

NAG Toolbox for MATLAB

g13dk

1 Purpose

g13dk accepts a sequence of new observations in a multivariate time series and updates both the forecasts and the standard deviations of the forecast errors. A call to g13dj must be made prior to calling this function in order to calculate the elements of a reference vector together with a set of forecasts and their standard errors. On a successful exit from g13dk the reference vector is updated so that should future series values become available these forecasts may be updated by recalling g13dk.

2 Syntax

```
[mlast, ref, v, predz, sefz, ifail] = g13dk(k, mlast, z, ref, predz,
sefz, 'lmax', lmax, 'm', m, 'lref', lref)
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3 Description

Let $Z_t = (z_{1t}, z_{2t}, \dots, z_{kt})^T$, for $t = 1, 2, \dots, n$, denote a k -dimensional time series for which forecasts of $\hat{Z}_{n+1}, \hat{Z}_{n+2}, \dots, \hat{Z}_{n+l_{\max}}$ have been computed using g13dj. Given m further observations $Z_{n+1}, Z_{n+2}, \dots, Z_{n+m}$, where $m < l_{\max}$, g13dk updates the forecasts of $Z_{n+m+1}, Z_{n+m+2}, \dots, Z_{n+l_{\max}}$ and their corresponding standard errors.

g13dk uses a multivariate version of the procedure described in Box and Jenkins 1976. The forecasts are updated using the ψ weights, computed in g13dj. If Z_t^* denotes the transformed value of Z_t and $\hat{Z}_t^*(l)$ denotes the forecast of Z_{t+l}^* from time t with a lead of l (that is the forecast of Z_{t+l}^* given observations Z_t^*, Z_{t-1}^*, \dots), then

$$\hat{Z}_{t+1}^*(l) = \tau + \psi_l \epsilon_{t+1} + \psi_{l+1} \epsilon_t + \psi_{l+2} \epsilon_{t-1} + \dots$$

and

$$\hat{Z}_t^*(l+1) = \tau + \psi_{l+1} \epsilon_t + \psi_{l+2} \epsilon_{t-1} + \dots$$

where τ is a constant vector of length k involving the differencing parameters and the mean vector μ . By subtraction we obtain

$$\hat{Z}_{t+1}^*(l) = \hat{Z}_t^*(l+1) + \psi_l \epsilon_{t+1}.$$

Estimates of the residuals corresponding to the new observations are also computed as $\epsilon_{n+l} = Z_{n+l}^* - \hat{Z}_n^*(l)$, for $l = 1, 2, \dots, m$. These may be of use in checking that the new observations conform to the previously fitted model.

On a successful exit, the reference array is updated so that g13dk may be called again should future series values become available, see Section 8.

When a transformation has been used the forecasts and their standard errors are suitably modified to give results in terms of the original series Z_t ; see Granger and Newbold 1976.

4 References

Box G E P and Jenkins G M 1976 *Time Series Analysis: Forecasting and Control* (Revised Edition) Holden-Day

Granger C W J and Newbold P 1976 Forecasting transformed series *J. Roy. Statist. Soc. Ser. B* **38** 189–203

Wei W W S 1990 *Time Series Analysis: Univariate and Multivariate Methods* Addison-Wesley

5 Parameters

The quantities **k**, **lmax**, **kmax**, **ref** and **lref** from g13dj are suitable for input to g13dk.

5.1 Compulsory Input Parameters

1: **k – int32 scalar**

k , the dimension of the multivariate time series.

Constraint: $k \geq 1$.

2: **mlast – int32 scalar**

On the first call to g13dk, since calling g13dj, **mlast** must be set to 0 to indicate that no new observations have yet been used to update the forecasts; on subsequent calls **mlast** must contain the value of **mlast** as output on the previous call to g13dk.

Constraint: $0 \leq \text{mlast} < \text{lmax} - m$.

3: **z(kmax,m) – double array**

kmax, the first dimension of the array, must be at least **k**.

$z(i,j)$ must contain the value of $z_{i,n+\text{mlast}+j}$, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ and $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$, and where n is the number of observations in the time series in the last call made to g13dj.

Constraint: if the transformation defined in **tr** in g13dj for the i th series is the log transformation, then $z(i,j) > 0.0$, and if it is the square-root transformation, then $z(i,j) \geq 0.0$, for $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$ and $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$

4: **ref(lref) – double array**

Must contain the first $(\text{lmax} - 1) \times k \times k + 2 \times k \times \text{lmax} + k$ elements of the reference vector as returned on a successful exit from g13dj (or a previous call to g13dk).

5: **predz(kmax,lmax) – double array**

kmax, the first dimension of the array, must be at least **k**.

Nonupdated values are kept intact.

6: **sefz(kmax,lmax) – double array**

kmax, the first dimension of the array, must be at least **k**.

Nonupdated values are kept intact.

5.2 Optional Input Parameters

1: **lmax – int32 scalar**

Default: The dimension of the arrays **predz**, **sefz**. (An error is raised if these dimensions are not equal.)

the number, l_{max} , of forecasts requested in the call to g13dj.

Constraint: $\text{lmax} \geq 2$.

2: **m – int32 scalar**

Default: The dimension of the arrays **z**, **v**. (An error is raised if these dimensions are not equal.)

m , the number of new observations available since the last call to either g13dj or g13dk. The number of new observations since the last call to g13dj is then **m** + **mlast**.

Constraint: $0 < m < \text{lmax} - \text{mlast}$.

3: **lref – int32 scalar**

Default: The dimension of the array **ref**.

Constraint: $\mathbf{lref} \geq (\mathbf{lmax} - 1) \times \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{k} + 2 \times \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{lmax} + \mathbf{k}$.

5.3 Input Parameters Omitted from the MATLAB Interface

kmax, work

5.4 Output Parameters1: **mlast – int32 scalar**

Is incremented by m to indicate that **mlast** + **m** observations have now been used to update the forecasts since the last call to g13dj.

mlast must not be changed between calls to g13dk, unless a call to g13dj has been made between the calls in which case **mlast** should be reset to 0.

2: **ref(lref) – double array**

The elements of **ref** are updated. The first $(\mathbf{lmax} - 1) \times \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{k}$ elements store the ψ weights $\psi_1, \psi_2, \dots, \psi_{l_{\max}-1}$. The next $\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{lmax}$ elements contain the forecasts of the transformed series and the next $\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{lmax}$ elements contain the variances of the forecasts of the transformed variables; see g13dj. The last \mathbf{k} elements are not updated.

3: **v(kmax,m) – double array**

$\mathbf{v}(i,j)$ contains an estimate of the i th component of $\epsilon_{n+\mathbf{mlast}+j}$, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ and $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$.

4: **predz(kmax,lmax) – double array**

$\mathbf{predz}(i,j)$ contains the updated forecast of $z_{i,n+j}$, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ and $j = \mathbf{mlast} + \mathbf{m} + 1, \mathbf{mlast} + \mathbf{m} + 2, \dots, l_{\max}$.

The columns of **predz** corresponding to the new observations since the last call to either g13dj or g13dk are set equal to the corresponding columns of **z**.

5: **sefz(kmax,lmax) – double array**

$\mathbf{sefz}(i,j)$ contains an estimate of the standard error of the corresponding element of **predz**, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ and $j = \mathbf{mlast} + \mathbf{m} + 1, \mathbf{mlast} + \mathbf{m} + 2, \dots, l_{\max}$.

The columns of **sefz** corresponding to the new observations since the last call to either g13dj or g13dk are set equal to zero.

6: **ifail – int32 scalar**

0 unless the function detects an error (see Section 6).

6 Error Indicators and Warnings

Errors or warnings detected by the function:

ifail = 1

On entry, $\mathbf{k} < 1$,
or $\mathbf{lmax} < 2$,
or $\mathbf{m} \leq 0$,
or $\mathbf{mlast} + \mathbf{m} \geq \mathbf{lmax}$,
or $\mathbf{mlast} < 0$,
or $\mathbf{kmax} < \mathbf{k}$,
or $\mathbf{lref} < (\mathbf{lmax} - 1) \times \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{k} + 2 \times \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{lmax} + \mathbf{k}$.

ifail = 2

On entry, some of the elements of the reference vector, **ref**, have been corrupted since the most recent call to g13dj (or g13dk).

ifail = 3

On entry, one or more of the elements of **z** is invalid, for the transformation being used; that is you may be trying to log or square root a series, some of whose values are negative.

ifail = 4

This is an unlikely exit. For one of the series, overflow will occur if the forecasts are updated. You should check whether the elements of **ref** have been corrupted.

7 Accuracy

The matrix computations are believed to be stable.

8 Further Comments

If a further m^* observations, $Z_{n+\text{mlast}+1}, Z_{n+\text{mlast}+2}, \dots, Z_{n+\text{mlast}+m^*}$, become available, then forecasts of $Z_{n+\text{mlast}+m^*+1}, Z_{n+\text{mlast}+m^*+2}, \dots, Z_{n+l_{\max}}$ may be updated by recalling g13dk with $\mathbf{m} = m^*$. Note that **m** and the contents of the array **z** are the only quantities which need updating; **mlast** is updated on exit from the previous call. On a successful exit, **v** contains estimates of $\epsilon_{n+\text{mlast}+1}, \epsilon_{n+\text{mlast}+2}, \dots, \epsilon_{n+\text{mlast}+m^*}$; columns **mlast** + 1, **mlast** + 2, ..., **mlast** + m^* of **predz** contain the new observed values $Z_{n+\text{mlast}+1}, Z_{n+\text{mlast}+2}, \dots, Z_{n+\text{mlast}+m^*}$ and columns **mlast** + 1, **mlast** + 2, ..., **mlast** + m^* of **sefz** are set to zero.

9 Example

```
k = int32(2);
mlast = int32(0);
z = [8.1;
     10.2];
ref = [0.8016071892386086;
       0;
       0.0648134906597352;
       0.575015951133362;
       0.6425740858390225;
       0;
       0.08922375105047406;
       0.330643344057805;
       0.5150920068269873;
       0;
       0.09295254958469001;
       0.1901251969693142;
       0.4129014557918555;
       0;
       0.08683410968309672;
       0.109325020969728;
       7.82042808779155;
       10.30633951031062;
       7.277073498724811;
       9.251955479776221;
       6.773178244308308;
       8.645667843598654;
       6.329956567700314;
       8.297042781821611;
       5.952071278119719;
       8.096577810334958;
       2.964154253391392;
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ifail =	0	2.3195	2.6756	2.7833	2.8180
	0				
