



Temporal Disaggregation using JDemetra+ (GUI and rjd3bench)

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Introduction

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

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

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, β is a vector of coefficients and u follows:

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

Low frequency model

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

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

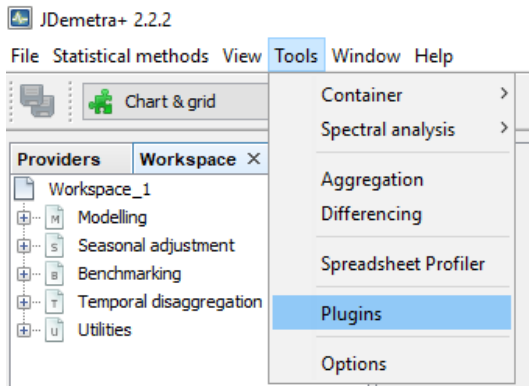
where

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

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

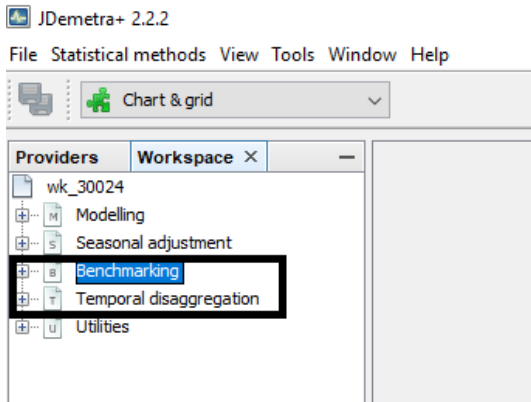
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1. **Download the file nbdemetra-benchmarking-2.2.2.nbm**
<https://github.com/nbbird/jdemetra-benchmarking/releases>
2. **Add the plugin in the GUI version 2.2.2**



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3. Benchmarking and Temporal Disaggregation options



Example

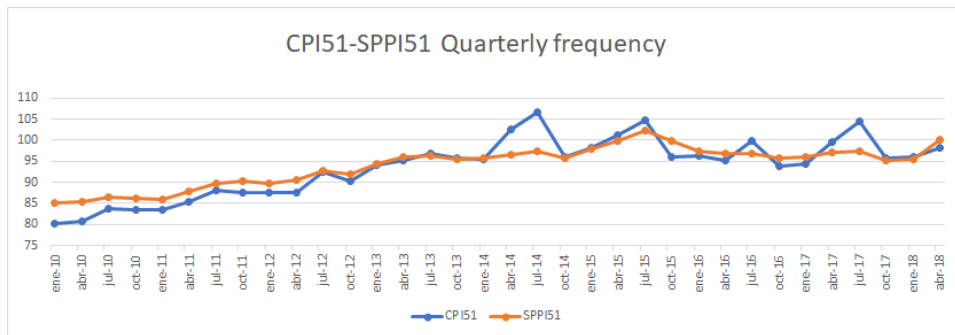
- ▶ **Input series:** The Services Producer Price Index without direct taxes with quarterly frequency: Air Transport branch. From the **first quarter of 2010** to the **first quarter of 2018**.
- ▶ **Indicator:** The CPI at constant taxes series with monthly frequency: 0733 Air Transport. From **January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

Steps to choose the method

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

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, β is a vector of coefficients and u follows:

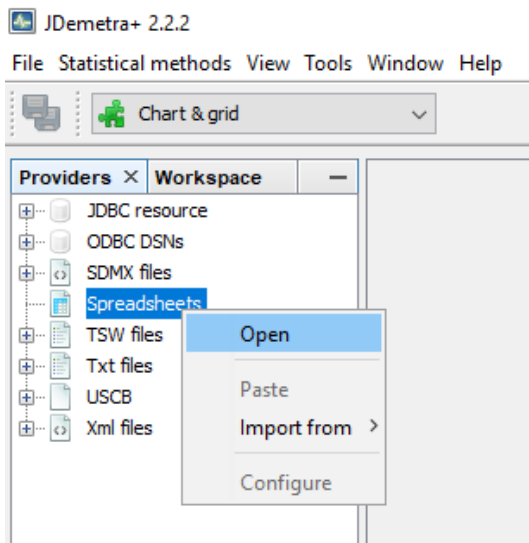
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2. Cointegration test

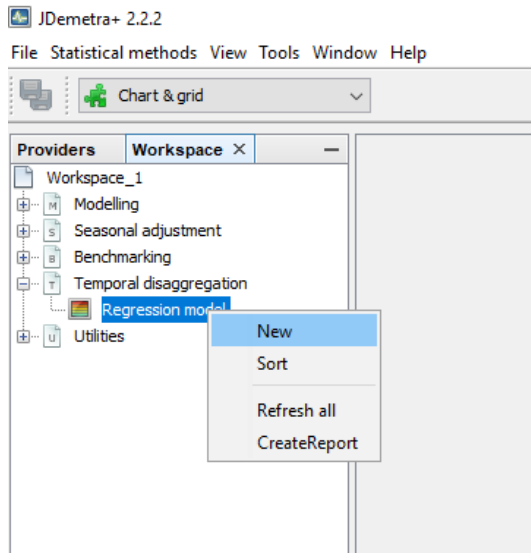
- ▶ If the series are **cointegrated in high frequency**, **Chow-Lin** should be applied.
- ▶ If the series are **not cointegrated** in high frequency we apply **Fernández and Litterman**.

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

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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

Variance

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

Model

Rho = 0.99999999 [0,0134]

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

Spec: Chow-Lin		Specifications
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Constant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Trend	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Type	Sum	
Default frequency	Quarterly	
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Precision	0,00001	
Method	DKF	
ML estimation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Zero initialization	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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4. Fernandez

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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

Precision 0,0000

Method DKF

ML estimation ☒

Zero initialization ☐

Truncated rho 0

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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)

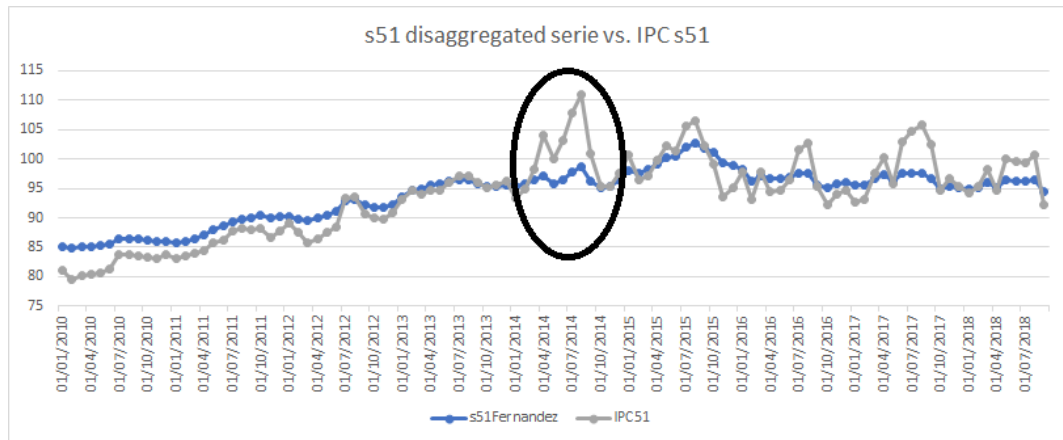
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	disaggregation	disaggregationError
1-2010	85,188	0,425
2-2010	84,84	0,292
3-2010	85,055	0,397
4-2010	85,131	0,373
5-2010	85,305	0,285
6-2010	85,636	0,371
7-2010	86,433	0,371
8-2010	86,488	0,285
9-2010	86,459	0,37
10-2010	86,29	0,37
11-2010	86,101	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)
```

5. ADL Models

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 ϵ_t is a white noise process with variance σ^2

5. ADL Models

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

6. Extrapolation

Using 8 quarters of extrapolated data.

► Chow-Lin:

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

► Fernandez:

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

► Fernandez:

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