



# Temporal Disaggregation using JDemetra+ (GUI and rjd3bench)

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# Introduction

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**Temporal disaggregation Methods:** These methods are used to disaggregate a series from low frequency to high-frequency.

When there are high frequency related indicators, these methods provide high frequency estimations for a series whose sums, averages, last or first values are consistent with the observed low frequency series, applying a regression model where it is assumed that monthly observations (if available) of the series to be estimated satisfy a multiple regression with  $p$  related series (indicators).

# Temporal disaggregation methods

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Two types of temporal disaggregation methods:

**1. There is no high frequency related indicator:**

- ▶ **Softened methods:** such as Boot, Fiebes and Lisman (1967). Identical to Denton considering as proxy a series of ones.
- ▶ **Methods of time series:** such as: Wei and Stram (1990).

**2. There is a high frequency related indicator:** these methods are known as optimal methods and among them are Chow-Lin (1971), Fernández (1981), Litterman (1983), Santos Silva and Cardoso, and Proietti.

# High frequency model

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**High frequency model.** It is assumed that monthly observations (if available) of the series to be estimated satisfy a multiple regression with  $p$  related series:

$$y = X\beta + u \quad (1)$$

where  $y$  is monthly observations (if available) of the series to be estimated,  $X$  is the matrix with the regression variables in columns,  $\beta$  is a vector of coefficients and  $u$  follows:

- ▶ **Chow-Lin:**  $u_t = \phi u_{t-1} + \epsilon_t$ , with  $-1 < \phi < 1$  and  $\epsilon_t$  white noise
- ▶ **Fernández:**  $\nabla u_t = \epsilon_t$ , with  $\epsilon_t$  white noise
- ▶ **Litterman:**  $\nabla u_t = \phi \nabla u_{t-1} + \epsilon_t$ , with  $-1 < \phi < 1$  and  $\epsilon_t$  white noise

# Low frequency model

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**Low frequency model.** This is the model directly estimated, obtained premultiplying the high frequency model by a matrix:

$$My = MX\beta + Mu \quad (2)$$

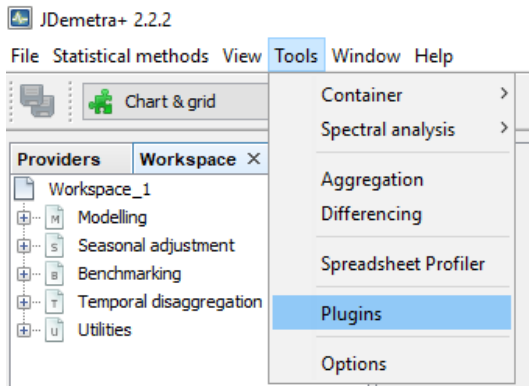
where

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & \dots \\ \dots & & & & & & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$E(Mu) = ME(u) = 0 \text{ and } Cov(Mu) = MCov(u)M^T$$

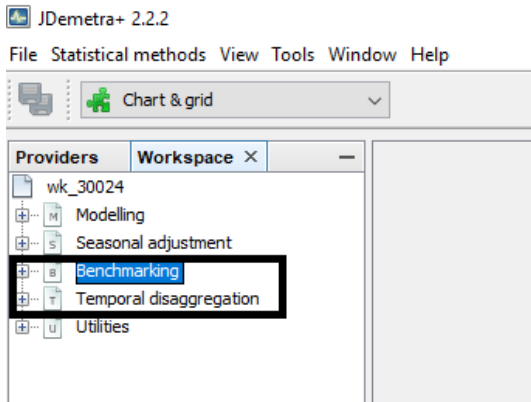
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1. **Download the file nbdemetra-benchmarking-2.2.2.nbm**  
<https://github.com/nbbird/jdemetra-benchmarking/releases>
2. **Add the plugin in the GUI version 2.2.2**



# Install the plug-in II

## 3. Benchmarking and Temporal Disaggregation options



# Example

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- ▶ **Input series:** The Services Producer Price Index without direct taxes with quarterly frequency: Air Transport branch. From the **first quarter of 2010** to the **first quarter of 2018**.
- ▶ **Indicator:** The CPI at constant taxes series with monthly frequency: 0733 Air Transport. From **January 2010** to **June 2018**.
- ▶ **Output series:** The Services Producer Price Index, air transport branch, with monthly frequency.



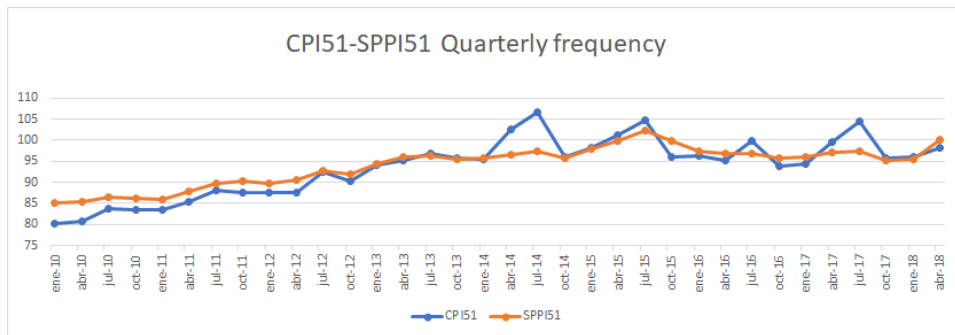
# Steps to choose the method

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1. Graphical Analysis
2. Cointegration Test (optional)
3. Chow-Lin
4. Fernández and Litterman
5. ADL Models: Proietti and Santos Silva and Cardoso
6. Extrapolation

# 1. Graphical Analysis

## Series 51 Air transport: CPI vs SPPI



## 2. Cointegration test

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**High frequency model.** It is assumed that monthly observations (if available) of the series to be estimated satisfy a multiple regression with  $p$  related series:

$$y = X\beta + u \quad (3)$$

where  $y$  is monthly observations (if available) of the series to be estimated,  $X$  is the matrix with the regression variables in columns,  $\beta$  is a vector of coefficients and  $u$  follows:

- ▶ **Chow-Lin:**  $u_t = \phi u_{t-1} + \epsilon_t$ , with  $-1 < \phi < 1$  and  $\epsilon_t$  white noise
- ▶ **Fernández:**  $\nabla u_t = \epsilon_t$ , with  $\epsilon_t$  white noise
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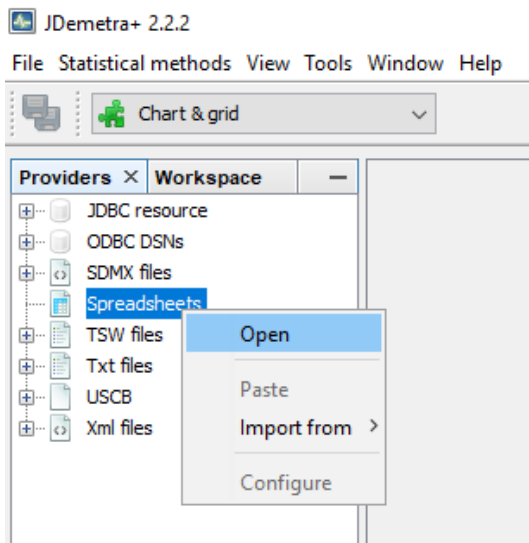
## 2. Cointegration test

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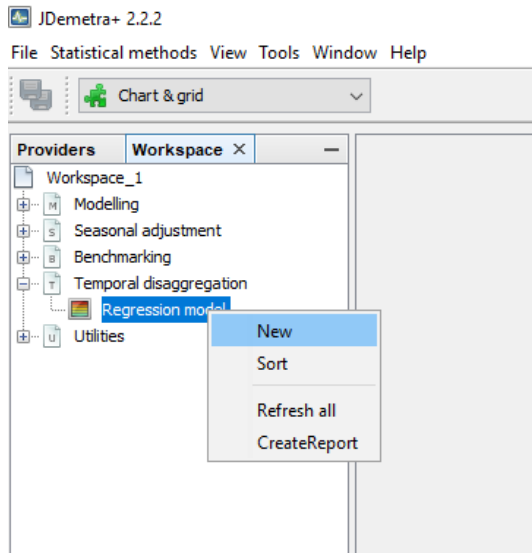
- ▶ If the series are **cointegrated in high frequency**, **Chow-Lin** should be applied.
- ▶ If the series are **not cointegrated** in high frequency we apply **Fernández and Litterman**.

This test can only be done in low frequency and the test conclusions **cannot be scaled from low to high frequency**.

### 3. Chow-Lin



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JDemetra+ 2.2.2

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Y: SPPI\_AirTransports51 [frozen] X: CPI\_AirTransport51H [frozen] Spec: Chow-Lin

Providers

- JDDBC resource
- ODBC DSNs
- SDMX files
- Spreadsheets
  - N:\JDMTD\JDMTDCOM\Desagregador
  - SPPI\_AirTransport
  - s51
  - CPI\_AirTransport
  - 51H
- TSW files
- Txt files
- USCB
- Xml files

Summary

Likelihood statistics

Number of effective observations = 33  
Number of estimated parameters = 4

Loglikelihood = -43.35473494465976  
Standard error of the regression (ML estimate) = 0.20670577747220467  
AIC = 94.70946988931952  
AICC = 96.13804131789095  
BIC (corrected for length) = -2.8350533995955094

Variance

Component	Variance	% variance
Indicators	42.599998	23.52
Smoothing	138.557187	76.48

Model

Rho = 0.9819905500759276 [0,0179]

Regression model

### 3. Chow-Lin

TsDisaggregationModel-1 X

Y: SPPI\_AirTransports51 [frozen] X: CPI\_AirTransport51H [frozen]

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#### Chow-Lin

##### Likelihood statistics

Number of effective observations = 33  
Number of estimated parameters = 4

Loglikelihood = -47.59845665377147  
Standard error of the regression (ML estimate) = 0.2024286643056931  
AIC = 103.19691330754294  
AICC = 104.62548473611437  
BIC (corrected for length) = -2.8768711352954863

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##### Variance

Component	Variance	% variance
Indicators	366,670487	22,33
Smoothing	1275,660236	77,67

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##### Model

Rho = 0.99999999 [0,0134]

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##### Regression model

	Coefficients	T-Stat	P[ T  > t]
Constant	68,155965	0,01	0,9884
CPI_AirTransport 51H [frozen]	0,250044	6,58	0,0000



### 3. Chow-Lin

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Trend	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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Default frequency	Quarterly	
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# 4. Fernández

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### Fernandez

#### Likelihood statistics

Number of effective observations = 33  
Number of estimated parameters = 3

Loglikelihood = -47.59845663060059  
Standard error of the regression (ML estimate) = 0.20242866358366948  
AIC = 101.19691326120117  
AICC = 102.02449946809773  
BIC (corrected for length) = -2.98282591701899

#### Variance

Component	Variance	% variance
Indicators	366,670482	22,33
Smoothing	1275,660245	77,67

#### Regression model

	Coefficients	T-Stat	P[ T  > t]
CPI_AirTransport 51H [frozen]	0,250044	6,79	0,0000

Basic options

Estimation span All

Error Rw

Constant ☐

Trend ☐

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Advanced options

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Method DKF

ML estimation ☒

Zero initialization ☐

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## 4. Litterman

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### Litterman

#### Likelihood statistics

Number of effective observations = 33

Number of estimated parameters = 4

Loglikelihood = -42.97055716264021

Standard error of the regression (ML estimate) = 0.15681419618642797

AIC = 93.94111432528042

AICC = 95.36968575385185

BIC (corrected for length) = -3.387522952751936

#### Variance

Component	Variance	% variance
Indicators	350,623615	21,19
Smoothing	1304,120243	78,81

#### Model

Rho = 0.29166666374999994 [0,3218]

#### Regression model

	Coefficients	T-Stat	P[ T  > t]
Hoja1 51H [frozen]	0,244512	7,01	0,0000

# 4. Analysis of the residuals

TsDisaggregationModel-4 || TsDisaggregationModel-5 || TsDisaggregationModel-1 || TsDisaggregationModel-2 || TsDisaggregationModel-3

Y: lass\_qs51 [frozen] X: Hoja151H [frozen]

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### Analysis of the residuals

#### Summary

##### 1. Normality of the residuals

	P-value
Mean	0,2274
Skewness	0,2053
Kurtosis	0,2697
Normality	0,1183

##### 2. Independence of the residuals

	P-value
Ljung-Box(16)	0,4238
Box-Pierce(16)	0,7189
Ljung-Box on seasonality(2)	0,7714
Box-Pierce on seasonality(2)	1,0000

Durbin-Watson statistic: 1,3240

##### 3. Randomness of the residuals

	P-value
Runs around the mean: number	0,2891
Runs around the mean: length	1,0000
Up and Down runs: number	0,3880
Up and Down runs: length	1,0000

##### 4. Linearity of the residuals

	P-value
Ljung-Box on squared residuals(16)	0,9696
Box-Pierce on squared residuals(16)	0,9954

## 4. Disaggregated series (Fernández)

TsDisaggregationModel-1

SPPI\_AirTransports51 [frozen]

CPI\_AirTransport51H [frozen]

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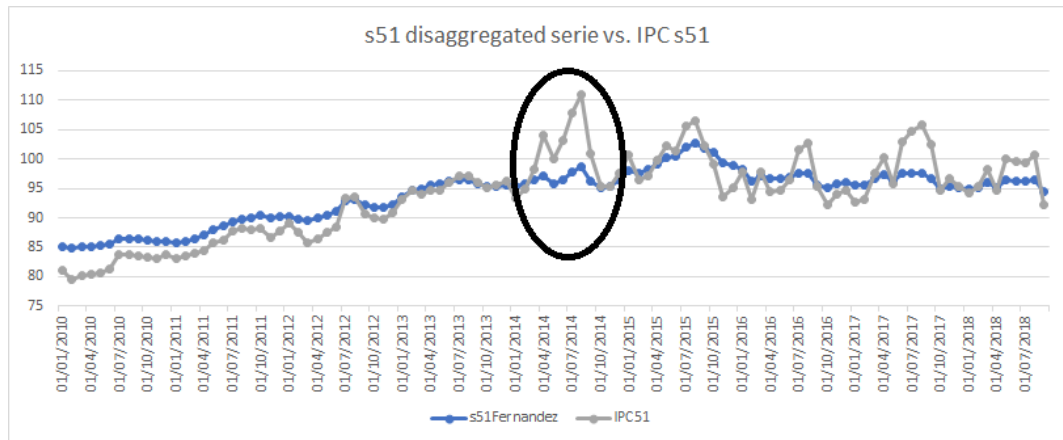
Statistics

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	disaggregation	disggregationError
1-2010	85,188	0,425
2-2010	84,84	0,292
3-2010	85,055	0,397
4-2010	85,131	0,373
5-2010	85,305	0,285
6-2010	85,636	0,371
7-2010	86,433	0,371
8-2010	86,488	0,285
9-2010	86,459	0,37
10-2010	86,29	0,37
11-2010	86,101	0,285
12-2010	86,094	0,37
1-2011	85,734	0,37
2-2011	85,936	0,285
3-2011	86,423	0,37
4-2011	87,166	0,37
5-2011	88,071	0,285
6-2011	88,612	0,37
7-2011	89,338	0,37

## 4. Results: Air transport (Fernández)



- ▶ <https://github.com/rjdemetra/rjd3bench/releases>
- ▶ temporaldisaggregation function:

```
function (series, constant = T, trend = F, indicators = NULL,  
        model = c("Ar1", "Rw", "RwAr1"), freq = 4, conversion = c("Sum",  
        "Average", "Last", "First", "UserDefined"), conversion.obsposition = 1,  
        rho = 0, rho.fixed = F, rho.truncated = 0, zeroinitialization = F,  
        diffuse.algorithm = c("SqrtDiffuse", "Diffuse", "Augmented"),  
        diffuse.regressors = F)
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## 5. ADL Models

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In **Santos Silva and Cardoso** the model is:

$$y_t = \phi y_{t-1} + x_t \beta + \epsilon_t \quad (4)$$

In **Proietti** the model is:

$$y_t = \phi y_{t-1} + m + gt + x_t \beta + x_{t-1} \gamma + \epsilon_t \quad (5)$$

where  $\epsilon_t$  is a white noise process with variance  $\sigma^2$



## 5. ADL Models

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- ▶ Likelihood ratio test:
  - ▶ Proietti and Santos Silva Cardoso
  - ▶ Proietti and Chow-Lin
- ▶ Analysis of the residuals

## 6. Extrapolation

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Using 8 quarters of extrapolated data.

► Chow-Lin:

$$RMSE = 0,60 \quad (6)$$

► Fernández:

$$RMSE = 0,59 \quad (7)$$

► Litterman:

$$RMSE = 0,70 \quad (8)$$