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Subject: Re: Seasonal Variation in Trend Analysis  
Posted by [R.G.Stockwell](#) on Wed, 26 Sep 2007 22:42:46 GMT  
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"David Fanning" <news@dfanning.com> wrote in message  
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> Folks,  
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> Does anyone happen to have an IDL example of some  
> code that might remove seasonal variation in a time  
> series? Or some suggestions for how to proceed in IDL?  
> I can see that I might want to use a model that has  
> sin and cosine terms, but I can't see how to find the  
> coefficients of such a model in IDL.  
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> Cheers,  
>  
> David

Just Least Squares fit the cos and sine functions (0 phase in both  
those, you get phase from the amplitudes).

$Ax=b$   
where  
 $[c,s] [x] = [data]$   
 $x$  is the unknown.  $c$ ,  $s$  are your sine and cosine terms.

Use the choledky (faster) or SVD solver routines.

interesting note, if the total length of the time series is a  
multiple of the length of the season, just FFT and read off those  
values (real = cos, imag = sin for the appropriate frequency)  
It is a 'fast' way of solving the least squares fit problem

Cheers,  
bob

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