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autoreg\_forc

*Autoregression forecast***Description**

autoreg\_forc takes a vector of realized values, an integer number of periods ahead to forecast, an integer number of lags to include in the autoregressive model, a period to end the initial model estimation and begin forecasting, an optional vector of time data associated with the realized values, and an optional integer number of past periods to estimate the model over. An AR(ar\_lags) autoregressive model is originally estimated with realized values up to estimation\_end minus the number of periods specified in estimation\_window. If estimation\_window is left NULL then the autoregressive model is estimated with all realized values up to estimation\_end. The AR(ar\_lags) model is estimated by regressing the realized values on the same realized values that have been lagged by one to ar\_lags steps. The AR coefficients of this model are multiplied by lagged values and the present period realized value to create a forecast for one period ahead. If h\_ahead is greater than one, this process of forecasting one period ahead is iteratively repeated so that the two period ahead forecast conditions on the one period ahead forecasted value and so on until a h\_ahead forecast is obtained. This forecasting process is repeated for each period after estimation\_end with AR model coefficients updating as more information would have become available to the forecaster. Optionally returns the coefficients used to create each forecast. Returns an autoregression forecast based on information that **would** have been available at the forecast origin and replicates the forecasts that an AR model would have produced in real-time.

**Usage**

```
autoreg_forc(
  realized_vec,
  h_ahead,
  ar_lags,
  estimation_end,
  time_vec = NULL,
  estimation_window = NULL,
  return_betas = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

realized_vec	Vector of realized values. This is the series that is being forecasted.
h_ahead	Integer representing the number of periods ahead that is being forecasted.
ar_lags	Integer representing the number of lags included in the AR model.
estimation_end	Value of any class representing when to end the initial coefficient estimation period and begin forecasting.
time_vec	Vector of any class that is equal in length to the realized_vec vector.
estimation_window	Integer representing the number of past periods that the autoregressive model should be estimated over in each period.

`return_betas` Boolean, selects whether the coefficients used in each period to create the forecast are returned. If TRUE, a data frame of betas is returned to the Global Environment.

### Value

Forecast object that contains the autoregression forecast.

### See Also

For a detailed example see the help vignette: `vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")`

### Examples

```
date <- as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
                 "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31",
                 "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30", "2012-09-30", "2012-12-31"))
y <- c(1.09, 1.71, 1.09, 2.46, 1.78, 1.35, 2.89, 2.11, 2.97, 0.99, 1.31, 2.33)
data <- data.frame(date, y)
```

```
autoreg_forc(
  realized_vec = data$y,
  h_ahead = 1L,
  ar_lags = 2L,
  estimation_end = as.Date("2011-06-30"),
  time_vec = data$date,
  estimation_window = 4L,
  return_betas = FALSE
)
```

```
autoreg_forc(
  realized_vec = data$y,
  h_ahead = 4L,
  ar_lags = 2L,
  estimation_end = 4L,
  time_vec = NULL,
  estimation_window = NULL
)
```

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conditional\_forc

*Linear model forecast conditioned on an input forecast*

---

### Description

`conditional_forc` takes a linear model call, a vector of time data associated with the linear model, and a forecast for each covariate in the linear model. The linear model is estimated once over the entire sample period and the coefficients are multiplied by the forecasts of each covariate. Returns a forecast conditional on forecasts of each covariate. Used to create a forecast for the present period or replicate a forecast made at a specific period in the past.

**Usage**

```
conditional_forc(lm_call, time_vec, ...)
```

**Arguments**

lm_call	Linear model call of the class lm.
time_vec	Vector of any class that is equal in length to the data in lm_call.
...	One or more forecasts of class Forecast, one forecast for each covariate in the linear model.

**Value**

[Forecast](#) object that contains the conditional forecast.

**See Also**

For a detailed example see the help vignette: `vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")`

**Examples**

```
x1_forecast <- Forecast(
  origin = as.Date(c("2012-06-30", "2012-06-30", "2012-06-30", "2012-06-30")),
  future = as.Date(c("2012-09-30", "2012-12-31", "2013-03-31", "2013-06-30")),
  forecast = c(4.14, 4.04, 4.97, 5.12),
  realized = NULL,
  h_ahead = NULL
)

x2_forecast <- Forecast(
  origin = as.Date(c("2012-06-30", "2012-06-30", "2012-06-30", "2012-06-30")),
  future = as.Date(c("2012-09-30", "2012-12-31", "2013-03-31", "2013-06-30")),
  forecast = c(6.01, 6.05, 6.55, 7.45),
  realized = NULL,
  h_ahead = NULL
)

date <- as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
  "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31",
  "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30"))
y <- c(1.09, 1.71, 1.09, 2.46, 1.78, 1.35, 2.89, 2.11, 2.97, 0.99)
x1 <- c(4.22, 3.86, 4.27, 5.60, 5.11, 4.31, 4.92, 5.80, 6.30, 4.17)
x2 <- c(10.03, 10.49, 10.85, 10.47, 9.09, 10.91, 8.68, 9.91, 7.87, 6.63)
data <- data.frame(date, y, x1, x2)

conditional_forc(
  lm_call = lm(y ~ x1 + x2, data),
  time_vec = data$date,
  x1_forecast, x2_forecast
)
```

---

`conditional_forc_general`*General model forecast conditioned on input forecasts*

---

### Description

`conditional_forc_general` takes a model function, a prediction function, input data for estimating the model, and a vector of time data associated with the model. The model is estimated once over the entire sample period and the model parameters are then combined with the input forecasts to generate a forecast. Returns a forecast conditional on forecasts of each parameter. Used to create a forecast for the present period or replicate a forecast made at a specific period in the past.

### Usage

```
conditional_forc_general(  
  model_function,  
  prediction_function,  
  data,  
  time_vec,  
  ...  
)
```

### Arguments

<code>model_function</code>	Function that estimates a model using the data input.
<code>prediction_function</code>	Function that generates model predictions using <code>model_function</code> and <code>data</code> arguments. Note* that the <code>data</code> argument passed to the <code>prediction_function</code> takes the form of a <code>data.frame</code> with a number of columns equal to the number of input vintage forecasts passed by the user. The <code>prediction_function</code> needs to be able to take this input format and generate a prediction based on it.
<code>data</code>	Input data for estimating the model.
<code>time_vec</code>	Vector of any class that represents time and is equal in length to the length of realized and data.
<code>...</code>	Set of forecasts of class <code>Forecast</code> , one forecast for each parameter in the linear model.

### Value

[Forecast](#) object that contains the out-of-sample forecast.

### See Also

For a detailed example see the help vignette: `vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")`

**Examples**

```

# Estimation Data.
date <- as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
                 "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31",
                 "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30", "2012-09-30", "2012-12-31",
                 "2013-03-31", "2013-06-30", "2013-09-30", "2013-12-31"))
y <- c(1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0)
x1 <- c(8.22, 3.86, 4.27, 3.37, 5.88, 3.34, 2.92, 1.80, 3.30, 7.17, 3.22, 3.86,
        4.27, 3.37, 5.88, 3.34)
x2 <- c(4.03, 2.46, 2.04, 2.44, 6.09, 2.91, 1.68, 2.91, 3.87, 1.63, 4.03, 2.46,
        2.04, 2.44, 6.09, 2.91)
dataLogit <- data.frame(date, y, x1, x2)

# Parameter Forecasts.
x1_forecastLogit <- Forecast(
  origin   = as.Date(c("2013-12-31", "2013-12-31", "2013-12-31", "2013-12-31")),
  future   = as.Date(c("2014-03-31", "2014-06-30", "2014-09-30", "2014-12-31")),
  forecast = c(2.11, 6.11, 6.75, 4.30),
  realized = NULL,
  h_ahead  = NULL
)

x2_forecastLogit <- Forecast(
  origin   = as.Date(c("2013-12-31", "2013-12-31", "2013-12-31", "2013-12-31")),
  future   = as.Date(c("2014-03-31", "2014-06-30", "2014-09-30", "2014-12-31")),
  forecast = c(1.98, 7.44, 7.86, 5.98),
  realized = NULL,
  h_ahead  = NULL
)

# Forecasting Function.
conditional_forc_general(
  model_function = function(data) {glm(y ~ x1 + x2, data = data, family = binomial)},
  prediction_function = function(model_function, data) {
    names(data) <- c("x1", "x2")
    as.vector(predict(model_function, data, type = "response"))
  },
  data = dataLogit,
  time_vec = dataLogit$date,
  x1_forecastLogit, x2_forecastLogit
)

```

**Description**

Given a list of forecasts with homogenous origin or future values, converts the forecasts to h Ahead format based on the index passed to the index argument. Subsets all forecasts at the index value and aggregates these forecasts into an h Ahead Forecast object with h Ahead equal to the value passed to the h Aheads argument.

**Usage**

```
convert_byh(forcs, index, h_aheads)
```

**Arguments**

forcs	List of Forecast objects with the same number of observations.
index	Numeric or logical value or vector.
h_aheads	Value or vector of h Ahead values that is equal in length to the index argument.

**Value**

Single Forecast object or list of Forecast objects in h Ahead format.

**Examples**

```
# The following forecasts are in time format. Each forecast was made at a
# different time and represents a forecast for a number of h Ahead periods
# ahead.
```

```
forc1_t1 <- Forecast(
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-02-17", "2010-02-17")),
  future = as.Date(c("2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),
  forecast = c(4.27, 3.77, 3.52),
  realized = c(4.96, 4.17, 4.26),
  h_ahead = NA
)
```

```
forc1_t2 <- Forecast(
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-05-14", "2010-05-14", "2010-05-14")),
  future = as.Date(c("2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31")),
  forecast = c(3.36, 3.82, 4.22),
  realized = c(4.17, 4.26, 4.99),
  h_ahead = NA
)
```

```
forc1_t3 <- Forecast(
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-07-22", "2010-07-22", "2010-07-22")),
  future = as.Date(c("2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
  forecast = c(4.78, 4.53, 5.03),
  realized = c(4.26, 4.99, 5.33),
  h_ahead = NA
)
```

```
forc1_t4 <- Forecast(
```



```

    origin = as.Date(c("2010-12-22", "2010-12-22", "2010-12-22")),
    future = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30")),
    forecast = c(5.45, 4.89, 5.78),
    realized = c(4.99, 5.33, 5.21),
    h_ahead = NA
  )

forcs <- list(forc1_t1, forc1_t2, forc1_t3, forc1_t4)

convert_byh(forcs, index = 1L, h_aheads = 1)

convert_byh(forcs, index = 1:2, h_aheads = c(1, 2))

```

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convert_bytime	<i>Convert a list of h_ahead format Forecast objects to a time format Forecast object.</i>
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### Description

Given a list of forecasts with different `h_ahead` values, converts the forecasts to time format based on the time object passed to the `values` argument. Converts Forecast objects that have homogenous `h_ahead` values to Forecast objects with homogenous origin or future values.

### Usage

```
convert_bytime(forcs, values, slot)
```

### Arguments

<code>forcs</code>	List of Forecast objects.
<code>values</code>	Single time object or a vector of time objects.
<code>slot</code>	Character representing whether the list of Forecasts will be converted to homogenous origin or future values. Must be either "origin" or "future".

### Value

Single Forecast object or list of Forecast objects in time format.

### Examples

```

# The following forecasts are in h_ahead format. All forecasts come from the
# same source (forc1) and have the same origin values. However, the forecasts
# are for different periods ahead.

forc1_1h <- Forecast(
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-05-14", "2010-07-22", "2010-12-22")),
  future = as.Date(c("2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31")),
  forecast = c(4.27, 3.36, 4.78, 5.45),

```

```
    realized = c(4.96, 4.17, 4.26, 4.99),
    h_ahead = 1
  )

forc1_2h <- Forecast(
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-05-14", "2010-07-22", "2010-12-22")),
  future = as.Date(c("2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
  forecast = c(3.77, 3.82, 4.53, 4.89),
  realized = c(4.17, 4.26, 4.99, 5.33),
  h_ahead = 2
)

forc1_3h <- Forecast(
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-05-14", "2010-07-22", "2010-12-22")),
  future = as.Date(c("2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30")),
  forecast = c(3.52, 4.22, 5.03, 5.78),
  realized = c(4.26, 4.99, 5.33, 5.21),
  h_ahead = 3
)

forcs <- list(forc1_1h, forc1_2h, forc1_3h)

convert_bytime(forcs, value = as.Date("2010-05-14"), slot = "origin")

convert_bytime(
  forcs,
  value = as.Date(c("2010-07-22", "2010-12-22")),
  slot = "origin"
)
```

---

forc

*Get the forecast slot of a Forecast object*

---

### Description

forc takes a [Forecast](#) object and gets the forecast vector of the forecast.

### Usage

```
forc(Forecast)
```

### Arguments

Forecast      Forecast object.

### Value

Vector of forecast values stored in the [Forecast](#) object.

### Examples

```
## Not run:  
  
forc(Forecast)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

forc,Forecast-method *Get the forecast slot of a Forecast object*

---

### Description

forc takes a [Forecast](#) object and gets the forecast vector of the forecast.

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'Forecast'  
forc(Forecast)
```

### Arguments

Forecast      Forecast object.

### Value

Vector of forecast values stored in the [Forecast](#) object.

### Examples

```
## Not run:  
  
forc(Forecast)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

forc2df	<i>Collect a Forecast object to a data frame</i>
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---

**Description**

forc2df takes one or more objects of the Forecast class and collects them into a data frame. Returns a data frame with all of the information that was stored in the Forecast objects. If multiple forecasts are being collected, all forecasts must have identical future and realized values.

**Usage**

```
forc2df(...)
```

**Arguments**

... One or multiple forecasts of the class Forecast.

**Value**

data.frame object that contains forecast information.

**See Also**

For a detailed example see the help vignette: `vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")`

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
  
forc2df(x1_forecast)  
  
forc2df(x1_forecast, x2_forecast)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

forc<-	<i>Set forecast slot of a Forecast object</i>
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**Description**

forc takes a [Forecast](#) object and sets the forecast vector of the forecast.

**Usage**

```
forc(Forecast) <- value
```

**Arguments**

Forecast	Forecast object.
value	Vector of values assigned to the forecast slot of the Forecast.

**Value**

[Forecast](#) object that contains the new forecast vector.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
  
forc(Forecast) <- c(2.45, 2.76, 3.31)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

forc<-,Forecast-method

*Set forecast slot of a Forecast object*

---

**Description**

forc takes a [Forecast](#) object and sets the forecast vector of the forecast.

**Usage**

```
## S4 replacement method for signature 'Forecast'  
forc(Forecast) <- value
```

**Arguments**

Forecast	Forecast object.
value	Vector of values assigned to the forecast slot of the Forecast.

**Value**

[Forecast](#) object that contains the new forecast vector.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
  
forc(Forecast) <- c(2.45, 2.76, 3.31)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

Forecast

*Create an object of the Forecast class***Description**

An S4 class for storing forecasts. An object of the Forecast class has equal length vectors that contain the time the forecast was made, the future time being forecasted, the forecast, and realized values if available. Optionally includes the number of periods ahead being forecasted.

**Usage**

```
Forecast(origin, future, forecast, realized = NULL, h_ahead = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

<code>origin</code>	A vector of any class representing the time when the forecast was made.
<code>future</code>	A vector of any class representing the time that is being forecasted, i.e. when the forecast will be realized.
<code>forecast</code>	A numeric vector of forecasts.
<code>realized</code>	Optional numeric vector of realized values, i.e. the true value at the future time.
<code>h_ahead</code>	Optional length-one object representing the number of periods ahead being forecasted.

**See Also**

For a detailed example see the help vignette: `vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")`

**Examples**

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(
  origin = c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31"),
  future = c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31"),
  forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),
  realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),
  h_ahead = 4L
)

origin(my_forecast) <- c("2010-04-01", "2010-07-01", "2010-10-01", "2011-01-01")
future(my_forecast) <- c("2012-04-01", "2012-07-01", "2012-10-01", "2013-01-01")
forc(my_forecast) <- c(8.87, 7.61, 7.56, 5.96)
realized(my_forecast) <- c(6.64, 6.10, 6.33, 6.67)
h_ahead(my_forecast) <- 8L

origin(my_forecast)
future(my_forecast)
forc(my_forecast)
realized(my_forecast)
h_ahead(my_forecast)
```

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Forecast-class	<i>S4 class for storing forecasts</i>
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**Description**

An S4 class for storing forecasts. An object of the Forecast class has equal length vectors that contain the time the forecast was made, the future time being forecasted, the forecast, and realized values if available. Optionally includes the number of periods ahead being forecasted.

**Slots**

`origin` A vector of any class representing the time when the forecast was made.

`future` A vector of any class representing the time that is being forecasted, i.e. when the forecast will be realized.

`forecast` A numeric vector of forecasts.

`realized` Optional numeric vector of realized values, i.e. the true value at the future time.

`h_ahead` Optional length-one object representing the number of periods ahead being forecasted.

**See Also**

For a detailed example see the help vignette: `vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")`

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<code>future</code>	<i>Get the future slot of a Forecast object</i>
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**Description**

`future` takes a [Forecast](#) object and gets the future vector of the forecast.

**Usage**

```
future(Forecast)
```

**Arguments**

`Forecast` object.

**Value**

Vector of future values stored in the [Forecast](#) object.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
  
future(Forecast)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

future,Forecast-method

*Get the future slot of a Forecast object*

---

**Description**

future takes a [Forecast](#) object and gets the future vector of the forecast.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'Forecast'  
future(Forecast)
```

**Arguments**

Forecast          object.

**Value**

Vector of future values stored in the [Forecast](#) object.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
  
future(Forecast)  
  
## End(Not run)
```



---

future<- *Set the future slot of a Forecast object*

---

**Description**

future takes a [Forecast](#) object and sets the future vector of the forecast.

**Usage**

```
future(Forecast) <- value
```

**Arguments**

Forecast	Forecast object.
value	Vector of values assigned to the future slot of the Forecast.

**Value**

[Forecast](#) object that contains the new future vector.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
future(Forecast) <- c("2015-03-01", "2015-03-02", "2015-03-03")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

future<- ,Forecast-method  
*Set future slot of a Forecast object*

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**Description**

future takes a [Forecast](#) object and sets the future vector of the forecast.

**Usage**

```
## S4 replacement method for signature 'Forecast'  
future(Forecast) <- value
```

**Arguments**

Forecast	Forecast object.
value	Vector of values assigned to the future slot of the Forecast.

**Value**

Forecast object that contains the new future vector.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

future(Forecast) <- c("2015-03-01", "2015-03-02", "2015-03-03")

## End(Not run)
```

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```
historical_average_forc
Historical average forecast
```

---

**Description**

`historical_average_forc` takes an average function, a vector of realized values, an integer number of periods ahead to forecast, a period to end the initial average estimation and begin forecasting, an optional vector of time data associated with the realized values, and an optional integer number of past periods to estimate the average over. The historical average is originally calculated with realized values up to `estimation_end` minus the number of periods specified in `estimation_window`. If `estimation_window` is left `NULL` then the historical average is calculated with all available realized values up to `estimation_end`. In each period the historical average is set as the `h_ahead` period ahead forecast. This process is iteratively repeated for each period after `estimation_end` with the historical average updating in each period as more information would have become available to the forecaster. Returns a historical average forecast where the `h_ahead` period ahead forecast is simply the historical average or rolling window average of the series being forecasted.

**Usage**

```
historical_average_forc(
  avg_function,
  realized_vec,
  h_ahead,
  estimation_end,
  time_vec = NULL,
  estimation_window = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>avg_function</code>	Character, either "mean" or "median". Selects whether forecasts are made using the historical mean or historical median of the series.
<code>realized_vec</code>	Vector of realized values. This is the series that is being forecasted.

h_ahead	Integer representing the number of periods ahead that is being forecasted.
estimation_end	Value of any class representing when to end the initial average estimation period and begin forecasting.
time_vec	Vector of any class that is equal in length to the realized_vec vector.
estimation_window	Integer representing the number of past periods that the historical average should be estimated over in each period.

**Value**

[Forecast](#) object that contains the historical average forecast.

**See Also**

For a detailed example see the help vignette: `vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")`

**Examples**

```
date <- as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
                 "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31",
                 "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30"))
y <- c(1.09, 1.71, 1.09, 2.46, 1.78, 1.35, 2.89, 2.11, 2.97, 0.99)
data <- data.frame(date, y)
```

```
historical_average_forc(
  avg_function = "mean",
  realized_vec = data$y,
  h_ahead = 2L,
  estimation_end = as.Date("2011-03-31"),
  time_vec = data$date,
  estimation_window = 4L
)
```

```
historical_average_forc(
  avg_function = "median",
  realized_vec = data$y,
  h_ahead = 4L,
  estimation_end = 4L
)
```

---

h\_ahead

*Get the h\_ahead slot of a h\_ahead object*


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**Description**

h\_ahead takes a [Forecast](#) object and gets the h\_ahead vector of the forecast.

**Usage**

```
h_ahead(Forecast)
```

**Arguments**

```
Forecast      Forecast object.
```

**Value**

Vector of `h_ahead` values stored in the `Forecast` object.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
h_ahead(Forecast)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

```
h_ahead,Forecast-method
```

*Get the `h_ahead` slot of a `h_ahead` object*

---

**Description**

`h_ahead` takes a `Forecast` object and gets the `h_ahead` vector of the forecast.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'Forecast'  
h_ahead(Forecast)
```

**Arguments**

```
Forecast      Forecast object.
```

**Value**

Vector of `h_ahead` values stored in the `Forecast` object.

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### Examples

```
## Not run:  
  
h_ahead(Forecast)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

`h_ahead<-`                      *Set h\_ahead slot of a Forecast object*

---

### Description

`h_ahead` takes a [Forecast](#) object and sets the `h_ahead` vector of the forecast.

### Usage

```
h_ahead(Forecast) <- value
```

### Arguments

<code>Forecast</code>	Forecast object.
<code>value</code>	Vector of values assigned to the <code>h_ahead</code> slot of the Forecast.

### Value

[Forecast](#) object that contains the new `h_ahead` vector.

### Examples

```
## Not run:  
  
h_ahead(Forecast) <- 4L  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

```
h_ahead<- ,Forecast-method
      Set h_ahead slot of a Forecast object
```

---

### Description

h\_ahead takes a [Forecast](#) object and sets the h\_ahead vector of the forecast.

### Usage

```
## S4 replacement method for signature 'Forecast'
h_ahead(Forecast) <- value
```

### Arguments

Forecast	Forecast object.
value	Vector of values assigned to the h_ahead slot of the Forecast.

### Value

[Forecast](#) object that contains the new h\_ahead vector.

### Examples

```
## Not run:

h_ahead(Forecast) <- 4L

## End(Not run)
```

---

```
is_forc      In-sample linear model forecast
```

---

### Description

is\_forc takes a linear model call and an optional vector of time data associated with the linear model. The linear model is estimated once over the entire sample period and the coefficients are multiplied by the realized values in each period of the sample. Returns an in-sample forecast conditional on realized values.

### Usage

```
is_forc(lm_call, time_vec = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

lm\_call            Linear model call of the class lm.  
time\_vec            Vector of any class that is equal in length to the data in lm\_call.

**Value**

Forecast object that contains the in-sample forecast.

**See Also**

For a detailed example see the help vignette: `vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")`

**Examples**

```
date <- as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
                 "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31",
                 "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30"))
y <- c(1.09, 1.71, 1.09, 2.46, 1.78, 1.35, 2.89, 2.11, 2.97, 0.99)
x1 <- c(4.22, 3.86, 4.27, 5.60, 5.11, 4.31, 4.92, 5.80, 6.30, 4.17)
x2 <- c(10.03, 10.49, 10.85, 10.47, 9.09, 10.91, 8.68, 9.91, 7.87, 6.63)
data <- data.frame(date, y, x1, x2)

is_forc(
  lm_call = lm(y ~ x1 + x2, data),
  time_vec = data$date
)

is_forc(
  lm_call = lm(y ~ x1 + x2, data)
)
```

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is\_forc\_general            *In-sample general model forecast*

---

**Description**

is\_forc\_general takes a model function, a prediction function, input data for estimating the model, realized values of the dependent variable, and an optional vector of time data associated with the model. The model is estimated once over the entire sample period using the input data and model function. Model parameters are then combined with the input data using the prediction function to generate in-sample forecasts. Returns an in-sample forecast conditional on realized values.

**Usage**

```
is_forc_general(model_function, prediction_function, data, realized, time_vec)
```

**Arguments**

<code>model_function</code>	Function that estimates a model using the data input.
<code>prediction_function</code>	Function that generates model predictions using <code>model_function</code> and data as inputs.
<code>data</code>	Input data for estimating the model.
<code>realized</code>	Vector of realized values of the dependent variable equal in length to the data in <code>data</code> .
<code>time_vec</code>	Vector of any class that represents time and is equal in length to the length of <code>realized</code> and <code>data</code> .

**Value**

[Forecast](#) object that contains the in-sample forecast.

**See Also**

For a detailed example see the help vignette: `vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")`

**Examples**

```

date <- as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
                 "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31",
                 "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30"))
y <- c(1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1)
x1 <- c(8.22, 3.86, 4.27, 3.37, 5.88, 3.34, 2.92, 1.80, 3.30, 7.17)
x2 <- c(4.03, 2.46, 2.04, 2.44, 6.09, 2.91, 1.68, 2.91, 3.87, 1.63)
dataLogit <- data.frame(date, y, x1, x2)

is_forc_general(
  model_function = function(data) {glm(y ~ x1 + x2, data = data, family = binomial)},
  prediction_function = function(model_function, data) {
    as.vector(predict(model_function, data, type = "response"))
  },
  data = dataLogit,
  realized = dataLogit$y,
  time_vec = dataLogit$date
)

```

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mae

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*Calculate MAE of a Forecast object*


---

**Description**

`mae` takes a [Forecast](#) object and returns the MAE of the forecast. MAE is calculated as: `1/length(forecast) * sum(abs(forecast - realized))`



**Usage**

```
mae(Forecast)
```

**Arguments**

Forecast      Forecast object.

**Value**

MAE value.

**Examples**

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(  
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),  
  future = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31")),  
  forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),  
  realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),  
  h_ahead = 4L  
)  
  
mae(my_forecast)
```

---

mae,Forecast-method      *Calculate MAE of a Forecast object*

---

**Description**

mae takes a [Forecast](#) object and returns the MAE of the forecast. MAE is calculated as:  $1/\text{length}(\text{forecast}) * \text{sum}(\text{abs}(\text{forecast} - \text{realized}))$

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'Forecast'  
mae(Forecast)
```

**Arguments**

Forecast      Forecast object.

**Value**

MAE value.

## Examples

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(  
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),  
  future = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31")),  
  forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),  
  realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),  
  h_ahead = 4L  
)  
  
mae(my_forecast)
```

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mape

*Calculate MAPE of a Forecast object*

---

## Description

mape takes a [Forecast](#) object and returns the MAPE of the forecast. MAPE is calculated as:  
 $1/\text{length}(\text{forecast}) * \text{sum}(\text{abs}(\text{realized} - \text{forecast}) / \text{realized})$

## Usage

```
mape(Forecast)
```

## Arguments

Forecast      Forecast object.

## Value

MAPE value.

## Examples

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(  
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),  
  future = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31")),  
  forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),  
  realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),  
  h_ahead = 4L  
)  
  
mape(my_forecast)
```

---

mape,Forecast-method    *Calculate MAPE of a Forecast object*

---

**Description**

mape takes a [Forecast](#) object and returns the MAPE of the forecast. MAPE is calculated as:  
 $1/\text{length}(\text{forecast}) * \text{sum}(\text{abs}(\text{realized} - \text{forecast}) / \text{realized})$

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'Forecast'  
mape(Forecast)
```

**Arguments**

Forecast            Forecast object.

**Value**

MAPE value.

**Examples**

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(  
  origin   = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),  
  future   = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31")),  
  forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),  
  realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),  
  h_ahead  = 4L  
)  
  
mape(my_forecast)
```

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mse                            *Calculate MSE of a Forecast object*

---

**Description**

mse takes a [Forecast](#) object and returns the MSE of the forecast. MSE is calculated as:  $1/\text{length}(\text{forecast}) * \text{sum}((\text{realized} - \text{forecast})^2)$

**Usage**

```
mse(Forecast)
```

**Arguments**

Forecast      Forecast object.

**Value**

MSE value.

**Examples**

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(  
  origin   = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),  
  future   = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31")),  
  forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),  
  realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),  
  h_ahead  = 4L  
)  
  
mse(my_forecast)
```

---

mse,Forecast-method      *Calculate MSE of a Forecast object*

---

**Description**

mse takes a [Forecast](#) object and returns the MSE of the forecast. MSE is calculated as:  $1/\text{length}(\text{forecast}) * \text{sum}((\text{realized} - \text{forecast})^2)$

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'Forecast'  
mse(Forecast)
```

**Arguments**

Forecast      Forecast object.

**Value**

MSE value.

**Examples**

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(  
  origin   = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),  
  future   = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31")),  
  forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),  
  realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),  
  h_ahead  = 4L
```

```
)
mse(my_forecast)
```

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oos_lag_forc	<i>Out-of-sample lagged linear model forecast conditioned on realized values</i>
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### Description

oos\_lag\_forc takes a linear model call, an integer number of periods ahead to forecast, a period to end the initial coefficient estimation and begin forecasting, an optional vector of time data associated with the linear model, and an optional integer number of past periods to estimate the linear model over. Linear model data is lagged by h\_ahead periods and the linear model is re-estimated with data up to estimation\_end minus the number of periods specified in estimation\_window to create a lagged linear model. If estimation\_window is left NULL then the linear model is estimated with all available data up to estimation\_end. Coefficients are multiplied by present period realized values of the covariates to create a forecast for h\_ahead periods ahead. This process is iteratively repeated for each period after estimation\_end with coefficients updating in each period. Returns an out-of-sample forecast conditional on realized values that **would** have been available at the forecast origin. Optionally returns the coefficients used to create each forecast. Tests the out-of-sample performance of a linear model had it been lagged and conditioned on available information.

### Usage

```
oos_lag_forc(
  lm_call,
  h_ahead,
  estimation_end,
  time_vec = NULL,
  estimation_window = NULL,
  return_betas = FALSE
)
```

### Arguments

lm_call	Linear model call of the class lm.
h_ahead	Integer representing the number of periods ahead that is being forecasted.
estimation_end	Value of any class representing when to end the initial coefficient estimation period and begin forecasting.
time_vec	Vector of any class that is equal in length to the data in lm_call.
estimation_window	Integer representing the number of past periods that the linear model should be estimated over in each period.
return_betas	Boolean, selects whether the coefficients used in each period to create the forecast are returned. If TRUE, a data frame of betas is returned to the Global Environment.

**Value**

**Forecast** object that contains the out-of-sample forecast.

**See Also**

For a detailed example see the help vignette: `vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")`

**Examples**

```
date <- as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
                 "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31",
                 "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30"))
y <- c(1.09, 1.71, 1.09, 2.46, 1.78, 1.35, 2.89, 2.11, 2.97, 0.99)
x1 <- c(4.22, 3.86, 4.27, 5.60, 5.11, 4.31, 4.92, 5.80, 6.30, 4.17)
x2 <- c(10.03, 10.49, 10.85, 10.47, 9.09, 10.91, 8.68, 9.91, 7.87, 6.63)
data <- data.frame(date, y, x1, x2)
```

```
oos_lag_forc(
  lm_call = lm(y ~ x1 + x2, data),
  h_ahead = 2L,
  estimation_end = as.Date("2011-03-31"),
  time_vec = data$date,
  estimation_window = NULL,
  return_betas = FALSE
)
```

```
oos_lag_forc(
  lm_call = lm(y ~ x1 + x2, data),
  h_ahead = 2L,
  estimation_end = 6L
)
```

---

`oos_realized_forc`      *Out-of-sample linear model forecast conditioned on realized values*

---

**Description**

`oos_realized_forc` takes a linear model call, an integer number of periods ahead to forecast, a period to end the initial coefficient estimation and begin forecasting, an optional vector of time data associated with the linear model, and an optional integer number of past periods to estimate the linear model over. The linear model is originally estimated with data up to `estimation_end` minus the number of periods specified in `estimation_window`. If `estimation_window` is left `NULL` then the linear model is estimated with all available data up to `estimation_end`. Coefficients are multiplied by realized values of the covariates `h_ahead` periods ahead to create an `h_ahead` period ahead forecast. This process is iteratively repeated for each period after `estimation_end` with coefficients updating in each period. Returns an out-of-sample forecast conditional on realized values that **would not** have been available at the forecast origin. Optionally returns the coefficients used to create each forecast. Tests the out-of-sample performance of a linear model had it been conditioned on perfect information.

**Usage**

```
oos_realized_forc(
  lm_call,
  h_ahead,
  estimation_end,
  time_vec = NULL,
  estimation_window = NULL,
  return_betas = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

lm_call	Linear model call of the class lm.
h_ahead	Integer representing the number of periods ahead that is being forecasted.
estimation_end	Value of any class representing when to end the initial coefficient estimation period and begin forecasting.
time_vec	Vector of any class that is equal in length to the data in lm_call.
estimation_window	Integer representing the number of past periods that the linear model should be estimated over in each period.
return_betas	Boolean, selects whether the coefficients used in each period to create the forecast are returned. If TRUE, a data frame of betas is returned to the Global Environment.

**Value**

[Forecast](#) object that contains the out-of-sample forecast.

**See Also**

For a detailed example see the help vignette: `vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")`

**Examples**

```
date <- as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
                 "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31",
                 "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30"))
y <- c(1.09, 1.71, 1.09, 2.46, 1.78, 1.35, 2.89, 2.11, 2.97, 0.99)
x1 <- c(4.22, 3.86, 4.27, 5.60, 5.11, 4.31, 4.92, 5.80, 6.30, 4.17)
x2 <- c(10.03, 10.49, 10.85, 10.47, 9.09, 10.91, 8.68, 9.91, 7.87, 6.63)
data <- data.frame(date, y, x1, x2)

oos_realized_forc(
  lm_call = lm(y ~ x1 + x2, data),
  h_ahead = 2L,
  estimation_end = as.Date("2011-03-31"),
  time_vec = data$date,
  estimation_window = NULL,
  return_betas = FALSE
)
```

)

---

oos\_realized\_forc\_general

*Out-of-sample general model forecast conditioned on realized values*


---

### Description

oos\_realized\_forc takes a model function, a prediction function, input data for estimating the model, realized values of the dependent variable, an integer number of periods ahead to forecast, a period to end the initial coefficient estimation and begin forecasting, a vector of time data associated with the model, and an optional integer number of past periods to estimate the model over. The model is originally estimated using the input data and model function with data up to estimation\_end minus the the number of periods specified in estimation\_window. If estimation\_window is left NULL then the model is estimated with all available data up to estimation\_end. Model parameters are then combined with realized values of the input data h\_ahead periods ahead to generate an h\_ahead period ahead forecast. This process is iteratively repeated for each period after estimation\_end with model parameters updating in each period. Returns an out-of-sample forecast conditional on realized values that **would not** have been available at the forecast origin. Tests the out-of-sample performance of a model had it been conditioned on perfect information.

### Usage

```
oos_realized_forc_general(
  model_function,
  prediction_function,
  data,
  realized,
  h_ahead,
  estimation_end,
  time_vec,
  estimation_window = NULL
)
```

### Arguments

model_function	Function that estimates a model using the data input.
prediction_function	Function that generates model predictions using model_function and data as inputs.
data	Input data for estimating the model.
realized	Vector of realized values of the dependent variable equal in length to the data in data.
h_ahead	Integer representing the number of periods ahead that is being forecasted.



estimation\_end Value of any class representing when to end the initial coefficient estimation period and begin forecasting.

time\_vec Vector of any class that represents time and is equal in length to the length of realized and data.

estimation\_window Integer representing the number of past periods that the linear model should be estimated over in each period.

### Value

[Forecast](#) object that contains the out-of-sample forecast.

### See Also

For a detailed example see the help vignette: `vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")`

### Examples

```
date <- as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
                 "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31",
                 "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30", "2012-09-30", "2012-12-31",
                 "2013-03-31", "2013-06-30", "2013-09-30", "2013-12-31"))
y <- c(1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0)
x1 <- c(8.22, 3.86, 4.27, 3.37, 5.88, 3.34, 2.92, 1.80, 3.30, 7.17, 3.22, 3.86,
        4.27, 3.37, 5.88, 3.34)
x2 <- c(4.03, 2.46, 2.04, 2.44, 6.09, 2.91, 1.68, 2.91, 3.87, 1.63, 4.03, 2.46,
        2.04, 2.44, 6.09, 2.91)
dataLogit <- data.frame(date, y, x1, x2)

forc <- oos_realized_forc_general(
  model_function = function(data) {glm(y ~ x1 + x2, data = data, family = binomial)},
  prediction_function = function(model_function, data) {
    as.vector(predict(model_function, data, type = "response"))
  },
  data = dataLogit,
  realized = dataLogit$y,
  h_ahead = 2L,
  estimation_end = as.Date("2012-06-30"),
  time_vec = dataLogit$date,
  estimation_window = NULL
)
```

## Description

`oos_vintage_forc` takes a linear model call, a vector of time data associated with the linear model, a forecast for each covariate in the linear model, and an optional integer number of past periods to estimate the linear model over. For each period in the vintage forecasts, coefficients are estimated with data up to the current period minus the number of periods specified in `estimation_window`. If `estimation_window` is left `NULL` then the linear model is estimated with all available data up to the current period. Coefficients are then multiplied by vintage forecast values. Returns an out-of-sample forecast conditional on vintage forecasts that **would** have been available at the forecast origin. Optionally returns the coefficients used to create each forecast. Replicates the forecasts that a linear model would have produced in real time.

## Usage

```
oos_vintage_forc(
  lm_call,
  time_vec,
  ...,
  estimation_window = NULL,
  return_betas = FALSE
)
```

## Arguments

<code>lm_call</code>	Linear model call of the class <code>lm</code> .
<code>time_vec</code>	Vector of any class that is equal in length to the data in <code>lm_call</code> .
<code>...</code>	Set of forecasts of class <code>Forecast</code> , one forecast for each covariate in the linear model.
<code>estimation_window</code>	Integer representing the number of past periods that the linear model should be estimated over in each period.
<code>return_betas</code>	Boolean, selects whether the coefficients used in each period to create the forecast are returned. If <code>TRUE</code> , a data frame of betas is returned to the Global Environment.

## Value

[Forecast](#) object that contains the out-of-sample forecast.

## See Also

For a detailed example see the help vignette: `vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")`

## Examples

```
date <- as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
                 "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31",
                 "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30"))
y <- c(1.09, 1.71, 1.09, 2.46, 1.78, 1.35, 2.89, 2.11, 2.97, 0.99)
```

```

x1 <- c(4.22, 3.86, 4.27, 5.60, 5.11, 4.31, 4.92, 5.80, 6.30, 4.17)
x2 <- c(10.03, 10.49, 10.85, 10.47, 9.09, 10.91, 8.68, 9.91, 7.87, 6.63)
data <- data.frame(date, y, x1, x2)

x1_forecast_vintage <- Forecast(
  origin   = as.Date(c("2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
  future   = as.Date(c("2011-09-30", "2011-12-31", "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30")),
  forecast = c(6.30, 4.17, 5.30, 4.84),
  realized = c(4.92, 5.80, 6.30, 4.17),
  h_ahead  = 4L
)

x2_forecast_vintage <- Forecast(
  origin   = as.Date(c("2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
  future   = as.Date(c("2011-09-30", "2011-12-31", "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30")),
  forecast = c(7.32, 6.88, 6.82, 6.95),
  realized = c(8.68, 9.91, 7.87, 6.63),
  h_ahead  = 4L
)

oos_vintage_forc(
  lm_call = lm(y ~ x1 + x2, data),
  time_vec = data$date,
  x1_forecast_vintage, x2_forecast_vintage,
  estimation_window = 4L,
  return_betas = FALSE
)

oos_vintage_forc(
  lm_call = lm(y ~ x1 + x2, data),
  time_vec = data$date,
  x1_forecast_vintage, x2_forecast_vintage
)

```

---

oos\_vintage\_forc\_general

*Out-of-sample general model forecast conditioned on vintage forecasts*

---

## Description

`oos_vintage_forc_general` takes a model function, a prediction function, input data for estimating the model, realized values of the dependent variable, a vector of time data associated with the model, a forecast for each parameter in the model, and an optional integer number of past periods to estimate the model over. For each period in the vintage forecasts, model parameters are estimated with data up to the current period minus the number of periods specified in `estimation_window`. If `estimation_window` is left NULL then the model is estimated with all available data up to the current period. Model parameters are then combined with vintage forecast values to generate a forecast. Returns an out-of-sample forecast conditional on vintage forecasts that **would** have been

available at the forecast origin. Replicates the forecasts that a conditional forecasting model would have produced in real time.

### Usage

```
oos_vintage_forc_general(
  model_function,
  prediction_function,
  data,
  realized,
  time_vec,
  ...,
  estimation_window = NULL
)
```

### Arguments

<code>model_function</code>	Function that estimates a model using the data input.
<code>prediction_function</code>	Function that generates model predictions using <code>model_function</code> and data arguments. Note* that the data argument passed to the <code>prediction_function</code> takes the form of a <code>data.frame</code> with a number of columns equal to the number of input vintage forecasts passed by the user. The <code>prediction_function</code> needs to be able to take this input format and generate a prediction based on it.
<code>data</code>	Input data for estimating the model.
<code>realized</code>	Vector of realized values of the dependent variable equal in length to the data in <code>data</code> .
<code>time_vec</code>	Vector of any class that represents time and is equal in length to the length of <code>realized</code> and <code>data</code> .
<code>...</code>	Set of forecasts of class <code>Forecast</code> , one forecast for each parameter in the linear model.
<code>estimation_window</code>	Integer representing the number of past periods that the linear model should be estimated over in each period.

### Value

[Forecast](#) object that contains the out-of-sample forecast.

### See Also

For a detailed example see the help vignette: `vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")`

### Examples

```
# Estimation Data.
date <- as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
                 "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31",
```

```

      "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30", "2012-09-30", "2012-12-31",
      "2013-03-31", "2013-06-30", "2013-09-30", "2013-12-31"))
y <- c(1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0)
x1 <- c(8.22, 3.86, 4.27, 3.37, 5.88, 3.34, 2.92, 1.80, 3.30, 7.17, 3.22, 3.86,
      4.27, 3.37, 5.88, 3.34)
x2 <- c(4.03, 2.46, 2.04, 2.44, 6.09, 2.91, 1.68, 2.91, 3.87, 1.63, 4.03, 2.46,
      2.04, 2.44, 6.09, 2.91)
dataLogit <- data.frame(date, y, x1, x2)

# Vintage Forecasts.
x1_forecast_vintageLogit <- Forecast(
  origin = as.Date(c("2012-09-30", "2012-12-31", "2013-03-31", "2013-06-30")),
  future = as.Date(c("2013-09-30", "2013-12-31", "2014-03-31", "2014-06-30")),
  forecast = c(6.34, 4.17, 2.98, 1.84),
  realized = c(5.88, 3.34, 2.92, 1.80),
  h_ahead = 4L
)

x2_forecast_vintageLogit <- Forecast(
  origin = as.Date(c("2012-09-30", "2012-12-31", "2013-03-31", "2013-06-30")),
  future = as.Date(c("2013-09-30", "2013-12-31", "2014-03-31", "2014-06-30")),
  forecast = c(7.32, 3.22, 2.21, 2.65),
  realized = c(6.09, 2.91, 1.68, 2.91),
  h_ahead = 4L
)

# Forecasting function.
oos_vintage_forc_general(
  model_function = function(data) {glm(y ~ x1 + x2, data = data, family = binomial)},
  prediction_function = function(model_function, data) {
    names(data) <- c("x1", "x2")
    as.vector(predict(model_function, data, type = "response"))
  },
  data = dataLogit,
  realized = dataLogit$y,
  time_vec = dataLogit$date,
  x1_forecast_vintageLogit, x2_forecast_vintageLogit,
  estimation_window = NULL
)

```

---

origin

*Get the origin slot of a Forecast object*


---

## Description

origin takes a [Forecast](#) object and gets the origin vector of the forecast.

## Usage

```
origin(Forecast)
```

**Arguments**

Forecast      Forecast object.

**Value**

Vector of origin values stored in the [Forecast](#) object.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
  
origin(Forecast)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

origin,Forecast-method

*Get the origin slot of a Forecast object*

---

**Description**

origin takes a [Forecast](#) object and gets the origin vector of the forecast.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'Forecast'  
origin(Forecast)
```

**Arguments**

Forecast      Forecast object.

**Value**

Vector of origin values stored in the [Forecast](#) object.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
  
origin(Forecast)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

origin<- *Set the origin slot of a Forecast object*

---

**Description**

origin takes a [Forecast](#) object and sets the origin vector of the forecast.

**Usage**

```
origin(Forecast) <- value
```

**Arguments**

Forecast	Forecast object.
value	Vector of values assigned to the origin slot of the Forecast.

**Value**

[Forecast](#) object that contains the new origin vector.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
origin(Forecast) <- c("2015-01-01", "2015-01-02", "2015-01-03")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

origin<-,Forecast-method  
*Set origin slot of a Forecast object*

---

**Description**

origin takes a [Forecast](#) object and sets the origin vector of the forecast.

**Usage**

```
## S4 replacement method for signature 'Forecast'  
origin(Forecast) <- value
```

**Arguments**

Forecast	Forecast object.
value	Vector of values assigned to the origin slot of the Forecast.

**Value**

`Forecast` object that contains the new origin vector.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

origin(Forecast) <- c("2015-01-01", "2015-01-02", "2015-01-03")

## End(Not run)
```

---

```
performance_weighted_forc
      MSE or RMSE weighted forecast
```

---

**Description**

`performance_weighted_forc` takes two or more forecasts, an evaluation window, and an error function. For each forecast period, the error function is used to calculate forecast accuracy over the past `eval_window` number of periods. The forecast accuracy of each forecast is used to weight forecasts based on performance. Returns a weighted forecast. Optionally returns the set of weights used to weight forecasts in each period.

**Usage**

```
performance_weighted_forc(
  ...,
  eval_window,
  errors = "mse",
  return_weights = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>...</code>	Two or more forecasts of class <code>Forecast</code> .
<code>eval_window</code>	Integer representing the window over which forecast accuracy is evaluated. Forecasts are weighted based on their accuracy over the past <code>eval_window</code> number of periods.
<code>errors</code>	Character, either "mse", "rmse", "mae", or "mape". Selects what forecast accuracy function is used to evaluate forecast errors.
<code>return_weights</code>	Boolean, selects whether the weights used to weight forecasts in each period are returned. If <code>TRUE</code> , a data frame of weights is returned to the Global Environment.



**Details**

Forecasts are weighted in each period with the following function. The error function used is MSE or RMSE depending on user selection. This example shows MSE errors.

$$weight = (1/MSE(forecast))/(1/sum(MSE(forecasts)))$$

**Value**

[Forecast](#) object that contains the weighted forecast.

**See Also**

For a detailed example see the help vignette: `vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")`

**Examples**

```

y1_forecast <- Forecast(
  origin = as.Date(c("2009-03-31", "2009-06-30", "2009-09-30", "2009-12-31",
                    "2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
                    "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
  future = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
                    "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31",
                    "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30")),
  forecast = c(1.33, 1.36, 1.38, 1.68, 1.60, 1.55, 1.32, 1.22, 1.08, 0.88),
  realized = c(1.09, 1.71, 1.09, 2.46, 1.78, 1.35, 2.89, 2.11, 2.97, 0.99),
  h_ahead = 4L
)

y2_forecast <- Forecast(
  origin = as.Date(c("2009-03-31", "2009-06-30", "2009-09-30", "2009-12-31",
                    "2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
                    "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
  future = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
                    "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31",
                    "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30")),
  forecast = c(0.70, 0.88, 1.03, 1.05, 1.01, 0.82, 0.95, 1.09, 1.07, 1.06),
  realized = c(1.09, 1.71, 1.09, 2.46, 1.78, 1.35, 2.89, 2.11, 2.97, 0.99),
  h_ahead = 4L
)

performance_weighted_forc(
  y1_forecast, y2_forecast,
  eval_window = 2L,
  errors = "mse",
  return_weights = FALSE
)

```

R2 *Calculate R2 of a Forecast object*

---

**Description**

R2 takes a [Forecast](#) object and returns the R2 of the forecast. R2 is calculated as: `cor(forecast, realized)^2`

**Usage**

```
R2(Forecast)
```

**Arguments**

Forecast      Forecast object.

**Value**

R2 value.

**Examples**

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(  
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),  
  future = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31")),  
  forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),  
  realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),  
  h_ahead = 4L  
)  
  
R2(my_forecast)
```

---

R2,Forecast-method      *Calculate R2 of a Forecast object*

---

**Description**

R2 takes a [Forecast](#) object and returns the R2 of the forecast. R2 is calculated as: `cor(forecast, realized)^2`

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'Forecast'  
R2(Forecast)
```

**Arguments**

Forecast          Forecast object.

**Value**

R2 value.

**Examples**

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(  
  origin   = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),  
  future   = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31")),  
  forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),  
  realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),  
  h_ahead  = 4L  
)  
  
R2(my_forecast)
```

---

random_walk_forc	<i>Random walk forecast</i>
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**Description**

random\_walk\_forc takes a vector of realized values, an integer number of periods ahead to forecast, and an optional vector of time data associated with the realized values. In each period, the current period value of the realized\_vec series is set as the h\_ahead period ahead forecast. Returns a random walk forecast where the h\_ahead period ahead forecast is simply the present value of the series being forecasted.

**Usage**

```
random_walk_forc(realized_vec, h_ahead, time_vec = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

realized\_vec      Vector of realized values. This is the series that is being forecasted.  
h\_ahead            Integer representing the number of periods ahead that is being forecasted.  
time\_vec          Vector of any class that is equal in length to the realized\_vec vector.

**Value**

[Forecast](#) object that contains the random walk forecast.

**See Also**

For a detailed example see the help vignette: `vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")`

### Examples

```
date <- as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
                 "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31",
                 "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30"))
y <- c(1.09, 1.71, 1.09, 2.46, 1.78, 1.35, 2.89, 2.11, 2.97, 0.99)
data <- data.frame(date, y)

random_walk_forc(
  realized_vec = data$y,
  h_ahead = 4L,
  time_vec = data$date
)
```

---

realized

*Get the realized slot of a realized object*

---

### Description

realized takes a [Forecast](#) object and gets the realized vector of the forecast.

### Usage

```
realized(Forecast)
```

### Arguments

Forecast      Forecast object.

### Value

Vector of realized values stored in the [Forecast](#) object.

### Examples

```
## Not run:

realized(Forecast)

## End(Not run)
```

---

```
realized,Forecast-method  
    Get the realized slot of a realized object
```

---

**Description**

realized takes a [Forecast](#) object and gets the realized vector of the forecast.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'Forecast'  
realized(Forecast)
```

**Arguments**

Forecast      Forecast object.

**Value**

Vector of realized values stored in the [Forecast](#) object.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
  
realized(Forecast)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

```
realized<-      Set realized slot of a Forecast object
```

---

**Description**

realized takes a [Forecast](#) object and sets the realized vector of the forecast.

**Usage**

```
realized(Forecast) <- value
```

**Arguments**

Forecast      Forecast object.  
value          Vector of values assigned to the realized slot of the Forecast.

**Value**

[Forecast](#) object that contains the new realized vector.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
  
realized(Forecast) <- c("2015-03-01", "2015-03-02", "2015-03-03")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

realized<-,Forecast-method

*Set realized slot of a Forecast object*

---

**Description**

realized takes a [Forecast](#) object and sets the realized vector of the forecast.

**Usage**

```
## S4 replacement method for signature 'Forecast'  
realized(Forecast) <- value
```

**Arguments**

Forecast	Forecast object.
value	Vector of values assigned to the realized slot of the Forecast.

**Value**

[Forecast](#) object that contains the new realized vector.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
  
realized(Forecast) <- c("2015-03-01", "2015-03-02", "2015-03-03")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

rmse *Calculate RMSE of a Forecast object*

---

**Description**

rmse takes a [Forecast](#) object and returns the RMSE of the forecast. RMSE is calculated as:  
`sqrt(mse)`

**Usage**

```
rmse(Forecast)
```

**Arguments**

Forecast      Forecast object.

**Value**

RMSE value.

**Examples**

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(  
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),  
  future = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31")),  
  forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),  
  realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),  
  h_ahead = 4L  
)  
  
rmse(my_forecast)
```

---

rmse,Forecast-method *Calculate RMSE of a Forecast object*

---

**Description**

rmse takes a [Forecast](#) object and returns the RMSE of the forecast. RMSE is calculated as:  
`sqrt(mse)`

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'Forecast'  
rmse(Forecast)
```

**Arguments**

Forecast          Forecast object.

**Value**

RMSE value.

**Examples**

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(  
  origin   = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),  
  future   = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31")),  
  forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),  
  realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),  
  h_ahead  = 4L  
)  
  
rmse(my_forecast)
```

---

show,Forecast-method    *Print Forecast object to console.*

---

**Description**

show takes a [Forecast](#) object and prints it to console.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'Forecast'  
show(object)
```

**Arguments**

object            Forecast object.

**Value**

Printed [Forecast](#) object.

**Examples**

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(  
  origin   = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),  
  future   = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31")),  
  forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),  
  realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),  
  h_ahead  = 4L  
)
```



```
print(my_forecast)
```

---

states\_weighted\_forc *States weighted forecast*

---

## Description

states\_weighted\_forc takes two or more forecasts, a data frame, matrix, or array of matching variables, an optional vector of time data associated with the matching variables, a matching window size, a matching function, and an error function. For each forecast period, matching\_vars are standardized and the current state of the world is set as the the past matching\_window periods of the matching variables. The current state is compared to all past periods of the matching variables using the matching function. The current state is matched to the past state that minimizes the matching function. The forecast error function is then used to compute the accuracy of each forecast over the matched past state. Forecast weights are computed based on this forecast accuracy, and the current period forecast is subsequently computed based on the forecast weights. Produces a weighted average of multiple forecasts based on how each forecast performed during the past state that is most similar to the current state of the world.

## Usage

```
states_weighted_forc(
  ...,
  matching_vars,
  time_vec = NULL,
  matching_window,
  matching = "euclidean",
  errors = "mse",
  return_weights = FALSE
)
```

## Arguments

...	Two or more forecasts of class Forecast.
matching_vars	data frame, array, or matrix of variables used to match the current state of the world to a past state.
time_vec	Vector of any class that is equal in length to the data in matching_vars.
matching_window	Integer representing the window size over which the current state of the world is matched to a past state. Forecasts are also weighted based on their accuracy over matching_window periods.
matching	Character, "euclidean", "mse", or "rmse". Selects the function used to match the current state of the world to a past state.

errors	Character, either "mse", "rmse", "mae", or "mape". Selects what forecast accuracy function is used to evaluate forecast errors.
return_weights	Boolean, selects whether the weights used to weight forecasts in each period are returned. If TRUE, a data frame of weights and matched periods is returned to the Global Environment.

### Details

Forecasts are weighted in each period with the function below. The error function used is MSE or RMSE depending on user selection. This example shows MSE errors.

$$weight = (1/MSE(forecast))/(1/sum(MSE(forecasts)))$$

### Value

[Forecast](#) object that contains the state weighted forecast.

### See Also

For a detailed example see the help vignette: `vignette("lmForc", package = "lmForc")`

### Examples

```
date <- as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31",
                 "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31",
                 "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30"))

future <- as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31",
                  "2012-03-31", "2012-06-30", "2012-09-30", "2012-12-31",
                  "2013-03-31", "2013-06-30"))

y <- c(1.09, 1.71, 1.09, 2.46, 1.78, 1.35, 2.89, 2.11, 2.97, 0.99)
x1 <- c(4.22, 3.86, 4.27, 5.60, 5.11, 4.31, 4.92, 5.80, 6.30, 4.17)
x2 <- c(10.03, 10.49, 10.85, 10.47, 9.09, 10.91, 8.68, 9.91, 7.87, 6.63)

data <- data.frame(date, y, x1, x2)
matching_vars <- data[, c("x1", "x2")]

y1_forecast <- Forecast(
  origin = date,
  future = future,
  forecast = c(1.33, 1.36, 1.38, 1.68, 1.60, 1.55, 1.32, 1.22, 1.08, 0.88),
  realized = c(1.78, 1.35, 2.89, 2.11, 2.97, 0.99, 1.31, 1.41, 1.02, 1.05),
  h_ahead = 4L
)

y2_forecast <- Forecast(
  origin = date,
  future = future,
  forecast = c(0.70, 0.88, 1.03, 1.05, 1.01, 0.82, 0.95, 1.09, 1.07, 1.06),
  realized = c(1.78, 1.35, 2.89, 2.11, 2.97, 0.99, 1.31, 1.41, 1.02, 1.05),
  h_ahead = 4L
)
```

```

)

states_weighted_forc(
  y1_forecast, y2_forecast,
  matching_vars = matching_vars,
  time_vec = data$date,
  matching_window = 2L,
  matching = "euclidean",
  errors = "mse",
  return_weights = FALSE
)

states_weighted_forc(
  y1_forecast, y2_forecast,
  matching_vars = matching_vars,
  time_vec = data$date,
  matching_window = 3L,
  matching = "rmse",
  errors = "rmse"
)

```

---

str,Forecast-method     *Display internal structure structure of Forecast object to the console.*

---

## Description

str takes a [Forecast](#) object and prints its internal structure to the console.

## Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'Forecast'
str(object)
```

## Arguments

object            Forecast object.

## Value

Structure of [Forecast](#) object.

## Examples

```
my_forecast <- Forecast(
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-03-31", "2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),
  future = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30", "2011-12-31")),
  forecast = c(4.21, 4.27, 5.32, 5.11),
  realized = c(4.40, 4.45, 4.87, 4.77),
  h_ahead = 4L
)
```

```
)
str(my_forecast)
```

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subset_bytime	<i>Subset a list of Forecast objects by origin or future values.</i>
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### Description

Function for subsetting all forecasts in a list of Forecast objects based on origin or future values.

### Usage

```
subset_bytime(forcs, values, slot)
```

### Arguments

forcs	List of Forecast objects.
values	Single time object or a vector of time objects. The class of the values must match the class of the origin and future values in the list of Forecast objects.
slot	Character representing whether the list of Forecasts will be subset by origin or future values. Must be either "origin" or "future".

### Value

List of subsetted Forecast objects.

### Examples

```
forc1_1h <- Forecast(
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-05-14", "2010-07-22", "2010-12-05", "2011-03-10")),
  future = as.Date(c("2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
  forecast = c(4.27, 3.36, 4.78, 5.45, 5.12),
  realized = c(4.96, 4.17, 4.26, 4.99, 5.38),
  h_ahead = 1
)

forc2_1h <- Forecast(
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-05-14", "2010-07-22", "2010-12-22", "2011-03-27")),
  future = as.Date(c("2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
  forecast = c(4.01, 3.89, 3.31, 4.33, 4.61),
  realized = c(4.96, 4.17, 4.26, 4.99, 5.38),
  h_ahead = 1
)

forcs <- list(forc1_1h, forc2_1h)

subset_bytime(forcs, values = as.Date("2010-05-14"), slot = "origin")
```

```
subset_bytime(
  forcs,
  values = as.Date(c("2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31")),
  slot = "future"
)
```

---

subset_forcs	<i>Subset a list of Forecast objects by index.</i>
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---

### Description

General function for subsetting all forecasts in a list of Forecast objects.

### Usage

```
subset_forcs(forcs, index)
```

### Arguments

forcs	List of Forecast objects.
index	Numeric or logical value or vector.

### Value

List of subsetting Forecast objects.

### Examples

```
forc1_1h <- Forecast(
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-05-14", "2010-07-22", "2010-12-05", "2011-03-10")),
  future = as.Date(c("2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
  forecast = c(4.27, 3.36, 4.78, 5.45, 5.12),
  realized = c(4.96, 4.17, 4.26, 4.99, 5.38),
  h_ahead = 1
)

forc2_1h <- Forecast(
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-05-14", "2010-07-22", "2010-12-22", "2011-03-27")),
  future = as.Date(c("2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
  forecast = c(4.01, 3.89, 3.31, 4.33, 4.61),
  realized = c(4.96, 4.17, 4.26, 4.99, 5.38),
  h_ahead = 1
)

forcs <- list(forc1_1h, forc2_1h)

subset_forcs(forcs, 1:4)
```

```
subset_forcs(forcs, origin(forc1_1h) >= as.Date("2010-12-31"))
```

---

subset_identical	<i>Subset a list of Forecast objects to identical origin or future values.</i>
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### Description

Function for subsetting all forecasts in a list of Forecast objects to overlapping origin or future values.

### Usage

```
subset_identical(forcs, slot)
```

### Arguments

forcs	List of Forecast objects.
slot	Character representing whether the list of Forecasts will be subset to identical origin or future values. Must be either "origin" or "future".

### Value

List of subsetted Forecast objects with identical future or origin values.

### Examples

```
forc1_1h <- Forecast(
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-05-14", "2010-07-22", "2010-12-05", "2011-03-10")),
  future = as.Date(c("2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
  forecast = c(4.27, 3.36, 4.78, 5.45, 5.12),
  realized = c(4.96, 4.17, 4.26, 4.99, 5.38),
  h_ahead = 1
)

forc2_1h <- Forecast(
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-05-14", "2010-07-22", "2010-12-22", "2011-03-27")),
  future = as.Date(c("2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
  forecast = c(4.01, 3.89, 3.31, 4.33, 4.61),
  realized = c(4.96, 4.17, 4.26, 4.99, 5.38),
  h_ahead = 1
)

forcs <- list(forc1_1h, forc2_1h)

subset_identical(forcs, slot = "origin")
```

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transform_byh	<i>Convert a list of time format Forecast objects to a list of h Ahead format Forecast objects.</i>
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### Description

Given a list of forecasts with homogenous origin or future values, converts all forecasts in the list to h Ahead format.

### Usage

```
transform_byh(forcs, h_aheads)
```

### Arguments

forcs	List of Forecast objects.
h_aheads	Vector of h Ahead values that is equal in length to the number of Forecast objects in forcs.

### Value

List of Forecast objects in h Ahead format.

### Examples

```
# The following forecasts are in time format. Each forecast was made at a  
# different time and represents a forecast for a number of h Ahead periods  
# ahead.
```

```
forcl_t1 <- Forecast(  
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-02-17", "2010-02-17")),  
  future = as.Date(c("2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31")),  
  forecast = c(4.27, 3.77, 3.52),  
  realized = c(4.96, 4.17, 4.26),  
  h_ahead = NA  
)
```

```
forcl_t2 <- Forecast(  
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-05-14", "2010-05-14", "2010-05-14")),  
  future = as.Date(c("2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31")),  
  forecast = c(3.36, 3.82, 4.22),  
  realized = c(4.17, 4.26, 4.99),  
  h_ahead = NA  
)
```

```
forcl_t3 <- Forecast(  
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-07-22", "2010-07-22", "2010-07-22")),  
  future = as.Date(c("2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),  
  forecast = c(4.78, 4.53, 5.03),
```

```

    realized = c(4.26, 4.99, 5.33),
    h_ahead = NA
  )

  forc1_t4 <- Forecast(
    origin = as.Date(c("2010-12-22", "2010-12-22", "2010-12-22")),
    future = as.Date(c("2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30")),
    forecast = c(5.45, 4.89, 5.78),
    realized = c(4.99, 5.33, 5.21),
    h_ahead = NA
  )

  forcs <- list(forc1_t1, forc1_t2, forc1_t3, forc1_t4)

  transform_byh(forcs, h_aheads = c(1, 2, 3))

```

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transform_bytime	<i>Convert a list of h_ahead format Forecast objects to a list of time format Forecast objects.</i>
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### Description

Given a list of forecasts with different h\_ahead values, converts all forecasts in the list to time format. Transforms a list of Forecast objects that have homogenous h\_ahead values to a list of Forecast objects with homogenous origin or future values.

### Usage

```
transform_bytime(forcs, slot = "future")
```

### Arguments

forcs	List of Forecast objects.
slot	Character representing whether the list of Forecasts will be converted to a list of Forecasts with homogenous origin or future values. Must be either "origin" or "future".

### Value

List of Forecast objects in time format.

### Examples

```

# The following forecasts are in h_ahead format. All forecasts come from the
# same source (forc1) and have the same origin values. However, the forecasts
# are for different periods ahead.

```

```
forc1_1h <- Forecast(
```



```

origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-05-14", "2010-07-22", "2010-12-22")),
future = as.Date(c("2010-06-30", "2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31")),
forecast = c(4.27, 3.36, 4.78, 5.45),
realized = c(4.96, 4.17, 4.26, 4.99),
h_ahead = 1
)

forc1_2h <- Forecast(
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-05-14", "2010-07-22", "2010-12-22")),
  future = as.Date(c("2010-09-30", "2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30")),
  forecast = c(3.77, 3.82, 4.53, 4.89),
  realized = c(4.17, 4.26, 4.99, 5.33),
  h_ahead = 2
)

forc1_3h <- Forecast(
  origin = as.Date(c("2010-02-17", "2010-05-14", "2010-07-22", "2010-12-22")),
  future = as.Date(c("2010-12-31", "2011-03-31", "2011-06-30", "2011-09-30")),
  forecast = c(3.52, 4.22, 5.03, 5.78),
  realized = c(4.26, 4.99, 5.33, 5.21),
  h_ahead = 3
)

forcs <- list(forc1_1h, forc1_2h, forc1_3h)

transform_bytime(forcs, slot = "origin")

```

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[,Forecast-method      *Subset Forecast object.*

---

## Description

[ ] takes a [Forecast](#) object and subsets it.

## Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'Forecast'
x[i, j, ..., drop = TRUE]
```

## Arguments

x	ANY
i	ANY
j	ANY
...	ANY
drop	ANY
Forecast	Forecast object.

**Value**

Subsetted [Forecast](#) object.

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