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Description

Add 7dav and target to the data Target is the updates made ref_lag days after the first release

Usage

```
add_7davs_and_target(df, value_col, refd_col, lag_col, ref_lag = REF_LAG)
```

Arguments

df	Data Frame of aggregated counts within a single location reported for each reference date and issue date.
value_col	string specifying name of value (counts) field within the input dataframe.
refd_col	string specifying name of reference date field within the input dataframe.
lag_col	string specifying name of lag field within the input dataframe.
ref_lag	max lag to use for training

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Description

Add one hot encoding for day of a week info in terms of reference and issue date

Usage

```
add_dayofweek(df, time_col, suffix, wd = WEEKDAYS_ABBR)
```

Arguments

df	Data Frame of aggregated counts within a single location reported for each reference date and issue date.
time_col	string specifying name of column used for the date, can be either reference date or issue date
suffix	suffix added to indicate which kind of date is used
wd	vector of days of a week

 $\verb"add_params_for_dates" \quad \textit{Add params related to date}$

Description

Target is the updates made ref_lag days after the first release

Usage

```
add_params_for_dates(df, refd_col, lag_col)
```

Arguments

df	Data Frame of aggregated counts within a single location reported for each reference date and issue date.
refd_col	string specifying name of reference date field within the input dataframe.

lag_col string specifying name of lag field within the input dataframe.

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add_shift	Used for data shifting in terms of reference date

Description

Used for data shifting in terms of reference date

Usage

```
add_shift(df, n_day, refd_col)
```

Arguments

df Data Frame of aggregated counts within a single location reported for each ref-

erence date and issue date.

n_day number of days to be shifted

refd_col string specifying name of reference date field within the input dataframe.

add_sqrtscale Add columns to indicate the scale of value at square root level

Description

Add columns to indicate the scale of value at square root level

Usage

```
add_sqrtscale(train_data, test_data, max_raw, value_col)
```

Arguments

train_data	Data Frame	containing	training data

test_data Data Frame for testing

max_raw the maximum value in the training data at square root level

value_col string specifying name of value (counts) field within the input dataframe.

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Add one hot encoding for week of a month info in terms of issue date

Description

Add one hot encoding for week of a month info in terms of issue date

Usage

```
add_weekofmonth(df, time_col, wm = WEEK_ISSUES)
```

Arguments

df Data Frame of aggregated counts within a single location reported for each ref-

erence date and issue date.

time_col string specifying name of column used for the date, can be either reference date

or issue date

wm vector of weeks of a month

create_dir_not_exist Create directory if not already existing

Description

Create directory if not already existing

Usage

```
create_dir_not_exist(path)
```

Arguments

path

string specifying a directory to create

data_filteration

create_name_pattern

Create pattern to match input files of a given type and signal

Description

Create pattern to match input files of a given type and signal

Usage

```
create_name_pattern(indicator, signal, file_type = c("daily", "rollup"))
```

Arguments

indicator	string specifying the name of the indicator as used in 'parquet' input data file- names. One indicator can be associated with multiple signals.
signal	string specifying the name of the signal as used in 'parquet' input data filenames. One indicator can be associated with multiple signals.

file_type string specifying time period coverage of input files. Either "daily" or "rollup"

data_filteration

Filtration for training and testing data with different lags

Description

Filtration for training and testing data with different lags

Usage

```
data_filteration(test_lag, geo_train_data, geo_test_data, lag_pad)
```

Arguments

test_lag integer number of days ago to predict for geo_train_data training data for a certain location geo_test_data testing data for a certain location lag_pad lag padding for training

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delta

Sum of squared error

Description

Sum of squared error

Usage

```
delta(fit, actual)
```

Arguments

fit estimated values actual actual values

est_priors

Main function for the beta prior approach Estimate the priors for the beta distribution based on data for a certain day of a week

Description

Main function for the beta prior approach Estimate the priors for the beta distribution based on data for a certain day of a week

```
est_priors(
  train_data,
  prior_test_data,
  geo,
  value_type,
  dw,
  taus,
  covariates,
  response,
  lp_solver,
  lambda,
  indicator,
  signal,
  geo_level,
  signal_suffix,
  training_end_date,
 model_save_dir,
  start = c(0, log(10)),
```

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```
base_pseudo_denom = 1000,
base_pseudo_num = 10,
train_models = TRUE,
make_predictions = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

train_data Data Frame containing training data

prior_test_data

Data Frame for testing

geo string specifying the name of the geo region (e.g. FIPS code for counties)

value_type string describing signal type. Either "count" or "fraction".

dw column name to indicate which day of a week it is

taus numeric vector of quantiles to be predicted. Values must be between 0 and 1.

covariates character vector of column names serving as the covariates for the model

response the column name of the response variable

lp_solver string specifying the lp solver to use in Quantgen fitting. Either "glpk" or

"gurobi". For faster optimization, use Gurobi (requires separate installation of

the 'gurobi' package).

lambda the level of lasso penalty

indicator string specifying the name of the indicator as used in 'parquet' input data file-

names. One indicator can be associated with multiple signals.

signal string specifying the name of the signal as used in 'parquet' input data filenames.

One indicator can be associated with multiple signals.

geo_level string describing geo coverage of input data. Either "state" or "county".

signal_suffix string specifying value column name ending to be appended to standard value

column names from 'params\$num_col' and 'params\$denom_col'. Used for non-standard value column names and when processing multiple signals from

a single input dataframe, as with 'quidel''s age buckets.

training_end_date

the most recent training date

model_save_dir directory containing trained models

start the initialization of the the points in nlm

base_pseudo_denom

the pseudo counts added to denominator if little data for training

base_pseudo_num

the pseudo counts added to numerator if little data for training

train_models boolean indicating whether to train models (TRUE). If FALSE previously trained

models (stored locally) will be used instead. Default is TRUE.

make_predictions

boolean indicating whether to generate and save corrections (TRUE) or not. De-

fault is TRUE.

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evaluate	Evaluation of the test results based on WIS score The WIS score calculation is based on the weighted_interval_score function from the 'evalcast' package from Delphi

Description

Evaluation of the test results based on WIS score The WIS score calculation is based on the weighted_interval_score function from the 'evalcast' package from Delphi

Usage

```
evaluate(test_data, taus)
```

Arguments

test_data dataframe with a column containing the prediction results of each requested

quantile. Each row represents an update with certain (reference_date, issue_date,

location) combination.

numeric vector of quantiles to be predicted. Values must be between 0 and 1.

Description

Export the result to customized directory

```
export_test_result(
  test_data,
  coef_data,
  indicator,
  signal,
  geo_level,
  signal_suffix,
  lambda,
  training_end_date,
  value_type,
  export_dir
)
```

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Arguments

test_data test data containing prediction results

coef_data data frame containing the estimated coefficients

indicator string specifying the name of the indicator as used in 'parquet' input data file-

names. One indicator can be associated with multiple signals.

signal string specifying the name of the signal as used in 'parquet' input data filenames.

One indicator can be associated with multiple signals.

geo_level string describing geo coverage of input data. Either "state" or "county".

signal_suffix string specifying value column name ending to be appended to standard value

column names from 'params\$num_col' and 'params\$denom_col'. Used for non-standard value column names and when processing multiple signals from

a single input dataframe, as with 'quidel''s age buckets.

lambda the level of lasso penalty

training_end_date

the most recent training date

value_type string describing signal type. Either "count" or "fraction".

export_dir path to directory to save output to

fill_missing_updates Get pivot table, filling NANs. If there is no update on issue date D but

previous reports exist for issue date $D_p < D$, all the dates between $[D_p, D]$ are filled with with the reported value on date D_p . If there

is no update for any previous issue date, fill in with 0.

Description

Get pivot table, filling NANs. If there is no update on issue date D but previous reports exist for issue date $D_p < D$, all the dates between $[D_p, D]$ are filled with with the reported value on date D_p . If there is no update for any previous issue date, fill in with 0.

Usage

```
fill_missing_updates(df, value_col, refd_col, lag_col)
```

Arguments

df	Data Frame of aggregated	counts within a single location r	eported for each ref-

erence date and issue date.

value_col string specifying name of value (counts) field within the input dataframe.

refd_col string specifying name of reference date field within the input dataframe.

lag_col string specifying name of lag field within the input dataframe.

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fill_rows	Re-index, fill na, make sure all reference date have enough rows for updates	
	updates	

Description

Re-index, fill na, make sure all reference date have enough rows for updates

Usage

```
fill_rows(df, refd_col, lag_col, min_refd, max_refd, ref_lag = REF_LAG)
```

Arguments

df	Data Frame of aggregated counts within a single location reported for each reference date and issue date.
refd_col	string specifying name of reference date field within the input dataframe.
lag_col	string specifying name of lag field within the input dataframe.
min_refd	the earliest reference date considered in the data
max_refd	the latest reference date considered in the data
ref_lag	max lag to use for training

Value

df_new Data Frame with filled rows for missing lags

frac_adj	Update fraction using beta prior approach	

Description

Update fraction using beta prior approach

```
frac_adj(
   train_data,
   test_data,
   prior_test_data,
   indicator,
   signal,
   geo_level,
   signal_suffix,
   lambda,
```

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```
value_type,
  geo,
  training_end_date,
  model_save_dir,
  taus = TAUS,
  lp_solver = LP_SOLVER,
  train_models = TRUE,
  make_predictions = TRUE)
```

Arguments

train_data Data Frame containing training data

test_data testing data

prior_test_data

testing data for the lag -1 model

indicator string specifying the name of the indicator as used in 'parquet' input data file-

names. One indicator can be associated with multiple signals.

signal string specifying the name of the signal as used in 'parquet' input data filenames.

One indicator can be associated with multiple signals.

geo_level string describing geo coverage of input data. Either "state" or "county".

signal_suffix string specifying value column name ending to be appended to standard value

column names from 'params\$num_col' and 'params\$denom_col'. Used for non-standard value column names and when processing multiple signals from

a single input dataframe, as with 'quidel''s age buckets.

lambda the level of lasso penalty

value_type string describing signal type. Either "count" or "fraction".

geo string specifying the name of the geo region (e.g. FIPS code for counties)

training_end_date

the most recent training date

model_save_dir directory containing trained models

taus numeric vector of quantiles to be predicted. Values must be between 0 and 1.

lp_solver string specifying the lp solver to use in Quantgen fitting. Either "glpk" or

"gurobi". For faster optimization, use Gurobi (requires separate installation of

the 'gurobi' package).

train_models boolean indicating whether to train models (TRUE). If FALSE previously trained

models (stored locally) will be used instead. Default is TRUE.

make_predictions

boolean indicating whether to generate and save corrections (TRUE) or not. De-

fault is TRUE.

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 $\begin{tabular}{lll} frac_adj_with_pseudo & Update\ fraction\ based\ on\ the\ pseudo\ counts\ for\ numerators\ and\ denominators \\ \end{tabular}$

Description

Update fraction based on the pseudo counts for numerators and denominators

Usage

```
frac_adj_with_pseudo(data, dw, pseudo_num, pseudo_denom, num_col, denom_col)
```

Arguments

Data Frame
character to indicate the day of a week. Can be NULL for all the days
the estimated counts to be added to numerators
the estimated counts to be added to denominators
name of numerator column in the input dataframe
name of denominator column in the input dataframe

generate_filename

Construct filename for model with given parameters

Description

Construct filename for model with given parameters

```
generate_filename(
  indicator,
  signal,
  geo_level,
  signal_suffix,
  lambda,
  training_end_date = "",
  geo = "",
  value_type = "",
  tau = "",
  dw = "",
  beta_prior_mode = FALSE,
  model_mode = TRUE
)
```

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Arguments

indicator string specifying the name of the indicator as used in 'parquet' input data file-

names. One indicator can be associated with multiple signals.

signal string specifying the name of the signal as used in 'parquet' input data filenames.

One indicator can be associated with multiple signals.

geo_level string describing geo coverage of input data. Either "state" or "county".

signal_suffix string specifying value column name ending to be appended to standard value

column names from 'params\$num_col' and 'params\$denom_col'. Used for non-standard value column names and when processing multiple signals from

a single input dataframe, as with 'quidel''s age buckets.

lambda the level of lasso penalty

training_end_date

the most recent training date

geo string specifying the name of the geo region (e.g. FIPS code for counties)

value_type string describing signal type. Either "count" or "fraction".

test_lag integer number of days ago to predict for

tau decimal quantile to be predicted. Values must be between 0 and 1.

dw string, indicate the day of a week

beta_prior_mode

bool, indicate whether it is for a beta prior model

model_mode bool, indicate whether the file name is for a model

Value

path to file containing model object

get_7dav	Calculate 7 day moving average for each issue date The 7day for date
	D reported on issue date D_i is the average from D-7 to D-1

Description

Calculate 7 day moving average for each issue date The 7dav for date D reported on issue date D_i is the average from D-7 to D-1

Usage

```
get_7dav(pivot_df, refd_col)
```

Arguments

pivot_df Data Frame where the columns are issue dates and the rows are reference dates refd_col string specifying name of reference date field within the input dataframe.

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	List valid input files.	<pre>get_files_list</pre>
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Description

List valid input files.

Usage

```
get_files_list(indicator, signal, params, sub_dir)
```

Arguments

indicator	string specifying the name of the indicator as used in 'parquet' input data file- names. One indicator can be associated with multiple signals.
signal	string specifying the name of the signal as used in 'parquet' input data filenames. One indicator can be associated with multiple signals.
params	named list containing modeling and data settings. Must include the following elements: 'ref_lag', 'testing_window', 'test_dates', 'training_days', 'num_col', 'denom_col', 'taus', 'lambda', 'export_dir', 'lp_solver', 'input_dir', 'cache_dir', 'geo_levels', and 'value_types'.
sub_dir	string specifying the indicator-specific directory within the general input directory 'params\$input_dir'
get_model	Train model using quantile regression with Lasso penalty, or load from disk

Description

Train model using quantile regression with Lasso penalty, or load from disk

```
get_model(
  model_path,
  train_data,
  covariates,
  tau,
  lambda,
  lp_solver,
  train_models
)
```

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Arguments

model_path path to read model from or to save model to train_data Data Frame containing training data

covariates character vector of column names serving as the covariates for the model

tau decimal quantile to be predicted. Values must be between 0 and 1.

lambda the level of lasso penalty

lp_solver string specifying the lp solver to use in Quantgen fitting. Either "glpk" or

"gurobi". For faster optimization, use Gurobi (requires separate installation of

the 'gurobi' package).

train_models boolean indicating whether to train models (TRUE). If FALSE previously trained

models (stored locally) will be used instead. Default is TRUE.

 $get_populous_counties$ Subset list of counties to those included in the 200 most populous in the US

Description

Subset list of counties to those included in the 200 most populous in the US

Usage

get_populous_counties()

get_weekofmonth

Get week of a month info according to a date

Description

All the dates on or before the ith Sunday but after the (i-1)th Sunday is considered to be the ith week. Notice that If there are 4 or 5 weeks in total, the ith weeks is labeled as i and the dates in the 5th week this month are actually in the same week with the dates in the 1st week next month and those dates are sparse. Thus, we assign the dates in the 5th week to the 1st week. If there are 6 weeks in total, the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th weeks are labeled as c(1, 1, 2, 3, 4, 1) which means we will merge the first, second and the last weeks together.

Usage

get_weekofmonth(date)

Arguments

date Date object

Value

a integer indicating which week it is in a month

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Perform backfill correction on all desired signals and geo levels

Description

Perform backfill correction on all desired signals and geo levels

Usage

```
main(params)
```

Arguments

params

named list containing modeling and data settings. Must include the following elements: 'ref_lag', 'testing_window', 'test_dates', 'training_days', 'num_col', 'denom_col', 'taus', 'lambda', 'export_dir', 'lp_solver', 'input_dir', 'cache_dir', 'geo_levels', and 'value_types'.

main_local

Main function to correct a single local signal

Description

Main function to correct a single local signal

```
main_local(
  input_dir,
  export_dir,
  test_start_date,
  test_end_date,
  num_col,
  denom_col,
  value_type = c("count", "fraction"),
  training_days = TRAINING_DAYS,
  testing_window = TESTING_WINDOW,
  lambda = LAMBDA,
  ref_lag = REF_LAG,
  lp_solver = LP_SOLVER
)
```

Arguments

input_dir path to the directory containing input data

export_dir path to directory to save output to

test_start_date

Date or string in the format "YYYY-MM-DD" to start making predictions on

num_col name of numerator column in the input dataframe
denom_col name of denominator column in the input dataframe
value_type string describing signal type. Either "count" or "fraction".

training_days integer number of days to use for training

testing_window the testing window used for saving the runtime. Could set it to be 1 if time

allows

lambda the level of lasso penalty ref_lag max lag to use for training

lp_solver string specifying the lp solver to use in Quantgen fitting. Either "glpk" or

"gurobi". For faster optimization, use Gurobi (requires separate installation of

the 'gurobi' package).

model_training_and_testing

Fetch model and use to generate predictions/perform corrections

Description

Fetch model and use to generate predictions/perform corrections

```
model_training_and_testing(
    train_data,
    test_data,
    taus,
    covariates,
    lp_solver,
    lambda,
    test_lag,
    geo,
    value_type,
    model_save_dir,
    indicator,
    signal,
    geo_level,
    signal_suffix,
```

```
training_end_date,
train_models = TRUE,
make_predictions = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

train_data Data Frame containing training data

test_data Data frame for testing

taus numeric vector of quantiles to be predicted. Values must be between 0 and 1.

covariates character vector of column names serving as the covariates for the model

lp_solver string specifying the lp solver to use in Quantgen fitting. Either "glpk" or

"gurobi". For faster optimization, use Gurobi (requires separate installation of

the 'gurobi' package).

lambda the level of lasso penalty

test_lag integer number of days ago to predict for

geo string specifying the name of the geo region (e.g. FIPS code for counties)

value_type string describing signal type. Either "count" or "fraction".

model_save_dir directory containing trained models

indicator string specifying the name of the indicator as used in 'parquet' input data file-

names. One indicator can be associated with multiple signals.

signal string specifying the name of the signal as used in 'parquet' input data filenames.

One indicator can be associated with multiple signals.

geo_level string describing geo coverage of input data. Either "state" or "county".

signal_suffix string specifying value column name ending to be appended to standard value

column names from 'params\$num_col' and 'params\$denom_col'. Used for non-standard value column names and when processing multiple signals from

a single input dataframe, as with 'quidel''s age buckets.

training_end_date

Most recent training date

train_models boolean indicating whether to train models (TRUE). If FALSE previously trained

models (stored locally) will be used instead. Default is TRUE.

make_predictions

boolean indicating whether to generate and save corrections (TRUE) or not. De-

fault is TRUE.

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objective

Generate objection function

Description

Generate objection function

Usage

```
objective(theta, x, prob, ...)
```

Arguments

theta parameters for the distribution in log scale

x vector of quantiles

prob the expected probabilities

... additional arguments

read_data

Read a parquet file into a dataframe

Description

Read a parquet file into a dataframe

Usage

```
read_data(input_dir)
```

Arguments

input_dir path to the directory containing input data

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read_params

Return params file as an R list

Description

Reads a parameters file. If the file does not exist, the function will create a copy of '"params.json.template" and read from that.

Usage

```
read_params(
  path = "params.json",
  template_path = "params.json.template",
  train_models = TRUE,
  make_predictions = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

path path to the parameters file; if not present, will try to copy the file "params.json.template"

template_path path to the template parameters file

train_models boolean indicating whether to train models (TRUE). If FALSE previously trained

models (stored locally) will be used instead. Default is TRUE.

make_predictions

boolean indicating whether to generate and save corrections (TRUE) or not. Default is TRUE.

Details

A params list should contain the following fields. If not included, they will be filled with default values when possible.

params\$ref_lag: reference lag, after x days, the update is considered to be the response. 60 is a reasonable choice for CHNG outpatient data params\$input_dir: link to the input data file params\$testing_window: the testing window used for saving the runtime. Could set it to be 1 if time allows params\$test_dates: list of two elements, the first one is the start date and the second one is the end date params\$training_days: set it to be 270 or larger if you have enough data params\$num_col: the column name for the counts of the numerator, e.g. the number of COVID claims params\$denom_col: the column name for the counts of the denominator, e.g. the number of total claims params\$geo_level: character vector of "state" and "county", by default params\$taus: vector of considered quantiles params\$lambda: the level of lasso penalty params\$export_dir: directory to save corrected data to params\$lp_solver: LP solver to use in quantile_lasso(); "gurobi" or "glpk"

Value

a named list of parameters values

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run_backfill

Get backfill-corrected estimates for a single signal + geo combination

Description

Get backfill-corrected estimates for a single signal + geo combination

Usage

```
run_backfill(
   df,
   params,
   training_end_date,
   refd_col = "time_value",
   lag_col = "lag",
   signal_suffixes = c(""),
   indicator = "",
   signal = ""
)
```

Arguments

df Data Frame of aggregated counts within a single location reported for each ref-

erence date and issue date.

params named list containing modeling and data settings. Must include the following

elements: 'ref_lag', 'testing_window', 'test_dates', 'training_days', 'num_col', 'denom_col', 'taus', 'lambda', 'export_dir', 'lp_solver', 'input_dir', 'cache_dir',

'geo_levels', and 'value_types'.

training_end_date

the most recent training date

refd_col string specifying name of reference date field within the input dataframe.

lag_col string specifying name of lag field within the input dataframe.

signal_suffixes

character vector specifying value column name endings to be appended to standard value column names from 'params\$num_col' and 'params\$denom_col'. Used for non-standard value column names and when processing multiple signals from a single input determore as with 'midal'? a car business.

nals from a single input dataframe, as with 'quidel''s age buckets.

indicator string specifying the name of the indicator as used in 'parquet' input data file-

names. One indicator can be associated with multiple signals.

signal string specifying the name of the signal as used in 'parquet' input data filenames.

One indicator can be associated with multiple signals.

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Corrected estimates from a single local signal

Description

Corrected estimates from a single local signal

Usage

```
run_backfill_local(
    df,
    export_dir,
    test_date_list,
    value_cols,
    value_type,
    taus = TAUS,
    test_lags = TEST_LAGS,
    training_days = TRAINING_DAYS,
    testing_window = TESTING_WINDOW,
    ref_lag = REF_LAG,
    lambda = LAMBDA,
    lp_solver = LP_SOLVER
)
```

Arguments

df Data Frame of aggregated counts within a single location reported for each ref-

erence date and issue date.

export_dir path to directory to save output to

test_date_list Date vector of dates to make predictions for

value_cols character vector of numerator and/or denominator field names value_type string describing signal type. Either "count" or "fraction".

numeric vector of quantiles to be predicted. Values must be between 0 and 1.

test_lags integer vector of number of days ago to predict for

training_days integer number of days to use for training

testing_window the testing window used for saving the runtime. Could set it to be 1 if time

allows

ref_lag max lag to use for training lambda the level of lasso penalty

lp_solver string specifying the lp solver to use in Quantgen fitting. Either "glpk" or

"gurobi". For faster optimization, use Gurobi (requires separate installation of

the 'gurobi' package).

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subset_valid_files

Return file names only if they contain data to be used in training

Description

Parse filenames to find included dates. Use different patterns if file includes daily or rollup (multiple days) data.

Usage

```
subset_valid_files(files_list, file_type = c("daily", "rollup"), params)
```

Arguments

files_list character vector of input files of a given 'file_type'

file_type string specifying time period coverage of input files. Either "daily" or "rollup"

params named list containing modeling and data settings. Must include the following

elements: 'ref_lag', 'testing_window', 'test_dates', 'training_days', 'num_col', 'denom_col', 'taus', 'lambda', 'export_dir', 'lp_solver', 'input_dir', 'cache_dir',

'geo_levels', and 'value_types'.

training_days_check

Check available training days

Description

Check available training days

Usage

```
training_days_check(issue_date, training_days = TRAINING_DAYS)
```

Arguments

issue_date contents of input data's 'issue_date' column training_days integer number of days to use for training

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validity_checks	Check input data for validity
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Description

Check input data for validity

Usage

```
validity_checks(df, value_type, num_col, denom_col, signal_suffixes)
```

Arguments

df Data Frame of aggregated counts within a single location reported for each ref-

erence date and issue date.

value_type string describing signal type. Either "count" or "fraction".

num_col name of numerator column in the input dataframe denom_col name of denominator column in the input dataframe

signal_suffixes

character vector specifying value column name endings to be appended to standard value column names from 'params\$num_col' and 'params\$denom_col'. Used for non-standard value column names and when processing multiple sig-

nals from a single input dataframe, as with 'quidel''s age buckets.

Value

list of input dataframe augmented with lag column, if it didn't already exist, and character vector of one or two value column names, depending on requested 'value_type'

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