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% hpf.m

function g=hpf(y,lam)

% program to apply the "Hodrick-Prescott" filter to time series
% using a matrix inversion technique. The data is assumed to be
% organized into a matrix "y" with the rows of y
% being the observations and the columns being the series.

% The value of the smoothing parameter is the second argument.

% HP filtering involves the solution of the difference equation:
%  $y(t) = \lambda g(t+2) - 4\lambda g(t+1) + (1+6\lambda)g(t) - 4\lambda g(t-1) + \lambda g(t-2)$ 
% subject to the two initial conditions:
%  $g(1) - 2g(0) + g(-1) = 0;$ 
%  $g(2) - 2g(1) + g(0) = 0;$ 

% Note that these initial conditions imply that:
%  $y(1) = \lambda g(3) - 2\lambda g(2) + (1+\lambda)g(1)$ 
%  $y(2) = \lambda g(4) - 4\lambda g(3) + (1+5\lambda)g(2) - 2\lambda g(1)$ 

% and two terminal conditions
%  $y(T-1) = -2\lambda g(T) + (1+5\lambda)g(T-1) - 4\lambda g(T-2) + \lambda g(T-1)$ 
%  $y(T) = (1+\lambda)g(T) - 2\lambda g(T-1) + \lambda g(T-2)$ 

% If there are a smaller number of observations than series, then
% there is most likely a mistake: convert the vector/matrix of inputs:

oy = size(y);
ny = max(oy); % length of time series

if (oy(1)<oy(2))
    y=y';
end

disp('Computing Hodrick-Prescott Filtered Time Series with Matrix Inversion')
disp('Growth Component is Returned as g')

% Strategy: Structure difference equation as a matrix equation:
%  $M g = y$ 
% and then invert M.

M = zeros(ny,ny);

d1=ones(ny-2,1);
d1=d1*lam;

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d2=ones (ny-1, 1);
d2=d2*(-4*lam);
d2(1)=-2*lam;
d2(ny-1)=-2*lam;

d3=ones (ny, 1);
d3=d3*(1+6*lam);
d3(1)=1+lam;
d3(2)=1+5*lam;
d3(ny-1)=1+5*lam;
d3(ny)=1+lam;

M = diag(d1,2)+diag(d2,1)+diag(d3)+diag(d2,-1)+diag(d1,-2);

g = inv(M)*y;

% convert if necessary

if (oy(1)<oy(2))
    g=g';
end
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