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Description Methods for decomposing seasonal data: STR (a Seasonal-Trend time series decomposition procedure based on Regression) and Robust STR. In some ways, STR is similar to Ridge Regression and Robust STR can be related to LASSO. They allow for multiple seasonal components, multiple linear covariates with constant, flexible and seasonal influence. Seasonal patterns (for both seasonal components and seasonal covariates) can be fractional and flexible over time; moreover they can be either strictly periodic or have a more complex topology. The methods provide confidence intervals for the estimated components. The methods can also be used for forecasting.

```
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# Description

Automatically selects parameters for an STR decomposition of time series data. The time series should be of class ts or msts.

# Usage

```
AutoSTR(
  data,
  robust = FALSE,
  gapCV = NULL,
  lambdas = NULL,
  reltol = 0.001,
  confidence = NULL,
  nsKnots = NULL,
  trace = FALSE
)
```

# Arguments

data	A time series of class ts or msts.
robust	When TRUE, Robust STR decomposition is used. Default is FALSE.
gapCV	An optional parameter defining the length of the sequence of skipped values in the cross validation procedure.
lambdas	An optional parameter. A structure which replaces lambda parameters provided with predictors. It is used as either a starting point for the optimisation of parameters or as the exact model parameters.

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An optional parameter which is passed directly to optim() when optimising the parameters of the model.

Confidence A vector of percentiles giving the coverage of confidence intervals. It must be greater than 0 and less than 1. If NULL, no confidence intervals are produced.

An optional vector parameter, defining the number of seasonal knots (per period) for each sesonal component.

Trace When TRUE, tracing is turned on.

### Value

A structure containing input and output data. It is an **S3** class STR, which is a list with the following components:

- output contains decomposed data. It is a list of three components:
  - predictors a list of components where each component corresponds to the input predictor. Every such component is a list containing the following:
    - \* **data** fit/forecast for the corresponding predictor (trend, seasonal component, flexible or seasonal predictor).
    - \* **beta** beta coefficients of the fit of the coresponding predictor.
    - \* lower optional (if requested) matrix of lower bounds of confidence intervals.
    - \* **upper** optional (if requested) matrix of upper bounds of confidence intervals.
  - random a list with one component data, which contains residuals of the model fit.
  - forecast a list with two components:
    - \* data fit/forecast for the model.
    - \* beta beta coefficients of the fit.
    - \* lower optional (if requested) matrix of lower bounds of confidence intervals.
    - \* **upper** optional (if requested) matrix of upper bounds of confidence intervals.
- input input parameters and lambdas used for final calculations.
  - data input data.
  - **predictors** input predictors.
  - lambdas smoothing parameters used for final calculations (same as input lambdas for STR method).
- cvMSE optional cross validated (leave one out) Mean Squared Error.
- **optim.CV.MSE** best cross validated Mean Squared Error (n-fold) achieved during minimisation procedure.
- **nFold** the input nFold parameter.
- gapCV the input gapCV parameter.
- **method** always contains string "AutoSTR" for this function.

## Author(s)

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# References

Dokumentov, A., and Hyndman, R.J. (2022) STR: Seasonal-Trend decomposition using Regression, *INFORMS Journal on Data Science*, 1(1), 50-62. https://robjhyndman.com/publications/str/

### See Also

STR

## **Examples**

```
# Decomposition of a multiple seasonal time series
decomp <- AutoSTR(calls)
plot(decomp)

# Decomposition of a monthly time series
decomp <- AutoSTR(log(grocery))
plot(decomp)</pre>
```

calls

Number of phone calls dataset

# **Description**

Number of call arrivals per 5-minute interval handled on weekdays between 7:00 am and 9:05 pm from March 3, 2003 in a large North American commercial bank.

# Usage

calls

## **Format**

A numerical time series of class msts and ts.

# Source

Data file

# References

Forecasting time series with complex seasonal patterns using exponential smoothing A.M. De Livera, R.J. Hyndman & R.D. Snyder J American Statistical Association, 106(496), 1513-1527. https://robjhyndman.com/publications/complex-seasonality/

```
plot(calls, ylab = "Calls handled")
```

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components

Extract STR components

# **Description**

components extracts components as time series from the result of an STR decomposition.

### **Usage**

```
components(object)
```

# **Arguments**

object

Result of STR decomposition.

# Author(s)

Alexander Dokumentov

# See Also

```
STRmodel, RSTRmodel, STR, AutoSTR
```

# **Examples**

```
fit <- AutoSTR(log(grocery))
comp <- components(fit)
plot(comp)</pre>
```

electricity

Electricity consumption dataset

# **Description**

The data set provides information about electricity consumption in Victoria, Australia during the 115 days starting on 10th of January, 2000, and comprises the maximum electricity demand in Victoria during 30-minute periods (48 observations per day). For each 30-minute period, the dataset also provides the air temperature in Melbourne.

# Usage

```
electricity
```

# Format

An numerical matrix of class msts and ts.

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# **Details**

- Consumption column contains maximum electricity consumption during 30 minute periods
- Temperature column contains temperature in Melbourne during the corresponding 30 minute interval
- Time column contains number of 30 minute interval in the dataset
- DailySeasonality column contains positions of 30 minute interval inside days
- WeeklySeasonality column contains positions of 30 minute interval inside weeks
- WorkingDaySeasonality column contains positions of 30 minute intervals inside working day/holiday transition diagram

# **Examples**

```
plot(electricity[, 1:2],
   xlab = "Weeks",
   main = "Electricity demand and temperature in Melbourne, Australia"
)
```

grocery

Grocery and supermarkets turnover

# Description

Turnover of supermarkets and grocery stores in New South Wales, Australia.

# Usage

grocery

# Format

An object of class ts.

# References

Australian Bureau of Statistics, CAT 8501.0. (TABLE 11. Retail Turnover, State by Industry Subgroup, Original)

```
plot(grocery, ylab = "NSW Grocery, $ 10^6")
```

heuristicSTR

Automatic STR decomposition with heuristic search of the parameters

# **Description**

Automatically selects parameters (lambda coefficients) for an STR decomposition of time series data. Heuristic approach can give a better estimate compare to a standard optimisation methods used in STR.

If a parallel backend is registered for use before STR call, heuristicSTR will use it for n-fold cross validation computations.

# Usage

```
heuristicSTR(
  data,
  predictors,
  confidence = NULL,
  lambdas = NULL,
  pattern = extractPattern(predictors),
  nFold = 5,
  reltol = 0.005,
  gapCV = 1,
  solver = c("Matrix", "cholesky"),
  trace = FALSE,
  ratioGap = 1e+12,
  relCV = 0.01
)
```

# **Arguments**

data

Time series or a vector of length L.

predictors

List of predictors.

According to the paradigm of this implementation, the trend, the seasonal components, the flexible predictors and the seasonal predictors are all presented in the same form (as predictors) and must be described in this list.

Every predictor is a list of the following structures:

- data vector of length L (length of input data, see above). For trend or for a seasonal component it is a vector of ones. For a flexible or a seasonal predictor it is a vector of the predictor's data.
- times vector of length L of times of observations.
- seasons vector of length **L**. It is a vector of ones for a trend or a flexible predictor. It is vector assigning seasons to every observation (for a seasonal component or a seasonal predictor). Seasons can be fractional for observations in between seasons.

timeKnots – vector of times (time knots) where knots are positioned (for
a seasonal component or a seasonal predictor a few knots have the same
time; every knot is represented by time and season). Usually this vector
coincides with times vector described above, or timeKnots is a subset of
times vector.

• seasonalStructure – describes seasonal topology (which can have complex structure) and seasonal knots. The seasonal topology is described by a list of segments and seasonal knots, which are positioned inside the segments, on borders of the segments or, when they are on on borders, they can connect two or more segments.

seasonalStructure is a list of two elements:

- segments a list of vectors representing segments. Each vector must contain two ordered real values which represent left and right borders of a segment. Segments should not intersect (inside same predictor).
- sKnots a list of real values (vectors of length one) or vectors of lengths two or greater (seasonal knots) defining seasons of the knots (every knot is represented by time and season). All real values must belong (be inside or on border of) segments listed in segments. If a few values represent a single seasonal knot then all these values must be on borders of some segments (or a single segment). In this case they represent a seasonal knot which connects a few segments (or both sides of one segment).
- **lambdas** a vector with three values representing lambda (smoothing) parameters (time-time, season-season, time-season flexibility parameters) for this predictor.

confidence

A vector of percentiles giving the coverage of confidence intervals. It must be greater than 0 and less than 1. If NULL, no confidence intervals are produced.

lambdas

An optional parameter. A structure which replaces lambda parameters provided with predictors. It is used as either a starting point for the optimisation of parameters or as the exact model parameters.

pattern

An optional parameter which has the same structure as lambdas although with a different meaning. All zero values correspond to lambda (smoothing) parameters which will not be estimated.

nFold

An optional parameter setting the number of folds for cross validation.

reltol

An optional parameter which is passed directly to optim() when optimising the parameters of the model.

gapCV

An optional parameter defining the length of the sequence of skipped values in the cross validation procedure.

solver

A vector with two string values. The only supported combinations are: c("Matrix", "cholesky") (default), and c("Matrix", "qr"). The parameter is used to specify a particular library and method to solve the minimisation problem during STR decompositon.

trace

When TRUE, tracing is turned on.

ratioGap

Ratio to define hyperparameter bounds for one-dimensional search.

relCV

Minimum improvement required after all predictors tried. It is used to exit heuristic serach of lambda parameters.

#### Value

A structure containing input and output data. It is an **S3** class STR, which is a list with the following components:

- output contains decomposed data. It is a list of three components:
  - predictors a list of components where each component corresponds to the input predictor. Every such component is a list containing the following:
    - \* **data** fit/forecast for the corresponding predictor (trend, seasonal component, flexible or seasonal predictor).
    - \* **beta** beta coefficients of the fit of the coresponding predictor.
    - \* lower optional (if requested) matrix of lower bounds of confidence intervals.
    - \* **upper** optional (if requested) matrix of upper bounds of confidence intervals.
  - random a list with one component data, which contains residuals of the model fit.
  - forecast a list with two components:
    - \* data fit/forecast for the model.
    - \* **beta** beta coefficients of the fit.
    - \* lower optional (if requested) matrix of lower bounds of confidence intervals.
    - \* upper optional (if requested) matrix of upper bounds of confidence intervals.
- input input parameters and lambdas used for final calculations.
  - data input data.
  - **predictors** input predictors.
  - lambdas smoothing parameters used for final calculations (same as input lambdas for STR method).
- cvMSE optional cross validated (leave one out) Mean Squared Error.
- **optim.CV.MSE** or **optim.CV.MAE** best cross validated Mean Squared Error or Mean Absolute Error (n-fold) achieved during minimisation procedure.
- **nFold** the input nFold parameter.
- gapCV the input gapCV parameter.
- method contains strings "STR" or "RSTR" depending on used method.

## Author(s)

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# References

Dokumentov, A., and Hyndman, R.J. (2022) STR: Seasonal-Trend decomposition using Regression, *INFORMS Journal on Data Science*, 1(1), 50-62. https://robjhyndman.com/publications/str/

# See Also

### STR STRmodel AutoSTR

```
TrendSeasonalStructure <- list(</pre>
  segments = list(c(0, 1)),
  sKnots = list(c(1, 0))
)
WDSeasonalStructure <- list(</pre>
  segments = list(c(0, 48), c(100, 148)),
  sKnots = c(as.list(c(1:47, 101:147)), list(c(0, 48, 100, 148)))
TrendSeasons <- rep(1, nrow(electricity))</pre>
WDSeasons <- as.vector(electricity[, "WorkingDaySeasonality"])</pre>
Data <- as.vector(electricity[, "Consumption"])</pre>
Times <- as.vector(electricity[, "Time"])</pre>
TempM <- as.vector(electricity[, "Temperature"])</pre>
TempM2 <- TempM^2</pre>
TrendTimeKnots <- seq(from = head(Times, 1), to = tail(Times, 1), length.out = 116)</pre>
SeasonTimeKnots <- seq(from = head(Times, 1), to = tail(Times, 1), length.out = 24)
TrendData <- rep(1, length(Times))</pre>
SeasonData <- rep(1, length(Times))</pre>
Trend <- list(</pre>
  name = "Trend",
  data = TrendData,
  times = Times,
  seasons = TrendSeasons,
  timeKnots = TrendTimeKnots,
  seasonalStructure = TrendSeasonalStructure,
  lambdas = c(1500, 0, 0)
)
WDSeason <- list(</pre>
  name = "Dayly seas",
  data = SeasonData,
  times = Times,
  seasons = WDSeasons,
  timeKnots = SeasonTimeKnots,
  seasonalStructure = WDSeasonalStructure,
  lambdas = c(0.003, 0, 240)
StaticTempM <- list(</pre>
  name = "Temp Mel",
  data = TempM,
  times = Times,
  seasons = NULL,
  timeKnots = NULL,
```

```
seasonalStructure = NULL,
  lambdas = c(0, 0, 0)
StaticTempM2 <- list(</pre>
  name = "Temp Mel^2",
  data = TempM2,
  times = Times,
  seasons = NULL,
  timeKnots = NULL,
  seasonalStructure = NULL,
  lambdas = c(0, 0, 0)
Predictors <- list(Trend, WDSeason, StaticTempM, StaticTempM2)</pre>
elec.fit <- heuristicSTR(</pre>
  data = Data,
  predictors = Predictors,
  gapCV = 48 * 7
)
plot(elec.fit,
  xTime = as.Date("2000-01-11") + ((Times - 1) / 48 - 10),
  forecastPanels = NULL
)
TrendSeasonalStructure <- list(</pre>
  segments = list(c(0, 1)),
  sKnots = list(c(1, 0))
)
DailySeasonalStructure <- list(</pre>
  segments = list(c(0, 48)),
  sKnots = c(as.list(1:47), list(c(48, 0)))
WeeklySeasonalStructure <- list(</pre>
  segments = list(c(0, 336)),
  sKnots = c(as.list(seq(4, 332, 4)), list(c(336, 0)))
WDSeasonalStructure <- list(</pre>
  segments = list(c(0, 48), c(100, 148)),
  sKnots = c(as.list(c(1:47, 101:147)), list(c(0, 48, 100, 148)))
)
TrendSeasons <- rep(1, nrow(electricity))</pre>
DailySeasons <- as.vector(electricity[, "DailySeasonality"])</pre>
WeeklySeasons <- as.vector(electricity[, "WeeklySeasonality"])</pre>
WDSeasons <- as.vector(electricity[, "WorkingDaySeasonality"])</pre>
Data <- as.vector(electricity[, "Consumption"])</pre>
Times <- as.vector(electricity[, "Time"])</pre>
TempM <- as.vector(electricity[, "Temperature"])</pre>
TempM2 <- TempM^2
```

```
TrendTimeKnots <- seq(from = head(Times, 1), to = tail(Times, 1), length.out = 116)</pre>
SeasonTimeKnots <- seq(from = head(Times, 1), to = tail(Times, 1), length.out = 24)
SeasonTimeKnots2 <- seq(from = head(Times, 1), to = tail(Times, 1), length.out = 12)
TrendData <- rep(1, length(Times))</pre>
SeasonData <- rep(1, length(Times))</pre>
Trend <- list(</pre>
 name = "Trend",
 data = TrendData,
 times = Times,
 seasons = TrendSeasons,
 timeKnots = TrendTimeKnots,
 seasonalStructure = TrendSeasonalStructure,
 lambdas = c(1500, 0, 0)
)
WSeason <- list(
 name = "Weekly seas",
 data = SeasonData,
 times = Times,
 seasons = WeeklySeasons,
 timeKnots = SeasonTimeKnots2,
 seasonalStructure = WeeklySeasonalStructure,
 lambdas = c(0.8, 0.6, 100)
WDSeason <- list(</pre>
 name = "Dayly seas",
 data = SeasonData,
 times = Times,
 seasons = WDSeasons,
 timeKnots = SeasonTimeKnots,
 seasonalStructure = WDSeasonalStructure,
 lambdas = c(0.003, 0, 240)
TrendTempM <- list(</pre>
 name = "Trend temp Mel",
 data = TempM,
 times = Times,
 seasons = TrendSeasons,
 timeKnots = TrendTimeKnots,
 seasonalStructure = TrendSeasonalStructure,
 lambdas = c(1e7, 0, 0)
)
TrendTempM2 <- list(</pre>
 name = "Trend temp Mel^2",
 data = TempM2,
 times = Times,
 seasons = TrendSeasons,
 timeKnots = TrendTimeKnots,
 seasonalStructure = TrendSeasonalStructure,
 lambdas = c(0.01, 0, 0)
) # Starting parameter is too far from the optimal value
```

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```
Predictors <- list(Trend, WSeason, WDSeason, TrendTempM, TrendTempM2)
elec.fit <- heuristicSTR(
   data = Data,
   predictors = Predictors,
   gapCV = 48 * 7
)

plot(elec.fit,
   xTime = as.Date("2000-01-11") + ((Times - 1) / 48 - 10),
   forecastPanels = NULL
)

plotBeta(elec.fit, predictorN = 4)
plotBeta(elec.fit, predictorN = 5)</pre>
```

plot.STR

Plots the results of decomposition

# **Description**

plot. STR plots results of STR decomposition.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'STR'
plot(
  х,
 xTime = NULL,
  dataPanels = 1,
  predictorPanels = as.list(seq_along(x$output$predictors)),
  randomPanels = length(x$output$predictors) + 1,
  forecastPanels = length(x$output$predictors) + 2,
  dataColor = "black",
  predictorColors = rep("red", length(x$output$predictors)),
  randomColor = "red",
  forecastColor = "blue",
  vLines = NULL,
  xlab = "Time",
 main = ifelse(x$method %in% c("STR", "STRmodel"), "STR decomposition",
    "Robust STR decomposition"),
  showLegend = TRUE,
)
```

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### **Arguments**

x Result of STR decomposition.

xTime Times for data to plot.

dataPanels Vector of panel numbers in which to plot the original data. Set to NULL to not

show data.

predictorPanels

A list of vectors of numbers where every such vector describes which panels

should be used for plotting the corresponding predictor.

randomPanels Vector of panel numbers in which to plot the residuals. Set to NULL to not show

residuals.

forecastPanels Vector of panel numbers in which to plot the fit/forecast. Set to NULL to not show

forecasts.

dataColor Color to plot data.

predictorColors

Vector of colors to plot components corresponding to the predictors.

randomColor Color to plot the residuals.

forecastColor Color to plot the fit/forecast.

vLines Vector of times where vertical lines will be plotted.

xlab Label for horizontal axis.
main Main heading for plot.

showLegend When TRUE (default) legend is shown at top of plot.

... Other parameters to be passed directly to plot and lines functions in the imple-

mentation.

## Author(s)

Alexander Dokumentov

# See Also

```
STRmodel, RSTRmodel, STR, AutoSTR
```

```
fit <- AutoSTR(log(grocery))
plot(fit, forecastPanels = 0, randomColor = "DarkGreen", vLines = 2000:2010, lwd = 2)</pre>
```

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plotBeta	Plots the varying beta coefficients of decomposition

# Description

plotBeta plots the varying beta coefficients of STR decomposition. It plots coefficients only only for independent seasons (one less season than defined).

# Usage

```
plotBeta(
    x,
    xTime = NULL,
    predictorN = 1,
    dim = c(1, 2, 3),
    type = "o",
    pch = 20,
    palette = function(n) rainbow(n, start = 0, end = 0.7)
)
```

# Arguments

X	Result of STR decomposition.
xTime	Times for data to plot.
predictorN	Predictor number in the decomposition to plot the corresponding beta coefficiets.
dim	Dimensions to use to plot the beta coefficients. When 1, the standard charts are used. When 2, graphics:::filled.contour function is used. When 3, rgl:::persp3d is used. The default value is 1.
type	Type of the graph for one dimensional plots.
pch	Symbol code to plot points in 1-dimensional charts. Default value is 20.
palette	Color palette for 2 - and 3 - dimentional plots.

# Author(s)

Alexander Dokumentov

# See Also

```
plot.STR
```

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```
fit <- AutoSTR(log(grocery))</pre>
for (i in 1:2) plotBeta(fit, predictorN = i, dim = 2)
TrendSeasonalStructure <- list(</pre>
  segments = list(c(0, 1)),
  sKnots = list(c(1, 0))
)
DailySeasonalStructure <- list(</pre>
  segments = list(c(0, 48)),
  sKnots = c(as.list(1:47), list(c(48, 0)))
WeeklySeasonalStructure <- list(</pre>
  segments = list(c(0, 336)),
  sKnots = c(as.list(seq(4, 332, 4)), list(c(336, 0)))
WDSeasonalStructure <- list(</pre>
  segments = list(c(0, 48), c(100, 148)),
  sKnots = c(as.list(c(1:47, 101:147)), list(c(0, 48, 100, 148)))
)
TrendSeasons <- rep(1, nrow(electricity))</pre>
DailySeasons <- as.vector(electricity[, "DailySeasonality"])</pre>
WeeklySeasons <- as.vector(electricity[, "WeeklySeasonality"])</pre>
WDSeasons <- as.vector(electricity[, "WorkingDaySeasonality"])</pre>
Data <- as.vector(electricity[, "Consumption"])</pre>
Times <- as.vector(electricity[, "Time"])</pre>
TempM <- as.vector(electricity[, "Temperature"])</pre>
TempM2 < - TempM^2
TrendTimeKnots <- seq(from = head(Times, 1), to = tail(Times, 1), length.out = 116)</pre>
SeasonTimeKnots \leftarrow seq(from = head(Times, 1), to = tail(Times, 1), length.out = 24)
SeasonTimeKnots2 \leftarrow seq(from = head(Times, 1), to = tail(Times, 1), length.out = 12)
TrendData <- rep(1, length(Times))</pre>
SeasonData <- rep(1, length(Times))</pre>
Trend <- list(</pre>
  name = "Trend",
  data = TrendData,
  times = Times,
  seasons = TrendSeasons,
  timeKnots = TrendTimeKnots,
  seasonalStructure = TrendSeasonalStructure,
  lambdas = c(1500, 0, 0)
WSeason <- list(
  name = "Weekly seas",
  data = SeasonData,
```

```
times = Times,
  seasons = WeeklySeasons,
  timeKnots = SeasonTimeKnots2,
  seasonalStructure = WeeklySeasonalStructure,
  lambdas = c(0.8, 0.6, 100)
)
WDSeason <- list(
  name = "Dayly seas",
  data = SeasonData,
  times = Times,
  seasons = WDSeasons,
  timeKnots = SeasonTimeKnots,
  seasonalStructure = WDSeasonalStructure,
  lambdas = c(0.003, 0, 240)
)
TrendTempM <- list(</pre>
  name = "Trend temp Mel",
  data = TempM,
  times = Times,
  seasons = TrendSeasons,
  timeKnots = TrendTimeKnots,
  seasonalStructure = TrendSeasonalStructure,
  lambdas = c(1e7, 0, 0)
TrendTempM2 <- list(</pre>
  name = "Trend temp Mel^2",
  data = TempM2,
  times = Times,
  seasons = TrendSeasons,
  timeKnots = TrendTimeKnots,
  seasonalStructure = TrendSeasonalStructure,
  lambdas = c(0.01, 0, 0)
) # Starting parameter is too far from the optimal value
Predictors <- list(Trend, WSeason, WDSeason, TrendTempM, TrendTempM2)</pre>
elec.fit <- STR(
  data = Data,
  predictors = Predictors,
  gapCV = 48 * 7
plot(elec.fit,
  xTime = as.Date("2000-01-11") + ((Times - 1) / 48 - 10),
  forecastPanels = NULL
)
plotBeta(elec.fit, predictorN = 4)
plotBeta(elec.fit, predictorN = 5) # Beta coefficients are too "wiggly"
```

# **Description**

Robust Seasonal-Trend decomposition of time series data using Regression (robust version of STRmodel).

## Usage

```
RSTRmodel(
  data,
  predictors = NULL,
  strDesign = NULL,
  lambdas = NULL,
  confidence = NULL,
  nMCIter = 100,
  control = list(nnzlmax = 1e+06, nsubmax = 3e+05, tmpmax = 50000),
  reportDimensionsOnly = FALSE,
  trace = FALSE
)
```

# **Arguments**

data

Time series or a vector of length L.

predictors

List of predictors.

According to the paradigm of this implementation, the trend, the seasonal components, the flexible predictors and the seasonal predictors are all presented in the same form (as predictors) and must be described in this list.

Every predictor is a list of the following structures:

- data vector of length L (length of input data, see above). For trend or for a seasonal component it is a vector of ones. For a flexible or a seasonal predictor it is a vector of the predictor's data.
- times vector of length **L** of times of observations.
- seasons vector of length **L**. It is a vector of ones for a trend or a flexible predictor. It is vector assigning seasons to every observation (for a seasonal component or a seasonal predictor). Seasons can be fractional for observations in between seasons.
- **timeKnots** vector of times (time knots) where knots are positioned (for a seasonal component or a seasonal predictor a few knots have the same time; every knot is represented by time and season). Usually this vector coincides with **times** vector described above, or **timeKnots** is a subset of **times** vector.
- seasonalStructure describes seasonal topology (which can have complex structure) and seasonal knots. The seasonal topology is described by a list of segments and seasonal knots, which are positioned inside the segments, on borders of the segments or, when they are on on borders, they can connect two or more segments.

seasonalStructure is a list of two elements:

 segments – a list of vectors representing segments. Each vector must contain two ordered real values which represent left and right borders of a segment. Segments should not intersect (inside same predictor).

- sKnots a list of real values (vectors of length one) or vectors of lengths two or greater (seasonal knots) defining seasons of the knots (every knot is represented by time and season). All real values must belong (be inside or on border of) segments listed in segments. If a few values represent a single seasonal knot then all these values must be on borders of some segments (or a single segment). In this case they represent a seasonal knot which connects a few segments (or both sides of one segment).
- **lambdas** a vector with three values representing lambda (smoothing) parameters (time-time, season-season, time-season flexibility parameters) for this predictor.

strDesign An optional parameter used to create the design matrix. It is used internally in

the library to improve performance when the design matrix does not require full

recalculation.

lambdas An optional parameter. A structure which replaces lambda parameters provided

with predictors. It is used as either a starting point for the optimisation of pa-

rameters or as the exact model parameters.

confidence A vector of percentiles giving the coverage of confidence intervals. It must be

greater than 0 and less than 1. If NULL, no confidence intervals are produced.

nMCIter Number of Monte Carlo iterations used to estimate confidence intervals for Ro-

bust STR decomposition.

control Passed directly to rq.fit.sfn() during Robust STR decomposition.

reportDimensionsOnly

A boolean parameter. When TRUE the method constructs the design matrix and reports its dimensions without proceeding further. It is mostly used for

debugging.

trace When TRUE, tracing is turned on.

### Value

A structure containing input and output data. It is an S3 class STR, which is a list with the following components:

- output contains decomposed data. It is a list of three components:
  - predictors a list of components where each component corresponds to the input predictor. Every such component is a list containing the following:
    - \* **data** fit/forecast for the corresponding predictor (trend, seasonal component, flexible or seasonal predictor).
    - \* **beta** beta coefficients of the fit of the coresponding predictor.
    - \* lower optional (if requested) matrix of lower bounds of confidence intervals.
    - \* **upper** optional (if requested) matrix of upper bounds of confidence intervals.
  - random a list with one component data, which contains residuals of the model fit.
  - **− forecast** − a list with two components:

- \* data fit/forecast for the model.
- \* **beta** beta coefficients of the fit.
- \* lower optional (if requested) matrix of lower bounds of confidence intervals.
- \* upper optional (if requested) matrix of upper bounds of confidence intervals.
- input input parameters and lambdas used for final calculations.
  - data input data.
  - **predictors** input predictors.
  - lambdas smoothing parameters used for final calculations (same as input lambdas for STR method).
- method always contains string "RSTRmodel" for this function.

# Author(s)

Alexander Dokumentov

### References

Dokumentov, A., and Hyndman, R.J. (2022) STR: Seasonal-Trend decomposition using Regression, *INFORMS Journal on Data Science*, 1(1), 50-62. https://robjhyndman.com/publications/str/

### See Also

STRmodel STR

```
n <- 70
trendSeasonalStructure <- list(segments = list(c(0, 1)), sKnots = list(c(1, 0)))
ns <- 5
seasonalStructure <- list(</pre>
  segments = list(c(0, ns)),
  sKnots = c(as.list(1:(ns - 1)), list(c(ns, 0)))
seasons <- (0:(n-1)) %% ns + 1
trendSeasons <- rep(1, length(seasons))</pre>
times <- seq_along(seasons)</pre>
data <- seasons + times / 4
set.seed(1234567890)
data <- data + rnorm(length(data), 0, 0.2)</pre>
data[20] <- data[20] + 3
data[50] <- data[50] - 5
plot(times, data, type = "l")
timeKnots <- times</pre>
trendData <- rep(1, n)</pre>
seasonData <- rep(1, n)</pre>
trend <- list(</pre>
  data = trendData, times = times, seasons = trendSeasons,
  timeKnots = timeKnots, seasonalStructure = trendSeasonalStructure, lambdas = c(1, 0, 0)
)
```

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```
season <- list(
  data = seasonData, times = times, seasons = seasons,
  timeKnots = timeKnots, seasonalStructure = seasonalStructure, lambdas = c(1, 0, 1)
)
predictors <- list(trend, season)
rstr <- RSTRmodel(data, predictors, confidence = 0.8)
plot(rstr)</pre>
```

seasadj.STR

Seasonal adjustment based on STR

# **Description**

seasadj.STR extracts seasonally adjusted data by removing the seasonal components from the result of STR decomposition.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'STR'
seasadj(object, include = c("Trend", "Random"), ...)
```

# **Arguments**

object Result of STR decomposition.

include Vector of component names to include in the result. The default is c("Trend",

"Random").

. . . Other arguments not currently used.

# Author(s)

Alexander Dokumentov

# See Also

```
STRmodel, RSTRmodel, STR, AutoSTR
```

```
fit <- AutoSTR(log(grocery))
plot(seasadj(fit))</pre>
```

Automatic STR decomposition

STR

# Description

Automatically selects parameters for an STR decomposition of time series data.

If a parallel backend is registered for use before STR call, STR will use it for n-fold cross validation computations.

# Usage

```
STR(
  data,
 predictors,
  confidence = NULL,
  robust = FALSE,
  lambdas = NULL,
  pattern = extractPattern(predictors),
  nFold = 5.
  reltol = 0.005,
  gapCV = 1,
  solver = c("Matrix", "cholesky"),
  nMCIter = 100,
  control = list(nnzlmax = 1e+06, nsubmax = 3e+05, tmpmax = 50000),
  trace = FALSE,
  iterControl = list(maxiter = 20, tol = 1e-06)
)
```

# **Arguments**

data

Time series or a vector of length L.

predictors

List of predictors.

According to the paradigm of this implementation, the trend, the seasonal components, the flexible predictors and the seasonal predictors are all presented in the same form (as predictors) and must be described in this list.

Every predictor is a list of the following structures:

- data vector of length L (length of input data, see above). For trend or for a seasonal component it is a vector of ones. For a flexible or a seasonal predictor it is a vector of the predictor's data.
- times vector of length L of times of observations.
- seasons vector of length L. It is a vector of ones for a trend or a flexible
  predictor. It is vector assigning seasons to every observation (for a seasonal
  component or a seasonal predictor). Seasons can be fractional for observations in between seasons.

- timeKnots vector of times (time knots) where knots are positioned (for
  a seasonal component or a seasonal predictor a few knots have the same
  time; every knot is represented by time and season). Usually this vector
  coincides with times vector described above, or timeKnots is a subset of
  times vector.
- seasonalStructure describes seasonal topology (which can have complex structure) and seasonal knots. The seasonal topology is described by a list of segments and seasonal knots, which are positioned inside the segments, on borders of the segments or, when they are on on borders, they can connect two or more segments.

seasonalStructure is a list of two elements:

- segments a list of vectors representing segments. Each vector must contain two ordered real values which represent left and right borders of a segment. Segments should not intersect (inside same predictor).
- sKnots a list of real values (vectors of length one) or vectors of lengths two or greater (seasonal knots) defining seasons of the knots (every knot is represented by time and season). All real values must belong (be inside or on border of) segments listed in segments. If a few values represent a single seasonal knot then all these values must be on borders of some segments (or a single segment). In this case they represent a seasonal knot which connects a few segments (or both sides of one segment).
- **lambdas** a vector with three values representing lambda (smoothing) parameters (time-time, season-season, time-season flexibility parameters) for this predictor.

confidence

A vector of percentiles giving the coverage of confidence intervals. It must be greater than 0 and less than 1. If NULL, no confidence intervals are produced.

robust

When TRUE, Robust STR decomposition is used. Default is FALSE.

lambdas

An optional parameter. A structure which replaces lambda parameters provided with predictors. It is used as either a starting point for the optimisation of parameters or as the exact model parameters.

pattern

An optional parameter which has the same structure as lambdas although with a different meaning. All zero values correspond to lambda (smoothing) parameters which will not be estimated.

nFold

An optional parameter setting the number of folds for cross validation.

reltol

An optional parameter which is passed directly to optim() when optimising the parameters of the model.

gapCV

An optional parameter defining the length of the sequence of skipped values in the cross validation procedure.

solver

A vector with two string values. The only supported combinations are: c("Matrix", "cholesky") (default), and c("Matrix", "qr"). The parameter is used to specify a particular library and method to solve the minimisation problem during STR decompositon.

nMCIter

Number of Monte Carlo iterations used to estimate confidence intervals for Robust STR decomposition.

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control Passed directly to rq.fit.sfn() during Robust STR decomposition.

trace When TRUE, tracing is turned on.

iterControl Control parameters for some experimental features. This should not be used by

an ordinary user.

#### Value

A structure containing input and output data. It is an S3 class STR, which is a list with the following components:

- output contains decomposed data. It is a list of three components:
  - predictors a list of components where each component corresponds to the input predictor. Every such component is a list containing the following:
    - \* **data** fit/forecast for the corresponding predictor (trend, seasonal component, flexible or seasonal predictor).
    - \* **beta** beta coefficients of the fit of the coresponding predictor.
    - \* lower optional (if requested) matrix of lower bounds of confidence intervals.
    - \* **upper** optional (if requested) matrix of upper bounds of confidence intervals.
  - random a list with one component data, which contains residuals of the model fit.
  - **forecast** a list with two components:
    - \* data fit/forecast for the model.
    - \* beta beta coefficients of the fit.
    - \* lower optional (if requested) matrix of lower bounds of confidence intervals.
    - \* **upper** optional (if requested) matrix of upper bounds of confidence intervals.
- input input parameters and lambdas used for final calculations.
  - data input data.
  - predictors input predictors.
  - lambdas smoothing parameters used for final calculations (same as input lambdas for STR method).
- cvMSE optional cross validated (leave one out) Mean Squared Error.
- **optim.CV.MSE** or **optim.CV.MAE** best cross validated Mean Squared Error or Mean Absolute Error (n-fold) achieved during minimisation procedure.
- **nFold** the input nFold parameter.
- **gapCV** the input gapCV parameter.
- method contains strings "STR" or "RSTR" depending on used method.

# Author(s)

Alexander Dokumentov

## References

Dokumentov, A., and Hyndman, R.J. (2022) STR: Seasonal-Trend decomposition using Regression, *INFORMS Journal on Data Science*, 1(1), 50-62. https://robjhyndman.com/publications/str/

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# See Also

### STRmodel RSTRmodel AutoSTR

```
TrendSeasonalStructure <- list(</pre>
  segments = list(c(0, 1)),
  sKnots = list(c(1, 0))
)
WDSeasonalStructure <- list(</pre>
  segments = list(c(0, 48), c(100, 148)),
  sKnots = c(as.list(c(1:47, 101:147)), list(c(0, 48, 100, 148)))
TrendSeasons <- rep(1, nrow(electricity))</pre>
WDSeasons <- as.vector(electricity[, "WorkingDaySeasonality"])</pre>
Data <- as.vector(electricity[, "Consumption"])</pre>
Times <- as.vector(electricity[, "Time"])</pre>
TempM <- as.vector(electricity[, "Temperature"])</pre>
TempM2 <- TempM^2
TrendTimeKnots <- seq(from = head(Times, 1), to = tail(Times, 1), length.out = 116)</pre>
SeasonTimeKnots <- seq(from = head(Times, 1), to = tail(Times, 1), length.out = 24)
TrendData <- rep(1, length(Times))</pre>
SeasonData <- rep(1, length(Times))</pre>
Trend <- list(</pre>
  name = "Trend",
  data = TrendData,
  times = Times,
  seasons = TrendSeasons,
  timeKnots = TrendTimeKnots,
  seasonalStructure = TrendSeasonalStructure,
  lambdas = c(1500, 0, 0)
)
WDSeason <- list(</pre>
  name = "Dayly seas",
  data = SeasonData,
  times = Times,
  seasons = WDSeasons,
  timeKnots = SeasonTimeKnots,
  seasonalStructure = WDSeasonalStructure,
  lambdas = c(0.003, 0, 240)
StaticTempM <- list(</pre>
  name = "Temp Mel",
  data = TempM,
  times = Times,
  seasons = NULL,
  timeKnots = NULL,
```

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```
seasonalStructure = NULL,
  lambdas = c(0, 0, 0)
StaticTempM2 <- list(</pre>
  name = "Temp Mel^2",
  data = TempM2,
  times = Times,
  seasons = NULL,
  timeKnots = NULL,
  seasonalStructure = NULL,
  lambdas = c(0, 0, 0)
Predictors <- list(Trend, WDSeason, StaticTempM, StaticTempM2)</pre>
elec.fit <- STR(
  data = Data,
  predictors = Predictors,
  gapCV = 48 * 7
)
plot(elec.fit,
  xTime = as.Date("2000-01-11") + ((Times - 1) / 48 - 10),
  forecastPanels = NULL
)
trendSeasonalStructure \leftarrow list(segments = list(c(0, 1)), sKnots = list(c(1, 0)))
ns <- 5
seasonalStructure <- list(</pre>
  segments = list(c(0, ns)),
  sKnots = c(as.list(1:(ns - 1)), list(c(ns, 0)))
seasons <- (0:(n-1)) %% ns + 1
trendSeasons <- rep(1, length(seasons))</pre>
times <- seq_along(seasons)</pre>
data <- seasons + times / 4
set.seed(1234567890)
data <- data + rnorm(length(data), 0, 0.2)</pre>
data[20] <- data[20] + 3</pre>
data[50] \leftarrow data[50] - 5
plot(times, data, type = "l")
timeKnots <- times</pre>
trendData <- rep(1, n)</pre>
seasonData <- rep(1, n)</pre>
trend <- list(</pre>
  data = trendData, times = times, seasons = trendSeasons,
  {\tt timeKnots = timeKnots, seasonalStructure = trendSeasonalStructure, lambdas = c(1, 0, 0)}
)
season <- list(</pre>
  data = seasonData, times = times, seasons = seasons,
  timeKnots = timeKnots, seasonalStructure = seasonalStructure, lambdas = c(1, 0, 1)
```

```
predictors <- list(trend, season)
rstr <- STR(data, predictors,
  reltol = 0.0000001, gapCV = 10,
  confidence = 0.95, nMCIter = 400, robust = TRUE
)
plot(rstr)</pre>
```

**STRmodel** 

STR decomposition

# **Description**

Seasonal-Trend decomposition of time series data using Regression.

# Usage

```
STRmodel(
  data,
  predictors = NULL,
  strDesign = NULL,
  lambdas = NULL,
  confidence = NULL,
  solver = c("Matrix", "cholesky"),
  reportDimensionsOnly = FALSE,
  trace = FALSE
)
```

# **Arguments**

data

Time series or a vector of length L.

predictors

List of predictors.

According to the paradigm of this implementation, the trend, the seasonal components, the flexible predictors and the seasonal predictors are all presented in the same form (as predictors) and must be described in this list.

Every predictor is a list of the following structures:

- data vector of length L (length of input data, see above). For trend or for a seasonal component it is a vector of ones. For a flexible or a seasonal predictor it is a vector of the predictor's data.
- times vector of length L of times of observations.
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timeKnots – vector of times (time knots) where knots are positioned (for
a seasonal component or a seasonal predictor a few knots have the same
time; every knot is represented by time and season). Usually this vector
coincides with times vector described above, or timeKnots is a subset of
times vector.

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- **lambdas** a vector with three values representing lambda (smoothing) parameters (time-time, season-season, time-season flexibility parameters) for this predictor.

strDesign

An optional parameter used to create the design matrix. It is used internally in the library to improve performance when the design matrix does not require full recalculation.

lambdas

An optional parameter. A structure which replaces lambda parameters provided with predictors. It is used as either a starting point for the optimisation of parameters or as the exact model parameters.

confidence

A vector of percentiles giving the coverage of confidence intervals. It must be greater than 0 and less than 1. If NULL, no confidence intervals are produced.

solver

A vector with two string values. The only supported combinations are: c("Matrix", "cholesky") (default), and c("Matrix", "qr"). The parameter is used to specify a particular library and method to solve the minimisation problem during STR decompositon.

#### reportDimensionsOnly

A boolean parameter. When TRUE the method constructs the design matrix and reports its dimensions without proceeding further. It is mostly used for debugging.

trace

When TRUE, tracing is turned on.

### Value

A structure containing input and output data. It is an **S3** class STR, which is a list with the following components:

- output contains decomposed data. It is a list of three components:
  - predictors a list of components where each component corresponds to the input predictor. Every such component is a list containing the following:
    - \* **data** fit/forecast for the corresponding predictor (trend, seasonal component, flexible or seasonal predictor).
    - \* **beta** beta coefficients of the fit of the coresponding predictor.
    - \* lower optional (if requested) matrix of lower bounds of confidence intervals.
    - \* **upper** optional (if requested) matrix of upper bounds of confidence intervals.
  - random a list with one component data, which contains residuals of the model fit.
  - forecast a list with two components:
    - \* data fit/forecast for the model.
    - \* **beta** beta coefficients of the fit.
    - \* lower optional (if requested) matrix of lower bounds of confidence intervals.
    - \* **upper** optional (if requested) matrix of upper bounds of confidence intervals.
- input input parameters and lambdas used for final calculations.
  - data input data.
  - **predictors** input predictors.
  - lambdas smoothing parameters used for final calculations (same as input lambdas for STR method).
- cvMSE optional cross validated (leave one out) Mean Squared Error.
- method always contains string "STRmodel" for this function.

# Author(s)

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### References

Dokumentov, A., and Hyndman, R.J. (2022) STR: Seasonal-Trend decomposition using Regression, *INFORMS Journal on Data Science*, 1(1), 50-62. https://robjhyndman.com/publications/str/

# See Also

**AutoSTR** 

```
segments = list(c(0, ns)),
  sKnots = c(as.list(1:(ns - 1)), list(c(ns, 0)))
seasons <- (0:(n - 1)) %% ns + 1
trendSeasons <- rep(1, length(seasons))</pre>
times <- seq_along(seasons)</pre>
data <- seasons + times / 4
plot(times, data, type = "1")
timeKnots <- times</pre>
trendData <- rep(1, n)</pre>
seasonData <- rep(1, n)
trend <- list(</pre>
  data = trendData, times = times, seasons = trendSeasons,
  \label{timeKnots} timeKnots = timeKnots, seasonalStructure = trendSeasonalStructure, lambdas = c(1, 0, 0)
season <- list(</pre>
  data = seasonData, times = times, seasons = seasons,
  timeKnots = timeKnots, seasonalStructure = seasonalStructure, lambdas = c(10, 0, 0)
)
predictors <- list(trend, season)</pre>
str1 <- STRmodel(data, predictors)</pre>
plot(str1)
data[c(3, 4, 7, 20, 24, 29, 35, 37, 45)] <- NA
plot(times, data, type = "1")
str2 <- STRmodel(data, predictors)</pre>
plot(str2)
```

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