.
h_aheads	Value or vector of h_ahead values that is equal in length to the index argument.

Value

Single Forecast object or list of Forecast objects in h_ahead format.

Examples

```
# The following forecasts are in time format. Each forecast was made at a
# different time and represents a forecast for a number of h_ahead periods
# ahead.
forc1_t1 <- Forecast(</pre>
 origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-02-17", "2010-02-17")),
 future = as.Date(c("2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),
 forecast = c(4.27, 3.77, 3.52),
 realized = c(4.96, 4.17, 4.26),
 h_ahead = NA
)
forc1_t2 <- Forecast(</pre>
 origin = as.Date(c("2010-05-14", "2010-05-14", "2010-05-14")),
 future = as.Date(c("2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31")),
 forecast = c(3.36, 3.82, 4.22),
 realized = c(4.17, 4.26, 4.99),
 h_ahead = NA
)
forc1_t3 <- Forecast(</pre>
 origin = as.Date(c("2010-07-22", "2010-07-22", "2010-07-22")),
 future = as.Date(c("2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
 forecast = c(4.78, 4.53, 5.03),
 realized = c(4.26, 4.99, 5.33),
 h_ahead = NA
)
forc1_t4 <- Forecast(</pre>
```

```
origin = as.Date(c("2010-12-22", "2010-12-22", "2010-12-22")),
future = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30")),
forecast = c(5.45, 4.89, 5.78),
realized = c(4.99, 5.33, 5.21),
h_ahead = NA
)
forcs <- list(forc1_t1, forc1_t2, forc1_t3, forc1_t4)
convert_byh(forcs, index = 1L, h_aheads = 1)
convert_byh(forcs, index = 1:2, h_aheads = c(1, 2))
```

convert_bytime Convert a list of h_ahead format Forecast objects to a time format Forecast object.

Description

Given a list of forecasts with different h_ahead values, converts the forecasts to time format based on the time object passed to the values argument. Converts Forecast objects that have have homogenous h_ahead values to Forecast objects with homogenous origin or future values.

Usage

```
convert_bytime(forcs, values, slot)
```

Arguments

forcs	List of Forecast objects.
values	Single time object or a vector of time objects.
slot	Character representing whether the list of Forecasts will be converted to ho- mogenous origin or future values. Must be either "origin" or "future".

Value

Single Forecast object or list of Forecast objects in time format.

Examples

```
# The following forecasts are in h_ahead format. All forecasts come from the
# same source (forc1) and have the same origin values. However, the forecasts
# are for different periods ahead.
forc1_1h <- Forecast(
    origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-05-14", "2010-07-22", "2010-12-22")),
    future = as.Date(c("2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31")),
    forecast = c(4.27, 3.36, 4.78, 5.45),
```

```
realized = c(4.96, 4.17, 4.26, 4.99),
  h_ahead = 1
)
forc1_2h <- Forecast(</pre>
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-05-14", "2010-07-22", "2010-12-22")),
  future = as.Date(c("2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
  forecast = c(3.77, 3.82, 4.53, 4.89),
  realized = c(4.17, 4.26, 4.99, 5.33),
  h_ahead = 2
)
forc1_3h <- Forecast(</pre>
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-05-14", "2010-07-22", "2010-12-22")),
future = as.Date(c("2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30")),
  forecast = c(3.52, 4.22, 5.03, 5.78),
  realized = c(4.26, 4.99, 5.33, 5.21),
  h_ahead = 3
)
forcs <- list(forc1_1h, forc1_2h, forc1_3h)</pre>
convert_bytime(forcs, value = as.Date("2010-05-14"), slot = "origin")
convert_bytime(
  forcs,
  value = as.Date(c("2010-07-22", "2010-12-22")),
  slot = "origin"
)
```

forc

Get the forecast slot of a Forecast object

Description

forc takes a Forecast object and gets the forecast vector of the forecast.

Usage

```
forc(Forecast)
```

Arguments

Forecast Forecast object.

Value

Vector of forecast values stored in the Forecast object.

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forc,Forecast-method

Examples

Not run:

forc(Forecast)

End(Not run)

forc, Forecast-method Get the forecast slot of a Forecast object

Description

forc takes a Forecast object and gets the forecast vector of the forecast.

Usage

S4 method for signature 'Forecast'
forc(Forecast)

Arguments

Forecast Forecast object.

Value

Vector of forecast values stored in the Forecast object.

Examples

Not run:

forc(Forecast)

End(Not run)

forc2df

Description

forc2df takes one or more objects of the Forecast class and collects them into a data frame. Returns a data frame with all of the information that was stored in the Forecast objects. If multiple forecasts are being collected, all forecasts must have identical future and realized values.

Usage

forc2df(...)

Arguments

... One or multiple forecasts of the class Forecast.

Value

data.frame object that contains forecast information.

See Also

For a detailed example see the help vignette: vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")

Examples

```
## Not run:
forc2df(x1_forecast)
```

forc2df(x1_forecast, x2_forecast)

End(Not run)

forc<-

Set forecast slot of a Forecast object

Description

forc takes a Forecast object and sets the forecast vector of the forecast.

Usage

forc(Forecast) <- value</pre>

Arguments

Forecast	Forecast object.
value	Vector of values assigned to the forecast slot of the Forecast.

Value

Forecast object that contains the new forecast vector.

Examples

Not run:

forc(Forecast) <- c(2.45, 2.76, 3.31)</pre>

End(Not run)

forc<-,Forecast-method</pre>

Set forecast slot of a Forecast object

Description

forc takes a Forecast object and sets the forecast vector of the forecast.

Usage

```
## S4 replacement method for signature 'Forecast'
forc(Forecast) <- value</pre>
```

Arguments

Forecast	Forecast object.
value	Vector of values assigned to the forecast slot of the Forecast.

Value

Forecast object that contains the new forecast vector.

Examples

```
## Not run:
```

forc(Forecast) <- c(2.45, 2.76, 3.31)</pre>

End(Not run)

Forecast

Description

An S4 class for storing forecasts. An object of the Forecast class has equal length vectors that contain the time the forecast was made, the future time being forecasted, the forecast, and realized values if available. Optionally includes the number of periods ahead being forecasted.

Usage

```
Forecast(origin, future, forecast, realized = NULL, h_ahead = NULL)
```

Arguments

origin	A vector of any class representing the time when the forecast was made.
future	A vector of any class representing the time that is being forecasted, i.e. when the forecast will be realized.
forecast	A numeric vector of forecasts.
realized	Optional numeric vector of realized values, i.e. the true value at the future time.
h_ahead	Optional length-one object representing the number of periods ahead being fore- casted.

See Also

For a detailed example see the help vignette: vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")

Examples

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(</pre>
   origin = c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31"),
future = c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31"),
   forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),
   realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),
   h_{ahead} = 4L
)
origin(my_forecast) <- c("2010-04-01", "2010-07-01", "2010-10-01", "2011-01-01")
future(my_forecast) <- c("2012-04-01", "2012-07-01", "2012-10-01", "2013-01-01")
forc(my_forecast) <- c(8.87, 7.61, 7.56, 5.96)</pre>
realized(my_forecast) <- c(6.64, 6.10, 6.33, 6.67)
h_ahead(my_forecast) <- 8L
origin(my_forecast)
future(my_forecast)
forc(my_forecast)
realized(my_forecast)
h_ahead(my_forecast)
```

Forecast-class

Description

An S4 class for storing forecasts. An object of the Forecast class has equal length vectors that contain the time the forecast was made, the future time being forecasted, the forecast, and realized values if available. Optionally includes the number of periods ahead being forecasted.

Slots

origin A vector of any class representing the time when the forecast was made.

future A vector of any class representing the time that is being forecasted, i.e. when the forecast will be realized.

forecast A numeric vector of forecasts.

realized Optional numeric vector of realized values, i.e. the true value at the future time.

h_ahead Optional length-one object representing the number of periods ahead being forecasted.

See Also

For a detailed example see the help vignette: vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")

future

Get the future slot of a Forecast object

Description

future takes a Forecast object and gets the future vector of the forecast.

Usage

```
future(Forecast)
```

Arguments

Forecast object.

Value

Vector of future values stored in the Forecast object.

Examples

Not run:

future(Forecast)

End(Not run)

future,Forecast-method

Get the future slot of a Forecast object

Description

future takes a Forecast object and gets the future vector of the forecast.

Usage

S4 method for signature 'Forecast'
future(Forecast)

Arguments

Forecast object.

Value

Vector of future values stored in the Forecast object.

Examples

Not run:

future(Forecast)

End(Not run)

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future<-

Description

future takes a Forecast object and sets the future vector of the forecast.

Usage

future(Forecast) <- value</pre>

Arguments

Forecast	Forecast object.
value	Vector of values assigned to the future slot of the Forecast.

Value

Forecast object that contains the new future vector.

Examples

Not run:

future(Forecast) <- c("2015-03-01", "2015-03-02", "2015-03-03")

End(Not run)

future<-,Forecast-method</pre>

Set future slot of a Forecast object

Description

future takes a Forecast object and sets the future vector of the forecast.

Usage

S4 replacement method for signature 'Forecast'
future(Forecast) <- value</pre>

Arguments

Forecast	Forecast object.
value	Vector of values assigned to the future slot of the Forecast.

Value

Forecast object that contains the new future vector.

Examples

Not run:

future(Forecast) <- c("2015-03-01", "2015-03-02", "2015-03-03")</pre>

End(Not run)

historical_average_forc

Historical average forecast

Description

historical_average_forc takes an average function, a vector of realized values, an integer number of periods ahead to forecast, a period to end the initial average estimation and begin forecasting, an optional vector of time data associated with the realized values, and an optional integer number of past periods to estimate the average over. The historical average is originally calculated with realized values up to estimation_end minus the number of periods specified in estimation_window. If estimation_window is left NULL then the historical average is calculated with all available realized values up to estimation_end. In each period the historical average is set as the h_ahead period ahead forecast. This process is iteratively repeated for each period after estimation_end with the historical average updating in each period as more information would have become available to the forecaster. Returns a historical average forecast where the h_ahead period ahead forecast is simply the historical average or rolling window average of the series being forecasted.

Usage

```
historical_average_forc(
  avg_function,
  realized_vec,
  h_ahead,
  estimation_end,
  time_vec = NULL,
  estimation_window = NULL
)
```

Arguments

avg_function	Character, either "mean" or "median". Selects whether forecasts are made using
	the historical mean or historical median of the series.
realized_vec	Vector of realized values. This is the series that is being forecasted.

h_ahead

h_ahead	Integer representing the number of periods ahead that is being forecasted.	
estimation_end	Value of any class representing when to end the initial average estimation period and begin forecasting.	
time_vec	Vector of any class that is equal in length to the realized_vec vector.	
estimation_window		
	Integer representing the number of past periods that the historical average should	
	be estimated over in each period.	

Value

Forecast object that contains the historical average forecast.

See Also

For a detailed example see the help vignette: vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")

Examples

```
y <- c(1.09, 1.71, 1.09, 2.46, 1.78, 1.35, 2.89, 2.11, 2.97, 0.99)
data <- data.frame(date, y)</pre>
historical_average_forc(
 avg_function = "mean",
 realized_vec = data$y,
 h_{ahead} = 2L,
 estimation_end = as.Date("2011-03-31"),
 time_vec = data$date,
 estimation_window = 4L
)
historical_average_forc(
 avg_function = "median",
 realized_vec = data$y,
 h_{ahead} = 4L,
 estimation_end = 4L
)
```

h_ahead

Get the h_ahead slot of a h_ahead object

Description

h_ahead takes a Forecast object and gets the h_ahead vector of the forecast.

Usage

h_ahead(Forecast)

Arguments

Forecast Forecast object.

Value

Vector of h_ahead values stored in the Forecast object.

Examples

Not run:

h_ahead(Forecast)

End(Not run)

h_ahead,Forecast-method

Get the h_ahead slot of a h_ahead object

Description

h_ahead takes a Forecast object and gets the h_ahead vector of the forecast.

Usage

S4 method for signature 'Forecast'
h_ahead(Forecast)

Arguments

Forecast Forecast object.

Value

Vector of h_ahead values stored in the Forecast object.

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h_ahead<-

Examples

Not run:

h_ahead(Forecast)

End(Not run)

h_ahead<-

Set h_ahead slot of a Forecast object

Description

h_ahead takes a Forecast object and sets the h_ahead vector of the forecast.

Usage

h_ahead(Forecast) <- value</pre>

Arguments

Forecast	Forecast object.
value	Vector of values assigned to the h_ahead slot of the Forecast.

Value

Forecast object that contains the new h_ahead vector.

Examples

Not run:

h_ahead(Forecast) <- 4L

End(Not run)

h_ahead<-,Forecast-method

Set h_ahead slot of a Forecast object

Description

h_ahead takes a Forecast object and sets the h_ahead vector of the forecast.

Usage

S4 replacement method for signature 'Forecast'
h_ahead(Forecast) <- value</pre>

Arguments

Forecast	Forecast object.
value	Vector of values assigned to the h_ahead slot of the Forecast.

Value

Forecast object that contains the new h_ahead vector.

Examples

Not run:

h_ahead(Forecast) <- 4L

End(Not run)

is_forc

In-sample linear model forecast

Description

is_forc takes a linear model call and an optional vector of time data associated with the linear model. The linear model is estimated once over the entire sample period and the coefficients are multiplied by the realized values in each period of the sample. Returns an in-sample forecast conditional on realized values.

Usage

is_forc(lm_call, time_vec = NULL)

Arguments

lm_call	Linear model call of the class lm.
time_vec	Vector of any class that is equal in length to the data in lm_call.

Value

Forecast object that contains the in-sample forecast.

See Also

For a detailed example see the help vignette: vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")

Examples

is_forc_general In-sample general model forecast

Description

is_forc_general takes a model function, a prediction function, input data for estimating the model, realized values of the dependent variable, and an optional vector of time data associated with the model. The model is estimated once over the entire sample period using the input data and model function. Model parameters are then combined with the input data using the prediction function to generate in-sample forecasts. Returns an in-sample forecast conditional on realized values.

Usage

is_forc_general(model_function, prediction_function, data, realized, time_vec)

Arguments

model_function Function that estimates a model using the data input.		
prediction_function		
	Function that generates model predictions using model_function and data as inputs.	
data	Input data for estimating the model.	
realized	Vector of realized values of the dependent variable equal in length to the data in data.	
time_vec	Vector of any class that represents time and is equal in length to the length of realized and data.	

Value

Forecast object that contains the in-sample forecast.

See Also

For a detailed example see the help vignette: vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")

Examples

```
date <- as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
                  "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31",
                  "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30"))
y <- c(1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1)
x1 <- c(8.22, 3.86, 4.27, 3.37, 5.88, 3.34, 2.92, 1.80, 3.30, 7.17)
x2 <- c(4.03, 2.46, 2.04, 2.44, 6.09, 2.91, 1.68, 2.91, 3.87, 1.63)
dataLogit <- data.frame(date, y, x1, x2)</pre>
is_forc_general(
  model_function = function(data) \{glm(y \sim x1 + x2, data = data, family = binomial)\},\
  prediction_function = function(model_function, data) {
      as.vector(predict(model_function, data, type = "response"))
  },
  data = dataLogit,
  realized = dataLogit$y,
  time_vec = dataLogit$date
)
```

mae

Calculate MAE of a Forecast object

Description

mae takes a Forecast object and returns the MAE of the forecast. MAE is calculated as: 1/length(forecast)
* sum(abs(forecast - realized))

mae,Forecast-method

Usage

mae(Forecast)

Arguments

Forecast Forecast object.

Value

MAE value.

Examples

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(
    origin = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),
    future = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31")),
    forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),
    realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),
    h_ahead = 4L
)
mae(my_forecast)</pre>
```

mae, Forecast-method Calculate MAE of a Forecast object

Description

mae takes a Forecast object and returns the MAE of the forecast. MAE is calculated as: 1/length(forecast)
* sum(abs(forecast - realized))

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'Forecast'
mae(Forecast)
```

Arguments

Forecast Forecast object.

Value

MAE value.

Examples

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(
    origin = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),
    future = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31")),
    forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),
    realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),
    h_ahead = 4L
)
max(mu forecast)</pre>
```

mae(my_forecast)

mape

Calculate MAPE of a Forecast object

Description

mape takes a Forecast object and returns the MAPE of the forecast. MAPE is calculated as: 1/length(forecast) * sum(abs(realized - forecast) / realized)

Usage

mape(Forecast)

Arguments

Forecast Forecast object.

Value

MAPE value.

Examples

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(
    origin = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),
    future = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31")),
    forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),
    realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),
    h_ahead = 4L
)</pre>
```

mape(my_forecast)

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mape, Forecast-method Calculate MAPE of a Forecast object

Description

mape takes a Forecast object and returns the MAPE of the forecast. MAPE is calculated as: 1/length(forecast) * sum(abs(realized - forecast) / realized)

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'Forecast'
mape(Forecast)
```

Arguments

Forecast Forecast object.

Value

MAPE value.

Examples

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(
    origin = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),
    future = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31")),
    forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),
    realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),
    h_ahead = 4L
)</pre>
```

mape(my_forecast)

mse

Calculate MSE of a Forecast object

Description

mse takes a Forecast object and returns the MSE of the forecast. MSE is calculated as: 1/length(forecast)
* sum((realized - forecast)^2)

Usage

mse(Forecast)

Arguments

Forecast Forecast object.

Value

MSE value.

Examples

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(
    origin = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),
    future = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31")),
    forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),
    realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),
    h_ahead = 4L
)
mse(my_forecast)</pre>
```

mse, Forecast-method Calculate MSE of a Forecast object

Description

mse takes a Forecast object and returns the MSE of the forecast. MSE is calculated as: 1/length(forecast)
* sum((realized - forecast)^2)

Usage

S4 method for signature 'Forecast'
mse(Forecast)

Arguments

Forecast Forecast object.

Value

MSE value.

Examples

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(
    origin = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),
    future = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31")),
    forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),
    realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),
    h_ahead = 4L</pre>
```

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oos_lag_forc

)

```
mse(my_forecast)
```

oos_lag_forc

Out-of-sample lagged linear model forecast conditioned on realized values

Description

oos_lag_forc takes a linear model call, an integer number of periods ahead to forecast, a period to end the initial coefficient estimation and begin forecasting, an optional vector of time data associated with the linear model, and an optional integer number of past periods to estimate the linear model over. Linear model data is lagged by h_ahead periods and the linear model is re-estimated with data up to estimation_end minus the number of periods specified in estimation_window to create a lagged linear model. If estimation_window is left NULL then the linear model is estimated with all available data up to estimation_end. Coefficients are multiplied by present period realized values of the covariates to create a forecast for h_ahead periods ahead. This process is iteratively repeated for each period after estimation_end with coefficients updating in each period. Returns an outof-sample forecast conditional on realized values that **would** have been available at the forecast origin. Optionally returns the coefficients used to create each forecast. Tests the out-of-sample performance of a linear model had it been lagged and conditioned on available information.

Usage

```
oos_lag_forc(
    lm_call,
    h_ahead,
    estimation_end,
    time_vec = NULL,
    estimation_window = NULL,
    return_betas = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

lm_call	Linear model call of the class lm.	
h_ahead	Integer representing the number of periods ahead that is being forecasted.	
estimation_end	Value of any class representing when to end the initial coefficient estimation period and begin forecasting.	
time_vec	Vector of any class that is equal in length to the data in lm_call.	
estimation_window		
	Integer representing the number of past periods that the linear model should be estimated over in each period.	
return_betas	Boolean, selects whether the coefficients used in each period to create the fore- cast are returned. If TRUE, a data frame of betas is returned to the Global Environment.	

Value

Forecast object that contains the out-of-sample forecast.

See Also

For a detailed example see the help vignette: vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")

Examples

```
date <- as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
                   "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31",
                  "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30"))
y <- c(1.09, 1.71, 1.09, 2.46, 1.78, 1.35, 2.89, 2.11, 2.97, 0.99)
x1 <- c(4.22, 3.86, 4.27, 5.60, 5.11, 4.31, 4.92, 5.80, 6.30, 4.17)
x2 <- c(10.03, 10.49, 10.85, 10.47, 9.09, 10.91, 8.68, 9.91, 7.87, 6.63)
data <- data.frame(date, y, x1, x2)</pre>
oos_lag_forc(
  lm_call = lm(y \sim x1 + x2, data),
  h_{ahead} = 2L,
  estimation_end = as.Date("2011-03-31"),
  time_vec = data$date,
  estimation_window = NULL,
  return_betas = FALSE
)
oos_lag_forc(
  lm_call = lm(y \sim x1 + x2, data),
  h_{ahead} = 2L,
  estimation_end = 6L
)
```

oos_realized_forc Out-of-sample linear model forecast conditioned on realized values

Description

oos_realized_forc takes a linear model call, an integer number of periods ahead to forecast, a period to end the initial coefficient estimation and begin forecasting, an optional vector of time data associated with the linear model, and an optional integer number of past periods to estimate the linear model over. The linear model is originally estimated with data up to estimation_end minus the number of periods specified in estimation_window. If estimation_end. Coefficients are multiplied by realized values of the covariates h_ahead periods ahead to create an h_ahead period ahead forecast. This process is iteratively repeated for each period after estimation_end with coefficients updating in each period. Returns an out-of-sample forecast conditional on realized values that **would not** have been available at the forecast origin. Optionally returns the coefficients used to create each forecast. Tests the out-of-sample performance of a linear model had it been conditioned on perfect information.

oos_realized_forc

Usage

```
oos_realized_forc(
    lm_call,
    h_ahead,
    estimation_end,
    time_vec = NULL,
    estimation_window = NULL,
    return_betas = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

lm_call	Linear model call of the class lm.	
h_ahead	Integer representing the number of periods ahead that is being forecasted.	
estimation_end	Value of any class representing when to end the initial coefficient estimation period and begin forecasting.	
time_vec	Vector of any class that is equal in length to the data in lm_call.	
estimation_window		
	Integer representing the number of past periods that the linear model should be estimated over in each period.	
return_betas	Boolean, selects whether the coefficients used in each period to create the fore- cast are returned. If TRUE, a data frame of betas is returned to the Global Environment.	

Value

Forecast object that contains the out-of-sample forecast.

See Also

For a detailed example see the help vignette: vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")

Examples

oos_realized_forc_general

Out-of-sample general model forecast conditioned on realized values

Description

oos_realized_forc takes a model function, a prediction function, input data for estimating the model, realized values of the dependent variable, an integer number of periods ahead to forecast, a period to end the initial coefficient estimation and begin forecasting, a vector of time data associated with the model, and an optional integer number of past periods to estimate the model over. The model is originally estimated using the input data and model function with data up to estimation_end minus the the number of periods specified in estimation_window. If estimation_window is left NULL then the model is estimated with all available data up to estimation_end. Model parameters are then combined with realized values of the input data h_ahead periods ahead to generate an h_ahead period ahead forecast. This process is iteratively repeated for each period after estimation_end with model parameters updating in each period. Returns an out-of-sample forecast conditional on realized values that **would not** have been available at the forecast origin. Tests the out-of-sample performance of a model had it been conditioned on perfect information.

Usage

```
oos_realized_forc_general(
   model_function,
   prediction_function,
   data,
   realized,
   h_ahead,
   estimation_end,
   time_vec,
   estimation_window = NULL
)
```

Arguments

model_function Function that estimates a model using the data input.

prediction_function		
	Function that generates model predictions using model_function and data as inputs.	
data	Input data for estimating the model.	
realized	Vector of realized values of the dependent variable equal in length to the data in data.	
h_ahead	Integer representing the number of periods ahead that is being forecasted.	

)

estimation_end	Value of any class representing when to end the initial coefficient estimation period and begin forecasting.	
time_vec	Vector of any class that represents time and is equal in length to the length of realized and data.	
estimation_window		
	Integer representing the number of past periods that the linear model should be estimated over in each period.	

Value

Forecast object that contains the out-of-sample forecast.

See Also

For a detailed example see the help vignette: vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")

Examples

```
date <- as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
                  "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31",
                  "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30", "2012-09-30", "2012-12-31",
                  "2013-03-31", "2013-06-30", "2013-09-30", "2013-12-31"))
y <- c(1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0)
x1 <- c(8.22, 3.86, 4.27, 3.37, 5.88, 3.34, 2.92, 1.80, 3.30, 7.17, 3.22, 3.86,
    4.27, 3.37, 5.88, 3.34)
x2 <- c(4.03, 2.46, 2.04, 2.44, 6.09, 2.91, 1.68, 2.91, 3.87, 1.63, 4.03, 2.46,
    2.04, 2.44, 6.09, 2.91)
dataLogit <- data.frame(date, y, x1, x2)</pre>
forc <- oos_realized_forc_general(</pre>
   model_function = function(data) {glm(y ~ x1 + x2, data = data, family = binomial)},
   prediction_function = function(model_function, data) {
        as.vector(predict(model_function, data, type = "response"))
    },
   data = dataLogit,
    realized = dataLogit$y,
   h_{ahead} = 2L,
    estimation_end = as.Date("2012-06-30"),
    time_vec = dataLogit$date,
    estimation_window = NULL
)
```

oos_vintage_forc Out-of-sample linear model forecast conditioned on vintage forecasts

Description

oos_vintage_forc takes a linear model call, a vector of time data associated with the linear model, a forecast for each covariate in the linear model, and an optional integer number of past periods to estimate the linear model over. For each period in the vintage forecasts, coefficients are estimated with data up to the current period minus the number of periods specified in estimation_window. If estimation_window is left NULL then the linear model is estimated with all available data up to the current period. Coefficients are then multiplied by vintage forecast values. Returns an outof-sample forecast conditional on vintage forecasts that **would** have been available at the forecast origin. Optionally returns the coefficients used to create each forecast. Replicates the forecasts that a linear model would have produced in real time.

Usage

```
oos_vintage_forc(
    lm_call,
    time_vec,
    ...,
    estimation_window = NULL,
    return_betas = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

lm_call	Linear model call of the class lm.	
time_vec	Vector of any class that is equal in length to the data in lm_call.	
	Set of forecasts of class Forecast, one forecast for each covariate in the linear model.	
estimation_window		
	Integer representing the number of past periods that the linear model should be estimated over in each period.	
return_betas	Boolean, selects whether the coefficients used in each period to create the fore- cast are returned. If TRUE, a data frame of betas is returned to the Global Environment.	

Value

Forecast object that contains the out-of-sample forecast.

See Also

For a detailed example see the help vignette: vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")

Examples

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```
x1 <- c(4.22, 3.86, 4.27, 5.60, 5.11, 4.31, 4.92, 5.80, 6.30, 4.17)
x2 <- c(10.03, 10.49, 10.85, 10.47, 9.09, 10.91, 8.68, 9.91, 7.87, 6.63)
data <- data.frame(date, y, x1, x2)</pre>
x1_forecast_vintage <- Forecast(</pre>
   origin = as.Date(c("2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
   future = as.Date(c("2011-09-30", "2011-12-31", "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30")),
   forecast = c(6.30, 4.17, 5.30, 4.84),
   realized = c(4.92, 5.80, 6.30, 4.17),
   h_ahead = 4L
)
x2_forecast_vintage <- Forecast(</pre>
   origin = as.Date(c("2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
future = as.Date(c("2011-09-30", "2011-12-31", "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30")),
 forecast = c(7.32, 6.88, 6.82, 6.95),
 realized = c(8.68, 9.91, 7.87, 6.63),
 h_{ahead} = 4L
)
oos_vintage_forc(
  lm_call = lm(y \sim x1 + x2, data),
  time_vec = data$date,
  x1_forecast_vintage, x2_forecast_vintage,
  estimation_window = 4L,
  return_betas = FALSE
)
oos_vintage_forc(
  lm_call = lm(y \sim x1 + x2, data),
  time_vec = data$date,
  x1_forecast_vintage, x2_forecast_vintage
)
```

oos_vintage_forc_general

Out-of-sample general model forecast conditioned on vintage forecasts

Description

oos_vintage_forc_general takes a model function, a prediction function, input data for estimating the model, realized values of the dependent variable, a vector of time data associated with the model, a forecast for each parameter in the model, and an optional integer number of past periods to estimate the model over. For each period in the vintage forecasts, model parametes are estimated with data up to the current period minus the number of periods specified in estimation_window. If estimation_window is left NULL then the model is estimated with all available data up to the current period. Model parameters are then combined with vintage forecasts that **would** have been available at the forecast origin. Replicates the forecasts that a conditional forecasting model would have produced in real time.

Usage

```
oos_vintage_forc_general(
   model_function,
   prediction_function,
   data,
   realized,
   time_vec,
   ...,
   estimation_window = NULL
)
```

Arguments

model_function Function that estimates a model using the data input.

prediction_function

	Function that generates model predictions using model_function and data ar- guments. Note* that the data argument passed to the prediction_function takes the form of a data.frame with a number of columns equal to the number of input vintage forecasts passed by the user. The prediction_function needs to be able to take this input format and generate a prediction based on it.
data	Input data for estimating the model.
realized	Vector of realized values of the dependent variable equal in length to the data in data.
time_vec	Vector of any class that represents time and is equal in length to the length of realized and data.
	Set of forecasts of class Forecast, one forecast for each parameter in the linear model.
estimation_window	
	Integer representing the number of past periods that the linear model should be estimated over in each period.

Value

Forecast object that contains the out-of-sample forecast.

See Also

For a detailed example see the help vignette: vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")

Examples

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origin

```
"2012-03-31", "2012-06-30", "2012-09-30", "2012-12-31",
                  "2013-03-31", "2013-06-30", "2013-09-30", "2013-12-31"))
y <- c(1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0)
x1 <- c(8.22, 3.86, 4.27, 3.37, 5.88, 3.34, 2.92, 1.80, 3.30, 7.17, 3.22, 3.86,
    4.27, 3.37, 5.88, 3.34)
x2 <- c(4.03, 2.46, 2.04, 2.44, 6.09, 2.91, 1.68, 2.91, 3.87, 1.63, 4.03, 2.46,
    2.04, 2.44, 6.09, 2.91)
dataLogit <- data.frame(date, y, x1, x2)</pre>
# Vintage Forecasts.
x1_forecast_vintageLogit <- Forecast(</pre>
   origin = as.Date(c("2012-09-30", "2012-12-31", "2013-03-31", "2013-06-30")),
   future = as.Date(c("2013-09-30", "2013-12-31", "2014-03-31", "2014-06-30")),
   forecast = c(6.34, 4.17, 2.98, 1.84),
   realized = c(5.88, 3.34, 2.92, 1.80),
   h_{ahead} = 4L
)
x2_forecast_vintageLogit <- Forecast(</pre>
   origin = as.Date(c("2012-09-30", "2012-12-31", "2013-03-31", "2013-06-30")),
   future = as.Date(c("2013-09-30", "2013-12-31", "2014-03-31", "2014-06-30")),
   forecast = c(7.32, 3.22, 2.21, 2.65),
   realized = c(6.09, 2.91, 1.68, 2.91),
   h_ahead = 4L
)
# Forecasting function.
oos_vintage_forc_general(
    model_function = function(data) {glm(y ~ x1 + x2, data = data, family = binomial)},
   prediction_function = function(model_function, data) {
        names(data) <- c("x1", "x2")</pre>
        as.vector(predict(model_function, data, type = "response"))
    },
    data = dataLogit,
    realized = dataLogit$y,
    time_vec = dataLogit$date,
   x1_forecast_vintageLogit, x2_forecast_vintageLogit,
    estimation_window = NULL
)
```

origin

Get the origin slot of a Forecast object

Description

origin takes a Forecast object and gets the origin vector of the forecast.

Usage

origin(Forecast)

Arguments

Forecast Forecast object.

Value

Vector of origin values stored in the Forecast object.

Examples

Not run:

origin(Forecast)

End(Not run)

origin, Forecast-method

Get the origin slot of a Forecast object

Description

origin takes a Forecast object and gets the origin vector of the forecast.

Usage

S4 method for signature 'Forecast'
origin(Forecast)

Arguments

Forecast Forecast object.

Value

Vector of origin values stored in the Forecast object.

Examples

Not run:

origin(Forecast)

End(Not run)

origin<-

Description

origin takes a Forecast object and sets the origin vector of the forecast.

Usage

origin(Forecast) <- value</pre>

Arguments

Forecast	Forecast object.
value	Vector of values assigned to the origin slot of the Forecast.

Value

Forecast object that contains the new origin vector.

Examples

```
## Not run:
```

```
origin(Forecast) <- c("2015-01-01", "2015-01-02", "2015-01-03")
```

End(Not run)

origin<-,Forecast-method</pre>

Set origin slot of a Forecast object

Description

origin takes a Forecast object and sets the origin vector of the forecast.

Usage

```
## S4 replacement method for signature 'Forecast'
origin(Forecast) <- value</pre>
```

Forecast	Forecast object.
value	Vector of values assigned to the origin slot of the Forecast.

Value

Forecast object that contains the new origin vector.

Examples

Not run:

origin(Forecast) <- c("2015-01-01", "2015-01-02", "2015-01-03")

End(Not run)

performance_weighted_forc MSE or RMSE weighted forecast

Description

performance_weighted_forc takes two or more forecasts, an evaluation window, and an error function. For each forecast period, the error function is used to calculate forecast accuracy over the past eval_window number of periods. The forecast accuracy of each forecast is used to weight forecasts based on performance. Returns a weighted forecast. Optionally returns the set of weights used to weight forecasts in each period.

Usage

```
performance_weighted_forc(
    ...,
    eval_window,
    errors = "mse",
    return_weights = FALSE
)
```

	Two or more forecasts of class Forecast.
eval_window	Integer representing the window over which forecast accuracy is evaluated. Fore- casts are weighted based on their accuracy over the past eval_window number of periods.
errors	Character, either "mse", "rmse", "mae", or "mape". Selects what forecast accuracy function is used to evaluate forecast errors.
return_weights	Boolean, selects whether the weights used to weight forecasts in each period are returned. If TRUE, a data frame of weights is returned to the Global Environment.

Details

Forecasts are weighted in each period with the following function. The error function used is MSE or RMSE depending on user selection. This example shows MSE errors.

$$weight = (1/MSE(forecast))/(1/sum(MSE(forecasts)))$$

Value

Forecast object that contains the weighted forecast.

See Also

For a detailed example see the help vignette: vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")

```
y1_forecast <- Forecast(</pre>
  origin = as.Date(c("2009-03-31", "2009-06-30", "2009-09-30", "2009-12-31",
                         "2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
  "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
future = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
"2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31",
                         "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30")),
  forecast = c(1.33, 1.36, 1.38, 1.68, 1.60, 1.55, 1.32, 1.22, 1.08, 0.88),
  realized = c(1.09, 1.71, 1.09, 2.46, 1.78, 1.35, 2.89, 2.11, 2.97, 0.99),
  h_ahead = 4L
)
y2_forecast <- Forecast(</pre>
  origin = as.Date(c("2009-03-31", "2009-06-30", "2009-09-30", "2009-12-31",
                         "2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
                         "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
  future = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
"2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31",
"2012-03-31", "2012-06-30")),
  forecast = c(0.70, 0.88, 1.03, 1.05, 1.01, 0.82, 0.95, 1.09, 1.07, 1.06),
  realized = c(1.09, 1.71, 1.09, 2.46, 1.78, 1.35, 2.89, 2.11, 2.97, 0.99),
  h_{ahead} = 4L
)
performance_weighted_forc(
  y1_forecast, y2_forecast,
  eval_window = 2L,
  errors = "mse",
  return_weights = FALSE
)
```

Description

R2 takes a Forecast object and returns the R2 of the forecast. R2 is calculated as: $cor(forecast, realized)^2$

Usage

R2(Forecast)

Arguments

Forecast Forecast object.

Value

R2 value.

Examples

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(
    origin = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),
    future = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31")),
    forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),
    realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),
    h_ahead = 4L
)
R2(my_forecast)</pre>
```

R2, Forecast-method Calculate R2 of a Forecast object

Description

R2 takes a Forecast object and returns the R2 of the forecast. R2 is calculated as: cor(forecast, realized)^2

Usage

S4 method for signature 'Forecast'
R2(Forecast)

R2

Arguments

Forecast Forecast object.

Value

R2 value.

Examples

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(
    origin = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),
    future = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31")),
    forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),
    realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),
    h_ahead = 4L
)
R2(my_forecast)</pre>
```

random_walk_forc Random walk forecast

Description

random_walk_forc takes a vector of realized values, an integer number of periods ahead to forecast, and an optional vector of time data associated with the realized values. In each period, the current period value of the realized_vec series is set as the h_ahead period ahead forecast. Returns a random walk forecast where the h_ahead period ahead forecast is simply the present value of the series being forecasted.

Usage

```
random_walk_forc(realized_vec, h_ahead, time_vec = NULL)
```

Arguments

realized_vec	Vector of realized values. This is the series that is being forecasted.
h_ahead	Integer representing the number of periods ahead that is being forecasted.
time_vec	Vector of any class that is equal in length to the realized_vec vector.

Value

Forecast object that contains the random walk forecast.

See Also

For a detailed example see the help vignette: vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")

realized

Examples

realized

Get the realized slot of a realized object

Description

realized takes a Forecast object and gets the realized vector of the forecast.

Usage

```
realized(Forecast)
```

Arguments

Forecast Forecast object.

Value

Vector of realized values stored in the Forecast object.

Examples

Not run:

realized(Forecast)

End(Not run)

realized, Forecast-method

Get the realized slot of a realized object

Description

realized takes a Forecast object and gets the realized vector of the forecast.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'Forecast'
realized(Forecast)
```

Arguments

Forecast Forecast object.

Value

Vector of realized values stored in the Forecast object.

Examples

Not run:

realized(Forecast)

End(Not run)

realized<-

Set realized slot of a Forecast object

Description

realized takes a Forecast object and sets the realized vector of the forecast.

Usage

```
realized(Forecast) <- value</pre>
```

Forecast	Forecast object.
value	Vector of values assigned to the realized slot of the Forecast.

Value

Forecast object that contains the new realized vector.

Examples

```
## Not run:
```

```
realized(Forecast) <- c("2015-03-01", "2015-03-02", "2015-03-03")</pre>
```

End(Not run)

Description

realized takes a Forecast object and sets the realized vector of the forecast.

Usage

```
## S4 replacement method for signature 'Forecast'
realized(Forecast) <- value</pre>
```

Arguments

Forecast	Forecast object.
value	Vector of values assigned to the realized slot of the Forecast.

Value

Forecast object that contains the new realized vector.

Examples

```
## Not run:
```

realized(Forecast) <- c("2015-03-01", "2015-03-02", "2015-03-03")

End(Not run)

rmse

Description

rmse takes a Forecast object and returns the RMSE of the forecast. RMSE is calculated as: sqrt(mse)

Usage

rmse(Forecast)

Arguments

Forecast Forecast object.

Value

RMSE value.

Examples

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(
    origin = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),
    future = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31")),
    forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),
    realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),
    h_ahead = 4L
)
rmse(my_forecast)</pre>
```

rmse,Forecast-method Calculate RMSE of a Forecast object

Description

rmse takes a Forecast object and returns the RMSE of the forecast. RMSE is calculated as: sqrt(mse)

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'Forecast'
rmse(Forecast)
```

Arguments

Forecast Forecast object.

Value

RMSE value.

Examples

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(
    origin = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),
    future = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31")),
    forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),
    realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),
    h_ahead = 4L
)
rmse(my_forecast)</pre>
```

show, Forecast-method Print Forecast object to console.

Description

show takes a Forecast object and prints it to console.

Usage

S4 method for signature 'Forecast'
show(object)

Arguments

object Forecast object.

Value

Printed Forecast object.

Examples

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(
    origin = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),
    future = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31")),
    forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),
    realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),
    h_ahead = 4L
)</pre>
```

print(my_forecast)

states_weighted_forc States weighted forecast

Description

states_weighted_forc takes two or more forecasts, a data frame, matrix, or array of matching variables, an optional vector of time data associated with the matching variables, a matching function, and an error function. For each forecast period, matching_vars are standardized and the current state of the world is set as the the past matching_window periods of the matching variables. The current state is compared to all past periods of the matching variables using the matching function. The current state is matched to the past state that minimizes the matching function. The forecast error function is then used to compute the accuracy of each forecast over the matched past state. Forecast weights are computed based on this forecast accuracy, and the current period forecast is subsequently computed based on the forecast weights. Produces a weighted average of multiple forecasts based on how each forecast performed during the past state that is most similar to the current state of the world.

Usage

```
states_weighted_forc(
    ...,
    matching_vars,
    time_vec = NULL,
    matching_window,
    matching = "euclidean",
    errors = "mse",
    return_weights = FALSE
)
```

	Two or more forecasts of class Forecast.	
matching_vars	data frame, array, or matrix of variables used to match the current state of the world to a past state.	
time_vec	Vector of any class that is equal in length to the data in matching_vars.	
matching_window		
	Integer representing the window size over which the current state of the world is matched to a past state. Forecasts are also weighted based on their accuracy over matching_window periods.	
matching	Character, "euclidean", "mse", or "rmse". Selects the function used to match the current state of the world to a past state.	

errors	Character, either "mse", "rmse", "mae", or "mape". Selects what forecast accu-
	racy function is used to evaluate forecast errors.
return_weights	Boolean, selects whether the weights used to weight forecasts in each period are returned. If TRUE, a data frame of weights and matched periods is returned to
	the Global Environment.

Details

Forecasts are weighted in each period with the function below. The error function used is MSE or RMSE depending on user selection. This example shows MSE errors.

weight = (1/MSE(forecast))/(1/sum(MSE(forecasts)))

Value

Forecast object that contains the state weighted forecast.

See Also

For a detailed example see the help vignette: vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")

```
date <- as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
                  "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31",
                  "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30"))
future <- as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31",
                     "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30", "2012-09-30", "2012-12-31",
                     "2013-03-31", "2013-06-30"))
y <- c(1.09, 1.71, 1.09, 2.46, 1.78, 1.35, 2.89, 2.11, 2.97, 0.99)
x1 <- c(4.22, 3.86, 4.27, 5.60, 5.11, 4.31, 4.92, 5.80, 6.30, 4.17)
x2 <- c(10.03, 10.49, 10.85, 10.47, 9.09, 10.91, 8.68, 9.91, 7.87, 6.63)
data <- data.frame(date, y, x1, x2)</pre>
matching_vars <- data[, c("x1", "x2")]</pre>
y1_forecast <- Forecast(</pre>
  origin = date,
  future = future,
  forecast = c(1.33, 1.36, 1.38, 1.68, 1.60, 1.55, 1.32, 1.22, 1.08, 0.88),
  realized = c(1.78, 1.35, 2.89, 2.11, 2.97, 0.99, 1.31, 1.41, 1.02, 1.05),
  h_{ahead} = 4L
)
y2_forecast <- Forecast(</pre>
  origin = date,
  future = future,
  forecast = c(0.70, 0.88, 1.03, 1.05, 1.01, 0.82, 0.95, 1.09, 1.07, 1.06),
  realized = c(1.78, 1.35, 2.89, 2.11, 2.97, 0.99, 1.31, 1.41, 1.02, 1.05),
  h_ahead = 4L
```

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```
)
states_weighted_forc(
  y1_forecast, y2_forecast,
  matching_vars = matching_vars,
  time_vec = data$date,
  matching_window = 2L,
  matching = "euclidean",
  errors = "mse",
  return_weights = FALSE
)
states_weighted_forc(
  y1_forecast, y2_forecast,
  matching_vars = matching_vars,
  time_vec = data$date,
  matching_window = 3L,
  matching = "rmse",
  errors = "rmse"
)
```

str, Forecast-method Display internal structure structure of Forecast object to the console.

Description

str takes a Forecast object and prints its internal structure to the console.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'Forecast'
str(object)
```

Arguments

object Forecast object.

Value

Structure of Forecast object.

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(
    origin = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),
    future = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31")),
    forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),
    realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),
    h_ahead = 4L</pre>
```

```
)
str(my_forecast)
```

subset_bytime Subset a list of Forecast objects by origin or future values.

Description

Function for subsetting all forecasts in a list of Forecast objects based on origin or future values.

Usage

```
subset_bytime(forcs, values, slot)
```

Arguments

forcs	List of Forecast objects.
values	Single time object or a vector of time objects. The class of the values must match the class of the origin and future values in the list of Forecast objects.
slot	Character representing whether the list of Forecasts will be subset by origin or future values. Must be either "origin" or "future".

Value

List of subsetted Forecast objects.

```
forc1_1h <- Forecast(</pre>
 origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-05-14", "2010-07-22", "2010-12-05", "2011-03-10")),
 future = as.Date(c("2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
  forecast = c(4.27, 3.36, 4.78, 5.45, 5.12),
  realized = c(4.96, 4.17, 4.26, 4.99, 5.38),
  h_ahead = 1
)
forc2_1h <- Forecast(</pre>
 origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-05-14", "2010-07-22", "2010-12-22", "2011-03-27")),
 future = as.Date(c("2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
  forecast = c(4.01, 3.89, 3.31, 4.33, 4.61),
  realized = c(4.96, 4.17, 4.26, 4.99, 5.38),
  h_{ahead} = 1
)
forcs <- list(forc1_1h, forc2_1h)</pre>
subset_bytime(forcs, values = as.Date("2010-05-14"), slot = "origin")
```

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```

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```
subset_bytime(
   forcs,
   values = as.Date(c("2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31")),
   slot = "future"
)
```

```
subset_forcs Subset a list of Forecast objects by index.
```

Description

General function for subsetting all forecasts in a list of Forecast objects.

Usage

```
subset_forcs(forcs, index)
```

Arguments

forcs	List of Forecast objects.
index	Numeric or logical value or vector.

Value

List of subsetted Forecast objects.

```
forc1_1h <- Forecast(</pre>
 origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-05-14", "2010-07-22", "2010-12-05", "2011-03-10")),
 future = as.Date(c("2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
  forecast = c(4.27, 3.36, 4.78, 5.45, 5.12),
  realized = c(4.96, 4.17, 4.26, 4.99, 5.38),
  h_ahead = 1
)
forc2_1h <- Forecast(</pre>
 origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-05-14", "2010-07-22", "2010-12-22", "2011-03-27")),
 future = as.Date(c("2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
  forecast = c(4.01, 3.89, 3.31, 4.33, 4.61),
  realized = c(4.96, 4.17, 4.26, 4.99, 5.38),
  h_{ahead} = 1
)
forcs <- list(forc1_1h, forc2_1h)</pre>
subset_forcs(forcs, 1:4)
```

subset_forcs(forcs, origin(forc1_1h) >= as.Date("2010-12-31"))

subset_identical Subset a list of Forecast objects to identical origin or future values.

Description

Function for subsetting all forecasts in a list of Forecast objects to overlapping origin or future values.

Usage

subset_identical(forcs, slot)

Arguments

forcs	List of Forecast objects.
slot	Character representing whether the list of Forecasts will be subset to identical
	origin or future values. Must be either "origin" or "future".

Value

List of subsetted Forecast objects with identical future or origin values.

```
forc1_1h <- Forecast(</pre>
 origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-05-14", "2010-07-22", "2010-12-05", "2011-03-10")),
 future = as.Date(c("2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
 forecast = c(4.27, 3.36, 4.78, 5.45, 5.12),
  realized = c(4.96, 4.17, 4.26, 4.99, 5.38),
  h_ahead = 1
)
forc2_1h <- Forecast(</pre>
 origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-05-14", "2010-07-22", "2010-12-22", "2011-03-27")),
 future = as.Date(c("2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
  forecast = c(4.01, 3.89, 3.31, 4.33, 4.61),
  realized = c(4.96, 4.17, 4.26, 4.99, 5.38),
  h_ahead = 1
)
forcs <- list(forc1_1h, forc2_1h)</pre>
subset_identical(forcs, slot = "origin")
```

Description

Given a list of forecasts with homogenous origin or future values, converts all forecasts in the list to h_ahead format.

Usage

transform_byh(forcs, h_aheads)

Arguments

forcs	List of Forecast objects.
h_aheads	Vector of h_ahead values that is equal in length to the number of Forecast objects in forcs.

Value

List of Forecast objects in h_ahead format.

```
# The following forecasts are in time format. Each forecast was made at a
# different time and represents a forecast for a number of h_ahead periods
# ahead.
forc1_t1 <- Forecast(</pre>
 origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-02-17", "2010-02-17")),
 future = as.Date(c("2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),
 forecast = c(4.27, 3.77, 3.52),
 realized = c(4.96, 4.17, 4.26),
 h_ahead = NA
)
forc1_t2 <- Forecast(</pre>
 origin = as.Date(c("2010-05-14", "2010-05-14", "2010-05-14")),
 future = as.Date(c("2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31")),
 forecast = c(3.36, 3.82, 4.22),
 realized = c(4.17, 4.26, 4.99),
 h_ahead = NA
)
forc1_t3 <- Forecast(</pre>
 origin = as.Date(c("2010-07-22", "2010-07-22", "2010-07-22")),
 future = as.Date(c("2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
 forecast = c(4.78, 4.53, 5.03),
```

```
realized = c(4.26, 4.99, 5.33),
h_ahead = NA
)
forc1_t4 <- Forecast(
    origin = as.Date(c("2010-12-22", "2010-12-22","2010-12-22")),
    future = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30")),
    forecast = c(5.45, 4.89, 5.78),
    realized = c(4.99, 5.33, 5.21),
    h_ahead = NA
)
forcs <- list(forc1_t1, forc1_t2, forc1_t3, forc1_t4)
transform_byh(forcs, h_aheads = c(1, 2, 3))
```

transform_bytime Convert a list of h_ahead format Forecast objects to a list of time format Forecast objects.

Description

Given a list of forecasts with different h_ahead values, converts all forecasts in the list to time format. Transforms a list of Forecast objects that have homogenous h_ahead values to a list of Forecast objects with homogenous origin or future values.

Usage

```
transform_bytime(forcs, slot = "future")
```

Arguments

forcs	List of Forecast objects.
slot	Character representing whether the list of Forecasts will be converted to a list of
	Forecasts with homogenous origin or future values. Must be either "origin" or
	"future".

Value

List of Forecast objects in time format.

Examples

The following forecasts are in h_ahead format. All forecasts come from the

same source (forc1) and have the same origin values. However, the forecasts

are for different periods ahead.

forc1_1h <- Forecast(</pre>

```
origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-05-14", "2010-07-22", "2010-12-22")),
future = as.Date(c("2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31")),
  forecast = c(4.27, 3.36, 4.78, 5.45),
  realized = c(4.96, 4.17, 4.26, 4.99),
  h_{ahead} = 1
)
forc1_2h <- Forecast(</pre>
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-05-14", "2010-07-22", "2010-12-22")),
  future = as.Date(c("2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
  forecast = c(3.77, 3.82, 4.53, 4.89),
  realized = c(4.17, 4.26, 4.99, 5.33),
  h_ahead = 2
)
forc1_3h <- Forecast(</pre>
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-05-14", "2010-07-22", "2010-12-22")),
  future = as.Date(c("2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30")),
  forecast = c(3.52, 4.22, 5.03, 5.78),
  realized = c(4.26, 4.99, 5.33, 5.21),
  h_ahead = 3
)
forcs <- list(forc1_1h, forc1_2h, forc1_3h)</pre>
transform_bytime(forcs, slot = "origin")
```

[,Forecast-method Subset Forecast object.

Description

[] takes a Forecast object and subsets it.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'Forecast'
x[i, j, ..., drop = TRUE]
```

х	ANY
i	ANY
j	ANY
	ANY
drop	ANY
Forecast	Forecast object.

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Value

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