**noperiods**: A list of candidate number of periods in prediction base (e.g 4:6).If the

goodness of fit test is rejected based on the widest base (e.g.6 periods), the

first period is exclude etc. Use a fixed number to force a specific prediction

base. If e.g. noperiods=5, predictions is based on the last 5 five-year

periods, irrespective of the result a goodness of fit evaluation