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A Python/Zig optimized and customizable implementation for the ρ_{DCCA} and DMC_x^2 methods

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Abstract

This paper presents tha **Zebende**, a Python package writen in Python and Zig, that calculates the DFA, DCCA ρ_{DCCA} and the DMC_x^2 . The package presents an optimized algorithm that significantly improves the calculations speed. A comparison with ohter packages that calculates the .The package is also the first to implement the DMC_x^2 corefficient for any number of series.

Keywords: ρ_{DCCA} , DMC_x^2 , optimization, Python, Zig.

1. introduction

The ρ_{DCCA} (Zebende 2011) is a widely used coefficient that measures the cross-correlation between tow non-stationary time series. It's an extension of the Detrended Fluctuation Analysis (DFA) (Peng, Buldyrev, Havlin, Simons, Stanley, and Goldberger 1994) and the Detrended Cross-correlation Analysis (DCCA) (Podobnik and Stanley 2008): while the DFA calculates the self-affinity and long-memory properties of a time series data, and the DCCA analyses power-law cross correlations between two different non-stationarity time series, the ρ_{DCCA} coefficient quantifies this cross-correlation in simple values ranging from -1 to 1, where -1 indicates a perfect anti-correlation between the series, 1 a perfect correlation and zero (0) no correlation at all.

The Detrended Multiple Cross-Correlation Coefficient (Zebende and Silva 2018) (DMC_x^2) is a generalization of the ρ_{DCCA} coefficient that correlates one time series (dependent variable) a number of time series (independent variables). The DMC_x^2 values ranges from zero (0), indicating no correlation to 1, meaning perfect correlation or anti-correlation between the dependent and the independent variables.

This paper presents the **Zebende** Python package, an implementation of the DFA, DCCA, ρ_{DCCCA} , DMC_x^2 and utility functions related to the methods. In section 2 the steps for calculating the ρ_{DCCCA} and DMC_x^2 are presented and discussed. Section 3 shows how this library was implemented, the optimization technics and the recommended steps to use the library. In Section 4 the **Zebende** package is compared with other packages for Python and R that calculates the ρ_{DCCA} in terms of performance and usability, leading to the conclusions in 5.

2. Algorithms of the coefficients

$$DMC_x^2 \equiv \rho_{Y,X_i}(n)^T \times \rho^{-1}(n) \times \rho_{Y,X_i}(n) \tag{1}$$

$$\rho^{-1}(n) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \rho_{X_1, X_2}(n) & \rho_{X_1, X_3}(n) & \dots & \rho_{X_1, X_j}(n) \\ \rho_{X_2, X_1}(n) & 1 & \rho_{X_2, X_3}(n) & \dots & \rho_{X_2, X_j}(n) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \rho_{X_j, X_1}(n) & \rho_{X_j, X_2}(n) & \rho_{X_j, X_3}(n) & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$$
(2)

$$\rho_{Y,X_k}(n)^T = [\rho_{Y,X_1}(n), \rho_{Y,X_2}(n), \cdots, \rho_{Y,X_j}(n)]$$
(3)

$$\rho_{DCCA}(n) = \frac{F_{DCCA (x\alpha, x\beta)}^2(n)}{F_{DFA (x\alpha)}(n) \times F_{DFA (x\beta)}(n)} \tag{4}$$

Taking a time series $\{x_i\}$ with i ranging from 1 to N, the integrated series X_k is calculated by $X_k = \sum_{i=1}^k [x_i - \langle x \rangle]$ with k also ranging from 1 to N;

the X_k series is divided in N-n boxes of size n(time scale),each box containing n+1 values, starting in i up to i+n;

for each box, a polynomial (usually of degree 1) best fit is calculated, getting $\widetilde{X}_{k,i}$ with $i \leq k \leq (i+n)$ (detrended values);

in each box is calculated: $f_{DFA}^2(n,i) = \frac{1}{1+n} \sum_{k=i}^{i+n} (X_k - \widetilde{X}_{k,i})^2$

for all the boxes of a time scale, the DFA is calculated as:

$$F_{DFA}(n) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N-n} \sum_{i=1}^{N-n} f_{DFA}^2(n,i)};$$

for a number of different timescales (n), with possible values $4 \le n \le \frac{N}{4}$ the F_{DFA} function is calculated to find a relation among $F_{DFA} \times n$

Taking two time series with the same length $\{x\alpha_i\}$ and $\{x\beta_i\}$ with i ranging from 1 to N, the integrated series $X\alpha_k$ and $X\beta_k$ are calculated by $X_k = \sum_{i=1}^k [x_i - \langle x \rangle]$ for each series, with k also ranging from 1 to N;

 $X\alpha_k$ and $X\beta_k$ series are divided in N-n boxes of size n(time scale), each box containing n+1 values, starting in i up to i+n;

for each box, a polynomial (usually of degree 1) best fit is calculated, getting $\widetilde{X\alpha}_{k,i}$ and $\widetilde{X\beta}_{k,i}$, for series $\{x\alpha_i\}$ and $\{x\beta_i\}$ respectively, with $i \leq k \leq (i+n)$ (detrended values);

in each box is calculated:
$$f_{DCCA}^2(n,i) = \frac{1}{1+n} \sum_{k=i}^{i+n} (X\alpha_k - \widetilde{X\alpha}_{k,i}) \times (X\beta_k - \widetilde{X\beta}_{k,i})$$

for all the boxes of a time scale, the DFA is calculated as:

$$F^2_{DCCA}(n) = \frac{1}{N-n} \sum_{i=1}^{N-n} f^2_{DCCA}(n,i);$$

for a number of different time scales (n), with possible values $4 \le n \le \frac{N}{4}$ the F_{DCCA}^2 function is calculated to find a relation among $F_{DCCA}^2 \times n$

3. Zebende package: implementation and optimization

4. Results

5. Summary and discussion

As usual ...

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