# Package 'tfplot'

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addDate

Add Periods to a Date

## **Description**

Add periods to two element start date of given frequency to give a new date. NULL periods is treated as 0.

## Usage

```
addDate(date, periods, freq)
```

## **Arguments**

date A two element date as used by tsp i.e c(year, period).

periods A number of periods.

freq The number of periods in a year.

#### Value

A two element date.

#### Note

A useful utility not strictly part of tframe.

#### See Also

tfExpand

## **Examples**

```
addDate(c(1998,1), 20, 12)
```

diffLog

Calculate the difference of log data

## **Description**

Calculate the difference from lag periods prior for log of data.

## Usage

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## Arguments

obj	A time se	ries object.

lag The difference is calculated relative to lag periods prior.

base Base to use when calculating logrithms.

names names for the new series (but is details).

#### **Details**

The result is a time series of the difference relative to lag periods prior for the log of the data. lag data points are lost from the beginning of the series. Negative values will result in NAs.

The names are not applied to the new series if the global option ModSeriesNames is FALSE. This can be set with options(ModSeriesNames=FALSE). This provides a convenient mechanism to prevent changing series labels on plot axis, when the title may indicate that data is in year-to-year percent change so the axis label does not need this.

#### Value

A time series vector or matrix.

## **Examples**

```
z \leftarrow matrix(100 + rnorm(200),100,2)

z[z \leftarrow 0] \leftarrow 1 \# not to likely, but it can happen

z \leftarrow diffLog(z)
```

percentChange

Various Time Series Calculations

#### **Description**

Calculate various conversions of time series.

## Usage

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## Arguments

obj	An object on which the calculation is to be done. The default method works for a time series vector or matrix (with columns corresponding to series, which are treated individually).
e	If e is TRUE the exponent of the series is used (after cumulating if cumulate is TRUE). e can be a logical vector with elements corresponding to columns of obj.
base	If base is provided it is treated as the first period value (that is, prior to differencing). It is prefixed to the m prior to cumulating. It should be a vector of length $dim(m)[2]$ . (If e is TRUE then base should be log of the original data).
lag	integer indicating the number of periods relative to which the change should be calculated.
cumulate	logical indicating if the series should be cumulated before the percent change is calculated.
freqLagRatio	the ratio of obj's frequency to the number of lags.
names	gives new names to be given to the calculated series.
	arguments passed to other methods.

## **Details**

percentChange calculate the percent change relative to the data lag periods prior. If cumulate is TRUE then the data is cumulated first. cumulate can be a logical vector with elements corresponding to columns of obj.

The result is a time series of the year over year percent change. This uses percentChange with lag=frequency(obj).

The names are not applied to the new series if the global option ModSeriesNames is FALSE. This can be set with options(ModSeriesNames=FALSE). This provides a convenient mechanism to prevent changing series labels on plot axis, when the title may indicate that data is in year-to-year percent change so the axis label does not need this.

annualizedGrowth calculates the year to year percentage growth rate using 100\*((obj/shift(obj, periods= -lag))^freqLagRatio - 1). The default gives the annualized one period growth. If lag is equal to the frequency of obj then the result is year-over-year growth.

#### Value

A time series or time series matrix.

#### See Also

diff

## **Examples**

```
z <- ts(matrix(100 + rnorm(200),100,2), start=c(1990,1), frequency=12) z[z == 0] <- 1 # not to likely, but it can happen zyypc <- ytoypc(z)
```

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```
zpc <- percentChange(z)
zag <- annualizedGrowth(z)</pre>
```

tfplot

Plot Tframed Objects

## **Description**

Plot tframe or tframed objects.

## Usage

```
tfplot(x, ...)
    ## Default S3 method:
tfplot(x, ..., tf=tfspan(x, ...), start=tfstart(tf), end=tfend(tf),
       series=seq(nseries(x)),
       Title=NULL, title=Title, subtitle=NULL,
       lty = 1:5, lwd = 1, pch = 1, col = 1:6, cex = NULL,
       xlab=NULL, ylab=seriesNames(x), xlim = NULL, ylim = NULL,
       graphs.per.page=5, par=NULL, reset.screen=TRUE,
       Xaxis="auto", L1=NULL,
YaxisL=TRUE, YaxisR=FALSE, Yaxis.lab.rot = "vertical",
splitPane=NULL,
       lastObs = FALSE, source = NULL,
       footnote = NULL, footnoteLeft = footnote, footnoteRight = NULL,
legend=NULL, legend.loc="topleft")
    tfOnePlot(x, tf=tframe(x), start=tfstart(tf), end=tfend(tf),
       Title=NULL, title=Title, subtitle=NULL,
lty=1:5, lwd=1, pch=1, col=1:6, cex=NULL,
       xlab=NULL, ylab=NULL, xlim=NULL, ylim=NULL, par=NULL,
Xaxis="auto", L1=NULL,
YaxisL=TRUE, YaxisR=FALSE, Yaxis.lab.rot = "vertical",
splitPane=NULL,
lastObs=FALSE, source=NULL,
footnote=NULL, footnoteLeft=footnote, footnoteRight=NULL,
legend=NULL, legend.loc="topleft")
```

## Arguments

X	a tframe or tframed object to plot.
	any additional tframed objects for the same plot.
start	start of plot. (passed to tfwindow)
end	end of plot. (passed to tfwindow)
tf	a tframe or tframed object which can be used to specify start and end.
series	series to be plotted. (passed to selectSeries)

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title string to use for plot title (but see details).

Title synonym for title.

subtitle string to use for plot subtitle (but see details).

lty passed to plot. See also par.
lwd passed to plot. See also par.
pch passed to plot. See also par.
col passed to plot. See also par.
cex passed to plot. See also par.

xlab string to use for x label (passed to plot).
ylab string to use for y label (passed to plot).

xlim passed to plot. See also par. ylim passed to plot. See also par.

Xaxis If equal 'auto' then an attempt is made at a better format for the x-axis tick

marks and their labels. A value of NULL produces the result using plot defaults

(as previously).

YaxisL logical indicating if a left Y axis should be on the graph.

YaxisR logical or numeric indicating if a right Y axis should be on the graph. A numeric

value indicates its scale relative to the left axis.

Yaxis.lab.rot 'vertical' or 'horizontal' indicating the orientation of labels on the Y axis.

L1 A character vector used for the minor tick marks. The default is in english (e.g.

the first letter of each month). It should be the same length as the frequency of

х.

lastObs Logical indicating if the date of the last observation should be printed below the

graph, flushed right.

splitPane An integer indicating the number of last observations that should be put in a

second right panel (to show more detail at the end). NULL indicates no second

panel.

source String printed below the graph, flushed left.

footnote Synonym for footnoteLeft.

footnoteLeft String printed below lastObs and source, flushed left. footnoteRight String printed below lastObs and source, flushed right.

legend NULL (indicating no legend) or a vector strings to be used for a legend (see leg-

end)

legend.loc indication of placement of the legend (see legend)

graphs.per.page

integer indicating number of graphs to place on a page.

par a list of arguments passed to par() before plotting.)

reset.screen logical indicating if the plot window should be cleared before starting. If this is

not TRUE then par values will have no effect.

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#### **Details**

In many cases these are the same as plot methods, however, tfplot puts different series in the object x in different plot panels, whereas plot usually puts them in the same panel. For this reason, tfplot tends to work better when the scale of the different series are very different. If additional objects are supplied, then they should each have the same number of series as x and all corresponding series will be plotted in the same panel.

tfplot provides an alternate generic mechanism for plotting time series data. New classes of time series may define there own tfplot (and plot) methods.

tfplot does calls to tfOnePlot for each panel. tfOnePlot may give slightly better control, especially in cases where all series are to go on one plot. The functions are intended to provide a convenient way to do some usual things. Ultimately tfOnePlot calls plot, title, and mtext, so even more control of plot details can be achieved by calling those functions directly.

The start and end arguments to tfplot determine the start and end of the plot. The argument tf is an alternate way to specify the start and end. It is ignored if start and end are specified.

If xlim and ylim are not NULL they should be a vector of two elements giving the max and min, which are applied to all graphs, or a list of length equal to the number of series to be plotted with each list element being the two element vector for the corresponding plot limits.

Xaxis provides a mechanism to try and achieve a better default axis. If equal 'auto' then an attempt is made at a format with large tick marks for years and smaller tick marks for periods (months or quarters). If the number of years is sufficiently small, so there is enough space, then period indications are added. The default, indicated by L1=NULL, is the c('Q1', Q2', Q3', 'Q4') will be used for quarterly data and c("J","F","M","A","M","J","J","A","S","O","N","D") for monthly data. Different values can be specified by setting L1. It should be the same length as the frequency of x. If Xaxis is set to NULL then the result is to use plot defaults (as prior to the addition of the Xaxis argument in version 2013.11-1). Currently Xaxis='auto' only affects annual, monthly, and quarterly data, and the affect on annual data is marginal.

YaxisL set TRUE or FALSE controls if left axis tick marks and labels are put on the plot. If YaxisR is FALSE then right axis tick marks and labels are not put on the plot. If it is TRUE then they are put on the plot with the same scale as the left axis (or as it would have if it were plotted). If YaxisR is a numeric value then the right axis is put on the plot with the scale of the left axis multiplied by the numeric value. The data is plotted using the left scale, so the user must appropriately adjust any values to be read on the right scale (divide by YaxisR). YaxisR can be a vector of length equal to the number of series in x, in which case a scale element is applied to the corresponding plot panel. If YaxisR is shorter it is recycled, so a scalar value is applied to all panels.

The title is not put on the plot if the global option PlotTitles is FALSE. This can be set with options(PlotTitles=FALSE). This provides a convenient mechanism to omit all titles when the title may be added separately (e.g. in Latex).

title may be added separately (e.g. in Latex). Similarly, options(PlotPlotSubtitles=FALSE), options(PlotSources=FALSE), and options(PlotFootnotes=FALSE)

Footnotes can contain "\n" to produce multiline, or multiple footnotes. However, if source and lastObs are specified then the overlap can be messy. In this case a better result might be obtained by specifying the source as part of the footnote.

can be used to suppress printing of these.

If subtitle, source, footnoteLeft, footnoteRight or legend.loc have length less than the number of panels then they are replicated, so typically they should have one element that is applied to each panel, or be vectors with one element for each panel. For tfOnePlot these should all have

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length 1. If legend is a matrix then a column will be used for each panel, otherwise the vector will be passed to each panel. (Typically this vector has length equal to the number of series in each panel graph.)

The par argument can be used to pass other graphics parameters to tfplot and tfOnePlot (see par). These are set by a call par(par) in tfplot or tfOnePlot. tfplot makes this call and does not pass par to tfOnePlot, so the result may sometimes be different from making a direct call to tfOnePlot and providing the par argument. Some of the margin (mar) setting are overridden by split plots, so the results may not be predictable for this case.

#### Value

None.

## **Side Effects**

An object is plotted.

#### See Also

```
tfprint, tframe, tframed, print, plot, legend, par
```

## **Examples**

```
tfplot(ts(rnorm(100), start=c(1982,1), frequency=12))
tfplot(ts(rnorm(100), start=c(1982,1), frequency=12), start=c(1985,6))
```

tfVisPlot

Plot Tframed Objects using googleVis

## **Description**

Plot tframe or tframed objects using googleVis, which allows pointing to lines on the plot in a browser to display extra information.

#### Usage

## Arguments

X	a tframe or tframed object to plot.
	any additional tframed objects for the same plot.
start	start of plot. (passed to tfwindow)
end	end of plot. (passed to tfwindow)
tf	a tframe or tframed object which can be used to specify start and end.
options	passed to googleVis, including title.

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## **Details**

This function produces a line plot of time series x in a web browser using gvisLineChart from package **googleVis**. The advantage of this relative to tfplot and tfOnePlot is that additional information about the series or points are displayed when the mouse pointer is close to a point. This can be useful, for example, to distinguish a particular vintage among several vintages in a graph. See package **googleVis** for more details.

## Value

None.

#### Side Effects

An object is plotted in a browser.

## See Also

```
tfplot, tfOnePlot, gvisLineChart
```

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
    z <- ts(matrix(rnorm(1000),100,10), start=c(1982,1), frequency=12)
    seriesNames(z) <- paste("Series", 1:10)
    if (requireNamespace("googleVis"))
        tfVisPlot(z, options=list(title="Random Number Series"))

## End(Not run)</pre>
```

tsScan

Read and Write Time Series to Files

## **Description**

Read and write time series to files.

## Usage

```
tsScan(file="", skip=1, nseries=1, sep=",",
    na.strings=c("NA", "NC", "ND"), ...)
tsWrite(x, file="data", header=TRUE, sep=",", digits=16)
```

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## **Arguments**

name of file to read or write.

X A time series or time series matrix.

skip number of lines to skip at start of file before reading data.

nseries number of columns of series to expect.

sep field separator.

na. strings charaters that should be treated as NA.

header a logical indicating is a header line should be written.

digits number of significant digits to print

digits number of significant digits to print.
... additional arguments passed to scan.

#### **Details**

Read and write a file with time series data. By default the file is comma separated values (csv) with one header line (the series names on write, ignored on read). The year and period are the first two columns, with series in following columns. These are wrappers for scan and write.

Beware that short digits settings will result in truncated data.

## Value

A time series vector or matrix.

## See Also

```
scan, write
```

## **Examples**

```
tmpfile <- tempfile()
on.exit(unlink(tmpfile) )
z <- ts(matrix(100 + rnorm(200),100,2), start=c(1991,1), frequency=4)
tsWrite(z, file=tmpfile)
zz <- tsScan(tmpfile, nseries=2)
max(abs(z - zz))</pre>
```

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