

# Package ‘kalmanfilter’

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Kim, Chang-Jin and Charles R. Nelson (1999) ``State-Space Models with Regime Switching: Classical and Gibbs-Sampling Approaches with Applications" <<http://econ.korea.ac.kr/~cjkim/doi:10.7551/mitpress/6444.001.0001>><<http://econ.korea.ac.kr/~cjkim/>>.

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contains	<i>Check if list contains a name</i>
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### Description

Check if list contains a name

### Usage

contains(s, L)

### Arguments

s	a string name
L	a list object

### Value

boolean

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gen_inv	<i>Generalized matrix inverse</i>
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### Description

Generalized matrix inverse

### Usage

gen\_inv(m)

### Arguments

m	matrix
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### Value

matrix inverse of m

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 kalman\_filter

*Kalman Filter*


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## Description

Kalman Filter

## Usage

```
kalman_filter(ssm, yt, Xo = NULL, Xs = NULL, weight = NULL, smooth = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

ssm	list describing the state space model, must include names B0 - $N_b \times 1$ matrix (or array of length yt), initial guess for the unobserved components P0 - $N_b \times N_b$ matrix (or array of length yt), initial guess for the covariance matrix of the unobserved components Dm - $N_b \times 1$ matrix (or array of length yt), constant matrix for the state equation Am - $N_y \times 1$ matrix (or array of length yt), constant matrix for the observation equation Fm - $N_b \times p$ matrix (or array of length yt), state transition matrix Hm - $N_y \times N_b$ matrix (or array of length yt), observation matrix Qm - $N_b \times N_b$ matrix (or array of length yt), state error covariance matrix Rm - $N_y \times N_y$ matrix (or array of length yt), state error covariance matrix betaO - $N_y \times N_o$ matrix (or array of length yt), coefficient matrix for the observation exogenous data betaS - $N_b \times N_s$ matrix (or array of length yt), coefficient matrix for the state exogenous data
yt	$N \times T$ matrix of data
Xo	$N_o \times T$ matrix of exogenous observation data
Xs	$N_s \times T$ matrix of exogenous state
weight	column matrix of weights, $T \times 1$
smooth	boolean indication whether to run the backwards smoother

## Value

list of cubes and matrices output by the Kalman filter

## Examples

```
## Not run:
#Stock and Watson Markov switching dynamic common factor
library(kalmanfilter)
library(data.table)
data(sw_dcf)
data = sw_dcf[, colnames(sw_dcf) != "dcoinc", with = FALSE]
vars = colnames(data)[colnames(data) != "date"]

#Set up the state space model
ssm = list()
```

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ssm[["Fm"]] = rbind(c(0.8760, -0.2171, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0),
                    c(1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0),
                    c(0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0),
                    c(0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0),
                    c(0, 0, 0, 0, 0.0364, -0.0008, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0),
                    c(0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0),
                    c(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, -0.2965, -0.0657, 0, 0, 0, 0),
                    c(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0),
                    c(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, -0.3959, -0.1903, 0, 0),
                    c(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0),
                    c(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, -0.2436, 0.1281),
                    c(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0))
ssm[["Fm"]] = array(ssm[["Fm"]], dim = c(dim(ssm[["Fm"]]), 2))
ssm[["Dm"]] = matrix(c(-1.5700, rep(0, 11)), nrow = nrow(ssm[["Fm"]]), ncol = 1)
ssm[["Dm"]] = array(ssm[["Dm"]], dim = c(dim(ssm[["Dm"]]), 2))
ssm[["Dm"]][1,, 2] = 0.2802
ssm[["Qm"]] = diag(c(1, 0, 0, 0, 0.0001, 0, 0.0001, 0, 0.0001, 0, 0.0001, 0))
ssm[["Qm"]] = array(ssm[["Qm"]], dim = c(dim(ssm[["Qm"]]), 2))
ssm[["Hm"]] = rbind(c(0.0058, -0.0033, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0),
                    c(0.0011, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0),
                    c(0.0051, -0.0033, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0),
                    c(0.0012, -0.0005, 0.0001, 0.0002, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0))
ssm[["Hm"]] = array(ssm[["Hm"]], dim = c(dim(ssm[["Hm"]]), 2))
ssm[["Am"]] = matrix(0, nrow = nrow(ssm[["Hm"]]), ncol = 1)
ssm[["Am"]] = array(ssm[["Am"]], dim = c(dim(ssm[["Am"]]), 2))
ssm[["Rm"]] = matrix(0, nrow = nrow(ssm[["Am"]]), ncol = nrow(ssm[["Am"]]))
ssm[["Rm"]] = array(ssm[["Rm"]], dim = c(dim(ssm[["Rm"]]), 2))
ssm[["B0"]] = matrix(c(rep(-4.60278, 4), 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0),
                    c(rep(0.82146, 4), 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0))
ssm[["B0"]] = array(ssm[["B0"]], dim = c(dim(ssm[["B0"]]), 2))
ssm[["B0"]][1:4,, 2] = rep(0.82146, 4)
ssm[["P0"]] = rbind(c(2.1775, 1.5672, 0.9002, 0.4483, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0),
                    c(1.5672, 2.1775, 1.5672, 0.9002, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0),
                    c(0.9002, 1.5672, 2.1775, 1.5672, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0),
                    c(0.4483, 0.9002, 1.5672, 2.1775, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0),
                    c(0, 0, 0, 0, 0.0001, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0),
                    c(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0.0001, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0),
                    c(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0.0001, -0.0001, 0, 0, 0, 0),
                    c(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, -0.0001, 0.0001, 0, 0, 0, 0),
                    c(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0.0001, -0.0001, 0, 0),
                    c(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, -0.0001, 0.0001, 0, 0),
                    c(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0.0001, -0.0001),
                    c(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, -0.0001, 0.0001))
ssm[["P0"]] = array(ssm[["P0"]], dim = c(dim(ssm[["P0"]]), 2))

#Log, difference and standardize the data
data[, c(vars) := lapply(.SD, log), .SDcols = c(vars)]
data[, c(vars) := lapply(.SD, function(x){
  x - shift(x, type = "lag", n = 1)
}), .SDcols = c(vars)]
data[, c(vars) := lapply(.SD, scale), .SDcols = c(vars)]

#Convert the data to an NxT matrix
yt = t(data[, c(vars), with = FALSE])

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kf = kalman_filter(ssm, yt, smooth = TRUE)

## End(Not run)

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kalman_filter_cpp      Kalman Filter

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## Description

Kalman Filter

## Usage

```

kalman_filter_cpp(ssm, yt, Xo = NULL, Xs = NULL, weight = NULL, smooth = FALSE)

```

## Arguments

ssm	list describing the state space model, must include names B0 - $N_b \times 1$ matrix, initial guess for the unobserved components P0 - $N_b \times N_b$ matrix, initial guess for the covariance matrix of the unobserved components Dm - $N_b \times 1$ matrix, constant matrix for the state equation Am - $N_y \times 1$ matrix, constant matrix for the observation equation Fm - $N_b \times p$ matrix, state transition matrix Hm - $N_y \times N_b$ matrix, observation matrix Qm - $N_b \times N_b$ matrix, state error covariance matrix Rm - $N_y \times N_y$ matrix, state error covariance matrix betaO - $N_y \times N_o$ matrix, coefficient matrix for the observation exogenous data betaS - $N_b \times N_s$ matrix, coefficient matrix for the state exogenous data
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Xs	$N_s \times T$ matrix of exogenous state
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smooth	boolean indication whether to run the backwards smoother

## Value

list of matrices and cubes output by the Kalman filter

## Examples

```

#Nelson-Siegel dynamic factor yield curve
library(kalmanfilter)
library(data.table)
data(treasuries)
tau = unique(treasuries$maturity)

#Set up the state space model
ssm = list()
ssm[["Fm"]] = rbind(c(0.9720, -0.0209, -0.0061),

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      c(0.1009 , 0.8189, -0.1446),
      c(-0.1226, 0.0192, 0.8808))
ssm[["Dm"]] = matrix(c(0.1234, -0.2285, 0.2020), nrow = nrow(ssm[["Fm"]]), ncol = 1)
ssm[["Qm"]] = rbind(c(0.1017, 0.0937, 0.0303),
                    c(0.0937, 0.2267, 0.0351),
                    c(0.0303, 0.0351, 0.7964))
ssm[["Hm"]] = cbind(rep(1, 11),
                    -(1 - exp(-tau*0.0423))/(tau*0.0423),
                    (1 - exp(-tau*0.0423))/(tau*0.0423) - exp(-tau*0.0423))
ssm[["Am"]] = matrix(0, nrow = length(tau), ncol = 1)
ssm[["Rm"]] = diag(c(0.0087, 0, 0.0145, 0.0233, 0.0176, 0.0073,
                    0, 0.0016, 0.0035, 0.0207, 0.0210))
ssm[["B0"]] = matrix(c(5.9030, -0.7090, 0.8690), nrow = nrow(ssm[["Fm"]]), ncol = 1)
ssm[["P0"]] = diag(rep(0.0001, nrow(ssm[["Fm"]])))

#Convert to an NxT matrix
yt = dcast(treasuries, "date ~ maturity", value.var = "value")
yt = t(yt[, 2:ncol(yt)])
kf = kalman_filter(ssm, yt, smooth = TRUE)

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Rginv

*R's implementation of the Moore-Penrose pseudo matrix inverse*


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## Description

R's implementation of the Moore-Penrose pseudo matrix inverse

## Usage

```
Rginv(m)
```

## Arguments

m                    matrix

## Value

matrix inverse of m

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sw\_dcf

*Stock and Watson Dynamic Common Factor Data Set*

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**Description**

Stock and Watson Dynamic Common Factor Data Set

**Usage**

data(sw\_dcf)

**Format**

data.table with columns DATE, VARIABLE, VALUE, and MATURITY The data is monthly frequency with variables ip (industrial production), gmyxpg (total personal income less transfer payments in 1987 dollars), mtq (total manufacturing and trade sales in 1987 dollars), lpnag (employees on non-agricultural payrolls), and dcoinc (the coincident economic indicator)

**Source**

Kim, Chang-Jin and Charles R. Nelson (1999) "State-Space Models with Regime Switching: Classical and Gibbs-Sampling Approaches with Applications" <doi:10.7551/mitpress/6444.001.0001><<http://econ.korea.ac.kr/~c>

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treasuries

*Treasuries*

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**Description**

Treasuries

**Usage**

data(treasuries)

**Format**

data.table with columns DATE, VARIABLE, VALUE, and MATURITY The data is quarterly frequency with variables DGS1MO, DGS3MO, DGS6MO, DGS1, DGS2, DGS3, DGS5, DGS7, DGS10, DGS20, and DGS30

**Source**

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