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`intradayModel-package` *intradayModel: Modeling and Forecasting Financial Intraday Signals*

### Description

This package uses state-of-the-art state-space models to facilitate the modeling, analyzing and forecasting of financial intraday signals. It currently offers a univariate model for intraday trading volume, with new features on intraday volatility and multivariate models in development.

### Functions

`fit_volume`, `decompose_volume`, `forecast_volume`, `generate_plots`

### Data

`volume_aapl`, `volume_fdx`

### Help

For a quick help see the README file: [GitHub-README](#).

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decompose_volume	<i>Decompose Intraday Volume into Several Components</i>
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## Description

This function decomposes the intraday volume into daily, seasonal, and intraday dynamic components according to (Chen et al., 2016). If purpose = “analysis” (aka Kalman smoothing), the optimal components are conditioned on both the past and future observations. Its mathematical expression is  $\hat{x}_\tau = E[x_\tau | \{y_j\}_{j=1}^M]$ , where  $M$  is the total number of bins in the dataset.

If purpose = “forecast” (aka Kalman forecasting), the optimal components are conditioned on only the past observations. Its mathematical expression is  $\hat{x}_{\tau+1} = E[x_{\tau+1} | \{y_j\}_{j=1}^\tau]$ .

Three measures are used to evaluate the model performance:

- Mean absolute error (MAE):  $\frac{1}{M} \sum_{\tau=1}^M |\hat{y}_\tau - y_\tau|$ ;
- Mean absolute percent error (MAPE):  $\frac{1}{M} \sum_{\tau=1}^M \frac{|\hat{y}_\tau - y_\tau|}{y_\tau}$ ;
- Root mean square error (RMSE):  $\sqrt{\sum_{\tau=1}^M \frac{(\hat{y}_\tau - y_\tau)^2}{M}}$ .

## Usage

```
decompose_volume(purpose, model, data, burn_in_days = 0)
```

## Arguments

purpose	String “analysis”/“forecast”. Indicates the purpose of using the provided model.
model	A model object of class “volume_model” from <code>fit_volume()</code> .
data	An <code>n_bin * n_day</code> matrix or an <code>xts</code> object storing intraday volume.
burn_in_days	Number of initial days in the burn-in period for forecast. Samples from the first <code>burn_in_days</code> are used to warm up the model and then are discarded.

## Value

A list containing the following elements:

- `original_signal`: A vector of original intraday volume;
- `smooth_signal / forecast_signal`: A vector of smooth/forecast intraday volume;
- `smooth_components /forecast_components`: A list of smooth/forecast components: daily, seasonal, intraday dynamic, and residual components.
- `error`: A list of three error measures: mae, mape, and rmse.

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## References

Chen, R., Feng, Y., and Palomar, D. (2016). Forecasting intraday trading volume: A Kalman filter approach. Available at SSRN 3101695.

## Examples

```
library(intradayModel)
data(volume_aapl)
volume_aapl_training <- volume_aapl[, 1:20]
volume_aapl_testing <- volume_aapl[, 21:50]
model_fit <- fit_volume(volume_aapl_training, fixed_pars = list(a_mu = 0.5, var_mu = 0.05),
                           init_pars = list(a_eta = 0.5))

# analyze training volume
analysis_result <- decompose_volume(purpose = "analysis", model_fit, volume_aapl_training)

# forecast testing volume
forecast_result <- decompose_volume(purpose = "forecast", model_fit, volume_aapl_testing)

# forecast testing volume with burn-in
forecast_result <- decompose_volume(purpose = "forecast", model_fit, volume_aapl[, 1:50],
                                      burn_in_days = 20)
```

### fit\_volume

*Fit a Univariate State-Space Model on Intraday Trading Volume*

## Description

The main function for defining and fitting a univariate state-space model on intraday trading volume. The model is proposed in (Chen et al., 2016) as

$$\mathbf{x}_{\tau+1} = \mathbf{A}_\tau \mathbf{x}_\tau + \mathbf{w}_\tau,$$

$$y_\tau = \mathbf{C} \mathbf{x}_\tau + \phi_\tau + v_\tau,$$

where

- $\mathbf{x}_\tau = [\eta_\tau, \mu_\tau]^\top$  is the hidden state vector containing the log daily component and the log intraday dynamic component;
- $\mathbf{A}_\tau = \begin{bmatrix} a_\tau^\eta & 0 \\ 0 & a_\tau^\mu \end{bmatrix}$  is the state transition matrix with  $a_\tau^\eta = \begin{cases} a^\eta & t = kI, k = 1, 2, \dots \\ 0 & \text{otherwise;} \end{cases}$ ;
- $\mathbf{C} = [1, 1]$  is the observation matrix;
- $\phi_\tau$  is the corresponding element from  $\phi = [\phi_1, \dots, \phi_I]^\top$ , which is the log seasonal component;
- $\mathbf{w}_\tau = [\epsilon_\tau^\eta, \epsilon_\tau^\mu]^\top \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{Q}_\tau)$  represents the i.i.d. Gaussian noise in the state transition, with a time-varying covariance matrix  $\mathbf{Q}_\tau = \begin{bmatrix} (\sigma_\tau^\eta)^2 & 0 \\ 0 & (\sigma_\tau^\mu)^2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\sigma_\tau^\eta = \begin{cases} \sigma^\eta & t = kI, k = 1, 2, \dots \\ 0 & \text{otherwise;} \end{cases}$

- $v_\tau \sim \mathcal{N}(0, r)$  is the i.i.d. Gaussian noise in the observation;
- $\mathbf{x}_1$  is the initial state at  $\tau = 1$ , and it follows  $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{V}_0)$ .

In the model,  $\Theta = \{a^\eta, a^\mu, \sigma^\eta, \sigma^\mu, r, \phi, \mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{V}_0\}$  are treated as parameters. The model is fitted by expectation-maximization (EM) algorithms. The implementation follows (Chen et al., 2016), and the accelerated scheme is provided in (Varadhan and Roland, 2008). The algorithm terminates when `maxit` is reached or the condition  $\|\Delta\Theta_i\| \leq \text{abstol}$  is satisfied.

## Usage

```
fit_volume(
  data,
  fixed_pars = NULL,
  init_pars = NULL,
  verbose = 0,
  control = NULL
)
```

## Arguments

<code>data</code>	An <code>n_bin * n_day</code> matrix or an <code>xts</code> object storing intraday trading volume.
<code>fixed_pars</code>	A list of parameters' fixed values. The allowed parameters are listed below, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "a_eta": <math>a^\eta</math> of size 1 ;</li> <li>• "a_mu": <math>a^\mu</math> of size 1 ;</li> <li>• "var_eta": <math>\sigma^\eta</math> of size 1 ;</li> <li>• "var_mu": <math>\sigma^\mu</math> of size 1 ;</li> <li>• "r": <math>r</math> of size 1 ;</li> <li>• "phi": <math>\phi = [\phi_1, \dots, \phi_I]^\top</math> of size <math>I</math> ;</li> <li>• "x0": <math>\mathbf{x}_0</math> of size 2 ;</li> <li>• "V0": <math>\mathbf{V}_0</math> of size <math>2 * 2</math> .</li> </ul>
<code>init_pars</code>	A list of unfitted parameters' initial values. The parameters are the same as <code>fixed_pars</code> . If the user does not assign initial values for the unfitted parameters, default ones will be used.
<code>verbose</code>	An integer specifying the print level of information during the algorithm (default 1). Possible numbers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "0": no output;</li> <li>• "1": show the iteration number and <math>\ \Delta\Theta_i\ </math>;</li> <li>• "2": 1 + show the obtained parameters.</li> </ul>
<code>control</code>	A list of control values of EM algorithm: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <code>acceleration</code>: TRUE/FALSE indicating whether to use the accelerated EM algorithm (default TRUE);</li> <li>• <code>maxit</code>: Maximum number of iterations (default 3000);</li> <li>• <code>abstol</code>: Absolute tolerance for parameters' change <math>\ \Delta\Theta_i\ </math> as the stopping criteria (default <math>1e-4</math>)</li> <li>• <code>log_switch</code>: TRUE/FALSE indicating whether to record the history of convergence progress (defalut TRUE).</li> </ul>

**Value**

A list of class "volume\_model" with the following elements (if the algorithm converges):

- **par**: A list of parameters' fitted values.
- **init**: A list of valid initial values from users.
- **par\_log**: A list of intermediate parameters' values if **log\_switch** = TRUE.
- **converged**: A list of logical values indicating whether each parameter is fitted.

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**References**

- Chen, R., Feng, Y., and Palomar, D. (2016). Forecasting intraday trading volume: A Kalman filter approach. Available at SSRN 3101695.
- Varadhan, R., and Roland, C. (2008). Simple and globally convergent methods for accelerating the convergence of any EM algorithm. Scandinavian Journal of Statistics, 35(2), 335–353.

**Examples**

```
library(intradayModel)
data(volume_aapl)
volume_aapl_training <- volume_aapl[, 1:20]

# fit model with no prior knowledge
model_fit <- fit_volume(volume_aapl_training)

# fit model with fixed_pars and init_pars
model_fit <- fit_volume(volume_aapl_training, fixed_pars = list(a_mu = 0.5, var_mu = 0.05),
                         init_pars = list(a_eta = 0.5))

# fit model with other control options
model_fit <- fit_volume(volume_aapl_training, verbose = 2,
                         control = list(acceleration = FALSE, maxit = 1000, abstol = 1e-4, log_switch = FALSE))
```

**Description**

This function forecasts one-bin-ahead intraday volume. Its mathematical expression is  $\hat{y}_{\tau+1} = E[y_{\tau+1} | \{y_j\}_{j=1}^{\tau}]$ . It is a wrapper of `decompose_volume()` with `purpose = "forecast"`.

**Usage**

```
forecast_volume(model, data, burn_in_days = 0)
```

**Arguments**

model	A model object of class "volume_model" from fit_volume().
data	An n_bin * n_day matrix or an xts object storing intraday volume.
burn_in_days	Number of initial days in the burn-in period. Samples from the first burn_in_days are used to warm up the model and then are discarded.

**Value**

A list containing the following elements:

- original\_signal: A vector of original intraday volume;
- forecast\_signal: A vector of forecast intraday volume;
- forecast\_components: A list of the three forecast components: daily, seasonal, intraday dynamic, and residual components.
- error: A list of three error measures: mae, mape, and rmse.

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**Examples**

```
library(intradayModel)
data(volume_aapl)
volume_aapl_training <- volume_aapl[, 1:20]
volume_aapl_testing <- volume_aapl[, 21:50]
model_fit <- fit_volume(volume_aapl_training, fixed_pars = list(a_mu = 0.5, var_mu = 0.05),
                         init_pars = list(a_eta = 0.5))

# forecast testing volume
forecast_result <- forecast_volume(model_fit, volume_aapl_testing)

# forecast testing volume with burn-in
forecast_result <- forecast_volume(model_fit, volume_aapl[, 1:50], burn_in_days = 20)
```

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generate\_plots      *Plot Analysis and Forecast Result*

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**Description**

Generate plots for the analysis and forecast results.

**Usage**

```
generate_plots(analysis_forecast_result)
```

**Arguments**

analysis\_forecast\_result

Analysis/forecast result from decompose\_volume() or forecast\_volume().

**Value**

A list of patchwork objects:

- components: Plot of components of intraday volume;
- log\_components: Plot of components of intraday volume in their log10 scale;
- original\_and\_smooth/original\_and\_forecast: Plot of the original and the smooth/forecast intraday volume.

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**Examples**

```
library(intradayModel)
data(volume_aapl)
volume_aapl_training <- volume_aapl[, 1:20]
volume_aapl_testing <- volume_aapl[, 21:50]

# obtain analysis and forecast result
model_fit <- fit_volume(volume_aapl_training, fixed_pars = list(a_mu = 0.5, var_mu = 0.05),
                           init_pars = list(a_eta = 0.5))
analysis_result <- decompose_volume(purpose = "analysis", model_fit, volume_aapl_training)
forecast_result <- forecast_volume(model_fit, volume_aapl_testing)

# plot the analysis and forecast result
generate_plots(analysis_result)
generate_plots(forecast_result)
```

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volume\_aapl                    *15-min Intraday Volume of AAPL*

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**Description**

A 26 \* 124 matrix including 15-min trading volume of AAPL from 2019-01-02 to 2019-06-28.

**Usage**

```
data(volume_aapl)
```

**Format**

A 26 \* 124 matrix.

**Source**

barchart

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volume\_fdx                    *15-min Intraday Volume of FDX*

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**Description**

An xts object including 15-min trading volume of FDX from 2019-07-01 to 2019-12-31.

**Usage**

```
data(volume_fdx)
```

**Format**

An xts object.

**Source**

barchart

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