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References

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See Also

geovol, geovolSim, geovolTest

Examples

```
set.seed(123)

## Simulate from a GEOVOL model (default):
eSim <- geovolSim(n = 1500, m = 30)

## Test for GEOVOL:
geovolTest(e = eSim^2-1)
```

```
## Estimate a GEOVOL model:
eEst <- geovol(e = eSim)
eEst
```

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coef.geovol   *Extraction functions for a 'geovol' object*

Description

Extraction functions for objects of class 'geovol'.

Usage

```
  ## S3 method for class 'geovol'
coef(object, as.zoo = TRUE, ...)
  ## S3 method for class 'geovol'
fitted(object, as.zoo = TRUE, ...)
  ## S3 method for class 'geovol'
logLik(object, ...)
  ## S3 method for class 'geovol'
nobs(object, ...)
  ## S3 method for class 'geovol'
print(x, n.extreme = 20, ...)
  ## S3 method for class 'geovol'
residuals(object, as.zoo = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

object	an object of class 'geovol'.
x	an object of class 'geovol'.
as.zoo	logical. If TRUE, then the returned result is of class [zoo].
n.extreme	integer indicating the n.extreme most extreme GEOVOL events to be printed.
...	additional arguments.

Value

coef:	numeric vector containing parameter estimates.
fitted:	fitted (squared) GEOVOL time series.
logLik:	log-likelihood (normal density).
nobs:	the number of observations used in the estimation.
print:	print of the estimation results.
residuals:	GEOVOL standardised residuals.

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References

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See Also

geovol, geovolSim, zoo

Examples

```
set.seed(123)

## Simulate from a GEOVOL model (default):
eSim <- geovolSim(n = 1000,  m = 30)

## Test for GEOVOL
eTest <- geovolTest(e = eSim^2)

## Estimate a GEOVOL model:
geovolEst <- geovol(e = eSim)

## Print estimation results:
print(geovolEst)

## Extract coefficients:
coef(geovolEst)

## Extract and store GEOVOL:
sigma2Est <- fitted(geovolEst)

## Extract optimised log-likelihood values:
logLik(geovolEst)

## Extract and store GEOVOL standardised residuals:
etaEst <- residuals(geovolEst)
```

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geovol   *Estimate GEOVOL and GEOVOL loadings*

Description

Maximum likehlihood estimation of the GEOVOL and GEOVOL loadings. Estimation is carried out as a maximization-maximization procedure, where the latent multiplicative volatility factor and the factor loadings are estimated iteratively until convergence. Either a balanced or an unbalanced panel can be used. For each point in time t, GEOVOL is estimated using all the available values in the cross-section. The GEOVOL loadings are estimated for each time series.

Usage

```
geovol(e, initial.values = list())
```

Arguments

e   matrix, multivariate time series or zoo object of volatility standardized residuals with mean zero and unit variance.

initial.values   a list containing the initial parameter values passed on to the optimization routine (optim for the GEOVOL factor and loadings. If list(), the default, then the values are chosen automatically; x - NULL or numeric vector containing the n initial values for the GEOVOL factor, x_{t}, t=1,...,n. s - NULL or numeric vector containing the m initial values for the GEOVOL loadings, s_{i}, i=1,...,m.

Value

An object of class 'geovol'.

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References

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See Also

geovol, geovolSim, geovolTest, optim,

Examples

```
set.seed(123)

## Simulate from a GEOVOL model (default):
eSim <- geovolSim(n = 1000,  m = 30)

## Test for GEOVOL
geovolTest(e = eSim^2-1)

## Estimate a GEOVOL model:
geovolEst <- geovol(e = eSim)

## Print estimation results:
print(geovolEst)

## Extract coefficients:
coef(geovolEst)
```

```
## Extract and store GEOVOL:
sigma2Est <- fitted(geovolEst)

## Extract optimised log-likelihood values:
logLik(geovolEst)

## Extract and store GEOVOL standardised residuals:
etaEst <- residuals(geovolEst)
```

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geovolObj   *Auxiliary function*

Description

Auxiliary function used in the estimation of the GEOVOL model. Not intended for the average user.

Usage

```
geovolObj(par, par.fixed, y, x, flag)
```

Arguments

par	scalar with the value of the parameter being estimated. If x=TRUE, par contains the value of the GEOVOL factor at time t. Otherwise, it contains the value of the GEOVOL loading for time series i.
par.fixed	numeric vector with the values of the parameters being fixed during estimation. If x=TRUE, par.fixed contains the values of the estimated GEOVOL loadings from previous iteration. Otherwise, it contains the values of the estimated GEOVOL factor from previous iteration.
y	numeric vector, time series or [zoo](zoo) containing the cross-section at time t if x=TRUE or the time series i if otherwise.)
x	logical. If TRUE, it estimates the value of the GEOVOL factor at time t. Otherwise, it estimates the GEOVOL loading for time series i.
flag	integer. If 0, returns a numeric vector with the values of the objective function; if 1 returns the the value of the objective function; if 2, it returns the GEOVOL scaled by the loading of series i, if x=FALSE.

Value

The values of the objective function or GEOVOL.

Author(s)

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See Also

geovol, fitted.geovol, residuals.geovol

geovolSim *Simulate from a GEOVOL model*

Description

Simulate from a GEOVOL model.

Usage

```
geovolSim(n, m, innovations = NULL, x.sd = 0.5, as.zoo = TRUE, verbose = FALSE)
```

Arguments

n	integer indicating the number of observations.
m	integer indicating the number of time series.
innovations	NULL or numeric vector with the innovations. If NULL, then standard normal innovations are generated with [rnorm]().
x.sd	numeric scalar indicating the standard deviation of the normal random variable, v, used to simulate the squared GEOVOL factor, x, according to the formula x = exp(v).
as.zoo	logical. If TRUE, then the returned result is of class [zoo]().
verbose	logical, if TRUE, the simulated time series, e, the innovations and the squared GEOVOL factor, x, are also returned.

Value

A matrix with the simulated values.

Author(s)

Susana Campos-Martins

See Also

[geovol](), [geovolTest](),

Examples

```
set.seed(123)

## Simulate from a GEOVOL model with s.d. 0.5 (default):
eSim <- geovolSim(n = 1000, m = 30)

## Simulate from a GEOVOL model with s.d. 1:
eSim <- geovolSim(n = 1000, m = 30, x.sd = 1)
```

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geovolTest	*Test for GEOVOL*

Description

Compute the GEOVOL test statistic for examining the null hypothesis that the average correlation of the squared volatility standardized residuals (which should be uncorrelated) is zero against the alternative that it is positive.

Usage

```
geovolTest(e)
```

Arguments

e   matrix, multivariate time series or [zoo](#) object.

Value

The average correlation, the test statistic and the p-value.

Author(s)

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References

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See Also

[geovol](#),][geovolSim](#)

Examples

```
set.seed(123)

## Simulate from a GEOVOL model with s.d. 0.5 (default):
eSim <- geovolSim(n = 1500, m = 30)

## Test for GEOVOL:
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