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## Description

This package provides functions to facilitate the estimation of Arfima-MLM models for repeated cross-sectional data and pooled cross-sectional time-series data (see Lebo and Weber 2015). The estimation procedure uses double filtering with Arfima methods to account for autocorrelation in longer repeated cross-sectional data followed by multilevel modeling (MLM) to estimate both aggregate- and individual-level parameters simultaneously.

## Details

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The main function of the package is [arfimaMLM](#), which implements Arfima and multilevel models on a repeated cross-sectional dataset as described by Lebo and Weber (forthcoming). Furthermore, the function [arfimaOLS](#) uses the same initial procedures but estimates a simple linear model instead of the multilevel model. The package also includes [arfimaPrep](#), which prepares a dataset for subsequent analyses according to the Arfima-MLM framework without estimating the final model itself. [fd](#) is a wrapper function to estimate the fractional differencing parameter using [hurstSpec](#) of the [fractal](#)-package as well as procedures provided by the [fracdiff](#)-package (via ML, GPH, and Sperio) and to differentiate the series accordingly (mainly for internal use in [arfimaMLM](#), [arfimaOLS](#), and [arfimaPrep](#)).

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## References

Lebo, M. and Weber, C. 2015. "An Effective Approach to the Repeated Cross Sectional Design." *American Journal of Political Science* 59(1): 242-258.

## See Also

[lme4](#), [fracdiff](#), [hurstSpec](#), [arfimaMLM](#), [arfimaOLS](#), [arfimaPrep](#), [fd](#)

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## Description

Estimates Arfima-MLM model for repeated cross-sectional data or pooled cross-sectional time-series data. For the variables specified by the user, the function automatically implements the aggregation and fractional differencing of time/level variables as well as the necessary procedures to remove deterministic components from the dependent as well as the major independent variables.

## Usage

```
arfimaMLM(formula, data, timevar
           , d = "Hurst", arma = NULL
           , ecmformula = NULL, decm = "Hurst"
           , drop = 5, report.data = TRUE, ...)
```

## Arguments

formula	An object of the class “ <code>formula</code> ” that specifies the multilevel model to be estimated (see <a href="#">lmer</a> for details): a two-sided linear formula object describing both the fixed-effects and fixed-effects part of the model, with the response on the left of a <code>~</code> operator and the terms, separated by <code>+</code> operators, on the right. Random-effects terms are distinguished by vertical bars (“ ”) separating expressions for design matrices from grouping factors (i.e. the variable indicating the timepoints of the repeated cross-sectional design as well as potentially further clustering variables). See details below for further information about selecting variables for automatic aggregation, fractional differencing, and the removal of deterministic components.
data	Data frame containing the original variables named in <code>formula</code> .
timevar	Name of the variable indicating different timepoints in data.
d	Call for a specific estimation method for the fractional differencing parameter in the <code>fractal</code> -package (“ <code>Hurst</code> ”) or in the <code>fracdiff</code> -package (“ <code>ML</code> ”, “ <code>GPH</code> ”, or “ <code>Sperio</code> ”). Default estimation procedure is by estimating the Hurst exponent. If the user wants to specify the methods for each variable individually, <code>d</code> can be a list containing a call for every individual variable. Furthermore, the list can contain numeric values for differencing parameters which were estimated externally (e.g. 1 for simple differencing, also see example for further details). A variable will not be differenced if <code>d</code> is specified as 0.
arma	List of variables for which AR and MA parameters are to be estimated (after fractional differencing) as well as a vector containing the respective orders of the model to fit. <code>order[1]</code> corresponds to the AR part and <code>order[2]</code> to the MA part, similar to the model specification in <a href="#">arima</a> (just excluding the <code>d</code> parameter here). For variables specified in <code>arma</code> , the function will use the residuals of the ARMA model for the subsequent model estimation in order to remove their deterministic

components. All variables included in the arma list have to be included in either `varlist.fd`, `varlist.ydif`, or `varlist.xdif`. It is also possible to keep some of the AR/MA parameters fixed at zero (e.g. if the model is only supposed to estimate AR[1] and AR[3] parameters, but not AR[2]). In order to specify such a model, replace the vector containing the orders of the model with a list containing two vectors indicating each individual AR or MA parameter to be estimated. Please see the examples for clarification.

<code>ecmformula</code>	Specification of the cointegration regression to receive the residuals for the error correction mechanism (ecm) included in <code>formula</code> : linear formula object with the response on the left of a <code>~</code> operator and the independent variables, separated by <code>+</code> operators, on the right. Note that the variable names included here cannot be the original variable names included in <code>data</code> , but rather has to be extended by adding <code>".mean"</code> to the original names, since the ecm is always based on the level/time aggregates (see example).
<code>decn</code>	Call for estimation method for the fractional differencing parameter (see <code>d</code> for details). Can be either <code>"Hurst"</code> , <code>"ML"</code> , <code>"GPH"</code> , or <code>"Sperio"</code> . Default is <code>"Hurst"</code> .
<code>drop</code>	Number of time points from the beginning of the series dropped from analysis. Default is 5.
<code>report.data</code>	Logical. <code>arfimaMLM</code> returns the transformed dataset used to estimate the final model as part of the results. Default is <code>TRUE</code> .
<code>...</code>	Further arguments passed to the estimation procedures used within the function (e.g. for <code>lmer</code> ).

## Details

- The original variable names of `data` used in `formula` can be extended by adding three different suffixes: `.fd`, `.xdif`, and `.ydif`. These suffixes select variables for transformations according to the Arfima-MLM framework before estimating the actual model.

The suffix `.fd` allows the user to select variables which are supposed to be transformed to a fractionally differenced level-variable (by aggregating individuals over each time point prior to fractionally differencing the series), or variables which are already included as a level-variable in the original dataset and are just supposed to be fractionally differenced before the multilevel model is estimated.

If the suffix `.xdif` is added to an independent variable, the variable is simply filtered through the timepoint averages:

$$x.star[it] = x[it] - X[t]$$

If the suffix `.ydif` is added to the dependent variable (e.g.  $y[it]$ ), the function will remove the temporal deterministic component from the individual level variable, such that it only consists of within-timepoint, as well as non-temporally autocorrelated between-timepoint variation:

$$y.star[it] = y[it] - (Y[t] - \Delta[df]Y[t])$$

- If `formula` contains `ecm` as one of the independent variables, and `ecmformula` is correctly specified, the function will include the lag of the fractionally differenced residuals of the cointegration regression as an error correction mechanism in the multilevel model. The ECM does not have to be estimated prior to calling the function.
- In order to prevent errors in the estimation procedure, none of the original variable names in `data` should include `".ydif"`, `".xdif"` or `".fd"`.

**Value**

The function returns a list of the class 'arfimaMLM' with the following items:

result	Output of the multilevel model as specified in formula.
d	Matrix of fractional differencing parameters estimated for the level variables (.fd and .ydif) as well as the estimation method for each variable. Returns the specified value for d if it was specified in the initial call of the function.
arma	List of arima results for each variable specified in the model call. Contains AR/MA estimates as well as the model residuals.
ecm	Output of the cointegration regression (returned if ecmformula is specified). The lagged residuals of the cointegration regression are included in the multilevel model if ecm is included in formula.
data.mean	Data frame of variable means declared in formula as .fd, .xdif or .ydif (as well as .mean in ecmformula) for each time point specified by the level variable in timevar.
data.fd	Data frame of fractionally differenced level variables for each time point specified in timevar, which were declared as .fd or .ydif in formula. If arma was additionally specified for a variable, it contains the residuals of the ARMA model fitted after (fractionally) differencing.
data.merged	Merged data frame used to estimate the multilevel model consisting of the original data, data.mean, data.fd, as well as the variables specified as .xdif and .ydif in formula

**Author(s)**

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**References**

Lebo, M. and Weber, C. 2015. "An Effective Approach to the Repeated Cross Sectional Design." American Journal of Political Science 59(1): 242-258.

**See Also**

[lme4](#), [fracdiff](#), [hurstSpec](#), [arfimaPrep](#), [fd](#), and [ArfimaMLM](#) for a package overview.

**Examples**

```
require(fractal)
require(fracdiff)
require(lme4)

### set basic parameters for simulation
t = 100 # number of time points
n = 500 # number of observations within time point
N = t*n # total number of observations

### generate fractional ARIMA Time Series for y_t, x1_t, z1_t, z2_t
```

```

set.seed(123)
y_t <- fracdiff.sim(t, d=0.4, mu=10)$series
x1_t <- fracdiff.sim(t, d=0.3, mu=5)$series
z1_t <- fracdiff.sim(t, d=0.1, mu=2)$series
z2_t <- fracdiff.sim(t, d=0.25, mu=3)$series

### simulate data
data <- NULL; data$time <- rep(seq(1:t),each=n)
data <- data.frame(data)
data$x1 <- rnorm(N,rep(x1_t,each=n),2)
data$x2 <- rnorm(N,0,40)
data$z1 <- rnorm(N,rep(z1_t,each=n),3)
data$z2 <- rep(z2_t,each=n)
b1 <- 0.2+rep(rnorm(t,0,0.1),each=n)
data$y <- (b1*data$x1-0.05*data$x2+0.3*rep(z1_t,each=n)
          +0*data$z2+rnorm(N,rep(y_t,each=n),1))

### estimate models

# basic example
m1 <- arfimaMLM(y.ydif ~ x1.xdif + x2 + z1.fd + z2.fd + (1 | time)
               , data = data, timevar = "time")

# model including error correction mechanism
# change estimation method for differencing parameter for all variables
m2 <- arfimaMLM(y.ydif ~ x1.xdif + x2 + z1.fd + z2.fd + ecm + (1 | time)
               , data = data, timevar = "time", d="ML"
               , ecmformula = y.mean ~ x1.mean
               , decm="Sperio")

# vary estimation method for differencing parameter between variables
# specify AR/MA models
m3 <- arfimaMLM(y.ydif ~ x1.xdif + x2 + z1.fd + z2.fd + (1+x1.xdif|time)
               , data = data, timevar = "time"
               , d=list(y="ML", z1="Sperio", z2=0.25)
               , arma=list(y=c(1,0),z2=c(0,1)))

# specify AR/MA models while holding AR[2] fixed for y
m4 <- arfimaMLM(y.ydif ~ x1.xdif + x2 + z1.fd + z2.fd + (1+x1.xdif|time)
               , data = data, timevar = "time"
               , arma=list(y=list(c(1,3),0),z2=c(0,1)))

m1
summary(m2)
summary(m3$result)
m4$arma

```

## Description

Estimates Arfima-OLS model for repeated cross-sectional data or pooled cross-sectional time-series data. For the variables specified by the user, the function automatically implements the aggregation and fractional differencing of time/level variables as well as the necessary procedures to remove deterministic components from the dependent as well as the major independent variables.

## Usage

```
arfimaOLS(formula, data, timevar
           , d = "Hurst", arma = NULL
           , ecmformula = NULL, decm = "Hurst"
           , drop = 5, report.data = TRUE, ...)
```

## Arguments

formula	An object of the class “ <a href="#">formula</a> ” that specifies the linear model to be estimated (see <a href="#">lm</a> for details), typically with the response on the left of a ~ operator and the terms, separated by + operators, on the right. See details below for further information about selecting variables for automatic aggregation, fractional differencing, and the removal of deterministic components.
data	Data frame containing the original variables named in formula.
timevar	Name of the variable indicating different timepoints in data.
d	Call for a specific estimation method for the fractional differencing parameter in the <a href="#">fractal</a> -package ( <code>`Hurst`</code> ) or in the <a href="#">fracdiff</a> -package ( <code>`ML`</code> , <code>`GPH`</code> , or <code>`Sperio`</code> ). Default estimation procedure is by estimating the Hurst exponent. If the user wants to specify the methods for each variable individually, d can be a list containing a call for every individual variable. Furthermore, the list can contain numeric values for differencing parameters which were estimated externally (e.g. 1 for simple differencing, also see example for further details). A variable will not be differenced if d is specified as 0.
arma	List of variables for which AR and MA parameters are to be estimated (after fractional differencing) as well as a vector containing the respective orders of the model to fit. <code>order[1]</code> corresponds to the AR part and <code>order[2]</code> to the MA part, similar to the model specification in <a href="#">arima</a> (just excluding the d parameter here). For variables specified in arma, the function will use the residuals of the ARMA model for the subsequent model estimation in order to remove their deterministic components. All variables included in the arma list have to be included in either <code>varlist.fd</code> , <code>varlist.ydif</code> , or <code>varlist.xdif</code> . It is also possible to keep some of the AR/MA parameters fixed at zero (e.g. if the model is only supposed to estimate AR[1] and AR[3] parameters, but not AR[2]). In order to specify such a model, replace the vector containing the orders of the model with a list containing two vectors indicating each individual AR or MA parameter to be estimated. Please see the examples for clarification.
ecmformula	Specification of the cointegration regression to receive the residuals for the error correction mechanism (ecm) included in formula: linear formula object with the response on the left of a ~ operator and the independent variables, separated by + operators, on the right. Note that the variable names included here cannot

	be the original variable names included in <code>data</code> , but rather has to be extended by adding “.mean” to the original names, since the ecm is always based on the level/time aggregates (see example).
<code>ecm</code>	Call for estimation method for the fractional differencing parameter (see <code>d</code> for details). Can be either “Hurst”, “ML”, “GPH”, or “Sperio”. Default is “Hurst”.
<code>drop</code>	Number of time points from the beginning of the series dropped from analysis. Default is 5.
<code>report.data</code>	Logical. <code>arfimaOLS</code> returns the transformed dataset used to estimate the final model as part of the results. Default is TRUE.
<code>...</code>	Further arguments passed to the estimation procedures used within the function (e.g. for <code>lm</code> ).

### Details

- The original variable names of `data` used in `formula` can be extended by adding three different suffixes: `.fd`, `.xdif`, and `.ydif`. These suffixes select variables for transformations according to the Arfima-OLS framework before estimating the actual model.

The suffix `.fd` allows the user to select variables which are supposed to be transformed to a fractionally differenced level-variable (by aggregating individuals over each time point prior to fractionally differencing the series), or variables which are already included as a level-variable in the original dataset and are just supposed to be fractionally differenced before the multilevel model is estimated.

If the suffix `.xdif` is added to an independent variable, the variable is simply filtered through the timepoint averages:

$$x.star[it] = x[it] - X[t]$$

If the suffix `.ydif` is added to the dependent variable (e.g.  $y[it]$ ), the function will remove the temporal deterministic component from the individual level variable, such that it only consists of within-timepoint, as well as non-temporally autocorrelated between-timepoint variation:

$$y.star[it] = y[it] - (Y[t] - \Delta[df]Y[t])$$

- If `formula` contains `ecm` as one of the independent variables, and `ecmformula` is correctly specified, the function will include the lag of the fractionally differenced residuals of the cointegration regression as an error correction mechanism in the multilevel model. The ECM does not have to be estimated prior to calling the function.
- In order to prevent errors in the estimation procedure, none of the original variable names in `data` should include “.ydif”, “.xdif” or “.fd”.

### Value

The function returns a list of the class ‘arfimaOLS’ with the following items:

<code>result</code>	Output of the linear model as specified in <code>formula</code> .
<code>d</code>	Matrix of fractional differencing parameters estimated for the level variables ( <code>.fd</code> and <code>.ydif</code> ) as well as the estimation method for each variable. Returns the specified value for <code>d</code> if it was specified in the initial call of the function.

arma	List of arima results for each variable specified in the model call. Contains AR/MA estimates as well as the model residuals.
ecm	Output of the cointegration regression (returned if ecmformula is specified). The lagged residuals of the cointegration regression are included in the multi-level model if ecm is included in formula.
data.mean	Data frame of variable means declared in formula as .fd, .xdif or .ydif (as well as .mean in ecmformula) for each time point specified by the level variable in timevar.
data.fd	Data frame of fractionally differenced level variables for each time point specified in timevar, which were declared as .fd or .ydif in formula. If arma was additionally specified for a variable, it contains the residuals of the ARMA model fitted after (fractionally) differencing.
data.merged	Merged data frame used to estimate the OLS model consisting of the original data, data.mean, data.fd, as well as the variables specified as .xdif and .ydif in formula

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**References**

Lebo, M. and Weber, C. 2015. "An Effective Approach to the Repeated Cross Sectional Design." American Journal of Political Science 59(1): 242-258.

**See Also**

[lm](#), [fracdiff](#), [hurstSpec](#), [arfimaPrep](#), [fd](#), and [ArfimaMLM](#) for a package overview.

**Examples**

```
require(fractal)
require(fracdiff)

### set basic parameters for simulation
t = 100 # number of time points
n = 500 # number of observations within time point
N = t*n # total number of observations

### generate fractional ARIMA Time Series for y_t, x1_t, z1_t, z2_t
set.seed(123)
y_t <- fracdiff.sim(t, d=0.4, mu=10)$series
x1_t <- fracdiff.sim(t, d=0.3, mu=5)$series
z1_t <- fracdiff.sim(t, d=0.1, mu=2)$series
z2_t <- fracdiff.sim(t, d=0.25, mu=3)$series

### simulate data
data <- NULL; data$time <- rep(seq(1:t),each=n)
data <- data.frame(data)
data$x1 <- rnorm(N,rep(x1_t,each=n),2)
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data$x2 <- rnorm(N,0,40)
data$z1 <- rnorm(N,rep(z1_t,each=n),3)
data$z2 <- rep(z2_t,each=n)
b1 <- 0.2+rep(rnorm(t,0,0.1),each=n)
data$y <- (b1*data$x1-0.05*data$x2+0.3*rep(z1_t,each=n)
          +0*data$z2+rnorm(N,rep(y_t,each=n),1))

### estimate models

# basic example
m1 <- arfimaOLS(y.ydif ~ x1.xdif + x2 + z1.fd + z2.fd
               , data = data, timevar = "time")

# model including error correction mechanism
# change estimation method for differencing parameter for all variables
m2 <- arfimaOLS(y.ydif ~ x1.xdif + x2 + z1.fd + z2.fd + ecm
               , data = data, timevar = "time", d="ML"
               , ecmformula = y.mean ~ x1.mean
               , decm="Sperio")

# vary estimation method for differencing parameter between variables
# specify AR/MA models
m3 <- arfimaOLS(y.ydif ~ x1.xdif + x2 + z1.fd + z2.fd
               , data = data, timevar = "time"
               , d=list(y="ML", z1="Sperio", z2=0.25)
               , arma=list(y=c(1,0),z2=c(0,1)))

# specify AR/MA models while holding AR[2] fixed for y
m4 <- arfimaOLS(y.ydif ~ x1.xdif + x2 + z1.fd + z2.fd
               , data = data, timevar = "time"
               , arma=list(y=list(c(1,3),0),z2=c(0,1)))

m1
summary(m2)
summary(m3$result)
m4$arma

```

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arfimaPrep

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*Preparing a dataset for subsequent analysis according to the Arfima-MLM/Arfima-OLS framework*


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## Description

This function prepares a repeated cross-sectional dataset or pooled cross-sectional time-series data for subsequent analyses according to the Arfima-MLM/Arfima-OLS framework. This function is mainly used internally as part of `arfimaMLM` and `arfimaOLS`, but can also be used independently if the user prefers to separate the data preparation from the subsequent estimation of the multilevel (or simple linear) model. The function performs the aggregation and fractional differencing of time/level variables as well as the necessary procedures to remove deterministic components from the dependent as well as the major independent variables.

**Usage**

```
arfimaPrep(data, timevar
           , varlist.mean, varlist.fd
           , varlist.xdif, varlist.ydif
           , d = "Hurst", arma = NULL
           , ecmformula = NULL, decm = "Hurst"
           , drop = 5, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>data</code>	Data frame to be transformed by the function.
<code>timevar</code>	Name of the variable indicating different timepoints in data.
<code>varlist.mean</code>	Character vector of variable names in data that are averaged/aggregated over each timepoint specified by <code>timevar</code> . The variable list must include all variables listed in <code>varlist.fd</code> , <code>varlist.xdif</code> , <code>varlist.ydif</code>
<code>varlist.fd</code>	Character vector of variable names in data that are fractionally differenced (after aggregating over each timepoint specified by <code>timevar</code> ). The variable list must include all variables listed in <code>varlist.ydif</code> See details for further information.
<code>varlist.xdif</code>	Character vector of variable names in data for which the within-timepoint deviation from the respective mean value is calculated (for each timepoint specified by <code>timevar</code> ). See details for further information.
<code>varlist.ydif</code>	Character vector of variable names in data for which the temporal deterministic component is removed by subtracting the difference of the within-timepoint average and its stationary series free of autocorrelation (with each timepoint specified by <code>timevar</code> ). See details for further information.
<code>d</code>	Call for a specific estimation method for the fractional differencing parameter in the <code>fractal</code> -package ( <code>`Hurst'</code> ) or in the <code>fracdiff</code> -package ( <code>`ML'</code> , <code>`GPH'</code> , or <code>`Sperio'</code> ). Default estimation procedure is by estimating the Hurst exponent. If the user wants to specify the methods for each variable individually, <code>d</code> can be a list containing a call for every individual variable. Furthermore, the list can contain numeric values for differencing parameters which were estimated externally (e.g. 1 for simple differencing, also see example for further details). A variable will not be differenced if <code>d</code> is specified as 0.
<code>arma</code>	List of variables for which AR and MA parameters are to be estimated (after fractional differencing) as well as a vector containing the respective orders of the model to fit. <code>order[1]</code> corresponds to the AR part and <code>order[2]</code> to the MA part, similar to the model specification in <code>arima</code> (just excluding the <code>d</code> parameter here). For variables specified in <code>arma</code> , the function will use the residuals of the ARMA model for the subsequent model estimation in order to remove their deterministic components. All variables included in the <code>arma</code> list have to be included in either <code>varlist.fd</code> , <code>varlist.ydif</code> , or <code>varlist.xdif</code> . It is also possible to keep some of the AR/MA parameters fixed at zero (e.g. if the model is only supposed to estimate AR[1] and AR[3] parameters, but not AR[2]). In order to specify such a model, replace the vector containing the orders of the model with a list containing two vectors indicating each individual AR or MA parameter to be estimated. Please see the examples for clarification.

<code>ecmformula</code>	Specification of the cointegration regression to receive the residuals for the error correction mechanism (ecm) to be included in the transformed dataset: linear formula object with the response on the left of a <code>~</code> operator and the independent variables, separated by <code>+</code> operators, on the right. Note that the variable names included here cannot be the original variable names included in <code>data</code> , but rather has to be extended by adding <code>".mean"</code> to the original names, since the ecm is always based on the level/time aggregates (see example).
<code>decm</code>	Call for estimation method for the fractional differencing parameter (see <code>d</code> for details). Can be either <code>"Hurst"</code> , <code>"ML"</code> , <code>"GPH"</code> , or <code>"Sperio"</code> . Default is <code>"Hurst"</code> .
<code>drop</code>	Number of time points from the beginning of the series dropped from analysis. Default is 5.
<code>...</code>	Further arguments passed to the estimation procedures used within the function.

### Details

- The varlists `varlist.fd`, `varlist.xdif`, and `varlist.ydif` select variables from `data` for transformations according to the ArFima-MLM framework to prepare the estimation of the actual model.

Adding variables in `varlist.fd` allows the user to select variables which are supposed to be transformed to a fractionally differenced level-variable (by aggregating individuals over each time point prior to fractionally differencing the series), or variables which are already included as a level-variable in the original dataset and are just supposed to be fractionally differenced before the multilevel model is estimated.

For variables in `varlist.xdif`, the corresponding variables in `data` is simply filtered through the timepoint averages:

$$x.star[it] = x[it] - X[t]$$

For variables in `varlist.ydif` (e.g.  $y[it]$ ), the function will remove the daily deterministic component from the individual level variable, such that it only consists of within-timepoint, as well as non-temporally autocorrelated between-timepoint variation:

$$y.star[it] = y[it] - (Y[t] - \Delta[df]Y[t])$$

- In order to prevent errors in the estimation procedure, none of the original variable names in `data` should include `".fd"`, `".xdif"`, or `".ydif"`.

### Value

The function returns a list of datasets and estimation results with the following items:

<code>data.mean</code>	Data frame of variable means declared in <code>varlist.mean</code> , <code>varlist.fd</code> , <code>varlist.xdif</code> , or <code>varlist.ydif</code> for each time point specified by the level variable in <code>timevar</code> .
<code>data.fd</code>	Data frame of fractionally differenced level variables for each time point specified in <code>timevar</code> , which were declared as <code>.fd</code> or <code>.ydif</code> in <code>formula</code> . If <code>arma</code> was additionally specified for a variable, it contains the residuals of the ARMA model fitted after (fractionally) differencing.

data.merged	Merged data frame which can be subsequently used to estimate the multilevel model. Consists of the original data, data.mean, data.fd, as well as the variables specified in varlist.xdif and .ydif
d	Matrix of fractional differencing parameters estimated for the level variables (varlist.fd and varlist.ydif) as well as the estimation method for each variable. Returns the specified value for d if it was specified in the initial call of the function.
arma	List of arima results for each variable specified in the model call. Contains AR/MA estimates as well as the model residuals.
ecm	Output of the cointegration regression (returned if ecmformula is specified). The lagged residuals of the cointegration regression are included in data.fd and data.merged.

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### References

Lebo, M. and Weber, C. 2015. "An Effective Approach to the Repeated Cross Sectional Design." American Journal of Political Science 59(1): 242-258.

### See Also

[fracdiff](#), [hurstSpec](#), [fd](#), and [ArfimaMLM](#) for a package overview.

### Examples

```
require(fractal)
require(fracdiff)

### set basic parameters for simulation
t = 100 # number of time points
n = 500 # number of observations within time point
N = t*n # total number of observations

### generate fractional ARIMA Time Series for y_t, x1_t, z1_t, z2_t
set.seed(123)
y_t <- fracdiff.sim(t, d=0.4, mu=10)$series
x1_t <- fracdiff.sim(t, d=0.3, mu=5)$series
z1_t <- fracdiff.sim(t, d=0.1, mu=2)$series
z2_t <- fracdiff.sim(t, d=0.25, mu=3)$series

### simulate data
data <- NULL; data$time <- rep(seq(1:t),each=n)
data <- data.frame(data)
data$x1 <- rnorm(N,rep(x1_t,each=n),2)
data$x2 <- rnorm(N,0,40)
data$z1 <- rnorm(N,rep(z1_t,each=n),3)
data$z2 <- rep(z2_t,each=n)
```

```

b1 <- 0.2+rep(rnorm(t,0,0.1),each=n)
data$y <- (b1*data$x1-0.05*data$x2+0.3*rep(z1_t,each=n)
          +0*data$z2+rnorm(N,rep(y_t,each=n),1))

### prepare datasets for model estimation

# basic example
dat1 <- arfimaPrep(data = data, timevar="time"
                  , varlist.mean = c("y","x1","z1","z2")
                  , varlist.fd = c("y", "z1","z2")
                  , varlist.xdif = "x1", varlist.ydif = "y")

# including error correction mechanism
# change estimation method for differencing parameter for all variables
dat2 <- arfimaPrep(data = data, timevar="time"
                  , varlist.mean = c("y","x1","z1","z2")
                  , varlist.fd = c("y", "z1","z2")
                  , varlist.xdif = "x1", varlist.ydif = "y"
                  , d = "ML", ecmformula = y.mean ~ x1.mean
                  , decm="Sperio")

# vary estimation method for differencing parameter between variables
# specify AR/MA models
dat3 <- arfimaPrep(data = data, timevar="time"
                  , varlist.mean = c("y","x1","z1","z2")
                  , varlist.fd = c("y", "z1","z2")
                  , varlist.xdif = "x1", varlist.ydif = "y"
                  , d=list(y="ML", z1="Sperio", z2=0.25)
                  , arma=list(y=c(1,0),z2=c(0,1)))

# specify AR/MA models while holding AR[2] fixed for y
dat4 <- arfimaPrep(data = data, timevar="time"
                  , varlist.mean = c("y","x1","z1","z2")
                  , varlist.fd = c("y", "z1","z2")
                  , varlist.xdif = "x1", varlist.ydif = "y"
                  , arma=list(y=list(c(1,3),0),z2=c(0,1)))

ls(dat1)
head(dat1$mean)
head(dat2$merged)
dat3$arma

```

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 fd

*Estimate fractional differencing parameter and/or differentiate series for a given d-value*

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## Description

This is a wrapper function for the [hurstSpec](#)-function as well as the [fracdiff](#)-package for internal use as part of the [arfimaMLM](#) function. The function estimates the fractional differencing param-

eter  $d$  of a series  $x$  and returns the fractionally differenced series. Alternatively, the differencing parameter can be estimated externally and included as a numeric argument in `dval`. In this case, the function returns the fractionally differenced series without estimating the differencing parameter itself.

### Usage

```
fd(x, dval = "Hurst", ...)

## S3 method for class 'character'
fd(x, dval = "Hurst", ...)

## S3 method for class 'numeric'
fd(x, dval, ...)
```

### Arguments

<code>x</code>	Numeric vector or time series to be fractionally differenced.
<code>dval</code>	Call for a specific estimation method for the fractional differencing parameter in the <code>hurstSpec</code> -function ("Hurst") or the <code>fracdiff</code> -package ("ML", "GPH", or "Sperio"). Default is "Hurst". Alternatively, <code>dval</code> can be a numeric argument that will be directly passed to <code>diffseries</code> to calculate the fractionally differenced series according to the differencing parameter specified in <code>dval</code> . If a value of 0 is specified, the function will simply return the original series $x$ .
<code>...</code>	Further arguments passed to <code>hurstSpec</code> , <code>fracdiff</code> , <code>fdGPH</code> , <code>fdSperio</code> , or <code>diffseries</code> .

### Value

<code>series</code>	Fractionally differentiated series.
<code>estimator</code>	Method used to estimate differencing parameter ("Hurst", "ML", "GPH", or "Sperio"), prompts "external" if a differencing parameter was provided as numeric argument for <code>dval</code> .
<code>value</code>	Estimated differencing parameter, returns the <code>dval</code> input if a numeric argument was provided for <code>dval</code> .

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### References

See those in `hurstSpec`, `fracdiff`, `fdGPH`, `fdSperio`, and `diffseries`.

### See Also

`hurstSpec`, `fracdiff`, `fdGPH`, `fdSperio`, `diffseries`

**Examples**

```
require(fractal)
require(fracdiff)

set.seed(123)
series=fracdiff.sim(100, d=0.4, mu=10)$series

## S3 method for class 'character'
# estimates fractional differencing parameter d
# and differentiates series accordingly
series.fd1<-fd(series)
series.fd2<-fd(series, dval="ML")
series.fd3<-fd(series, dval="GPH")
series.fd4<-fd(series, dval="Sperio")

## S3 method for class 'numeric'
# differentiates series according to
# externally provided differencing parameter
series.fd5<-fd(series, dval=0.4)
```

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