

# Lab6\_THieF\_a24kimwu

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## Temporal Hierarchies in R

### Data & packages

```
pckg <- c("thief","MAPA","tsutils","abind")
for (i in 1:length(pckg)){
  if(!(pckg[i] %in% rownames(installed.packages()))){
    install.packages(pckg[i])
  }
  library(pckg[i],character.only = TRUE)
}

## Loading required package: forecast
## Registered S3 method overwritten by 'quantmod':
##   method           from
##   as.zoo.data.frame zoo

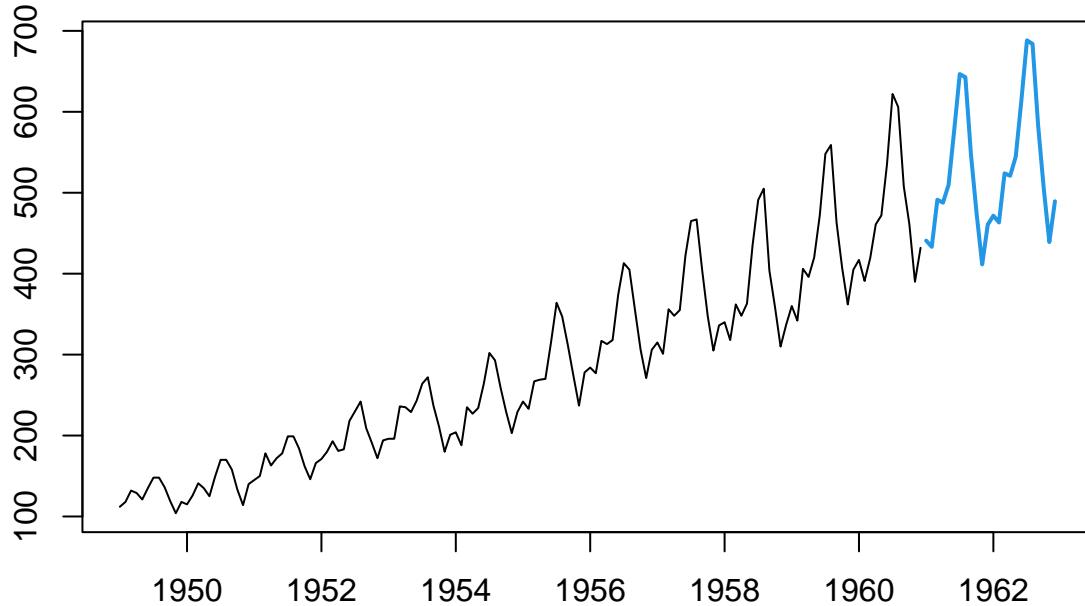
## Loading required package: parallel
## Loading required package: RColorBrewer
## Loading required package: smooth
## Loading required package: greybox
## Package "greybox", v2.0.5 loaded.
## This is package "smooth", v4.3.0
y <- AirPassengers
```

### Temporal hierarchies using the thief package

Using the function `thief()` the whole process is automated:

```
frc1 <- thief(y)
plot(frc1)
```

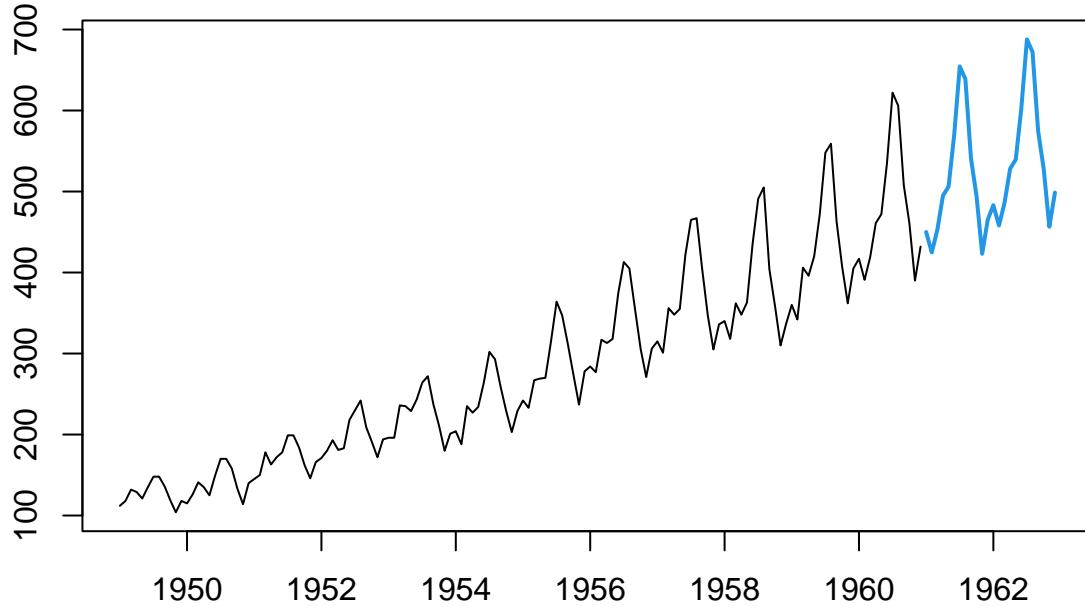
## Forecasts from THieF-ETS



By default uses ETS as the base forecast, we can change that using usemodel:

```
frc2 <- thief(y,usemodel="arima")
plot(frc2)
```

## Forecasts from THieF-ARIMA



## Manual implementation of THieF

First, we construct the summing matrix  $S$ , used to map the hierarchy and pick up from that the useful aggregation levels.

```

S <- tsutils::Sthief(y) # Get the S matrix
ff <- frequency(y) # Get sampling frequency of target series
AL <- ff/(1:ff) # Calculate frequencies of various aggregation levels
AL <- AL[AL %% 1 == 0] # And exclude those that would not be integer
k <- length(AL) # Find how many are left

```

Next we create the temporally aggregated time series:

```

Y <- MAPA::tsaggr(y,AL) [[1]]

```

We set the target forecast horizon, and calculate the corresponding forecast horizons for all temporal aggregation levels:

```

hrz <- 16 # Target horizon
hAggr <- (ceiling(hrz/ff)*ff)/AL
hAggr

```

```

## [1] 2 4 6 8 12 24

```

Now we produce all the base forecasts, i.e., the independent forecasts for each level of the temporal hierarchy.

```

frc <- mse <- list()
for (i in 1:k){
  yTemp <- Y[[i]]
  fit <- ets(yTemp)
  mse[[i]] <- fit$mse
  frcTemp <- forecast(fit,h=hAggr[i])$mean
  # Re-structure forecasts
  frc[[i]] <- matrix(frcTemp,ncol=hAggr[1]) # Organised as column per year
}

```

Next, we re/arrange the forecasts into a matrix. First comes the most aggregate, and the rest follow.

```

frcAll <- abind(frc,along=1)
frcAll

```

```

##          [,1]      [,2]
## [1,] 6117.6361 6596.1292
## [2,] 3007.6633 3250.5458
## [3,] 3129.1045 3371.9871
## [4,] 1833.0574 1941.5106
## [5,] 2393.3701 2532.2736
## [6,] 1898.4091 2006.5253
## [7,] 1355.3595 1459.7158
## [8,] 1593.3745 1713.7677
## [9,] 1887.3399 2027.3332
## [10,] 1383.1478 1483.8981
## [11,] 867.1471 929.9355
## [12,] 963.5666 1032.5139
## [13,] 1094.7423 1172.1632
## [14,] 1332.7008 1425.8650
## [15,] 1037.7271 1109.4450
## [16,] 881.9057 942.1689
## [17,] 441.8018 459.0139
## [18,] 434.1186 450.6333
## [19,] 496.6300 515.0797
## [20,] 483.2375 500.7700

```

```

## [21,] 483.9914 501.1423
## [22,] 551.0244 570.0974
## [23,] 613.1797 633.9130
## [24,] 609.3648 629.4938
## [25,] 530.5408 547.6630
## [26,] 463.0332 477.6340
## [27,] 402.7478 415.1573
## [28,] 451.9694 465.5780

```

Now we estimate the G matrix that contains the combination weights. We will use here two easy approximations, the structural and the variance scaling.

```

# Structural:
W <- diag(1/rowSums(S))
Gstr <- solve(t(S) %*% W %*% S) %*% t(S) %*% W
# Variance:
mse <- unlist(mse)
W <- diag(1/mse[rep((1:k), rev(AL))])
Gvar <- solve(t(S) %*% W %*% S) %*% t(S) %*% W

```

Now we reconcile (combine) the forecasts. For this example we use the Structural scaling, but we only need to replace G to obtain any other result.

```

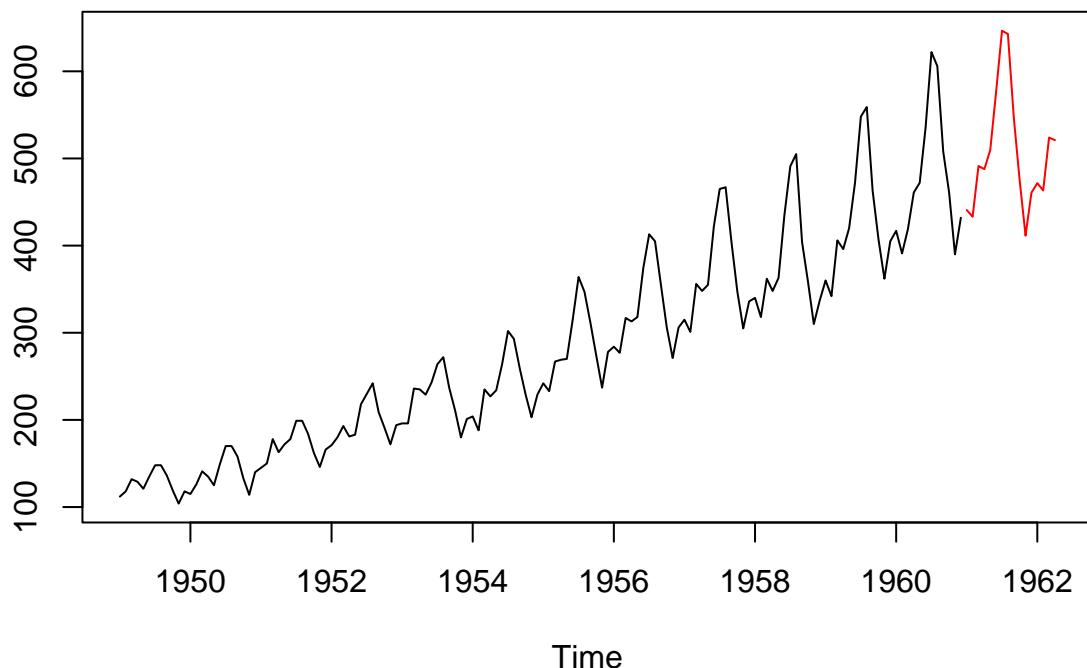
# Create the bottom level forecasts
frcBRec <- Gstr %*% frcAll
frcFinal <- as.numeric(frcBRec)[1:hrz]
# We can also translate this into a time series object
frcFinal <- ts(frcFinal, frequency=frequency(y), start=end(y)[1] + deltat(y)*end(y)[2])
frcFinal

```

```

##          Jan      Feb      Mar      Apr      May      Jun      Jul      Aug
## 1961 440.8650 433.1818 491.3771 487.7213 509.7371 576.7701 646.6260 642.8111
## 1962 471.6625 463.2819 524.0035 520.9690
##          Sep      Oct      Nov      Dec
## 1961 547.0800 474.7431 411.4239 460.6455
## 1962
ts.plot(y, frcFinal, col=c("black", "red"))

```



Or we can use the S-matrix to generate the forecasts for the complete hierarchy.

```
frcARec <- S %*% frcBRec # Which has the same structure as frcAll
```