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# Introduction

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The three chapters of the EViews 8 *Object Reference* consist of reference material for working with views and procedures of objects in EViews.

- [Chapter 1. “Object View and Procedure Reference,” on page 2](#) provides a cross-referenced listing of the commands associated with each object, along with individual entries describing the syntax of each object command.
- [Appendix A. “Graph Creation Commands,” on page 799](#) documents specialized object commands for producing graph views from various EViews data objects.
- [Appendix B. “Object Command Summary,” on page 875](#) offers an alternative indexing of the object views and procedures discussed in the first two chapters, pairing each object command with a list of the objects to which it may be applied.

# Chapter 1. Object View and Procedure Reference

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This chapter contains a reference guide to the views, procedures, and data members for each of the objects found in EViews, grouped by object:

|  |  |  |
|--|--|--|
|  <a href="#">Alpha (p. 4)</a>     |  <a href="#">Pool (p. 406)</a>      |  <a href="#">Sym (p. 627)</a>     |
|  <a href="#">Coef (p. 16)</a>     |  <a href="#">Rowvector (p. 451)</a> |  <a href="#">System (p. 651)</a>  |
|  <a href="#">Equation (p. 31)</a> |  <a href="#">Sample (p. 466)</a>    |  <a href="#">Table (p. 688)</a>   |
|  <a href="#">Factor (p. 159)</a>  |  <a href="#">Scalar (p. 473)</a>    |  <a href="#">Text (p. 718)</a>    |
|  <a href="#">Graph (p. 208)</a>   |  <a href="#">Series (p. 478)</a>    |  <a href="#">Userobj (p. 726)</a> |
|  <a href="#">Group (p. 254)</a>   |  <a href="#">Spool (p. 596)</a>     |  <a href="#">Valmap (p. 735)</a>  |
|  <a href="#">Logl (p. 325)</a>    |  <a href="#">Sspace (p. 567)</a>    |  <a href="#">Var (p. 743)</a>     |
|  <a href="#">Matrix (p. 340)</a> |  <a href="#">String (p. 617)</a>   |  <a href="#">Vector (p. 781)</a> |
|  <a href="#">Model (p. 370)</a> |  <a href="#">Svector (p. 622)</a> |  |

In addition, there is a link object which, depending on its definition, may be used as an alpha or numeric series (see [Link \(p. 315\)](#)).

To use these views, procedures, and data members, you should provide an optional action (described below), then list the name of the object followed by a period, and then the name of the method, view, procedure, or data member, along with any options or arguments:

*object\_name.method\_name(options) arguments*

*object\_name.view\_name(options) arguments*

*object\_name.proc\_name(options) arguments*

*output\_type\_declaration output\_name = object\_name.data\_member*

The first three types of expressions are collectively referred to as object commands. An *object command* is a command which displays a view of or performs a procedure using a specific object. Object commands have two main parts: an *action* followed by a *view* or *pro-*

*cedure specification.* The display action determines what is to be done with the output from the view or procedure. The view or procedure specification may provide for options and arguments to modify the default behavior.

The complete syntax for an object command has the form:

```
action (action_opt) object_name.view_or_proc(options_list) arg_list
```

where:

*action*.....is one of the four verb commands (do, freeze, print, show).  
*action\_opt* .....an option that modifies the default behavior of the action.  
*object\_name* .....the name of the object to be acted upon.  
*view\_or\_proc* .....the object view or procedure to be performed.  
*options\_list* .....an option that modifies the default behavior of the view or procedure.  
*arg\_list* .....a list of view or procedure arguments.

The four possible action commands behave as follows:

- `show` displays the object view in a window.
- `do` executes procedures without opening a window. If the object's window is not currently displayed, no output is generated. If the object's window is already open, `do` is equivalent to `show`.
- `freeze` creates a table or graph from the object view window.
- `print` prints the object view window.

In most cases, you need not specify an action explicitly. If no action is provided, the `show` action is assumed for views and the `do` action is assumed for most procedures (though some procedures will display newly created output in windows unless run in a batch program).

For example, to display the line graph view of the series object `CONS`, you can enter the command:

```
cons.line
```

To perform a dynamic forecast using the estimates in the equation object `EQ1`, you may enter:

```
eq1.forecast y_f
```

To save the coefficient covariance matrix from `EQ1`, you can enter:

```
sym cov1 = eq1.@coefcov
```

See [Chapter 1. "Object and Command Basics," on page 3](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference* for additional discussion of using commands in EViews.



## Alpha

**Alpha (alphanumeric) series.** An EViews alpha series contains observations on a variable containing string values.

### Alpha Declaration

**alpha**..... declare alpha series (p. 6).  
**frml**..... create alpha series object with a formula for auto-updating (p. 9).  
**genr**..... create alpha or numeric series object (p. 10).

To declare an alpha series, use the keyword `alpha`, followed by a name, and optionally, by an “=” sign and a valid series expression:

```
alpha y
alpha x = "initial strings"
```

If there is no assignment, the series will be initialized to contain empty (blank) values, “”.

### Alpha Views

**display**..... display table, graph, or spool in object window (p. 7).  
**freq**..... one-way tabulation (p. 8).  
**label**..... label information for the alpha (p. 10).  
**sheet**..... spreadsheet view of the alpha (p. 15).

### Alpha Procs

**displayname**..... set display name (p. 7).  
**makemap**..... create numeric classification series and valmap from alpha series (p. 11).  
**map**..... assign or remove value map setting (p. 12).  
**olepush**..... push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 13).  
**setattr**..... set the value of an object attribute (p. 13).  
**setindent**..... set the indentation for the alpha series spreadsheet (p. 13).  
**setjust**..... set the justification for the alpha series spreadsheet (p. 14).

### Alpha Data Members

**@attr(“arg”)**..... string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.  
**@description**..... string containing the alpha object’s description (if available).  
**@detailedtype**..... string describing the object type: “ALPHA”, if an ordinary alpha series, or “LINK”, if defined by link.  
**@displayname**..... string containing alpha object’s display name. If the Alpha has no display name set, the name is returned.

- `@first` .....string containing the date or observation number of the first non-blank observation of the alpha. In a panel workfile, the first date at which any cross-section has a non-blank observation is returned.
- `@firstall` .....returns the same as `@first`, however in a panel workfile, the first date at which all cross-sections have a non-blank observation is returned.
- `@last` .....string containing the date or observation number of the last non-blank observation of the alpha. In a panel workfile, the last date at which any cross-section has a non-blank observation is returned.
- `@lastall` .....returns the same as `@last`, however in a panel workfile, the last date at which all cross-sections have a non-blank observation is returned.
- `@name` .....string containing the alpha object's name.
- `@remarks` .....string containing the alpha object's remarks (if available).
- `@source` .....string containing the alpha object's source (if available).
- `@type` .....string describing the object type: "ALPHA".
- `@units` .....string containing the alpha object's units description (if available).
- `@updatetime` .....string representation of the time and date at which the alpha was last updated.
- (i) .....*i*-th element of the alpha series from the beginning of the workfile (when used on the *left-hand side* of an assignment, or when the element appears in a table or string variable assignment).

## Alpha Element Functions

- `@elem(ser, j)` .....function to access the *j*-th observation of the alpha series, where *j* identifies the date or observation.

## Alpha Examples

```
alpha val = "initial string"
```

initializes an alpha series VAL using a string literal.

If FIRST is an alpha series containing first names, and LAST is an alpha containing last names, then:

```
alpha name = first + " " + last
```

creates an alpha series containing the full names.

## Alpha Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the ["Alpha"](#) object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|       |                                   |
|-------|-----------------------------------|
| alpha | <a href="#">Alpha Declaration</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------------|

Declare an alpha series object.

The `alpha` command creates and optionally initializes an alpha series, or modifies an existing series.

Syntax

```
alpha ser_name
alpha ser_name = formula
```

The `alpha` command should be followed by either the name of a new alpha series, or an explicit or implicit expression for generating the series. If you create a series and do not initialize it, the series will be filled with the blank string “”.

Examples

```
alpha x = "initial value"
```

creates a series named X filled with the text “initial value.”

Once an alpha is declared, you need not include the `alpha` keyword prior to entering the formula (optionally, you may use `Alpha::genr` (p. 10) with a previously created alpha series). The following example generates an alpha series named VAL that takes value “Low” if either INC is less than or equal to 5000 or EDU is less than 13, and “High” otherwise:

```
alpha val
val = @recode(inc<=5000 or edu<13, "High", "Low")
```

If FIRST and LAST are alpha series containing first and last names, respectively, the commands:

```
alpha name = first + " " + last
genr name = name + " " + last
```

create an alpha series containing the full names.

Cross-references

See “Alpha Series” on page 194 of *User’s Guide I* for additional discussion.

See also `Alpha::genr` (p. 10).

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| display | <a href="#">Alpha Views</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Display table, graph, or spool output in the alpha object window.

Display the contents of a table, graph, or spool in the window of the alpha object.

**Syntax**

```
alpha_name.display object_name
```

**Examples**

```
alpha1.display tab1
```

Display the contents of the table TAB1 in the window of the object ALPHA1.

**Cross-references**

Most often used in constructing an EViews Add-in. See [“Custom Object Output” on page 192](#) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|             |                             |
|-------------|-----------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">Alpha Procs</a> |
|-------------|-----------------------------|

Display name for an alpha object.

Attaches a display name to an alpha object. The display name may be used to label output in tables and graphs in place of the standard alpha object name.

**Syntax**

```
alpha_name.displayname display_name
```

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain various characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in alpha object names.

**Examples**

```
names.displayname Employee Name
names.label
```

The first line attaches a display name “Employee Name” to the alpha object NAMES, and the second line displays the label view of NAMES, including its display name.

**Cross-references**

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names. See also [Alpha::label \(p. 10\)](#).

|      |                             |
|------|-----------------------------|
| freq | <a href="#">Alpha Views</a> |
|------|-----------------------------|

Compute frequency tables.

`freq` performs a one-way frequency tabulation. The options allow you to control binning (grouping) of observations.

Syntax

`alpha_name.freq(options)`

Options

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>dropna (default) / keepna</code> | [Drop/Keep] NA as a category.                                     |
| <code>n, obs, count (default)</code>   | Display frequency counts.   |
| <code>nocount</code>                   | Do not display frequency counts.                                  |
| <code>prompt</code>                    | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.                 |
| <code>p</code>                         | Print the table.  |
| <code>total (default) / nototal</code> | [Display / Do not display] totals.                                |
| <code>pct (default) / nopct</code>     | [Display / Do not display] percent frequencies.                   |
| <code>cum (default) / nocum</code>     | (Display/Do not) display cumulative frequency counts/percentages. |

Examples

```
names.freq
```

tabulates each value of NAMES in ascending order with counts, percentages, and cumulatives.

Cross-references

See [“One-Way Tabulation” on page 376](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of frequency tables.

|      |                   |
|------|-------------------|
| frml | Alpha Declaration |
|------|-------------------|

Declare an alpha series object with a formula for auto-updating, or specify a formula for an existing alpha series.

### Syntax

```
frml alpha_name = alpha_expression
```

```
frml alpha_name = @clear
```

Follow the `frml` keyword with a name for the alpha series, and an assignment statement. The special keyword “@CLEAR” is used to return the auto-updating series to an alpha series.

### Examples

To define an auto-updating alpha series, you must use the `frml` keyword prior to entering an assignment statement. If `FIRST_NAME` and `LAST_NAME` are alpha series, then the formula declaration:

```
frml full_name = first_name + " " + last_name
```

creates an auto-updating alpha series `FULL_NAME`.

You may apply a `frml` to an existing alpha series. The commands:

```
alpha state_info
```

```
frml state_info = state_name + state_id
```

makes the previously created alpha series `STATE_INFO` an auto-updating series containing the alpha series `STATE_NAME` and `STATE_ID`. Note that once an alpha series is defined to be auto-updating, it may not be modified directly. Here, you may not edit `STATE_INFO`, nor may you generate data into the alpha series.

Note that the commands:

```
alpha state_info
```

```
state_info = state_name + state_id
```

while similar, produce quite different results, since the absence of the `frml` keyword in the second example means that EViews will generate fixed values in the alpha series instead of defining a formula to generate the alpha series values. In this latter case, the values in the alpha series `STATE_INFO` are fixed, and may be modified directly.

One particularly useful feature of auto-updating series is the ability to reference series in databases. The command:

```
frml states = usdata::states
```

creates an alpha series called STATES that obtains its values from the alpha series STATES in the database USDATA.

To turn off auto-updating for an alpha series, you should use the special expression “@CLEAR” in your `frml` assignment. The command:

```
frml id = @clear
```

sets freezes the contents of the series at the current values.

**Cross-references**

See [“Auto-Updating Series” on page 189](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

See also [Link::link](#) (p. 318).

|      |                                   |
|------|-----------------------------------|
| genr | <a href="#">Alpha Declaration</a> |
|------|-----------------------------------|

Generate alpha series.

**Syntax**

```
genr alpha_name = expression
```

**Examples**

```
genr full_name = first_name + last_name
```

creates an alpha series formed by concatenating the alpha series FIRST\_NAME and LAST\_NAME.

**Cross-references**

See [Alpha::alpha](#) (p. 6) for a discussion of the expressions allowed in `genr`.

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| label | <a href="#">Alpha Views   Alpha Procs</a> |
|-------|---|

Display or change the label view of an alpha series, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

As a procedure, label changes the fields in the alpha series label.

**Syntax**

```
alpha_name.label  
alpha_name.label(options) text
```

### Options

To modify the label, you should specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared:

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

### Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of ALPHA1 with “Data from CPS 1988 March File”:

```
alpha1.label(r)
alpha1.label(r) Data from CPS 1988 March File
```

To append additional remarks to ALPHA1, and then to print the label view:

```
alpha1.label(r) Hourly notes
alpha1.label(p)
```

### Cross-references

See “[Labeling Objects](#)” on page 102 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.

See also [Alpha::displayname](#) (p. 7).

|                |                             |
|----------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>makemap</b> | <a href="#">Alpha Procs</a> |
|----------------|-----------------------------|

Create a numeric classification series and valmap from alpha series.

### Syntax

```
alpha_name.makemap(options) ser_name map_name
```

creates a classification series *ser\_name* and an associated valmap *map\_name* in the work-file. The valmap will automatically be assigned to the series.



### Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| nosort | Do not alphabetically sort the alpha series values before assigning the map ( <i>default</i> is to sort). |

### Examples

```
stateabbrev.makemap statecodes statemap
```

creates a series STATECODES containing numeric coded values representing the states in STATEABBREV, and an associated valmap STATEMAP.

### Cross-references

See [“Alpha Series” on page 194](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of alpha series. See [“Value Maps” on page 205](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of valmaps.

|     |                             |
|-----|-----------------------------|
| map | <a href="#">Alpha Procs</a> |
|-----|-----------------------------|

Assign or remove value map to alpha series.

### Syntax

```
alpha_name.map [valmap_name]
```

If the optional valmap name is provided, the procedure will assign the specified value map to the alpha series. If no name is provided, EViews will remove an existing valmap assignment.

### Examples

```
alpha1.map mymap
```

assigns the valmap object MYMAP to the alpha series ALPHA1.

```
alpha2.map
```

removes an existing valmap assignment from ALPHA2.

### Cross-references

See [“Value Maps” on page 205](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of valmap objects in EViews.

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| olepush | <a href="#">Alpha Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

Syntax

`alpha_name.olepush`

Cross-references

See [“Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)” on page 729](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| setattr | <a href="#">Alpha Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

Syntax

`alpha_name setattr(attr) attr_value`

Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the @*attr* data member.

Examples

```
a.setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

Cross-references

See [“Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View” on page 103](#) and [“Adding Your Own Label Attributes” on page 65](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

|           |                             |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| setindent | <a href="#">Alpha Procs</a> |
|-----------|-----------------------------|

Set the display indentation for cells in an alpha series spreadsheet view.

Syntax

`alpha_name.setindent indent_arg`

where *indent\_arg* is an indent value specified in 1/5 of a width unit. The width unit is computed from representative characters in the default font for the current spreadsheet (the

EViews spreadsheet default font at the time the spreadsheet was created), and corresponds roughly to a single character. Indentation is only relevant for non-center justified cells.

The default indentation settings are taken from the Global Defaults for spreadsheet views (“[Spreadsheet Data Display](#)” on page 768 of *User’s Guide I*) at the time the spreadsheet was created.

Examples

To set the justification for an alpha series object to 2/5 of a width unit:

```
alpha1.setindent 2
```

Cross-references

See [Alpha::setjust](#) (p. 14) for details on setting spreadsheet justification.

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| setjust | <a href="#">Alpha Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Set the display justification for cells in an alpha series spreadsheet view.

Syntax

```
alpha_name.setjust just_arg
```

where *just\_arg* is a set of arguments used to specify justification settings.

The *just\_arg* may be formed using the following:

|                                   |   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| auto / left / cen-<br>ter / right | Horizontal justification setting. “auto” uses left justification. |
|-----------------------------------|---|

The default justification setting is taken from the Global Defaults for spreadsheet views (“[Spreadsheet Data Display](#)” on page 768 of *User’s Guide I*) at the time the spreadsheet was created.

Examples

```
al.setjust left
```

sets the horizontal justification to left.

Cross-references

See also [Alpha::setindent](#) (p. 13) for details on setting spreadsheet indentation.

|       |                             |
|-------|-----------------------------|
| sheet | <a href="#">Alpha Views</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------|

Spreadsheet view of an alpha series object.

Syntax

`alpha_name.sheet(options)`

Options

|    |  |
|----|--|
| w  | Wide. In a panel this will switch to the unstacked form of the panel (dates along the side, cross-sections along the top). |
| t  | Transpose.   |
| a  | All observations (ignore sample).  |
| nl | Do not display labels.   |
| p  | Print the spreadsheet view.  |

Examples

```
a1.sheet
```

displays the spreadsheet view of the alpha series A1.

```
a1.sheet(t)
```

displays the observations in A1 in the current sample in a wide spreadsheet.

```
a1.sheet(nl)
```

shows the series without labels.

```
ser1.sheet(a)
```

shows all of the observations in the workfile.

Cross-references

See [“Alpha Series,” beginning on page 194](#) of the *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of the spreadsheet view of alpha series.

## Coef

**Coefficient vector.** Coefficients are used to represent the parameters of equations and systems.

### Coef Declaration

[coef](#)..... declare coefficient vector ([p. 18](#)).

There are two ways to create a coef. First, enter the `coef` keyword, followed by a name to be given to the coefficient vector. The dimension of the coef may be provided in parentheses after the keyword:

```
coef alpha
coef(10) beta
```

If no dimension is provided, the resulting coef will contain a single element.

You may also combine a declaration with an assignment statement. If you do not provide an explicit assignment statement, a new coef vector will be initialized to zero.

See also [param](#) ([p. 413](#)) in the *Command and Programming Reference* for information on initializing coefficients, and the entries for each of the estimation objects ([Equation](#), [Logl](#), [Pool](#), [Sspace](#), [System](#), and [Var](#)) for additional methods of accessing coefficients.

### Coef Views

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[setattr](#).....set the value of an object attribute (p. 24).  
[setformat](#).....set the display format for the coefficient vector spreadsheet (p. 24).  
[setindent](#).....set the indentation for the coefficient spreadsheet (p. 25).  
[setjust](#).....set the justification for the coefficient spreadsheet (p. 26).  
[setwidth](#).....set the column width for the coefficient spreadsheet (p. 26).  
[write](#).....export data from coefficient vector (p. 28).

## Coef Data Members

[@attr\("arg"\)](#).....string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.  
[@description](#).....string containing the Coef object's description (if available).  
[@detailedtype](#) .....string describing the object type: "COEF".  
[@displayname](#) .....string containing the Coef object's display name. If the Coef has no display name set, the name is returned.  
[@name](#).....string containing the Coef object's name.  
[@remarks](#) .....string containing the Coef object's remarks (if available).  
[@type](#).....string describing the object type: "COEF".  
[@units](#).....string containing the Coef object's units description (if available).  
[@updatetime](#) .....string representation of the time and date at which the Coef was last updated.  
[\(i\)](#) .....*i*-th element of the coefficient vector. Simply append "(i)" to the coef name (without a ".").

## Coef Examples

The coefficient vector declaration:

```
coef(10) coef1=3
```

creates a 10 element coefficient vector COEF1, and initializes all values to 3.

Suppose MAT1 is a  $10 \times 1$  matrix, and VEC1 is a 20 element vector. Then:

```
coef mycoef1=coef1
coef mycoef2=mat1
coef mycoef3=vec1
```

create, size, and initialize the coefficient vectors MYCOEF1, MYCOEF2 and MYCOEF3.

Coefficient elements may be referred to by an explicit index. For example:

```
vector(10) mm=beta(10)
scalar shape=beta(7)
```

fills the vector MM with the value of the tenth element of BETA, and assigns the seventh value of BETA to the scalar SHAPE.

Coef Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the “Coef” object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|      |                                  |
|------|----------------------------------|
| coef | <a href="#">Coef Declaration</a> |
|------|----------------------------------|

Declare a coefficient (column) vector.

Syntax

```
coef(n) coef_name
```

Follow the `coef` keyword with the number of coefficients in parentheses, and a name for the object. If you omit the number of coefficients, EViews will create a vector of length 1.

Examples

```
coef(2) slope
ls lwage = c(1)+slope(1)*edu+slope(2)*edu^2
```

The first line declares a `coef` object of length 2 named SLOPE. The second line estimates a least squares regression and stores the estimated slope coefficients in SLOPE.

```
arch(2,2) sp500 c
coef beta = c
coef(6) beta
```

The first line estimates a GARCH(2,2) model using the default `coef` vector C (note that the “C” in an equation specification refers to the constant term, a series of ones.) The second line declares a `coef` object named BETA and copies the contents of C to BETA (the “C” in the assignment statement refers to the default `coef` vector). The third line resizes BETA to “chop off” all elements except the first six. Note that since EViews stores coefficients with equations for later use, you will generally not need to perform this operation to save your coefficient vectors.

Cross-references

See [Vector::vector](#) (p. 796).

|         |                            |
|---------|----------------------------|
| display | <a href="#">Coef Views</a> |
|---------|----------------------------|

Display table, graph, or spool output in the coef object window.

Display the contents of a table, graph, or spool in the window of the coef object.

**Syntax**

`coef_name.display object_name`

**Examples**

```
coef1.display tabl
```

Display the contents of the table TAB1 in the window of the object COEF1.

**Cross-references**

Most often used in constructing an EViews Add-in. See [“Custom Object Output” on page 192](#) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|             |                            |
|-------------|----------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">Coef Procs</a> |
|-------------|----------------------------|

Display name for a coefficient vector.

Attaches a display name to a coef object which may be used to label output in tables and graphs in place of the standard coef object name.

**Syntax**

`coef_name.displayname display_name`

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain a variety of characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in coef object names.

**Examples**

```
c1.displayname Hours Worked
c1.label
```

The first line attaches a display name “Hours Worked” to the coef object C1, and the second line displays the label view of C1, including its display name.

```
c1.displayname Means by State
plot c1
```

The first line attaches a display name “Means by State” to the coef C1. The line graph view of C1 will use the display name as the legend.



### Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names. See also [Coef::label \(p. 21\)](#).

|             |                            |
|-------------|----------------------------|
| <b>fill</b> | <a href="#">Coef Procs</a> |
|-------------|----------------------------|

Fill a coef object with specified values.

### Syntax

`coef_name.fill(options) n1[, n2, n3 ...]`

Follow the keyword with a list of values to place in the specified object. *Each value should be separated by a comma.*

Running out of values before the coef vector is completely filled is not an error; the remaining cells or observations will not be modified unless the “l” option is specified. However, if you list more values than the coef vector can hold, EViews will not modify any observations and will return an error message.

### Options

|                              |  |
|------------------------------|--|
| l                            | Loop repeatedly over the list of values as many times as it takes to fill the coef vector. |
| o = integer<br>(default = 1) | Fill the coef vector from the specified element. Default is the first element.             |

### Examples

The following example declares a four element coefficient vector MC, initially filled with zeros. The second line fills MC with the specified values and the third line replaces from row 3 to the last row with -1.

```
coef(4) mc
mc.fill 0.1, 0.2, 0.5, 0.5
mc.fill(o=3,l) -1
```

Note that the last argument in the fill command above is the *letter* “l”.

### Cross-references

See [“Fill assignment” on page 241](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference* for further discussion of the fill procedure.

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| label | <a href="#">Coef Views   Coef Procs</a> |
|-------|---|

Display or change the label view of the coefficient vector, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

As a procedure, `label` changes the fields in the `coef` object label.

### Syntax

```
coef_name.label
coef_name.label(options) text
```

### Options

To modify the label, you should specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared:

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

### Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of the coefficient vector C1 with “Results from EQ3”:

```
c1.label(r)
c1.label(r) Results from EQ3
```

### Cross-references

See “[Labeling Objects](#)” on page 102 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.

See also `Coef::displayname` (p. 19).

|         |                            |
|---------|----------------------------|
| olepush | <a href="#">Coef Procs</a> |
|---------|----------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

### Syntax

```
coef_name.olepush
```

Cross-references

See [“Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)” on page 729](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|      |                            |
|------|----------------------------|
| read | <a href="#">Coef Procs</a> |
|------|----------------------------|

Import data from a foreign disk file into a coefficient vector.

May be used to import data into an existing workfile from a text, Excel, or Lotus file on disk.

Syntax

```
coef_name.read(options) [path\]file_name
```

You must supply the name of the source file. If you do not include the optional path specification, EViews will look for the file in the default directory. Path specifications may point to local or network drives. If the path specification contains a space, you should enclose the entire expression in double quotation marks.

Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
|--------|---|

File type options

|              |                           |
|--------------|---------------------------|
| t = dat, txt | ASCII (plain text) files. |
| t = wk1, wk3 | Lotus spreadsheet files.  |
| t = xls      | Excel spreadsheet files.  |

If you do not specify the “t” option, EViews uses the file name extension to determine the file type. If you specify the “t” option, the file name extension will not be used to determine the file type.

Options for ASCII text files

|                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| na = text       | Specify text for NAs. Default is “NA”.   |
| d = t           | Treat tab as delimiter (note: you may specify multiple delimiter options). The <i>default</i> is “d = c” only. |
| d = c           | Treat comma as delimiter.  |
| d = s           | Treat space as delimiter.  |
| d = a           | Treat alpha numeric characters as delimiter.   |
| custom = symbol | Specify symbol/character to treat as delimiter.  |

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>mult</code>                        | Treat multiple delimiters as one.  |
| <code>rect (default) /<br/>norect</code> | [Treat / Do not treat] file layout as rectangular.   |
| <code>skipcol =<br/>integer</code>       | Number of columns to skip. Must be used with the “ <i>rect</i> ” option.   |
| <code>skiprow =<br/>integer</code>       | Number of rows to skip. Must be used with the “ <i>rect</i> ” option.  |
| <code>comment =<br/>symbol</code>        | Specify character/symbol to treat as comment sign. Everything to the right of the comment sign is ignored. Must be used with the “ <i>rect</i> ” option. |
| <code>singlequote</code>                 | Strings are in single quotes, not double quotes.   |
| <code>dropstrings</code>                 | Do not treat strings as NA; simply drop them.  |
| <code>negparen</code>                    | Treat numbers in parentheses as negative numbers.  |
| <code>allowcomma</code>                  | Allow commas in numbers (note that using commas as a delimiter takes precedence over this option).   |

#### Options for spreadsheet (Lotus, Excel) files

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>letter_number<br/>(default = “b2”)</code> | Coordinate of the upper-left cell containing data. |
| <code>s = sheet_name</code>                     | Sheet name for Excel 5–8 Workbooks.                |

## Examples

```
c1.read(t=dat,na=.) a:\mydat.raw
```

reads data into coefficient vector C1 from an ASCII file MYDAT.RAW in the A: drive. The missing value NA is coded as a “.” (dot or period).

```
c1.read(s=sheet2) "\\network\dr 1\cps91.xls"
```

reads the Excel file CPS91 into coefficient vector C1 from the network drive specified in the path.

## Cross-references

See [“Importing Data” on page 129](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion and examples of importing data from external files.

For powerful, easy-to-use tools for reading data into a new workfile, see [“Creating a Workfile by Reading from a Foreign Data Source” on page 47](#) of *User’s Guide I* and `wfopen` (p. 472) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

See also `Coef::write` (p. 28).

|         |                            |
|---------|----------------------------|
| setattr | <a href="#">Coef Procs</a> |
|---------|----------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

Syntax

`coef_name setattr(attr) attr_value`

Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the `@attr` data member.

Examples

```
a setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

Cross-references

See [“Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View” on page 103](#) and [“Adding Your Own Label Attributes” on page 65](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

|           |                            |
|-----------|----------------------------|
| setformat | <a href="#">Coef Procs</a> |
|-----------|----------------------------|

Set the display format for cells in coefficient vector spreadsheet views.

Syntax

`coef_name.setformat format_arg`

where *format\_arg* is a set of arguments used to specify format settings. If necessary, you should enclose the *format\_arg* in double quotes.

For coefficient vectors, `setformat` operates on all of the cells in the vector.

You should use one of the following format specifications:

|                            |                      |
|----------------------------|----------------------|
| <code>g[.precision]</code> | significant digits   |
| <code>f[.precision]</code> | fixed decimal places |
| <code>c[.precision]</code> | fixed characters     |
| <code>e[.precision]</code> | scientific/float     |
| <code>p[.precision]</code> | percentage           |
| <code>r[.precision]</code> | fraction             |

To specify a format that groups digits into thousands using a comma separator, place a “t” after the format character. For example, to obtain a fixed number of decimal places with commas used to separate thousands, use “ft[.precision]”.

To use the period character to separate thousands and commas to denote decimal places, use “.” (two periods) when specifying the precision. For example, to obtain a fixed number of characters with a period used to separate thousands, use “ct[.precision]”.

If you wish to display negative numbers surrounded by parentheses (*i.e.*, display the number -37.2 as “(37.2)”), you should enclose the format string in “()” (*e.g.*, “f(.8)”).

## Examples

To set the format for all cells in the coefficient vector to fixed 5-digit precision, simply provide the format specification:

```
c1.setformat f.5
```

Other format specifications include:

```
c1.setformat f(.7)
```

```
c1.setformat e.5
```

## Cross-references

See [Coef::setWidth \(p. 26\)](#), [Coef::setindent \(p. 25\)](#), and [Coef::setjust \(p. 26\)](#) for details on setting spreadsheet widths, indentation and justification.

|           |                            |
|-----------|----------------------------|
| setindent | <a href="#">Coef Procs</a> |
|-----------|----------------------------|

Set the display indentation for cells in coefficient vector spreadsheet views.

## Syntax

```
coef_name.setindent indent_arg
```

where *indent\_arg* is an indent value specified in 1/5 of a width unit. The width unit is computed from representative characters in the default font for the current spreadsheet (the EVIEWS spreadsheet default font at the time the spreadsheet was created), and corresponds roughly to a single character. Indentation is only relevant for non-center justified cells.

The default indentation settings are taken from the Global Defaults for spreadsheet views (“[Spreadsheet Data Display](#)” on page 768 of *User’s Guide I*) at the time the spreadsheet was created.

## Examples

To set the justification for a coef object to 2/5 of a width unit:

```
c1.setindent 2
```

Cross-references

See [Coef::setwidth \(p. 26\)](#) and [Coef::setjust \(p. 26\)](#) for details on setting spreadsheet widths and justification.

|         |                            |
|---------|----------------------------|
| setjust | <a href="#">Coef Procs</a> |
|---------|----------------------------|

Set the display justification for cells in coefficient vector spreadsheet views.

Syntax

```
coef_name.setjust format_arg
```

where *format\_arg* is a set of arguments used to specify format settings. You should enclose the *format\_arg* in double quotes if it contains any spaces or delimiters.

The *format\_arg* may be formed using the following:

|                                   |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| top / middle /<br>bottom]         | Vertical justification setting.  |
| auto / left / cen-<br>ter / right | Horizontal justification setting. “auto” uses left justification for strings, and right for numbers. |

You may enter one or both of the justification settings. The default justification settings are taken from the Global Defaults for spreadsheet views (“[Spreadsheet Data Display](#)” on [page 768](#) of *User’s Guide I*) at the time the spreadsheet was created.

Examples

```
c1.setjust middle
```

sets the vertical justification to the middle.

```
c1.setjust top left
```

sets the vertical justification to top and the horizontal justification to left.

Cross-references

See [Coef::setwidth \(p. 26\)](#) and [Coef::setindent \(p. 25\)](#) for details on setting spreadsheet widths and indentation.

|          |                            |
|----------|----------------------------|
| setwidth | <a href="#">Coef Procs</a> |
|----------|----------------------------|

Set the column width in a coefficient object spreadsheet view.

Syntax

```
coef_name.setwidth width_arg
```

where *width\_arg* specifies the width unit value. The width unit is computed from representative characters in the default font for the current spreadsheet (the EViews spreadsheet default font at the time the spreadsheet was created), and corresponds roughly to a single character. *width\_arg* values may be non-integer values with resolution up to 1/10 of a width unit.

## Examples

```
c1.setwidth 12
```

sets the width of the coef to 12 width units.

## Cross-references

See [Coef::setindent](#) (p. 25) and [Coef::setjust](#) (p. 26) for details on setting indentation and justification.

|       |                            |
|-------|----------------------------|
| sheet | <a href="#">Coef Views</a> |
|-------|----------------------------|

Spreadsheet view of a coefficient vector.

## Syntax

```
coef_name.sheet(options)
```

## Options

|   |                             |
|---|-----------------------------|
| p | Print the spreadsheet view. |
|---|-----------------------------|

## Examples

```
c01.sheet
```

displays the spreadsheet view of C01.

|       |                            |
|-------|----------------------------|
| stats | <a href="#">Coef Views</a> |
|-------|----------------------------|

Descriptive statistics.

Computes and displays a table of means, medians, maximum and minimum values, standard deviations, and other descriptive statistics for the data in the coef object.

## Syntax

```
coef_name.stats(options)
```

## Options

|   |                        |
|---|------------------------|
| p | Print the stats table. |
|---|------------------------|



### Examples

```
cl.stats(p)
```

displays and prints the descriptive statistics view of the coefficient vector C1.

### Cross-references

See [“Descriptive Statistics & Tests” on page 358](#) and [“Descriptive Statistics” on page 486](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of descriptive statistics views.

|              |                            |
|--------------|----------------------------|
| <b>write</b> | <a href="#">Coef Procs</a> |
|--------------|----------------------------|

**Write EViews data to a text (ASCII), Excel, or Lotus file on disk.**

Creates a foreign format disk file containing data in a coefficient vector object. May be used to export EViews data to another program.

### Syntax

```
coef_name.write(options) [path\filename]
```

Follow the name of the coef object by a period, the keyword, and the name for the output file. The optional path name may be on the local machine, or may point to a network drive. If the path name contains spaces, enclose the entire expression in double quotation marks. The entire coef will be exported.

Note that EViews cannot, at present, write into an existing file. The file that you select will, if it exists, be replaced.

### Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
|--------|---|

#### *File type*

|              |                           |
|--------------|---------------------------|
| t = dat, txt | ASCII (plain text) files. |
| t = wk1, wk3 | Lotus spreadsheet files.  |
| t = xls      | Excel spreadsheet files.  |

If you omit the “t = ” option, EViews will determine the type based on the file extension. Unrecognized extensions will be treated as ASCII files. For Lotus and Excel spreadsheet files specified without the “t = ” option, EViews will automatically append the appropriate extension if it is not otherwise specified.

### ASCII text files

|                          |   |
|--------------------------|---|
| <code>na = string</code> | Specify text string for NAs. Default is “NA”.                         |
| <code>d = arg</code>     | Specify delimiter ( <i>default</i> is tab): “s” (space), “c” (comma). |

### Spreadsheet (Lotus, Excel) files

|                            |  |
|----------------------------|--|
| <code>letter_number</code> | Coordinate of the upper-left cell containing data. |
|----------------------------|--|

## Examples

```
c1.write(t=txt,na=.) a:\dat1.csv
```

writes the coefficient vector C1 into an ASCII file named “Dat1.CSV” on the A: drive. NAs are coded as “.” (dot).

```
c1.write(t=txt,na=.) dat1.csv
```

writes the same file in the default directory.

```
c1.write(t=xls) "\\network\drive a\results"
```

saves the contents of C1 in an Excel file “Results.xls” in the specified directory.

## Cross-references

See [“Exporting to a Spreadsheet or Text File” on page 144](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion.

See also [Coef::read \(p. 22\)](#).



## Equation

**Equation object.** Equations are used for single equation estimation, testing, and forecasting.

### Equation Declaration

**equation**.....declare equation object (p. 76).

To declare an equation object, enter the keyword `equation`, followed by a name:

```
equation eq01
```

and an optional specification:

```
equation r4cst.ls r c r(-1) div
equation wcd.ls q=c(1)*n^c(2)*k^c(3)
```

### Equation Methods

**arch** .....autoregressive conditional heteroskedasticity (ARCH and GARCH) (p. 39).

**binary** .....binary dependent variable models (includes probit, logit, gompit) models (p. 46).

**breakls** ..... least squares with breakpoints and breakpoint determination (p. 87).

**censored** .....censored and truncated regression (includes tobit) models (p. 53).

**cointreg** .....cointegrating regression using FMOLS, CCR, or DOLS, or panel FMOLS or DOLS (p. 61).

**count** .....count data modeling (includes poisson, negative binomial and quasi-maximum likelihood count models) (p. 70).

**glm** .....estimate a Generalized Linear Model (GLM) (p. 82).

**gmm** .....estimate an equation using generalized method of moments (GMM) (p. 87).

**heckit** .....estimate a selection equation using the Heckman ML or 2-step method (p. 94).

**liml** .....estimate an equation using Limited Information Maximum Likelihood and K-class Estimation (p. 101).

**logit** .....logit (binary) estimation (p. 103).

**ls** .....equation using least squares or nonlinear least squares (p. 103).

**ordered** .....ordinal dependent variable models (includes ordered probit, ordered logit, and ordered extreme value models) (p. 119).

**probit** .....probit (binary) estimation (p. 123).

**qreg** .....estimate an equation using quantile regression (p. 123).

**robustls** .....robust regression (M-estimation, S-estimation and MM-estimation) (p. 136).

**stepls** ..... estimate an equation using stepwise regression (p. 139).  
**switchreg** ..... exogenous and Markov switching regression (p. 139).  
**tsls** ..... estimate an equation using two-stage least squares regression (p. 148).

## Equation Views

**abtest** ..... test for serial correlation in a panel GMM equation using the Arellano-Bond test (p. 38).  
**archtest** ..... LM test for the presence of ARCH in the residuals (p. 42).  
**arma** ..... Examine ARMA structure of estimated equation (p. 43).  
**auto** ..... Breusch-Godfrey serial correlation Lagrange Multiplier (LM) test (p. 45).  
**breakspec** ..... display the breakpoint specification for an equation estimated by least squares with breakpoints (p. 50).  
**breaktest** ..... perform breakpoint test for TSLS and GMM equations (p. 51).  
**cellipse** ..... Confidence ellipses for coefficient restrictions (p. 51).  
**chow** ..... Chow breakpoint and forecast tests for structural change (p. 54).  
**cinterval** ..... Confidence interval (p. 55).  
**coefcov** ..... coefficient covariance matrix (p. 56).  
**coefscale** ..... scaled coefficients (p. 57).  
**coint** ..... test for cointegration between series in an equation estimated using `cointreg` (p. 57).  
**correl** ..... correlogram of the residuals (p. 69).  
**correlsq** ..... correlogram of the squared residuals (p. 70).  
**cvardecomp** ..... coefficient covariance decomposition table (p. 72).  
**depfreq** ..... display frequency and cumulative frequency table for the dependent variable (p. 72).  
**derivs** ..... derivatives of the equation specification (p. 73).  
**display** ..... display table, graph, or spool in object window (p. 74).  
**endogtest** ..... perform the regressor endogeneity test (p. 75).  
**facbreak** ..... factor breakpoint test for stability (p. 76).  
**fixedtest** ..... test significance of estimates of fixed effects for panel estimators (p. 79).  
**garch** ..... conditional standard deviation graph (only for equations estimated using ARCH) (p. 82).  
**grads** ..... examine the gradients of the objective function (p. 93).  
**hettest** ..... test for heteroskedasticity (p. 96).  
**hist** ..... histogram and descriptive statistics of the residuals (p. 97).  
**infbetas** ..... scaled difference in estimated betas for influence statistics (p. 98).  
**infstats** ..... influence statistics (p. 99).

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|                              |  |
|------------------------------|--|
| <b>instsum</b> .....         | show a summary of the equation instruments (p. 100).   |
| <b>label</b> .....           | label information for the equation (p. 100).   |
| <b>lvageplot</b> .....       | leverage plot (p. 109).  |
| <b>means</b> .....           | descriptive statistics by category of the dependent variable (only for binary, ordered, censored and count equations) (p. 117).    |
| <b>multibreak</b> .....      | perform multiple breakpoint testing for an equation specified by list and estimated by least squares (p. 117).                     |
| <b>orthogtest</b> .....      | perform the instrument orthogonality test (p. 121).  |
| <b>output</b> .....          | table of estimation results (p. 122).  |
| <b>predict</b> .....         | prediction (fit) evaluation table (only for binary and ordered equations) (p. 122).  |
| <b>qrprocess</b> .....       | display table or graph of quantile process estimates (p. 126).   |
| <b>qrslope</b> .....         | test of equality of slope coefficients across multiple quantile regression estimates (p. 128).                                     |
| <b>qrsymm</b> .....          | test of coefficients using symmetric quantiles (p. 129).   |
| <b>ranhaus</b> .....         | Hausman test for correlation between random effects and regressors (p. 131).   |
| <b>representations</b> ..... | text showing specification of the equation (p. 132).   |
| <b>reset</b> .....           | Ramsey's RESET test for functional form (p. 132).  |
| <b>resids</b> .....          | display, in tabular form, the actual and fitted values for the dependent variable, along with the residuals (p. 133).              |
| <b>results</b> .....         | table of estimation results (p. 134).  |
| <b>rgmprobs</b> .....        | display the regime probabilities in a switching regression equation (p. 114).  |
| <b>rls</b> .....             | recursive residuals least squares (only for non-panel equations estimated by ordinary least squares, without ARMA terms) (p. 135). |
| <b>testadd</b> .....         | likelihood ratio test for adding variables to equation (p. 144).   |
| <b>testdrop</b> .....        | likelihood ratio test for dropping variables from equation (p. 145).   |
| <b>testfit</b> .....         | performs Hosmer and Lemeshow and Andrews goodness-of-fit tests (only for equations estimated using binary) (p. 145).               |
| <b>transprobs</b> .....      | display the state transition probabilities in a switching regression equation (p. 115).  |
| <b>ubreak</b> .....          | Andrews-Quandt test for unknown breakpoint (p. 152).   |
| <b>varinf</b> .....          | display Variance Inflation Factors (VIFs) (p. 154).  |
| <b>wald</b> .....            | Wald test for coefficient restrictions (p. 155).   |
| <b>weakinst</b> .....        | display the weak instruments summary (p. 155).   |
| <b>white</b> .....           | White test for heteroskedasticity (p. 156).  |

## Equation Procs

|                          |                           |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>displayname</b> ..... | set display name (p. 74). |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|

**fit** ..... static forecast (p. 77).  
**forecast** ..... dynamic forecast (p. 80).  
**makederivs** ..... make group containing derivatives of the equation specification (p. 109).  
**makegarch** ..... create conditional variance series (only for ARCH equations) (p. 110).  
**makegrads** ..... make group containing gradients of the objective function (p. 111).  
**makelimits** ..... create vector of estimated limit points (only for ordered models) (p. 112).  
**makemodel** ..... create model from estimated equation (p. 112).  
**makeregs** ..... make group containing the regressors (p. 113).  
**makergmprobs** ..... save the regime probabilities in a switching regression equation (p. 114).  
**makeresids** ..... make series containing residuals from equation (p. 113).  
**maketransprobs** ..... save the state transition probabilities in a switching regression equation (p. 115).  
**olepush** ..... push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 119).  
**setattr** ..... set the value of an object attribute (p. 139).  
**updatecoefs** ..... update coefficient vector(s) from equation (p. 153).

## Equation Data Members

### *Scalar Values*

**@aic** ..... Akaike information criterion.  
**@bylist** ..... returns 1 or 0 depending on whether the equation was estimated by list.  
**@coefcov(i,j)** ..... covariance of coefficient estimates  $i$  and  $j$ .  
**@coefs(i)** .....  $i$ -th coefficient value.  
**@deviance** ..... deviance (for Generalized Linear Models)  
**@deviancestat** ..... deviance statistic: deviance divided by degrees-of-freedom (for Generalized Linear Models).  
**@df** ..... degrees-of-freedom for equation.  
**@dispersion** ..... estimate of dispersion (for Generalized Linear Models)  
**@dw** ..... Durbin-Watson statistic.  
**@f** .....  $F$ -statistic.  
**@fixddisp** ..... indicator for whether the dispersion is a fixed value (for Generalized Linear Models).  
**@fprob** ..... probability value of the  $F$ -statistic.  
**@hacbw** ..... bandwidth for HAC estimation of GMM weighting matrix or long-run covariance in cointegrating regression (if applicable).  
**@hq** ..... Hannan-Quinn information criterion.

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**@instrank**.....rank of instruments (if applicable).  
**@jstat**..... $J$ -statistic — value of the GMM objective function (for GMM and TSLS).  
**@jprob** .....probability value of the  $J$ -statistic  
**@limlk** .....estimate of LIML  $k$  (if applicable).  
**@logl**.....value of the log likelihood function.  
**@lrprob** .....probability value of likelihood ratio statistic (if applicable).  
**@lrstat**.....likelihood ratio statistic (if applicable).  
**@lrvar** .....long-run variance estimate for cointegrating regression (if applicable).  
**@meandep**.....mean of the dependent variable.  
**@ncases** .....number of cases.  
**@ncoef** .....number of estimated coefficients.  
**@ncross**.....number of cross-sections used in estimation (equal to 1 for non-panel workfiles).  
**@npers** .....number of workfile periods used in estimation (same as `@regobs` for non-panel workfiles).  
**@nregimes**.....number of regimes in a switching regression.  
**@objective**.....quasi-likelihood objective function (if applicable).  
**@pearsonssr** .....Pearson sum-of-squared residuals (for Generalized Linear Models).  
**@pearsonstat** .....Pearson statistic: Pearson SSR divided by degrees-of-freedom (for Generalized Linear Models).  
**@pval(i)** ..... $i$ -th coefficient p-value  
**@qlrprob** .....probability value of quasi-likelihood ratio statistic (if applicable).  
**@qlrstat**.....quasi-likelihood ratio statistic (if applicable).  
**@quantdep** .....quantile of dependent variable (for quantile regression).  
**@r2** .....R-squared statistic.  
**@rbar2** .....adjusted R-squared statistic.  
**@rdeviance**.....restricted (constant only) deviance (for Generalized Linear Models).  
**@regobs** .....number of observations in regression.  
**@rlogl** .....restricted (constant only) log-likelihood (if applicable).  
**@robF** .....robust  $F$ -statistic (Wald-test form) .  
**@robFprob** .....robust  $F$ -statistic (Wald-test form)  $p$ -value.  
**@robobjective**.....restricted (constant only) quasi-likelihood objective function (if applicable).  
**@schwarz** .....Schwarz information criterion.  
**@sddep**.....standard deviation of the dependent variable.  
**@se** .....standard error of the regression.  
**@sparsity**.....estimate of sparsity (for quantile regression).



**@ssr** ..... sum of squared residuals.  
**@stderrs(i)** ..... standard error for coefficient *i*.  
**@tstats(i)** ..... *t*-statistic or *z*-statistic value for coefficient *i*.  
**@wmeandep** ..... weighted mean of dependent variable (if applicable).  
**@wgtscale** ..... scaling factor for weights (if applicable).  
**c(i)** ..... *i*-th element of default coefficient vector for equation (if applicable).

### *Vectors and Matrices*

**@coefcov** ..... covariance matrix for coefficient estimates.  
**@coefs** ..... coefficient vector.  
**@cointcov** ..... symmetric matrix containing the contemporaneous covariance for cointegrating regression equations.  
**@effects** ..... vector of fixed and random effects estimates (if applicable).  
**@initprobs** ..... matrix containing initial probabilities for switching regression equations.  
**@instwgt** ..... symmetric matrix containing the final sample instrument weighting matrix used during GMM or TLS estimation (e.g.,  $\hat{s}^2(Z'Z)$  for 2SLS and  $\sum \hat{\epsilon}_t^2 Z_t Z_t'$  for White weighting).  
**@lambda2cov** ..... symmetric matrix containing the portion of one-sided long run variances for cointegrating regression equations.  
**@pvals** ..... vector containing the coefficient probability values.  
**@stderrs** ..... vector of standard errors for coefficients.  
**@tstats** ..... vector of *t*-statistic or *z*-statistic values for coefficients.

### *String Values*

**@attr("arg")** ..... string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.  
**@coeflabels** ..... coefficient labels used in regression output table.  
**@coeflist** ..... returns a string containing a space delimited list of the coefficients used in estimation (e.g., "C(1) C(2) C(3)"). This function always returns the list of actual coefficients used, irrespective of whether the original equation was specified by list or by expression.  
**@command** ..... full command line form of the estimation command. Note this is a combination of **@method**, **@options** and **@spec**.  
**@description** ..... string containing the Equation object's description (if available).  
**@detailedtype** ..... returns a string with the object type: "EQUATION".  
**@displayname** ..... returns the equation's display name. If the equation has no display name set, the name is returned.

**@extralist** .....space delimited list of the equation's extra regressors. For equation's estimated by ARCH, **@extralist** contains the variance equation terms. For equations estimated by CENSORED, this contains the error distribution terms. For all other equation methods it returns an empty string.

**@instlist** .....space delimited list of the equation instruments (if applicable).

**@method** .....command line form of estimation method (“ARCH”, “LS”, *etc.*...).

**@name** .....returns the name of the Equation.

**@options** .....command line form of estimation options.

**@smpl** .....description of the sample used for estimation.

**@spec** .....original equation specification. Note this will be different from **@varlist** if the equation specification contains groups, or is specified by expression.

**@subst** .....returns string representation of the equation with substituted coefficients.

**@type** .....returns a string with the object type: “EQUATION”.

**@units** .....string containing the Equation object's units description (if available).

**@update time** .....returns a string representation of the time and date at which the equation was last updated.

**@varlist** .....space delimited list of the equation's dependent variable and regressors if the equation was specified by list, or the equation's underlying variables (both dependent and independent) if the equation was specified by expression.

## Equation Examples

To apply an estimation method (proc) to an existing equation object:

```
equation ifunc
ifunc.ls r c r(-1) div
```

To declare and estimate an equation in one step, combine the two commands:

```
equation value.tsls log(p) c d(x) @ x(-1) x(-2)
equation drive.logit ifdr c owncar dist income
equation countmod.count patents c rdd
```

To estimate equations by list, using ordinary and two-stage least squares:

```
equation ordinary.ls log(p) c d(x)
equation twostage.tsls log(p) c d(x) @ x(-1) x(-2)
```

You can create and use other coefficient vectors:

```
coef(10) a
```

```
coef(10) b
equation eq01.ls y=c(10)+b(5)*y(-1)+a(7)*inc
```

The fitted values from EQ01 may be saved using,

```
series fit = eq01.@coefs(1) + eq01.@coefs(2)*y(-1) +
eq01.@coefs(3)*inc
```

or by issuing the command:

```
eq01.fit fitted_vals
```

To perform a Wald test:

```
eq01.wald a(7)=exp(b(5))
```

You can save the *t*-statistics and covariance matrix for your parameter estimates:

```
vector eqstats=eq01.@tstats
matrix eqcov=eq01.@coefcov
```

## Equation Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the “Equation” object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|        |                                |
|--------|--------------------------------|
| abtest | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|--------|--------------------------------|

Test for serial correlation in a panel GMM equation using the Arellano-Bond test.

Tests for first and second order autocorrelation amongst the residuals of an equation estimated by GMM with first differences in a panel workfile. If the underlying errors are *i.i.d.*, we would expect the first differences to be negatively first order serially correlated, and not display second order correlation.

### Syntax

```
eq_name.abtest(options)
```

### Options

|   |                             |
|---|-----------------------------|
| p | Print output from the test. |
|---|-----------------------------|

### Examples

```
equation eq1.gmm(cx=fd, per=f, gmm=perwhite, iter=oneb, levelper)
n n(-1) n(-2) w w(-1) k ys ys(-1) @ @dyn(n,-2) w w(-1) k ys ys(-1)
eq1.abtest
```

estimates an equation using GMM with first difference fixed effects, and then tests for first and second order autocorrelation.

## Cross-references

See [“Arellano-Bond Serial Correlation Testing” on page 788](#) of *User’s Guide II* for discussion.

|      |                                  |
|------|----------------------------------|
| arch | <a href="#">Equation Methods</a> |
|------|----------------------------------|

Estimate generalized autoregressive conditional heteroskedasticity (GARCH) models.

## Syntax

```
eq_name.arch(p,q,options) y [x1 x2 x3] [@ p1 p2 [@ t1 t2]]
```

```
eq_name.arch(p,q,options) y = expression [@ p1 p2 [@ t1 t2]]
```

The ARCH method estimates a model with  $p$  ARCH terms and  $q$  GARCH terms. *Note the order of the arguments in which the ARCH and GARCH terms are entered, which gives precedence to the ARCH term.*

The maximum value for  $p$  or  $q$  is 9; values above will be set to 9. The minimum value for  $p$  is 1. The minimum value for  $q$  is 0. If either  $p$  or  $q$  is not specified, EViews will assume a corresponding order of 1. Thus, a GARCH(1, 1) is assumed by default.

After the “ARCH” keyword, specify the dependent variable followed by a list of regressors in the mean equation.

By default, no exogenous variables (except for the intercept) are included in the conditional variance equation. If you wish to include variance regressors, list them after the mean equation using an “@”-sign to separate the mean from the variance equation.

When estimating component ARCH models, you may specify exogenous variance regressors for the permanent and transitory components. After the mean equation regressors, first list the regressors for the permanent component, followed by an “@”-sign, then the regressors for the transitory component. A constant term is always included as a permanent component regressor.

## Options

### General Options

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| egarch                | Exponential GARCH.  |
| parch[ = <i>arg</i> ] | Power ARCH. If the optional <i>arg</i> is provided, the power parameter will be set to that value, otherwise the power parameter will be estimated. |
| cgarch                | Component (permanent and transitory) ARCH.  |

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>asy = integer</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 1)   | Number of asymmetric terms in the Power ARCH or EGARCH model. The maximum number of terms allowed is 9.   |
| <code>thrsh = integer</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0) | Number of threshold terms for GARCH and Component models. The maximum number of terms allowed is 9. For Component models, “thrsh” must take a value of 0 or 1.  |
| <code>archm = arg</code>                              | ARCH-M (ARCH in mean) specification with the conditional standard deviation (“archm = sd”), the conditional variance (“archm = var”), or the log of the conditional variance (“archm = log”) entered as a regressor in the mean equation.   |
| <code>tdist [= number]</code>                         | Estimate the model assuming that the residuals follow a conditional Student’s <i>t</i> -distribution (the default is the conditional normal distribution). Providing the optional number greater than two will fix the degrees of freedom to that value. If the argument is not provided, the degrees of freedom will be estimated. |
| <code>ged [= number]</code>                           | Estimate the model assuming that the residuals follow a conditional GED (the default is the conditional normal distribution). Providing a positive value for the optional argument will fix the GED parameter. If the argument is not provided, the parameter will be estimated.  |
| <code>h</code>  | Bollerslev-Wooldridge robust quasi-maximum likelihood (QML) covariance/standard errors. Not available when using the “tdist” or “ged” options.  |
| <code>z</code>  | Turn of backcasting for both initial MA innovations and initial variances.  |
| <code>b</code>  | Use Berndt-Hall-Hall-Hausman (BHHH) as maximization algorithm. The default is Marquardt.  |
| <code>m = integer</code>                              | Set maximum number of iterations.   |
| <code>c = scalar</code>                               | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients.  |
| <code>s</code>  | Use the current coefficient values in estimator coefficient vector as starting values (see also <a href="#">param (p. 413)</a> in the <i>Command and Programming Reference</i> ).   |
| <code>s = number</code>                               | Specify a number between zero and one to determine starting values as a fraction of preliminary LS estimates (out of range values are set to “s = 1”).  |

|                                       |   |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| <code>showopts /<br/>-showopts</code> | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.  |
| <code>deriv = key</code>              | Set derivative method. The argument <i>keyword</i> should be a one- or two-letter string. The first letter should either be “f” or “a” corresponding to fast or accurate numeric derivatives (if used). The second letter should be either “n” (always use numeric) or “a” (use analytic if possible). If omitted, EViews will use the global defaults. |
| <code>backcast = n</code>             | Backcast weight to calculate value used as the presample conditional variance. Weight needs to be greater than 0 and less than or equal to 1; the default value is 0.7. Note that a weight of 1 is equivalent to no backcasting, i.e. using the unconditional residual variance as the presample conditional variance.                                  |
| <code>coef = arg</code>               | Specify the name of the coefficient vector (if specified by list); the default behavior is to use the “C” coefficient vector.   |
| <code>prompt</code>                   | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>                        | Print estimation results.   |

### GARCH options

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| <code>vt</code>         | Variance target of the constant term. (Can’t be used with integrated specifications).               |
| <code>integrated</code> | Restrict GARCH model to be integrated, <i>i.e.</i> IGARCH. (Can’t be used with variance targeting). |

### Saved results

Most of the results saved for the `ls` command are also available after ARCH estimation; see [Equation::ls \(p. 103\)](#) for details.

### Examples

```
equation arcl.arch(4, 0, m=1000, h) sp500 c
```

estimates an ARCH(4) model with a mean equation consisting of the series SP500 regressed on a constant. The procedure will perform up to 1000 iterations, and will report Bollerslev-Wooldridge robust QML standard errors upon completion.

The commands:

```
c = 0.1
equation arcl.arch(thrsh=1, s, mean=var) @pch(nys) c ar(1)
```

estimate a TARCH(1, 1)-in-mean specification with the mean equation relating the percent change of NYS to a constant, an AR term of order 1, and a conditional variance (GARCH) term. The first line sets the default coefficient vector to 0.1, and the “s” option uses these values as coefficient starting values.

The command:

```
equation arch1.arch(1, 2, asy=0, parch=1.5, ged=1.2)
      dlog(ibm)=c(1)+c(2)* dlog(sp500) @ r
```

estimates a symmetric Power ARCH(2, 1) (autoregressive GARCH of order 2, and moving average ARCH of order 1) model with GED errors. The power of model is fixed at 1.5 and the GED parameter is fixed at 1.2. The mean equation consists of the first log difference of IBM regressed on a constant and the first log difference of SP500. The conditional variance equation includes an exogenous regressor R.

Following estimation, we may save the estimated conditional variance as a series named GARCH1.

```
arch1.makegarch garch1
```

Cross-references

See [Chapter 7. “ARCH and GARCH Estimation,” on page 207](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of ARCH models. See also [Equation::garch \(p. 82\)](#) and [Equation::makegarch \(p. 110\)](#).

|          |                                |
|----------|--------------------------------|
| archtest | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
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Test for autoregressive conditional heteroskedasticity (ARCH).

Carries out Lagrange Multiplier (LM) tests for ARCH in the residuals of a single least squares equation.

Syntax

```
eq_name.archtest(options)
```

Options

You must specify the order of ARCH for which you wish to test. The number of lags to be included in the test equation should be provided in parentheses after the arch keyword.

Other Options:

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
| p      | Print output from the test.                       |

## Examples

```
equation eq1.ls output c labor capital
eq1.archtest(4)
```

Regresses OUTPUT on a constant, LABOR, and CAPITAL, and tests for ARCH up to order 4.

```
equation eq1.arch sp500 c
eq1.archtest(4)
```

Estimates a GARCH(1,1) model with mean equation of SP500 on a constant and tests for additional ARCH up to order 4. Note that when performing an `archtest` as a view off of an estimated `arch` equation, EViews will use the standardized residuals (the residual of the mean equation divided by the estimated conditional standard deviation) to form the test.

## Cross-references

See “ARCH LM Test” on page 162 of the *User’s Guide II* for further discussion of testing ARCH and Chapter 7. “ARCH and GARCH Estimation,” on page 207 of the *User’s Guide II* for a general discussion of working with ARCH models in EViews.

See also [Equation::hetttest](#) (p. 96) for a more full-featured version of this test.

|      |                                |
|------|--------------------------------|
| arma | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
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**Examine ARMA structure of estimated equation.**

Provides diagnostic graphical and tabular views that aid you in assessing the structure of the ARMA component of an estimated equation. The view is currently available only for equations specified by list and estimated by least squares that include at least one AR or MA term. There are four views types available: roots, correlogram, impulse response, and frequency spectrum.

## Syntax

```
eq_name.arma(type = arg [,options])
```

where `eq_name` is the name of an equation object specified by list, estimated by least squares, and contains at least one ARMA term.



## Options

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| <code>type = arg</code> | Required “type = ” option selects the type of ARMA structure output: “root” displays the inverse roots of the AR/MA characteristic polynomials, “acf” displays the second moments (autocorrelation and partial autocorrelation) for the data in the estimation sample and for the estimated model, “imp” displays the impulse responses., “freq” displays the frequency spectrum. |
| <code>t</code>          | Displays the table view of the results for the view specified by the “type = ” option. By default, EViews will display a graphical view of the ARMA results.  |
| <code>hrz = arg</code>  | Specifies the maximum lag length for “type = acf”, and the maximum horizon (periods) for “type = imp”.  |
| <code>imp = arg</code>  | Specifies the size of the impulse for the impulse response (“type = imp”) view. By default, EViews will use the regression estimated standard error.  |
| <code>save = arg</code> | Stores the results as a matrix object with the specified name. The matrix holds the results roughly as displayed in the table view of the corresponding type. For “type = root”, roots for the AR and MA polynomials will be stored in separate matrices as NAME_AR and NAME_MA, where “NAME” is the name given by the “save = ” option.  |
| <code>prompt</code>     | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>          | Print the table or graph output.  |

## Examples

```
eq1.arma(type=root, save=root)
```

displays and saves the ARMA roots from the estimated equation EQ1. The roots will be placed in the matrix object ROOT.

```
eq1.arma(type=acf, hrz=25, save=acf)
```

computes the second moments (autocorrelation and partial autocorrelations) for the observations in the sample and the estimated model. The results are computed for a 25 period horizon. We save the results in the matrix object ACF.

```
eq1.arma(type=imp, hrz=25, save=imp)
```

computes the 25 period impulse-response function implied by the estimated ARMA coefficients. EViews will use the default 1 standard error of the estimated equation as the shock, and will save the results in the matrix object IMP.

```
eq1.arma(type=freq)
```

displays the frequency spectrum in graph form.

## Cross-references

See [“ARMA Structure” on page 104](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for details. See also [Chapter 4](#), [“Time Series Regression,” on page 85](#) of the *User’s Guide II*.

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| auto | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|------|--------------------------------|

## Compute serial correlation LM (Lagrange multiplier) test.

Carries out Breusch-Godfrey Lagrange Multiplier (LM) tests for serial correlation in the estimation residuals.

## Syntax

```
eq_name.auto(order, options)
```

You must specify the order of serial correlation for which you wish to test. You should specify the number of lags in parentheses after the `auto` keyword, followed by any additional options.

## Options

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| <code>prompt</code> | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
| <code>p</code>      | Print output from the test.                       |

## Examples

To regress OUTPUT on a constant, LABOR, and CAPITAL, and test for serial correlation of up to order four you may use the commands:

```
equation eq1.ls output c labor capital
eq1.auto(4)
```

The commands:

```
output(t) c:\result\artest.txt
equation eq1.ls cons c y y(-1)
eq1.auto(12, p)
```

perform a regression of CONS on a constant, Y and lagged Y, and test for serial correlation of up to order twelve. The first line redirects printed tables/text to the ARTEST.TXT file.

## Cross-references

See [“Serial Correlation LM Test” on page 87](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for further discussion of the Breusch-Godfrey test.

|        |                                  |
|--------|----------------------------------|
| binary | <a href="#">Equation Methods</a> |
|--------|----------------------------------|

Estimate binary dependent variable models.

Estimates models where the binary dependent variable Y is either zero or one (probit, logit, gompit).

Syntax

```
eq_name.binary(options) y x1 [x2 x3 ...]  
eq_name.binary(options) specification
```

Options

|                                   |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| d = <i>arg</i><br>(default = "n") | Specify likelihood: normal likelihood function, probit ("n"), logistic likelihood function, logit ("l"), Type I extreme value likelihood function, Gompit ("x").                               |
| q (default)                       | Use quadratic hill climbing as the maximization algorithm.   |
| r                                 | Use Newton-Raphson as the maximization algorithm.  |
| b                                 | Use Berndt-Hall-Hall-Hausman (BHHH) for maximization algorithm.  |
| h                                 | Quasi-maximum likelihood (QML) standard errors.  |
| g                                 | GLM standard errors.   |
| m = <i>integer</i>                | Set maximum number of iterations.  |
| c = <i>scalar</i>                 | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2. |
| s                                 | Use the current coefficient values in estimator coefficient vector as starting values (see also <a href="#">param (p. 413)</a> in the <i>Command and Programming Reference</i> ).              |
| s = <i>number</i>                 | Specify a number between zero and one to determine starting values as a fraction of EViews default values (out of range values are set to "s = 1").  |
| coef = <i>arg</i>                 | Specify the name of the coefficient vector (if specified by list); the default behavior is to use the "C" coefficient vector.  |

|                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| showopts /<br>-showopts | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output. |
| prompt                  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| p                       | Print results.   |

Examples

To estimate a logit model of Y using a constant, WAGE, EDU, and KIDS, and computing QML standard errors, you may use the command:

```
equation eql.binary(d=1,h) y c wage edu kids
```

Note that this estimation uses the default global optimization options. The commands:

```
param c(1) .1 c(2) .1 c(3) .1
equation probit1.binary(s) y c x2 x3
```

estimate a probit model of Y on a constant, X2, and X3, using the specified starting values. The commands:

```
coef beta_probit = probit1.@coefs
matrix cov_probit = probit1.@coefcov
```

store the estimated coefficients and coefficient covariances in the coefficient vector BETA\_PROBIT and matrix COV\_PROBIT.

Cross-references

See [“Binary Dependent Variable Models” on page 259](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for additional discussion.

|         |                                  |
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| breakls | <a href="#">Equation Methods</a> |
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Estimation by linear least squares regression with breakpoints.

Syntax

```
eq_name.breakls(options) y z1 [z2 z3 ...] [@nv x1 x2 x3 ...]
```

List the dependent variable first, followed by a list of the independent variables that have coefficients which are allowed to vary across breaks, followed optionally by the keyword @nv and a list of non-varying coefficient variables.

## Options

### Breakpoint Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>method = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “seqplus1”) | Breakpoint selection method: “seqplus1” (sequential tests of single $l + 1$ versus $l$ breaks), “seqall” (sequential test of all possible $l + 1$ versus $l$ breaks), “glob” (tests of global $l$ vs. no breaks), “globplus1” (tests of $l + 1$ versus $l$ globally determined breaks), “globinfo” (information criteria evaluation). |
| <code>select = arg</code>                                   | Sub-method setting (options depend on “method = ”).<br>(1) if “method = glob”: Sequential (“seq”) (default), Highest significant (“high”), <i>UDmax</i> (“udmax”), <i>WDmax</i> (“wdmax”).<br>(2) if “method = globinfo”: Schwarz criterion (“bic” or “sic”) (default), Liu-Wu-Zidek criterion (“lwz”).                               |
| <code>trim = arg</code> ( <i>default</i> = 5)               | Trimming percentage for determining minimum segment size (5, 10, 15, 20, 25).   |
| <code>maxbreaks = integer</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 5)   | Maximum number of breakpoints to allow (not applicable if “method = seqall”).   |
| <code>maxlevels = integer</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 5)   | Maximum number of break levels to consider in sequential testing (applicable when “method = seqall”).   |
| <code>size = arg</code> ( <i>default</i> = 5)               | Test sizes for use in sequential determination and final test evaluation (10, 5, 2.5, 1) corresponding to 0.10, 0.05, 0.025, 0.01, respectively   |
| <code>heterr</code>   | Assume regimes specific error distributions in variance computation.  |
| <code>commondata</code>                                     | Assume a common distribution for the data across segments (only applicable if original equation is estimated with a robust covariance method, “heterr” is not specified).   |

### General Options

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>w = arg</code>                                     | Weight series or expression.  |
| <code>wtype = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “istdev”) | Weight specification type: inverse standard deviation (“istdev”), inverse variance (“ivar”), standard deviation (“stdev”), variance (“var”).  |
| <code>wscale = arg</code>                                | Weight scaling: EViews default (“eviews”), average (“avg”), none (“none”).<br>The default setting depends upon the weight type: “eviews” if “wtype = istdev”, “avg” for all others. |

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>cov = keyword</code>                                  | Covariance type ( <i>optional</i> ): “white” (White diagonal matrix), “hac” (Newey-West HAC).   |
| <code>nodf</code>   | Do not perform degree of freedom corrections in computing coefficient covariance matrix. The default is to use degree of freedom corrections.   |
| <code>covlag = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 1)          | Whitening lag specification: <i>integer</i> (user-specified lag value), “a” (automatic selection).  |
| <code>covinfo = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “aic”)     | Information criterion for automatic selection: “aic” (Akaike), “sic” (Schwarz), “hqc” (Hannan-Quinn) (if “lag = a”).  |
| <code>covmaxlag = integer</code>                            | Maximum lag-length for automatic selection ( <i>optional</i> ) (if “lag = a”). The default is an observation-based maximum of $T^{1/3}$ .   |
| <code>covkern = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “bart”)    | Kernel shape: “none” (no kernel), “bart” (Bartlett, <i>default</i> ), “bohman” (Bohman), “daniell” (Daniel), “parzen” (Parzen), “parzriesz” (Parzen-Riesz), “parzgeo” (Parzen-Geometric), “parzcauchy” (Parzen-Cauchy), “quadspec” (Quadratic Spectral), “trunc” (Truncated), “thamm” (Tukey-Hamming), “thann” (Tukey-Hanning), “tparz” (Tukey-Parzen). |
| <code>covbw = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “fixednw”)   | Kernel Bandwidth: “fixednw” (Newey-West fixed), “andrews” (Andrews automatic), “neweywest” (Newey-West automatic), <i>number</i> (User-specified bandwidth).  |
| <code>covnwlag = integer</code>                             | Newey-West lag-selection parameter for use in nonparametric kernel bandwidth selection (if “covbw = neweywest”).  |
| <code>covbwoffset = integer</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0) | Apply integer offset to bandwidth chosen by automatic selection method (“bw = andrews” or “bw = neweywest”).  |
| <code>covbwint</code>                                       | Use integer portion of bandwidth chosen by automatic selection method (“bw = andrews” or “bw = neweywest”).   |
| <code>coef = arg</code>                                     | Specify the name of the coefficient vector; the default behavior is to use the “C” coefficient vector.  |
| <code>prompt</code>   | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>  | Print basic estimation results.   |

## Examples

```
equation eql.breakls m1 c unemp
```

uses the Bai-Perron sequential  $L + 1$  versus  $L$  tests to determine the optimal breaks in a model regressing M1 on the breaking variables C and UNEMP.

```
equation eq2.breakls(method=glob, select=high) m1 c unemp
```

uses the global Bai-Perron  $L$  versus none tests to determine the breaks. The selected break will be the highest significant number of breaks.

```
equation eq3.breakls(size=5, trim=10) m1 c unemp
```

lowers the sequential test size from 0.10 to 0.05, and raises the trimming to 10 percent.

```
equation eq4.breakls(method=user, break="1990q1 2010q4") m1 c @nv
unemp
```

estimates the model with two user-specified break dates. In addition, the variable UNEMP is restricted to have common coefficients across the regimes.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 12. “Least Squares with Breakpoints,” beginning on page 369](#) of *User’s Guide II* for discussion. See also [“Multiple Breakpoint Tests” on page 174](#) of *User’s Guide II*.

See [Equation::multibreak \(p. 117\)](#) for multiple breakpoint testing.

|           |                                |
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| breakspec | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
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Display the breakpoint specification results for an equation estimated using `breakls`.

Syntax

```
eq_name.breakspec
```

Options

|   |                                 |
|---|---------------------------------|
| p | Print basic estimation results. |
|---|---------------------------------|

Examples

```
equation eq1.breakls m1 c unemp
eq1.breakspec(p)
```

displays and prints the breakpoint determination results for the equation EQ1 estimated using Bai-Perron sequential  $L + 1$  versus  $L$  tests to determine the optimal breaks.

## Cross-references

|                  |                                |
|------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>breaktest</b> | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|------------------|--------------------------------|

**Breakpoint test.**

Carries out a breakpoint test for parameter stability in equations estimated using TSLS and GMM.

See `chow` for related tests in equations estimated using least squares.

### Syntax

```
eq_name.breaktest obs1 [obs2 obs3....]
```

You must provide the breakpoint observations (using dates or observation numbers) to be tested. To specify more than one breakpoint, separate the breakpoints by a space.

### Examples

The commands

```
equation eq1.gmm ml c gdp cpi @ gdp(-1) cpi(-1)
eq1.breaktest 1960 1970
```

perform a GMM estimation of M1 on a constant, GDP and CPI, with lagged values of GDP and CPI used as instruments, and then perform a breakpoint test to test whether the parameter estimates for the periods prior to 1960, during the 1960s, and then after 1970 are stable.

## Cross-references

See “[GMM Breakpoint Test](#)” on page 82 of the *User’s Guide II* for discussion.

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|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>cellipse</b> | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
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**Confidence ellipses for coefficient restrictions.**

The `cellipse` view displays confidence ellipses for pairs of coefficient restrictions for an equation object.

### Syntax

```
eq_name.cellipse(options) restrictions
```

Enter the equation name, followed by a period, and the keyword `cellipse`. This should be followed by a list of the coefficient restrictions. Joint (multiple) coefficient restrictions should be separated by commas.



## Options

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>ind = arg</code>                                 | Specifies whether and how to draw the individual coefficient intervals. The default is “ind = line” which plots the individual coefficient intervals as dashed lines. “ind = none” does not plot the individual intervals, while “ind = shade” plots the individual intervals as a shaded rectangle.  |
| <code>size = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0.95) | Set the size (level) of the confidence ellipse. You may specify more than one size by specifying a space separated list enclosed in double quotes.  |
| <code>dist = arg</code>                                | Select the distribution to use for the critical value associated with the ellipse size. The default depends on estimation object and method. If the parameter estimates are least-squares based, the $F(2, n - 2)$ distribution is used; if the parameter estimates are likelihood based, the $\chi^2(2)$ distribution will be employed. “dist = f” forces use of the $F$ -distribution, while “dist = c” uses the $\chi^2$ distribution. |
| <code>prompt</code>                                    | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>   | Print the graph.  |

## Examples

The two commands:

```
eql.ellipse c(1), c(2), c(3)
eql.ellipse c(1)=0, c(2)=0, c(3)=0
```

both display a graph showing the 0.95-confidence ellipse for C(1) and C(2), C(1) and C(3), and C(2) and C(3).

```
eql.ellipse(dist=c,size="0.9 0.7 0.5") c(1), c(2)
```

displays multiple confidence ellipses (contours) for C(1) and C(2).

## Cross-references

See [“Confidence Intervals and Confidence Ellipses” on page 140](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for discussion.

See also [Equation::wald \(p. 155\)](#).

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| censored | <a href="#">Equation Methods</a> |
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### Estimation of censored and truncated models.

Estimates models where the dependent variable is either censored or truncated. The allowable specifications include the standard Tobit model.

### Syntax

```
eq_name.censored(options) y x1 [x2 x3]
eq_name.censored(options) specification
```

### Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>l = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0)    | Set value for the left censoring limit.  |
| <code>r = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = none) | Set value for the right censoring limit.   |
| <code>l = series_name, i</code>                     | Set series name of the indicator variable for the left censoring limit.  |
| <code>r = series_name, i</code>                     | Set series name of the indicator variable for the right censoring limit.   |
| <code>t</code>                                      | Estimate truncated model.  |
| <code>d = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “n”)     | Specify error distribution: normal (“n”), logistic (“l”), Type I extreme value (“x”).  |
| <code>q (default)</code>                            | Use quadratic hill climbing as the maximization algorithm.   |
| <code>r</code>                                      | Use Newton-Raphson as the maximization algorithm.  |
| <code>b</code>                                      | Use Berndt-Hall-Hausman for maximization algorithm.  |
| <code>h</code>                                      | Quasi-maximum likelihood (QML) standard errors.  |
| <code>g</code>                                      | GLM standard errors.   |
| <code>m = integer</code>                            | Set maximum number of iterations.  |
| <code>c = scalar</code>                             | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2. |
| <code>s</code>                                      | Use the current coefficient values in estimator coefficient vector as starting values (see also <a href="#">param (p. 413)</a> in the <i>Command and Programming Reference</i> ).              |

|                                   |   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| <code>s = number</code>           | Specify a number between zero and one to determine starting values as a fraction of EViews default values (out of range values are set to “ $s = 1$ ”). |
| <code>coef = arg</code>           | Specify the name of the coefficient vector (if specified by list); the default behavior is to use the “C” coefficient vector.                           |
| <code>showopts / -showopts</code> | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.  |
| <code>prompt</code>               | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>                    | Print results.  |

Examples

The command:

```
eql.censored(h) hours c wage edu kids
```

estimates a censored regression model of HOURS on a constant, WAGE, EDU, and KIDS with QML standard errors. This command uses the default normal likelihood, with left-censoring at HOURS = 0, no right censoring, and the quadratic hill climbing algorithm.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 9. “Discrete and Limited Dependent Variable Models,” on page 259](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for discussion of censored and truncated regression models.

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|------|--------------------------------|
| chow | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|------|--------------------------------|

Chow test for stability.

Carries out Chow breakpoint or Chow forecast tests for parameter constancy.

Syntax

```
eq_name.chow(options) obs1 [obs2 obs3 ...] @ x1 x2 x3
```

You must provide the breakpoint observations (using dates or observation numbers) to be tested. To specify more than one breakpoint, separate the breakpoints by a space. For the Chow breakpoint test, if the equation is specified by list and contains no nonlinear terms, you may specify a subset of the regressors to be tested for a breakpoint after an “@” sign.

## Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| f | Chow forecast test. For this option, you must specify a single breakpoint to test (default performs breakpoint test). |
| p | Print the result of test.   |

## Examples

The commands:

```
equation eq1.ls m1 c gdp cpi ar(1)
eq1.chow 1970Q1 1980Q1
```

perform a regression of M1 on a constant, GDP, and CPI with first order autoregressive errors, and employ a Chow breakpoint test to determine whether the parameters before the 1970's, during the 1970's, and after the 1970's are “stable”.

To regress the log of SPOT on a constant, the log of P\_US, and the log of P\_UK, and to carry out the Chow forecast test starting from 1973, enter the commands:

```
equation ppp.ls log(spot) c log(p_us) log(p_uk)
ppp.chow(f) 1973
```

To test whether only the constant term and the coefficient on the log of P\_US prior to and after 1970 are “stable” enter the commands:

```
ppp.chow 1970 @ c log(p_us)
```

## Cross-references

See [“Chow's Breakpoint Test” on page 170](#) of the *User's Guide II* for further discussion.

See also [Equation::facbreak \(p. 76\)](#), [Equation::breaktest \(p. 51\)](#), [Equation::ubreak \(p. 152\)](#), and [Equation::rls \(p. 135\)](#).

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|-----------|--------------------------------|
| cinterval | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
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**Confidence interval.**

The confidence interval view displays a table of confidence intervals for each of the coefficients in the equation.

## Syntax

```
eq_name.cinterval(options) arg
```

where *arg* is a list of confidence levels, or the name of a scalar or vector in the workfile containing confidence levels.

### Options

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|--------|--|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| nopair | Display the intervals concentrically. The default is to display them in pairs for each probability value |

### Examples

The set of commands:

```
equation eq1.ls lwage c edu edu^2 union
eq1.cinterval .95 .9 .75
```

displays the 95% confidence intervals followed by the 90% confidence levels, followed by the 75% confidence levels.

```
eq1.cinterval(nopair) .95 .9 .75
```

displays the 75% confidence intervals nested inside the 90% intervals which in turn are nested inside the 95% intervals.

### Cross-references

See also [“Confidence Intervals and Confidence Ellipses” on page 140](#) of the *User’s Guide II*.

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|---------|--------------------------------|
| coefcov | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|---------|--------------------------------|

Coefficient covariance matrix.

Displays the covariances of the coefficient estimates for an estimated equation.

### Syntax

```
eq_name.coefcov(options)
```

### Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| p | Print the coefficient covariance matrix. |
|---|--|

### Examples

The set of commands:

```
equation eq1.ls lwage c edu edu^2 union
eq1.coefcov
```

declares and estimates equation EQ1 and displays the coefficient covariance matrix in a window. To store the coefficient covariance matrix as a sym object, use “@coefcov”:

```
sym eqcov = eq1.@coefcov
```

## Cross-references

See also [Coef::coef](#) (p. 18).

|                  |                                |
|------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>coefscale</b> | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|------------------|--------------------------------|

Scaled coefficients.

Displays the coefficient estimates, the standardized coefficient estimates and the elasticity at means.

## Syntax

```
eq_name.coefscale
```

## Examples

The set of commands:

```
equation eq1.ls lwage c edu edu^2 union
eq1.coefscale
```

produces the coefficient scale table view of EQ1.

## Cross-references

See also [“Scaled Coefficients”](#) on page 140 of the *User’s Guide II*.

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|--------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>coint</b> | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
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Test for cointegration between series in an equation.

Test for cointegration between series in an equation estimated by [Equation::cointreg](#) (p. 61). You may perform a Hansen Instability Test, Park Added Variable (Spurious Trends) Test, or between a residual-based Engle-Granger or Phillips-Ouliaris test.

Johansen tests for cointegration may be performed from a group or a VAR object (see [Group::coint](#) (p. 259) and [Var::coint](#) (p. 751)).

The cointegrating equation specification is taken from the equation. Additional test specification components are specified as options and arguments.

## Syntax

```
Equation View: eq_name.coint(options) [arg]
```

where

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|---|--|
| <code>method = <i>arg</i></code><br><code>(default = "hansen")</code> | Test method: Hansen's Instability test ("hansen"), Park's Added Variable ("park"), Engle-Granger residual test ("eg"), Phillips-Ouliaris residual test ("po"). |
|---|--|

and *arg* is an optional list describing additional regressors to include in the Park Added Regressors test (when "method = park" is specified).

The Park, Engle-Granger, and Phillips-Ouliaris tests all have options which control various aspects of the test.

**Options**

*Options for the Park Test*

The following option, along with the optional argument described above, determines the additional regressors to include in the test equation.

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>trend = <i>arg</i></code><br><code>(default = two orders</code><br><code>higher than trend in</code><br><code>estimated equation)</code> | Specification for the powers of trend to include in the test equation: None ("none"), Constant ("const"), Linear trend ("linear"), Quadratic trend ("quadratic"), Cubic trend ("cubic"), Quartic trend ("quartic"), <i>integer</i> (user-specified power).<br><br>Note that the specification implies all trends up to the specified order so that choosing a quadratic trend instructs EViews to include a constant and a linear trend term along with the quadratic. Only trend orders higher than those specified in the original equation will be considered. |
|--|---|

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|----------------|----------------|
| <code>p</code> | Print results. |
|----------------|----------------|

*Options for the Engle-Granger Test*

The following options determine the specification of the Engle-Granger test (Augmented Dickey-Fuller) equation and the calculation of the variances used in the test statistic.

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>lag = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “a”)         | Method of selecting the lag length (number of first difference terms) to be included in the regression: “a” (automatic information criterion based selection), or <i>integer</i> (user-specified lag length).  |
| <code>lagtype = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “sic”)   | Information criterion or method to use when computing automatic lag length selection: “aic” (Akaike), “sic” (Schwarz), “hqc” (Hannan-Quinn), “msaic” (Modified Akaike), “msic” (Modified Schwarz), “mhqc” (Modified Hannan-Quinn), “tstat” ( <i>t</i> -statistic). |
| <code>maxlag = integer</code>                             | Maximum lag length to consider when performing automatic lag-length selection<br>$\text{default} = \text{int}(\min((T - k) / 3, 12) \cdot (T / 100)^{1/4})$ where <i>k</i> is the number of coefficients in the cointegrating equation. Applicable when “lag = a”. |
| <code>lagpval = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0.10) | Probability threshold to use when performing automatic lag-length selection using a <i>t</i> -test criterion. Applicable when both “lag = a” and “lagtype = tstat”.  |
| <code>nodf</code>   | Do not degree-of-freedom correct estimates of the variances.   |
| <code>p</code>  | Print results.   |

### Options for the Phillips-Ouliaris Test

The following options control the computation of the symmetric and one-sided long-run variances in the Phillips-Ouliaris test.

#### Basic Options

|                   |   |
|-------------------|---|
| <code>nodf</code> | Do not degree-of-freedom correct the coefficient covariance estimate. |
| <code>p</code>    | Print results.  |

#### HAC Whitening Options

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>lag = arg</code> ( <i>default</i> = 0)         | Lag specification: <i>integer</i> (user-specified lag value), “a” (automatic selection).                                    |
| <code>info = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “aic”) | Information criterion for automatic selection: “aic” (Akaike), “sic” (Schwarz), “hqc” (Hannan-Quinn) (if “lag = a”).        |
| <code>maxlag = integer</code>                        | Maximum lag-length for automatic selection ( <i>optional</i> ) (if “lag = a”). The default is an observation-based maximum. |



*HAC Kernel Options*

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>kern = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “bart”)    | Kernel shape: “none” (no kernel), “bart” (Bartlett, <i>default</i> ), “bohman” (Bohman), “daniell” (Daniel), “parzen” (Parzen), “parzriesz” (Parzen-Riesz), “parzgeo” (Parzen-Geometric), “parzcauchy” (Parzen-Cauchy), “quadspec” (Quadratic Spectral), “trunc” (Truncated), “thamm” (Tukey-Hamming), “thann” (Tukey-Hanning), “tparz” (Tukey-Parzen). |
| <code>bw = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “nwfixed”)   | Bandwidth: “fixednw” (Newey-West fixed), “andrews” (Andrews automatic), “neweywest” (Newey-West automatic), <i>number</i> (User-specified bandwidth).   |
| <code>nwlag = integer</code>                             | Newey-West lag-selection parameter for use in nonparametric bandwidth selection (if “bw = neweywest”).  |
| <code>bwoffset = integer</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0) | Apply integer offset to bandwidth chosen by automatic selection method (“bw = andrews” or “bw = neweywest”).  |
| <code>bwint</code>                                       | Use integer portion of bandwidth chosen by automatic selection method (“bw = andrews” or “bw = neweywest”).   |

**Examples***Hansen*

```
equation base_eq.cointreg(trend=linear, bw=andrews, kern=quadspec)
base_eq.coint
```

estimates the cointegrating equation BASE\_EQ using FMOLS and performs the Hansen cointegration test.

*Park*

```
base_eq.coint(method=park)
```

conducts the default Park test, which for BASE\_EQ involves testing the significance of the quadratic and cubic trend coefficients.

```
base_eq.coint(method=park, trend=quartic) mytrend
```

performs a test which evaluates the significance of the quadratic, cubic, and quartic terms, and user trend variable MYTREND.

```
base_eq.coint(method=eg, trend=6)
```

estimates the test equation with trend powers up to 6.

*Engle-Granger*

```
base_eq.coint(method=eg)
```

performs the default Engle-Granger test using SIC and an observation-based maximum number of lags to determine the lags for an ADF equation.

```
base_eq.coint(method=eg, lag=a, lagtype=tstat, lagpval=.15,
              maxlag=10)
```

uses a sequential *t*-test starting at lag 10 with threshold probability 0.15 to determine the number of lags.

```
base_eq.coint(method=eg, lag=5)
```

conducts an Engle-Granger cointegration test with a fixed lag of 5.

*Phillips-Ouliaris*

```
base_eq.coint(method=po)
```

performs the default Phillips-Ouliaris test using a Bartlett kernel and Newey-West fixed bandwidth.

```
base_eq.coint(method=po, bw=andrews, kernel=quadspec, nodf)
```

estimates the long-run covariances using a Quadratic Spectral kernel, Andrews automatic bandwidth, and no degrees-of-freedom correction.

```
base_eq.coint(method=po, lag=1, bw=4)
```

constructs the long-run covariances using AR(1) prewhitening, a fixed bandwidth of 4, and the Bartlett kernel.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 26. “Cointegration Testing,” beginning on page 849](#) of the *User’s Guide II*. See also [Group::coint \(p. 259\)](#) for testing from a group object.

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|----------|----------------------------------|
| cointreg | <a href="#">Equation Methods</a> |
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Estimate a cointegrating equation using Fully Modified OLS (FMOLS), Canonical Cointegrating Regression (CCR), or Dynamic OLS (DOLS) in single time series settings, and Panel FMOLS and DOLS in panel workfiles.

Syntax

```
eq_name.cointreg(options) y x1 [x2 x3 ...] [@determ determ_spec] [@regdeterm regdeterm_spec]
```

List the `cointreg` keyword, followed by the dependent variable and a list of the cointegrating variables.

Cointegrating equation specifications that include a constant, linear, or quadratic trends, should use the “trend = ” option to specify those terms. If any of those terms are in the stochastic regressors equations but not in the cointegrating equation, they should be specified using the “regtrend = ” option.

Deterministic trend regressors that are not covered by the list above may be specified using the keywords **@determ** and **@regdeterm**. To specify deterministic trend regressors that enter into the regressor and cointegrating equations, you should add the keyword **@determ** followed by the list of trend regressors. To specify deterministic trends that enter in the regressor equations but not the cointegrating equation, you should include the keyword **@regdeterm** followed by the list of trend regressors.

## Basic Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>method = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = "fmols")  | Estimation method: Fully Modified OLS ("fmols"), Canonical Cointegrating Regression ("ccr"), Dynamic OLS ("dols")<br>Note that CCR estimation is not available in panel settings.  |
| <code>trend = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = "const")   | Specification for the powers of trend to include in the cointegrating and regressor equations: None ("none"), Constant ("const"), Linear trend ("linear"), Quadratic trend ("quadratic").<br><br>Note that the specification implies all trends up to the specified order so that choosing a quadratic trend instructs EViews to include a constant and a linear trend term along with the quadratic.  |
| <code>regtrend = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = "none") | Additional trends to include in the regressor equations (but not the cointegrating equation): None ("none"), Constant ("const"), Linear trend ("linear"), Quadratic trend ("quadratic"). Only trend orders higher than those specified by "trend = " will be considered.<br><br>Note that the specification implies all trends up to the specified order so that choosing a quadratic trend instructs EViews to include a constant and a linear trend term along with the quadratic. |
| <code>regdiff</code>                                      | Estimate the regressor equation innovations directly using the difference specifications.  |
| <code>coef = arg</code>                                   | Specify the name of the coefficient vector; the default behavior is to use the "C" coefficient vector.   |
| <code>prompt</code>                                       | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>  | Print results.   |

In addition to these options, there are specialized options for each estimation method.

## Panel Options

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|--|--|
| <code>panmethod = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “pooled”) | Panel estimation method: pooled (“pooled”), pooled weighted (“weighted”), grouped (“grouped”)            |
| <code>pancov = sandwich</code>                               | Estimate the coefficient covariance using a sandwich method that allows for cross-section heterogeneity. |

## Options for FMOLS and CCR

To estimate FMOLS or CCR use the “method = fmols” or “method = ccr” options. The following options control the computation of the symmetric and one-sided long-run covariance matrices and the estimate of the coefficient covariance.

### HAC Whitening Options

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>lag = arg</code> ( <i>default</i> = 0)         | Lag specification: <i>integer</i> (user-specified lag value), “a” (automatic selection).                                    |
| <code>info = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “aic”) | Information criterion for automatic selection: “aic” (Akaike), “sic” (Schwarz), “hqc” (Hannan-Quinn) (if “lag = a”).        |
| <code>maxlag = integer</code>                        | Maximum lag-length for automatic selection ( <i>optional</i> ) (if “lag = a”). The default is an observation-based maximum. |

### HAC Kernel Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>kern = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “bart”)    | Kernel shape: “none” (no kernel), “bart” (Bartlett, <i>default</i> ), “bohman” (Bohman), “daniell” (Daniell), “parzen” (Parzen), “parzriesz” (Parzen-Riesz), “parzgeo” (Parzen-Geometric), “parzcauchy” (Parzen-Cauchy), “quadspec” (Quadratic Spectral), “trunc” (Truncated), “thamm” (Tukey-Hamming), “thann” (Tukey-Hanning), “tparz” (Tukey-Parzen). |
| <code>bw = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “nwfixed”)   | Bandwidth:: “fixednw” (Newey-West fixed), “andrews” (Andrews automatic), “neweywest” (Newey-West automatic), <i>number</i> (User-specified bandwidth).   |
| <code>nwlag = integer</code>                             | Newey-West lag-selection parameter for use in nonparametric bandwidth selection (if “bw = neweywest”).   |
| <code>bwoffset = integer</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0) | Apply integer offset to bandwidth chosen by automatic selection method (“bw = andrews” or “bw = neweywest”).   |
| <code>bwint</code>                                       | Use integer portion of bandwidth chosen by automatic selection method (“bw = andrews” or “bw = neweywest”).  |

*Coefficient Covariance*

|                   |   |
|-------------------|---|
| <code>nodf</code> | Do not degree-of-freedom correct the coefficient covariance estimate. |
|-------------------|---|

*Panel Options*

|                       |  |
|-----------------------|--|
| <code>hetfirst</code> | Estimate the first-stage regression assuming heterogeneous coefficients. For FMOLS specifications estimated using pooled or pooled weighted methods (“ <code>panmethod = pooled</code> ”, “ <code>panmethod = weighted</code> ”) |
|-----------------------|--|

**Options for DOLS**

To estimate using DOLS use the “`method = dols`” option. The following options control the specification of the lags and leads and the estimate of the coefficient covariance.

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>lltype = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “fixed”) | Lag-lead method: fixed values (“fixed”), automatic selection - Akaike (“aic”), automatic - Schwarz (“sic”), automatic - Hannan-Quinn (“hqc”), None (“none”).   |
| <code>lag = arg</code>                                   | Lag specification: <i>integer</i> ( <i>required</i> user-specified number of lags if “ <code>lltype = fixed</code> ”).   |
| <code>lead = arg</code>                                  | Lead specification: <i>integer</i> ( <i>required</i> user-specified number of lags if “ <code>lltype = fixed</code> ”).  |
| <code>maxll = integer</code>                             | Maximum lag and lead-length for automatic selection ( <i>optional</i> user-specified integer if “ <code>lltype = </code> ” is used to specify automatic selection). The default is an observation-based maximum. |
| <code>cov = arg</code>                                   | Coefficient covariance method: (default) long-run variance scaled OLS, unscaled OLS (“ols”), White (“white”), Newey-West (“hac”).  |
| <code>nodf</code>  | Do not degree-of-freedom correct the coefficient covariance estimate.  |

For the default covariance calculation or “`cov = hac`”, the following options control the computation of the long-run variance or robust covariance:

*HAC Covariance Whitening Options (if default covariance or “`cov=hac`”)*

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>covlag = arg</code><br>(default = 0)      | Lag specification: <i>integer</i> (user-specified lag value), “a” (automatic selection).                                    |
| <code>covinfo = arg</code><br>(default = “aic”) | Information criterion for automatic selection: “aic” (Akaike), “sic” (Schwarz), “hqc” (Hannan-Quinn) (if “lag = a”).        |
| <code>covmaxlag = integer</code>                | Maximum lag-length for automatic selection ( <i>optional</i> ) (if “lag = a”). The default is an observation-based maximum. |

#### *HAC Covariance Kernel Options (if default covariance or “cov=hac”)*

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>covkern = arg</code><br>(default = “bart”)    | Kernel shape: “none” (no kernel), “bart” (Bartlett, <i>default</i> ), “bohman” (Bohman), “daniell” (Daniel), “parzen” (Parzen), “parzriesz” (Parzen-Riesz), “parzgeo” (Parzen-Geometric), “parzcauchy” (Parzen-Cauchy), “quadspec” (Quadratic Spectral), “trunc” (Truncated), “thamm” (Tukey-Hamming), “thann” (Tukey-Hanning), “tparz” (Tukey-Parzen). |
| <code>covbw = arg</code><br>(default = “nwfixed”)   | Bandwidth: “fixednw” (Newey-West fixed), “andrews” (Andrews automatic), “neweywest” (Newey-West automatic), <i>number</i> (User-specified bandwidth).   |
| <code>covnwlag = integer</code>                     | Newey-West lag-selection parameter for use in nonparametric bandwidth selection (if “covbw = neweywest”).   |
| <code>covbwoffset = integer</code><br>(default = 0) | Apply integer offset to bandwidth chosen by automatic selection method (“bw = andrews” or “bw = neweywest”).  |
| <code>covbwint</code>                               | Use integer portion of bandwidth chosen by automatic selection method (“bw = andrews” or “bw = neweywest”).   |

#### *Panel Options*

Weighted coefficient or coefficient covariance estimation in panel DOLS requires individual estimates of the long-run variances of the residuals. You may compute these estimates using the standard default long-run variance options, or you may choose to estimate it using the ordinary variance.

For weighted estimation we have:

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>panwgtlag = arg</code><br>(default = 0)      | Lag specification: <i>integer</i> (user-specified lag value), “a” (automatic selection).                                  |
| <code>panwgtinfo = arg</code><br>(default = “aic”) | Information criterion for automatic selection: “aic” (Akaike), “sic” (Schwarz), “hqc” (Hannan-Quinn) (if “lrvarlag = a”). |

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>panwgtmaxlag = integer</code>                            | Maximum lag-length for automatic selection ( <i>optional</i> ) (if “ <code>lrvarlag = a</code> ”). The default is an observation-based maximum.  |
| <code>panwgtkern = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “bart”)    | Kernel shape: “none” (no kernel), “bart” (Bartlett, <i>default</i> ), “bohman” (Bohman), “daniell” (Daniell), “parzen” (Parzen), “parzriesz” (Parzen-Riesz), “parzgeo” (Parzen-Geometric), “parzcauchy” (Parzen-Cauchy), “quadspec” (Quadratic Spectral), “trunc” (Truncated), “thamm” (Tukey-Hamming), “thann” (Tukey-Hanning), “tparz” (Tukey-Parzen). |
| <code>panwgtbw = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “nwfixed”)   | Bandwidth:: “fixednw” (Newey-West fixed), “andrews” (Andrews automatic), “neweywest” (Newey-West automatic), <i>number</i> (User-specified bandwidth).   |
| <code>panwgtnwlag = integer</code>                             | Newey-West lag-selection parameter for use in nonparametric bandwidth selection (if “ <code>bw = neweywest</code> ”).  |
| <code>panwgtbwoffset = integer</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0) | Apply offset to automatically selected bandwidth.<br>For settings where “ <code>cov = hac</code> ”, “ <code>covkern =</code> ” is specified, and “ <code>covbw =</code> ” is not user-specified.   |
| <code>panwgtbwint</code>                                       | Use integer portion of bandwidth chosen by automatic selection method (“ <code>bw = andrews</code> ” or “ <code>bw = neweywest</code> ”).  |

For the coefficient covariance estimation we have:

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>lrvar = ordinary</code>                             | Compute DOLS estimates of the long-run residual variance used in covariance calculation using the ordinary variance.   |
| <code>lrvarlag = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0)      | For DOLS estimates of the long-run residual variance used in covariance calculation, lag specification: <i>integer</i> (user-specified lag value), “a” (automatic selection).  |
| <code>lrvarinfo = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “aic”) | For DOLS estimates of the long-run residual variance used in covariance calculation, information criterion for automatic selection: “aic” (Akaike), “sic” (Schwarz), “hqc” (Hannan-Quinn) (if “ <code>lrvarlag = a</code> ”).        |
| <code>lrvarmaxlag = integer</code>                        | For DOLS estimates of the long-run residual variance used in covariance calculation, maximum lag-length for automatic selection ( <i>optional</i> ) (if “ <code>lrvarlag = a</code> ”). The default is an observation-based maximum. |

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>lrvarkern = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “bart”)   | For DOLS estimates of the long-run residual variance used in covariance calculation, Kernel shape: “none” (no kernel), “bart” (Bartlett, <i>default</i> ), “bohman” (Bohman), “daniell” (Daniell), “parzen” (Parzen), “parzriesz” (Parzen-Riesz), “parzgeo” (Parzen-Geometric), “parzcauchy” (Parzen-Cauchy), “quadspec” (Quadratic Spectral), “trunc” (Truncated), “thamm” (Tukey-Hamming), “thann” (Tukey-Hanning), “tparz” (Tukey-Parzen). |
| <code>lrvrbw = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “nwfixed”)   | For DOLS estimates of the long-run residual variance used in covariance calculation, bandwidth:: “fixednw” (Newey-West fixed), “andrews” (Andrews automatic), “neweywest” (Newey-West automatic), <i>number</i> (User-specified bandwidth).   |
| <code>lrvrnwlag = integer</code>                             | For DOLS estimates of the long-run residual variance used in covariance calculation, Newey-West lag-selection parameter for use in nonparametric bandwidth selection (if “bw = neweywest”).   |
| <code>lrvrbwoffset = integer</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0) | For DOLS estimates of the long-run residual variance used in covariance calculation, apply offset to automatically selected bandwidth.<br><br>For settings where “cov = hac”, “covkern = ” is specified, and “covbw = ” is not user-specified.  |
| <code>lrvrbwint</code>                                       | For DOLS estimates of the long-run residual variance used in covariance calculation, use integer portion of bandwidth.  |

## Examples

### FMOLS and CCR

To estimate, by FMOLS, the cointegrating equation for LC and LY including a constant, you may use:

```
equation fmols.cointreg(nodf, bw=andrews) lc ly
```

The long-run covariances are estimated nonparametrically using a Bartlett kernel and a bandwidth determined by the Andrews automatic selection method. The coefficient covariances are estimated with no degree-of-freedom correction.

To include a linear trend term in a model where the long-run covariances computed using the Quadratic Spectral kernel and a fixed bandwidth of 10, enter:

```
equation fmols.cointreg(trend=linear, nodf, bw=10, kern=quadspec)
lc ly
```

A model with a cubic trend may be estimated using:



```
equation fmols.cointreg(trend=linear, lags=2, bw=neweywest,  
    nwlag=10, kernel=parzen) lc ly @determ @trend^3
```

Here, the long-run covariances are estimated using a VAR(2) prewhitened Parzen kernel with Newey-West nonparametric bandwidth determined using 10 lags in the autocovariance calculations.

```
equation fmols.cointreg(trend=quadratic, bw=andrews, lags=a,  
    info=aic, kernel=None, regdiff) lc ly @regdeterm @trend^3
```

estimates a restricted model with a cubic trend term that does not appear in the cointegrating equation using a parametric VARHAC with automatic lag length selection based on the AIC. The residuals for the regressors equations are obtained by estimating the difference specification.

To estimate by CCR, we provide the “method = ccr” option. The command

```
equation ccr.cointreg(method=ccr, lag=2, bw=andrews,  
    kern=quadspec) lc ly
```

estimates, by CCR, the constant only model using a VAR(2) prewhitened Quadratic Spectral and Andrews automatic bandwidth selection.

```
equation ccr.cointreg(method=ccr, trend=linear, lag=a, maxlag=5,  
    bw=andrews, kern=quadspec) lc ly
```

modifies the previous estimates by adding a linear trend term to the cointegrating and regressors equations, and changing the VAR prewhitening to automatic selection using the default SIC with a maximum lag length of 5.

```
equation ccr.cointreg(method=ccr, trend=linear,  
    regtrend=quadratic, lag=a, maxlag=5, bw=andrews) lc ly
```

adds a quadratic trend term to the regressors equations only, and changes the kernel to the default Bartlett.

#### *DOLS*

```
equation dols.cointreg(method=dols, trend=linear, nodf, lag=4,  
    lead=4) lc ly
```

estimates the linear specification using DOLS with four lags and leads. The coefficient covariance is obtained by rescaling the no d.f.-correction OLS covariance using the long-run variance of the residuals computed using the default Bartlett kernel and default fixed Newey-West bandwidth.

```
equation dols.cointreg(method=dols, trend=quadratic, nodf, lag=4,  
    lead=2, covkern=bohman, covbw=10) lc ly @determ @trend^3
```

estimates a cubic specification using 4 lags and 2 leads, where the coefficient covariance uses a Bohman kernel and fixed bandwidth of 10.

```
equation dols.cointreg(method=dols, trend=quadratic, nodf, lag=4,
  lead=2, cov=hac, covkern=bohman, covbw=10) lc ly @determ
@trend^3
```

estimates the same specification using a HAC covariance in place of the scaled OLS covariance.

```
equation sols.cointreg(method=dols, trend=quadratic, lltype=none,
  cov=ols) lc ly @determ @trend^3
```

computes the static OLS estimates with the usual OLS d.f. corrected coefficient covariance.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 8. “Cointegrating Regression,” beginning on page 231](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of single equation cointegrating regression. See [Chapter 24. “Panel Cointegration Estimation,” beginning on page 797](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for discussion of estimation in panel settings.

See [“Vector Error Correction \(VEC\) Models” on page 572](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of VEC estimation.

See also [Group::coint \(p. 259\)](#).

|        |                                |
|--------|--------------------------------|
| correl | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|--------|--------------------------------|

Display autocorrelation and partial correlations.

Displays the correlogram and partial correlation functions of the residuals of the equation, together with the *Q*-statistics and *p*-values associated with each lag.

Syntax

```
eq_name.correl(n, options)
```

You must specify the largest lag *n* to use when computing the autocorrelations.

Options

|   |                         |
|---|-------------------------|
| p | Print the correlograms. |
|---|-------------------------|

Examples

```
eq1.correl(24)
```

Displays the correlograms of the residuals of EQ1 for up to 24 lags.

Cross-references

See [“Autocorrelations \(AC\)” on page 377](#) and [“Partial Autocorrelations \(PAC\)” on page 378](#) of the *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of autocorrelation and partial correlation functions, respectively.

See also [Equation::correlsq](#) (p. 70).

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| correlsq | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|----------|--------------------------------|

Correlogram of squared residuals.

Displays the autocorrelation and partial correlation functions of the squared residuals from an estimated equation, together with the  $Q$ -statistics and  $p$ -values associated with each lag.

Syntax

`equation_name.correlsq(n, options)`

You must specify the largest lag  $n$  to use when computing the autocorrelations.

Options

|                |                         |
|----------------|-------------------------|
| <code>p</code> | Print the correlograms. |
|----------------|-------------------------|

Examples

```
eq1.correlsq(24)
```

displays the correlograms of the squared residuals of EQ1 up to 24 lags.

Cross-references

See [“Autocorrelations \(AC\)” on page 377](#) and [“Partial Autocorrelations \(PAC\)” on page 378](#) of the *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of autocorrelation and partial correlation functions, respectively.

See also [Equation::correl](#) (p. 69).

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|-------|----------------------------------|
| count | <a href="#">Equation Methods</a> |
|-------|----------------------------------|

Estimates models where the dependent variable is a nonnegative integer count.

Syntax

```
eq_name.count(options) y x1 [x2 x3...]  
eq_name.count(options) specification
```

Follow the `count` keyword by the name of the dependent variable and a list of regressors or provide a linear specification.

Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>d = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “p”)        | Likelihood specification: Poisson likelihood (“p”), normal quasi-likelihood (“n”), exponential likelihood (“e”), negative binomial likelihood or quasi-likelihood (“b”).                       |
| <code>v = positive_num</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 1) | Specify fixed value for QML parameter in normal and negative binomial quasi-likelihoods.   |
| <code>q (default)</code>                               | Use quadratic hill-climbing as the maximization algorithm.   |
| <code>r</code>   | Use Newton-Raphson as the maximization algorithm.  |
| <code>b</code>   | Use Berndt-Hall-Hausman as the maximization algorithm.   |
| <code>h</code>   | Quasi-maximum likelihood (QML) standard errors.  |
| <code>g</code>   | GLM standard errors.   |
| <code>m = integer</code>                               | Set maximum number of iterations.  |
| <code>c = scalar</code>                                | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2. |
| <code>s</code>   | Use the current coefficient values in estimator coefficient vector as starting values (see also <a href="#">param (p. 413)</a> in the <i>Command and Programming Reference</i> ).              |
| <code>s = number</code>                                | Specify a number between zero and one to determine starting values as a fraction of the EViews default values (out of range values are set to “s = 1”).  |
| <code>coef = arg</code>                                | Specify the name of the coefficient vector (if specified by list); the default behavior is to use the “C” coefficient vector.  |
| <code>prompt</code>                                    | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>   | Print estimation results.  |

Examples

The command:

```
equation eql.count(d=n,v=2,g) y c x1 x2
```

estimates a normal QML count model of Y on a constant, X1, and X2, with fixed variance parameter 2, and GLM standard errors.

```
equation eq1.count arrest c job police
eq1.makeresids(g) res_g
```

estimates a Poisson count model of ARREST on a constant, JOB, and POLICE, and stores the generalized residuals in the series RES\_G.

```
equation eq1.count(d=p) y c x1
eq1.fit yhat
```

estimates a Poisson count model of Y on a constant and X1, and saves the fitted values (conditional mean) in the series YHAT.

```
equation eq1.count(d=p, h) y c x1
```

estimates the same model with QML standard errors and covariances.

Cross-references

See [“Count Models” on page 305](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for additional discussion.

|            |                                |
|------------|--------------------------------|
| cvardecomp | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|------------|--------------------------------|

Displays the coefficient covariance decomposition table.

Syntax

```
equation_name.cvardecomp
```

Examples

```
equation e1.ls y c x
eq1.cvardecomp
```

creates and estimates an equation named E1, and then displays the coefficient covariance decomposition table.

Cross-references

See [“Coefficient Variance Decomposition” on page 144](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for a discussion.

|         |                                |
|---------|--------------------------------|
| depfreq | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|---------|--------------------------------|

Dependent variable frequency table.

Displays the frequency table for the dependent variable in binary, count, and ordered equations.

## Syntax

```
equation_name.depfreq(options)
```

## Options

|   |                            |
|---|----------------------------|
| p | Print the frequency table. |
|---|----------------------------|

## Examples

```
eq1.depfreq(p)
```

displays and prints the dependent variable frequency.

## Cross-references

See also [“Views of Binary Equations” on page 267](#), [“Views of Ordered Equations” on page 282](#), and [“Views of Count Models” on page 310](#) of the *User’s Guide II*.

See also [Equation::means \(p. 117\)](#).

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| derivs | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
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Examine derivatives of the equation specification.

Display information about the derivatives of the equation specification in tabular, graphical, or summary form.

The (default) summary form shows information about how the derivative of the equation specification was computed, and will display the analytic expression for the derivative, or a note indicating that the derivative was computed numerically. The tabular form shows a spreadsheet view of the derivatives of the regression specification with respect to each coefficient (for each observation). The graphical form of the view shows this information in a multiple line graph.

## Syntax

```
equation_name.derivs(options)
```

## Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| g | Display multiple graphs showing the derivatives of the equation specification with respect to the coefficients, evaluated at each observation. |
| t | Display spreadsheet view of the values of the derivatives with respect to the coefficients evaluated at each observation.                      |
| p | Print results.   |

Note that the “g” and “t” options may not be used at the same time.

Examples

To show a table view of the derivatives:

```
eq1.derivs(t)
```

To display and print the summary view:

```
eq1.derivs(p)
```

Cross-references

See [“Derivative Computation Options” on page 918](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for details on the computation of derivatives.

See also [Equation::makederivs \(p. 109\)](#) for additional routines for examining derivatives, and [Equation::grads \(p. 93\)](#), and [Equation::makegrads \(p. 111\)](#) for corresponding routines for gradients.

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|---------|--------------------------------|
| display | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
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Display table, graph, or spool output in the equation object window.

Display the contents of a table, graph, or spool in the window of the equation object.

Syntax

```
equation_name.display object_name
```

Examples

```
equation1.display tab1
```

Display the contents of the table TAB1 in the window of the object EQUATION1.

Cross-references

Most often used in constructing an EViews Add-in. See [“Custom Object Output” on page 192](#) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|             |                                |
|-------------|--------------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">Equation Procs</a> |
|-------------|--------------------------------|

Display name for equation objects.

Attaches a display name to an equation which may be used to label output in place of the standard equation object name.

## Syntax

```
equation_name.displayname display_name
```

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain a variety of characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in equation object names.

## Examples

```
eq1.displayname Hours Worked
eq1.label
```

The first line attaches a display name “Hours Worked” to the equation EQ1, and the second line displays the label view of EQ1, including its display name.

## Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of the *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names.

See also [Equation::label \(p. 100\)](#).

|           |                                |
|-----------|--------------------------------|
| endogtest | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|-----------|--------------------------------|

## Performs the regressor endogeneity test

The `endogtest` view of an equation carries out the Regressor Endogeneity/Donald-Wu Test for equations estimated via TSLS or GMM.

## Syntax

```
eq_name.endogtest regressors
```

## Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
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## Regressors

A list of equation regressors to be tested for endogeneity. Note the regressors must have been included in the original equation.

## Examples

```
equation eq1.gmm y c x1 x2 @ z1 z2 z3 z4
e1.endogtest x1
```

estimates an equation, called EQ1, and estimates it via GMM, and then performs the Endogeneity Test, where X1 is tested for endogeneity.



Cross-references

See [“Regressor Endogeneity Test” on page 79](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for a discussion.

|          |                                      |
|----------|--------------------------------------|
| equation | <a href="#">Equation Declaration</a> |
|----------|--------------------------------------|

Declare an equation object.

Syntax

```
equation eq_name
equation eq_name.method(options) specification
```

Follow the `equation` keyword with a name and an optional specification. If you wish to enter the specification, you should follow the new equation name with a period, an estimation method, and the equation specification. Valid estimation methods are given in [“Equation Methods” on page 31](#). Refer to each method for a description of the available options.

Examples

```
equation cobdoug.ls log(y) c log(k) log(l)
```

declares and estimates an equation object named COBDOUG.

```
equation ces.ls log(y)=c(1)*log(k^c(2)+l^c(3))
```

declares an equation object named CES containing a nonlinear least squares specification.

```
equation demand.ts1s q c p x @ x p(-1) gov
```

creates an equation object named DEMAND and estimates DEMAND using two-stage least squares with instruments X, lagged P, and GOV.

Cross-references

[Chapter 1. “Basic Regression Analysis,” on page 5](#) of the *User’s Guide II* provides basic information on estimation and equation objects.

|          |                                |
|----------|--------------------------------|
| facbreak | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|----------|--------------------------------|

Factor breakpoint test for stability.

Carries out a factor breakpoint test for parameter constancy.

Syntax

```
eq_name.facbreak(options) ser1 [ser2 ser3 ...] @ x1 x2 x3
```

You must provide one or more series to be used as the factors with which to split the sample into categories. To specify more than one factor, separate the factors by a space. If the equa-

tion is specified by list and contains no nonlinear terms, you may specify a subset of the regressors to be tested for a breakpoint after an “@” sign.

Options

|   |                               |
|---|-------------------------------|
| p | Print the result of the test. |
|---|-------------------------------|

Examples

The commands:

```
equation ppp.ls log(spot) c log(p_us) log(p_uk)
ppp.facbreak season
```

perform a regression of the log of SPOT on a constant, the log of P\_US, and the log of P\_UK, and employ a factor breakpoint test to determine whether the parameters are stable through the different values of SEASON.

To test whether only the constant term and the coefficient on the log of P\_US are “stable” enter the commands:

```
ppp.facbreak season @ c log(p_us)
```

Cross-references

See “Factor Breakpoint Test” on page 155 of the *User’s Guide II* for further discussion.

See also [Equation::chow](#) (p. 54), [Equation::breaktest](#) (p. 51), and [Equation::rls](#) (p. 135).

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|-----|--------------------------------|
| fit | <a href="#">Equation Procs</a> |
|-----|--------------------------------|

Compute static forecasts or fitted values from an estimated equation.

When the regressor contains lagged dependent values or ARMA terms, `fit` uses the actual values of the dependent variable instead of the lagged fitted values. You may instruct `fit` to compare the forecasted data to actual data, and to compute forecast summary statistics.

Not available for equations estimated using ordered methods; use [Equation::makemodel](#) (p. 112) to create a model using the ordered equation results (see example below).

Syntax

```
eq_name.fit(options) yhat [y_se]
eq_name.fit(options) yhat [y_se y_var]
```

Following the `fit` keyword, you should type a name for the forecast series and, optionally, a name for the series containing the standard errors. For ARCH specifications, you may use

the second form of the command, and optionally include a name for the conditional variance series.

Forecast standard errors are currently not available for binary, censored, and count models.

## Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| d   | In models with implicit dependent variables, forecast the entire expression rather than the normalized variable.  |
| u   | Substitute expressions for all auto-updating series in the equation.  |
| g   | Graph the fitted values together with the $\pm 2$ standard error bands.   |
| e   | Produce the forecast evaluation table.  |
| i   | Compute the fitted values of the index. Only for binary, censored and count models.   |
| s   | Ignore ARMA terms and use only the structural part of the equation to compute the fitted values.  |
| n   | Ignore coef uncertainty in standard error calculations that use them.   |
| f = <i>arg</i><br>( <i>default</i> =<br>"actual") | Out-of-fit-sample fill behavior: "actual" (fill observations outside the fit sample with actual values for the fitted variable), "na" (fill observations outside the fit sample with missing values). |
| prompt  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| p   | Print view.   |

## Examples

```
equation eq1.ls cons c cons(-1) inc inc(-1)
eq1.fit c_hat c_se
genr c_up=c_hat+2*c_se
genr c_low=c_hat-2*c_se
line cons c_up c_low
```

The first line estimates a linear regression of CONS on a constant, CONS lagged once, INC, and INC lagged once. The second line stores the static forecasts and their standard errors as C\_HAT and C\_SE. The third and fourth lines compute the  $\pm 2$  standard error bounds. The fifth line plots the actual series together with the error bounds.

```
equation eq2.binary(d=1) y c wage edu
eq2.fit yf
eq2.fit(i) xbeta
```

```
genr yhat = 1-@clogit(-xbeta)
```

The first line estimates a logit specification for Y with a conditional mean that depends on a constant, WAGE, and EDU. The second line computes the fitted probabilities, and the third line computes the fitted values of the index. The fourth line computes the probabilities from the fitted index using the cumulative distribution function of the logistic distribution. Note that YF and YHAT should be identical.

Note that you cannot fit values from an ordered model. You must instead solve the values from a model. The following lines generate fitted probabilities from an ordered model:

```
equation eq3.ordered y c x z
eq3.makemodel(oprob1)
solve oprob1
```

The first line estimates an ordered probit of Y on a constant, X, and Z. The second line makes a model from the estimated equation with a name OPROB1. The third line solves the model and computes the fitted probabilities that each observation falls in each category.

## Cross-references

To perform dynamic forecasting, use [Equation::forecast](#) (p. 80). See [Equation::makemodel](#) (p. 112) and [Model::solve](#) (p. 398) for forecasting from systems of equations or ordered equations.

See [Chapter 5. “Forecasting from an Equation,”](#) on page 111 of the *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of forecasting in EViews and [Chapter 9. “Discrete and Limited Dependent Variable Models,”](#) on page 259 of the *User’s Guide II* for forecasting from binary, censored, truncated, and count models.

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|-----------|--------------------------------|
| fixedtest | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|-----------|--------------------------------|

**Test joint significance of the fixed effects estimates.**

Tests the hypothesis that the estimated fixed effects are jointly significant using  $F$  and LR test statistics. If the estimated specification involves two-way fixed effects, three separate tests will be performed; one for each set of effects, and one for the joint effects.

## Syntax

```
eq_name.fixedtest(options)
```

## Options

|   |                             |
|---|-----------------------------|
| p | Print output from the test. |
|---|-----------------------------|

Examples

```
equation eq1.ls(cx=f) sales c adver lsales
eq1.fixedtest
```

estimates a specification with cross-section fixed effects and tests whether the fixed effects are jointly significant.

Cross-references

See also [Equation::testadd \(p. 144\)](#), [Equation::testdrop \(p. 145\)](#), [Equation::ranhaus \(p. 131\)](#), and [Equation::wald \(p. 155\)](#).

|          |                                |
|----------|--------------------------------|
| forecast | <a href="#">Equation Procs</a> |
|----------|--------------------------------|

Computes (*n*-period ahead) dynamic forecasts of an estimated equation.

`forecast` computes the forecast for all observations in a specified sample. In some settings, you may instruct `forecast` to compare the forecasted data to actual data, and to compute summary statistics.

Syntax

```
eq_name.forecast(options) yhat [y_se]
eq_name.forecast(options) yhat [y_se y_var]
```

Enter a name for the forecast series and, optionally, a name for the series containing the standard errors. For ARCH specifications, you may use the second form of the command, and optionally enter a name for the conditional variance series. Forecast standard errors are currently not available for binary or censored models. `forecast` is not available for models estimated using ordered methods.

Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| d | In models with implicit dependent variables, forecast the entire expression rather than the normalized variable. |
| u | Substitute expressions for all auto-updating series in the equation.   |
| g | Graph the forecasts together with the $\pm 2$ standard error bands.  |
| e | Produce the forecast evaluation table.   |
| i | Compute the forecasts of the index. Only for binary, censored and count models.                                  |

|                                    |   |
|------------------------------------|---|
| s                                  | Ignore ARMA terms and use only the structural part of the equation to compute the forecasts.  |
| n                                  | Ignore coef uncertainty in standard error calculations that use them.   |
| b = arg                            | MA backcast method: “fa” (forecast available). Only for equations estimated with MA terms. This option is ignored if you specify the “s” (structural forecast) option. The default method uses the estimation sample. |
| f = arg<br>(default =<br>“actual”) | Out-of-forecast-sample fill behavior: “actual” (fill observations outside the forecast sample with actual values for the fitted variable), “na” (fill observations outside the forecast sample with missing values).  |
| prompt                             | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| p                                  | Print view.   |

## Examples

The following lines:

```
smp1 1970q1 1990q4
equation eq1.ls con c con(-1) inc
smp1 1991q1 1995q4
eq1.fit con_s
eq1.forecast con_d
plot con_s con_d
```

estimate a linear regression over the period 1970Q1–1990Q4, compute static (fitted) and dynamic forecasts for the period 1991Q1–1995Q4, and plot the two forecasts in a single graph.

```
equation eq1.ls m1 gdp ar(1) ma(1)
eq1.forecast m1_bj bj_se
eq1.forecast(s) m1_s s_se
plot bj_se s_se
```

estimates an ARMA(1,1) model, computes the forecasts and standard errors with and without the ARMA terms, and plots the two forecast standard errors.

## Cross-references

To perform static forecasting with equation objects see [Equation::fit](#) (p. 77). For multiple equation forecasting, see [Equation::makemodel](#) (p. 112), and [Model::solve](#) (p. 398).

For more information on equation forecasting in EViews, see [Chapter 5. “Forecasting from an Equation,” on page 111](#) of the *User’s Guide II*.

|              |                                |
|--------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>garch</b> | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|--------------|--------------------------------|

**Conditional variance/covariance of (G)ARCH estimation.**

Displays the conditional variance, covariance or correlation of an equation estimated by ARCH.

**Syntax**

`eq_name.garch(options)`

**Options**

|                |   |
|----------------|---|
| <code>v</code> | Display conditional variance graph instead of the standard deviation graph. |
| <code>p</code> | Print the graph   |

**Examples**

```
equation eq1.arch sp500 c
eq1.garch
```

estimates a GARCH(1,1) model and displays the estimated conditional standard deviation graph.

```
eq1.garch(v, p)
```

displays and prints the estimated conditional variance graph.

**Cross-references**

ARCH estimation is described in [Chapter 7. “ARCH and GARCH Estimation,” on page 207](#) of the *User’s Guide II*.

|            |                                  |
|------------|----------------------------------|
| <b>glm</b> | <a href="#">Equation Methods</a> |
|------------|----------------------------------|

**Estimate a Generalized Linear Model (GLM).**

**Syntax**

`eq_name.glm(options) spec`

List the `glm` keyword, followed by the dependent variable and a list of the explanatory variables, or an explicit linear expression.

If you enter an explicit *linear* specification such as “ $Y = C(1) + C(2)*X$ ”, the response variable will be taken to be the variable on the left-hand side of the equality (“Y”) and the linear predictor will be taken from the right-hand side of the expression (“ $C(1) + C(2)*X$ ”).

Offsets may be entered directly in an explicit linear expression or they may be entered as using the “offset = ” option.

## Specification Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>family = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “normal”) | Distribution family: Normal (“normal”), Poisson (“poisson”), Binomial Count (“binomial”), Binomial Proportion (“binprop”), Negative Binomial (“negbin”), Gamma (“gamma”), Inverse Gaussian (“igauss”), Exponential Mean (“emean”), Power Mean (“pmean”), Binomial Squared (“binsq”).<br><br>The Binomial Count, Binomial Proportion, Negative Binomial, and Power Mean families all require specification of a distribution parameter:         |
| <code>n = arg</code> ( <i>default</i> = 1)                | Number of trials for Binomial Count (“family = binomial”) or Binomial Proportions (“family = binprop”) families.   |
| <code>fparam = arg</code>                                 | Family parameter value for Negative Binomial (“family = negbin”) and Power Mean (“family = pmean”) families.   |
| <code>link = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “identity”) | Link function: Identity (“identity”), Log (“log”), Log Complement (“logc”), Logit (“logit”), Probit (“probit”), Log-log (“loglog”), Complementary Log-log (“cloglog”), Reciprocal (“recip”), Power (“power”), Box-Cox (“boxcox”), Power Odds Ratio (“opow”), Box-Cox Odds Ratio (“obox”).<br><br>The Power, Box-Cox, Power Odds Ratio, and Box-Cox Odds Ratio links all require specification of a link parameter specified using “lparam = ”. |
| <code>lparam = arg</code>                                 | Link parameter for Power (“link = power”), Box-Cox (“link = boxcox”), Power Odds Ratio (“link = opow”) and Box-Cox Odds Ratio (“link = obox”) link functions.  |
| <code>offset = arg</code>                                 | Offset terms.  |



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| <code>disp = arg</code>                                  | <p>Dispersion estimator: Pearson <math>\chi^2</math> statistic (“pearson”), deviance statistic (“deviance”), unit (“unit”), user-specified (“user”).</p> <p>The default is family specific: “unit” for Binomial Count, Binomial Proportion, Negative Binomial, and Poisson, and “pearson” for all others.</p> <p>The “deviance” option is only offered for families in the exponential family of distributions (Normal, Poisson, Binomial Count, Binomial Proportion, Negative Binomial, Gamma, Inverse Gaussian).</p> |
| <code>dispval = arg</code>                               | User-dispersion value (if “disp = user”).  |
| <code>fwgts = arg</code>                                 | Frequency weights.   |
| <code>w = arg</code>                                     | Weight series or expression.   |
| <code>wtype = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “istdev”) | Weight specification type: inverse standard deviation (“istdev”), inverse variance (“ivar”), standard deviation (“stdev”), variance (“var”).   |
| <code>wscale = arg</code>                                | <p>Weight scaling: EViews default (“eviews”), average (“avg”), none (“none”).</p> <p>The default setting depends upon the weight type: “eviews” if “wtype = istdev”, “avg” for all others.</p>   |

In addition to the specification options, there are options for estimation and covariance calculation.

### Additional Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>estmeth = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “marquardt”) | Estimation algorithm: Quadratic Hill Climbing (“marquardt”), Newton-Raphson (“newton”), IRLS - Fisher Scoring (“irls”), BHHH (“bhhh”).   |
| <code>m = integer</code>                                      | Set maximum number of iterations.  |
| <code>c = scalar</code>                                       | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2. |
| <code>s</code>  | Use the current coefficient values in estimator coefficient vector as starting values (see also <a href="#">param (p. 413)</a> in the <i>Command and Programming Reference</i> ).              |
| <code>s = number</code>                                       | Specify a number between zero and one to determine starting values as a fraction of EViews default values (out of range values are set to “s = 1”).  |

|   |  |
|---|--|
| showopts / -showopts                          | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.   |
| preiter = <i>arg</i><br>(default = 0)         | Number of IRLS pre-iterations to refine starting values (only available for non-IRLS estimation).  |
| cov = <i>arg</i><br>(default = “invinfo”)     | Coefficient covariance method: Inverse information matrix (“invinfo”), Huber-White sandwich (“white” or “sandwich”), Newey-West HAC (“hac”).   |
| covinfo = <i>arg</i><br>(default = “default”) | Information matrix method: Estimation and covariance method specific default (“default”), Hessian, outer-product of gradients (“opg”), “hac” (Newey-West HAC),<br>The default method depends on the estimation and covariance method.<br>For “cov = invinfo”, the default information matrix is computed to match the setting specified in “estmeth = ”. IRLS (“irls”) will default to the expected hessian, while the remaining methods will default to the observed Hessian. |
| nodf  | Do not degree-of-freedom correct the coefficient covariance estimate.  |
| covlag = <i>arg</i><br>(default = 1)          | Whitening lag specification: <i>integer</i> (user-specified lag value), “a” (automatic selection).<br>Applicable where “cov = hac”.  |
| covinfosel = <i>arg</i><br>(default = “aic”)  | Information criterion for automatic selection: “aic” (Akaike), “sic” (Schwarz), “hqc” (Hannan-Quinn) (if “lag = a”).<br>For settings where “cov = hac, covlag = a”.  |
| covmaxlag = <i>integer</i>                    | Maximum lag-length for automatic selection ( <i>optional</i> ) (if “lag = a”). The default is an observation-based maximum of $T^{1/3}$ .<br>For settings where “cov = hac, covlag = a”.   |
| covkern = <i>arg</i><br>(default = “bart”)    | Kernel shape: “none” (no kernel), “bart” (Bartlett, <i>default</i> ), “bohman” (Bohman), “daniell” (Daniel), “parzen” (Parzen), “parzriesz” (Parzen-Riesz), “parzgeo” (Parzen-Geometric), “parzcauchy” (Parzen-Cauchy), “quadspec” (Quadratic Spectral), “trunc” (Truncated), “thamm” (Tukey-Hamming), “thann” (Tukey-Hanning), “tparz” (Tukey-Parzen).<br>For settings where “cov = hac”.   |

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>covbw = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “fixednw”)   | Kernel Bandwidth: “fixednw” (Newey-West fixed), “andrews” (Andrews automatic), “neweywest” (Newey-West automatic), <i>number</i> (User-specified bandwidth).<br>For settings where “cov = hac” and “covkern = ” is specified. |
| <code>covnwlag = integer</code>                             | Newey-West lag-selection parameter for use in nonparametric kernel bandwidth selection (if “covbw = neweywest”).<br>For settings where “cov = hac” and “covkern = ” is specified.   |
| <code>covbwoffset = integer</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0) | Apply offset to automatically selected bandwidth.<br>For settings where “cov = hac”, “covkern = ” is specified, and “covbw = ” is not user-specified.   |
| <code>covbwint</code>                                       | Use integer portion of kernel bandwidth.<br>For settings where “cov = hac” and “covkern = ” is specified.   |
| <code>coef = arg</code>                                     | Specify the name of the coefficient vector (if specified by list); the default behavior is to use the “C” coefficient vector.   |
| <code>prompt</code>   | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>  | Print results.  |

## Examples

```
equation eqstrike.glm(link=log) numb c ip feb
```

estimates a normal regression model with exponential mean.

```
equation eqbinom.glm(family=binomial, n=total) disease c snore
```

estimates a binomial count model with default logit link where TOTAL contains the number of binomial trials and DISEASE is the number of binomial successes. The specification

```
equation eqbinom.glm(family=binprop, n=total, cov=white, nodf)
disease/total c snore
```

estimates the same specification in proportion form, and computes the coefficient covariance using the White-Huber sandwich with no df correction.

```
equation eqprate.glm(family=binprop, disp=pearson) prate mprate
log(totemp) log(totemp)^2 age age^2 sole
```

estimates a binomial proportions model with default logit link, but computes the coefficient covariance using the GLM scaled covariance with dispersion computed using the Pearson Chi-square statistic.

```
equation eqprate.glm(family=binprop, link=probit, cov=white) prate
mbrate log(totemp) log(totemp)^2 age age^2 sole
```

estimates the same basic specification, but with a probit link and Huber-White standard errors.

```
equation testeq.glm(family=poisson, offset=log(pyyears)) los hmo
white type2 type3 c
```

estimates a Poisson specification with an offset term LOG(PYEARS).

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 10. “Generalized Linear Models,” beginning on page 319](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for discussion.

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| gmm | <a href="#">Equation Methods</a> |
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**Estimation by generalized method of moments (GMM).**

The equation object must be specified with a list of instruments.

## Syntax

```
eq_name.gmm(options) y x1 [x2 x3...] @ z1 [z2 z3...]
eq_name.gmm(options) specification @ z1 [z2 z3...]
```

Follow the name of the dependent variable by a list of regressors, followed by the “@” symbol, and a list of instrumental variables which are orthogonal to the residuals. Alternatively, you can specify an expression using coefficients, an “@” symbol, and a list of instrumental variables. There must be at least as many instrumental variables as there are coefficients to be estimated.

In panel settings, you may specify dynamic instruments corresponding to predetermined variables. To specify a dynamic instrument, you should tag the instrument using “@DYN”, as in “@DYN(X)”. By default, EViews will use a set of period-specific instruments corresponding to lags from -2 to “-infinity”. You may also specify a restricted lag range using arguments in the “@DYN” tag. For example, to use lags from -5 to “-infinity” you may enter “@DYN(X, -5)”; to specify lags from -2 to -6, use “@DYN(X, -2, -6)” or “@DYN(X, -6, -2)”.

Note that dynamic instrument specifications may easily generate excessively large numbers of instruments.

## Options

### Non-Panel GMM Options

#### Basic GMM Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>nocinst</code>                                     | Do not include automatically a constant as an instrument.  |
| <code>method = keyword</code>                            | Set the weight updating method. <i>keyword</i> should be one of the following: “nstep” (N-Step Iterative, or Sequential N-Step Iterative, default), “converge” (Iterate to Convergence or Sequential Iterate to Convergence), “simul” (Simultaneous Iterate to Convergence), “oneplusone” (One-Step Weights Plus One Iteration), or “cue” (Continuously Updating). |
| <code>gmmiter = integer</code>                           | Number of weight iterations. Only applicable if the “method = nstep” option is set.  |
| <code>w = arg</code>                                     | Weight series or expression.   |
| <code>wtype = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “istdev”) | Weight specification type: inverse standard deviation (“istdev”), inverse variance (“ivar”), standard deviation (“stdev”), variance (“var”).   |
| <code>wscale = arg</code>                                | Weight scaling: EViews default (“eviews”), average (“avg”), none (“none”).<br><br>The default setting depends upon the weight type: “eviews” if “wtype = istdev”, “avg” for all others.  |
| <code>m = integer</code>                                 | Maximum number of iterations.  |
| <code>c = number</code>                                  | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2.   |
| <code>l = number</code>                                  | Set maximum number of iterations on the first-stage iteration to get the one-step weighting matrix.  |
| <code>coef = arg</code>                                  | Specify the name of the coefficient vector (if specified by list); the default behavior is to use the “C” coefficient vector.  |
| <code>showopts / -showopts</code>                        | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.   |

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|------------------------------|---|
| <code>deriv = keyword</code> | Set derivative method. The argument <i>keyword</i> should be a one- or two-letter string. The first letter should either be “f” or “a” corresponding to fast or accurate numeric derivatives (if used). The second letter should be either “n” (always use numeric) or “a” (use analytic if possible). If omitted, EViews will use the global defaults. |
| <code>prompt</code>          | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>               | Print results.  |

### Estimation Weighting Matrix Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>instwgt = keyword</code>                       | Set the estimation weighting matrix type. <i>Keyword</i> should be one of the following: “tsls” (two-stage least squares), “white” (White diagonal matrix), “hac” (Newey-West HAC, default) or “user” (user defined).  |
| <code>instwgtmat = name</code>                       | Set the name of the user-defined estimation weighting matrix. Only applicable if the “instwgt = user” option is set.   |
| <code>instlag = arg</code><br>(default = 1)          | Whitening Lag specification: <i>integer</i> (user-specified lag value), “a” (automatic selection).   |
| <code>instinfo = arg</code><br>(default = “aic”)     | Information criterion for automatic whitening lag selection: “aic” (Akaike), “sic” (Schwarz), “hqc” (Hannan-Quinn) (if “instlag = a”).   |
| <code>instmaxlag = integer</code>                    | Maximum lag-length for automatic selection ( <i>optional</i> ) (if “instlag = a”). The default is an observation-based maximum of $T^{1/3}$ .  |
| <code>instkern = arg</code><br>(default = “bart”)    | Kernel shape: “none” (no kernel), “bart” (Bartlett, <i>default</i> ), “bohman” (Bohman), “daniell” (Daniell), “parzen” (Parzen), “parzriesz” (Parzen-Riesz), “parzgeo” (Parzen-Geometric), “parzcauchy” (Parzen-Cauchy), “quadspec” (Quadratic Spectral), “trunc” (Truncated), “thamm” (Tukey-Hamming), “thann” (Tukey-Hanning), “tparz” (Tukey-Parzen). |
| <code>instbw = arg</code><br>(default = “fixednw”)   | Kernel Bandwidth: “fixednw” (Newey-West fixed), “andrews” (Andrews automatic), “neweywest” (Newey-West automatic), <i>number</i> (User-specified bandwidth).   |
| <code>instnwlag = integer</code>                     | Newey-West lag-selection parameter for use in nonparametric bandwidth selection (if “instbw = neweywest”).   |
| <code>instbwoffset = integer</code><br>(default = 0) | Apply integer offset to bandwidth chosen by automatic selection method (“bw = andrews” or “bw = neweywest”).   |
| <code>instbwint</code>                               | Use integer portion of bandwidth chosen by automatic selection method (“bw = andrews” or “bw = neweywest”).  |

## Covariance Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>cov = keyword</code>                                  | Covariance weighting matrix type ( <i>optional</i> ): “updated” (estimation updated), “tsls” (two-stage least squares), “white” (White diagonal matrix), “hac” (Newey-West HAC), “wind” (Windmeijer) or “user” (user defined). The default is to use the estimation weighting matrix.   |
| <code>nodf</code>   | Do not perform degree of freedom corrections in computing coefficient covariance matrix. The default is to use degree of freedom corrections.   |
| <code>covwgtmat = name</code>                               | Set the name of the user-defined covariance weighting matrix. Only applicable if the “covwgt = user” option is set.   |
| <code>covlag = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 1)          | Whitening lag specification: <i>integer</i> (user-specified lag value), “a” (automatic selection).  |
| <code>covinfo = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “aic”)     | Information criterion for automatic selection: “aic” (Akaike), “sic” (Schwarz), “hqc” (Hannan-Quinn) (if “lag = a”).  |
| <code>covmaxlag = integer</code>                            | Maximum lag-length for automatic selection ( <i>optional</i> ) (if “lag = a”). The default is an observation-based maximum of $T^{1/3}$ .   |
| <code>covkern = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “bart”)    | Kernel shape: “none” (no kernel), “bart” (Bartlett, <i>default</i> ), “bohman” (Bohman), “daniell” (Daniel), “parzen” (Parzen), “parzriesz” (Parzen-Riesz), “parzgeo” (Parzen-Geometric), “parzcauchy” (Parzen-Cauchy), “quadspec” (Quadratic Spectral), “trunc” (Truncated), “thamm” (Tukey-Hamming), “thann” (Tukey-Hanning), “tparz” (Tukey-Parzen). |
| <code>covbw = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “fixednw”)   | Kernel Bandwidth: “fixednw” (Newey-West fixed), “andrews” (Andrews automatic), “neweywest” (Newey-West automatic), <i>number</i> (User-specified bandwidth).  |
| <code>covnwlag = integer</code>                             | Newey-West lag-selection parameter for use in nonparametric kernel bandwidth selection (if “covbw = neweywest”).  |
| <code>covbwoffset = integer</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0) | Apply integer offset to bandwidth chosen by automatic selection method (“bw = andrews” or “bw = neweywest”).  |
| <code>covbwint</code>                                       | Use integer portion of bandwidth chosen by automatic selection method (“bw = andrews” or “bw = neweywest”).   |

*Panel GMM Options*

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| <code>cx = arg</code>   | Cross-section effects method: (default) none, fixed effects estimation (“cx = f”), first-difference estimation (“cx = fd”), orthogonal deviation estimation (“cx = od”).  |
| <code>per = arg</code>  | Period effects method: (default) none, fixed effects estimation (“per = f”).  |
| <code>levelper</code>   | Period dummies always specified in levels (even if one of the transformation methods is used, “cx = fd” or “cx = od”).  |
| <code>wgt = arg</code>  | GLS weighting: (default) none, cross-section system weights (“wgt = cxsur”), period system weights (“wgt = persur”), cross-section diagonal weights (“wgt = cxdiag”), period diagonal weights (“wgt = perdiag”).  |
| <code>gmm = arg</code>  | GMM weighting: 2SLS (“gmm = 2sls”), White period system covariances (Arellano-Bond 2-step/ <i>n</i> -step) (“gmm = perwhite”), White cross-section system (“gmm = cxwhite”), White diagonal (“gmm = stackedwhite”), Period system (“gmm = persur”), Cross-section system (“gmm = cxsur”), Period heteroskedastic (“cov = perdiag”), Cross-section heteroskedastic (“gmm = cxdiag”).<br><br>By default, uses the identity matrix unless estimated with first difference transformation (“cx = fd”), in which case, uses (Arellano-Bond 1-step) difference weighting matrix. In this latter case, you should specify 2SLS weights (“gmm = 2sls”) for Anderson-Hsiao estimation. |
| <code>cov = arg</code>  | Coefficient covariance method: ( <i>default</i> ) ordinary, White cross-section system robust (“cov = cxwhite”), White period system robust (“cov = perwhite”), White heteroskedasticity robust (“cov = stackedwhite”), Cross-section system robust/PCSE (“cov = cxsur”), Period system robust/PCSE (“cov = persur”), Cross-section heteroskedasticity robust/PCSE (“cov = cxdiag”), Period heteroskedasticity robust (“cov = perdiag”).  |
| <code>keepwgt</code>    | Keep full set of GLS/GMM weights used in estimation with object, if applicable (by default, only weights which take up little memory are saved).  |
| <code>coef = arg</code> | Specify the name of the coefficient vector (if specified by list); the default behavior is to use the “C” coefficient vector.   |



|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>iter = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “onec”) | Iteration control for GLS and GMM weighting specifications: perform one weight iteration, then iterate coefficients to convergence (“iter = onec”), iterate weights and coefficients simultaneously to convergence (“iter = sim”), iterate weights and coefficients sequentially to convergence (“iter = seq”), perform one weight iteration, then one coefficient step (“iter = oneb”). |
| <code>m = integer</code>                              | Maximum number of iterations.  |
| <code>c = number</code>                               | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2.   |
| <code>l = number</code>                               | Set maximum number of iterations on the first-stage iteration to get the one-step weighting matrix.  |
| <code>unbalsur</code>                                 | Compute SUR factorization in unbalanced data using the subset of available observations for a cluster.   |
| <code>showopts / -showopts</code>                     | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.   |
| <code>deriv = keyword</code>                          | Set derivative method. The argument <i>keyword</i> should be a one- or two-letter string. The first letter should either be “f” or “a” corresponding to fast or accurate numeric derivatives (if used). The second letter should be either “n” (always use numeric) or “a” (use analytic if possible). If omitted, EViews will use the global defaults.                                  |
| <code>prompt</code>                                   | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>  | Print results.   |

Note that some options are only available for a subset of specifications.

## Examples

In a non-panel workfile, we may estimate equations using the standard GMM options. The specification:

```
gmmc.gmm(instwgt=white,gmmiter=2,nodf) cons c y y(-1) w @ c p(-1)
k(-1) x(-1) tm wg g t
```

estimates the Klein equation for consumption using GMM with a White diagonal weighting matrix (two steps and no degree of freedom correction). The command:

```
gmmi.gmm(method=cue,instwgt=hac,instlag=1,instkern=thann,instbw=andrews,nodf,deriv=aa) i c y y(-1) k(-1) @ c p(-1) k(-1) x(-1) tm
wg g t
```

estimates the Klein equation for investment using a Newey-West HAC weighting matrix, with pre-whitening with 1 lag, a Tukey-Hanning kernel and the Andrews automatic bandwidth routine. The estimation is performed using continuously updating weight iterations.

When working with a workfile that has a panel structure, you may use the panel equation estimation options. The command

```
eq.gmm(cx=fd, per=f) dj dj(-1) @ @dyn(dj)
```

estimates an Arellano-Bond “1-step” estimator with differencing of the dependent variable DJ, period fixed effects, and dynamic instruments constructed using DJ with observation specific lags from period  $t - 2$  to 1.

To perform the “2-step” version of this estimator, you may use:

```
eq.gmm(cx=fd, per=f, gmm=perwhite, iter=oneb) dj dj(-1) @ @dyn(dj)
```

where the combination of the options “gmm = perwhite” and (the default) “iter = oneb” instructs EViews to estimate the model with the difference weights, to use the estimates to form period covariance GMM weights, and then re-estimate the model.

You may iterate the GMM weights to convergence using:

```
eq.gmm(cx=fd, per=f, gmm=perwhite, iter=seq) dj dj(-1) @ @dyn(dj)
```

Alternately:

```
eq.gmm(cx=od, gmm=perwhite, iter=oneb) dj dj(-1) x y @ @dyn(dj,-2,-6) x(-1) y(-1)
```

estimates an Arellano-Bond “2-step” equation using orthogonal deviations of the dependent variable, dynamic instruments constructed from DJ from period  $t - 6$  to  $t - 2$ , and ordinary instruments X(-1) and Y(-1).

Cross-references

See “Generalized Method of Moments” on page 67 and Chapter 23. “Panel Estimation,” on page 759 of the *User’s Guide II* for discussion of the various GMM estimation techniques.

See also [Equation::tsls](#) (p. 148).

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| grads | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
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Gradients of the objective function.

The (default) summary form shows the value of the gradient vector at the estimated parameter values (if valid estimates exist) or at the current coefficient values. Evaluating the gradients at current coefficient values allows you to examine the behavior of the objective

function at starting values. The tabular form shows a spreadsheet view of the gradients for each observation. The graphical form shows this information in a multiple line graph.

Syntax

```
equation_name.grads(options)
```

Options

|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| g           | Display multiple graph showing the gradients of the objective function with respect to the coefficients evaluated at each observation.            |
| t (default) | Display spreadsheet view of the values of the gradients of the objective function with respect to the coefficients evaluated at each observation. |
| p           | Print results.  |

Examples

To show a summary view of the gradients:

```
eq1.grads
```

To display and print the table view:

```
eq1.grads(t, p)
```

Cross-references

See also [Equation::derivs \(p. 73\)](#), [Equation::makederivs \(p. 109\)](#), and [Equation::makegrads \(p. 111\)](#).

|        |                                  |
|--------|----------------------------------|
| heckit | <a href="#">Equation Methods</a> |
|--------|----------------------------------|

Estimate a selection equation using the Heckman ML or 2-step method.

Syntax

```
equation_name.heckit(options) response_eqn @ selection_eqn
```

The response equation should be the dependent variable followed by a list of regressors. The selection equation should be a binary dependent variable followed by a list of regressors.

## Options

### General Options

|                   |   |
|-------------------|---|
| 2step             | Use the Heckman 2-step estimation method. Note that this option is incompatible with the maximum likelihood options below.    |
| coef = <i>arg</i> | Specify the name of the coefficient vector (if specified by list); the default behavior is to use the “C” coefficient vector. |
| prompt            | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| p                 | Print the estimation results.   |

### ML Options

Note these options are not available if the “2step” option, above, is used.

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| cov = <i>arg</i>        | Covariance matrix choice. <i>arg</i> may be any of the following: “opg” (outer product of gradients), “hessian” (observed Hessian matrix), or “white” (Huber/White sandwich). Note if this option is not used, EViews will default to “opg” when the BHHH optimizer is used, and “hessian” otherwise. |
| m = <i>integer</i>      | Set maximum number of iterations.   |
| c = <i>number</i>       | Set convergence criteria.   |
| deriv = n               | Use numerical derivatives.  |
| showopts /<br>-showopts | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.  |
| s = <i>number</i>       | Scale EViews’ starting values by <i>number</i> .  |
| r                       | Use Newton-Raphson optimizer.   |
| b                       | Use BHHH optimizer.   |

## Examples

```
wfopen http://www.stern.nyu.edu/~wgreene/Text/Edition7/TableF5-
1.txt
equation eq01.heckit ww c ax ax^2 we cit @ lfp c wa wa^2 faminc we
(k618+k16)>0
equation eq02.heckit(2step) ww c ax ax^2 we cit @ lfp c wa wa^2
faminc we (k618+k16)>0
```

This example replicates the Heckman Selection example given in Greene (2008, page 888), which uses data from the Mroz (1987) study to estimate a selection model. The first line of

this example downloads the data set, the second line creates an equation object and estimates it using the default maximum likelihood estimation method of Heckman Selection, which replicates the first pane of Table 24.3 in Greene. The third line estimates the same model, using the two-step approach, which replicates the second pane of Table 24.3.

Cross-references

|         |                                |
|---------|--------------------------------|
| hettest | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|---------|--------------------------------|

Test for Heteroskedasticity.

Performs a test for heteroskedasticity among the residuals from an equation.

The test performed can be a Breusch-Pagan-Godfrey (the default option), Harvey, Glejser, ARCH or White style test.

Syntax

equation\_name.**hettest**(*options*) *variables*

Options

|                       |  |
|-----------------------|--|
| type = <i>keyword</i> | where <i>keyword</i> is either “BPG” (Breusch-Pagan-Godfrey - default), “Harvey”, “Glejser”, “ARCH”, or “White”. |
| c                     | include cross terms for White test.  |
| lags = <i>int</i>     | set number of lags to use for ARCH test. (Only applies when type = “ARCH”.                                       |
| prompt                | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |

Variables

A list of series names to be included in the auxiliary regression. Not applicable for ARCH or White type tests. The following keywords may be included:

|                     |  |
|---------------------|--|
| @regs               | include every regressor from the original equation.                          |
| @grads              | include every gradient in the original equation (non-linear equations only). |
| @grad( <i>int</i> ) | include the <i>int</i> -th gradient.   |

|                               |  |
|-------------------------------|--|
| @white( <i>key</i> )          | include white-style regressors (the cross-product of the regressor list, or the gradient list if non-linear). <i>key</i> may be on of the following keywords: “@regs” (include every regressor from the original equation), “@drop( <i>variables</i> )” (drop a variable from those already included. For example, “@white(@regs @drop(x2))” would include all original regressors apart from X2), “@comp” (include the compatible style White regressors, <i>i.e.</i> levels, squares, and cross-products). |
| @arch( <i>lag_structure</i> ) | include an ARCH specification with the number of lags specified by <i>lag_structure</i> . If <i>lag_structure</i> is a single number, then it defines the number of lags to include. Otherwise, the lag structure is in pairs. For example, “@arch(1 5 9 10)” will include lags 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10.  |
| @uw( <i>variables</i> )       | include unweighted variables (only applicable in a weighted original equation).  |

Examples

```
eq1.hettest(type=harvey) @white(@regs @drop(log(ip)) )
```

performs a heteroskedasticity test with an auxiliary regression of the log of squared residuals on the cross product of all the original equation’s variables, except LOG(IP).

Cross-references

See “[Heteroskedasticity Tests](#),” [beginning on page 161](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of heteroskedasticity testing in EViews.

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| hist | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|------|--------------------------------|

Histogram and descriptive statistics of the residual series of an equation.

Syntax

```
equation_name.hist(options)
```

Options

|   |                      |
|---|----------------------|
| p | Print the histogram. |
|---|----------------------|

Examples

```
eq1.hist
```

Displays the histogram and descriptive statistics of the residual series of equation EQ1.

Cross-references

See [“Histogram and Stats” on page 358](#) of the *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of the descriptive statistics reported in the histogram view.

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|----------|--------------------------------|
| infbetas | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|----------|--------------------------------|

Scaled difference in the estimated betas for influence statistics.

DFBETAS are the scaled difference in the estimated betas between the original equation and an equation estimated without that observation.

Syntax

`equation_name.infbetas(options) [base_name]`

where *base\_name* is an optional naming suffix used to store the DFBETAS into the workfile.

Options

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| <code>t</code>          | Show a table of the statistics (the <i>default</i> is to display a graph view of the specified statistics).                     |
| <code>rows = key</code> | The number of observations/rows to display in the table, where <i>key</i> can be either “50”, “100” (default), “150”, or “200”. |
| <code>g = arg</code>    | <i>arg</i> is the name of an object in which the graph output will be saved.  |
| <code>prompt</code>     | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |

Examples

```
equation eq1.ls y c x z
eq1.infbetas
```

displays a graph of the DFBETAS corresponding to the coefficients for C, X, and Z.

```
eq1.infbetas(t) out
```

will display a table showing the first 150 rows of DFBETAs in table form and saves the results in the series COUT, XOUT and ZOUT.

Cross-references

See also [“Influence Statistics” on page 195](#) of the *User’s Guide II*. See also [Equation::infstats \(p. 99\)](#).

|          |                                |
|----------|--------------------------------|
| infstats | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|----------|--------------------------------|

### Influence statistics.

Displays influence statistics to discover influential observations, or outliers.

### Syntax

```
equation_name.infstats(options)
```

```
equation_name.infstats(options) stats_list [@ save_names]
```

If no *stats\_list* is provided all of the statistics will be displayed. *save\_names* is an optional list of names for storing the statistics into series in the workfile. The *save\_names* should match the order in which the keywords in *stats\_list* are entered.

### Options

|                   |   |
|-------------------|---|
| t                 | Show a table of the statistics (the <i>default</i> is to display a graph view of the specified statistics).   |
| rows = <i>key</i> | The number of observations/rows to display in the table, where <i>key</i> can be either “50”, “100” (default), “150”, or “200”.   |
| sort = <i>key</i> | Sort order for the table, where <i>key</i> can be “r” (Residual - default), “rs” (RStudent), “df” (DFFITS), “dr” (Dropped Residual), “cov” (COVRATIO), “h” (diagonal elements of the hat matrix). |
| sortdisp          | Display the table by the sort order rather than by the observation order.   |
| prompt            | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |

The *stats\_list* parameter is a list of keywords indicating which statistics to display. It may take on the values:

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| rstudent  | The studentized residual: the <i>t</i> -statistic on a dummy variable that is equal to 1 on that observation only. |
| dffits    | The scaled difference in fitted values.  |
| drresid   | Dropped residual: the estimated residual for that observation had the equation been run without that observation.  |
| covratio  | The ratio of the covariance matrix of the coefficients with and without that observation.                          |
| hatmatrix | Diagonal elements of the hat matrix: $x_i'(X'X)^{-1}x_i$   |



Examples

```
eql.infstats(t, rows=150, sort=rs) rstudent covratio dffits @
rstuds covs
```

will display a table showing the 150 largest RSTUDENT statistics, along with the corresponding COVRATIO and DFFITS statistics. It will save the RSTUDENT and COVRATIO statistics into the series in the workfile named RSTUDS and COVS, respectively.

Cross-references

See also [“Influence Statistics” on page 195](#) of the *User’s Guide II*. See also [Equation::infbetas](#) (p. 98).

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|---------|--------------------------------|
| instsum | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
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Shows a summary of the equation instruments.

Changes the view of the equation to the Instrument Summary view. Note this is only available for equations estimated by TSLS, GMM, or LIML.

Syntax

```
eq_name.instsum
```

Examples

```
equation eql.tsls sales c adver lsales @ gdp unemp int
e1.instsum
```

creates an equation E1 and estimates it via two-stage least squares, then shows a summary of the instruments used in estimation.

Cross-references

See [“Instrument Summary” on page 78](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for discussion.

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|-------|---|
| label | <a href="#">Equation Views</a>   <a href="#">Equation Procs</a> |
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Display or change the label view of an equation, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

As a procedure, `label` changes the fields in the equation label.

Syntax

```
equation_name.label
equation_name.label(options) [text]
```

Options

The first version of the command displays the label view of the equation. The second version may be used to modify the label. Specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of EQ1 with “Data from CPS 1988 March File”:

```
eq1.label(r)
eq1.label(r) Data from CPS 1988 March File
```

To append additional remarks to EQ1, and then to print the label view:

```
eq1.label(r) Log of hourly wage
eq1.label(p)
```

To clear and then set the units field, use:

```
eq1.label(u) Millions of bushels
```

Cross-references

See “[Labeling Objects](#)” on [page 102](#) of the *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.

See also [Equation::displayname](#) (p. 74).

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| liml | <a href="#">Equation Methods</a> |
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Limited Information Maximum Likelihood and K-class Estimation.

Syntax

```
eq_name.liml(options) y c x1 [x2 x3 ...] @ z1 [z2 z3 ...]
eq_name.liml(options) specification @ z1 [z2 z3 ...]
```

To use the `liml` command, list the dependent variable first, followed by the regressors, then any AR or MA error specifications, then an “@”-sign, and finally, a list of exogenous instruments.

You may estimate nonlinear equations or equations specified with formulas by first providing a specification, then listing the instrumental variables after an “@”-sign. There must be at least as many instrumental variables as there are independent variables. All exogenous variables included in the regressor list should also be included in the instrument list. A constant is included in the list of instrumental variables, unless the `noconst` option is specified.

## Options

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>noconst</code>                                     | Do not include a constant in the instrumental list. Without this option, a constant will always be included as an instrument, even if not specified explicitly.   |
| <code>w = arg</code>                                     | Weight series or expression.  |
| <code>wtype = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “istdev”) | Weight specification type: inverse standard deviation (“istdev”), inverse variance (“ivar”), standard deviation (“stdev”), variance (“var”).  |
| <code>wscale = arg</code>                                | Weight scaling: EViews default (“eviews”), average (“avg”), none (“none”).<br>The default setting depends upon the weight type: “eviews” if “wtype = istdev”, “avg” for all others.   |
| <code>kclass = number</code>                             | Set the value of $k$ in the K-class estimator. If omitted, LIML is performed, and $k$ is calculated as part of the estimation procedure.  |
| <code>se = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “iv”)        | Set the standard-error calculation type: IV based (“se = iv”), K-Class based (“se = kclass”), Bekker (“se = bekk”), or Hansen, Hausman, and Newey (“se = hhn”).   |
| <code>m = integer</code>                                 | Set maximum number of iterations.   |
| <code>c = number</code>                                  | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2.  |
| <code>deriv = keyword</code>                             | Set derivative method. The argument <i>keyword</i> should be a one- or two-letter string. The first letter should either be “f” or “a” corresponding to fast or accurate numeric derivatives (if used). The second letter should be either “n” (always use numeric) or “a” (use analytic if possible). If omitted, EViews will use the global defaults. |
| <code>coef = arg</code>                                  | Specify the name of the coefficient vector (if specified by list); the default behavior is to use the “C” coefficient vector.   |

|                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| showopts /<br>-showopts | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output. |
| prompt                  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| p                       | Print estimation results.  |

## Examples

```
equation eq1.liml gdp c cpi inc @ lw lw(-1)
```

creates equation EQ1 and calculates a LIML estimation of GDP on a constant, CPI, and INC, using a constant, LW, and LW(-1) as instruments.

```
e1.liml (kclass=2)
```

estimates the same equation, but this time via K-Class estimation, with  $K = 2$ .

## Cross-references

See also [“Limited Information Maximum Likelihood and K-Class Estimation”](#) on page 63 of the *User’s Guide II* for discussion.

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| logit | <a href="#">Equation Methods</a> |
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Estimate binary models with logistic errors.

Provide for backward compatibility. Equivalent to issuing the command, `binary` with the option “( $d = l$ )”.

See [binary](#) (p. 46).

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|----|----------------------------------|
| ls | <a href="#">Equation Methods</a> |
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Estimation by linear or nonlinear least squares regression.

When the current workfile has a panel structure, `ls` also estimates cross-section weighed least squares, feasible GLS, and fixed and random effects models.

## Syntax

```
eq_name.ls(options) y x1 [x2 x3 ...]
eq_name.ls(options) specification
```

For linear specifications, list the dependent variable first, followed by a list of the independent variables. Use a “C” if you wish to include a constant or intercept term; unlike some programs, EViews does not automatically include a constant in the regression. You may add AR, MA, SAR, and SMA error specifications, and PDL specifications for polynomial distrib-

uted lags. If you include lagged variables, EViews will adjust the sample automatically, if necessary.

Both dependent and independent variables may be created from existing series using standard EViews functions and transformations. EViews treats the equation as linear in each of the variables and assigns coefficients C(1), C(2), and so forth to each variable in the list.

Linear or nonlinear single equations may also be specified by explicit equation. You should specify the equation as a formula. The parameters to be estimated should be included explicitly: “C(1)”, “C(2)”, and so forth (assuming that you wish to use the default coefficient vector “C”). You may also declare an alternative coefficient vector using `coef` and use these coefficients in your expressions.

Options

Non-Panel LS Options

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| <code>w = arg</code>                             | Weight series or expression.<br><i>Note: we recommend that, absent a good reason, you employ the default settings <b>Inverse std. dev. weights</b> (“wtype = istdev”) with <b>EViews default scaling</b> (“wscale = eviews”) for backward compatibility with versions prior to EViews 7.</i> |
| <code>wtype = arg</code><br>(default = “istdev”) | Weight specification type: inverse standard deviation (“istdev”), inverse variance (“ivar”), standard deviation (“stdev”), variance (“var”).   |
| <code>wscale = arg</code>                        | Weight scaling: EViews default (“eviews”), average (“avg”), none (“none”).<br>The default setting depends upon the weight type: “eviews” if “wtype = istdev”, “avg” for all others.  |
| <code>cov = keyword</code>                       | Covariance type ( <i>optional</i> ): “white” (White diagonal matrix), “hac” (Newey-West HAC).  |
| <code>nodf</code>                                | Do not perform degree of freedom corrections in computing coefficient covariance matrix. The default is to use degree of freedom corrections.  |
| <code>covlag = arg</code><br>(default = 1)       | Whitening lag specification: <i>integer</i> (user-specified lag value), “a” (automatic selection).   |
| <code>covinfo = arg</code><br>(default = “aic”)  | Information criterion for automatic selection: “aic” (Akaike), “sic” (Schwarz), “hqc” (Hannan-Quinn) (if “lag = a”).   |
| <code>covmaxlag = integer</code>                 | Maximum lag-length for automatic selection ( <i>optional</i> ) (if “lag = a”). The default is an observation-based maximum of $T^{1/3}$ .  |

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| <code>covkern = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “bart”)  | Kernel shape: “none” (no kernel), “bart” (Bartlett, <i>default</i> ), “bohman” (Bohman), “daniell” (Daniel), “parzen” (Parzen), “parzriesz” (Parzen-Riesz), “parzgeo” (Parzen-Geometric), “parzcauchy” (Parzen-Cauchy), “quadspec” (Quadratic Spectral), “trunc” (Truncated), “thamm” (Tukey-Hamming), “thann” (Tukey-Hanning), “tparz” (Tukey-Parzen).                  |
| <code>covbw = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “fixednw”) | Kernel Bandwidth: “fixednw” (Newey-West fixed), “andrews” (Andrews automatic), “neweywest” (Newey-West automatic), <i>number</i> (User-specified bandwidth).   |
| <code>covnwlag = integer</code>                           | Newey-West lag-selection parameter for use in nonparametric kernel bandwidth selection (if “covbw = neweywest”).   |
| <code>covbwint</code>                                     | Use integer portion of bandwidth.  |
| <code>m = integer</code>                                  | Set maximum number of iterations.  |
| <code>c = scalar</code>                                   | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2.   |
| <code>s</code>  | Use the current coefficient values in estimator coefficient vector as starting values for equations specified by list with AR or MA terms (see also <a href="#">param (p. 413)</a> of the <i>Command and Programming Reference</i> ).  |
| <code>s = number</code>                                   | Determine starting values for equations specified by list with AR or MA terms. Specify a number between zero and one representing the fraction of preliminary least squares estimates computed without AR or MA terms to be used. Note that out of range values are set to “s = 1”. Specifying “s = 0” initializes coefficients to zero. By default EViews uses “s = 1”. |
| <code>coef = arg</code>                                   | Specify the name of the coefficient vector (if specified by list); the default behavior is to use the “C” coefficient vector.  |
| <code>showopts /</code><br><code>-showopts</code>         | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.   |
| <code>deriv = keyword</code>                              | Set derivative method. The argument <i>keyword</i> should be a one- or two-letter string. The first letter should either be “f” or “a” corresponding to fast or accurate numeric derivatives (if used). The second letter should be either “n” (always use numeric) or “a” (use analytic if possible). If omitted, EViews will use the global defaults.                  |

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| z      | Turn off backcasting in ARMA models.              |
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
| p      | Print basic estimation results.                   |

*Note: not all options are available for all equation methods. See the User's Guide II for details on each estimation method.*

*Panel LS Options*

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| <code>cx = arg</code>                          | Cross-section effects: (default) none, fixed effects ("cx = f"), random effects ("cx = r").  |
| <code>per = arg</code>                         | Period effects: (default) none, fixed effects ("per = f"), random effects ("per = r").   |
| <code>wgt = arg</code>                         | GLS weighting: (default) none, cross-section system weights ("wgt = cxsur"), period system weights ("wgt = persur"), cross-section diagonal weights ("wgt = cxdiag"), period diagonal weights ("wgt = perdiag").   |
| <code>cov = arg</code>                         | Coefficient covariance method: (default) ordinary, White cross-section system robust ("cov = cxwhite"), White period system robust ("cov = perwhite"), White heteroskedasticity robust ("cov = stackedwhite"), Cross-section system robust/PCSE ("cov = cxsur"), Period system robust/PCSE ("cov = persur"), Cross-section heteroskedasticity robust/PCSE ("cov = cxdiag"), Period heteroskedasticity robust/PCSE ("cov = perdiag"). |
| <code>keepwgts</code>                          | Keep full set of GLS weights used in estimation with object, if applicable (by default, only small memory weights are saved).  |
| <code>rancalc = arg</code><br>(default = "sa") | Random component method: Swamy-Arora ("rancalc = sa"), Wansbeek-Kapteyn ("rancalc = wk"), Wallace-Hussain ("rancalc = wh").  |
| <code>nodf</code>                              | Do not perform degree of freedom corrections in computing coefficient covariance matrix. The default is to use degree of freedom corrections.  |

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| <code>iter = arg</code> ( <i>default</i> = "onec") | Iteration control for GLS specifications: perform one weight iteration, then iterate coefficients to convergence ("iter = onec"), iterate weights and coefficients simultaneously to convergence ("iter = sim"), iterate weights and coefficients sequentially to convergence ("iter = seq"), perform one weight iteration, then one coefficient step ("iter = oneb").<br><br>Note that random effects models currently do not permit weight iteration to convergence. |
| <code>unbalsur</code>                              | Compute SUR factorization in unbalanced data using the subset of available observations for a cluster.   |
| <code>m = integer</code>                           | Set maximum number of iterations.  |
| <code>c = scalar</code>                            | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2.   |
| <code>s</code>                                     | Use the current coefficient values in estimator coefficient vector as starting values for equations specified by list with AR terms (see also <a href="#">param</a> (p. 413) of the <i>Command and Programming Reference</i> ).  |
| <code>s = number</code>                            | Determine starting values for equations specified with AR terms. Specify a number between zero and one representing the fraction of preliminary least squares estimates computed without AR terms to be used. Note that out of range values are set to "s = 1". Specifying "s = 0" initializes coefficients to zero. By default EViews uses "s = 1".   |
| <code>coef = arg</code>                            | Specify the name of the coefficient vector (if specified by list); the default behavior is to use the "C" coefficient vector.  |
| <code>showopts / -showopts</code>                  | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.   |
| <code>deriv = keyword</code>                       | Set derivative method. The argument <i>keyword</i> should be a one- or two-letter string. The first letter should either be "f" or "a" corresponding to fast or accurate numeric derivatives (if used). The second letter should be either "n" (always use numeric) or "a" (use analytic if possible). If omitted, EViews will use the global defaults.  |
| <code>prompt</code>                                | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>                                     | Print basic estimation results.  |



## Examples

```
equation eq1.ls m1 c uemp inf(0 to -4) @trend(1960:1)
```

estimates a linear regression of M1 on a constant, UEMP, INF (from current up to four lags), and a linear trend.

```
equation eq2.ls(z) d(tbill) c inf @seas(1) @seas(1)*inf ma(2)
```

regresses the first difference of TBILL on a constant, INF, a seasonal dummy, and an interaction of the dummy and INF, with an MA(2) error. The “z” option turns off backcasting.

```
coef(2) beta
param beta(1) .2 beta(2) .5 c(1) 0.1
equation eq3.ls(cov=white) q = beta(1)+beta(2)*(1^c(1) + k^(1-
c(1)))
```

estimates the nonlinear regression starting from the specified initial values. The “cov=white” option reports heteroskedasticity consistent standard errors.

```
equation eq4.ls r = c(1)+c(2)*r(-1)+div(-1)^c(3)
sym betacov = eq4.@cov
```

declares and estimates a nonlinear equation and stores the coefficient covariance matrix in a symmetric matrix called BETACOV.

```
equation eq5.ls(cx=f, per=f) n w k ys c
```

estimates the equation EQ5 in the panel workfile using both cross-section and period fixed effects.

```
equation eq6.ls(cx=f, wgt=cxdiag) n w k ys c
```

estimates the equation EQ6 in a panel workfile with cross-section weights and fixed effects.

## Cross-references

[Chapter 1. “Basic Regression Analysis,” on page 5](#) and [Chapter 2. “Additional Regression Tools,” on page 23](#) of the *User’s Guide II* discuss the various regression methods in greater depth.

[Chapter 16. “Special Expression Reference,” on page 557](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference* describes special terms that may be used in `ls` specifications.

See [Chapter 23. “Panel Estimation,” on page 759](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of panel equation estimation.

**lvageplot**[Equation Views](#)

Leverage plots.

Displays leverage plots to discover influential observations, or outliers.

**Syntax**

```
equation_name.lvageplot(options) variables @ name_suffix
```

where *name\_suffix* is an optional naming suffix for storing the statistics into series in the workfile.

**Options**

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| raw    | Do not use partial residuals.                     |
| nofit  | Do not include a line of fit on the graphs        |
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |

**Examples**

```
eq1.lvageplot x1 x2 @ lplot_
```

will display two graphs, one for the leverage plot of X1 and one for the leverage plot of X2, and will create two new series in the workfile, Lplot\_X1 and Lplot\_X2.

**Cross-references**

See also [“Leverage Plots” on page 194](#) of the *User’s Guide II*.

**makederivs**[Equation Procs](#)

Make a group containing individual series which hold the derivatives of the equation specification.

**Syntax**

```
equation_name.makederivs(options) [ser1 ser2 ...]
```

If desired, enclose the name of a new group object to hold the series in parentheses following the command name.

The argument specifying the names of the series is also optional. If not provided, EViews will name the series “DERIV##” where ## is a number such that “DERIV##” is the next available unused name. If the names are provided, the number of names must match the number of target series.

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Options

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| n = <i>arg</i> | Name of group object to contain the series. |
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Examples

```
eq1.makederivs(n=out)
```

creates a group named OUT containing series named DERIV01, DERIV02, and DERIV03.

```
eq1.makederivs(n=out) d1 d2 d3
```

creates the same group, but names the series D1, D2 and D3.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 19. “State Space Models and the Kalman Filter,” on page 603](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for details on state space estimation.

See also [Equation::derivs \(p. 73\)](#), [Equation::grads \(p. 93\)](#), [Equation::makegrads \(p. 111\)](#).

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| makegarch | <a href="#">Equation Procs</a> |
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**Generate conditional variance series.**

Saves the estimated conditional variance (from an equation estimated using ARCH) as a named series.

Syntax

```
eq_name.makegarch series1_name [@ series2_name]
```

You should provide a name for the saved conditional standard deviation series following the `makegarch` keyword. If you do not provide a name, EViews will name the series using the next available name of the form “GARCH##” (if GARCH01 already exists, it will be named GARCH02, and so on).

For component GARCH equations, the permanent component portion of the conditional variance may be saved by adding “@” followed by a series name.

Options

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| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
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Examples

```
equation eq1.arch sp c
```

```
eq1.makegarch cvar
plot cvar^.5
```

estimates a GARCH(1,1) model, saves the conditional variance as a series named CVAR, and plots the conditional standard deviation. If you merely wish to view a plot of the conditional standard deviation without saving the series, use the [Equation::garch \(p. 82\)](#) view.

The commands

```
equation eq1.arch(cgarch) sp c
eq1.makegarch cvar @ pvar
```

first estimates a Component GARCH model and then saves both the conditional variance and the permanent component portion of the conditional variance in the series CVAR and PVAR, respectively.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 7. “ARCH and GARCH Estimation,” on page 207](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of GARCH models.

See also [Equation::arch \(p. 39\)](#), [Equation::archtest \(p. 42\)](#), and [Equation::garch \(p. 82\)](#).

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| makegrads | <a href="#">Equation Procs</a> |
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Make a group containing individual series which hold the gradients of the objective function.

## Syntax

```
equation_name.makegrads(options) [ser1 ser2 ...]
```

The argument specifying the names of the series is also optional. If the argument is not provided, EViews will name the series “GRAD##” where ## is a number such that “GRAD##” is the next available unused name. If the names are provided, the number of names must match the number of target series.

## Options

|                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <code>n = <i>arg</i></code> | Name of group object to contain the series. |
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## Examples

```
eq1.grads(n=out)
```

creates a group named OUT containing series named GRAD01, GRAD02, and GRAD03.

```
eq1.makegrads(n=out) g1 g2 g3
```

creates the same group, but names the series G1, G2 and G3.

**Cross-references**

See [“Gradients” on page 927](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for discussion.

See also [Equation::derivs \(p. 73\)](#), [Equation::makederivs \(p. 109\)](#), [Equation::grads \(p. 93\)](#).

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| <b>makelimits</b> | <a href="#">Equation Procs</a> |
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Create vector of limit points from ordered models.

`makelimits` creates a vector of the estimated limit points from equations estimated by [Equation::ordered \(p. 119\)](#).

**Syntax**

`eq_name.makelimits [vector_name]`

Provide a name for the vector after the `makelimits` keyword. If you do not provide a name, EViews will name the vector with the next available name of the form `LIMITS##` (if `LIMITS01` already exists, it will be named `LIMITS02`, and so on).

**Examples**

```
equation eq1.ordered edu c age race gender
eq1.makelimits cutoff
```

Estimates an ordered probit and saves the estimated limit points in a vector named `CUTOFF`.

**Cross-references**

See [“Ordered Dependent Variable Models” on page 278](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of ordered models.

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| <b>makemodel</b> | <a href="#">Equation Procs</a> |
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Make a model from an equation object.

**Syntax**

`equation_name.makemodel(name) assign_statement`

If you provide a name for the model in parentheses after the keyword, EViews will create the named model in the workfile. If you do not provide a name, EViews will open an untitled model window if the command is executed from the command line.

## Examples

```
equation eq3.ls 1 4 m1 gdp tb3
eq3.makemodel(eqmod) @prefix s_
```

estimates an equation and makes a model named EQMOD from the estimated equation object. EQMOD includes an assignment statement “ASSIGN @PREFIX S\_”. Use the command “show eqmod” or “eqmod.spec” to open the EQMOD window.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 20. “Models,” on page 627](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of specifying and solving models in EViews. See also [solve \(p. 438\)](#).

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| <b>makeregs</b> | <a href="#">Equation Procs</a> |
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**Make regressor group.**

Creates a group containing the dependent and independent variables from an equation specification.

## Syntax

```
equation_name.makeregs grp_name
```

Follow the keyword `makeregs` with the name of the group.

## Examples

```
equation eq1.ls y c x1 x2 x3 z
eq1.makeregs reggroup
```

creates a group REGGROUP containing the series Y X1 X2 X3 and Z.

## Cross-references

See also [Group::group \(p. 287\)](#).

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| <b>makesids</b> | <a href="#">Equation Procs</a> |
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**Create residual series.**

Creates and saves residuals in the workfile from an estimated equation object.

## Syntax

```
equation_name.makesids(options) [res1]
```

Follow the equation name with a period and the `makeresids` keyword, then provide a name to be given to the stored residual.

Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>o</code> ( <i>default</i> )                   | Ordinary residuals.   |
| <code>s</code>                                      | Standardized residuals (available only after weighted estimation and GARCH, binary, ordered, censored, and count models). |
| <code>g</code> ( <i>default</i> for ordered models) | Generalized residuals (available only for binary, ordered, censored, and count models).                                   |
| <code>prompt</code>                                 | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |

Examples

```
equation eq1.ls y c m1 inf unemp
eq1.makeresids res_eq1
```

estimates a linear regression of Y on a constant, M1, INF, UNEMP, and saves the residuals as a series named RES\_EQ1.

Cross-references

See [“Weighted Least Squares” on page 36](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of standardized residuals after weighted least squares and [Chapter 9. “Discrete and Limited Dependent Variable Models,” on page 259](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of standardized and generalized residuals in binary, ordered, censored, and count models.

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| <code>makergmprobs</code> | <a href="#">Equation Procs</a> |
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Save the regime probabilities for switching regression equation in series in the workfile.

Syntax

```
equation_name.makergmprobs(options) series_names
```

where *equation\_name* is the name of an equation estimated using switching regression. The series to be saved should be listed following the command name and options, with one name per regime for one up to the number of estimated regimes.

Options

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|---|---|
| <code>type = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “pred”) | Type of regime probability to compute: one-step ahead predicted (“pred”), filtered (“filt”), smoothed (“smooth”). |
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`n = arg` (optional) Name of group to contain the saved regime probabilities.

`prompt` Force the dialog to appear from within a program.

## Examples

```
equation eq1.switchreg(type=markov) y c @nv ar(1) ar(2) ar(3)
eq1.makergmprobs r1 r2
```

saves the one-step ahead regime probabilities for the Markov switching regression estimated in EQ1 in series R1 and R2 in the workfile

```
eq1.makergmprobs(type=filt) f1
```

saves the filtered probabilities for regime 1 in F1.

```
eq1.makergmprobs(type=smooth, n=smoothed) s1 s2
```

saves the smoothed probabilities for both regimes in the series S1 and S2, and creates the group SMOOTHED containing S1 and S2.

## Cross-references

See [“Switching Regression” on page 389](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for discussion. See also [Equation::rgmprobs](#) (p. 134).

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| <b>maketransprobs</b> | <a href="#">Equation Procs</a> |
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Save the regime transition probabilities and expected durations for a switching regression equation in the workfile.

## Syntax

```
equation_name.maketransprobs(options) [base_name]
equation_name.maketransprobs(out = mat, options) [matrix_name]
```

where *equation\_name* is the name of an equation estimated using switching regression.

- In the first form of the command, *base\_name* will be used to generate series names for the series that will hold the transition probabilities or durations. The series names for regime transition probabilities will be of the form *base\_name##*, where ## are the indices representing elements of the transition matrix  $(i, j)$ . The series names for expected durations will be of the form *base\_name#* where # corresponds to the regime index. Thus, in a two-regime model, the base name “TEMP” corresponds to the transition probability series TEMP11, TEMP12, TEMP21, TEMP22, and the expected duration series TEMP1, TEMP2.

If *base\_name* is not provided, EViews will use the default of “TPROB”



- When the option “output = mat” is provided, the *matrix\_name* is the name of the output matrix that will hold the transition probabilities or durations.

If *matrix\_name* are not provided, EVIEWS will default to “TPROB” or the next available name of the form “TPROB##”.

EVIEWS will evaluate the transition probabilities or durations at the date specified by the “obs = ” option. If no observation is specified, EVIEWS will use the first date of the estimation sample to evaluate the transition probabilities. Note that if the transition probabilities are time-invariant, setting the observation will have no effect on the contents of the saved results.

Options

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| <code>type = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “trans”) | Transition probability results to save: transition probabilities (“trans”), expected durations (“expect”).  |
| <code>out = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “series”) | Output format: series (“series”) or matrix (“mat”). If saved as a matrix, only a single transition matrix will be saved using the date specified by “obs = ”.   |
| <code>obs = arg</code>                                 | Date/observation used to evaluate the transition probabilities if saving results as a matrix (“out = mat”). If no observation is specified, EVIEWS will use the first date of the estimation sample to evaluate the transition probabilities.<br><br>Note that if the transition probabilities are time-invariant, setting the observation will have no effect on the content of the saved results. |
| <code>n = arg</code>                                   | (optional) Name of group to contain the saved transition probabilities.   |
| <code>prompt</code>                                    | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |

Examples

```
equation eq1.switchreg(type=markov) y c @nv ar(1) ar(2) ar(3)
eq1.maketransprobs(n=transgrp) trans
```

saves the transition probabilities in the workfile in the series TRANS11, TRANS12, TRANS21, TRANS22 and creates the group TRANSGRP containing the series.

The command

```
eq1.maketransprobs(type=expect) AA
```

saves the expected durations in the series AA1 and AA2.

```
eq1.maketransprobs(out=mat) BB
```

saves the transition probabilities in the matrix BB.

Cross-references

See “Switching Regression” on page 389 of the *User’s Guide II* for discussion. See also [Equation::transprobs](#) (p. 146).

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| means | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
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Descriptive statistics by category of dependent variable.

Computes and displays descriptive statistics of the explanatory variables (regressors) of an equation categorized by values of the dependent variable.

Syntax

`eq_name.means(options)`

Options

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|---|---|
| p | Print the descriptive statistics table. |
|---|---|

Examples

```
equation eq1.binary(d=1) work c edu faminc
eq1.means
```

estimates a logit and displays the descriptive statistics of the regressors C, EDU, FAMINC for WORK = 0 and WORK = 1.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 9. “Discrete and Limited Dependent Variable Models,”](#) on page 259 of the *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of binary dependent variable models.

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| multibreak | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
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Multiple breakpoint testing.

The `multibreak` view of an equation displays the results of multiple breakpoint testing using sequential and global optimization methods.

This view is only available for (non-panel) equations specified by list without ARMA terms and estimated by ordinary least squares.

Syntax

`equation_name.multibreak(options) [list_of_breaking_regressors]`

where *equation\_name* is the name on an equation specified by list and estimated using least squares. The `multibreak` may be followed by options, and an optional list of breaking regressor names. If the latter list is omitted, the coefficients for all of the regressors in the original equation will be allowed to vary across regimes.

Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>method = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = "seqplus1") | Breakpoint testing method: "seqplus1" (sequential tests of single $l + 1$ versus $l$ breaks), "seqall" (sequential test of all possible $l + 1$ versus $l$ breaks), "glob" (tests of global $l$ vs. no breaks), "globplus1" (tests of $l + 1$ versus $l$ globally determined breaks), "globinfo" (information criteria evaluation). |
| <code>trim = arg</code> ( <i>default</i> = 5)               | Trimming percentage for determining minimum segment size (5, 10, 15, 20, 25).   |
| <code>maxbreaks = integer</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 5)   | Maximum number of breakpoints to allow (not applicable if "method = seqall").   |
| <code>maxlevels = integer</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 5)   | Maximum number of break levels to consider in sequential testing (applicable when "method = sequall").  |
| <code>size = arg</code> ( <i>default</i> = 5)               | Test sizes for use in sequential determination and final test evaluation (10, 5, 2.5, 1) corresponding to 0.10, 0.05, 0.025, 0.01, respectively   |
| <code>heterr</code>   | Assume regimes specific error distributions in variance computation.  |
| <code>commonddata</code>                                    | Assume a common distribution for the data across segments (only applicable if original equation is estimated with a robust covariance method, "heterr" is not specified).   |
| <code>prompt</code>   | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>  | Print the view.   |

Examples

```
equation eq01.ls m1 c tb3 gdp
eq01.multibreak(maxbreaks=3)
eq01.multibreak(method=glob, size=10, trim=15) tb3
```

The first test line tests for up to 3 structural breaks in all of the coefficients using sequential tests of single  $l + 1$  versus  $l$  breaks. The second line tests uses the global  $l$  breaks versus none tests with trimming value 0.15, and a size of 0.10 to test for differences in the coefficient on TB3 across regimes.

The multiple breakpoint tests will use the covariance matrix settings from the original equation when constructing tests. The command

```
equation eq01.ls(cov=hac, covkern=quadspec, covlag=1,
  covbw=andrews) rates c
eq01.multibreak(heterr)
eq01.multibreak(method=glob, heterr)
eq01.multibreak(method=globinfo)
```

estimate an equation using HAC covariances. The second line tests for up to 5 structural breaks using sequential tests of single  $l + 1$  versus  $l$  breaks. The third line uses the global  $l$  breaks versus none tests. Both of these tests allow for error distributions to vary across the different segments. The final line evaluates the breakpoints using information criteria associated with the global optimizers.

## Cross-references

See [“Multiple Breakpoint Tests” on page 174](#) of *User’s Guide II* for discussion. See also [Chapter 12. “Least Squares with Breakpoints,” beginning on page 369](#) of *User’s Guide II* for tools which estimate equations with structural breaks.

See [Equation::breakls \(p. 47\)](#) for estimation of regression equations with breaks.

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|---------|--------------------------------|
| olepush | <a href="#">Equation Procs</a> |
|---------|--------------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

## Syntax

```
equation_name.olepush
```

## Cross-references

See [“Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)” on page 729](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|         |                                  |
|---------|----------------------------------|
| ordered | <a href="#">Equation Methods</a> |
|---------|----------------------------------|

Estimation of ordered dependent variable models.

## Syntax

```
equation name.ordered(options) y x1 [x2 x3 ...]
equation name.ordered(options) specification
```

The `ordered` command estimates the model and saves the results as an equation object with the given name.

## Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>d = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = "n")   | Specify likelihood: normal likelihood function, ordered probit ("n"), logistic likelihood function, ordered logit ("l"), Type I extreme value likelihood function, ordered Gompit ("x").  |
| <code>q</code> ( <i>default</i> )                 | Use quadratic hill climbing as the maximization algorithm.  |
| <code>r</code>                                    | Use Newton-Raphson as the maximization algorithm.   |
| <code>b</code>                                    | Use Berndt-Hall-Hall-Hausman as maximization algorithm.   |
| <code>h</code>                                    | Quasi-maximum likelihood (QML) standard errors.   |
| <code>g</code>                                    | GLM standard errors.  |
| <code>m = integer</code>                          | Set maximum number of iterations.   |
| <code>c = scalar</code>                           | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2.  |
| <code>s</code>                                    | Use the current coefficient values in estimator coefficient vector as starting values (see also <a href="#">param</a> (p. 413) in the <i>Command and Programming Reference</i> ).   |
| <code>s = number</code>                           | Specify a number between zero and one to determine starting values as a fraction of preliminary EViews default values (out of range values are set to " <i>s</i> = 1").   |
| <code>coef = arg</code>                           | Specify the name of the coefficient vector (if specified by list); the default behavior is to use the "C" coefficient vector.   |
| <code>showopts /</code><br><code>-showopts</code> | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.  |
| <code>deriv = keyword</code>                      | Set derivative method. The argument <i>keyword</i> should be a one- or two-letter string. The first letter should either be "f" or "a" corresponding to fast or accurate numeric derivatives (if used). The second letter should be either "n" (always use numeric) or "a" (use analytic if possible). If omitted, EViews will use the global defaults. |
| <code>prompt</code>                               | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>                                    | Print results.  |

If you choose to employ user specified starting values, the parameters corresponding to the limit points must be in ascending order.

## Examples

```
ordered(d=1,h) y c wage edu kids
```

estimates an ordered logit model of Y on a constant, WAGE, EDU, and KIDS with QML standard errors. This command uses the default quadratic hill climbing algorithm.

```
param c(1) .1 c(2) .2 c(3) .3 c(4) .4 c(5) .5
equation eql.binary(s) y c x z
coef betahat = eql.@coefs
eql.makelimit gamma
```

estimates an ordered probit model of Y on a constant, X, and Z from the specified starting values. The estimated coefficients are then stored in the coefficient vector BETAHAT, and the estimated limit points are stored in the vector GAMMA.

## Cross-references

See [“Ordered Dependent Variable Models” on page 278](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for additional discussion.

See [Equation::binary \(p. 46\)](#) for the estimation of binary dependent variable models. See also [Equation::makelimits \(p. 112\)](#).

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|------------|--------------------------------|
| orthogtest | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|------------|--------------------------------|

## Performs the Instrument Orthogonality Test

The Orthogtest view of an equation carries out the Instrument Orthogonality / C-test Test for equations estimated via TSLS or GMM.

## Syntax

```
eq_name.orthogtest(options) instruments
```

## Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
| p      | Print results.                                    |

## Instruments

A list of instruments to be tested for orthogonality. Note the instruments must have been included in the original equation.

## Examples

```
equation eql.gmm y c x1 x2 @ z1 z2 z3 z4
```

```
e1.orthogtest z1 z4
```

estimates an equation, called EQ1, and estimates it via GMM with four instruments Z1, Z2, Z3, Z4, and then performs the Orthogonality Test where Z1 and Z4 are tested for orthogonality.

Cross-references

See [“Instrument Orthogonality Test” on page 79](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for discussion.

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| output | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|--------|--------------------------------|

Display estimation output.

The `output` command changes the default object view to display the equation output (equivalent to using [Equation::results \(p. 134\)](#)).

Syntax

```
eq_name.output(options)
```

Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| p | Print estimation output for estimation object. |
|---|--|

Examples

```
eq1.output
```

displays the estimation output for equation EQ1.

Cross-references

See [Equation::results \(p. 134\)](#).

|         |                                |
|---------|--------------------------------|
| predict | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|---------|--------------------------------|

Prediction table for binary and ordered dependent variable models.

The prediction table displays the actual and estimated frequencies of each distinct value of the discrete dependent variable.

Syntax

```
eq_name.predict(n, options)
```

For binary models, you may optionally specify how large the estimated probability must be to be considered a success ( $y = 1$ ). Specify the cutoff level as the first option in parentheses after the keyword `predict`.

Options

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| <i>n</i> (default = .5) | Cutoff probability for success prediction in binary models (between 0 and 1). |
| prompt                  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.                             |
| p                       | Print the prediction table.   |

Examples

```
equation eq1.binary(d=1) work c edu age race
eq1.predict(0.7)
```

Estimates a logit and displays the expectation-prediction table using a cutoff probability of 0.7.

Cross-references

See [“Binary Dependent Variable Models” on page 259](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of binary models, and [“Expectation-Prediction \(Classification\) Table” on page 268](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for examples of prediction tables.

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|--------|----------------------------------|
| probit | <a href="#">Equation Methods</a> |
|--------|----------------------------------|

Estimation of binary dependent variable models with normal errors.

Equivalent to “binary(d=n)”.

See [binary](#) (p. 46).

|      |                                  |
|------|----------------------------------|
| qreg | <a href="#">Equation Methods</a> |
|------|----------------------------------|

Estimate a quantile regression specification.

Syntax

```
eq_name.qreg(options) y x1 [x2 x3 ...]
eq_name.qreg(options) linear_specification
```



## Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>quant = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0.5)    | Quantile to be fit (where <i>number</i> is a value between 0 and 1).  |
| <code>w = arg</code>                                      | Weight series or expression.<br><i>Note: we recommend that, absent a good reason, you employ the default settings <b>Inverse std. dev. weights</b> (“wtype = istdev”) with <b>EViews default scaling</b> (“wscale = eviews”) for backward compatibility with versions prior to EViews 7.</i>  |
| <code>wtype = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “istdev”)  | Weight specification type: inverse standard deviation (“istdev”), inverse variance (“ivar”), standard deviation (“stdev”), variance (“var”).  |
| <code>wscale = arg</code>                                 | Weight scaling: EViews default (“eviews”), average (“avg”), none (“none”).<br>The default setting depends upon the weight type: “eviews” if “wtype = istdev”, “avg” for all others.   |
| <code>cov = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “sandwich”)  | Method for computing coefficient covariance matrix: “iid” (ordinary estimates), “sandwich” (Huber sandwich estimates), “boot” (bootstrap estimates).<br>When “cov = iid” or “cov = sandwich”, EViews will use the sparsity nuisance parameter calculation specified in “spmeth = ” when estimating the coefficient covariance matrix. |
| <code>bwmeth = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “hs”)     | Method for automatically selecting bandwidth value for use in estimation of sparsity and coefficient covariance matrix: “hs” (Hall-Sheather), “bf” (Bofinger), “c” (Chamberlain).   |
| <code>bw = number</code>                                  | Use user-specified bandwidth value in place of automatic method specified in “bwmeth = ”.   |
| <code>bwsize = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0.05)  | Size parameter for use in computation of bandwidth (used when “bw = hs” and “bw = bf”).   |
| <code>spmeth = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “kernel”) | Sparsity estimation method: “resid” (Siddiqui using residuals), “fitted” (Siddiqui using fitted quantiles at mean values of regressors), “kernel” (Kernel density using residuals)<br><i>Note: “spmeth = resid” is not available when “cov = sandwich”.</i>   |
| <code>btmeth = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “pair”)   | Bootstrap method: “resid” (residual bootstrap), “pair” (xy-pair bootstrap), “mcmb” (MCMB bootstrap), “mcmba” (MCMB-A bootstrap).  |

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>btreps = integer</code><br>(default = 100)   | Number of bootstrap repetitions   |
| <code>btseed = positive integer</code>   | Seed the bootstrap random number generator.<br>If not specified, EViews will seed the bootstrap random number generator with a single integer draw from the default global random number generator.   |
| <code>btrnd = arg</code><br>(default = “kn” or method previously set using <a href="#">rndseed</a> (p. 423) in the <i>Command and Programming Reference</i> ). | Type of random number generator for the bootstrap: improved Knuth generator (“kn”), improved Mersenne Twister (“mt”), Knuth’s (1997) lagged Fibonacci generator used in EViews 4 (“kn4”) L’Ecuyer’s (1999) combined multiple recursive generator (“le”), Matsumoto and Nishimura’s (1998) Mersenne Twister used in EViews 4 (“mt4”).  |
| <code>btobs = integer</code>   | Number of observations for bootstrap subsampling (when “bsmethod = pair”).<br><br>Should be significantly greater than the number of regressors and less than or equal to the number of observations used in estimation. EViews will automatically restrict values to the range from the number of regressors and the number of estimation observations.<br><br>If omitted, the bootstrap will use the number of observations used in estimation. |
| <code>btout = name</code>  | (optional) Matrix to hold results of bootstrap simulations.   |
| <code>k = arg</code><br>(default = “e”)  | Kernel function for sparsity and coefficient covariance matrix estimation (when “spmmethod = kernel”): “e” (Epanechnikov), “r” (Triangular), “u” (Uniform), “n” (Normal–Gaussian), “b” (Biweight–Quartic), “t” (Triweight), “c” (Cosinus).  |
| <code>m = integer</code>   | Maximum number of iterations.   |
| <code>s</code>   | Use the current coefficient values in estimator coefficient vector as starting values (see also <a href="#">param</a> (p. 413) in the <i>Command and Programming Reference</i> ).   |
| <code>s = number</code> (default = 0)  | Determine starting values for equations. Specify a number between 0 and 1 representing the fraction of preliminary least squares coefficient estimates.<br><br>Note that out of range values are set to the default.  |
| <code>coef = arg</code>  | Specify the name of the coefficient vector (if specified by list); the default behavior is to use the “C” coefficient vector.   |

|                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| showopts /<br>-showopts | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output. |
| prompt                  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| p                       | Print estimation results.  |

Examples

```
equation eq1.qreg y c x
```

estimates the default least absolute deviations (median) regression for the dependent variable Y on a constant and X. The estimates use the Huber Sandwich method for computing the covariance matrix, with individual sparsity estimates obtained using kernel methods. The bandwidth uses the Hall and Sheather formula.

```
equation eq1.qreg(quant=0.6, cov=boot, btmeth=mcmba) y c x
```

estimates the quantile regression for the 0.6 quantile using MCMB-A bootstrapping to obtain estimates of the coefficient covariance matrix.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 14. “Quantile Regression,” on page 423](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of the quantile regression.

|           |                                |
|-----------|--------------------------------|
| qrprocess | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
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Display quantile process coefficient estimates (multiple quantile regression estimates).

Syntax

```
eq_name.qrprocess(options) [arg] [@coefs coeflist]
```

where *arg* is a optional list containing the quantile values (specified using numbers, scalar objects, or vectors) for which you wish to compute estimates, and optionally the **@coefs** keyword followed by a *coeflist* of the subset of coefficients to display.

- If *arg* is not specified, EViews will display results for the original equation along with coefficients for equations estimated at a set of equally spaced number of quantiles as specified by the “n = ” option. If “n = ” is not specified, the default is to display results for the deciles.
- If *arg* is specified, EViews will display results for the original equation along with coefficients for equations estimated at the specified quantiles.
- If a *coeflist* is not provided, results for all coefficients will be displayed. For models that contain an intercept, the *coeflist* may consist of the **@incptonly** keyword, indicating that only results for the intercept will be displayed.

You may specify a maximum of 1000 total coefficients (number of display coefficients times the number of quantiles) and a maximum of 500 quantiles.

All estimation will be performed using the settings from the original equation.

### Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>n = <i>arg</i></code><br><i>(default = 10)</i>      | Number of quantiles for process estimates.   |
| <code>graph</code>  | Display process estimate results as graph.   |
| <code>size = <i>arg</i></code><br><i>(default = 0.95)</i> | Confidence interval size for graph display   |
| <code>quantout = <i>name</i></code>                       | Save vector containing test quantile values.   |
| <code>coefout = <i>name</i></code>                        | Save matrix containing test coefficient estimates. Each column of the matrix corresponds to a different quantile matching the corresponding quantile in “quantout = ”. To match the covariance matrix given in “covout = ” you should take the @vec of the coefficient matrix. |
| <code>covout = <i>name</i></code>                         | Save symmetric matrix containing covariance matrix for the vector set of coefficient estimates.  |
| <code>prompt</code>                                       | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>  | Print output.  |

### Examples

```
equation eq1.qreg log(y) c log(x)
eq1.qrprocess
```

estimates a quantile (median) regression of LOG(Y) on a constant and LOG(X), and displays results for all nine quantiles in a table

Similarly,

```
equation eq1.qreg(quant=.4) log(y) c log(x)
eq1.qrprocess(coefcout=cout)
```

displays the coefficient estimated at the deciles (and at 0.4), and saves the coefficient matrix to COUT.

```
eq1.qrprocess(coefout=cout, n=4, graph)
eq1.qrprocess(coefout=cout, graph) .25 .5 .75
```

both estimate coefficients for the three quartiles and display the results in a graph, as does the equivalent:

```
vector v1(3)
```

```
v1.fill1 .25 .5 .75
eq1.qrprocess(graph) v1
```

Cross-references

See [“Process Coefficients” on page 430](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of the quantile process. See also [Equation::qrslope \(p. 128\)](#).

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|---------|--------------------------------|
| qrslope | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|---------|--------------------------------|

Perform Wald test of equality of slope coefficients across multiple quantile regression estimates. The equality test restrictions are of the form:  $\beta_\tau = \beta_{\tau'}$  for the slope coefficients  $\beta$ .

Syntax

```
eq_name.qrslope(options) [arg] [@coefs coeflist]
```

where *arg* is a optional list containing the quantile values (specified using numbers, scalar objects, or vectors) for which you wish to compute estimates, and optionally the **@coefs** keyword followed by a *coeflist* of the subset of coefficients to display.

- If *arg* is not specified, EViews will perform tests for the existing equation and coefficients for equations estimated at a set of equally spaced quantiles as specified by the “n = ” option. If “n = ” is not specified, the default is to display results for the quantiles (.25, .75).
- If *arg* is specified, EViews will perform results for the original equation along with tests including coefficients for equations estimated at the specified quantiles.
- If a *coeflist* is not provided, all of the slope coefficients will be employed in the test.

You may specify a maximum of 1000 total coefficients (number of coefficients in the equation specification times the number of quantiles) and a maximum of 500 quantiles in the test.

All estimation will be performed using the settings from the original equation.

Options

|                                 |  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| n = <i>arg</i><br>(default = 4) | Number of quantiles for process estimates.   |
| quantout = <i>name</i>          | Save vector containing test quantile values.   |
| coefout = <i>name</i>           | Save matrix containing test coefficient estimates. Each column of the matrix corresponds to a different quantile matching the corresponding quantile in “quantout = ”. To match the covariance matrix given in “covout = ” you should take the @vec of the coefficient matrix. |

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| covout = name | Save symmetric matrix containing covariance matrix for the vector set of coefficient estimates. |
| prompt        | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| p             | Print output from the test.   |

Examples

```
equation eql.qreg log(y) c log(x)
eql.qrslope
```

estimates a quantile (median) regression of LOG(Y) on a constant and LOG(X), and tests for the equality of the coefficients of LOG(X) for all three of the quantiles.

Similarly,

```
equation eql.qreg(quant=.4) log(y) c log(x)
eql.qrslope(coefcout=cout)
```

tests for equality of the LOG(X) coefficient estimated at { .25, .4, .5, .75 }, and saves the coefficient matrix to COUT. Both

```
eql.qrslope(coefout=count, n=10)
eql.qrslope(coefout=cout) .1 .2 .3 .4 .5 .6 .7 .8 .9
```

perform the Wald test for equality of the slope coefficient across all of the deciles, as does the equivalent

```
vector v1(9)
v1.fill 1, .2, .3, .4, .5, .6, .7, .8, .9
eql.qrslope v1
```

Cross-references

See “Slope Equality Test” on page 432 of the *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of the slope equality test. See also [Equation::qrsymm \(p. 129\)](#).

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|--------|--------------------------------|
| qrsymm | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|--------|--------------------------------|

Perform Wald test of coefficients using symmetric quantiles. The symmetric quantile test restrictions are of the form:  $\beta_{\tau} + \beta_{1-\tau} = 2\beta_{0.5}$ .

Syntax

```
eq_name.qrsymm(options) [arg] [@coefs coeflist]
```

where *arg* is a optional list containing the quantile values (specified using numbers, scalar objects, or vectors) for which you wish to compute estimates, and optionally the *@coefs* keyword followed by a *coeflist* of the subset of coefficients to display.

- If *arg* is not specified, EViews will perform one of two tests, depending on the original equation specification:

If the original specification is a median regression ( $\tau = 0.5$ ), EViews will test using estimates obtained at the specified outer quantiles as specified by the “n = ” option. If “n = ” is not specified, the default is to display results for the outer quantiles {0.25, 0.75}.

For specifications estimated with  $\tau \neq 0.5$ , EViews will include the original quantile in the set of quantiles to test. You may specify “n = e” to perform a test using only estimates obtained at the symmetric pair  $\{\tau, 1 - \tau\}$ .

- If *arg* is specified, EViews will perform the test using only the specified quantiles and their complements. The original equation quantile will not be tested unless it is entered explicitly.
- If a *coeflist* is not provided, results for all coefficients will be displayed. For models that contain an intercept, the *coeflist* may consist of the **@incptonly** keyword, indicating that only results for the intercept will be displayed.

You may specify a maximum of 1000 total coefficients (number of coefficients in the equation specification times the number of quantiles) and a maximum of 500 quantiles in the test.

All estimation will be performed using the settings from the original equation. Note that the original equation must include an intercept for you to perform this test

Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>n = arg</code><br><i>(default = 4)</i> | Number of quantiles for testing.   |
| <code>quantout = name</code>                 | Save vector containing test quantile values.   |
| <code>coefout = name</code>                  | Save matrix containing test coefficient estimates. Each column of the matrix corresponds to a different quantile matching the corresponding quantile in “quantout = ”. To match the covariance matrix given in “covout = ” you should take the @vec of the coefficient matrix. |
| <code>covout = name</code>                   | Save symmetric matrix containing covariance matrix for the vector set of coefficient estimates.  |
| <code>prompt</code>                          | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>                               | Print output from the test.  |

Examples

```
equation eq1.qreg log(y) c log(x)
```

```
eq1.qrsymm
```

estimates a quantile (median) regression of LOG(Y) on a constant and LOG(X), and performs a symmetry test using the outer quartiles.

We may restrict the hypothesis to just consider the intercept,

```
eq1.qrsymm @coefs @incptonly
```

and we may specify alternative quantiles to test

```
eq1.qrsymm(quantout=qo) .2 .4 .7
```

Note that the latter command will test using the symmetric quantiles {0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8}, and at the median. Note that the median is automatically estimated, even though it is not specified explicitly, since it is always required for testing.

Alternatively, the commands

```
equation eq1.qreg(quant=.4) log(y) c log(x)
eq1.qrsymm(n=0)
```

will perform the test using the symmetric quantiles {0.4, 0.6} and the median.

To performs the test using all of the deciles, you may enter

```
vector(4) v1
v1.fill .1, .2, .3, .4
eq1.qrsymm v1
```

Cross-references

See [“Symmetric Quantiles Test” on page 433](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of the symmetric quantiles test. See also [Equation::qrslope \(p. 128\)](#).

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| ranhaus | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
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Test for correlation between random effects and regressors using Hausman test.

Tests the hypothesis that the random effects (components) are correlated with the right-hand side variables in a panel or pool equation setting. Uses Hausman test methodology to compare the results from the estimated random effects specification and a corresponding fixed effects specification. If the estimated specification involves two-way random effects, three separate tests will be performed; one for each set of effects, and one for the joint effects.

Only valid for panel or pool regression equations estimated with random effects. Note that the test results may be suspect in cases where robust standard errors are employed.



Syntax

`eq_name.ranhaus(options)`

Options

|   |                             |
|---|-----------------------------|
| p | Print output from the test. |
|---|-----------------------------|

Examples

```
equation eq1.ls(cx=r) sales c adver lsales
eq1.ranhaus
```

estimates a specification with cross-section random effects and tests whether the random effects are correlated with the right-hand side variables ADVER and LSALES using the Hausman test methodology.

Cross-references

See also [Equation::testadd \(p. 144\)](#), [Equation::testdrop \(p. 145\)](#), [Equation::fixedtest \(p. 79\)](#), and [Equation::wald \(p. 155\)](#).

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| representations | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
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Display text of specification for equation objects.

Syntax

`equation_name.representation(options)`

Options

|   |                                |
|---|--------------------------------|
| p | Print the representation text. |
|---|--------------------------------|

Examples

```
eq1.representations
```

displays the specifications of the equation object EQ1.

|       |                                |
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| reset | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|-------|--------------------------------|

Compute Ramsey’s regression specification error test.

Syntax

`eq_name.reset(n, options)`

You must provide the number of powers of fitted terms *n* to include in the test regression.

Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
| p      | Print the test result.                            |

Examples

```
equation eq1.ls lwage c edu race gender
eq1.reset(2)
```

carries out the RESET test by including the square and the cube of the fitted values in the test equation.

Cross-references

See [“Ramsey’s RESET Test” on page 188](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of the RESET test.

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| resids | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|--------|--------------------------------|

Display residuals.

The `resids` command allows you to display the actual, fitted values and residuals in either tabular or graphical form.

Syntax

```
equation_name.resids(options)
```

Options

|             |                                |
|-------------|--------------------------------|
| g (default) | Display graph(s) of residuals. |
| t           | Display table(s) of residuals. |
| p           | Print the table/graph.         |

Examples

```
equation eq1.ls m1 c inc tb3 ar(1)
eq1.resids
```

regresses M1 on a constant, INC, and TB3, correcting for first order serial correlation, and displays a table of actual, fitted, and residual series.

```
eq1.resids(g)
```

displays a graph of the actual, fitted, and residual series.

Cross-references

See also [Equation::makeresids](#) (p. 113).

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|---------|--------------------------------|
| results | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
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Displays the results view of an estimated equation.

Syntax

`equation_name.results(options)`

Options

|   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| p | Print the view. |
|---|-----------------|

Examples

```
equation eq1.ls m1 c inc tb3 ar(1)
eq1.results(p)
```

estimates an equation using least squares, and displays and prints the results.

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| rgmprobs | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
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Display regime probabilities for a switching regression equation.

Syntax

`eq_name.rgmprobs(options) [indices]`

where *eq\_name* is the name of an equation estimated using switching regression. The elements to display are given by the optional *indices* corresponding to the regimes (e.g., “1 2 3” or “2 3”). If *indices* is not provided, results for all of the regimes will be displayed.

Options

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>type = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “pred”)  | Type of regime probability to compute: one-step ahead predicted (“pred”), filtered (“filt”), smoothed (“smooth”). |
| <code>view = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “graph”) | Display format: multiple graphs (“graph”), single graph “graph1”, sheet (“sheet”).                                |
| <code>prompt</code>                                    | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| p  | Print results.  |

Examples

```
equation eq1.switchreg(type=markov) y c @nv ar(1) ar(2) ar(3)
```

```
eq1.rgmprobs
```

displays two graphs containing the one-step ahead regime probabilities for the Markov switching regression estimated in EQ1.

```
eq1.rgmprobs(type=filt) 2
```

displays the filtered probabilities for regime 2.

```
eq1.rgmprobs(type=smooth, view=graph1)
```

displays the smoothed probabilities for both regimes in a single graph.

Cross-references

See “Switching Regression” on page 389 of the *User’s Guide II* for discussion. See also [Equation::makergmprobs](#) (p. 114).

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| rls | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
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Recursive least squares regression.

The `rls` view of an equation displays the results of recursive least squares (rolling) regression. This view is only available for (non-panel) equations estimated by ordinary least squares without ARMA terms.

You may plot various statistics from `rls` by choosing an option.

Syntax

```
eq_name.rls(options) c(1) c(2) ...
```

Options

|     |   |
|-----|---|
| r   | Plot the recursive residuals about the zero line with plus and minus two standard errors.   |
| r,s | Plot the recursive residuals and save the residual series and their standard errors as series named R_RES and R_RESSE, respectively.              |
| c   | Plot the recursive coefficient estimates with two standard error bands.   |
| c,s | Plot the listed recursive coefficients and save all coefficients and their standard errors as series named R_C1, R_C1SE, R_C2, R_C2SE, and so on. |
| o   | Plot the <i>p</i> -values of recursive one-step Chow forecast tests.  |
| n   | Plot the <i>p</i> -values of recursive <i>n</i> -step Chow forecast tests.  |

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| q      | Plot the CUSUM (standardized cumulative recursive residual) and 5 percent critical lines. |
| v      | Plot the CUSUMSQ (CUSUM of squares) statistic and 5 percent critical lines.               |
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| p      | Print the view.   |

Examples

```
equation eq1.ls m1 c tb3 gdp
eq1.rls(r,s)
eq1.rls(c) c(2) c(3)
```

plots and saves the recursive residual series from EQ1 and their standard errors as R\_RES and R\_RESSE. The third line plots the recursive slope coefficients of EQ1.

```
equation eq2.ls m1 c pdl(tb3,12,3) pdl(gdp,12,3)
eq2.rls(c) c(3)
eq2.rls(q)
```

The second command plots the recursive coefficient estimates of PDL02, the linear term in the polynomial of TB3 coefficients. The third line plots the CUSUM test statistic and the 5% critical lines.

Cross-references

See “Recursive Least Squares” on page 189 of the *User’s Guide II*. See also [Equation::facbreak](#) (p. 76) and [Equation::breaktest](#) (p. 51).

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| robustls | <a href="#">Equation Methods</a> |
|----------|----------------------------------|

Estimates an equation using robust least squares.

You may perform three different types of robust estimation: M-estimation, S-estimation and MM-estimation.

Syntax:

```
eq_name.robustls(options) y x1 [x2 x3...]
```

Enter the `robustls` keyword, followed by the dependent variable and a list of the regressors.

## Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>method = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “m”)  | Robust estimation method: “m” (M-estimation), “s” (S-estimation) or “mm” (MM-estimation).  |
| <code>cov = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “type1”) | Covariance method type: “type1”, “type2”, or “type3”.  |
| <code>tuning = number</code>                          | Specify a value for the tuning parameter. If a value is not specified, EViews will use the default tuning parameter for the type of estimation and weighting function (if applicable). |
| <code>c = s</code>                                    | Convergence criterion. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2.   |
| <code>coef = arg</code>                               | Specify the name of the coefficient vector (if specified by list); the default behavior is to use the “C” coefficient vector.  |
| <code>m = integer</code>                              | Maximum number the number of iterations.   |
| <code>prompt</code>                                   | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>  | Print results.   |

## M-estimation Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>fn = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “bisquare”)   | Weighting function used during M-estimation: “andrews” (Andrews), “bisquare” (Bisquare), “cauchy” (Cauchy), “fair”, “huber”, “huberbi” (Huber-bisquare), “logistic” (Logistic), “median”, “tal” (Talworth), “Welsch” (Welsch). |
| <code>scale = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “madzero”) | Scaling method used for calculating the scalar parameter during M estimation: “madzero” (median absolute deviation, zero centered), “madmed” (median absolute deviation, median centered), “huber” (Huber scaling).            |
| <code>hmat</code>   | Use the hat-matrix to down-weight observations with high leverage.   |

S and MM estimation options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>compare = integer</code><br><i>(default = 4)</i>  | Number of comparison sets.  |
| <code>refine = integer</code><br><i>(default = 2)</i>   | Number of refinements.  |
| <code>trials = integer</code><br><i>(default = 200)</i> | Number of trials.   |
| <code>subsmpl = integer</code>                          | Specifies the size of the subsamples. Note, the default is number of coefficients in the regression.  |
| <code>seed = number</code>                              | Specifies the random number generator seed  |
| <code>rng = arg</code>                                  | Specifies the type of random number generator. The key can be; improved Knuth generator (“kn”), improved Mersenne Twister (“mt”), Knuth’s (1997) lagged Fibonacci generator used in EViews 4 (“kn4”) L’Ecuyer’s (1999) combined multiple, recursive generator (“le”), Matsumoto and Nishimura’s (1998) Mersenne Twister used in EViews 4 (“mt4”). |

MM estimation options

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|----------------------------|---|
| <code>mtuning = arg</code> | M-estimator tuning parameter.<br>Note the S-estimator tuning parameter is set with the “tuning = ” option outlined above. |
| <code>hmat</code>          | Use the hat-matrix to down-weight observations with high leverage during m-estimation.                                    |

Examples

The following examples use the “Rousseeuw and Leroy.wf1” file located in the EViews application data directory.

```
equation eq1.robustls salinity c lagsal trend discharge
```

This line estimates a simple M-type robust estimation, with SALINITY as the dependent variable, and a constant, LAGSAL, TREND and DISCHARGE as independent variables.

The line:

```
equation eq2.robustls(method=mm, tuning=2.937, mtuning=3.44, cov=type2) salinity c lagsal trend discharge
```

estimates the same model, but using MM-estimation, with an S tuning constant of 2.937, an M tuning constant of 3.44, and using Huber Type II standard errors.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 11. “Robust Least Squares,”](#) beginning on page 349 of *User’s Guide II* for discussion.

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| setattr | <a href="#">Equation Procs</a> |
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Set the object attribute.

### Syntax

```
equation_name.setattr(attr) attr_value
```

Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the @attr data member.

### Examples

```
a.setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

### Cross-references

See [“Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View”](#) on page 103 and [“Adding Your Own Label Attributes”](#) on page 65 of *User’s Guide I*.

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| steps | <a href="#">Equation Methods</a> |
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Estimation by stepwise least squares.

### Syntax

```
eq_name.steps(options) y x1 [x2 x3 ...] @ z1 z2 z3
```

Specify the dependent variable followed by a list of variables to be included in the regression, but not part of the search routine, followed by an “@” symbol and a list of variables to be part of the search routine. If no included variables are required, simply follow the dependent variable with an “@” symbol and the list of search variables.



## Options

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|---|--|
| <code>method = arg</code>                                 | Stepwise regression method: “stepwise” (default), “uni” (uni-directional), “swap” (swapwise), “comb” (combinatorial).  |
| <code>nvars = int</code>                                  | Set the number of search regressors. Required for swapwise and combinatorial methods, optional for uni-directional and stepwise methods.   |
| <code>w = arg</code>                                      | Weight series or expression.<br><i>Note: we recommend that, absent a good reason, you employ the default settings <b>Inverse std. dev. weights</b> (“wtype = istdev”) with <b>EViews default scaling</b> (“wscale = eviews”) for backward compatibility with versions prior to EViews 7.</i> |
| <code>wtype = arg</code><br>( <i>default = “istdev”</i> ) | Weight specification type: inverse standard deviation (“istdev”), inverse variance (“ivar”), standard deviation (“stdev”), variance (“var”).   |
| <code>wscale = arg</code>                                 | Weight scaling: EViews default (“eviews”), average (“avg”), none (“none”).<br>The default setting depends upon the weight type: “eviews” if “wtype = istdev”, “avg” for all others.  |
| <code>coef = arg</code>                                   | Specify the name of the coefficient vector (if specified by list); the default behavior is to use the “C” coefficient vector.  |
| <code>prompt</code>                                       | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>  | Print estimation results.  |

### *Stepwise and uni-directional method options*

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| <code>back</code>                                      | Set stepwise or uni-directional method to run backward. If omitted, the method runs forward.     |
| <code>tstat</code>                                     | Use <i>t</i> -statistic values as a stopping criterion. ( <i>default</i> uses <i>p</i> -values). |
| <code>ftol = number</code><br>( <i>default = 0.5</i> ) | Set forward stopping criterion value.  |
| <code>btol = number</code><br>( <i>default = 0.5</i> ) | Set backward stopping criterion value.   |

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>fmaxstep = int</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 1000) | Set the maximum number of steps forward.  |
| <code>bmaxstep = int</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 1000) | Set the maximum number of steps backward. |
| <code>tmaxstep = int</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 2000) | Set the maximum total number of steps.    |

*Swapwise method options*

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| <code>minr2</code> | Use minimum R-squared increments. ( <i>Default</i> uses maximum R-squared increments.) |
|--------------------|--|

*Combinatorial method options*

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| <code>force</code> | Suppress the warning message issued when a large number of regressions will be performed. |
|--------------------|---|

Examples

```
eq1.stepsls(method=comb,nvars=3) y c @ x1 x2 x3 x4 x5 x6 x7 x8
```

performs a combinatorial search routine to search for the three variables from the set of X1, X2, ..., X8, yielding the largest R-squared in a regression of Y on a constant and those three variables.

Cross-references

See [“Stepwise Least Squares Regression,”](#) beginning on page 46 of *User’s Guide II*.

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| switchreg | <a href="#">Equation Methods</a> |
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Estimate a switching regression model (simple exogenous or Markov).

Syntax

```
eq_name.switchreg(options) dependent_var list_of_varying_regressors [ @nv  
list_of_nonvarying_regressors ] [ @prv list_of_probability_regressors ]
```

List the `switchreg` keyword, followed by options, then the dependent variable and a list of the regressors with regime-varying coefficients, following optionally by the keyword `@nv` and a list of regressors with regime-invariant coefficients, and by the keyword `@prv` and a list of regressors that enter into the transition probability specification.

The dependent variable in `switchreg` may not be an expression. Dynamics may be specified by including lags of the dependent variable as regressors, or by specifying AR errors

using the `AR` keyword. The latter incorporate mean adjusted lags of the form specified by the “Hamilton-model.”

## Options

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>type = arg</code>  | Type of switching: simple exogenous (“simple”), Markov (“markov”).  |
| <code>nstates = integer</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 2)            | Number of regimes.  |
| <code>heterr</code>  | Allow for heterogeneous error variances across regimes  |
| <code>fprobmata = arg</code>                                       | Name of fixed transition probability matrix allows for fixing specific elements of the time-invariant transition matrix. Leave NAs in elements of the matrix to estimate. The $(i, j)$ element of the matrix corresponds to $P(s_t = j   s_{t-1} = i)$ .  |
| <code>initprob = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “ergodic”)       | Method for determining initial Markov regime probabilities: ergodic solution (“ergodic”), estimated parameter (“est”), equal probabilities (“uniform”), user-specified probabilities (“user”).<br><br>If “initprob = user” is specified, you will need to specify the “userinit = ” option.   |
| <code>userinit = arg</code>  | Name of vector containing user-specified initial Markov probabilities. The vector should have rows equal to the number of states; we expand this to the size of the initial lag state vector where necessary for AR specifications.<br><br>For use in specifications containing both the “type = markov” and “initprob = user” options. |
| <code>startnum = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0 or 25)         | Number of random starting values tried. The default is 0 for user-supplied coefficients (option “s”) and 25 in all other cases.   |
| <code>startiter = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 10)             | Number of iterations taken after each random start before comparing objective to determine final starting value.  |
| <code>searchnum = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0)              | Number of post-estimation perturbed starting values tried.  |
| <code>searchstds = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 1)             | Number of standard deviations to use in perturbed starts (if “searchnum = ”) is specified.  |
| <code>seed = positive_integer</code><br>from 0 to<br>2,147,483,647 | Seed the random number generator.<br><br>If not specified, EViews will seed random number generator with a single integer draw from the default global random number generator.   |



```
equation eq_lagdep.switchreg(type=markov) y c @nv y(-1) y(-2) y(-3)
y(-4)
```

specifies an alternate dynamic model in which the lags enter directly into the contemporaneous equation without mean adjustment.

```
equation eq_filardo.switchreg(type=markov) yy_dalt c @nv ar(1)
ar(2) ar(3) ar(4) @prv c yy_ldalt
```

estimates a 2 state model with non-varying AR(4) and transition matrix probability regressor YY\_LDALT.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 13. “Switching Regression,” beginning on page 389](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a description of the switching regression methodology.

See also [Equation::rgmprobs \(p. 134\)](#), [Equation::transprobs \(p. 146\)](#), [Equation::makergmprobs \(p. 114\)](#) and [Equation::maketransprobs \(p. 115\)](#) for routines that allow you to work with the regime probabilities and transition probabilities.

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| testadd | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
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Test whether to add regressors to an estimated equation.

Tests the hypothesis that the listed variables were incorrectly omitted from an estimated equation (only available for equations estimated by list). The test displays some combination of Wald and LR test statistics, as well as the auxiliary regression.

Syntax

```
eq_name.testadd(options) arg1 [arg2 arg3 ...]
```

List the names of the series or groups of series to test for omission after the keyword.

Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
| p      | Print output from the test.                       |

Examples

```
equation oldeq.ls sales c adver lsales ar(1)
oldeq.testadd gdp gdp(-1)
```

tests whether GDP and GDP(-1) belong in the specification for SALES using the equation OLDEQ.

## Cross-references

See [“Coefficient Diagnostics” on page 140](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for further discussion.

See also [Equation::testdrop \(p. 145\)](#) and [Equation::wald \(p. 155\)](#).

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| testdrop | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
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Test whether to drop regressors from a regression.

Tests the hypothesis that the listed variables were incorrectly included in the estimated equation (only available for equations estimated by list). The test displays some combination of  $F$  and LR test statistics, as well as the test regression.

## Syntax

```
eq_name.testdrop(options) arg1 [arg2 arg3 ...]
```

List the names of the series or groups of series to test for omission after the keyword.

## Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
| p      | Print output from the test.                       |

## Examples

```
equation oldeq.ls sales c adver lsales ar(1)
oldeq.testdrop adver
```

tests whether ADVER should be excluded from the specification for SALES using a the equation OLDEQ.

## Cross-references

See [“Coefficient Diagnostics” on page 140](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for further discussion of testing coefficients.

See also [Equation::testadd \(p. 144\)](#) and [Equation::wald \(p. 155\)](#).

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| testfit | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
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Carry out the Hosmer-Lemeshow and/or Andrews goodness-of-fit tests for estimated binary models.

## Syntax

```
binary_equation.testfit(options)
```

Options

|                                       |  |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| h                                     | Group by the predicted values of the estimated equation.   |
| s = <i>series_name</i>                | Group by the specified series.   |
| <i>integer</i><br>(default = 10)      | Specify the number of quantile groups in which to classify observations.                               |
| u                                     | Unbalanced grouping. Default is to randomize ties to balance the number of observations in each group. |
| v                                     | Group according to the values of the reference series.   |
| l = <i>integer</i><br>(default = 100) | Limit the number of values to use for grouping. Should be used with the “v” option.                    |
| prompt                                | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| p                                     | Print the result of the test.  |

Examples

```
equation eq1.binary work c age edu
eq1.testfit(h,5,u)
```

estimates a probit specification, and tests goodness-of-fit by comparing five unbalanced groups of actual data to those estimated by the model.

Cross-references

See [“Goodness-of-Fit Tests” on page 270](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of the Andrews and Hosmer-Lemeshow tests.

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| transprobs | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
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Display regime transition probabilities and expected durations for a switching regression equation.

Syntax

```
equation_name.transprobs(options)
```

where *equation\_name* is the name of an equation estimated using switching regression.

## Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>type = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “summary”) | <p>Transition probability results to display: summary (“default”), transition probabilities (“trans”), expected durations (“expect”).</p> <p>The default summary displays the transition matrix and expected regime durations for constant transition probability models, and descriptive statistics for the transition and expected durations for varying probability models.</p>   |
| <code>view = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “graph”)   | <p>Display method: graph (“graph”), spreadsheet (“sheet”), table (“table”).</p> <p>Applicable when displaying the transition probabilities or expected durations (“type = trans” or “type = expect”).</p> <p>The spreadsheet form represents shows the transition probabilities or regime expected durations in columns and observations in rows.</p> <p>The table form displays the transition probabilities or expected durations in a table (in a single matrix for a time-constant model, and individual matrices for a time-varying model).</p> |
| <code>prompt</code>                                      | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>   | Print results.   |

## Examples

```
equation eql.switchreg(type=markov) y c @nv ar(1) ar(2) ar(3)
eql.transprobs
```

displays the default summary of the transition probabilities estimated in EQ1.

The command

```
eql.transprobs(type=trans)
```

displays the transition probabilities in a graph, while

```
eql.transprobs(type=trans, view=sheet)
```

displays the transition probabilities in a spreadsheet, with each row column representing one of the probabilities and each row representing an observation.

```
eql.transprobs(type=trans, view=table)
```

displays the transition probabilities in a table.

```
eql.transprobs(type=expect, view=sheet)
```

displays the expected durations in spreadsheet form.



Cross-references

See “Switching Regression” on page 389 of the *User’s Guide II* for discussion. See also [Equation::transprobs](#) (p. 146).

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|-------------------|----------------------------------|
| <code>tsls</code> | <a href="#">Equation Methods</a> |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|

Two-stage least squares.

Carries out estimation for equations using two-stage least squares.

Syntax

```
eq_name.tsls(options) y x1 [x2 x3 ...] @ z1 [z2 z3 ...]  
eq_name.tsls(options) specification @ z1 [z2 z3 ...]
```

To use the `tsls` command, list the dependent variable first, followed by the regressors, then any AR or MA error specifications, then an “@”-sign, and finally, a list of exogenous instruments. You may estimate nonlinear equations or equations specified with formulas by first providing a specification, then listing the instrumental variables after an “@”-sign.

There must be at least as many instrumental variables as there are independent variables. All exogenous variables included in the regressor list should also be included in the instrument list. A constant is included in the list of instrumental variables even if not explicitly specified.

Options

Non-Panel TSLS Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>nocinst</code>                             | Do not automatically include a constant as an instrument.  |
| <code>w = arg</code>                             | Weight series or expression.<br><br><i>Note: we recommend that, absent a good reason, you employ the default settings <b>Inverse std. dev. weights</b> (“wtype = istdev”) with <b>EViews default scaling</b> (“wscale = eviews”) for backward compatibility with versions prior to EViews 7.</i> |
| <code>wtype = arg</code><br>(default = “istdev”) | Weight specification type: inverse standard deviation (“istdev”), inverse variance (“ivar”), standard deviation (“stdev”), variance (“var”).   |
| <code>wscale = arg</code>                        | Weight scaling: EViews default (“eviews”), average (“avg”), none (“none”).<br><br>The default setting depends upon the weight type: “eviews” if “wtype = istdev”, “avg” for all others.  |

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>cov = keyword</code>                                | Covariance type ( <i>optional</i> ): “white” (White diagonal matrix), “hac” (Newey-West HAC).   |
| <code>nodf</code>   | Do not perform degree of freedom corrections in computing coefficient covariance matrix. The default is to use degree of freedom corrections.   |
| <code>covlag = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 1)        | Whitening lag specification: <i>integer</i> (user-specified lag value), “a” (automatic selection).  |
| <code>covinfo = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “aic”)   | Information criterion for automatic selection: “aic” (Akaike), “sic” (Schwarz), “hqc” (Hannan-Quinn) (if “lag = a”).  |
| <code>covmaxlag = integer</code>                          | Maximum lag-length for automatic selection ( <i>optional</i> ) (if “lag = a”). The default is an observation-based maximum of $T^{1/3}$ .   |
| <code>covkern = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “bart”)  | Kernel shape: “none” (no kernel), “bart” (Bartlett, <i>default</i> ), “bohman” (Bohman), “daniell” (Daniel), “parzen” (Parzen), “parzriesz” (Parzen-Riesz), “parzgeo” (Parzen-Geometric), “parzcauchy” (Parzen-Cauchy), “quadspec” (Quadratic Spectral), “trunc” (Truncated), “thamm” (Tukey-Hamming), “thann” (Tukey-Hanning), “tparz” (Tukey-Parzen). |
| <code>covbw = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “fixednw”) | Kernel Bandwidth: “fixednw” (Newey-West fixed), “andrews” (Andrews automatic), “neweywest” (Newey-West automatic), <i>number</i> (User-specified bandwidth).  |
| <code>covnwlag = integer</code>                           | Newey-West lag-selection parameter for use in nonparametric kernel bandwidth selection (if “covbw = neweywest”).  |
| <code>covbwint</code>                                     | Use integer portion of bandwidth.   |
| <code>m = integer</code>                                  | Set maximum number of iterations.   |
| <code>c = scalar</code>                                   | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2.  |
| <code>s</code>  | Use the current coefficient values in estimator coefficient vector as starting values for equations specified by list with AR or MA terms (see also <a href="#">param (p. 413)</a> of the <i>Command and Programming Reference</i> ).   |

|                                       |  |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| <code>s = number</code>               | Determine starting values for equations specified by list with AR or MA terms. Specify a number between zero and one representing the fraction of preliminary least squares estimates computed without AR or MA terms to be used. Note that out of range values are set to “s = 1”. Specifying “s = 0” initializes coefficients to zero. By default EViews uses “s = 1”. |
| <code>coef = arg</code>               | Specify the name of the coefficient vector (if specified by list); the default behavior is to use the “C” coefficient vector.  |
| <code>showopts /<br/>-showopts</code> | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.   |
| <code>deriv = keyword</code>          | Set derivative method. The argument <i>keyword</i> should be a one- or two-letter string. The first letter should either be “f” or “a” corresponding to fast or accurate numeric derivatives (if used). The second letter should be either “n” (always use numeric) or “a” (use analytic if possible). If omitted, EViews will use the global defaults.                  |
| <code>z</code>                        | Turn off backcasting in ARMA models.   |
| <code>prompt</code>                   | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>                        | Print basic estimation results.  |

#### *Panel TSLS Options*

|                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| <code>cx = arg</code>  | Cross-section effects. For fixed effects estimation, use “cx = f”; for random effects estimation, use “cx = r”.   |
| <code>per = arg</code> | Period effects. For fixed effects estimation, use “cx = f”; for random effects estimation, use “cx = r”.  |
| <code>wgt = arg</code> | GLS weighting: (default) none, cross-section system weights (“wgt = cxsur”), period system weights (“wgt = persur”), cross-section diagonal weights (“wgt = cxdiag”), period diagonal weights (“wgt = perdiag”).  |
| <code>cov = arg</code> | Coefficient covariance method: (default) ordinary, White cross-section system robust (“cov = cxwhite”), White period system robust (“cov = perwhite”), White heteroskedasticity robust (“cov = stackedwhite”), Cross-section system robust/PCSE (“cov = cxsur”), Period system robust/PCSE (“cov = persur”), Cross-section heteroskedasticity robust/PCSE (“cov = cxdiag”), Period heteroskedasticity robust (“cov = perdiag”). |

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>keepwgts</code>                                  | Keep full set of GLS weights used in estimation with object, if applicable (by default, only small memory weights are saved).  |
| <code>rancalc = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “sa”) | Random component method: Swamy-Arora (“rancalc = sa”), Wansbeek-Kapteyn (“rancalc = wk”), Wallace-Hussain (“rancalc = wh”).  |
| <code>nodf</code>                                      | Do not perform degree of freedom corrections in computing coefficient covariance matrix. The default is to use degree of freedom corrections.  |
| <code>coef = arg</code>                                | Specify the name of the coefficient vector (if specified by list); the default is to use the “C” coefficient vector.   |
| <code>iter = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “onec”)  | Iteration control for GLS specifications: perform one weight iteration, then iterate coefficients to convergence (“iter = onec”), iterate weights and coefficients simultaneously to convergence (“iter = sim”), iterate weights and coefficients sequentially to convergence (“iter = seq”), perform one weight iteration, then one coefficient step (“iter = oneb”).<br><br>Note that random effects models currently do not permit weight iteration to convergence. |
| <code>s</code>   | Use the current coefficient values in estimator coefficient vector as starting values for equations with AR terms (see also <a href="#">param (p. 413)</a> in the <i>Command and Programming Reference</i> ).  |
| <code>s = number</code>                                | Determine starting values for equations specified with AR terms. Specify a number between zero and one representing the fraction of preliminary least squares estimates computed without AR terms. Note that out of range values are set to “s = 1”. Specifying “s = 0” initializes coefficients to zero. By default, EViews uses “s = 1”.   |
| <code>m = integer</code>                               | Set maximum number of iterations.  |
| <code>c = number</code>                                | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2.   |
| <code>deriv = keyword</code>                           | Set derivative method. The argument <i>keyword</i> should be a one- or two-letter string. The first letter should either be “f” or “a” corresponding to fast or accurate numeric derivatives (if used). The second letter should be either “n” (always use numeric) or “a” (use analytic if possible). If omitted, EViews will use the global defaults.  |

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| unbalsur                | Compute SUR factorization in unbalanced data using the subset of available observations for a cluster.                        |
| coef = arg              | Specify the name of the coefficient vector (if specified by list); the default behavior is to use the “C” coefficient vector. |
| showopts /<br>-showopts | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.                        |
| prompt                  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| p                       | Print estimation results.   |

Examples

```
eq1.tsls y_d c cpi inc ar(1) @ lw(-1 to -3)
```

estimates EQ1 using TSLS regression of Y\_D on a constant, CPI, INC with AR(1) using a constant, LW(-1), LW(-2), and LW(-3) as instruments.

```
param c(1) .1 c(2) .1
eq1.tsls(s,m=500) y_d=c(1)+inc^c(2) @ cpi
```

estimates a nonlinear TSLS model using a constant and CPI as instruments. The first line sets the starting values for the nonlinear iteration algorithm.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 3. “Instrumental Variables and GMM,” on page 55](#) and [“Two-Stage Least Squares” on page 515](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for details on two-stage least squares estimation in single equations and systems, respectively.

[“Instrumental Variables” on page 728](#) of the *User’s Guide II* discusses estimation using pool objects, while [“Instrumental Variables Estimation” on page 762](#) of the *User’s Guide II* discusses estimation in panel structured workfiles.

See also [Equation::ls \(p. 103\)](#).

|        |                                |
|--------|--------------------------------|
| ubreak | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|--------|--------------------------------|

Andrews-Quandt test for unknown breakpoint.

Carries out the Andrews-Quandt test for parameter stability at some unknown breakpoint.

Syntax

```
eq_name.ubreak(options) trimlevel @ x1 x2 x3
```

You must provide the level of trimming of the data. The level must be one of the following: 49, 48, 47, 45, 40, 35, 30, 25, 20, 15, 10, or 5. If the equation is specified by list and contains no nonlinear terms, you may specify a subset of the regressors to be tested for a breakpoint after an “@” sign.

Options

|                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| wfname =<br>series_name | Store the individual Wald $F$ -statistics into the series <i>series_name</i> .             |
| lname =<br>series_name  | Store the individual likelihood ratio $F$ -statistics into the series <i>series_name</i> . |
| prompt                  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| p                       | Print the result of the test.  |

Examples

```
equation ppp.ls log(spot) c log(p_us) log(p_uk)
ppp.ubreak 15
```

regresses the log of SPOT on a constant, the log of P\_US, and the log of P\_UK, and then carries out the Andrews-Quandt test, trimming 15% of the data from each end.

To test whether only the constant term and the coefficient on the log of P\_US are subject to a structural break, use:

```
ppp.ubreak @ c log(p_us)
```

Cross-references

See [“Quandt-Andrews Breakpoint Test” on page 172](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for further discussion.

See also [Equation::chow \(p. 54\)](#) and [Equation::rls \(p. 135\)](#).

|             |                                |
|-------------|--------------------------------|
| updatecoefs | <a href="#">Equation Procs</a> |
|-------------|--------------------------------|

Update coefficient object values from an equation object.

Copies coefficients from the equation object into the appropriate coefficient vector or vectors.

Syntax

```
equation_name.updatecoef
```

Follow the name of the equation object with a period and the keyword `updatecoef`.

Examples

```
equation eq1.ls y c x1 x2 x3
equation eq2.ls z c z1 z2 z3
eq1.updatecoef
```

places the coefficients from EQ1 in the default coefficient vector C.

```
coef(3) a
equation eq3.ls y=a(1)+z1^c(1)+log(z2+a(2))+exp(c(4)+z3/a(3))
equation eq2.ls z c z1 z2 z3
eq3.updatecoef
```

updates the coefficient vector A and the default vector C so that both contain the coefficients from EQ3.

Cross-references

See also [Coef::coef](#) (p. 18).

|               |                                |
|---------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>varinf</b> | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|---------------|--------------------------------|

Variance Inflation Factor (VIF).

Display the Variance Inflation Factors (VIFs). VIFs are a method of measuring the level of collinearity between the regressors in an equation.

Syntax

```
eq_name.varinf
```

Options

|   |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| p | Print the results. |
|---|--------------------|

Examples

The set of commands:

```
equation eq1.ls lwage c edu edu^2 union
eq1.varinf
```

displays the variance inflation factor view of EQ1.

Cross-references

See also [“Variance Inflation Factors” on page 143](#) of *User’s Guide II*.

|             |                                |
|-------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>wald</b> | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|-------------|--------------------------------|

**Wald coefficient restriction test.**

The `wald` view carries out a Wald test of coefficient restrictions for an equation object.

### Syntax

`equation_name.wald restrictions`

Enter the equation name, followed by a period, and the keyword. You must provide a list of the coefficient restrictions, with joint (multiple) coefficient restrictions separated by commas.

### Options

`p` Print the test results.

### Examples

```
eq1.wald c(2)=0, c(3)=0
```

tests the null hypothesis that the second and third coefficients in equation EQ1 are jointly zero.

```
eq2.wald c(2)=c(3)*c(4)
```

tests the non-linear restriction that the second coefficient in equation EQ2 is equal to the product of the third and fourth coefficients.

### Cross-references

See “[Wald Test \(Coefficient Restrictions\)](#)” on page 146 of the *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of Wald tests.

See also [Equation::cellipse](#) (p. 51), [Equation::testdrop](#) (p. 145), [Equation::testadd](#) (p. 144).

|                 |                                |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>weakinst</b> | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|

### Displays the Weak Instruments Summary

The `weakinst` view of an equation displays the Weak Instrument Summary for equations estimated by TSLS, GMM or LIML. The summary includes both the Cragg-Donald test and Moment Selection Criteria (for TSLS and GMM only).



Syntax

eq\_name.weakinst

Examples

```
equation eq1.gmm y c x1 x2 @ z1 z2 z3 z4
e1.weakinst
```

estimates and equation via GMM and then displays the weak instrument summary.

Cross-references

See [“Weak Instrument Diagnostics” on page 80](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for discussion.

|       |                                |
|-------|--------------------------------|
| white | <a href="#">Equation Views</a> |
|-------|--------------------------------|

Performs White’s test for heteroskedasticity of residuals.

Carries out White’s test for heteroskedasticity of the residuals of the specified equation. By default, the test is computed without the cross-product terms (using only the terms involving the original variables and squares of the original variables). You may elect to compute the original form of the White test that includes the cross-products.

White’s test is not available for equations estimated by `binary`, `ordered`, `censored`, or `count`.

Note that a more general version of the White test is available using [Equation::hettest \(p. 96\)](#). We also note that for equations estimated without a constant term, version 6 of the `White` command will, by default, generate results that differ from version 5. You may obtain version 5 compatible results by adding the `@comp` keyword to `white` as in:

```
eq_name.white @comp
```

Syntax

eq\_name.white(*options*)

Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| c      | Include all possible nonredundant cross-product terms in the test regression. |
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.                             |
| p      | Print the test results.   |

Examples

```
eq1.white(c)
```

carries out the White test of heteroskedasticity including all possible cross-product terms.

### Cross-references

See “[White's Heteroskedasticity Test](#)” on [page 163](#) of the *User's Guide II* for a discussion of White's test. For the multivariate version of this test, see “[White Heteroskedasticity Test](#)” on [page 560](#) of the *User's Guide II*.

See also [Equation::hetttest](#) (p. 96) for a more full-featured version of this test.



## Factor

Factor analysis object.

### Factor Declaration

**factor** ..... factor object declaration (p. 166).

To declare a factor object, use the `factor` keyword, followed by a name to be given to the object. See also `factest` (p. 331).

### Factor Methods

**gls** ..... generalized least squares estimation (p. 168).  
**ipf** ..... iterated principal factors estimation (p. 172).  
**ml** ..... maximum likelihood estimation (p. 181).  
**pace** ..... non-iterative partitioned covariance estimation (PACE) (p. 186).  
**pf** ..... principal factors estimation (p. 190).  
**uls** ..... unweighted least squares estimation (p. 204).

### Factor Views

**anticov** ..... display the anti-image covariance matrix of the observed matrix (p. 163).  
**display** ..... display table, graph, or spool in object window (p. 164).  
**eigen** ..... display table or graph of eigenvalues of observed, scaled observed, or reduced covariance matrix (p. 165).  
**fitstats** ..... show table of Goodness-of-Fit statistics (p. 167).  
**fitted** ..... show fitted and reproduced covariances (p. 168).  
**loadings** ..... display loadings tables or graphs (p. 177).  
**maxcor** ..... display maximum absolute correlations for the observed covariance matrix (p. 180).  
**msa** ..... compute and display Kaiser's Measure of Sampling Adequacy (MSA) (p. 184).  
**observed** ..... display observed covariance matrix, scaled covariance matrix, or number of observations used in analysis (p. 185).  
**output** ..... display main factor analysis estimation output (p. 186).  
**partcor** ..... show observed partial correlation matrix (p. 189).  
**reduced** ..... display reduced covariance matrix using initial or final uniquenesses (p. 193).  
**resids** ..... display residual covariance estimates (p. 194).  
**rotateout** ..... show rotated factors and rotation estimation results (p. 199).  
**scores** ..... compute factor score coefficients and scores and display results (p. 200).

- smc** ..... display table of squared multiple correlations for the observed covariance matrix (p. 202).
- structure** ..... display factor structure matrix (p. 203).

## Factor Procs

- displayname** ..... set display name for factor object (p. 164).
- factnames** ..... specify names for factors (p. 166).
- label** ..... label view of factor object (p. 176).
- makescores** ..... compute and save factor score series (p. 178).
- olepush** ..... push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 185).
- rotate** ..... perform an orthogonal or oblique factor rotation (p. 194).
- rotateclear** ..... clear existing rotation results (p. 198).
- setattr** ..... set the value of an object attribute (p. 199).

## Factor Data Members

### *Scalar values for model*

- @valid** ..... (0, 1) indicator for whether the factor object has valid factor estimates (1 = true).
- @nvars** ..... number of variables to analyze.
- @nfactors** ..... number of retained factors.
- @obs** ..... number of observations.
- @balanced** ..... (0, 1) indicator for whether the covariance matrix uses a balanced sample (1 = balanced).
- @ncondition** ..... number of conditioning variables (including the constant term for centered covariances).
- @pratio** ..... parsimony ratio.
- @nnfi** ..... Non-normed Fit Index (generalized Tucker-Lewis index).
- @rfi** ..... Bollen's Relative Fit Index.
- @nfi** ..... Bentler-Bonnet's Incremental Fit Index.
- @ifi** ..... Bollen's Incremental Fit Index.
- @cfi** ..... Bentlers Comparative Fit Index.

### *Scalar values for model and independence (zero factor) specifications*

Each of the following takes an optional argument “(0)” (e.g., “@params(0)”). If no argument is provided, the data member returns the value for the estimated factor specification. If the optional argument is provided, the member returns the value for the independence (zero factor) model.

- @params[(0)]** ..... number of estimated parameters.
- @ncoefs[(0)]** ..... same as @parms.
- @objective[(0)]** .... value of the objective function in factor extraction.

**@discrep**[(0)] .....same as @objective.  
**@aic**[(0)] .....Akaike Information Criterion.  
**@sc**[(0)] .....Schwarz Information Criterion.  
**@hq**[(0)] .....Hannan-Quinn Information Criterion.  
**@ecvi**[(0)] .....Expected Cross-validation Index.  
**@chisq**[(0)] .....Chi-square test statistic for model adequacy.  
**@chisqdf**[(0)] .....Degrees of freedom for the chi-square statistic.  
**@chisqprob**[(0)] ... $p$ -value for the chi-square statistic  
**@bartlett**[(0)] .....Bartlett's adjusted version of the Chi-square test statistic.  
**@bartlettprob**[(0)] . $p$ -value for Bartlett's adjusted version of the chi-square statistic.  
**@rmsr**[(0)] .....Root mean square residuals.  
**@srmsr**[(0)] .....Standardized root mean square residuals.  
**@gfi**[(0)] .....Jöreskog and Sörbom Generalized Fit Index.  
**@agfi**[(0)] .....Jöreskog and Sörbom Adjusted Generalized Fit Index.  
**@noncent**[(0)] .....Noncentrality parameter.  
**@gammahat**[(0)] ..Gamma hat non-centrality.  
**@mdnoncent**[(0)] .McDonald non-centrality.  
**@rmsea**[(0)] .....Root MSE approximation.

#### *Vectors and Matrices for Model*

**@obsmat** .....matrix of number of observations used for each pair of variables.  
**@cov** .....observed covariance or correlation matrix.  
**@scaled** .....scaled covariance matrix.  
**@fitted** .....fitted covariance matrix.  
**@common** .....common variance fitted covariance matrix (fitted matrix with communality on the diagonal).  
**@resid** .....residual matrix (observed–fitted).  
**@residcommon** .....residual matrix using common variance.  
**@reduced** .....reduced covariance matrix using final uniqueness estimates.  
**@ireduced** .....reduced covariance matrix using initial uniqueness estimates.  
**@anticov** .....Anti-image covariance matrix.  
**@partcor** .....partial correlation matrix.  
**@iunique** .....vector of initial uniqueness estimates.  
**@unique** .....vector of final uniqueness estimates.  
**@icommunal** .....vector initial communality estimates.  
**@communal** .....vector of final communality estimates.  
**@rowadjust** .....vector of row standardization terms (used to rescale results so that the uniqueness and communality estimates add up to the observed diagonals).

**@loadings** ..... estimated loadings matrix.  
**@rloadings** ..... rotated loadings matrix.  
**@rotmat** ..... factor rotation matrix:  $T$ .  
**@rotmatinv** ..... loadings rotation matrix:  $(T^{-1})'$ .  
**@factcor** ..... factor correlation matrix.  
**@factstruct** ..... factor structure matrix (correlation between factors and the variables).

### *String Values*

**@attr("arg")** ..... string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.  
**@command** ..... full command line form of the Factor estimation command. Note this is a combination of **@method**, **@options**, and **@spec**.  
**@description** ..... string containing the Factor object's description (if available).  
**@detailedtype** ..... returns a string with the object type: "FACTOR".  
**@displayname** ..... returns the Factor object's display name. If the Factor object has no display name set, the name is returned.  
**@factnames** ..... factor names.  
**@method** ..... command line form of the Factor estimation method type.  
**@name** ..... returns the Factor object's name.  
**@options** ..... command line form of estimation options.  
**@smpl** ..... sample used for estimation.  
**@spec** ..... original factor specification.  
**@type** ..... returns a string with the object type: "FACTOR".  
**@units** ..... string containing the Factor object's units description (if available).  
**@updatetime** ..... returns a string representation of the time and date at which the Factor was last updated.  
**@varnames** ..... variable names.

### **Factor Examples**

To declare a factor object named F1:

```
factor f1
```

To declare and estimate by maximum likelihood a factor object F2 using data in the group GROUP01:

```
factor f2.ml group01
```

To declare and estimate, using iterated principal factors, the factor object F3 using the sym matrix SYM01:

```
factor f3.ipf sym01 785
```

In addition to providing the name of the matrix, we indicate that the covariance is computed using 785 observations.

To estimate a factor model by ML using the series X1 X2 and X3 using a command:

```
factest x1 x2 x3
```

EViews will create an untitled factor object containing the results of the estimation.

Factor Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the “Factor” object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| anticov | <a href="#">Factor Views</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Display the anti-image covariance matrix based on the observed covariance matrix

Syntax

```
factor_name.anticov(options)
```

The anti-image covariance is obtained by taking the inverse of the covariance matrix, and row and column scaling by the diagonals of the inverse.

The diagonal elements of the matrix are equal to 1 minus the squared multiple correlations (SMCs). The off-diagonal elements of the anti-image covariance are equal to the negative of the partial covariances multiplied by  $(1 - \rho^2_{xy|Z})$ , where  $Z$  are the remaining variables.

Options

|   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| p | Print the matrix. |
|---|-------------------|

Examples

```
factor f1.ml group01
f1.anticov(p)
```

estimates the factor analysis object F1, then displays and prints the anti-image covariance matrix.

Cross-References

See “Observed Covariances” on page 881 of *User’s Guide II*. See also [Factor::observed](#) (p. 185), [Factor::partcor](#) (p. 189), [Factor::smc](#) (p. 202).



|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| display | <a href="#">Factor Views</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Display table, graph, or spool output in the factor object window.

Display the contents of a table, graph, or spool in the window of the factor object.

**Syntax**

`factor_name.display object_name`

**Examples**

```
factor1.display tab1
```

Display the contents of the table TAB1 in the window of the object FACTOR1.

**Cross-references**

Most often used in constructing an EViews Add-in. See [“Custom Object Output” on page 192](#) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|             |                              |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">Factor Procs</a> |
|-------------|------------------------------|

Set display name for factor object.

Attaches a display name to a factor object which may be used to label output in place of the standard factor object name.

**Syntax**

`factor_name.displayname display_name`

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain a variety of characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in object names.

**Examples**

```
f1.displayname Holzinger Example
```

The first line attaches a display name “Holzinger Example” to the factor object F1.

**Cross-references**

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names. See also `Factor::label` (p. 176).

|       |                              |
|-------|------------------------------|
| eigen | <a href="#">Factor Views</a> |
|-------|------------------------------|

Display table or graph of eigenvalues of observed, scaled observed, or reduced covariance matrix.

## Syntax

```
factor_name.eigen(options)
```

By default, `eigen` will display a table of eigenvalues for the specified source matrix. You may add the option keywords “eigvec” and “matrix” to include additional output.

To display a graph of the results, you should some combination of the “scree”, “diff” and “cproport” option keywords.

## Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| source = <i>arg</i><br>(default = “observed”) | Source matrix to be analyzed: “observed” (observed covariance matrix), “scaled” (scaled observed matrix), “reducedinit” (reduced using initial uniquenesses), “reduced” (reduced using final uniquenesses). |
| eigvec  | Add the eigenvectors to the table of eigenvalue results. May be combined with the “matrix” keyword.   |
| matrix  | Display the source matrix along with the table of eigenvalue results. May be combined with the “eigvec” keyword.  |
| scree   | Display eigenvalue graph of the ordered eigenvalues (Scree plot). May be combined with the “diff” and “cproport” keywords.  |
| diff  | Display graph of the difference in successive eigenvalues. May be combined with the “scree” and “cproport” keywords.  |
| cproport                                      | Display graph of the cumulative proportion of total variance associated with each eigenvalue/eigenvector. May be combined with the “scree” and “diff” keywords.   |
| prompt  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| p   | Print results.  |

## Examples

```
f1.eigen(source=observed, scree)
```

displays the scree plot based on the observed covariance matrix.

```
f1.eigen(source=reducedinit, eigvec, matrix)
```

displays a table of eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors for the reduced covariance matrix (using the initial uniquenesses). The table also shows the reduced covariance matrix.

```
f1.eigen(source=reducedinit, scree, cproport, diff)
```

shows the scree, cumulative proportion, and eigenvalue difference graphs based on the reduced initial covariance.

Cross-references

See [“Eigenvalues” on page 883](#) of *User’s Guide II*.

|           |                              |
|-----------|------------------------------|
| factnames | <a href="#">Factor Procs</a> |
|-----------|------------------------------|

Specify names for the unobserved factors.

Assign names to the unobserved factors in an estimated factor object. These names will subsequently be used in table and graphical output.

Syntax

```
factor_name.factnames [name1 ...]
```

You should follow the keyword with a list of names for the factors. You may clear an existing set of factnames by using the `factnames` keyword with an empty list of factors.

Examples

```
f1.factnames Verbal Visual
```

attaches names “Verbal” and “Visual” to the first two retained factors. The names will be used in subsequent views and procedures.

```
f1.factnames
```

clears the existing list of factor names.

|        |                                    |
|--------|------------------------------------|
| factor | <a href="#">Factor Declaration</a> |
|--------|------------------------------------|

Declare a factor object.

Syntax

```
factor factor_name
factor factor_name.method(options) specification
```

Follow the `factor` keyword with a name and an optional specification. If you wish to enter the specification, you should follow the new factor name with a period, an estimation method, and the factor analysis specification. Valid estimation methods are [gls \(p. 168\)](#),

[ipf](#) (p. 172), [ml](#) (p. 181), [pace](#) (p. 186), [pf](#) (p. 190), and [uls](#) (p. 204). Refer to each method for a description of the available options.

## Examples

```
factor f1.gls(n=map, priors=max) group01
```

declares the factor object F1 and estimates a factor model from the correlation matrix for the series in the group object GROUP01. The default method, Velicer’s MAP, is used for determining the number of factors.

```
factor fac1.ipf(n=2, maxit=4) var1 var2 var3 var4
```

creates the factor object FAC1 then extracts two factors from the variables VAR1–VAR4 by the iterative principal factor method, with a maximum of four iterations.

```
factor f2.ml group01
```

declares the factor object F2 then estimates the factor model using the correlation matrix for the series in GROUP01 by maximum likelihood method.

## Cross-references

[Chapter 27. “Factor Analysis,” on page 869](#) of *User’s Guide II* provides basic information on factor analysis.

|                 |                              |
|-----------------|------------------------------|
| <b>fitstats</b> | <a href="#">Factor Views</a> |
|-----------------|------------------------------|

Display Goodness-of-fit statistics for an estimated factor analysis object.

## Syntax

```
factor_name.fitstats
```

## Options

|   |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| p | Print the results. |
|---|--------------------|

## Examples

```
factor f1.ml group01
f1.fitstats(p)
```

estimates a factor model then displays and prints a table of Goodness-of-fit statistics.

## Cross-references

See [“Discrepancy and Chi-Square Tests” on page 905](#) of *User’s Guide II*.

|        |                              |
|--------|------------------------------|
| fitted | <a href="#">Factor Views</a> |
|--------|------------------------------|

Display fitted and common covariances from a factor analysis object.

Syntax

`factor_name.fitted(options)`

Options

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| <code>common</code> | Display common covariance. ( <i>default</i> is to display the fitted covariance). |
| <code>p</code>      | Print the matrix.   |

Examples

```
factor f1.ml group01
f1.fitted(p)
```

estimates a factor model for the series in GROUP01, then displays and prints the fitted covariance matrix for the factor object F1.

```
f1.fitted(common)
```

displays the estimate of the fitted common variance.

Cross-references

See “[Matrix Views](#)” on page 881 of *User’s Guide II*. See also [Factor::reduced](#) (p. 193).

|     |                                |
|-----|--------------------------------|
| gls | <a href="#">Factor Methods</a> |
|-----|--------------------------------|

Generalized least squares estimation of the factor model.

Syntax

```
factor_name.gls(options) x1 [x2 x3...] [@partial z1 z2 z3...]
factor_name.gls(options) matrix_name [[[obs] [conditioning]]] [@ name1 name2
name3...]
```

The first method computes the observed dispersion matrix from a set of series or group objects. Simply append a period and the `gls` keyword to the name of your object, followed by the names of your series and groups, You may optionally use the keyword `@partial` and append a list of conditioning series.

In the second method you will provide the name of the observed dispersion matrix, and optionally, the number of observations and the rank of the set of conditioning variables. If

the latter is not provided, it will be set to 1 (representing the constant in the standard centered variance calculations). You may also provide names for the columns of the correlation matrix by entering the @-sign followed by a list of valid series names.

## Options

### Estimation Options

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| rescale                 | Rescale the uniqueness and loadings estimates so that they match the observed variances.  |
| maxit = <i>integer</i>  | Maximum number of iterations.   |
| conv = <i>scalar</i>    | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled estimates. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2. |
| showopts /<br>-showopts | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the rotation output.  |
| prompt                  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| p                       | Print basic estimation results.   |

### Number of Factors Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| n = <i>arg</i><br>(default = "map")         | Number of factors: "kaiser" (Kaiser-Guttman greater than mean), "mineigen" (Minimum eigenvalue criterion; specified using "eiglimit"), "varfrac" (fraction of variance accounted for; specified using "varlimit"), "map" (Velicer's Minimum Average Partial method), "bstick" (comparison with broken stick distribution), "parallel" (parallel analysis: number of replications specified using "pnreps"; "pquant" indicates the quantile method value if employed), "scree" (standard error scree method), <i>integer</i> (user-specified integer value). |
| eiglimit = <i>number</i><br>(default = 1)   | Limit value for retaining factors using the eigenvalue comparison (where "n = mineigen").   |
| varlimit = <i>number</i><br>(default = 0.5) | Fraction of total variance explained limit for retaining factors using the variance limit criterion (where "n = varlimit").   |
| porig                                       | Use the unreduced matrix for parallel analysis (the default is to use the reduced matrix).<br>For parallel analysis only ("n = parallel").  |
| preps = <i>integer</i><br>(default = 100)   | Number of parallel analysis repetitions.<br>For parallel analysis only ("n = parallel").  |

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>pquant = number</code>   | Quantile value for parallel analysis comparison (if not specified, the mean value will be employed).<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”).  |
| <code>pseed = positive integer</code>  | Seed the random number generator for parallel analysis.<br>If not specified, EViews will seed the random number generator with a single integer draw from the default global random number generator.<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”).   |
| <code>prnd = arg</code><br>(default = “kn” or method previously set using <a href="#">rndseed</a> (p. 423) in the <i>Command and Programming Reference</i> ) | Type of random number generator for the simulation: improved Knuth generator (“kn”), improved Mersenne Twister (“mt”), Knuth’s (1997) lagged Fibonacci generator used in EViews 4 (“kn4”) L’Ecuyer’s (1999) combined multiple recursive generator (“le”), Matsumoto and Nishimura’s (1998) Mersenne Twister used in EViews 4 (“mt4”).<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”). |

#### *Initial Communalities Options*

|                                 |  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| <code>priors = arg</code>       | Method for obtaining initial communalities: “smc” (squared multiple correlations), “max” (maximum absolute correlation), “pace” (noniterative partitioned covariance estimation), “frac” (fraction of the diagonals of the original matrix; specified using “priorfrac = ”), “random” (random fractions of the original diagonals), “user” (user-specified vector; specified using “priorunique”). |
| <code>priorfrac = number</code> | User-specified common fraction (between 0 and 1) to be used when “priors = frac”.  |
| <code>priorunique = arg</code>  | Vector of initial <i>uniqueness</i> estimates to be used when “priors = user”. By default, the values will be taken from the corresponding elements of the coefficient vector C.   |

### Covariance Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>cov = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “cov”)          | Covariance calculation method: ordinary (Pearson product moment) covariance (“cov”), ordinary correlation (“corr”), Spearman rank covariance (“rcov”), Spearman rank correlation (“rcorr”), Kendall’s tau-b (“taub”), Kendall’s tau-a (“taua”), uncentered ordinary covariance (“ucov”), uncentered ordinary correlation (“ucorr”).<br><br>User-specified covariances are indicated by specifying a sym matrix object in place of a list of series or groups in the command. |
| <code>wgt = name</code><br>(optional)                        | Name of series containing weights.   |
| <code>wgtmethod = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “sstdev”) | Weighting method (when weights are specified using “weight = ”): frequency (“freq”), inverse of variances (“var”), inverse of standard deviation (“stdev”), scaled inverse of variances (“svar”), scaled inverse of standard deviations (“sstdev”).<br><br>Only applicable for ordinary (Pearson) calculations. Weights specified by “wgt = ” are frequency weights for rank correlation and Kendall’s tau calculations.   |
| <code>pairwise</code>  | Compute using pairwise deletion of observations with missing cases (pairwise samples).   |
| <code>df</code>  | Compute covariances with a degree-of-freedom correction for the mean (for centered specifications), and any partial conditioning variables.  |

### Examples

```
factor f1.gls(n=map, priors=max) group01
```

declares the factor object F1 and estimates a factor model from the correlation matrix for the series in the group object GROUP01. The default method, Velicer’s MAP, is used for determining the number of factors.

```
f1.gls(n=map, priors=max) group01 @partial ser1 ser2
```

estimates the same specification using the partial correlation for the series in GROUP01, conditional on the series SER1 and SER2.

```
f1.gls(rescale, maxit=200, n=2, priors=smc, cov=rcorr) x y z
```

estimates a two factor model for the rank correlation computed from the series X, Y, and Z, using generalized least squares with 200 maximum iterations. The result is rescaled if necessary so that estimated uniqueness and the communality sum to 1; the initial uniquenesses are set to the SMCs of the observed correlation matrix.

```
f1.gls sym01 393
```



estimates a factor model using the symmetric matrix object as the observed matrix. The number of observations for the model is set to 393.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 27. “Factor Analysis,” on page 869](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a general discussion of factor analysis. The various estimation methods are described in [“Estimation Methods” on page 902](#) of *User’s Guide II*.

See also [Factor::ipf \(p. 172\)](#), [Factor::ml \(p. 181\)](#), [Factor::pace \(p. 186\)](#), [Factor::pf \(p. 190\)](#), [Factor::uls \(p. 204\)](#).

|     |                                |
|-----|--------------------------------|
| ipf | <a href="#">Factor Methods</a> |
|-----|--------------------------------|

Iterated principal factors estimation of the factor model.

Syntax

```
factor_name.ipf(options) x1 [x2 x3...] [@partial z1 z2 z3...]  
factor_name.ipf(options) matrix_name [[obs] [conditioning]] [@ name1 name2  
name3...]
```

The first method computes the observed dispersion matrix from a set of series or group objects. Simply append a period and the `ipf` keyword to the name of your object, followed by the names of your series and groups, You may optionally use the keyword `@partial` and append a list of conditioning series.

In the second method you will provide the name of the observed dispersion matrix, and optionally, the number of observations and the rank of the set of conditioning variables. If the latter is not provided, it will be set to 1 (representing the constant in the standard centered variance calculations). You may also provide names for the columns of the correlation matrix by entering the `@`-sign followed by a list of valid series names.

## Options

### Estimation Options

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>heywood = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “stop”) | Method for handling Heywood cases (negative uniqueness estimates): “stop” (stop and report final results), “last” (stop and report previous iteration results), “reset” (set negative uniquenesses to zero and continue), “ignore” (ignore and continue). |
| <code>maxit = integer</code>                             | Maximum number of iterations.   |
| <code>conv = scalar</code>                               | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled estimates. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2.   |
| <code>showopts /</code><br><code>-showopts</code>        | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the rotation output.  |
| <code>prompt</code>                                      | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>   | Print basic estimation results.   |

### Number of Factors Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>n = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “map”)         | Number of factors: “kaiser” (Kaiser-Guttman greater than mean), “mineigen” (Minimum eigenvalue criterion; specified using “eiglimit”), “varfrac” (fraction of variance accounted for; specified using “varlimit”), “map” (Velicer’s Minimum Average Partial method), “bstick” (comparison with broken stick distribution), “parallel” (parallel analysis: number of replications specified using “pnreps”; “pquant” indicates the quantile method value if employed), “scree” (standard error scree method), <i>integer</i> (user-specified integer value). |
| <code>eiglimit = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 1)   | Limit value for retaining factors using the eigenvalue comparison (where “n = mineigen”).   |
| <code>varlimit = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0.5) | Fraction of total variance explained limit for retaining factors using the variance limit criterion (where “n = varlimit”).   |
| <code>porig</code>  | Use the unreduced matrix for parallel analysis (the default is to use the reduced matrix).<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”).  |
| <code>preps = integer</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 100)   | Number of parallel analysis repetitions.<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”).  |

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>pquant = number</code>   | Quantile value for parallel analysis comparison (if not specified, the mean value will be employed).<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”).  |
| <code>pseed = positive integer</code>  | Seed the random number generator for parallel analysis.<br>If not specified, EViews will seed the random number generator with a single integer draw from the default global random number generator.<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”).   |
| <code>prnd = arg</code><br>(default = “kn” or method previously set using <a href="#">rndseed</a> (p. 423) in the <i>Command and Programming Reference</i> ) | Type of random number generator for the simulation: improved Knuth generator (“kn”), improved Mersenne Twister (“mt”), Knuth’s (1997) lagged Fibonacci generator used in EViews 4 (“kn4”) L’Ecuyer’s (1999) combined multiple recursive generator (“le”), Matsumoto and Nishimura’s (1998) Mersenne Twister used in EViews 4 (“mt4”).<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”). |

#### *Initial Communalities Options*

|                                 |  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| <code>priors = arg</code>       | Method for obtaining initial communalities: “smc” (squared multiple correlations), “max” (maximum absolute correlation), “pace” (noniterative partitioned covariance estimation), “frac” (fraction of the diagonals of the original matrix; specified using “priorfrac = ”), “random” (random fractions of the original diagonals), “user” (user-specified vector; specified using “priorunique”). |
| <code>priorfrac = number</code> | User-specified common fraction (between 0 and 1) to be used when “priors = frac”.  |
| <code>priorunique = arg</code>  | Vector of initial <i>uniqueness</i> estimates to be used when “priors = user”. By default, the values will be taken from the corresponding elements of the coefficient vector C.   |

#### *Covariance Options*

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>cov = arg</code><br>(default = “cov”) | Covariance calculation method: ordinary (Pearson product moment) covariance (“cov”), ordinary correlation (“corr”), Spearman rank covariance (“rcov”), Spearman rank correlation (“rcorr”), Kendall’s tau-b (“taub”), Kendall’s tau-a (“taua”), uncentered ordinary covariance (“ucov”), uncentered ordinary correlation (“ucorr”).<br><br>User-specified covariances are indicated by specifying a sym matrix object in place of a list of series or groups in the command. |
|---|--|

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>wgt = name</code><br>(optional)                           | Name of series containing weights.   |
| <code>wgtmethod = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> =<br>“sstdev”) | Weighting method (when weights are specified using “weight = ”): frequency (“freq”), inverse of variances (“var”), inverse of standard deviation (“stdev”), scaled inverse of variances (“svar”), scaled inverse of standard deviations (“sstdev”).<br><br>Only applicable for ordinary (Pearson) calculations. Weights specified by “wgt = ” are frequency weights for rank correlation and Kendall’s tau calculations. |
| <code>pairwise</code>   | Compute using pairwise deletion of observations with missing cases (pairwise samples).   |
| <code>df</code>   | Compute covariances with a degree-of-freedom correction for the mean (for centered specifications), and any partial conditioning variables.  |

## Examples

```
factor f1.ipf(n=2, maxit=4) var1 var2 var3 var4
```

declares the factor object F1 then extracts two factors from the variables VAR1–VAR4 by the iterative principal factor method, with a maximum of four iterations.

```
f1.ipf(conv=1e-9, heywood=reset) group01
```

sets the convergence criterion to 1e-9, and estimates the factor model for the series in GROUP01. If encountered, negative uniqueness estimates will be set to zero and the estimation will proceed.

```
f1.ipf(conv=1e-9, heywood=reset) group01 @partial ser1 ser2
```

estimates the same specification using the partial correlation for GROUP01, conditional on the series SER1 and SER2.

```
f1.ipf(n=parallel) sym01 424
```

estimates the iterative principal factor model using the observed matrix SYM01. The number of observations is 424, and the number of factors is determined using parallel analysis.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 27. “Factor Analysis,” on page 869](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a general discussion of factor analysis. The various estimation methods are described in [“Estimation Methods” on page 902](#) of *User’s Guide II*.

See also [Factor::gls \(p. 168\)](#), [Factor::ml \(p. 181\)](#), [Factor::pace \(p. 186\)](#), [Factor::pf \(p. 190\)](#), [Factor::uls \(p. 204\)](#).

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| label | <a href="#">Factor Views</a>   <a href="#">Factor Procs</a> |
|-------|---|

Display or change the label view of the factor object.

Syntax

```
factor_name.label
factor_name.label(options) [text]
```

Options

The first version of the command displays the label view of the factor. The second version may be used to modify the label. Specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

If no options are provided, `label` will display the current values in the label.

Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of F1 with “Example factor analysis problem”:

```
f1.label(r) Example factor analysis problem
```

To append additional remarks to F1, and then to print the label view:

```
f1.label(r, p) Test evaluation
```

Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.

See also `Factor::displayname` (p. 164).

|          |                              |
|----------|------------------------------|
| loadings | <a href="#">Factor Views</a> |
|----------|------------------------------|

Display factor loadings tables or graphs.

Syntax

```
factor_name.loadings(options)
factor_name.loadings(graph, options) [graph_list]
```

where the *[graph\_list]* is an optional list of integers and/or vectors containing integers identifying the factors to plot. If *graph\_list* is not provided, EViews will construct graphs using all of the retained factors.

Multiple pairs are handled using the method specified in the “mult = ” option. Note that the order of elements in the list matters; reversing the order of two indices reverses the axis on which each factor is displayed.

Options

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| graph     | Display graphs of the loadings (default is to display the loadings in a spreadsheet view). |
| unrotated | Use the unrotated loadings (default is to use the rotated loadings, if available).         |
| prompt    | Force the dialog to appear from within a program (for loadings graphs only)                |
| p         | Print results.   |

Graph Options

|  |   |
|--|---|
| mult = <i>arg</i><br>(default = “first”) | Multiple series handling: plot first against remainder (“first”), plot as x-y pairs (“pair”), lower-triangular plot (“lt”). |
| nocenter                                 | Do not center graphs around the origin. By default, EViews centers biplots around (0, 0).                                   |

Examples

```
f1.loadings
```

displays the spreadsheet view of the (possibly rotated) loadings.

```
f1.loadings(graph, unrotated) 1 2
```

displays an XY graph of the first two unrotated factor loadings.

Cross-references

See “[Background](#),” beginning on page 900 of *User’s Guide II* for a general discussion of the factor model, and “[Loadings Views](#)” on page 882 of *User’s Guide II* for specific discussion of the loadings view.

|            |                              |
|------------|------------------------------|
| makescores | <a href="#">Factor Procs</a> |
|------------|------------------------------|

Save estimated factor score series in the workfile

Syntax

`factor_name.makescores(options) [output_list] [@ observed_list]`

The optional *output\_list* describes the factors that you wish to save. There are two formats for the list:

- You may specify *output\_list* using a list of integers and/or vectors containing integers identifying the factors that you wish to save (e.g., “1 2 3 5”).

EViews will construct the output series names using the factor names previously specified in the factor object (using `Factor::factnames` (p. 166)) or using the default names “F1”, “F2”, etc. If a name modifier is provided (using the “append = ” option), it will be appended to each name

- You may provide an *output\_list* containing names for factors to be saved (e.g., “math science verbal”).

If you provide *k* factor names, EViews will save the first *k* factors to the workfile. The factors will be named using the specified list, appended with the name modifiers, if specified.

By default, EViews will save all of the factors using the names in the factor object, with modifiers if necessary.

The optional *observed\_list* of observed input variables will be multiplied by the score coefficients to compute the scores. Note that:

- If an *observed\_list* is not provided, EViews will use the observed variables from factor estimation. For user-specified factor models (specified by providing a symmetric matrix) you must provide a list if you wish to obtain score values.
- Scores values will be computed for the current workfile sample. Observations with input values that are missing will generate NAs.

## Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| unrotated   | Use unrotated loadings in computations (the default is to use the rotated loadings, if available).  |
| type = <i>arg</i><br>(default = “exact”)              | Exact coefficient (“exact”), coarse adjusted factor coefficients (“coefs”), coarse adjusted factor loadings (“loadings”).   |
| coef = <i>arg</i><br>(default = “reg”)                | Method for computing the factor score coefficient matrix: Thurstone regression (“reg”), Ideal Variables (“ideal”), Bartlett weighted least squares (“wls”), generalized Anderson-Rubin-McDonald (“anderson”), Green (“green”).<br>For “type = exact” and “type = coefs” specifications.   |
| cutoff = <i>number</i><br>(default = 0.3)             | Cutoff value for coarse score coefficient calculation (Grice, 1991a).<br><br>For “type = coef” specifications, the cutoff value represents the fraction of the largest absolute coefficient weight per factor against which the absolute exact score coefficients should be compared.<br><br>For “type = loadings”, and “type = struct” specifications, the cutoff is the value against which the absolute loadings or structure coefficients should be compared. |
| moment = <i>arg</i><br>(default = “est”; if feasible) | Standardize the observables data using means and variances from: original estimation (“est”), or the computed moments from specified observable variables (“obs”).<br><br>The “moment = est” option is only available for factor models estimated using Pearson or uncentered Pearson correlation and covariances since the remaining models involve unobserved or non-comparable moments.  |
| df  | Degrees-of-freedom correct the observables variances computed when “moment = obs” (divide sums-of-squares by $n - 1$ instead of $n$ ).  |
| n = <i>arg</i>  | (Optional) Name of group object to contain the factor score series.   |
| coefout   | (Optional) Name of matrix in which to save the factor score coefficient matrix.   |
| prompt  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |

## Examples

```
f1.makescores(coef=green, n=outgrp)
```

computes factor scores coefficients using Green’s method, then saves the results into series in the workfile using the names in the factor object. The observed data from the estimation



specification will be used as inputs to the procedure. If no names have been specified, the names will be “F1”, “F2”, *etc.* The output series will be saved in the group object OUTGRP.

```
f1.makescores(coef=green, n=outgrp) 1 2
```

computes scores in the same fashion, but only saves factors 1 and 2.

```
f1.makescores(type=coefs) sc1 sc2 sc3
```

computes coarse factor scores using the default (Thurstone) scores coefficients and saves them in the series SC1, SC2, and SC3. The observed data from the estimation specification will be used as inputs.

Cross-references

See [“Estimating Scores,” beginning on page 877](#) of *User’s Guide II* and [“Scoring,” on page 910](#) of *User’s Guide II*. See also [Factor::scores](#) (p. 200).

|        |                              |
|--------|------------------------------|
| maxcor | <a href="#">Factor Views</a> |
|--------|------------------------------|

Display the maximum absolute correlations for each column of the observed covariance matrix.

Syntax

```
factor_name.maxcor(options)
```

The table also displays the observed covariance matrix.

Options

|   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| p | Print the matrix. |
|---|-------------------|

Examples

```
f1.maxcor(p)
```

displays and prints the maximum absolute covariance matrix for the factor object F1.

Cross-references

See also [Factor::anticov](#) (p. 163), [Factor::observed](#) (p. 185), and [Factor::part-cor](#) (p. 189).

|    |                |
|----|----------------|
| ml | Factor Methods |
|----|----------------|

Maximum likelihood estimation of the factor model.

### Syntax

```
factor_name.ml(options) x1 [x2 x3...] [@partial z1 z2 z3...]
factor_name.ml(options) matrix_name [[obs] [conditioning]] [@ name1 name2
name3...]
```

The first method computes the observed dispersion matrix from a set of series or group objects. Simply append a period and the `ml` keyword to the name of your object, followed by the names of your series and groups. You may optionally use the keyword `@partial` and append a list of conditioning series.

In the second method you will provide the name of the observed dispersion matrix, and optionally, the number of observations and the rank of the set of conditioning variables. If the latter is not provided, it will be set to 1 (representing the constant in the standard centered variance calculations). You may also provide names for the columns of the correlation matrix by entering the `@`-sign followed by a list of valid series names.

### Options

#### Estimation Options

|                                   |   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| <code>rescale</code>              | Rescale the uniqueness and loadings estimates so that they match the observed variances.  |
| <code>maxit = integer</code>      | Maximum number of iterations.   |
| <code>conv = scalar</code>        | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled estimates. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2. |
| <code>showopts / -showopts</code> | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the rotation output.  |
| <code>prompt</code>               | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>                    | Print basic estimation results.   |

*Number of Factors Options*

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>n = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “map”)  | Number of factors: “kaiser” (Kaiser-Guttman greater than mean), “mineigen” (Minimum eigenvalue criterion; specified using “eiglimit”), “varfrac” (fraction of variance accounted for; specified using “varlimit”), “map” (Velicer’s Minimum Average Partial method), “bstick” (comparison with broken stick distribution), “parallel” (parallel analysis: number of replications specified using “pnreps”; “pquant” indicates the quantile method value if employed), “scree” (standard error scree method), <i>integer</i> (user-specified integer value). |
| <code>eiglimit = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 1)  | Limit value for retaining factors using the eigenvalue comparison (where “n = mineigen”).   |
| <code>varlimit = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0.5)  | Fraction of total variance explained limit for retaining factors using the variance limit criterion (where “n = varlimit”).   |
| <code>porig</code>   | Use the unreduced matrix for parallel analysis (the default is to use the reduced matrix).<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”).  |
| <code>preps = integer</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 100)  | Number of parallel analysis repetitions.<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”).  |
| <code>pquant = number</code>   | Quantile value for parallel analysis comparison (if not specified, the mean value will be employed).<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”).  |
| <code>pseed = positive integer</code>  | Seed the random number generator for parallel analysis.<br>If not specified, EViews will seed the random number generator with a single integer draw from the default global random number generator.<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”).   |
| <code>prnd = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “kn” or method previously set using <a href="#">rndseed</a> (p. 423) in the <i>Command and Programming Reference</i> ) | Type of random number generator for the simulation: improved Knuth generator (“kn”), improved Mersenne Twister (“mt”), Knuth’s (1997) lagged Fibonacci generator used in EViews 4 (“kn4”) L’Ecuyer’s (1999) combined multiple recursive generator (“le”), Matsumoto and Nishimura’s (1998) Mersenne Twister used in EViews 4 (“mt4”).<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”).   |

*Initial Communalities Options*

|                                 |  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| <code>priors = arg</code>       | Method for obtaining initial communalities: “smc” (squared multiple correlations), “max” (maximum absolute correlation), “pace” (noniterative partitioned covariance estimation), “frac” (fraction of the diagonals of the original matrix; specified using “priorfrac = ”), “random” (random fractions of the original diagonals), “user” (user-specified vector; specified using “priorunique”). |
| <code>priorfrac = number</code> | User-specified common fraction (between 0 and 1) to be used when “priors = frac”.  |
| <code>priorunique = arg</code>  | Vector of initial <i>uniqueness</i> estimates to be used when “priors = user”. By default, the values will be taken from the corresponding elements of the coefficient vector C.   |

*Covariance Options*

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>cov = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “cov”)          | Covariance calculation method: ordinary (Pearson product moment) covariance (“cov”), ordinary correlation (“corr”), Spearman rank covariance (“rcov”), Spearman rank correlation (“rcorr”), Kendall’s tau-b (“taub”), Kendall’s tau-a (“taua”), uncentered ordinary covariance (“ucov”), uncentered ordinary correlation (“ucorr”).<br><br>User-specified covariances are indicated by specifying a sym matrix object in place of a list of series or groups in the command. |
| <code>wgt = name</code><br>(optional)                        | Name of series containing weights.   |
| <code>wgtmethod = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “sstdev”) | Weighting method (when weights are specified using “weight = ”): frequency (“freq”), inverse of variances (“var”), inverse of standard deviation (“stdev”), scaled inverse of variances (“svar”), scaled inverse of standard deviations (“sstdev”).<br><br>Only applicable for ordinary (Pearson) calculations. Weights specified by “wgt = ” are frequency weights for rank correlation and Kendall’s tau calculations.   |
| <code>pairwise</code>  | Compute using pairwise deletion of observations with missing cases (pairwise samples).   |
| <code>df</code>  | Compute covariances with a degree-of-freedom correction for the mean (for centered specifications), and any partial conditioning variables.  |

**Examples**

```
factor f1.ml group01
```

declares the factor object F1 then estimates the factor model using the correlation matrix for the series in GROUP01 by the method of maximum likelihood.

```
f1.ml group01 @partial ser1 ser2
```

estimates the same specification using the partial correlation for the series in GROUP01, conditional on the series SER1 and SER2.

```
f1.ml(n=parallel, priors=max) x y z
```

uses parallel analysis to determine the number of factors for a model estimates from the series X, Y, and Z, and uses the maximum absolute correlations to determine the initial uniqueness estimates.

```
f1.ml(n=scree) sym01 424
```

estimates the factor model using the observed matrix SYM01. The number of observations is 424, and the number of factors is determined using the standard error scree.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 27. “Factor Analysis,” on page 869](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a general discussion of factor analysis. The various estimation methods are described in [“Estimation Methods” on page 902](#) of *User’s Guide II*.

See also [Factor::gls \(p. 168\)](#), [Factor::ipf \(p. 172\)](#), [Factor::ml \(p. 181\)](#), [Factor::pace \(p. 186\)](#), [Factor::pf \(p. 190\)](#), [Factor::uls \(p. 204\)](#).

|     |                              |
|-----|------------------------------|
| msa | <a href="#">Factor Views</a> |
|-----|------------------------------|

Display Kaiser’s Measure of Sampling Adequacy and matrix of partial correlations.

Syntax

```
factor_name.msa(options)
```

Options

|   |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| p | Print the results. |
|---|--------------------|

Examples

```
f1.msa(p)
```

displays and prints the results for the factor object F1.

Cross-references

See also [Factor::partcor \(p. 189\)](#) and [Factor::anticov \(p. 163\)](#).

|          |                              |
|----------|------------------------------|
| observed | <a href="#">Factor Views</a> |
|----------|------------------------------|

Display observed covariance matrix, scaled observed covariance (correlation), or matrix of number of observations.

Syntax

`factor_name.observed(options)`

Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| scaled | Scale the observed matrix so that it has unit diagonals.                          |
| obs    | Display the matrix containing number of observations for each covariance element. |
| p      | Print the results.  |

Examples

```
factor f1.ml group01
f1.observed
```

estimates a common factor model for the series in GROUP01, then displays the observed covariance matrix.

```
f1.observed(obs, p)
```

displays and prints the matrix containing the number of observations.

```
f1.observed(scaled)
```

displays the corresponding correlation matrix.

Cross-references

See “Observed Covariances” on page 881 of *User’s Guide II*. See also [Factor::anticov](#) (p. 163), [Factor::partcor](#) (p. 189), and [Factor::smc](#) (p. 202).

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| olepush | <a href="#">Factor Procs</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

Syntax

`factor_name.olepush`

Cross-references

See [“Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)” on page 729](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|        |                              |
|--------|------------------------------|
| output | <a href="#">Factor Views</a> |
|--------|------------------------------|

Display factor estimation output.

Syntax

`factor_name.output(options)`

Options

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| p | Print view. |
|---|-------------|

Examples

`f1.output`

displays the estimation output for factor F1.

|      |                                |
|------|--------------------------------|
| pace | <a href="#">Factor Methods</a> |
|------|--------------------------------|

Non-iterative partitioned covariance estimation of the factor model

Syntax

`factor_name.pace(options) x1 [x2 x3...] [@partial z1 z2 z3...]`  
`factor_name.pace(options) matrix_name [[obs] [conditioning]] [@ name1 name2 name3...]`

The first method computes the observed dispersion matrix from a set of series or group objects. Simply append a period and the `pace` keyword to the name of your object, followed by the names of your series and groups, You may optionally use the keyword `@partial` and append a list of conditioning series.

In the second method you will provide the name of the observed dispersion matrix, and optionally, the number of observations and the rank of the set of conditioning variables. If the latter is not provided, it will be set to 1 (representing the constant in the standard centered variance calculations). You may also provide names for the columns of the correlation matrix by entering the `@`-sign followed by a list of valid series names.

## Options

### Estimation Options

|                      |  |
|----------------------|--|
| <code>rescale</code> | Rescale the uniqueness and loadings estimates so that they match the observed variances. |
| <code>prompt</code>  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>       | Print basic estimation results.  |

### Number of Factors Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>n = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = "map")         | Number of factors: "kaiser" (Kaiser-Guttman greater than mean), "mineigen" (Minimum eigenvalue criterion; specified using "eiglimit"), "varfrac" (fraction of variance accounted for; specified using "varlimit"), "map" (Velicer's Minimum Average Partial method), "bstick" (comparison with broken stick distribution), "parallel" (parallel analysis: number of replications specified using "pnreps"; "pquant" indicates the quantile method value if employed), "scree" (standard error scree method), <i>integer</i> (user-specified integer value). |
| <code>eiglimit = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 1)   | Limit value for retaining factors using the eigenvalue comparison (where "n = mineigen").   |
| <code>varlimit = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0.5) | Fraction of total variance explained limit for retaining factors using the variance limit criterion (where "n = varlimit").   |
| <code>porig</code>  | Use the unreduced matrix for parallel analysis (the default is to use the reduced matrix).<br>For parallel analysis only ("n = parallel").  |
| <code>preps = integer</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 100)   | Number of parallel analysis repetitions.<br>For parallel analysis only ("n = parallel").  |



|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>pquant = number</code>  | Quantile value for parallel analysis comparison (if not specified, the mean value will be employed).<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”).  |
| <code>pseed = positive integer</code>   | Seed the random number generator for parallel analysis.<br>If not specified, EViews will seed the random number generator with a single integer draw from the default global random number generator.<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”).   |
| <code>prnd = arg</code><br>( <i>default = “kn” or method previously set using <a href="#">rndseed</a> (p. 423) in the <a href="#">Command and Programming Reference</a></i> ) | Type of random number generator for the simulation: improved Knuth generator (“kn”), improved Mersenne Twister (“mt”), Knuth’s (1997) lagged Fibonacci generator used in EViews 4 (“kn4”) L’Ecuyer’s (1999) combined multiple recursive generator (“le”), Matsumoto and Nishimura’s (1998) Mersenne Twister used in EViews 4 (“mt4”).<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”). |

### Covariance Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>cov = arg</code><br>( <i>default = “cov”</i> )          | Covariance calculation method: ordinary (Pearson product moment) covariance (“cov”), ordinary correlation (“corr”), Spearman rank covariance (“rcov”), Spearman rank correlation (“rcorr”), Kendall’s tau-b (“taub”), Kendall’s tau-a (“taua”), uncentered ordinary covariance (“ucov”), uncentered ordinary correlation (“ucorr”).<br>User-specified covariances are indicated by specifying a sym matrix object in place of a list of series or groups in the command. |
| <code>wgt = name</code><br>( <i>optional</i> )                | Name of series containing weights.   |
| <code>wgtmethod = arg</code><br>( <i>default = “sstdev”</i> ) | Weighting method (when weights are specified using “weight = ”): frequency (“freq”), inverse of variances (“var”), inverse of standard deviation (“stdev”), scaled inverse of variances (“svar”), scaled inverse of standard deviations (“sstdev”).<br>Only applicable for ordinary (Pearson) calculations.<br>Weights specified by “wgt = ” are frequency weights for rank correlation and Kendall’s tau calculations.  |
| <code>pairwise</code>   | Compute using pairwise deletion of observations with missing cases (pairwise samples).   |
| <code>df</code>   | Compute covariances with a degree-of-freedom correction for the mean (for centered specifications), and any partial conditioning variables.  |

## Examples

```
factor f1.pace(n=map, rescale) x y z
```

declares the factor object F1 and estimates the factors for the correlation matrix of X, Y, and Z, by the PACE method. The number of factors is determined by Velicer’s MAP procedure and the result is rescaled to match the observed variances.

```
f1.pace(n=3) group01
```

estimates the three factor model for the series in GROUP01 by the PACE method.

```
f1.pace(n=3) group01 @partial ser1 ser2
```

estimates the same specification using the partial correlation for the series in GROUP01, conditional on the series SER1 and SER2.

```
f1.pace(n=scree) sym01 848
```

estimates the PACE factor model using the observed matrix SYM01. The number of observations is 848, and the number of factors is determined using the standard error scree.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 27. “Factor Analysis,” on page 869](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a general discussion of factor analysis. The various estimation methods are described in [“Estimation Methods” on page 902](#) of *User’s Guide II*.

See also [Factor::gls \(p. 168\)](#), [Factor::ipf \(p. 172\)](#), [Factor::ml \(p. 181\)](#), [Factor::pf \(p. 190\)](#), [Factor::uls \(p. 204\)](#).

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| partcor | <a href="#">Factor Views</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Display the partial correlation matrix derived from the observed covariance matrix.

## Syntax

```
factor_name.partcor(options)
```

The elements of the partial correlation matrix are the pairwise correlations conditional on the other variables.

The partial correlation matrix is computed by scaling the anti-image covariance to unit diagonal (or equivalently, by row and column scaling the inverse of the observed matrix by the square roots of its diagonals).

## Options

|   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| p | Print the matrix. |
|---|-------------------|

Examples

```
factor f1.ml group01
f1.partcor(p)
```

displays and prints the partial correlation matrix for the factor object F1.

Cross-references

See “Observed Covariances” on page 881 of *User’s Guide II*. See also [Factor::anticov](#) (p. 163), [Factor::observed](#) (p. 185), and [Factor::smc](#) (p. 202).

|    |                                |
|----|--------------------------------|
| pf | <a href="#">Factor Methods</a> |
|----|--------------------------------|

Principal factors estimation of the factor model.

Syntax

```
factor_name.pf(options) x1 [x2 x3...] [@partial z1 z2 z3...]
factor_name.pf(options) matrix_name [[obs] [conditioning]] [@ name1 name2
name3...]
```

The first method computes the observed dispersion matrix from a set of series or group objects. Simply append a period and the `pf` keyword to the name of your object, followed by the names of your series and groups. You may optionally use the keyword `@partial` and append a list of conditioning series.

In the second method you will provide the name of the observed dispersion matrix, and optionally, the number of observations and the rank of the set of conditioning variables. If the latter is not provided, it will be set to 1 (representing the constant in the standard centered variance calculations). You may also provide names for the columns of the correlation matrix by entering the `@`-sign followed by a list of valid series names.

Options

Estimation Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
| p      | Print basic estimation results.                   |

*Number of Factors Options*

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>n = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “map”)   | Number of factors: “kaiser” (Kaiser-Guttman greater than mean), “mineigen” (Minimum eigenvalue criterion; specified using “eiglimit”), “varfrac” (fraction of variance accounted for; specified using “varlimit”), “map” (Velicer’s Minimum Average Partial method), “bstick” (comparison with broken stick distribution), “parallel” (parallel analysis: number of replications specified using “pnreps”; “pquant” indicates the quantile method value if employed), “scree” (standard error scree method), <i>integer</i> (user-specified integer value). |
| <code>eiglimit = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 1)   | Limit value for retaining factors using the eigenvalue comparison (where “n = mineigen”).   |
| <code>varlimit = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0.5)   | Fraction of total variance explained limit for retaining factors using the variance limit criterion (where “n = varlimit”).   |
| <code>porig</code>  | Use the unreduced matrix for parallel analysis (the default is to use the reduced matrix).<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”).  |
| <code>preps = integer</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 100)   | Number of parallel analysis repetitions.<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”).  |
| <code>pquant = number</code>  | Quantile value for parallel analysis comparison (if not specified, the mean value will be employed).<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”).  |
| <code>pseed = positive integer</code>   | Seed the random number generator for parallel analysis.<br>If not specified, EViews will seed the random number generator with a single integer draw from the default global random number generator.<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”).   |
| <code>prnd = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “kn” or method previously set using <code>rndseed</code> (p. 423) in the <i>Command and Programming Reference</i> ) | Type of random number generator for the simulation: improved Knuth generator (“kn”), improved Mersenne Twister (“mt”), Knuth’s (1997) lagged Fibonacci generator used in EViews 4 (“kn4”) L’Ecuyer’s (1999) combined multiple recursive generator (“le”), Matsumoto and Nishimura’s (1998) Mersenne Twister used in EViews 4 (“mt4”).<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”).   |

*Initial Communalities Options*

|                                 |  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| <code>priors = arg</code>       | Method for obtaining initial communalities: “smc” (squared multiple correlations), “max” (maximum absolute correlation), “pace” (noniterative partitioned covariance estimation), “frac” (fraction of the diagonals of the original matrix; specified using “priorfrac = ”), “random” (random fractions of the original diagonals), “user” (user-specified vector; specified using “priorunique”). |
| <code>priorfrac = number</code> | User-specified common fraction (between 0 and 1) to be used when “priors = frac”.  |
| <code>priorunique = arg</code>  | Vector of initial <i>uniqueness</i> estimates to be used when “priors = user”. By default, the values will be taken from the corresponding elements of the coefficient vector C.   |

*Covariance Options*

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>cov = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “cov”)          | Covariance calculation method: ordinary (Pearson product moment) covariance (“cov”), ordinary correlation (“corr”), Spearman rank covariance (“rcov”), Spearman rank correlation (“rcorr”), Kendall’s tau-b (“taub”), Kendall’s tau-a (“taua”), uncentered ordinary covariance (“ucov”), uncentered ordinary correlation (“ucorr”).<br><br>User-specified covariances are indicated by specifying a sym matrix object in place of a list of series or groups in the command. |
| <code>wgt = name</code><br>( <i>optional</i> )               | Name of series containing weights.   |
| <code>wgtmethod = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “sstdev”) | Weighting method (when weights are specified using “weight = ”): frequency (“freq”), inverse of variances (“var”), inverse of standard deviation (“stdev”), scaled inverse of variances (“svar”), scaled inverse of standard deviations (“sstdev”).<br><br>Only applicable for ordinary (Pearson) calculations. Weights specified by “wgt = ” are frequency weights for rank correlation and Kendall’s tau calculations.   |
| <code>pairwise</code>  | Compute using pairwise deletion of observations with missing cases (pairwise samples).   |
| <code>df</code>  | Compute covariances with a degree-of-freedom correction for the mean (for centered specifications), and any partial conditioning variables.  |

**Examples**

```
factor f1.pf(n=map, priors=frac, priorfrac=1) x y z
```

declares the factor object F1 and extracts factors from the correlation matrix of the series X, Y, and Z, by the principal factor method. The original variances are used as the initial uniqueness estimates.

```
f1.pf(priors=pace) group01
```

extracts factors for the correlation of the series in GROUP01 by the principal factor method with initial uniqueness estimated by the PACE method.

```
f1.pf(priors=pace) group01 @partial ser1 ser2
```

estimates the same specification using the partial correlation for the series in GROUP01, conditional on the series SER1 and SER2.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 27. “Factor Analysis,” on page 869](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a general discussion of factor analysis. The various estimation methods are described in [“Estimation Methods” on page 902](#) of *User’s Guide II*.

See also [Factor::gls \(p. 168\)](#), [Factor::ipf \(p. 172\)](#), [Factor::ml \(p. 181\)](#), [Factor::pace \(p. 186\)](#), [Factor::uls \(p. 204\)](#).

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| reduced | <a href="#">Factor Views</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Display reduced covariance matrix for the estimated factor analysis object.

## Syntax

```
factor_name.reduced(options)
```

By default, the reduced covariance is computed by subtracting the final uniqueness estimates from the observed covariance matrix. You may use the “initial” option to evaluate the reduced matrix using the initial uniqueness estimates.

## Options

|         |   |
|---------|---|
| initial | Display the reduced matrix computed using the initial uniqueness estimates. |
| p       | Print the matrix.   |

## Examples

```
factor f1.pf x1 x2 x3 x4 x5 x6 x7 x8
f1.reduced
```

estimates a factor analysis model applied to the series X1 to X8 and displays the final reduced matrix (using final uniqueness estimates).

```
f1.reduced(initial)
```

displays the reduced matrix with the initial uniquenesses on the diagonal.

Cross-references

See “Matrix Views” on page 881 of *User’s Guide II*. See also [Factor::fitted](#) (p. 168).

|        |                              |
|--------|------------------------------|
| resids | <a href="#">Factor Views</a> |
|--------|------------------------------|

Display residual covariance estimates for the factor analysis object.

Syntax

```
factor_name.resids(options)
```

By default, the residuals are computed by subtracting the estimate of the common variance and the final uniqueness estimates from the observed covariance matrix. You may use the “common” option to only subtract the common variance.

Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| common | Display the residuals computed using only the common fitted covariance. |
| p      | Print the matrix.   |

Examples

```
factor f1.pfact x1 x2 x3 x4 x5 x6 x7 x8
f1.resids
```

estimates and displays the residuals for a factor analysis model applied to the series X1 to X8.

```
f1.resids(common)
```

displays the residuals computed without subtracting the uniqueness estimates.

Cross-references

See also [fit](#) (p. 335).

|        |                              |
|--------|------------------------------|
| rotate | <a href="#">Factor Procs</a> |
|--------|------------------------------|

Perform an orthogonal or oblique factor rotation of the loadings of an estimated factor object.

## Syntax

```
factor_name.rotate(options)
```

You may use the “type = ” and “method = ” options to select from a variety of rotations methods.

## Method Options

The first five options control the basic rotation specification:

|   |  |
|---|--|
| type = <i>arg</i><br>(default = “orthog”)       | Orthogonal (“orthog”) or oblique (“oblique”) rotation (ignored if method is not supported, <i>e.g.</i> , “orthogonal Harris-Kaiser” or “oblique Entropy Ratio”). |
| method = <i>arg</i><br>(default = “varimax”)    | Method (objective) for the rotation. See keywords below  |
| param = <i>arg</i>                              | Rotation parameter, if applicable (see description below).   |
| preparam = <i>arg</i><br>(default = 1, Varimax) | Orthomax pre-rotation parameter (for “method = hk” and “method = promax”).   |

The following rotation methods are supported:

| Method                        | Keyword     | Orthogonal | Oblique |
|-------------------------------|-------------|------------|---------|
| Biquartimax                   | biquartimax | •          | •       |
| Crawford-Ferguson             | cf          | •          | •       |
| Entropy                       | entropy     | •          |         |
| Entropy Ratio                 | entratio    | •          |         |
| Equamax                       | equamax     | •          | •       |
| Factor Parsimony              | parsimony   | •          | •       |
| Generalized Crawford-Ferguson | gcf         | •          | •       |
| Geomin                        | geomin      | •          | •       |
| Harris-Kaiser (case II)       | hk          |            | •       |
| Infomax                       | infomax     | •          | •       |
| Oblimax                       | oblimax     |            | •       |
| Oblimin                       | oblimin     |            | •       |
| Orthomax                      | orthomax    | •          | •       |
| Parsimax                      | parsimax    | •          | •       |
| Pattern Simplicity            | pattern     | •          | •       |
| Promax                        | promax      |            | •       |



|                     |           |   |   |
|---------------------|-----------|---|---|
| Quartimax/Quartimin | quartimax | • | • |
| Simplimax           | simplimax | • | • |
| Tandem I            | tandemi   | • |   |
| Tandem II           | tandemii  | • |   |
| Target              | target    | • | • |
| Varimax             | varimax   | • | • |

In selecting a rotation method you should bear in mind the following:

- EViews employs the Crawford-Ferguson variants of the Biquartimax, Equamax, Factor Parsimony, Orthomax, Parsimax, Quartimax, and Varimax objective functions. These objective functions yield the same results as the standard versions in the orthogonal case, but are better behaved (e.g., do not permit factor collapse) under direct oblique rotation (see Browne 2001, p. 118-119). Note that oblique Crawford-Ferguson Quartimax is equivalent to Quartimin.
- The EViews Orthomax objective for parameter  $\gamma$  is evaluated using the Crawford-Ferguson objective with factor complexity weight  $\kappa = \gamma/p$  (see “Types of Rotation,” on [page 908](#) of *User’s Guide II*).

Some special cases of Orthomax are Quartimax ( $\gamma = 0$ ), Varimax ( $\gamma = 1$ ), Equamax ( $\gamma = m/2$ ), Parsimax ( $\gamma = p(m-1)/(p+m-2)$ ) and Factor Parsimony ( $\gamma = p$ ).

- The two orthoblique methods, Promax and Harris-Kaiser both perform an initial orthogonal rotation, followed by a oblique adjustment. For both of these methods, EViews provides some flexibility in the choice of initial rotation. By default, EViews will perform an initial orthogonal Orthomax rotation with the default parameter set to 1 (Varimax). To perform initial rotation with Quartimax, you should set the Orthomax parameter to 0.

Some of the rotation criteria have user-specified parameters that may be specified using the “param = ” and (for Harris-Kaiser and Promax) the “preparam = ” options. The parameters and their default values are given by:

| Method            | $n$ | Parameter Description   |
|-------------------|-----|---|
| Crawford-Ferguson | 1   | Factor complexity weight. The variable complexity weight is 1 minus the factor complexity weight.<br>(default = 0, Quartimax) |

|                               |   |   |
|-------------------------------|---|---|
| Generalized Crawford-Ferguson | 4 | Vector of weights for (in order): total squares, variable complexity, factor complexity, diagonal quartics.<br>(no default) |
| Geomin                        | 1 | Epsilon offset.<br>(default = 0.01)   |
| Harris-Kaiser (case II)       | 2 | Power parameter (default = 0, independent cluster solution), Orthomax pre-rotation parameter.<br>(default = 1, Varimax)     |
| Oblimin                       | 1 | Deviation from orthogonality.<br>(default = 0, Quartimin)   |
| Orthomax                      | 1 | Factor complexity weight.<br>(default = 1, Varimax)   |
| Promax                        | 2 | Power parameter (default = 3), Orthomax pre-rotation parameter (default = 1, Varimax).                                      |
| Simplimax                     | 1 | Fraction of near-zero loadings. (default = 0.75)  |
| Target                        | 1 | Name of $p \times m$ matrix of target loadings. Missing values correspond to unrestricted elements.<br>(no default)         |

where  $p$  is the number of variables and  $m$  is the number of factors. The remaining options modify the properties of the specified rotation method:

## Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>wgts = arg</code><br>(default = “none”)    | Row weighting for loadings: none (“none”), kaiser (“kaiser”), Cureton-Mulaik (“cureton”).  |
| <code>prior = arg</code> (default = “unrotated”) | Initial rotation matrix: unrotated (“unrotated”), randomly generated (“random”), previous rotation (“previous”), user-specified (“user”).  |
| <code>ptype = arg</code><br>(default = “orthog”) | Type of prior random rotation: orthogonal (“orthog”) or oblique (“oblique”).<br><br>Only relevant if “prior = random” and the main rotation method is oblique. If the main rotation method is orthogonal, random prior rotations will be orthogonalized. |
| <code>preps = integer</code><br>(default = 25)   | Number of random prior rotations to evaluate (maximum 10000).  |
| <code>pname = arg</code>                         | Name of matrix containing prior rotation.  |

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>pseed = positive integer</code>   | Seed the random number generator for the prior random rotations.<br><br>If not specified, EViews will seed the random number generator with a single integer draw from the default global random number generator.   |
| <code>prnd = arg (default = "kn" or method previously set using <a href="#">rndseed</a> (p. 423)) in the <i>Command and Programming Reference</i>)</code> | Type of random number generator for the random prior rotation: improved Knuth generator ("kn"), improved Mersenne Twister ("mt"), Knuth's (1997) lagged Fibonacci generator used in EViews 4 ("kn4") L'Ecuyer's (1999) combined multiple recursive generator ("le"), Matsumoto and Nishimura's (1998) Mersenne Twister used in EViews 4 ("mt4"). |
| <code>m = integer</code>  | Maximum number of iterations.  |
| <code>c = scalar</code>   | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the norm of the gradients scaled by the objective function. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2.   |
| <code>showopts / -showopts</code>   | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the rotation output.   |
| <code>p</code>  | Print rotation results.  |

Examples

```
f1.rotate(type=orthog, method=equamax)
performs an orthogonal rotation with the equamax objective function.

f1.rotate(type=oblique, method=hk, param=.4)
performs a Harris-Kaiser oblique rotation with parameter 0.4

f1.rotate(type=oblique, method=promax, param=.7)
performs a Promax rotation with parameter 0.7
```

Cross-references

See “Rotating Factors” on page 876 of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of factor rotation. See also [Factor::rotateout](#) (p. 199) and [Factor::rotateclear](#) (p. 198).

|                          |                              |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| <code>rotateclear</code> | <a href="#">Factor Views</a> |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|

- Clear existing rotation.
- Clears any existing factor rotations.

Syntax

```
factor_name.rotateclear
```

Examples

```
fact1.rotateclear
```

Cross-references

See “Rotating Factors” on page 876 of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of factor rotation. See also [Factor::rotate](#) (p. 194) and [Factor::rotateout](#) (p. 199).

|           |                              |
|-----------|------------------------------|
| rotateout | <a href="#">Factor Views</a> |
|-----------|------------------------------|

Display rotated factors and other results of factor rotation estimation.

Syntax

```
factor_name.rotateout
```

Options

|   |                             |
|---|-----------------------------|
| p | Print the table of results. |
|---|-----------------------------|

Examples

```
f1.rotate
f1.output
f1.rotateout(p)
```

performs factor rotation, switches to the main estimation output view, then displays and prints the rotation results.

Cross-references

See “Rotating Factors” on page 876 of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of factor rotation. See also [Factor::rotate](#) (p. 194) and [Factor::rotateclear](#) (p. 198).

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| setattr | <a href="#">Factor Procs</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

Syntax

```
factor_name.setattr(attr) attr_value
```

Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the `@attr` data member.

### Examples

```
a.setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

### Cross-references

See [“Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View” on page 103](#) and [“Adding Your Own Label Attributes” on page 65 of \*User’s Guide I\*](#).

|        |                              |
|--------|------------------------------|
| scores | <a href="#">Factor Views</a> |
|--------|------------------------------|

Compute factor score coefficients and scores and display results in table, sheet, or graph form.

### Syntax

There are two forms of the `scores` command. The first form of the command, which applies when displaying table results or spreadsheet displays of scores is given by:

```
factor_name.scores(options) [observed_list]
```

The optional *observed\_list* of observed input variables will be multiplied by the score coefficients to compute the scores.

The second form of the command applies when plotting scores. In this case, the syntax is:

```
factor_name.scores(options) [graph_list] [@ observed_list]
```

where the *[graph\_list]* is an optional list of integers and/or vectors containing integers identifying the factors to plot. If *graph\_list* is not provided, EViews will construct graphs using all of the retained factors.

Multiple pairs are handled using the method specified in the “mult = ” option. Note that the order of elements in the list matters; reversing the order of two indices reverses the axis on which each factor is displayed.

You should also bear in mind that:

- Specification of the *observed\_list* is required only for actually computing score values—it is not required for computing score coefficient summaries and diagnostics (“out = table”).
- If *observed\_list* is not provided, EViews will use the observed variables from the factor estimation specification. For factor models specified using a symmetric matrix, you must provide a *observed\_list* if you wish to obtain score values.

- Scores values will be computed for observations in the current workfile sample that do not have missing values for the observed inputs.

## Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>out = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “table”)               | Output format: coefficient summary and diagnostics (“table”), spreadsheet table of scores (“sheet”), graph of scores (“graph”), graph of scores with loadings axes (“bip-plot”).  |
| <code>unrotated</code>  | Use unrotated loadings in computations (the default is to use the rotated loadings, if available).  |
| <code>type = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “exact”)              | Exact coefficient (“exact”), coarse adjusted factor coefficients (“coefs”), coarse adjusted factor loadings (“loadings”).   |
| <code>coef = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “reg”)                | Method for computing the factor score coefficient matrix: Thurstone regression (“reg”), Ideal Variables (“ideal”), Bartlett weighted least squares (“wls”), generalized Anderson-Rubin-McDonald (“anderson”), Green (“green”).<br>For “type = exact” and “type = coefs” specifications.   |
| <code>cutoff = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0.3)             | Cutoff value for coarse score coefficient calculation (Grice, 1991a).<br>For “type = coefs” specifications, the cutoff value represents the fraction of the largest absolute coefficient weight per factor against which the absolute exact score coefficients should be compared.<br>For “type = loadings” specifications, the cutoff is the value against which the absolute loadings or structure coefficients should be compared. |
| <code>moment = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “est”; if feasible) | Standardize the observables data using means and variances from: original estimation (“est”), the computed moments from specified observable variables (“obs”).<br>The “moment = est” option is only available for factor models estimated using Pearson or uncentered Pearson correlation and covariances since the remaining models involve unobserved or non-comparable moments.   |
| <code>df</code>   | Degrees-of-freedom correct the observables variances computed when “moment = obs” (divide sums-of-squares by $n - 1$ instead of $n$ ).  |
| <code>coefout</code>  | (Optional) Name of matrix in which to save factor score coefficient matrix.   |
| <code>prompt</code>   | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>  | Print results.  |

Graph Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>mult = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = "first")      | Multiple series handling for graphs: plot first against remainder ("first"), plot as x-y pairs ("pair"), lower-triangular plot ("lt")  |
| <code>nocenter</code>                                       | Do not center graphs around the origin.  |
| <code>labels = arg,</code><br>( <i>default</i> = "outlier") | Observation labels for scores: outliers only ("outlier"), all points ("all"), none ("none").   |
| <code>labelprob = number</code>                             | Probability value for determining whether a point is an outlier according to the chi-square tests based on the squared Mahalanbois distance between the observation and the sample means (when using the "labels = outlier" option). |
| <code>userscale = arg</code>                                | User-scale factor to be applied to the unscaled loadings (setting this option overrides the automatic scaling).  |
| <code>autoscale = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 1)       | User-scale factor to be applied to the automatic loadings scale (when displaying both loadings and scores).  |

Examples

```
f1.scores(out=table)
```

computes factor score coefficients and displays a table of coefficient summaries and diagnostics.

```
f1.scores(coef=anderson, out=biplot, mult=first) 1 3 4
```

displays a biplot graph of the factor scores. The graph plots the first factor against the third, and the first factor against the fourth. The scores are computed using the observed variables from the original factor estimation specification and generalized Anderson-Rubin-McDonald factor score coefficients.

Cross-references

See [“Estimating Scores,” beginning on page 877](#) and [“Scoring,” on page 910](#) of *User’s Guide II*. See also [Factor::makescores](#) (p. 178).

|     |                              |
|-----|------------------------------|
| smc | <a href="#">Factor Views</a> |
|-----|------------------------------|

Display the squared multiple correlations for the observed covariance matrix.

Syntax

```
factor_name.smc(options)
```

The SMCS are equal to 1 minus the diagonal elements of the anti-image covariance.

Options

|   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| p | Print the matrix. |
|---|-------------------|

Examples

```
factor f1.ml group01
f1.smc(p)
```

displays and prints the squared multiple correlations for the observed matrix attached to F1.

Cross-references

See also [Factor::observed \(p. 185\)](#), [Factor::anticov \(p. 163\)](#), and [Factor::maxcor \(p. 180\)](#).

|           |                              |
|-----------|------------------------------|
| structure | <a href="#">Factor Views</a> |
|-----------|------------------------------|

Display the factor structure matrix.

Shows the factor structure matrix containing the correlations between the variables and factors implied by an estimated factor model. For orthogonal factors, the structure matrix is equal to the loadings matrix.

Syntax

```
factor_name.structure(options)
```

Options

|   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| p | Print the matrix. |
|---|-------------------|

Examples

```
factor f1.ml group01
f1.structure(p)
```

displays and prints the factor structure matrix for the estimated factor object F1.

Cross-references

See [“Factor Structure Matrix” on page 882](#) of *User’s Guide II* for details. See [Factor::rotate \(p. 194\)](#) and [Factor::loadings \(p. 177\)](#).



|     |                |
|-----|----------------|
| uls | Factor Methods |
|-----|----------------|

Unweighted least squares estimation of the factor model.

Syntax

```
factor_name.uls(options) x1 [x2 x3...] [@partial z1 z2 z3...]
factor_name.uls(options) matrix_name [[obs] [conditioning]] [@ name1 name2
name3...]
```

The first method computes the observed dispersion matrix from a set of series or group objects. Simply append a period and the `uls` keyword to the name of your object, followed by the names of your series and groups, You may optionally use the keyword `@partial` and append a list of conditioning series.

In the second method you will provide the name of the observed dispersion matrix, and optionally, the number of observations and the rank of the set of conditioning variables. If the latter is not provided, it will be set to 1 (representing the constant in the standard centered variance calculations). You may also provide names for the columns of the correlation matrix by entering the `@`-sign followed by a list of valid series names.

Options

Estimation Options

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| rescale                 | Rescale the uniqueness and loadings estimates so that they match the observed variances.  |
| maxit = integer         | Maximum number of iterations.   |
| conv = scalar           | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled estimates. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2. |
| showopts /<br>-showopts | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the rotation output.  |
| prompt                  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| p                       | Print basic estimation results.   |

*Number of Factors Options*

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>n = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “map”)   | Number of factors: “kaiser” (Kaiser-Guttman greater than mean), “mineigen” (Minimum eigenvalue criterion; specified using “eiglimit”), “varfrac” (fraction of variance accounted for; specified using “varlimit”), “map” (Velicer’s Minimum Average Partial method), “bstick” (comparison with broken stick distribution), “parallel” (parallel analysis: number of replications specified using “pnreps”; “pquant” indicates the quantile method value if employed), “scree” (standard error scree method), <i>integer</i> (user-specified integer value). |
| <code>eiglimit = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 1)   | Limit value for retaining factors using the eigenvalue comparison (where “n = mineigen”).   |
| <code>varlimit = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0.5)   | Fraction of total variance explained limit for retaining factors using the variance limit criterion (where “n = varlimit”).   |
| <code>porig</code>  | Use the unreduced matrix for parallel analysis (the default is to use the reduced matrix).<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”).  |
| <code>preps = integer</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 100)   | Number of parallel analysis repetitions.<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”).  |
| <code>pquant = number</code>  | Quantile value for parallel analysis comparison (if not specified, the mean value will be employed).<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”).  |
| <code>pseed = positive integer</code>   | Seed the random number generator for parallel analysis.<br>If not specified, EViews will seed the random number generator with a single integer draw from the default global random number generator.<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”).   |
| <code>prnd = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “kn” or method previously set using <code>rndseed</code> (p. 423) in the <i>Command and Programming Reference</i> ) | Type of random number generator for the simulation: improved Knuth generator (“kn”), improved Mersenne Twister (“mt”), Knuth’s (1997) lagged Fibonacci generator used in EViews 4 (“kn4”) L’Ecuyer’s (1999) combined multiple recursive generator (“le”), Matsumoto and Nishimura’s (1998) Mersenne Twister used in EViews 4 (“mt4”).<br>For parallel analysis only (“n = parallel”).   |

*Initial Communalities Options*

|                           |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| priors = <i>arg</i>       | Method for obtaining initial communalities: “smc” (squared multiple correlations), “max” (maximum absolute correlation), “pace” (noniterative partitioned covariance estimation), “frac” (fraction of the diagonals of the original matrix; specified using “priorfrac = ”), “random” (random fractions of the original diagonals), “user” (user-specified vector; specified using “priorunique”). |
| priorfrac = <i>number</i> | User-specified common fraction (between 0 and 1) to be used when “priors = frac”.  |
| priorunique = <i>arg</i>  | Vector of initial <i>uniqueness</i> estimates to be used when “priors = user”. By default, the values will be taken from the corresponding elements of the coefficient vector C.   |

*Covariance Options*

|  |   |
|--|---|
| cov = <i>arg</i><br>(default = “cov”)          | <p>Covariance calculation method: ordinary (Pearson product moment) covariance (“cov”), ordinary correlation (“corr”), Spearman rank covariance (“rcov”), Spearman rank correlation (“rcorr”), Kendall’s tau-b (“taub”), Kendall’s tau-a (“taua”), uncentered ordinary covariance (“ucov”), uncentered ordinary correlation (“ucorr”).</p> <p>User-specified covariances are indicated by specifying a sym matrix object in place of a list of series or groups in the command.</p> |
| wgt = <i>name</i><br>(optional)                | Name of series containing weights.  |
| wgtmethod = <i>arg</i><br>(default = “sstdev”) | <p>Weighting method (when weights are specified using “weight = ”): frequency (“freq”), inverse of variances (“var”), inverse of standard deviation (“stdev”), scaled inverse of variances (“svar”), scaled inverse of standard deviations (“sstdev”).</p> <p>Only applicable for ordinary (Pearson) calculations. Weights specified by “wgt = ” are frequency weights for rank correlation and Kendall’s tau calculations.</p>   |
| pairwise                                       | Compute using pairwise deletion of observations with missing cases (pairwise samples).  |
| df   | Compute covariances with a degree-of-freedom correction for the mean (for centered specifications), and any partial conditioning variables.   |

**Examples**

```
factor fl.uls(n=map, priors=frac, priorfrac=1) x y z
```

declares the factor object F1 and estimates the factors for the correlation matrix of the series X, Y, and Z, by the unweighted least squares method.

```
f1.uls(maxit=300, conv=1e-8) group01
```

estimates the factors by the unweighted least squares method for the series in GROUP01 with maximum iterations 300 and convergence criterion 1e-8.

```
f1.uls(maxit=300, conv=1e-8) group01 @partial ser1 ser2
```

estimates the same specification using the partial correlation for the series in GROUP01, conditional on the series SER1 and SER2.

```
f1.uls(n=4) sym01 747
```

estimates the four factor ULS factor model using the observed matrix SYM01. The number of observations is 747.

### Cross-references

See [Chapter 27. “Factor Analysis,” on page 869](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a general discussion of factor analysis. The various estimation methods are described in [“Estimation Methods” on page 902](#) of *User’s Guide II*.

See also [Factor::gls \(p. 168\)](#), [Factor::ipf \(p. 172\)](#), [Factor::ml \(p. 181\)](#), [Factor::pace \(p. 186\)](#), [Factor::pf \(p. 190\)](#), [Factor::uls \(p. 204\)](#).

## Graph

Graph object. Specialized object used to hold graphical output.

### Graph Declaration

**freeze** ..... freeze graphical view of object (p. 339).  
**graph** ..... create graph object using graph command or by merging existing graphs (p. 226).

Graphs may be created by declaring a graph using one of the graph commands described below, or by freezing the graphical view of an object. For example:

```
graph myline.line ser1
graph myscat.scat ser1 ser2
graph myxy.xyline grp1
```

declare and create the graph objects MYLINE, MYSCAT and MYXY. Alternatively, you can use the `freeze` command to create graph objects:

```
freeze(myline) ser1.line
group grp2 ser1 ser2
freeze(myscat) grp2.scat
freeze(myxy) grp1.xyline
```

which are equivalent to the declarations above.

### Graph Type Commands

Graph creation types are discussed in detail in “[Graph Creation Command Summary](#)” on [page 799](#).

**area** ..... area graph (p. 801).  
**band** ..... area band graph (p. 804).  
**bar** ..... bar graph (p. 807).  
**boxplot** ..... boxplot graph (p. 811).  
**distplot** ..... distribution graph (p. 813).  
**dot** ..... dot plot graph (p. 820).  
**errbar** ..... error bar graph (p. 824).  
**hilo** ..... high-low(-open-close) graph (p. 826).  
**line** ..... line-symbol graph (p. 828).  
**pie** ..... pie chart (p. 831).  
**qqplot** ..... quantile-quantile graph (p. 834).  
**scat** ..... scatterplot (p. 838).  
**scatmat** ..... matrix of scatterplots (p. 843).  
**scatpair** ..... scatterplot pairs graph (p. 845).  
**seasplot** ..... seasonal line graph (p. 849).

**spike** ..... spike graph (p. 850).  
**xyarea** ..... XY area graph (p. 854).  
**xybar** ..... XY bar graph (p. 857).  
**xyline** ..... XY line graph (p. 859).  
**xypair** ..... XY pairs graph (p. 863).

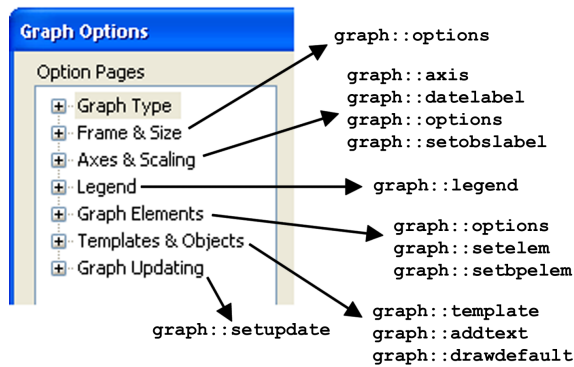
## Graph View

**display** ..... display table, graph, or spool in object window (p. 222).  
**label** ..... label information for the graph (p. 228).

## Graph Procs

**addarrow** ..... draw a line or arrow on a graph (p. 211).  
**addtext** ..... place arbitrary text on the graph (p. 213).  
**align** ..... align the placement of multiple graphs (p. 216).  
**axis** ..... set the axis scaling and display characteristics for the graph (p. 217).  
**datelabel** ..... controls labeling of the bottom date/time axis in time plots (p. 220).  
**displayname** ..... set display name (p. 222).  
**draw** ..... draw lines and shaded areas on the graph (p. 223).  
**drawdefault** ..... set default settings for lines and shaded areas on the graph (p. 225).  
**legend** ..... control the appearance and placement of legends (p. 229).  
**merge** ..... merge graph objects (p. 231).  
**name** ..... change the series name for legends or axis labels (p. 232).  
**olepush** ..... push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 233).  
**options** ..... change the option settings of the graph (p. 233).  
**save** ..... save graph to a graphics file (p. 238).  
**setattr** ..... set the value of an object attribute (p. 240).  
**setbpelem** ..... set options for element of a boxplot graph (p. 240).  
**setelem** ..... set individual line, symbol, bar and legend options for each series in the graph (p. 241).  
**setfont** ..... set the font for the text in a graph (p. 245).  
**setobslabel** ..... set custom axis labels for observation scale of a graph (p. 246).  
**setupdate** ..... set update options for the graph (p. 248).  
**sort** ..... sort the series in a graph (p. 249).  
**template** ..... use template graph (p. 250).  
**textdefault** ..... set default settings for text objects in the graph (p. 251).  
**update** ..... update graph with data changes (p. 253).

The relationship between the elements of the graph dialog and the associated graph procs is illustrated below:



## Graph Data Members

### String Values

- `@attr("arg")` ..... string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.
- `@description` ..... returns a string containing the object description (if available).
- `@detailedtype` ..... returns a string with the object type: "GRAPH".
- `@displayname` ..... returns a string containing the Graph's displayname. If the Graph has no display name set, the name is returned.
- `@name` ..... returns a string containing the Graph's name.
- `@remarks` ..... returns a string containing the Graph's remarks (if available).
- `@type` ..... returns a string with the object type: "GRAPH".
- `@units` ..... string containing the Graph object's units description (if available).
- `@updatetime` ..... returns a string representation of the time and date at which the Graph was last updated.

## Graph Examples

You can declare your graph:

```
graph abc.xyline(m) unemp gnp inf
graph bargraph.bar(d,l) unemp gnp
```

Alternately, you may freeze any graphical view:

```
freeze(mykernel) ser1.distplot kernel
```

You can change the graph type,

```
graph mygraph.line ser1
mygraph.hist
```

or combine multiple graphs:

```
graph xyz.merge graph1 graph2
```

## Graph Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the “Graph” object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|                 |                             |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>addarrow</b> | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|

Draw a line or arrow on a graph.

### Syntax

```
graph_name.addarrow pos(x1,y1,x2,y2) linewidth(lwidth) arrowwidth(awidth)
color(color) pattern(pattern) startsym(ssym) endsym(esym)
```

Follow the `addarrow` keyword a set of specifications determining the position and style of the line/arrow to be drawn.

The `pos` argument is used to determine the position and size of the arrow/line. *x1* is the starting X (horizontal) coordinate, and *y1* is the starting Y (vertical) coordinate. Similarly *x2* and *y2* are the end point coordinates. Coordinates are set in virtual inches. Individual graphs are always  $4 \times 3$  virtual inches (scatter diagrams are  $3 \times 3$  virtual inches) or a user-specified size, regardless of their current display size.

The origin of the coordinate is the upper left hand corner of the graph. The *x1* number specifies how many virtual inches to offset to the right from the origin. The second number *y1* specifies how many virtual inches to offset below the origin. The start point of the line will be set at the specified coordinates.











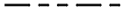
The `linewidth` argument specifies the thickness of the line. *lwidth* should be a number between “.25” and “5”, indicating the width in points.

`Arrowwidth` determines the size of the arrow head on the line. *awidth* can be either “small”, “medium” or “large”.

`color` specifies the color of the line. The *color* value may set by using one of the color keywords (e.g., “blue”), or by using the RGB values (e.g., “@RGB(255, 255, 0)”). For a description of the available color keywords (“blue”, “red”, “green”, “black”, “white”, “purple”, “orange”, “yellow”, “gray”, “ltgray”). For a full description of the keywords, see [Table::setfillcolor](#) (p. 700).



The `pattern` argument specifies the line pattern. *pattern* can take a numerical value, or one of the corresponding keywords:

- (1) solid     
- (2) dash1    
- (3) dash2    
- (4) dash3    
- (5) dash4    
- (6) dash5    
- (7) dash6    
- (8) dash7    
- (9) dash8    
- (10) dash9   
- (11) dash10 
- (12) none

The `startsym` and `endsym` arguments define the arrowhead at the start or end of the line. You may specify “none”, “filled”, “outline”, or “rangeline”.

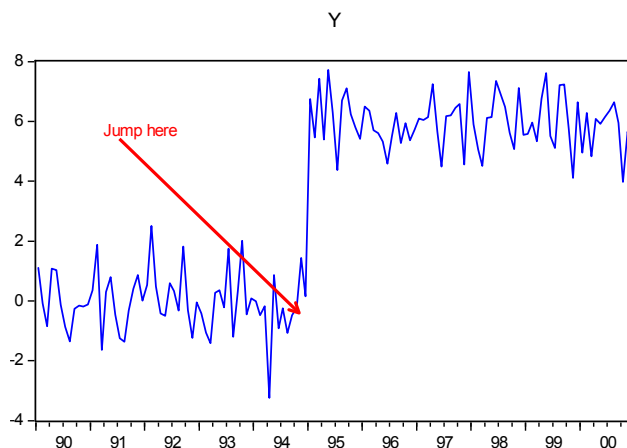
## Examples

The commands

```
create m 1990 2000
smpl 1990 1995
series y=nrnd
smpl 1995 2000
y = 6+nrnd
smpl @all
freeze(gr) y.line

gr.addarrow pos(0.7,0.65, 2.2,2.1) color(red) arrowwidth(large)
endsym(outline) linewidth(2)
gr.addtext(0.55,0.50, textcolor(red)) "Jump here"
```

create a graph and draw an arrow and text at the specified positions:



## Cross-references

See [“Drawing Lines and Arrows”](#) on page 665 of *User’s Guide I* for discussion.

See [Graph::legend](#) (p. 229) and [Graph::textdefault](#) (p. 251).

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| addtext | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

## Place text in graphs.

When adding text in one of the four predefined positions (left, right, top, bottom), EViews deletes any existing text that is in that position before adding the new text. Use the **keep** option to preserve the existing text.

## Syntax

```
graph_name.addtext(options) "text"
```

Follow the `addtext` keyword with the *text* to be placed in the graph, enclosed in double quotes.

To include carriage returns in your text, use the control “\r” or “\n” to represent the return. Since the backslash “\” is a special character in the `addtext` command, use a double slash “\\” to include the literal backslash character.

## Options

The following options may be provided to change the characteristics of the specified text object. *Any unspecified options will use the default text settings of the graph.*

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>font([<i>face</i>], [<i>pt</i>],<br/>[ +/− <b>b</b>], [ +/− <b>i</b>],<br/>[ +/− <b>u</b>], [ +/− <b>s</b>])</code> | Set characteristics of text font. The font name ( <i>face</i> ), size ( <i>pt</i> ), and characteristics are all optional. <i>face</i> should be a valid font name, enclosed in double quotes. <i>pt</i> should be the font size in points. The remaining options specify whether to turn on/off boldface ( <b>b</b> ), italic ( <b>i</b> ), underline ( <b>u</b> ), and strikeout ( <b>s</b> ) styles.  |
| <code>textcolor(<i>arg</i>)</code>  | Sets the color of the text. <i>arg</i> may be one of the predefined color keywords, or it may be made up of <i>n1</i> , <i>n2</i> , <i>n3</i> , a set of three integers from 0 to 255, representing the RGB values of the color. For a description of the available color keywords (“blue”, “red”, “green”, “black”, “white”, “purple”, “orange”, “yellow”, “gray”, “ltgray”), see <a href="#">Table::setfillcolor</a> (p. 700).                     |
| <code>fillcolor(<i>arg</i>)</code>  | Sets the background fill color of the text box. <i>arg</i> may be one of the predefined color keywords, or it may be made up of <i>n1</i> , <i>n2</i> , <i>n3</i> , a set of three integers from 0 to 255, representing the RGB values of the color. For a description of the available color keywords (“blue”, “red”, “green”, “black”, “white”, “purple”, “orange”, “yellow”, “gray”, “ltgray”), see <a href="#">Table::setfillcolor</a> (p. 700). |
| <code>framecolor(<i>arg</i>)</code>   | Sets the color of the text box frame. <i>arg</i> may be one of the predefined color keywords, or it may be made up of <i>n1</i> , <i>n2</i> , <i>n3</i> , a set of three integers from 0 to 255, representing the RGB values of the color. For a description of the available color keywords (“blue”, “red”, “green”, “black”, “white”, “purple”, “orange”, “yellow”, “gray”, “ltgray”), see <a href="#">Table::setfillcolor</a> (p. 700).           |
| <code>keep</code>   | When adding text to one of the predefined positions (left, right, top, bottom), any existing text in that position will be deleted and replaced with the new text. Use the “keep” option to preserve the existing text and place the second text object on top of the text in that position.   |

The following options control the position of the text:

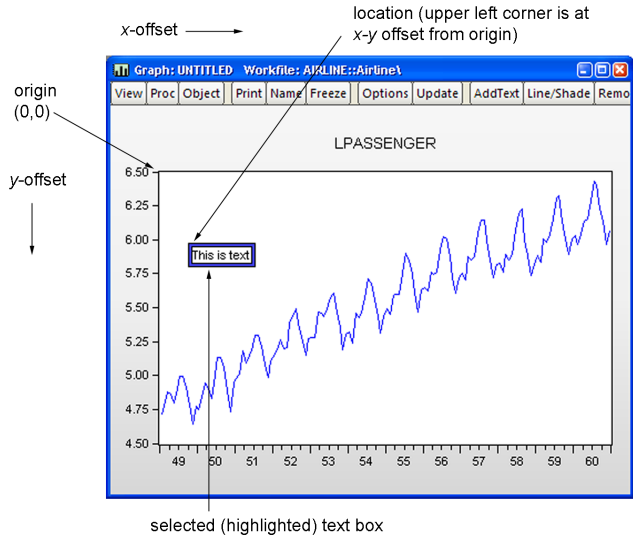
|                               |  |
|-------------------------------|--|
| <code>t</code>                | Top (above and centered over the graph).   |
| <code>l</code>                | Left rotated.  |
| <code>r</code>                | Right rotated.   |
| <code>b</code>                | Below and centered over the graph.   |
| <code>just(<i>arg</i>)</code> | Set the justification of the text, where <i>arg</i> may be: “c” (center), “l” (left - default), “r” (right). |
| <code>x</code>                | Enclose text in box.   |

The options which support the “-” may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

To place text within a graph, you can use explicit coordinates to specify the position of the upper left corner of the text.

Coordinates are set by a pair of numbers  $h, v$  in virtual inches. Individual graphs are always  $4 \times 3$  virtual inches (scatter diagrams are  $3 \times 3$  virtual inches) or a user-specified size, regardless of their current display size.

The origin of the coordinate is the upper left hand corner of the graph. The first number  $h$  specifies how many virtual inches to offset to the right from the origin. The second number  $v$  specifies how many virtual inches to offset below the origin. The upper left hand corner of the text will be placed at the specified coordinate.



Coordinates may be used with other options, but they must be in the first two positions of the options list. Coordinates are overridden by other options that specify location.

When `addtext` is used with a multiple graph, the text is applied to the whole graph, not to each individual graph.

## Examples

```
freeze(g1) gdp.line
g1.addtext(t) "Fig 1: Monthly GDP (78m1-95m12)"
```

places the text “Fig1: Monthly GDP (78m1-95m12)” centered above the graph G1.

```
g1.addtext(.2, .2, X) "Seasonally Adjusted"
```

places the text “Seasonally Adjusted” in a box within the graph, slightly indented from the upper left corner.

```
g1.addtext(t, x, textcolor(red), fillcolor(128,128,128),
  framecolor(black)) "Civilian\rUnemployment (First\\Last)"
```

adds the text “Civilian Unemployment (First\Last)” where there is a return between the “Civilian” and “Unemployment”. The text is colored red, and is enclosed in a gray box with a black frame.

Cross-references

See [“Adding and Editing Text” on page 663](#) of *User’s Guide I* for discussion.

See [Graph::legend \(p. 229\)](#) and [Graph::textdefault \(p. 251\)](#).

|       |                             |
|-------|-----------------------------|
| align | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------|

Align placement of multiple graphs.

Syntax

`graph_name.align(n,h,v)`

Options

You must specify three numbers (each separated by a comma) in parentheses in the following order: the first number *n* is the number of columns in which to place the graphs, the second number *h* is the horizontal space between graphs, and the third number *v* is the vertical space between graphs. Spacing is specified in virtual inches.

Examples

```
mygraph.align(3,1.5,1)
```

aligns MYGRAPH with graphs placed in three columns, horizontal spacing of 1.5 virtual inches, and vertical spacing of 1 virtual inch.

```
var var1.ls 1 4 m1 gdp
freeze(impgra) var1.impulse(m,24) gdp @ gdp m1
impgra.align(2,1,1)
```

estimates a VAR, freezes the impulse response functions as multiple graphs, and realigns the graphs. By default, the graphs are stacked in one column, and the realignment places the graphs in two columns.

Cross-references

For a detailed discussion of customizing graphs, see [Chapter 13. “Graphing Data,” beginning on page 531](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

|      |                             |
|------|-----------------------------|
| axis | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|------|-----------------------------|

Sets axis scaling and display characteristics for the graph.

By default, EViews optimally chooses the axis scaling to fit the graph data.

Syntax

```
graph_name.axis(axis_id) options_list
```

The *axis\_id* parameter identifies which of the axes the command modifies. If no option is specified, the proc will modify all of the axes. *axis\_id* may take on one of the following values:

|            |  |
|------------|--|
| left / l   | Left vertical axis.  |
| right / r  | Right vertical axis.   |
| bottom / b | Bottom axis for XY and scatter graphs ( <a href="#">scat</a> (p. 838), <a href="#">xyarea</a> (p. 854), <a href="#">xybar</a> (p. 857), <a href="#">xyline</a> (p. 859), <a href="#">xypair</a> (p. 863)). |
| top / t    | Top axis for XY and scatter graphs ( <a href="#">scat</a> (p. 838), <a href="#">xyarea</a> (p. 854), <a href="#">xybar</a> (p. 857), <a href="#">xyline</a> (p. 859), <a href="#">xypair</a> (p. 863)).    |
| all / a    | All axes.  |

Options

The options list may include any of the following options:

Data scaling options

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| linear              | Linear data scaling ( <i>default</i> ).   |
| linearzero          | Linear data scaling (include zero when auto range selection is employed).   |
| log                 | Logarithmic scaling.  |
| norm                | Norm (standardize) the data prior to plotting.  |
| range( <i>arg</i> ) | Specifies the endpoints for the scale, where <i>arg</i> may be: “auto” (automatic choice), “minmax” (use the maximum and minimum values of the data), “ <i>n1</i> , <i>n2</i> ” (set minimum to <i>n1</i> and maximum to <i>n2</i> , e.g. “range(3, 9)”). |
| overlap / -overlap  | [Overlap / Do not overlap] scales on dual scale graphs.   |
| invert / -invert    | [Invert / do not invert] scale.   |

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>units(arg)</code>                          | Specifies the units of the data, where <i>arg</i> may be: “n” (native), “p” (percent), “k” (thousands), “m” (millions), “b” (billions), “t” (trillions).   |
| <code>format(option1<br/>[,option2, ...])</code> | Sets data formatting, where you may provide one or more of the following options:<br>“commadec” / “-commadec” ([Do / Do not] use comma as decimal, “ksep” / “-ksep” ([Do / Do not] include a thousands separator, “leadzero” / “-leadzero” ([Do / Do not] include leading zeros, “dec = <i>arg</i> ” (set number of decimal places, where <i>arg</i> may be an integer or “a” for auto), “prefix = <i>c</i> ” (add a prefix character, where <i>c</i> may be a single quoted character or “” to remove the prefix), “suffix = <i>c</i> ” (add a suffix character, where <i>c</i> may be a single quoted character or “” to remove the suffix). |

#### *Axis options*

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>grid / -grid</code>                | [Draw / Do not draw] grid lines.  |
| <code>zeroline /<br/>-zeroline</code>    | [Draw / Do not draw] a line at zero on the data scale.                          |
| <code>zerotop /<br/>-zerotop</code>      | [Draw / Do not draw] the zero line on top of the graph.                         |
| <code>ticksout</code>                    | Draw tickmarks outside the graph axes.  |
| <code>ticksin</code>                     | Draw tickmarks inside the graph axes.   |
| <code>ticksboth</code>                   | Draw tickmarks both outside and inside the graph axes.                          |
| <code>ticksnone</code>                   | Do not draw tickmarks.  |
| <code>ticksauto</code>                   | Allow EViews to determine whether to draw tickmarks on or between observations. |
| <code>tickson</code>                     | Draw tickmarks on observations.   |
| <code>ticksbtw</code>                    | Draw tickmarks between observations.  |
| <code>ticksbtwns</code>                  | Draw tickmarks between observations, removing space at the axis ends.           |
| <code>minor /<br/>-minor</code>          | [Allow / Do not allow] minor tick marks.  |
| <code>label /<br/>-label</code>          | [Place / Do not place] labels on the axes.                                      |
| <code>duallevel / -<br/>duallevel</code> | [Allow / Do not allow] two row date labels on the observation axis.             |

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>font([<i>face</i>], [<i>pt</i>],<br/>[+/- <i>b</i>], [+/- <i>i</i>],<br/>[+/- <i>u</i>], [+/- <i>s</i>])</code> | Set characteristics of axis font. The font name ( <i>face</i> ), size ( <i>pt</i> ), and characteristics are all optional. <i>face</i> should be a valid font name, enclosed in double quotes. <i>pt</i> should be the font size in points. The remaining options specify whether to turn on/off boldface ( <i>b</i> ), italic ( <i>i</i> ), underline ( <i>u</i> ), and strikeout ( <i>s</i> ) styles.                               |
| <code>textcolor(<i>arg</i>)</code>  | Sets the color of the axis text. <i>arg</i> may be one of the predefined color keywords, or it may be made up of <i>n1</i> , <i>n2</i> , <i>n3</i> , a set of three integers from 0 to 255, representing the RGB values of the color. For a description of the available color keywords (“blue”, “red”, “green”, “black”, “white”, “purple”, “orange”, “yellow”, “gray”, “ltgray”), see <a href="#">Table::setfillcolor</a> (p. 700). |
| <code>mirror / -mirror</code>   | [Label / Do not label] both left and right axes with duplicate axes (single scale graphs only).   |
| <code>angle(<i>arg</i>)</code>  | Set label angle, where <i>arg</i> can be an integer between -90 and 90 degrees, measured in 15 degree increments, or “a” (auto) for automatically determined angling. The angle is measured from the horizontal axis.   |

The options which support the “-” may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

Note that the default settings are taken from the Global Defaults.

## Examples

To set the right scale to logarithmic with manual range, you can enter:

```
graph1.axis(right) log range(10, 30)
graph1.axis(r) zeroline -minor font(12)
```

draws a horizontal line through the graph at zero on the right axis, removes minor ticks, and changes the font size of the right axis labels to 12 point.

```
graph2.axis -mirror
```

turns off mirroring of axes in single scale graphs.

```
mygral.axis font("Times", 12, b, i) textcolor(blue)
```

sets the axis font to blue “Times” 12pt bold italic.

```
gral.axis(l) units(b) format(ksep, prefix="$", suffix="")
```

plots the data on the left axis in billions, using commas to separate thousands, adds a “\$” to the beginning of each data label and erases the suffix.



Cross-references

See [Chapter 15. “Graph Objects,” on page 657](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph options.

See also [Graph::datelabel](#) (p. 220), [Graph::options](#) (p. 233) and [Graph::setelem](#) (p. 241).

|                |                             |
|----------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>bplabel</b> | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|----------------|-----------------------------|

Specify labeling of a boxplot axis.

Note that `bplabel` is no longer supported. See instead, [Graph::setobslabel](#) (p. 246).

|                  |                             |
|------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>datelabel</b> | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|------------------|-----------------------------|

Control labeling of the bottom date/time axis in time plots.

`datelabel` sets options that are specific to the appearance of time/date labeling. Many of the options that also affect the appearance of the date axis are set by the [Graph::axis](#) (p. 217) command with the “bottom” option. These options include tick control, label and font options, and grid lines.

Syntax

`graph_name.datelabel option_list`

Options

|                                   |   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| <code>format("datestring")</code> | <i>datestring</i> should be one of the supported data formats describing how the date should appear. The <i>datestring</i> argument should be enclosed in double-quotes. For example, “yy:mm” specifies two-digit years followed by a colon delimited and then two-digit months. EViews provides considerable flexibility in formatting your dates. See <a href="#">“Date Formats” on page 85</a> of the <i>Command and Programming Reference</i> for a complete description. |
|-----------------------------------|---|

`interval(step_size`  
`[,steps][,align_date])` where *step\_size* takes one of the following values: “auto” (*steps* and *align\_date* are ignored), “ends” (only label endpoints; *steps* and *align\_date* are ignored), “all” (label every point; the *steps* and *align\_date* options are ignored), “obs” (steps are one observation), “year” (steps are one year), “m” (steps are one month), “q” (steps are one quarter). *steps* is a number (*default* = 1) indicating the number of steps between labels. *align\_date* is a date specified to receive a label. Note, the *align\_date* should be in the units of the data being graphed, but may lie outside the current sample or workfile range.

`span / -span` [Allow/Do not allow] date labels to span an interval. Consider the case of a yearly label with monthly ticks. If `span` is on, the label is centered on the 12 monthly ticks. If the `span` option is off, year labels are put on the first quarter or month of the year.

Examples

```
graph1.datelabel format(yyyy:mm)
```

will display dates using four-digit years followed by the default delimiter “:” and a two-digit month (e.g. – “1974:04”).

```
graph1.datelabel format(yy:mm, q)
```

will display a two-digit year followed by a “q” separator and then a two-digit month (e.g. – “74q04”)

```
graph1.datelabel interval(y, 2, 1951)
```

specifies labels every two years on odd numbered years.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 15. “Graph Objects,” on page 657](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph options.

See also [Graph::axis \(p. 217\)](#), [Graph::options \(p. 233\)](#), and [Graph::setelem \(p. 241\)](#).

|       |                             |
|-------|-----------------------------|
| dates | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------|

See the replacement command [Graph::datelabel \(p. 220\)](#).

|         |                            |
|---------|----------------------------|
| display | <a href="#">Graph View</a> |
|---------|----------------------------|

Display table, graph, or spool output in the graph object window.

Display the contents of a table, graph, or spool in the window of the graph object.

**Syntax**

`graph_name.display object_name`

**Examples**

```
graph1.display tab1
```

Display the contents of the table TAB1 in the window of the object GRAPH1.

**Cross-references**

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names. See also [Graph::label \(p. 228\)](#).

|             |                             |
|-------------|-----------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|-------------|-----------------------------|

Display name for a graph object.

Attaches a display name to a graph object which may be used to label output in place of the standard graph object name.

**Syntax**

`graph_name.displayname display_name`

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain a variety of characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in graph object names.

**Examples**

```
gr1.displayname Hours Worked
gr1.label
```

The first line attaches a display name “Hours Worked” to the graph GR1, and the second line displays the label view of GR1, including its display name.

**Cross-references**

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names.

See also [Graph::label \(p. 228\)](#) and [Graph::legend \(p. 229\)](#).

|      |                             |
|------|-----------------------------|
| draw | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|------|-----------------------------|

Place horizontal or vertical lines and shaded areas on the graph.

### Syntax

```
graph_name.draw(draw_type, axis_id [,options]) position1 [position2]
```

where *draw\_type* may be one of the following:

|          |               |
|----------|---------------|
| line / l | A line        |
| shade    | A shaded area |

Note that the “dashline” option has been removed (though it is supported for backward compatibility). You should use the “pattern” option to specify whether the line is solid or patterned.

*axis\_id* may take the values:

|            |   |
|------------|---|
| left / l   | Draw a horizontal line or shade using the left axis to define the drawing position  |
| right / r  | Draw a horizontal line or shade using the right axis to define the drawing position |
| bottom / b | Draw a vertical line or shade using the bottom axis to define the drawing position  |

If drawing a line, the drawing position is taken from *position1*. If drawing a shaded area, you must provide a *position1* and *position2* to define the boundaries of the shaded region.

### Line/Shade Options

The following options may be provided to change the characteristics of the specified line or shade. *Any unspecified options will use the default text settings of the graph.*

|                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <code>color(arg)</code>     | <p>Specifies the color of the line or shade. The argument may be made up of <i>n1</i>, <i>n2</i>, and <i>n3</i>, a set of three integers from 0 to 255, representing the RGB values of the line or shade, or it may be one of the predefined color keywords (“blue”, “red”, “green”, “black”, “white”, “purple”, “orange”, “yellow”, “gray”, “ltgray”). For a full description of the keywords, see <a href="#">Table::setfillcolor (p. 700)</a>.</p> <p>The default is black for lines and gray for shades. RGB values may be examined by calling up the color palette in the <b>Graph Options</b> dialog.</p> |
| <code>pattern(index)</code> | <p>Sets the line pattern to the type specified by <i>index</i>. <i>index</i> can be an integer from 1 to 12 or one of the matching keywords (“solid”, “dash1” through “dash10”, “none”). See <a href="#">Graph::setelem (p. 241)</a> for a description of the available patterns. The “none” keyword turns on solid lines.</p>  |
| <code>width(n1)</code>      | <p>Specify the width, where <i>n1</i> is the line width in points (used only if <i>object_type</i> is “line” or “dashline”). The default is 0.5 points.</p>   |
| <code>top</code>            | <p>Specifies that the line be drawn on top of the graph. (Note that this option has no effect on shades.)</p>   |

## Examples

```
graph1.draw(line, left, rgb(0,0,127)) 5.25
```

draws a horizontal blue line at the value “5.25” as measured on the left axis while:

```
graph1.draw(shade, right) 7.1 9.7
```

draws a shaded horizontal region bounded by the right axis values “7.1” and “9.7”. You may also draw vertical regions by using the “bottom” *axis\_id*:

```
graph1.draw(shade, bottom) 1980:1 1990:2
```

draws a shaded vertical region bounded by the dates “1980:1” and “1990:2”.

```
graph1.draw(line, bottom, pattern(dash1)) 1985:1
```

draws a vertical dashed line at “1985:1”.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 15. “Graph Objects,” on page 657](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph options.

See [Graph::drawdefault \(p. 225\)](#) for setting defaults.

|             |                             |
|-------------|-----------------------------|
| drawdefault | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|-------------|-----------------------------|

Change default settings for lines and shaded areas in the graph.

This command specifies changes in the default settings which will be applied to line and shade objects added subsequently to the graph. If you include the “existing” option, *all* of the drawing default settings will also be applied to existing line and shade objects in the graph.

### Syntax

`graph_name.drawdefault draw_options`

where *draw\_options* may include one or more of the following:

|                                     |   |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| <code>linecolor(<i>arg</i>)</code>  | Sets the default color for lines. The <i>arg</i> value may set by using one of the color keywords (e.g., “blue”), or by using the RGB values (e.g., “@RGB(255, 255, 0)”). For a description of the available color keywords (“blue”, “red”, “green”, “black”, “white”, “purple”, “orange”, “yellow”, “gray”, “ltgray”). For a full description of the keywords, see <a href="#">Table::setfillcolor (p. 700)</a> .                        |
| <code>shadecolor(<i>arg</i>)</code> | Sets the default color for shades. <i>arg</i> may be one of the pre-defined color keywords, or it may be made up of <i>n1</i> , <i>n2</i> , <i>n3</i> , a set of three integers from 0 to 255, representing the RGB values of the color. For a description of the available color keywords (“blue”, “red”, “green”, “black”, “white”, “purple”, “orange”, “yellow”, “gray”, “ltgray”), see <a href="#">Table::setfillcolor (p. 700)</a> . |
| <code>width(<i>n1</i>)</code>       | Specify the width, where <i>n1</i> is the line width in points (used only if <i>object_type</i> is “line” or “dashline”). The default is 0.5 points.  |
| <code>pattern(<i>index</i>)</code>  | Sets the default line pattern to the type specified by <i>index</i> . <i>index</i> can be an integer from 1 to 12 or one of the matching keywords (“solid”, “dash1” through “dash10”, “none”). See <a href="#">Graph::setelem (p. 241)</a> for a description of the available patterns. The “none” keyword turns on solid lines.  |
| <code>existing</code>               | Apply the default settings to all existing line/shade objects in the graph.   |

### Examples

```
graph1.drawdefault linecolor(blue) width(.25) existing
```

changes the default setting for new line/shade objects. New lines added to the graph will now be drawn in blue, with a width of 0.25 points. In addition, all existing line and shade objects will be updated with the graph default settings. Note that in addition to the line color and width settings specified in the command, the existing default line pattern and shade colors will be applied to the line and shade objects in graph.

```
graph1.drawdefault existing
```

updates all line and shade objects in the graph with the currently specified default draw object settings.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 15. “Graph Objects,” on page 657](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph options.

See [Graph::draw \(p. 223\)](#).

|       |                                   |
|-------|-----------------------------------|
| graph | <a href="#">Graph Declaration</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------------|

Create named graph object containing the results of a graph command, or created when merging multiple graphs into a single graph.

Syntax

```
graph graph_name.graph_command(options) arg1 [arg2 arg3 ...]  
graph graph_name.merge graph1 graph2 [graph3 ...]
```

Follow the keyword with a name for the graph, a period, and then a statement used to create a graph. There are two distinct forms of the command.

In the first form of the command, you create a graph using one of the graph commands, and then name the object using the specified name. The portion of the command given by,

```
graph_command(options) arg1 [arg2 arg3 ...]
```

should follow the form of one of the standard EViews graph commands:

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| area     | Area graph ( <a href="#">area (p. 801)</a> ).             |
| band     | Area band graph ( <a href="#">band (p. 804)</a> ).        |
| bar      | Bar graph ( <a href="#">bar (p. 807)</a> ).               |
| boxplot  | Boxplot graph ( <a href="#">boxplot (p. 811)</a> ).       |
| distplot | Distribution graph ( <a href="#">distplot (p. 813)</a> ). |
| dot      | Dot plot graph ( <a href="#">dot (p. 820)</a> ).          |
| errbar   | Error bar graph ( <a href="#">errbar (p. 824)</a> ).      |

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| hilo     | High-low(-open-close) graph ( <a href="#">hilo (p. 826)</a> ).   |
| line     | Line graph ( <a href="#">line (p. 828)</a> ).  |
| pie      | Pie graph ( <a href="#">pie (p. 831)</a> ).  |
| qqplot   | Quantile-Quantile graph ( <a href="#">qqplot (p. 834)</a> ).   |
| scat     | Scatterplot—same as XY, but lines are initially turned off, symbols turned on, and a $3 \times 3$ frame is used ( <a href="#">scat (p. 838)</a> ). |
| scatmat  | Matrix of scatterplots ( <a href="#">scatmat (p. 843)</a> ).   |
| scatpair | Scatterplot pairs graph ( <a href="#">scatpair (p. 845)</a> ).   |
| seasplot | Seasonal line graph ( <a href="#">seasplot (p. 849)</a> ).   |
| spike    | Spike graph ( <a href="#">spike (p. 850)</a> ).  |
| xyarea   | XY line-symbol graph with one X plotted against one or more Y's using existing line-symbol settings ( <a href="#">xyarea (p. 854)</a> ).           |
| xybar    | XY line-symbol graph with one X plotted against one or more Y's using existing line-symbol settings ( <a href="#">xybar (p. 857)</a> ).            |
| xyline   | Same as XY, but symbols are initially turned off, lines turned on, and a $4 \times 3$ frame is used ( <a href="#">xyline (p. 859)</a> ).           |
| xypair   | Same as XY but sets XY settings to display pairs of X and Y plotted against each other ( <a href="#">xypair (p. 863)</a> ).                        |

In the second form of the command, you instruct EViews to merge the listed graphs into a single graph, and then name the graph object using the specified name.

## Options

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| reset | Resets all graph options to the global defaults. May be used to remove existing customization of the graph. |
| p     | Print the graph (for use when specified with a graph command).  |

Additional options will depend on the type of graph chosen. See the entry for each graph type for a list of the available options (for example, see [bar \(p. 807\)](#) for details on bar graphs).

## Examples

```
graph g1.line(s, p) gdp m1 inf
```



creates and prints a stacked line graph object named GRA1. This command is equivalent to running the command:

```
line(s, p) gdp ml inf
```

freezing the view, and naming the graph GRA1.

```
graph mygra.merge gr_line gr_scatt gr_pie
```

creates a multiple graph object named MYGRA that merges three graph objects named GR\_LINE, GR\_SCAT, and GR\_PIE.

**Cross-references**

See [Chapter 15. “Graph Objects,” on page 657](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a general discussion of graphs.

See also [freeze \(p. 339\)](#) and [Graph::merge \(p. 231\)](#).

|       |  |
|-------|--|
| label | <a href="#">Graph View   Graph Procs</a> |
|-------|--|

Display or change the label view of a graph object, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

As a procedure, `label` changes the fields in the graph label.

**Syntax**

```
graph_name.label
graph_name.label(options) [text]
```

**Options**

The first version of the command displays the label view of the graph. The second version may be used to modify the label. Specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

## Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of GRA1 with “Data from CPS 1988 March File”:

```
gral.label(r)
gral.label(r) Data from CPS 1988 March File
```

To append additional remarks to GRA1, and then to print the label view:

```
gral.label(r) Log of hourly wage
gral.label(p)
```

To clear and then set the units field, use:

```
gral.label(u) Millions of bushels
```

## Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.

See also [Graph::displayname \(p. 222\)](#).

|        |                             |
|--------|-----------------------------|
| legend | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|--------|-----------------------------|

**Set legend appearance and placement in graphs.**

When `legend` is used with a multiple graph, the legend settings apply to all graphs. See [Graph::setelem \(p. 241\)](#) for setting legends for individual graphs in a multiple graph.

## Syntax

```
graph_name.legend option_list
```

## Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>columns(arg)</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “auto”) | Columns for legend: “auto” (automatically choose number of columns), <i>int</i> (put legend in specified number of columns). |
| <code>display/-display</code>                           | Display/do not display the legend.   |
| <code>inbox/-inbox</code>                               | Put legend in box/remove box around legend.  |

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>position(<i>arg</i>)</code>   | Position for legend: “left” or “l” (place legend on left side of graph), “right” or “r” (place legend on right side of graph), “botleft” or “bl” (place left-justified legend below graph), “botcenter” or “bc” (place centered legend below graph), “botright” or “br” (place right-justified legend below graph), “( <i>h</i> , <i>v</i> )” (the first number <i>h</i> specifies the number of virtual inches to offset to the right from the origin. The second number <i>v</i> specifies the virtual inch offset below the origin. The origin is the upper left hand corner of the graph). |
| <code>font([<i>face</i>], [<i>pt</i>], [<i>+/- b</i>], [<i>+/- i</i>], [<i>+/- u</i>], [<i>+/- s</i>])</code> | Set characteristics of legend font. The font name ( <i>face</i> ), size ( <i>pt</i> ), and characteristics are all optional. <i>face</i> should be a valid font name, enclosed in double quotes. <i>pt</i> should be the font size in points. The remaining options specify whether to turn on/off boldface ( <i>b</i> ), italic ( <i>i</i> ), underline ( <i>u</i> ), and strikeout ( <i>s</i> ) styles.  |
| <code>textcolor(<i>arg</i>)</code>  | Sets the color of the legend text. <i>arg</i> may be one of the predefined color keywords, or it may be made up of <i>n1</i> , <i>n2</i> , <i>n3</i> , a set of three integers from 0 to 255, representing the RGB values of the color. For a description of the available color keywords (“blue”, “red”, “green”, “black”, “white”, “purple”, “orange”, “yellow”, “gray”, “ltgray”), see <a href="#">Table::setfillcolor (p. 700)</a> .   |
| <code>fillcolor(<i>arg</i>)</code>  | Sets the background fill color of the legend box. <i>arg</i> may be one of the predefined color keywords, or it may be made up of <i>n1</i> , <i>n2</i> , <i>n3</i> , a set of three integers from 0 to 255, representing the RGB values of the color. For a description of the available color keywords (“blue”, “red”, “green”, “black”, “white”, “purple”, “orange”, “yellow”, “gray”, “ltgray”), see <a href="#">Table::setfillcolor (p. 700)</a> .  |
| <code>framecolor(<i>arg</i>)</code>   | Sets the color of the legend box frame. <i>arg</i> may be one of the predefined color keywords, or it may be made up of <i>n1</i> , <i>n2</i> , <i>n3</i> , a set of three integers from 0 to 255, representing the RGB values of the color. For a description of the available color keywords (“blue”, “red”, “green”, “black”, “white”, “purple”, “orange”, “yellow”, “gray”, “ltgray”), see <a href="#">Table::setfillcolor (p. 700)</a> .  |

The options which support the “-” may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

The default settings are taken from the global defaults.

## Examples

```
mygral.legend display position(l) inbox
```

places the legend of MYGRA1 in a box to the left of the graph.

```
mygral.legend position(.2,.2) -inbox
```

places the legend of MYGRA1 within the graph, indented slightly from the upper left corner with no box surrounding the legend text.

```
mygral.legend font("Times", 12, b, i) textcolor(red)
      fillcolor(blue) framecolor(blue)
```

sets the legend font to red “Times” 12pt bold italic, and changes both the legend fill and frame colors to blue.

### Cross-references

See [Chapter 15. “Graph Objects,” on page 657](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph objects in EViews.

See [Graph::addtext \(p. 213\)](#) and [Graph::textdefault \(p. 251\)](#). See [Graph::setelem \(p. 241\)](#) for changing legend text and other graph options.

|       |                             |
|-------|-----------------------------|
| merge | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------|

Merge graph objects.

`merge` combines graph objects into a single graph object. The graph objects to merge must exist in the current workfile.

### Syntax

```
graph_name.merge graph1 graph2 [graph3 ...]
```

Follow the keyword with a list of existing graph object names to merge.

### Examples

```
graph mygra.merge gra1 gra2 gra3 gra4
show mygra.align(4,1,1)
```

The first line merges the four graphs GRA1, GRA2, GRA3, GRA4 into a graph named MYGRA. The second line displays the four graphs in MYGRA in a single row.

### Cross-references

See [Chapter 15. “Graph Objects,” on page 657](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graphs.

|          |                             |
|----------|-----------------------------|
| metafile | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|----------|-----------------------------|

Save graph to disk as an enhanced or ordinary Windows metafile.

Provided for backward compatibility, `metafile` has been replaced by the more general graph proc [Graph::save](#) (p. 238), which allows for saving graphs in metafile or postscript files, with additional options for controlling the output.

|      |                             |
|------|-----------------------------|
| name | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|------|-----------------------------|

Change the names used for legends or axis labels in XY graphs.

Allows you to provide an alternative to the names used for legends or for axis labels in XY graphs. The `name` command is available only for single graphs and will be ignored in multiple graphs.

**Syntax**

`graph_name.name(n) legend_text`

Provide a series number in parentheses and *legend\_text* for the legend (or axis label) after the keyword. If you do not provide text, the current legend will be removed from the legend/axis label.

**Examples**

```
graph g1.line(d) unemp gdp
g1.name(1) Civilian unemployment rate
g1.name(2) Gross National Product
```

The first line creates a line graph named G1 with dual scale, no crossing. The second line replaces the legend of the first series UNEMP, and the third line replaces the legend of the second series GDP.

```
graph g2.scatt id w h
g2.name(1)
g2.name(2) weight
g2.name(3) height
g2.legend(1)
```

The first line creates a scatter diagram named G2. The second line removes the legend of the horizontal axis, and the third and fourth lines replace the legends of the variables on the vertical axis. The last line moves the legend to the left side of the graph.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 15. “Graph Objects,” on page 657](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of working with graphs.

See also [Graph::displayname \(p. 222\)](#).

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| olepush | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

## Syntax

graph\_name.olepush

## Cross-references

See [“Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)” on page 729](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| options | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Set options for a graph object.

Allows you to change the option settings of an existing graph object. When `options` is used with a multiple graph, the options are applied to all graphs.

## Syntax

graph\_name.options *option\_list*

## Options

### Basic Graph Options

|                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| legend / -legend            | Turn on and off legend.   |
| size( <i>w</i> , <i>h</i> ) | Specifies the size of the plotting frame in virtual inches ( <i>w</i> = width, <i>h</i> = height).    |
| lineauto                    | Use solid lines when drawing in color and use patterns and grayscale when drawing in black and white. |
| linesolid                   | Always use solid lines.   |
| linepat                     | Always use line patterns.   |

|                                     |  |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| color / -color                      | Specifies that lines/filled areas [use / do not use] color. Note that if the “lineauto” option is specified, this choice will also influence the type of line or filled area drawn on screen: if color is specified, solid colored lines and filled areas will be drawn; if color is turned off, lines will be drawn using black and white line patterns, and gray scales will be used for filled areas. |
| barlabelabove /<br>-barlabelabove   | [Place / Do not place] text value of data above bar in bar graph.  |
| barlabelinside /<br>-barlabelinside | [Place / Do not place] text value of data inside bar in bar graph.   |
| barlabelnone                        | Remove text value of data from bar graph.  |
| outlinebars /<br>-outlinebars       | [Outline / Do not outline] bars in a bar graph.  |
| outlinearea /<br>-outlinearea       | [Outline / Do not outline] areas in an area graph.   |
| outlineband /<br>-outlineband       | [Outline / Do not outline] bands in an area band graph.  |
| barspace /<br>-barspace             | [Put / Do not put] space between bars in bar graph.  |
| pielabel /<br>-pielabel             | [Place / Do not place] text value of data in pie chart.  |
| barfade( <i>arg</i> )               | Sets the fill fade of the bars in a bar graph. <i>arg</i> may be: “none” (solid fill - <i>default</i> ), “3d” (3D rounded fill), “lzero” (light at zero), “dzero” (dark at zero).  |
| antialias( <i>arg</i> )             | Sets anti-aliasing to smooth the appearance of data lines in the graph. <i>arg</i> may be: “auto” (EViews uses anti-aliasing where appropriate - <i>default</i> ), “on”, or “off”.   |
| interpolate( <i>arg</i> )           | Sets the interpolation method to estimate values between two known data points in the graph. <i>arg</i> may be: “linear” (no interpolation), “mild” (mild spline), “medium” (medium spline), or “full” (full spline).  |
| stackposneg /<br>-stackposneg       | For bar graphs, stack positive and negative values separately (Excel style).   |

#### Graph Grid Options

|                |  |
|----------------|--|
| grid / -grid   | [Draw / Do not draw] grid lines.                   |
| gridl / -gridl | [Turn on / Turn off] grid lines on the left scale. |

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>gridr / -gridr</code>                           | [Turn on / Turn off] grid lines on the right scale.   |
| <code>gridb / -gridb</code>                           | [Turn on / Turn off] grid lines on the bottom scale.  |
| <code>gridt / -gridt</code>                           | [Turn on / Turn off] grid lines on the top scale.   |
| <code>gridnone</code>                                 | No grid lines (overrides individual axis settings).   |
| <code>gridauto</code>                                 | Allow EViews to place grid lines at automatic intervals.  |
| <code>gridcust(<i>freq</i><br/>[,<i>step</i>])</code> | Place grid lines at custom intervals, specified by <i>freq</i> . <i>freq</i> may be: “obs” or “o” (Step = One obs), “year” or “y” (Step = Year), “quarter” or “q” (Step = Quarter), “month” or “m” (Step = Month), “day” or “d” (Step = Day). You may optionally specify a step for the interval. If not specified, the default is the last grid step used for this graph, or 1 if a step has never been specified.             |
| <code>gridcolor(<i>arg</i>)</code>                    | Sets the grid line color. <i>arg</i> may be one of the predefined color keywords, or it may be made up of <i>n1</i> , <i>n2</i> , <i>n3</i> , a set of three integers from 0 to 255, representing the RGB values of the color. For a description of the available color keywords (“blue”, “red”, “green”, “black”, “white”, “purple”, “orange”, “yellow”, “gray”, “ltgray”), see <a href="#">Table::set-fillcolor</a> (p. 700). |
| <code>gridwidth(<i>n</i>)</code>                      | Sets the width of the grid lines in points. <i>n</i> should be a number between 0.25 and 5.   |
| <code>gridpat(<i>index</i>)</code>                    | Sets the line pattern for grid lines to the type specified by <i>index</i> . <i>index</i> can be an integer from 1 to 12 or one of the matching keywords (“solid”, “dash1” through “dash10”, “none”). See <a href="#">Graph::setelem</a> (p. 241) for a description of the available patterns. The “none” keyword turns on solid lines.   |
| <code>gridontop /<br/>-gridontop</code>               | [Draw / Do not draw] the grid lines on top of the graph.  |



*Background and Frame Options*

|                              |  |
|------------------------------|--|
| <code>fillcolor(arg)</code>  | Sets the fill color of the graph frame. <i>arg</i> may be one of the predefined color keywords, or it may be made up of <i>n1</i> , <i>n2</i> , <i>n3</i> , a set of three integers from 0 to 255, representing the RGB values of the color. For a description of the available color keywords (“blue”, “red”, “green”, “black”, “white”, “purple”, “orange”, “yellow”, “gray”, “ltgray”), see <a href="#">Table::setfillcolor</a> (p. 700).       |
| <code>backcolor(arg)</code>  | Sets the background color of the graph. <i>arg</i> may be one of the predefined color keywords, or it may be made up of <i>n1</i> , <i>n2</i> , <i>n3</i> , a set of three integers from 0 to 255, representing the RGB values of the color. For a description of the available color keywords (“blue”, “red”, “green”, “black”, “white”, “purple”, “orange”, “yellow”, “gray”, “ltgray”), see <a href="#">Table::setfillcolor</a> (p. 700).       |
| <code>framecolor(arg)</code> | Sets the background color of the graph frame. <i>arg</i> may be one of the predefined color keywords, or it may be made up of <i>n1</i> , <i>n2</i> , <i>n3</i> , a set of three integers from 0 to 255, representing the RGB values of the color. For a description of the available color keywords (“blue”, “red”, “green”, “black”, “white”, “purple”, “orange”, “yellow”, “gray”, “ltgray”), see <a href="#">Table::setfillcolor</a> (p. 700). |
| <code>fillfade(arg)</code>   | Sets the fill fade of the graph frame. <i>arg</i> may be: “none” (solid frame fill - <i>default</i> ), “ltop” (light at top), “dtop” (dark at top).  |
| <code>backfade(arg)</code>   | Sets the background fade of the graph. <i>arg</i> may be: “none” (solid background - <i>default</i> ), “ltop” (light at top), “dtop” (dark at top).  |
| <code>framewidth(n)</code>   | Sets the width of the graph frame in points. <i>n</i> should be a number between 0.25 and 5.   |
| <code>frameaxes(arg)</code>  | Specifies which frame axes to display. <i>arg</i> may be one of the keywords: “all”, “none”, or “labeled” (all axes that have labels), or any combination of letters “l” (left), “r” (right), “t” (top), and “b” (bottom), e.g. “lrt” for left, right and top.   |
| <code>indenth(n)</code>      | Sets the horizontal indentation of the graph from the graph frame in virtual inches. <i>n</i> should be a number between 0 and 0.75.   |
| <code>indentv(n)</code>      | Sets the vertical indentation of the graph from the graph frame in virtual inches. <i>n</i> should be a number between 0 and 0.75.   |

|                          |   |
|--------------------------|---|
| inbox / -inbox           | [Show / Do not show] the graph frame on axes that do not have data assigned to them.  |
| background / -background | [Include / Do not include] the background color when exporting or printing the graph. |

### *Sample Break and NA Handling*

|                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| drop ( <i>default</i> ) | For a graph with a non-contiguous sample, drop the excluded observations from the graph scale.   |
| connect                 | For a graph with missing values or a non-contiguous sample, connect non-missing observations.  |
| disconnect              | For a graph with missing values or a non-contiguous sample, disconnect non-missing observations.   |
| pad                     | For a graph with a non-contiguous sample, pad the graph scale with the excluded observations   |
| segment                 | For a graph with a non-contiguous sample, drop the excluded observations from the graph scale and draw vertical lines at the seams in the observation scale. |

The options which support the “-” may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

Data labels in bar and pie graphs will only be visible when there is sufficient space in the graph.

## Examples

```
graph1.options size(4,4) +inbox color
```

sets GRAPH1 to use a  $4 \times 4$  frame enclosed in a box. The graph will use color.

```
graph1.options linepat -color size(2,8) -inbox
```

sets GRAPH1 to use a  $2 \times 8$  frame with no box. The graph does not use color, with the lines instead being displayed using patterns.

```
graph1.options fillcolor(gray) backcolor(192, 192, 192)
framecolor(blue)
```

sets the fill color of the graph frame to gray, the background color of the graph to the RGB values 192, 192, and 192, and the graph frame color to blue.

```
graph1.options gridpat(3) gridl -gridb
```

display left scale grid lines using line pattern 3 (“dash2”) and turn off display of vertical grid lines from the bottom axis.

```
graph1.options indenth(.5) frameaxes(lb) framewidth(.5)
      gridwidth(.25)
```

indents the graph .5 virtual inches from the frame, displays left and bottom frame axes of width .5 points, and sets the gridline width to .25 points.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 15. “Graph Objects,” on page 657](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph options in EViews.

See also [Graph::axis](#) (p. 217), [Graph::datelabel](#) (p. 220), and [Graph::setelem](#) (p. 241).

|      |                             |
|------|-----------------------------|
| save | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|------|-----------------------------|

Save a graph object to disk as a Windows metafile (.EMF or .WMF), PostScript (.EPS), bitmap (.BMP), Graphics Interchange Format (.GIF), Joint Photographic Experts Exchange (.JPEG), Portable Network Graphics (.PNG), or Portable Document Format (.PDF) file.

Syntax

```
graph_name.save(options) [path/]file_name
```

Follow the keyword with a name for the file. *file\_name* may include the file type extension, or the file type may be specified using the “t = ” option. A graph may be saved with an EMF, WMF, EPS, BMP, GIF, JPG, PNG, or PDF extension.

If an explicit path is not specified, the file will be stored in the default directory, as set in the **File Locations** global options.

General Graph Options

|                      |  |
|----------------------|--|
| t = <i>file_type</i> | <p>Specifies the file type, where <i>file_type</i> may be one of: Enhanced Windows metafile (“emf” or “meta”), ordinary Windows metafile (“wmf”), Encapsulated PostScript (“eps” or “ps”), Bitmap file (“bmp”), Graphics Interchange Format (“gif”), Joint Photographic Experts Exchange (“jpeg” or “jpg”), Portable Network Graphics (“png”), or Portable Document File (“pdf”).</p> <p>Files will be saved with the “emf”, “wmf”, “eps”, “bmp”, “gif”, “jpeg”, “png”, or “pdf” extensions, respectively.</p> |
| u = <i>units</i>     | <p>Specify units of measurement, where <i>units</i> is one of: “in” (inches), “cm” (centimeters), “pt” (points), “pica” (picas), “pixels” (pixels). Note: pixels are only applicable to bmp, gif, jpeg, and png files. Default is inches otherwise.</p>  |

|                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| <code>w = <i>width</i></code>  | Set width of the graphic in the selected units.   |
| <code>h = <i>height</i></code> | Set height of the graphic in the selected units.  |
| <code>c / -c</code>            | [Save / Do not save] the graph in color.  |
| <code>trans / -trans</code>    | [Set / Do not set] background to transparent (for graph formats which support transparency).  |
| <code>d = <i>dpi</i></code>    | Specify the number of dots per inch. Only applicable to bmp, gif, jpeg, and png files when units has not been set to pixels. In the case units = “pixels”, it is ignored. |

Note that if only a *width* or a *height* option is specified, EViews will calculate the other dimension holding the aspect ratio of the graph constant. If both *width* and *height* are provided, the aspect ratio will no longer be locked. (Note that the aspect ratio for an ordinary Windows Metafile (.WMF) cannot be unlocked, so only a height or width should be specified in this case.) EViews will default to the current graph dimensions if size is unspecified.

All defaults with exception to dots per inch are taken from the global graph export settings (**Options/Graphics Defaults.../Exporting**). The default dots per inch for bmp, gif, jpeg, and png file types is equal to the number of pixels per logical inch along the screen width of your system. Values may therefore differ from system to system.

### Postscript specific Graph Options

|                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| <code>box / -box</code> | [Save / Do not save] the graph with a bounding box. The bounding box is an invisible rectangle placed around the graphic to indicate its boundaries. The default is taken from the global graph export settings. |
| <code>land</code>       | Save the graph in landscape orientation. The default uses portrait mode.   |
| <code>prompt</code>     | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |

### Examples

```
graph1.save(t=ps, -box, land) c:\data\MyGra1
```

saves GRAPH1 as a PostScript file MYGRA1.EPS. The graph is saved in landscape orientation without a bounding box.

```
graph2.save(t=emf, u=pts, w=300, h=300) MyGra2
```

saves GRAPH2 in the default directory as an Enhanced Windows metafile MYGRA2.EMF. The image will be scaled to 300 × 300 points.

```
graph3.save(t=png, u=in, w=5, d=300) MyGra3
```

saves GRAPH3 in the default directory as a PNG file MYGRA3.PNG. The image will be 5 inches wide at 300 dpi.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 15. “Graph Objects,” beginning on page 657](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graphs.

|       |                             |
|-------|-----------------------------|
| scale | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------|

The `scale` command is supported for backward compatibility, but has been replaced by the [Graph::axis \(p. 217\)](#) command, which handles all axis and scaling options.

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| setattr | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

Syntax

`graph_name.setattr(attr) attr_value`

Sets the attribute `attr` to `attr_value`. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the `@attr` data member.

Examples

```
a.setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

Cross-references

See [“Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View” on page 103](#) and [“Adding Your Own Label Attributes” on page 65](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

|           |                             |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| setbpelem | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|-----------|-----------------------------|

Enable/disable individual boxplot elements.

Syntax

`graph_name.setbpelem element_list`

The `element_list` may contain one or more of the following:

|   |  |
|---|--|
| median, med / -<br>median, -med                       | [Show / Do not show] the medians.  |
| mean / -mean  | [Show / Do not show] the means.  |
| whiskers, w /<br>-whiskers, -w                        | [Show / Do not show] the whiskers (lines from the box to the staples).   |
| staples, s<br>/ -staples, -s                          | [Show / Do not show] the staples (lines drawn at the last data point within the inner fences).   |
| near / -near  | [Show / Do not show] the near outliers (values between the inner and outer fences).  |
| far / -far  | [Show / Do not show] the far outliers (values beyond the outer fences).  |
| width( <i>arg</i> )<br>( <i>default</i><br>= “fixed”) | Set the width settings for the boxplots, where <i>arg</i> is one of: “fixed” (uniform width), “n” (proportional to sample size), “rootn” (proportional to the square root of sample size). |
| ci = <i>arg</i><br>( <i>default</i> =<br>“shade”)     | Set the display method for the confidence intervals, where <i>arg</i> is one of: “none” (do not display), “shade” (shaded intervals), “notch” (notched intervals).                         |

## Examples

```
graph01.setbpelem -far width(n) ci(notch)
```

hides the far outliers, sets the box widths proportional to the number of observations, and enables notching of the confidence intervals.

## Cross-references

See [“Boxplot” on page 607](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a description of boxplots.

See [Graph::setelem \(p. 241\)](#) to modify line and symbol attributes. See also [Graph::options \(p. 233\)](#) and [Graph::axis \(p. 217\)](#).

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| setelem | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Set individual line, bar and legend options for each series in the graph.

## Syntax

```
graph_name.setelem(graph_elem) argument_list
```

where *graph\_elem* is the identifier for the graph element whose options you wish to modify:

|                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| <i>integer</i>  | Index for graph element (for non-boxplot graphs). For example, if you provide the integer “2”, EViews will modify the second line in the graph.   |
| <i>box_elem</i> | Boxplot element to be modified: box (“b”), median (“med”), mean (“mean”), near outliers (“near” or “no”), far outliers (“far” or “fo”), whiskers (“w”), staples (“s”). For boxplot graphs only. |

The *argument* list for `setelem` may contain one or more of the following:

|   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| <i>symbol(arg)</i>                              | Sets the drawing symbol: <i>arg</i> can be an integer from 1–13, or one of the matching keywords. “obslabel” and “dotobslabel” use the observation label as the symbol. Selecting a symbol automatically turns on symbol use. The “none” option turns off symbol use.  | <div><div>(1) circle</div><div>(2) filledcircle</div><div>(3) transcircle</div><div>(4) star</div><div>(5) diagcross</div><div>(6) cross</div><div>(7) filledsquare</div><div>(8) square</div><div>(9) filledtriup</div><div>(10) triup</div><div>(11) filledtridown</div><div>(12) tridown</div><div>(13) obslabel</div><div>(14) dotobslabel</div><div>(15) none</div></div> |
| <i>symbolsize(arg)</i> ,<br><i>symsize(arg)</i> | Sets the symbol size. <i>arg</i> may be an integer between 1-8, where 1 is the smallest symbol and 8 is the largest, or one of the keywords: “XS” (X-Small), “S” (Small), “M” (Medium), “L” (Large), “XL” (X-Large), “2XL” (2X-Large), “3XL” (3X-Large), “4XL” (4X-Large).   |  |
| <i>linecolor(arg)</i> ,<br><i>lcolor(arg)</i>   | Sets the line and symbol color. The <i>arg</i> value may set by using one of the color keywords (e.g., “blue”), or by using the RGB values (e.g., “@RGB(255, 255, 0)”). For a description of the available color keywords (“blue”, “red”, “green”, “black”, “white”, “purple”, “orange”, “yellow”, “gray”, “ltgray”). For a full description of the keywords, see <a href="#">Table::setfillcolor (p. 700)</a> . |  |
| <i>linewidth(n1)</i> ,<br><i>lwidth(n1)</i>     | Sets the line and symbol width: <i>n1</i> should be a number between “.25” and “5”, indicating the width in points.  |  |

linepattern(*arg*),  
lpat(*arg*)

Sets the line pattern to the type specified by *arg*. *arg* can be an integer from 1–12 or one of the matching keywords.

Note that the option interacts with the graph options for “color”, “lineauto”, “linesolid”, “linepat” (see [Graph::options](#) (p. 233), for details). You may need to set the graph option for “linepat” to enable the display of line patterns. See [Graph::options](#) (p. 233).

Note also that the patterns with index values 7–11 have been modified since version 5.0. In particular, the “none” option has been moved to position 12.

The “none” option turns off lines and uses only symbols.

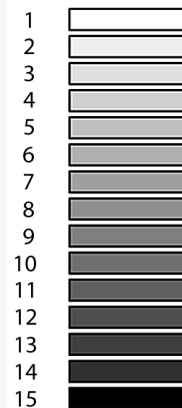
|             |           |
|-------------|-----------|
| (1) solid   | —————     |
| (2) dash1   | - - - - - |
| (3) dash2   | - - - - - |
| (4) dash3   | - - - - - |
| (5) dash4   | - - - - - |
| (6) dash5   | - - - - - |
| (7) dash6   | - - - - - |
| (8) dash7   | - - - - - |
| (9) dash8   | - - - - - |
| (10) dash9  | - - - - - |
| (11) dash10 | - - - - - |
| (12) none   |           |

fillcolor(*arg*),  
fcolor(*arg*)

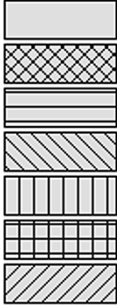
Sets the fill color for symbols, bars, and pies. The *arg* value may set by using of the color keywords (“blue”, “red”, “green”, “black”, “white”, “purple”, “orange”, “yellow”, “gray”, “ltgray”) or by using the RGB values (*e.g.*, “@RGB(255, 255, 0)”). For a full description of the keywords, see [Table::setfillcolor](#) (p. 700)

fillgray(*n1*),  
gray(*n1*)

Sets the gray scale for bars and pies: *n1* should be an integer from 1–15 corresponding to one of the predefined gray scale settings (from lightest to darkest).





|   |   |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|
| <code>fillhatch(arg),<br/>hatch(arg)</code> | Sets the hatch characteristics for bars and pies: <i>arg</i> can be an integer from 1–7, or one of the matching keywords.   | (1) none<br>(2) diagcross<br>(3) horizontal<br>(4) fdiagonal<br>(5) vertical<br>(6) cross<br>(7) bdiagonal |  |
| <code>preset(n1)</code>                     | Sets line and fill characteristics to the specified EViews preset values, where <i>n1</i> is an integer from 1–30. Simultaneously sets “linecolor”, “linepattern”, “linewidth”, “symbol”, “fillcolor”, “fillgray”, and “fillhatch” to the EViews predefined definitions for graph element <i>n1</i> .<br>When applied to boxplots, the line color of the specified element will be applied to the box, whiskers, and staples.                       |  |  |
| <code>default(n1)</code>                    | Sets line and fill characteristics to the specified user-defined default settings where <i>n1</i> is an integer from 1–30. Simultaneously sets “linecolor”, “linepattern”, “linewidth”, “symbol”, “fillcolor”, “fillgray”, and “fillhatch” to the values in the user-defined global defaults for graph element <i>n1</i> .<br>When applied to boxplots, the line color of the specified settings will be applied to the box, whiskers, and staples. |  |  |
| <code>axis(arg),<br/>axis scale(arg)</code> | Assigns the element to an axis: left (“l”), right (“r”), bottom (“b”), top (“t”). The latter two options are only applicable for XY and scatter graphs ( <a href="#">scat</a> (p. 838), <a href="#">xyarea</a> (p. 854), <a href="#">xybar</a> (p. 857), <a href="#">xyline</a> (p. 859), <a href="#">xypair</a> (p. 863)).   |  |  |
| <code>legend(str)</code>                    | Assigns legend text for the element. <i>str</i> will be used in the legend to label the element.  |  |  |

Examples

```
graph1.setelem(2) lcolor(blue) lwidth(2) symbol(circle)
sets the second line of GRAPH1 to be a blue line of width 2 with circle symbols.

graph1.setelem(1) lcolor(blue)
graph1.setelem(1) linecolor(0, 0, 255)
are equivalent methods of setting the linecolor to blue.
```

```
graph1.setelem(1) fillgray(6)
```

sets the gray-scale color for the first graph element.

The lines:

```
graph1.setelem(1) scale(1)
graph1.setelem(2) scale(1)
graph1.setelem(3) scale(r)
```

create a dual scale graph where the first two series are scaled together and labeled on the left axis, and the third series is scaled and labeled on the right axis.

```
graph1.setelem(2) legend("gross domestic product")
```

sets the legend for the second graph element.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 15. “Graph Objects,” on page 657](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph options in EViews.

See also [Graph::axis \(p. 217\)](#), [Graph::datelabel \(p. 220\)](#) and [Graph::options \(p. 233\)](#).

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| setfont | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Set the font for text in the graph.

Syntax

```
graph_name.setfont font_args
```

The *font\_args* may include one or more of the following:

- type*([*face*], [*pt*],     Set characteristics of the font for the graph element *type*.
- [+/- *b*], [+/- *i*],     The font name (*face*), size (*pt*), and characteristics are all
- [+/- *u*], [+/- *s*)     optional. *face* should be a valid font name, enclosed in double quotes. *pt* should be the font size in points. The remaining options specify whether to turn on/off boldface (*b*), italic (*i*), underline (*u*), and strikeout (*s*) styles.

and *type* is one of “all”, “axes”, “legend”, “text”, “obs”, where “axes” refers to the axes labels, “legend” refers to the graph legend, “text” refers to the added text, “obs” refers to the observation scale, and “all” refers to all of the elements.

Examples

```
mygraph.setfont axes("Times", 20, b)
```

sets the font to Times, 20pt, bold for all of the graph elements.

```
mygraph.setfont text("Arial") legend("Helvetica")
```

sets the added text font to Arial and the legend font to Helvetica.

**Cross-references**

See [Chapter 15. “Graph Objects,” on page 657](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph options.

See also [Graph::datelabel \(p. 220\)](#), [Graph::axis \(p. 217\)](#), [Graph::options \(p. 233\)](#) and [Graph::setelem \(p. 241\)](#).

|             |                             |
|-------------|-----------------------------|
| setobslabel | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|-------------|-----------------------------|

Sets custom axis labels for the observation scale of a graph.

**Syntax**

```
graph_name.setobslabel([step_options,] init_options) [string1 string2 ...]
```

Follow the keyword with a list of axis labels, or the name of a series when the “series” *init\_option* is used.

To preserve case, enclose the label in quotation marks. To hide a label, use “”. If the number of labels provided is less than the number of existing labels, the remaining labels will not be affected.

**Options**

*Step options*

|                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| <i>start[, step]</i> | <i>start</i> should be the observation number of the first label to modify. <i>step</i> defines the number of observations to skip between applying labels. |
|----------------------|---|

*Init options*

*init\_options*  
(*default* =  
"blank")

*init\_options* sets initialization options for the labels. For a frozen graph (updating off), you may use the keywords: "current" (keep current labels, or initialize the labels with standard observation labels if custom labels do not currently exist, then add the labels provided), "obsnum" (initialize with observation numbers), or "blank" (set all labels to empty strings, then add the labels provided). For live or frozen graphs, you may use the keywords: "series" (initialize the labels with the values of a series; follow the command with the name of a series instead of labels), or "clear" (delete custom labels if they exist and return to automatic labeling).

**Examples**

Given a graph GRA1 with updating turned off, change the first label to "CA" using the command:

```
gral.setobslabel(current) "CA"
```

Note that all but the first label remain unchanged.

To keep the first label as "CA" and set the second label to "OR", you could enter:

```
gral.setobslabel(current) "CA" "OR"
```

Alternatively, an equivalent command would be

```
gral.setobslabel(2,current) "OR"
```

which starts applying labels at the second observation.

To set the first, third, and fifth observation labels in the frozen graph GRAPH2 and leave all others unchanged:

```
graph2.setobslabel(1,2,current) "first" "third" "fifth"
```

This instructs EViews to begin modifying at the first label and step two observations between new labels.

```
graph2.setobslabel(1,2,blank) "first" "third" "fifth"
```

performs the same operation as the previous command, while also clearing out all other labels.

```
graph2.setobslabel(clear)
```

deletes all custom labels and returns to EViews automatic labeling.

Say we have an alpha series in our workfile, ALPHA01, whose values are: “CA”, “OR”, “WA”, etc. To use these values as axis labels, use the *series* option and specify a series name in place of labels:

```
gra3.setobslabel(series) alpha01
```

This command creates labels on the time axis, using values in ALPHA01 to label the observations with: “CA”, “OR”, “WA”, etc.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 15. “Graph Objects,” on page 657](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph options.

See also [Graph::datelabel \(p. 220\)](#), [Graph::axis \(p. 217\)](#), [Graph::options \(p. 233\)](#) and [Graph::setelem \(p. 241\)](#).

|           |                             |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| setupdate | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|-----------|-----------------------------|

Set the update state of a graph object.

Syntax

```
graph_name.setupdate(options) [sample]
```

Follow the name of the graph with a period, the keyword `setupdate`, and the update setting.

Optionally, include a sample with the “manual” or “automatic” options to restrict updates to data changes made within the sample period. If you do not include a sample, updates will occur according to changes in the workfile sample.

Options

|                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| “off” or “o”    | Turn updating off.   |
| “manual” or “m” | Update when requested (with the <a href="#">Graph::update (p. 253)</a> command), or when the graph type is changed.  |
| “auto” or “a”   | Update whenever the update condition is met. If a sample is specified, an update will occur when data changes within the sample. If no sample is specified, updates will occur when data or the workfile sample changes. |

## Examples

```
gr1.setupupdate(o)
```

This command turns off updating for graph GR1.

```
gr1.setupupdate(a)
```

turns on automatic updating for graph GR1, according to the workfile sample. Whenever the underlying data or the workfile sample changes, GR1 will be updated with the changes.

```
gr2.setupupdate(m) 1992 1993
```

turns on manual updating for graph GR2, for the sample period 1992 to 1993. When the graph is manually updated, using the [update \(p. 253\)](#) command, changes in data between 1992 and 1993 will be updated.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 15. “Graph Objects,” beginning on page 658](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph updating options.

See [Graph::update \(p. 253\)](#).

|      |                             |
|------|-----------------------------|
| sort | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|------|-----------------------------|

## Sort the series in a graph.

The `sort` command sorts *all* series in the graph on the basis of the values of up to three series. For purposes of sorting, NAs are considered to be smaller than any other value. By default, EViews will sort the series in ascending order. You may use options to override the sort order.

Note that sorting cannot be undone. You may wish to freeze or copy the graph before applying the sort.

## Syntax

```
graph_name.sort(series1[, series2, series3])
```

Follow the keyword with a list of the series by which you wish to sort the graph. If you list two or more series, `sort` uses the values of the second series to resolve ties from the first series, and values of the third series to resolve ties from the second.

The series may be specified using the series display name or the index of the series in the graph. For example, if you provide the integer “2”, EViews will use the second series. To sort by observation labels, use the integer “0” or the keyword “Obs label”.

To sort in descending order, precede the series name with a minus sign (“-”).

Note that a graph with more than 500 observations cannot be sorted.

Examples

```
gra1.sort(x,y)
```

sorts graph GRA1 first by the series X. Any ties in X will be resolved by the series Y.

If X is the first series in graph GRA1 and Y is the second series,

```
gra1.sort(1,-2)
```

sorts first in ascending order by X and then in descending order by Y.

```
gra1.sort(0)
```

sorts GRA1 by its observation labels.

|          |                             |
|----------|-----------------------------|
| template | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|----------|-----------------------------|

Apply a template to a graph object.

If you apply template to a multiple graph object, the template options will be applied to each graph in the multiple graph. If the template graph is a multiple graph, the options of the first graph will be used.

Syntax

```
graph_name.template(options) template
```

Follow the name of the graph to which you want to apply the template options with a period, the keyword `template`, and the name of a graph template. *template* may be one of the predefined template keywords: “default” (current global defaults), “classic”, “modern”, “reverse”, “midnight”, “spartan”, “monochrome”, or a named graph in the workfile.

Options

|        |  |
|--------|--|
| t      | Replace text and line/shade objects with those of the template graph, when <i>template</i> is the name of a graph in the workfile. |
| e      | Apply template settings to existing text and line/shade options.   |
| b / -b | [Apply / Remove] bold modifiers of the specified <i>pre-defined</i> template style.  |
| w / -w | [Apply / Remove] wide modifiers of the specified <i>pre-defined</i> template style.  |

The options which support the “-” may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

Examples

```
gra_cs.template gra_gdp
```

applies the option settings in the graph object GRA\_GDP to the graph GRA\_CS. Text and line shading options from GRA\_GDP will be applied to GRA\_CS, but the characteristics of existing text and line/shade objects in GRA\_CS will not be modified. Text and shading objects include those added with the [Graph::addtext \(p. 213\)](#) or [Graph::draw \(p. 223\)](#) commands.

```
g1.template(t) mygraph1
```

applies the option settings of MYGRAPH1, and all text and shadings in the template graph, to the graph G1. Note that the “t” option overwrites any existing text and shading objects in the target graph.

```
graph1.template(e) modern
```

applies the predefined template “modern” to GRAPH1, also changing the settings of existing text and line/shade objects in the graph.

```
graph1.template(e, b, w) reverse
```

applies the predefined template “reverse” to GRAPH1, with the *bold* and *wide* modifiers. Any existing text and line/shade objects in GRAPH1 are also modified to use the object settings of the monochrome template.

```
graph1.template(-w) monochrome
```

applies the monochrome settings to GRAPH1, removing the wide modifier.

If you are using a boxplot as a template for another graph type, or vice versa, note that the graph types and boxplot specific attributes will not be changed. In addition, when the “t” option is used, vertical lines or shaded areas will not be copied between the graphs, since the horizontal scales differ.

Cross-references

See [“Templates” on page 678](#) of *User’s Guide I* for additional discussion.

|             |                             |
|-------------|-----------------------------|
| textdefault | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|-------------|-----------------------------|

Change default settings for text objects in the graph.

This command specifies changes in the default settings which will be applied to text objects added subsequently to the graph. If you include the “existing” option, *all* of the text default settings will also be applied to existing text objects in the graph.



## Syntax

`graph_name.textdefault text_options`

where *text\_options* include one or more of one of the following:

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>font([<i>face</i>], [<i>pt</i>],<br/>[ +/− <i>b</i>], [ +/− <i>i</i>],<br/>[ +/− <i>u</i>], [ +/− <i>s</i>])</code> | Set characteristics of default text font. The font name ( <i>face</i> ), size ( <i>pt</i> ), and characteristics are all optional. <i>face</i> should be a valid font name, enclosed in double quotes. <i>pt</i> should be the font size in points. The remaining options specify whether to turn on/off boldface ( <i>b</i> ), italic ( <i>i</i> ), underline ( <i>u</i> ), and strikethrough ( <i>s</i> ) styles.   |
| <code>textcolor(<i>arg</i>)</code>  | Sets the default color of the text. <i>arg</i> may be one of the predefined color keywords, or it may be made up of <i>n1</i> , <i>n2</i> , <i>n3</i> , a set of three integers from 0 to 255, representing the RGB values of the color. For a description of the available color keywords (“blue”, “red”, “green”, “black”, “white”, “purple”, “orange”, “yellow”, “gray”, “ltgray”), see <a href="#">Table::setfillcolor (p. 700)</a> .                     |
| <code>fillcolor(<i>arg</i>)</code>  | Sets the default background fill color of the text box. <i>arg</i> may be one of the predefined color keywords, or it may be made up of <i>n1</i> , <i>n2</i> , <i>n3</i> , a set of three integers from 0 to 255, representing the RGB values of the color. For a description of the available color keywords (“blue”, “red”, “green”, “black”, “white”, “purple”, “orange”, “yellow”, “gray”, “ltgray”), see <a href="#">Table::setfillcolor (p. 700)</a> . |
| <code>framecolor(<i>arg</i>)</code>   | Sets the default color of the text box frame. <i>arg</i> may be one of the predefined color keywords, or it may be made up of <i>n1</i> , <i>n2</i> , <i>n3</i> , a set of three integers from 0 to 255, representing the RGB values of the color. For a description of the available color keywords (“blue”, “red”, “green”, “black”, “white”, “purple”, “orange”, “yellow”, “gray”, “ltgray”), see <a href="#">Table::setfillcolor (p. 700)</a> .           |
| <code>existing</code>   | Apply the default settings to all existing text objects in the graph.   |

The options which support the “−” may be preceded by a “+” or “−” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

## Examples

```
graph1.textdefault font("Arial", b) fillcolor(gray) existing
```

changes the default text settings for new text objects so that new text is in Arial bold, using the current default font size and color. Should the new text be enclosed in a box, the box will have a gray fill. Additionally, the “existing” keyword specifies that existing text objects in the graph will be updated with the current text settings. Note that in addition to the font

type and fill color specified in the command, all text default settings will be applied to the existing text.

```
graph1.textdefault existing
```

updates the text objects in GRAPH1 with the current text default settings.

**Cross-references**

See [Chapter 15. “Graph Objects,” on page 657](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph options.

See [Graph::addtext \(p. 213\)](#) and [Graph::legend \(p. 229\)](#).

|        |                             |
|--------|-----------------------------|
| update | <a href="#">Graph Procs</a> |
|--------|-----------------------------|

**Update graph.**

This command updates a graph that has updating turned on.

**Syntax**

```
graph_name.update
```

**Examples**

```
graph1.update
```

If GRAPH1 is a graph with manual updating enabled, this command instructs the graph to update its data. If the graph has automatic updating enabled, this command is unnecessary, as it will simply repeat the automatic update. For a graph with updating off, this command does nothing.

**Cross-references**

See [Chapter 15. “Graph Objects,” beginning on page 658](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph updating options.

See [Graph::setupdate \(p. 248\)](#).

## Group

**Group of series.** Groups are used for working with collections of series objects (series, alphas, links).

### Group Declaration

[group](#) ..... create a group object ([p. 287](#)).

To declare a group, enter the keyword `group`, followed by a name, and optionally, a list of series or expressions:

```
group salesvrs
group nipa cons(-1) log(inv) g x
```

Additionally, a number of object procedures will automatically create a group.

Note: to convert data between groups and matrices, see “[Copying Data Between Matrix And Other Objects](#)” on [page 247](#), [stom](#) ([p. 642](#)), [stomna](#) ([p. 642](#)), [mtos](#) ([p. 633](#)), all in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

### Group Views

[cause](#) ..... pairwise Granger causality tests ([p. 258](#)).

[coint](#) ..... test for cointegration between series in a group ([p. 259](#)).

[cor](#) ..... correlation matrix between series ([p. 267](#)).

[correl](#) ..... correlogram of the first series in the group ([p. 270](#)).

[cov](#) ..... covariance matrix between series ([p. 271](#)).

[cross](#) ..... cross correlogram of the first two series ([p. 274](#)).

[display](#) ..... display table, graph, or spool in object window ([p. 281](#)).

[dtable](#) ..... dated data table ([p. 284](#)).

[freq](#) ..... frequency table *n*-way contingency table ([p. 285](#)).

[label](#) ..... label information for the group ([p. 288](#)).

[lrcov](#) ..... compute the symmetric, one-sided, or strict one-sided long-run covariance matrix for a group of series ([p. 290](#)).

[pcomp](#) ..... principal components analysis ([p. 296](#)).

[sheet](#) ..... spreadsheet view of the series in the group ([p. 307](#)).

[stats](#) ..... descriptive statistics ([p. 309](#)).

[testbtw](#) ..... tests of equality for mean, median, or variance, between series in group ([p. 309](#)).

[uroot](#) ..... unit root test on the series in the group ([p. 310](#)).

### Group Graph Views

Graph creation types are discussed in detail in “[Graph Creation Command Summary](#)” on [page 799](#).

**area** .....area graph of the series in the group (p. 801).  
**band** .....area band graph (p. 804).  
**bar** .....single or multiple bar graph view of all series (p. 807).  
**boxplot** .....boxplot of each series in the group (p. 811).  
**distplot** .....distribution graph (p. 813).  
**dot** .....dot plot graph (p. 820).  
**errbar** .....error bar graph view (p. 824).  
**hilo** .....high-low(-open-close) chart (p. 826).  
**line** .....single or multiple line graph view of all series (p. 828).  
**pie** .....pie chart view (p. 831).  
**qqplot** .....quantile-quantile plots (p. 834).  
**scat** .....scatterplot (p. 838).  
**scatmat** .....matrix of all pairwise scatter plots (p. 843).  
**scatpair** .....scatterplot pairs graph (p. 845).  
**seasplot** .....seasonal line graph (p. 849).  
**spike** .....spike graph (p. 850).  
**xyarea** .....XY area graph (p. 854).  
**xybar** .....XY bar graph (p. 857).  
**xyline** .....XY line graph (p. 859).  
**xypair** .....XY pairs graph (p. 863).

## Group Procs

**add** .....add one or more series to the group (p. 257).  
**ddrowopts** .....set the individual row options for the dated data table view of the series in a group (p. 275).  
**ddtabopts** .....set the table default options for the dated data table view of the series in a group (p. 277).  
**displayname** .....set display name (p. 282).  
**distdata** .....save distribution plot data to a matrix (p. 282).  
**drop** .....drop one or more series from the group (p. 284).  
**makepcomp** .....save the scores from a principal components analysis of the series in a group (p. 292).  
**makesystem** .....creates a system object from the group for other estimation methods (p. 294).  
**makewhiten** .....whiten a series in the group (p. 295).  
**olepush** .....push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 292).  
**resample** .....resample from rows of group (p. 299).  
**setattr** .....set the value of an object attribute (p. 301).

- setformat** ..... set the display format in the group spreadsheet for the specified series (p. 301).
- setindent** ..... set the indentation in the group spreadsheet for the specified series (p. 305).
- setjust** ..... set the justification in the group spreadsheet for the specified series (p. 305).
- setWidth** ..... set the column width in the group spreadsheet for the specified series (p. 306).
- sort** ..... change display order for group spreadsheet (p. 308).

### Group Data Members

- (i) ..... *i*-th series in the group. Simply append “(i)” to the group name (without a “.”). *For use as argument to functions that take a series, not as a series object.*

### Scalar Values

- @comobs** ..... number of observations in the current sample for which each series in the group has a non-missing value (observations in the common sample).
- @count** ..... number of series in the group.
- @minobs** ..... number of non-missing observations in the current sample for the shortest series in the group.
- @maxobs** ..... number of non-missing observations in the current sample for the longest series in the group.

### String Values

- @attr(“arg”)** ..... string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.
- @description** ..... string containing the object description (if available).
- @detailedtype** ..... string with the object type: “GROUP”.
- @displayname** ..... string containing the Group’s display name. If the Group has no display name set, the name is returned.
- @members** ..... string containing a space delimited list of the names of the series contained in the Group.
- @name** ..... string containing the Group’s name.
- @remarks** ..... string containing the Group’s remarks (if available).
- @seriesname(i)** .... string containing the name of the *i*-th series in the group.
- @source** ..... string containing the Group’s source (if available).
- @type** ..... string with the object type: “GROUP”.
- @units** ..... string containing the Group object’s units description (if available).

**@updatetime** .....string representation of the time and date at which the Group was last updated.

## Group Examples

To create a group G1, you may enter:

```
group g1 gdp income
```

To change the contents of an existing group, you can repeat the declaration, or use the `add` and `drop` commands:

```
group g1 x y
g1.add w z
g1.drop y
```

The following commands produce a cross-tabulation of the series in the group, display the covariance matrix, and test for equality of variance:

```
g1.freq
g1.cov
g1.testbtw(var,c)
```

You can index selected series in the group:

```
show g1(2).line
series sum=g1(1)+g1(2)
```

To create a scalar containing the number of series in the group, use the command:

```
scalar nsers=g1.@count
```

## Group Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the “[Group](#)” object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|            |                             |
|------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>add</b> | <a href="#">Group Procs</a> |
|------------|-----------------------------|

Add series to a group.

### Syntax

```
group_name.add arg1 [arg2 arg3 ...]
```

List the names of series or a group of series to add to the group.

### Examples

```
dummy.add d11 d12
```

Adds the two series D11 and D12 to the group DUMMY.

Cross-references

See “Groups” on page 116 of *User’s Guide I* for additional discussion of groups. “Cross-section Identifiers” on page 687 of *User’s Guide II* discusses pool identifiers.

See also `Group::drop` (p. 284).

|       |                             |
|-------|-----------------------------|
| cause | <a href="#">Group Views</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------|

Granger causality test.

Performs pairwise Granger causality tests between (all possible) pairs of the group of series. If performed on series in a panel workfile, you may optionally choose to perform the Dumitrescu-Hurlin (2012) version of the test.

Syntax

`group_name.cause(n, options)`

Options

You must specify the number of lags *n* to use for the test by providing an integer in parentheses after the keyword. Note that the regressors of the test equation are a constant and the specified lags of the pair of series under test.

Panel Options

|    |                                     |
|----|-------------------------------------|
| dh | Perform the Dumitrescu-Hurlin test. |
|----|-------------------------------------|

General Options:

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
| p      | Print output of the test.                         |

Examples

To compute Granger causality tests of whether GDP Granger causes M1 and whether M1 Granger causes GDP, you may enter the commands:

```
group g1 gdp m1
g1.cause(4)
```

The regressors of each test are a constant and four lags of GDP and M1.

The commands:

```
group macro m1 gdp r
macro.cause(12, p, dh)
```

print the result of six pairwise Dumitrescu-Hurlin causality tests for the three series in the MACRO group in a panel workfile.

Cross-references

See “Granger Causality” on page 523 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of Granger’s approach to testing hypotheses about causality. See “Panel Causality Testing” on page 836 of *User’s Guide II* for discussion of testing in panel settings.

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| cdfplot | <a href="#">Group Views</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Empirical distribution plot.

The `cdfplot` command is no longer supported. See [distplot \(p. 813\)](#).

|       |                             |
|-------|-----------------------------|
| coint | <a href="#">Group Views</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------|

Perform either (1) Johansen’s system cointegration test, (2) Engle-Granger or Phillips-Ouliaris single equation cointegration testing, or (3) Pedroni, Kao, or Fisher panel cointegration testing for the series in the group.

There are three forms for the `coint` command depending on which form of the test you wish to perform

Johansen Cointegration Test Syntax

```
group_name.coint(test_option, n, option) [@ x1 x2 x3 ...]
```

uses the `coint` keyword followed by the `test_option` and the number of lags `n`, and if desired, an “@”-sign followed by a list of exogenous variables. The first option must be one of the following six test options:

|   |  |
|---|--|
| a | No deterministic trend in the data, and no intercept or trend in the cointegrating equation.     |
| b | No deterministic trend in the data, and an intercept but no trend in the cointegrating equation. |
| c | Linear trend in the data, and an intercept but no trend in the cointegrating equation.           |
| d | Linear trend in the data, and both an intercept and a trend in the cointegrating equation.       |
| e | Quadratic trend in the data, and both an intercept and a trend in the cointegrating equation.    |
| s | Summarize the results of all 5 options (a-e).  |



### Options for the Johansen Test

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>restrict</code>                                 | Impose restrictions as specified by the <code>append</code> (coint) proc.   |
| <code>m = integer</code>                              | Maximum number of iterations for restricted estimation (only valid if you choose the <code>restrict</code> option).   |
| <code>c = scalar</code>                               | Convergence criterion for restricted estimation. (only valid if you choose the <code>restrict</code> option).   |
| <code>save = mat_name</code>                          | Stores test statistics as a named matrix object. The <i>save</i> = option stores a $(k + 1) \times 4$ matrix, where <i>k</i> is the number of endogenous variables in the VAR. The first column contains the eigenvalues, the second column contains the maximum eigenvalue statistics, the third column contains the trace statistics, and the fourth column contains the log likelihood values. The <i>i</i> -th row of columns 2 and 3 are the test statistics for rank $i - 1$ . The last row is filled with NAs, except the last column which contains the log likelihood value of the unrestricted (full rank) model. |
| <code>cvtype = ol</code>                              | Display 0.05 and 0.01 critical values from Osterwald-Lenum (1992).<br><br>This option reproduces the output from version 4. The default is to display critical values based on the response surface coefficients from MacKinnon-Haug-Michelis (1999). Note that the argument on the right side of the equals sign are letters, not numbers 0-1).  |
| <code>cvsize = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0.05) | Specify the size of MacKinnon-Haug-Michelis (1999) critical values to be displayed. The size must be between 0.0001 and 0.9999; values outside this range will be reset to the default value of 0.05. This option is ignored if you set “ <code>cvtype = ol</code> ”.   |
| <code>prompt</code>                                   | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>  | Print results.  |

This type of cointegration testing may be used in a non-panel workfile. For Fisher combined testing using the Johansen framework, see below. The remaining options for the Johansen cointegration test are outlined below ([“Options for the Johansen Test” on page 260](#)).

Note that the output for cointegration tests displays *p*-values for the rank test statistics. These *p*-values are computed using the response surface coefficients as estimated in MacKinnon, Haug, and Michelis (1999). The 0.05 critical values are also based on the response surface coefficients from MacKinnon-Haug-Michelis. *Note: the reported critical values assume no exogenous variables other than an intercept and trend.*

## Single Equation Test Syntax

```
group_name.coint(method = arg, options) [@determ determ_spec] [@regdeterm
regdeterm_spec]
```

where

|                     |  |
|---------------------|--|
| method = <i>arg</i> | Test method: Engle-Granger residual test (“eg”), Phillips-Ouliaris residual test (“po”). |
|---------------------|--|

Cointegrating equation specifications that include a constant, linear, or quadratic trends, should use the “trend = ” option to specify those terms. If any of those terms are in the stochastic regressors equations but not in the cointegrating equation, they should be specified using the “regtrend = ” option.

Deterministic trend regressors that are not covered by the list above may be specified using the keywords **@determ** and **@regdeterm**. To specify deterministic trend regressors that enter into the regressor and cointegrating equations, you should add the keyword **@determ** followed by the list of trend regressors. To specify deterministic trends that enter in the regressor equations but not the cointegrating equation, you should include the keyword **@regdeterm** followed by the list of trend regressors.

Note that the  $p$ -values for the test statistics are based on simulations, and do not account for any user-specified deterministic regressors.

This type of cointegration testing may be used in a non-panel workfile. The remaining options for the single equation cointegration tests are outlined below.

## Options for Single Equation Tests

### *Options for the Engle-Granger Test*

The following options determine the specification of the Engle-Granger test (Augmented Dickey-Fuller) equation and the calculation of the variances used in the test statistic.

|   |  |
|---|--|
| trend = <i>arg</i><br>(default = “const”) | Specification for the powers of trend to include in the cointegrating equation: None (“none”), Constant (“const”), Linear trend (“linear”), Quadratic trend (“quadratic”).<br>Note that the specification implies all trends up to the specified order so that choosing a quadratic trend instructs EViews to include a constant and a linear trend term along with the quadratic. |
|---|--|

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>regtrend = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “none”) | Additional trends to include in the regressor equations (but not the cointegrating equation): None (“none”), Constant (“const”), Linear trend (“linear”), Quadratic trend (“quadratic”). Only trend orders higher than those specified by “trend = ” will be considered.<br><br>Note that the specification implies all trends up to the specified order so that choosing a quadratic trend instructs EViews to include a constant and a linear trend term along with the quadratic. |
| <code>lag = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “a”)         | Method of selecting the lag length (number of first difference terms) to be included in the regression: “a” (automatic information criterion based selection), or <i>integer</i> (user-specified lag length).  |
| <code>lagtype = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “sic”)   | Information criterion or method to use when computing automatic lag length selection: “aic” (Akaike), “sic” (Schwarz), “hqc” (Hannan-Quinn), “msaic” (Modified Akaike), “msic” (Modified Schwarz), “mhqc” (Modified Hannan-Quinn), “tstat” ( <i>t</i> -statistic).   |
| <code>maxlag = integer</code>                             | Maximum lag length to consider when performing automatic lag-length selection<br>$\text{default} = \text{int}(\min((T - k)/3, 12) \cdot (T/100)^{1/4})$ where <i>k</i> is the number of coefficients in the cointegrating equation. Applicable when “lag = a”.   |
| <code>lagpval = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0.10) | Probability threshold to use when performing automatic lag-length selection using a <i>t</i> -test criterion. Applicable when both “lag = a” and “lagtype = tstat”.  |
| <code>nodf</code>   | Do not degree-of-freedom correct estimates of the variances.   |
| <code>prompt</code>                                       | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>  | Print results.   |

*Options for the Phillips-Ouliaris Test*

The following options control the computation of the symmetric and one-sided long-run variances in the Phillips-Ouliaris test.

Basic Options:

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>trend = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “const”)   | Specification for the powers of trend to include in the cointegrating equation: None (“none”), Constant (“const”), Linear trend (“linear”), Quadratic trend (“quadratic”).<br><br>Note that the specification implies all trends up to the specified order so that choosing a quadratic trend instructs EViews to include a constant and a linear trend term along with the quadratic.   |
| <code>regtrend = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “none”) | Additional trends to include in the regressor equations (but not the cointegrating equation): None (“none”), Constant (“const”), Linear trend (“linear”), Quadratic trend (“quadratic”). Only trend orders higher than those specified by “trend = ” will be considered.<br><br>Note that the specification implies all trends up to the specified order so that choosing a quadratic trend instructs EViews to include a constant and a linear trend term along with the quadratic. |
| <code>nodf</code>   | Do not degree-of-freedom correct the coefficient covariance estimate.  |
| <code>prompt</code>                                       | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>  | Print results.   |

## HAC Whitening Options:

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>lag = arg</code> ( <i>default</i> = 0)         | Lag specification: <i>integer</i> (user-specified lag value), “a” (automatic selection).                                    |
| <code>info = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “aic”) | Information criterion for automatic selection: “aic” (Akaike), “sic” (Schwarz), “hqc” (Hannan-Quinn) (if “lag = a”).        |
| <code>maxlag = integer</code>                        | Maximum lag-length for automatic selection ( <i>optional</i> ) (if “lag = a”). The default is an observation-based maximum. |

## HAC Kernel Options:

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>kern = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “bart”)  | Kernel shape: “none” (no kernel), “bart” (Bartlett, <i>default</i> ), “bohman” (Bohman), “daniell” (Daniel), “parzen” (Parzen), “parzriesz” (Parzen-Riesz), “parzgeo” (Parzen-Geometric), “parzcauchy” (Parzen-Cauchy), “quadspec” (Quadratic Spectral), “trunc” (Truncated), “thamm” (Tukey-Hamming), “thann” (Tukey-Hanning), “tparz” (Tukey-Parzen). |
| <code>bw = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “nwfixed”) | Bandwidth: “fixednw” (Newey-West fixed), “andrews” (Andrews automatic), “neweywest” (Newey-West automatic), <i>number</i> (User-specified bandwidth).   |

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>nwlag = integer</code>                             | Newey-West lag-selection parameter for use in nonparametric bandwidth selection (if “bw = neweywest”).       |
| <code>bwoffset = integer</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0) | Apply integer offset to bandwidth chosen by automatic selection method (“bw = andrews” or “bw = neweywest”). |
| <code>bwint</code>                                       | Use integer portion of bandwidth chosen by automatic selection method (“bw = andrews” or “bw = neweywest”).  |

### Panel Test Syntax

`group_name.coint(option)`

The `coint` command tests for cointegration among the series in the group. This form of the command should be used with panel structured workfiles.

### Options for the Panel Tests

For panel cointegration tests, you may specify the type using one of the following keywords:

|                                |                          |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
| <code>Pedroni (default)</code> | Pedroni (1994 and 2004). |
| <code>Kao</code>               | Kao (1999)               |
| <code>Fisher</code>            | Fisher - pooled Johansen |

Depending on the type selected above, the following may be used to indicate deterministic trends:

|                               |   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| <code>const (default)</code>  | Include a constant in the test equation.<br>Applicable to Pedroni and Kao tests.  |
| <code>trend</code>            | Include a constant and a linear time trend in the test equation.<br>Applicable to Pedroni tests.  |
| <code>none</code>             | Do not include a constant or time trend.<br>Applicable to Pedroni tests.  |
| <code>a, b, c, d, or e</code> | Indicate deterministic trends using the “a”, “b”, “c”, “d”, and “e” keywords, as detailed above in <a href="#">“Options for the Johansen Test” on page 260</a> .<br>Applicable to Fisher tests. |

### Additional Options:

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>ac = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “bt”) | Method of estimating the frequency zero spectrum: “bt” (Bartlett kernel), “pr” (Parzen kernel), “qs” (Quadratic Spectral kernel).<br>Applicable to Pedroni and Kao tests. |
|---|---|

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>band = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “nw”)  | Method of selecting the bandwidth, where <i>arg</i> may be “nw” (Newey-West automatic variable bandwidth selection), or a number indicating a user-specified common bandwidth.<br>Applicable to Pedroni and Kao tests.   |
| <code>lag = arg</code>                               | For Pedroni and Kao tests, the method of selecting lag length (number of first difference terms) to be included in the residual regression. For Fisher tests, a pair of numbers indicating lag.  |
| <code>info = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “sic”) | Information criterion to use when computing automatic lag length selection: “aic” (Akaike), “sic” (Schwarz), “hqc” (Hannan-Quinn).<br>Applicable to Pedroni and Kao tests.   |
| <code>maxlag = int</code>                            | Maximum lag length to consider when performing automatic lag length selection, where <i>int</i> is an integer. The default is<br>$\text{int}(\min(T_i/3, 12) \cdot (T_i/100)^{1/4})$ where $T_i$ is the length of the cross-section.<br>Applicable to Pedroni and Kao tests. |
| <code>disp = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 500)   | Maximum number of individual results to be displayed.  |
| <code>prompt</code>                                  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>                                       | Print results.   |

## Examples

### Johansen Test

```
gr1.coint(s, 4)
```

summarizes the results of the Johansen cointegration test for the series in the group GR1 for all five specifications of trend. The test equation uses lags of up to order four.

### Engle-Granger Test

```
gr1.coint(method=eg)
```

performs the default Engle-Granger test on the residuals from a cointegrating equation which includes a constant. The number of lags is determined using the SIC criterion and an observation-based maximum number of lags.

```
gr1.coint(method=eg, trend=linear, lag=a, lagtype=tstat,  
          lagpval=.15, maxlag=10)
```

employs a cointegrating equation that includes a constant and linear trend, and uses a sequential  $t$ -test starting at lag 10 with threshold probability 0.15 to determine the number of lags.

```
gr1.coint(method=eg, lag=5)
```

conducts an Engle-Granger cointegration test on the residuals from a cointegrating equation with a constant, using a fixed lag of 5.

#### *Phillips-Ouliaris Test*

```
gr1.coint(method=po)
```

performs the default Phillips-Ouliaris test on the residuals from a cointegrating equation with a constant, using a Bartlett kernel and Newey-West fixed bandwidth.

```
gr1.coint(method=po, bw=andrews, kernel=quadspec, nodf)
```

estimates the long-run covariances using a Quadratic Spectral kernel, Andrews automatic bandwidth, and no degrees-of-freedom correction.

```
gr1.coint(method=po, trend=linear, lag=1, bw=4)
```

estimates a cointegrating equation with a constant and linear trend, and performs the Phillips-Ouliaris test on the residuals by computing the long-run covariances using AR(1) pre-whitening, a fixed bandwidth of 4, and the Bartlett kernel.

#### *Panel Tests*

For a panel structured workfile,

```
grp1.coint(pedroni, maxlag=3, info=sic)
```

performs Pedroni's residual-based panel cointegration test with automatic lag selection with a maximum lag limit of 3. Automatic selection based on Schwarz criterion.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 26. "Cointegration Testing,"](#) on page 849 of *User's Guide II* for details on the various cointegration tests. See also [Equation::coint](#) (p. 57).

|     |             |
|-----|-------------|
| cor | Group Views |
|-----|-------------|

Compute covariances, correlations and other measures of association for the series in a group.

You may compute measures related to Pearson product-moment (ordinary) covariances and correlations, Spearman rank covariances, or Kendall's tau along with test statistics for evaluating whether the correlations are equal to zero.

### Syntax

```
group_name.cor(options) [keywords [@partial z1 z2 z3...]]
```

You should specify keywords indicating the statistics you wish to display from the list below, optionally followed by the keyword `@partial` and a list of conditioning series or groups (for the group view), or the name of a conditioning matrix (for the matrix view). In the matrix view setting, the columns of the matrix should contain the conditioning information, and the number of rows should match the original matrix.

You may specify keywords from one of the four sets (Pearson correlation, Spearman correlation, Kendall's tau, Uncentered Pearson) corresponding the computational method you wish to employ. (*You may not select keywords from more than one set.*)

If you do not specify *keywords*, EViews will assume “corr” and compute the Pearson correlation matrix. Note that `Group::cor` is equivalent to the `Group::cov` (p. 271) command with a different default setting.

#### Pearson Correlation

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| cov   | Product moment covariance.  |
| corr  | Product moment correlation.   |
| sscp  | Sums-of-squared cross-products.   |
| stat  | Test statistic ( <i>t</i> -statistic) for evaluating whether the correlation is zero. |
| prob  | Probability under the null for the test statistic.                                    |
| cases | Number of cases.  |
| obs   | Number of observations.   |
| wgts  | Sum of the weights.   |

#### Spearman Rank Correlation

|      |                             |
|------|-----------------------------|
| rcov | Spearman's rank covariance. |
|------|-----------------------------|



|                    |  |
|--------------------|--|
| <code>rcorr</code> | Spearman's rank correlation.   |
| <code>rsscp</code> | Sums-of-squared cross-products.  |
| <code>rstat</code> | Test statistic ( $t$ -statistic) for evaluating whether the correlation is zero. |
| <code>rprob</code> | Probability under the null for the test statistic.                               |
| <code>cases</code> | Number of cases.   |
| <code>obs</code>   | Number of observations.  |
| <code>wgts</code>  | Sum of the weights.  |

*Kendall's tau*

|                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| <code>taub</code>    | Kendall's tau-b.  |
| <code>taua</code>    | Kendall's tau-a.  |
| <code>taucd</code>   | Kendall's concordances and discordances.  |
| <code>taustat</code> | Kendall's score statistic for evaluating whether the Kendall's tau-b measure is zero. |
| <code>tauprob</code> | Probability under the null for the score statistic.                                   |
| <code>cases</code>   | Number of cases.  |
| <code>obs</code>     | Number of observations.   |
| <code>wgts</code>    | Sum of the weights.   |

*Uncentered Pearson*

|                    |  |
|--------------------|--|
| <code>ucov</code>  | Product moment covariance.   |
| <code>ucorr</code> | Product moment correlation.  |
| <code>usscp</code> | Sums-of-squared cross-products.  |
| <code>ustat</code> | Test statistic ( $t$ -statistic) for evaluating whether the correlation is zero. |
| <code>uprob</code> | Probability under the null for the test statistic.                               |
| <code>cases</code> | Number of cases.   |
| <code>obs</code>   | Number of observations.  |
| <code>wgts</code>  | Sum of the weights.  |

Note that `cases`, `obs`, and `wgts` are available for each of the methods.

## Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>wgt = name</code><br>(optional)                | Name of series containing weights.   |
| <code>wgtmethod = arg</code><br>(default = “sstdev”) | Weighting method (when weights are specified using “weight = ”): frequency (“freq”), inverse of variances (“var”), inverse of standard deviation (“stdev”), scaled inverse of variances (“svar”), scaled inverse of standard deviations (“sstdev”).<br><br>Only applicable for ordinary (Pearson) calculations. Weights specified by “wgt = ” are frequency weights for rank correlation and Kendall’s tau calculations. |
| <code>pairwise</code>                                | Compute using pairwise deletion of observations with missing cases (pairwise samples).   |
| <code>df</code>                                      | Compute covariances with a degree-of-freedom correction to account for estimated means (for centered specifications), and any partial conditioning variables.  |
| <code>multi = arg</code><br>(default = “none”)       | Adjustment to $p$ -values for multiple comparisons: none (“none”), Bonferroni (“bonferroni”), Dunn-Sidak (“dunn”).   |
| <code>outfmt = arg</code><br>(default = “single”)    | Output format: single table (“single”), multiple table (“mult”), list (“list”), spreadsheet (“sheet”). Note that “outfmt = sheet” is only applicable if you specify a single statistic keyword.  |
| <code>out = name</code>                              | Basename for saving output. All results will be saved in Sym matrices named using keys (“COV”, “CORR”, “SSCP”, “TAUA”, “TAUB”, “CONC” (Kendall’s concurrences), “DISC” (Kendall’s discordances), “CASES”, “OBS”, “WGTS”) appended to the basename (e.g., the covariance specified by “out = my” is saved in the Sym matrix “MYCOV”).   |
| <code>prompt</code>                                  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>                                       | Print the result.  |

## Examples

```
group grpl height weight age
grpl.cor
```

displays a  $3 \times 3$  Pearson correlation matrix for the three series in GRP1.

```
grpl.cor corr stat prob
```

displays a table containing the Pearson correlation,  $t$ -statistic for testing for zero correlation, and associated  $p$ -value, for the series in GRP1.

```
grp1.cor(pairwise) taub taustat tauprob
```

computes the Kendall's tau-b, score statistic, and  $p$ -value for the score statistic, using samples with pairwise missing value exclusion.

```
grp1.cor(out=aa) cov @partial gender
```

computes the Pearson covariance for the series in GRP1 conditional on GENDER and saves the results in the symmetric matrix object AACOV.

### Cross-references

See also [Group::cov](#) (p. 271). For simple forms of the calculation, see [@cor](#) (p. 616), and [@cov](#) (p. 616) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|        |                             |
|--------|-----------------------------|
| correl | <a href="#">Group Views</a> |
|--------|-----------------------------|

**Display autocorrelation and partial correlations.**

Displays the autocorrelation and partial correlation functions of the *first series in the group*, together with the  $Q$ -statistics and  $p$ -values associated with each lag.

### Syntax

```
group_name.correl(n, options)
```

You must specify the largest lag  $n$  to use when computing the autocorrelations as the first option.

### Options

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <i>d = integer</i><br>( <i>default = 0</i> ) | Compute correlogram for specified difference of the data. |
| prompt                                       | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.         |
| p  | Print the correlograms.                                   |

### Examples

```
gr1.correl(24)
```

Displays the correlograms of group GR1 for up to 24 lags.

## Cross-references

See “Autocorrelations (AC)” on page 377 and “Partial Autocorrelations (PAC)” on page 378 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of autocorrelation and partial correlation functions, respectively.

|     |                             |
|-----|-----------------------------|
| COV | <a href="#">Group Views</a> |
|-----|-----------------------------|

**Compute covariances, correlations and other measures of association for the series in a group.**

You may compute measures related to Pearson product-moment (ordinary) covariances and correlations, Spearman rank covariances, or Kendall’s tau along with test statistics for evaluating whether the correlations are equal to zero.

## Syntax

```
group_name.cov(options) [keywords [@partial z1 z2 z3...]]
```

You should specify keywords indicating the statistics you wish to display from the list below, optionally followed by the keyword `@partial` and a list of conditioning series or groups (for the group view), or the name of a conditioning matrix (for the matrix view).

You may specify keywords from one of the four sets (Pearson correlation, Spearman correlation, Kendall’s tau, Uncentered Pearson) corresponding the computational method you wish to employ. (*You may not select keywords from more than one set.*)

If you do not specify *keywords*, EViews will assume “cov” and compute the Pearson covariance matrix. Note that `Group::cov` is equivalent to the `Group::cor` (p. 267) command with a different default setting.

### Pearson Correlation

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| cov   | Product moment covariance.  |
| corr  | Product moment correlation.   |
| sscp  | Sums-of-squared cross-products.   |
| stat  | Test statistic ( <i>t</i> -statistic) for evaluating whether the correlation is zero. |
| prob  | Probability under the null for the test statistic.                                    |
| cases | Number of cases.  |
| obs   | Number of observations.   |
| wgts  | Sum of the weights.   |

*Spearman Rank Correlation*

|       |  |
|-------|--|
| rcov  | Spearman's rank covariance.  |
| rcorr | Spearman's rank correlation.   |
| rsscp | Sums-of-squared cross-products.  |
| rstat | Test statistic ( $t$ -statistic) for evaluating whether the correlation is zero. |
| rprob | Probability under the null for the test statistic.                               |
| cases | Number of cases.   |
| obs   | Number of observations.  |
| wgts  | Sum of the weights.  |

*Kendall's tau*

|         |   |
|---------|---|
| taub    | Kendall's tau-b.  |
| taua    | Kendall's tau-a.  |
| taucd   | Kendall's concordances and discordances.  |
| taustat | Kendall's score statistic for evaluating whether the Kendall's tau-b measure is zero. |
| tauprob | Probability under the null for the score statistic.                                   |
| cases   | Number of cases.  |
| obs     | Number of observations.   |
| wgts    | Sum of the weights.   |

*Uncentered Pearson*

|       |  |
|-------|--|
| ucov  | Product moment covariance.   |
| ucorr | Product moment correlation.  |
| usscp | Sums-of-squared cross-products.  |
| ustat | Test statistic ( $t$ -statistic) for evaluating whether the correlation is zero. |
| uprob | Probability under the null for the test statistic.                               |
| cases | Number of cases.   |
| obs   | Number of observations.  |
| wgts  | Sum of the weights.  |

Note that `cases`, `obs`, and `wgts` are available for each of the methods.

## Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>wgt = name</code><br>( <i>optional</i> )                  | Name of series containing weights.  |
| <code>wgtmethod = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> =<br>"sstdev") | Weighting method (when weights are specified using "weight ="): frequency ("freq"), inverse of variances ("var"), inverse of standard deviation ("stdev"), scaled inverse of variances ("svar"), scaled inverse of standard deviations ("sstdev").<br><br>Only applicable for ordinary (Pearson) calculations. Weights specified by "wgt = " are frequency weights for rank correlation and Kendall's tau calculations. |
| <code>pairwise</code>   | Compute using pairwise deletion of observations with missing cases (pairwise samples).  |
| <code>df</code>   | Compute covariances with a degree-of-freedom correction to account for estimated means (for centered specifications), and any partial conditioning variables.   |
| <code>multi = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = "none")          | Adjustment to <i>p</i> -values for multiple comparisons: none ("none"), Bonferroni ("bonferroni"), Dunn-Sidak ("dunn").   |
| <code>outfmt = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> =<br>"single")    | Output format: single table ("single"), multiple table ("mult"), list ("list"), spreadsheet ("sheet"). Note that "outfmt = sheet" is only applicable if you specify a single statistic keyword.   |
| <code>out = name</code>   | Basename for saving output. All results will be saved in Sym matrices named using keys ("COV", "CORR", "SSCP", "TAUA", "TAUB", "CONC" (Kendall's concurrences), "DISC" (Kendall's discordances), "CASES", "OBS", "WGTS") appended to the basename (e.g., the covariance specified by "out = my" is saved in the Sym matrix "MYCOV").  |
| <code>prompt</code>   | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>  | Print the result.   |

## Examples

```
group grpl height weight age
grpl.cov
```

displays a  $3 \times 3$  Pearson covariance matrix for the three series in GRP1.

```
grpl.cov corr stat prob
```

displays a table containing the Pearson correlation,  $t$ -statistic for testing for zero correlation, and associated  $p$ -value, for the series in GRP1.

```
grp1.cov(pairwise) taub taustat tauprob
```

computes the Kendall's tau-b, score statistic, and  $p$ -value for the score statistic, using samples with pairwise missing value exclusion.

```
grp1.cov(out=aa) cor @partial gender
```

computes the Pearson correlation for the series in GRP1 conditional on GENDER and saves the results in the symmetric matrix object AACORR.

Cross-references

See also [Group::cor](#) (p. 267). For simple forms of the calculation, see [@cor](#) (p. 616), and [@cov](#) (p. 616) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|       |                             |
|-------|-----------------------------|
| cross | <a href="#">Group Views</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------|

Displays cross correlations (correlograms) for a pair of series.

Syntax

```
group_name.cross(n,options)
```

You must specify the number of lags  $n$  to use in computing the cross correlations as the first option. Cross correlations will be computed for the first two series in the group.

Options

The following options may be specified inside the parentheses after the number of lags:

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
| p      | Print the cross correlogram.                      |

Examples

```
group grp1 log(m1) dlog(cpi)
grp1.cross(36)
```

displays the cross correlogram between the log of M1 and the first difference of the log of CPI, using up to 36 leads and lags.

```
equation eq1.arch sp500 c
eq1.makesresids(s) res_std
group g1 res_std^2 res_std
g1.cross(24)
```

The first line estimates a GARCH(1,1) model and the second line retrieves the standardized residuals. The third line creates a group and the fourth line plots the cross correlogram squared standardized residual and the standardized residual, up to 24 leads and lags. This correlogram provides a rough check of asymmetry in the ARCH effect.

## Cross-references

See [“Cross Correlations and Correlograms”](#) on page 517 of *User’s Guide I* for discussion.

|           |                            |
|-----------|----------------------------|
| ddrowopts | <a href="#">Group Proc</a> |
|-----------|----------------------------|

Set row-specific options for dated date tables.

This proc sets row specific options for the group’s dated data table view. To set default settings for the dated data table, use the [ddtabopts](#) (p. 277) proc.

## Syntax

```
group_name.ddrowopts(row) args
```

You should include the row number you wish to modify as an option to the command, followed by a list of arguments containing the display options for that row.

## Arguments

|   |  |
|---|--|
| transform( <i>trans</i> )   | Set the transformation method for the row. <i>trans</i> can be: “l”(level), “d”(1 period diff), “yd”(year difference), “pc”(1 period % change), “pca”(1 period % chg-AR), “pcy”(year % chg), “tabdefault”(table default setting).  |
| freqconv( <i>conv</i> )   | Set the frequency conversion method for the row. <i>conv</i> can be “avgtran”(avg then transform), “tranavg”(transform then avg), “sumtran”(sum then transform), “first”(first period), “last”(last period), “tabdefault”(table default setting).  |
| format( <i>fmt</i> , <i>units</i> ,<br>prefix = “ <i>“</i> , suffix = “ <i>”</i> ,<br>thousand,<br>comma, parens) | Assign a custom prefix/suffix to the number, add a separator (comma or point) to denote thousands, replace a comma with a decimal point, or bracket negative numbers with parenthesis:<br><br><i>fmt</i> can be: “f[.prec]”(fixed decimal), “c[.prec]”(fixed characters), “auto”, “serformat”(series format).<br><i>units</i> can be: “N”(native), “P”(percent), “T”(thousands), “M”(millions), “B”(billions), “TR”(trillions) |
| custom-<br>row(“ <i>string</i> ”)   | Add a custom row header containing the quoted text <i>string</i> . To use a blank row, simply leave <i>string</i> empty.   |



|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>font( "name", size, + /-b, + /-i, + /-s, + /-u )</code>         | Sets the font, size and style. <i>name</i> should be the name of the font, <i>size</i> should be an integer size value. You may use + b, + i, + s or + u to set bold, italic, strikethrough or underline respectively. |
| <code>textcolor(@rgb(r, g, b) or white, blue, red, black, etc)</code> | Set the font color. You may use the @rgb keyword to set an RGB value, or use the name of a basic color.  |

## Examples

The following examples show the use of `dtable`, `ddtabopts` and `ddrowopts` together to customize dated display tables.

```
group cgrp cenergy cfood chealth
cgrp.dtable
cgrp.ddtabopts firstfreq(a) secfreq(none) display(year,1)
cgrp.ddrowopts(1,1) transform(1) format(fmt=f.1)
    customrow("Consumption Indicators")
cgrp.ddrowopts(1,2) transform(pc) format(fmt=f.2, parens)
    fillcolor(red)
cgrp.ddrowopts(2,2) transform(pcy) format(fmt=f.2) fillcolor(blue)
```

creates the group `CGGRP` from the series `CENERGY`, `CFOOD` AND `CHEALTH`, and displays the dated data table for that group. `ddtabopts` is used to set the first table frequency to annual and the second frequency to none, displaying one year of data per row.

The three `ddrowopts` commands set display options for `CENERGY` and `CFOOD`. For `CENERGY` the first row is transformed to levels, numbers are displayed to one decimal place, and row is placed above the series with the custom string "Consumption Indicators". The next command adds a red row to `CENERGY` with the data transformed to 1-period percent changes, rounded to two decimal places, surrounded by parentheses if negative. The last command adds a blue filled row to `CFOOD` containing 1-year percent changes rounded to two decimal places.

```
group fgrp houliab hounetworth houassets
fgrp.dtable
fgrp.ddtabopts firstfreq(q) secfreq(a)
fgrp.ddrowopts(1,1) freqconv(avgtran) format(units=t)
fgrp.ddrowopts(3,1) format(fmt=f.0) transform(d) textcolor(blue)
```

The `ddtabopts` command sets the table defaults to show blocks of quarterly and annual data in the dated data table. The `ddrowopts` commands change the way `HOULIAB` and `HOUSALES` are displayed in the dated data table view. `HOULIAB` is set to be averaged then transformed with the units set to thousands. `HOUASSETS` are set to zero decimal places, transformed to the first period difference and changed to a blue font color.

```
group ggpr govinv govurchases govsvav
ggpr.dtable
ggpr.ddtabopts qtrformat(qr) nalabel("NA") rowheader(+b)
ggpr.ddrowopts(1,1) transform(pca) freqconv(tabdefault)
ggpr.ddrowopts(2,1) transform(pc) customrow(" ")
ggpr.ddrowopts(3,2) transform(pcy)
```

The `ddtabopts` command sets the table defaults to show the quarter in short case roman numerals, then adds an "NA" to any missing data, it also bolds the row headers. The `ddrowopts` command transforms the GOVINV display to percent change annual rate and sets the frequency conversion method to the table default. The proc also sets GOVPURCHASES to percent change, adds a blank row above the data, and adds a transformed 1-year percent change row to GOVSAV.

```
group igrp natincome persincome dispincome
igrp.dtable
igrp.ddtabopts font("arial",10) colheader(b)
igrp.ddrowopts(1,1) transform(pca) format(fmt=f.1) textcolor(red)
igrp.ddrowopts(2,1) transform(pca) format(fmt=parsens)
igrp.ddrowopts(3,1) transform(pca) customstring("Disp. Income")
```

The `ddtabopts` command sets the font to Arial size 10 and bolds the column header. For the series NATINCOME the `ddrowopts` command transforms the series to percent change annual rate, sets the numerical format to one decimal place, and sets the text color to red. For PERSINCOME the command adds a parenthesis for negative numbers, and for DISPINCOME it adds a custom row above the series containing the text heading "Disp. Income".

Cross-references

See [“Dated Data Table” on page 469](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a description of dated data tables and formatting options.

See also [dtable \(p. 284\)](#) and [ddtabopts \(p. 277\)](#).

|           |                            |
|-----------|----------------------------|
| ddtabopts | <a href="#">Group Proc</a> |
|-----------|----------------------------|

Set table default options for dated data tables.

Specifies the table default options for the group’s dated data table view. To set row specific options that override the defaults, use the [ddrowopts \(p. 275\)](#) proc.

Syntax

```
group_name.ddtabopts args
```

## Arguments

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>display(<i>arg</i>, <i>n</i>)</code>       | Specify the data to display in each table row. <i>arg</i> can be “first”, “last” or “year”.<br>“first” or “last” will display annual totals, plus the first, or last, <i>n</i> observations in each row.<br>“year” will display observations for <i>n</i> years of data per row. |
| <code>firstfreq(<i>freq</i>)</code>              | Sets the frequency for the first column grouping: <i>freq</i> can be “n”(native), “a”(annual), “q”(quarterly), “m”(monthly).   |
| <code>secfreq(<i>freq</i>)</code>                | Sets the frequency for the second column grouping: <i>freq</i> can be “none” (none), “n”(native), “a”(annual), “q”(quarterly), “m”(monthly).   |
| <code>nalabel(“<i>arg</i>”)</code>               | Sets the label for NA values to <i>arg</i> .   |
| <code>+ /-displayname</code>                     | Use display names as default labels.   |
| <code>transform(<i>row</i>, <i>trans</i>)</code> | Set the transformation method for row <i>row</i> . <i>trans</i> can be: “l”(level), “d”(1 period diff), “yd”(year difference), “pc”(1 period % change), “pca”(1 period % chg-AR), “pcy”(year % chg).   |
| <code>freqconv(<i>row</i>, <i>conv</i>)</code>   | Set the frequency conversion method for the specified <i>row</i> . <i>conv</i> can be “avgtran” (avg then transform), “tranavg” (transform then avg), “sumtran” (sum then transform), “first” (first period), “last”(last period).   |

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>format(row, fmt, units, prefix = "", suffix = "", thousand, comma, parens)</code> | <p>Set the format for the row identified by <i>row</i>. <i>fmt</i> is used to set the numerical display format. <i>fmt</i> can be: “f[.prec]” (fixed decimal), “c[.prec]” (fixed characters), “auto”, “serformat” (series format). <i>units</i> is used to set the unit level. <i>units</i> can be: “N” (native), “P” (percent), “T” (thousands), “M” (millions), “B” (billions), “TR” (trillions). <i>prefix</i> and <i>suffix</i> allow you to set a custom prefix or suffix to numbers in the table. The text should be provided in quoted form.</p> <p>The optional keyword <code>thousand</code> specifies that thousands should be indicated with a separator (either a comma or a point, as indicated by the presence of the <code>comma</code> format modifier).</p> <p>The optional keyword <code>comma</code> specifies that commas are used to separate decimals, and a point is used to separate thousands (if the <code>thousand</code> separator keyword is specified).</p> <p>The optional keyword <code>parens</code> specifies that negative numbers are displayed with surrounding parenthesis.</p> |
| <code>colheader( +/-b, +/- i)</code>  | Sets column headers to bold or italic style.  |
| <code>rowheader( +/-b, +/- i)</code>  | Sets row headers to bold or italic style.   |
| <code>fillcolor(colorspec)</code>   | Set the table row background color to <i>colorspec</i> . <i>color-spec</i> may consist of an <code>@rgb(r, g, b)</code> specification or it may be the name of a basic color such as “white”, “blue”, “red”, “black”, <i>etc.</i>   |
| <code>altfillcolor(colorspec)</code>  | Set the table alternate row background color to <i>color-spec</i> . <i>colorspec</i> may consist of an <code>@rgb(r, g, b)</code> specification or it may be the name of a basic color such as “white”, “blue”, “red”, “black”, <i>etc.</i>   |
| <code>font(row, “name”, size, +/-b, +/-I, +/-s, +/-u)</code>                            | Sets the font, size and style. <i>name</i> should be the quoted name of the font, <i>size</i> should be an integer size value. You may use <code>+b</code> , <code>+i</code> , <code>+s</code> or <code>+u</code> to set bold, italic, strikeout or underline respectively.   |
| <code>yrformat(arg)</code>  | Sets the date format for year date labels. <i>arg</i> may be “YYYY” (4-digit years) or “YY” (2 digit years).  |
| <code>qtrformat(arg)</code>   | Sets the date format for quarterly date labels. <i>arg</i> may be “QR” (upper-case Roman numerals), “qr” (lower-case Roman numerals), “[Q]Q” (“Q” followed by the quarter number), “Q” (quarter number), “Mon” (3 letter month abbreviation for first month in quarter), “Month” (full month name for first month in quarter).  |

`monformat(arg)` Sets the date format for monthly date labels. *arg* may be “[M]mm” (“M” followed by month number), “mm” (month number), “MM” (month number with preceding zero), “[M]MM” (“M” followed by month number with preceding zero) “Mon” (3 letter month abbreviation), “Month” (full month name), “M” (upper-case first letter of month name), or “m” (lower-case first letter of month name).

`qtrformat(arg)` Sets the joint date format for quarter and year. Only applicable if “Display(first)” or “Display(last)” is used. *arg* may be: “YYYY[q]Q”, “YYYY[Q]Q”, “YYYY:Q”, “YY[q]Q”, “YY[Q]Q”, “YY:Q”, “YYYY QR”, “YYYYqr”, “YYYY qr”, “YY QR”, “YYqr”, “YY qr”, “Mon YYYY”, “Mon YY”, or “Month YYYY”. See description of “yrformat” and “qtrformat” above for details.

`monyrformat(arg)` Sets the joint date format for month and year. Only applicable if “Display(first)” or “Display(last)” is used. *arg* may be: “YYYY[m]mm”, “YYYY[M]mm”, “YYYY[m]MM”, “YYYY:M”, “YY[m]mm”, “YY[M]mm”, “YY[m]MM”, “YY:mm”, “YY:MM”, “Mon YYYY”, “Mon YY”, “Month YYYY”, “Month YY”, “YYMon”, or “YY-Mon”. See description of “yrformat” and “monformat” above for details on each.

`+ /- endperiod` Use end of period date labels.

## Examples

```
group cgrp cenergy cfood chealth
cgrp.dtable
cgrp.ddtabopts firstfreq(a) secfreq(none) display(year,1)
```

creates the group CGRP from the series CENERGY, CFOOD AND CHEALTH, and then it displays the dated data table for that group. `ddtabopts` is used to set the first table block frequency to annual and the second frequency to none, with one year of data displayed in each row.

```
group fgrp houliab hounetworth houassets
fgrp.dtable
fgrp.ddtabopts +displayname firstfreq(q) secfreq(a) colheader(i)
font("Calibri",10) altfillcolor(yellow) qtrformat([Q]Q)
```

The `ddtabopts` command sets the table options for the group FGRP to show the display-names of each series in place of the series names, sets the first block frequency to quarterly

and the second to annual, sets the column header style to italics, changes the font to Calibri size 10, sets the alternative row color to yellow, and sets the display for quarterly data to “Q[q]”.

```
group govgrp govinv govpurchases govsva
govgrp.dtable
govgrp.ddtabopts qtrformat(qr) nalabel("NA") rowheader(+b)
```

creates the group GOVGRP out of the series GOVINV, GOVPURCHASES, and GOVSAV and then the dated data table. The ddtabopts command is set to show the quarter in short case roman numerals, then adds an "NA" to any missing data, it also bold the row headers.

```
group hgrp starts singlestarts multistarts
hgrp.dtable
hgrp.ddtabopts firstfreq(a) secfreq(none) +displayname
fillcolor(@rgb(205,201,201)) yrformat(YY) format(units=n,
fmt=f.2)
```

The ddtabopts command sets table default options for the group HGRP, with the first column grouping frequency as annual and the second grouping to none. The table defaults will show displaynames in place of series names, will use a light gray row fill color specified by RGB. The year format is set to show only the last two digits of the year and the numerical display format is set to native with two decimal places.

```
group incgrp natincome persincome dispincome
incgrp.dtable
incgrp.ddtabopts font("arial",10) colheader(b)
```

sets the table default font to size 10 Arial and specifies bold column headers.

Cross-references

See “Dated Data Table” on page 469 of *User’s Guide I* for a description of dated data tables and formatting options.

See also [dtable](#) (p. 284) and [ddrowopts](#) (p. 275).

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| display | <a href="#">Group Views</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Display table, graph, or spool output in the group object window.

Display the contents of a table, graph, or spool in the window of the group object.

Syntax

```
group_name.display object_name
```

### Examples

```
group1.display tabl
```

Display the contents of the table TAB1 in the window of the object GROUP1.

### Cross-references

Most often used in constructing an EViews Add-in. See [“Custom Object Output” on page 192](#) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|             |                             |
|-------------|-----------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">Group Procs</a> |
|-------------|-----------------------------|

Display name for the group object.

Attaches a display name to a group object which may be used to label output in tables and graphs in place of the standard group object name.

### Syntax

```
group_name.displayname display_name
```

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain a variety of characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in group object names.

### Examples

```
grp1.displayname Hours Worked  
grp1.label
```

The first line attaches a display name “Hours Worked” to the group object GRP1, and the second line displays the label view of GRP1, including its display name.

### Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names.

See also [Group::label \(p. 288\)](#).

|          |                             |
|----------|-----------------------------|
| distdata | <a href="#">Group Procs</a> |
|----------|-----------------------------|

Save distribution plot data to a matrix.

Saves the data used to construct a distribution plot to the workfile.

### Syntax

```
groupname.distdata(dtype = dist_type, dist_options) matrix_name_pattern
```

saves the distribution plot data specified by *dist\_type* where *dist\_type* must be one of the following keywords:

|         |                                       |
|---------|---------------------------------------|
| kernfit | Kernel regression ( <i>default</i> ). |
| nnfit   | Nearest neighbor (local) regression.  |
| empqq   | Empirical quantile-quantile plot.     |

The *matrix\_name\_pattern* is used to define a naming pattern for the output matrices; if the pattern is “NAME”, the resulting matrices will be named “NAME01”, “NAME02”, ... and so on, using the next available name.

## Options

For the first two types (“kernfit” and “nnfit”), *dist\_options* are any of the distribution type-specific options described in [“Kernfit Options” on page 870](#) and [“Nnfit Options” on page 871](#), respectively. The empirical quantile-quantile plot type (“empqq”) takes the options described in [qqplot \(p. 834\)](#) under [“Empirical Options” on page 837](#).

Note that the graph display specific options such as “fill,” “nofill,” “leg,” and “noline” are not relevant for this procedure.

In addition, you may use the “mult” option to specify multiple series handling

|                        |  |
|------------------------|--|
| mult = <i>mat_type</i> | Multiple series or column handling: where <i>mat_type</i> may be: “pairs” or “p” - pairs, “mat” or “m” - scatterplot matrix, “lower” or “l” - lower triangular matrix. |
|------------------------|--|

and the “prompt” option to force the dialog display

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
|--------|---|

## Examples

```
group g w x y z
g.distdata(mult=first, dtype=kernel, k=e, ngrid=100) m
```

creates a group called G from the series X, Y and Z, then creates three matrices, M01, M02 and M03, where the first matrix contains the kernel fit (with an Epanechnikov kernel and 100 grid points) of W on X, the second contains the fit of W on Y, and the third matrix contains the kernel fit of W on Z.

```
g.distdata(mult=pairs, dtype=local, b=0.3, d=1, neval=100, s) n
```

creates two matrices, N1 and N2, where N1 contains the nearest neighbor fit of W on X computed using a bandwidth of 0.3 and polynomial degree of 1, 100 evaluation points and symmetric neighbors, and N2 contains the data for the nearest neighbor fit of Y on Z.

```
group g.drop z
```



```
g.distdata(mult=all, dtype=empqq, q=r) mat
```

drops Z from the group, then creates 3 matrices; MAT01, MAT02, MAT03, where MAT01 contains the empirical quantile-quantile for W and X, computed using the rankit quantile method, and MAT02 contains the qq-plot data for W and Y, and MAT03 contains the qq-plot data for X and Y.

Cross-references

For a description of distribution graphs and quantile-quantile graphs, see [“Auxiliary Graph Types,” on page 610](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

See also [qqplot \(p. 834\)](#) and [“Auxiliary Spec” on page 869](#).

|      |                             |
|------|-----------------------------|
| drop | <a href="#">Group Procs</a> |
|------|-----------------------------|

Drops series from a group.

Syntax

```
group_name.drop ser1 [ser2 ser3 ...]
```

List the series to be dropped from the group object.

Examples

```
group gdplags gdp(-1 to -4)
gdplags.drop gdp(-4) gdp(-3)
```

drops the two series GDP(-4) and GDP(-3) from the group GDPLAGS.

Cross-references

See [“Groups” on page 116](#) of *User’s Guide I* for additional discussion of groups.

See also [Group::add \(p. 257\)](#).

|        |                             |
|--------|-----------------------------|
| dtable | <a href="#">Group Views</a> |
|--------|-----------------------------|

Dated data report table.

This group view is designed to make tables for reporting and presenting data, forecasts, and simulation results. You can display various transformations and various frequencies of the data in the same table.

The dtable view is currently available only for annual, semi-annual, quarterly, or monthly workfiles.

Syntax

```
group_name.dtable(options)
```

Options

|   |                         |
|---|-------------------------|
| p | Print the report table. |
|---|-------------------------|

Examples

```
freeze(report) group1.dtable
```

freezes the dated table view of GROUP1 and saves it as a table object named REPORT.

Cross-references

See [“Dated Data Table” on page 469](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a description of dated data tables and formatting options.

See also [ddrowopts \(p. 275\)](#), [ddtabopts \(p. 277\)](#).

|      |                             |
|------|-----------------------------|
| freq | <a href="#">Group Views</a> |
|------|-----------------------------|

Compute frequency tables.

When used with a group containing a single series, `freq` performs a one-way frequency tabulation. The options allow you to control binning (grouping) of observations.

When used with a group containing multiple series, `freq` produces an *N*-way frequency tabulation for all of the series in the group.

Syntax

```
group_name.freq(options)
```

Options

*Options common to both one-way and N-way frequency tables*

|                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| dropna (default) / keepna   | [Drop/Keep] NA as a category.   |
| v = integer (default = 100) | Make bins if the number of distinct values or categories exceeds the specified number.        |
| nov                         | Do not make bins on the basis of number of distinct values; ignored if you set “v = integer.” |
| a = number (default = 2)    | Make bins if average count per distinct value is less than the specified number.              |

|   |   |
|---|---|
| noa   | Do not make bins on the basis of average count; ignored if you set “ <i>a = number</i> .” |
| b = <i>integer</i><br>( <i>default</i> = 5) | Maximum number of categories to bin into.   |
| n, obs, count<br>( <i>default</i> )         | Display frequency counts.   |
| nocount                                     | Do not display frequency counts.  |
| nolimt                                      | Remove protections on total number of cells.  |
| prompt                                      | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| p   | Print the table.  |

#### *Options for one-way tables*

|                                       |   |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| total ( <i>default</i> ) /<br>nototal | [Display / Do not display] totals.                                |
| pct ( <i>default</i> ) /<br>nopct     | [Display / Do not display] percent frequencies.                   |
| cum ( <i>default</i> ) /<br>nocum     | (Display/Do not) display cumulative frequency counts/percentages. |

#### *Options for N-way tables*

|   |  |
|---|--|
| table ( <i>default</i> )                | Display in table mode.   |
| list                                    | Display in list mode.  |
| rowm ( <i>default</i> ) /<br>norowm     | [Display / Do not display] row marginals.  |
| colm ( <i>default</i> ) /<br>nocolm     | [Display / Do not display] column marginals.   |
| tabm ( <i>default</i> ) /<br>notabm     | [Display / Do not display] table marginals—only for more than two series.                        |
| subm ( <i>default</i> ) /<br>nosubm     | [Display / Do not display] sub marginals—only for “ <i>l</i> ” option with more than two series. |
| full ( <i>default</i> ) /<br>sparse     | (Full/Sparse) tabulation in list display.  |
| totpct / nototpct<br>( <i>default</i> ) | [Display / Do not display] percentages of total observations.                                    |
| tabpct / notabpct<br>( <i>default</i> ) | [Display / Do not display] percentages of table observations—only for more than two series.      |

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>rowpct / norowpct</code><br><i>(default)</i>       | [Display / Do not display] percentages of row total.   |
| <code>colpct / nocolpct</code><br><i>(default)</i>       | [Display / Do not display] percentages of column total.  |
| <code>exp / noexp</code><br><i>(default)</i>             | [Display / Do not display] expected counts under full independence.                                |
| <code>tabexp / notabexp</code><br><i>(default)</i>       | [Display / Do not display] expected counts under table independence—only for more than two series. |
| <code>test</code> <i>(default)</i> / <code>notest</code> | [Display / Do not display] tests of independence.  |

## Examples

```
group g1 hrs
g1.freq(nov,noa)
```

tabulates each value (no binning) of HRS in ascending order with counts, percentages, and cumulatives.

```
group g2 inc
g2.freq(v=20,b=10,noa)
```

tabulates INC excluding NAs. The observations will be binned if INC has more than 20 distinct values; EViews will create at most 10 equal width bins. The number of bins may be smaller than specified.

```
group labor lwage gender race
labor.freq(v=10,norowm,nocolm)
```

displays tables of LWAGE against GENDER for each bin/value of RACE.

## Cross-references

See [“One-Way Tabulation” on page 376](#) and [“N-Way Tabulation” on page 499](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of frequency tables.

|              |                                   |
|--------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>group</b> | <a href="#">Group Declaration</a> |
|--------------|-----------------------------------|

Declare a group object containing a group of series.

## Syntax

```
group group_name ser1 ser2 [ser3 ...]
```

Follow the group name with a list of series to be included in the group.

Examples

```
group g1 gdp cpi inv
group g1 tb3 m1 gov
g1.add gdp cpi
```

The first line creates a group named G1 that contains three series GDP, CPI, and INV. The second line redeclares group G1 to contain the three series TB3, M1, and GOV. The third line adds two series GDP and CPI to group G1 to make a total of five series. See [Group::add \(p. 257\)](#).

```
group rhs d1 d2 d3 d4 gdp(0 to -4)
ls cons rhs
ls cons c rhs(6)
```

The first line creates a group named RHS that contains nine series. The second line runs a linear regression of CONS on the nine series in RHS. The third line runs a linear regression of CONS on C and only the sixth series GDP(-1) of RHS.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 12. “Groups,” on page 463](#) of *User’s Guide I* for additional discussion.

See also [Group::add \(p. 257\)](#) and [Group::drop \(p. 284\)](#).

|        |                             |
|--------|-----------------------------|
| kerfit | <a href="#">Group Views</a> |
|--------|-----------------------------|

Scatterplot with bivariate kernel regression fit.

The `kerfit` command is no longer supported. See [scat \(p. 838\)](#).

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| label | <a href="#">Group Views</a>   <a href="#">Group Procs</a> |
|-------|---|

Display or change the label view of a group, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

As a procedure, `label` changes the fields in the group label.

Syntax

```
group_name.label
group_name.label(options) [text]
```

## Options

The first version of the command displays the label view of the group. The second version may be used to modify the label. Specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

## Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of G1 with “Data from CPS 1988 March File”:

```
g1.label(r)
g1.label(r) Data from CPS 1988 March File
```

To append additional remarks to G1, and then to print the label view:

```
g1.label(r) Log of hourly wage
g1.label(p)
```

To clear and then set the units field, use:

```
g1.label(u) Millions of bushels
```

## Cross-references

See “[Labeling Objects](#)” on page 102 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.

See also [Group::displayname](#) (p. 282).

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| linefit | <a href="#">Group Views</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Scatterplot with bivariate fit.

The `linefit` command is no longer supported. See [scat](#) (p. 838).

|       |                             |
|-------|-----------------------------|
| lrcov | <a href="#">Group Views</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------|

Compute the symmetric, one-sided, or strict one-sided long-run covariance matrix for a group of series.

Syntax

Group View:    `group_name.lrcov(options)`

Options

|                           |   |
|---------------------------|---|
| <code>window = arg</code> | Type of long-run covariance to compute: “sym” (symmetric), “lower” (lower - lags in columns), “slower” (strict lower - lags only), “upper” (upper - leads in columns), “supper” (strict upper - leads only) |
| <code>noc</code>          | Do not remove means (center data).  |
| <code>rwgt = arg</code>   | Row weights.  |
| <code>out = arg</code>    | Name of output sym or matrix (optional).  |
| <code>panout = arg</code> | Name of panel output matrix (optional).   |
| <code>prompt</code>       | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>            | Print results.  |

Whitening Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>lag = arg (default = 0)</code>      | Lag specification: <i>integer</i> (user-specified number of lags), “a” (automatic selection).   |
| <code>info = arg (default = “aic”)</code> | Information criterion for automatic selection: “aic” (Akaike), “sic” (Schwarz), “hqc” (Hannan-Quinn) (if “lag = a”).                      |
| <code>maxlag = integer</code>             | Maximum lag-length for automatic selection ( <i>optional</i> ) (if “lag = a”). The default is an observation-based maximum of $T^{1/3}$ . |

### Kernel Options

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>kern = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “bart”)    | Kernel shape: “none” (no kernel), “bart” (Bartlett, <i>default</i> ), “bohman” (Bohman), “daniell” (Daniell), “parzen” (Parzen), “parzriesz” (Parzen-Riesz), “parzgeo” (Parzen-Geometric), “parzcauchy” (Parzen-Cauchy), “quadspec” (Quadratic Spectral), “trunc” (Truncated), “thamm” (Tukey-Hamming), “thann” (Tukey-Hanning), “tparz” (Tukey-Parzen), “user” (User-specified; see “kernwgt = ” below). |
| <code>kernwgt = vector</code>                            | User-specified kernel weight vector (if “kern = user”).   |
| <code>bw = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “nwfixed”)   | Bandwidth: “fixednw” (Newey-West fixed), “andrews” (Andrews automatic), “neweywest” (Newey-West automatic), <i>number</i> (User-specified bandwidth).   |
| <code>nwlag = integer</code>                             | Newey-West lag-selection parameter for use in nonparametric bandwidth selection (if “bw = neweywest”).  |
| <code>bwoffset = integer</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0) | Apply integer offset to bandwidth chosen by automatic selection method (“bw = andrews” or “bw = neweywest”).  |
| <code>bwint</code>                                       | Use integer portion of bandwidth chosen by automatic selection method (“bw = andrews” or “bw = neweywest”).   |

### Examples

```
grp1.lrcov(out=outsym)
```

computes the symmetric long-run covariance of the series in the group GRP1 and saves the results in the output sym matrix OUTSYM.

```
xgrp.lrcov(kern=quadspec, bw=andrews, rwgt=res)
```

computes the long-run covariance of the series in the group XGRP using the quadratic spectral kernel, Andrews automatic bandwidth, and the row-weight series RES.

```
xgrp.lrcov(kern=quadspec, lag=1, bw=andrews, rwgt=res)
```

performs the same calculation but uses VAR(1) prewhitening prior to computing the kernel estimator.

```
xgrp.lrcov(kern=none, window=upper, lag=a, info=aic, bw=andrews,
           rwgt=res)
```

computes parametric VAR estimates of the upper long-run covariance using an AIC based automatic bandwidth selection method.

### Cross-references



See “Long-run Covariance,” on page 517 of *User’s Guide I*, “Panel Long-run Variances,” on page 838 of *User’s Guide II*, and Appendix D. “Long-run Covariance Estimation,” on page 939 of *User’s Guide II*.

See also `Series::lrvar` (p. 506).

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| olepush | <a href="#">Group Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

Syntax

`group_name.olepush`

Cross-references

See “Object Linking and Embedding (OLE)” on page 729 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|          |                             |
|----------|-----------------------------|
| makecomp | <a href="#">Group Procs</a> |
|----------|-----------------------------|

Save the scores from a principal components analysis of the series in a group.

Syntax

`group_name.makecomp(options) output_list`

where the *output\_list* is a list of names identifying the saved components. EViews will save the first *k* components corresponding to the *k* elements in *output\_list*, up to the total number of series in the group.

Options

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>scale = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “normload”) | Diagonal matrix scaling of the loadings and the scores: normalize loadings (“normload”), normalize scores (“normscores”), symmetric weighting (“symmetric”), user-specified ( <i>arg</i> = <i>number</i> ). |
| <code>cpnorm</code>  | Compute the normalization for the score so that cross-products match the target (by default, EViews chooses a normalization scale so that the moments of the scores match the target).                      |
| <code>eigval = vec_name</code>                             | Specify name of vector to hold the saved the eigenvalues in workfile.   |
| <code>eigvec = mat_name</code>                             | Specify name of matrix to hold the save the eigenvectors in workfile.   |

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
|--------|---|

### Covariance Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| cov = <i>arg</i><br>(default = "corr")         | Covariance calculation method: ordinary (Pearson product moment) covariance ("cov"), ordinary correlation ("corr"), Spearman rank covariance ("rcov"), Spearman rank correlation ("rcorr"), uncentered ordinary correlation ("ucorr"). Note that Kendall's tau measures are not valid methods.   |
| wgt = <i>name</i><br>(optional)                | Name of series containing weights.   |
| wgtmethod = <i>arg</i><br>(default = "sstdev") | Weighting method: frequency ("freq"), inverse of variances ("var"), inverse of standard deviation ("stdev"), scaled inverse of variances ("svar"), scaled inverse of standard deviations ("sstdev").<br><br>Only applicable for ordinary (Pearson) calculations where "weights = " is specified. Weights for rank correlation and Kendall's tau calculations are always frequency weights. |
| pairwise                                       | Compute using pairwise deletion of observations with missing cases (pairwise samples).   |
| df   | Compute covariances with a degree-of-freedom correction accounting for the mean (for centered specifications) and any partial conditioning variables.<br><br>The default behavior in these cases is to perform no adjustment (e.g. – compute sample covariance dividing by $n$ rather than $n - k$ ).  |

### Examples

```
grp1.makepcomp comp1 comp2 comp3
```

saves the first three principal components (in normalized loadings form) to the workfile. The components will have variances that are proportional to the eigenvalues.

```
grp1.makepcomp(scale=normscore) comp1 comp2 comp3
```

normalizes the scores so that the resulting series have variances that are equal to 1.

You may change the scaling for the normalized components so that the cross-products equal 1, using the `cpnorm` option:

```
grp1.makepcomp(scale=normscore, cpcnorm) comp1 comp2 comp3
```

Cross-references

See “Saving Component Scores,” beginning on page 511 of *User’s Guide I* for further discussion. See `Group: :pcomp` (p. 296) for tools to display the principal components results for the series in the group.

|            |                             |
|------------|-----------------------------|
| makesystem | <a href="#">Group Procs</a> |
|------------|-----------------------------|

Create system from a group.

Syntax

```
group_name.makesystem(options) [x1 x2 x3 ...] [@eqreg w1 w2 ...] [@inst z1 z2 ...]
[@eqinst z3 z4 ...]
```

Creates a system of equations out of the variables in the group. Each series in the group will be used as the dependent variable in an equation. The `[x1 x2 x3 ...]` list consists of regressors with common coefficients in the system. The `@eqreg` list consists of regressors with different coefficients in each equation. The list of variables that follow `@inst` are the common instruments. The list of variables that follow `@eqinst` are the equation specific instruments.

Options

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| name = <i>name</i>  | Specify name for the system object.   |
| ytrans = <i>arg</i> | Dependent variable transformation: none ( <i>default</i> ), log (“log”), difference (“d”), difference of logs (“dlog”), one percentage change in decimal (“pch”), one-period percentage change—annualized, in percent (“pcha”), one-year percentage change in decimal (“pchy”). |
| prompt              | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |

Examples

```
grp1.makesystem(name=sys1) c x1 x2 @inst z1 z2 z3
```

creates a system named SYS1 with the series in GRP1 as the dependent variables and a common intercept and coefficients on X1 and X2, with common instruments Z1, Z2, and Z3.

```
grp1.makesystem(name=sys2) x1 @eqreg c x2 @inst z1 z2 @eqinst z3
```

creates a system named SYS2 with a common coefficient for X1 and a different intercept and coefficient for X2 for each equation. There are common intercepts Z1 and Z2, and an equation specific instrument Z3.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 17. “System Estimation,” on page 513](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of system objects in EViews.

|            |                             |
|------------|-----------------------------|
| makewhiten | <a href="#">Group Procs</a> |
|------------|-----------------------------|

Whiten the series in the group.

Estimate a VAR( $p$ ) for the series in the group, compute the residuals, and save the results into whitened series.

Syntax

Group View:    `group_name.makewhiten(options) out_specification`

where *out\_specification* is either a list of names for the output series, one per series in the original group, or is a wildcard expression. Note that wildcards may not be used if the original group contains series expressions.

Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>grp = arg</code>                              | Name of group to hold output series (optional).   |
| <code>lag = arg</code><br><i>(default = 1)</i>      | Lag specification: <i>integer</i> (user-specified number of lags), “a” (automatic selection).   |
| <code>noc</code>                                    | Do not remove means (center data) prior to whitening.   |
| <code>info = arg</code><br><i>(default = “aic”)</i> | Information criterion for automatic selection: “aic” (Akaike), “sic” (Schwarz), “hqc” (Hannan-Quinn).   |
| <code>maxlag = integer</code>                       | Maximum lag-length for automatic selection ( <i>optional</i> ). The default is an observation-based maximum of the integer portion of $T^{1/3}$ . |
| <code>prompt</code>                                 | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |

Examples

```
grp1.makewhiten(grp=wht, lag=a, info=sic, maxlag=10) *a
```

whitens the series in GRP1 using a VAR with auto-selected number of lags based on the SIC information criterion and a maximum of 10 lags. The resulting series are named using the wildcard expression “\*a” in the named group WHT.

```
grp2.makewhiten(noc, lag=5) *a
```

whitens the series in GRP2 using a no-constant VAR and 5 lags.

Cross-references

See [“Make Whitened” on page 526](#) of *User’s Guide I* for detail.

|                    |                             |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| <code>nnfit</code> | <a href="#">Group Views</a> |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|

Scatterplot with bivariate nearest neighbor fit.

The `nnfit` command is no longer supported. See [scat \(p. 838\)](#).

|                    |                             |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| <code>pcomp</code> | <a href="#">Group Views</a> |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|

Principal components analysis.

Syntax

`group_name.pcomp(options) [indices]`

where the elements to display in loadings, scores, and biplot graph form (“out = loadings”, “out = scores” or “out = biplot”) are given by the optional *indices*, (e.g., “1 2 3” or “2 3”). If *indices* is not provided, the first two elements will be displayed.

Basic Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>out = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “table”) | Output type: eigenvector/eigenvalue table (“table”), eigenvalues graph (“graph”), loadings graph (“loadings”), scores graph (“scores”), biplot (“biplot”). |
| <code>eigval = vec_name</code>                        | Specify name of vector to hold the saved the eigenvalues in workfile.  |
| <code>eigvec = mat_name</code>                        | Specify name of matrix to hold the save the eigenvectors in workfile.  |
| <code>prompt</code>                                   | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>  | Print results.   |

Table and Eigenvalues Plot Options

The number of elements to display in the table and eigenvalue graph form is given by the minimum of the elements specified using the “n =”, “mineigen =” and “cproport =” options.

The default eigenvalue graph shows a scree plot of the ordered eigenvalues. You may use the “scree”, “cproport”, and “diff” option keywords to display any combination of the scree plot, cumulative eigenvalue proportions plot, or eigenvalue difference plot.

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>n = arg</code> ( <i>default</i> = all)           | Maximum number of components.  |
| <code>mineigen = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0)   | Minimum eigenvalue.  |
| <code>cproport = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 1.0) | Cumulative proportion of eigenvalue total to attain.                 |
| <code>scree</code>                                     | Display a scree plot of the eigenvalues (if “output = graph”).       |
| <code>diff</code>                                      | Display a graph of the eigenvalue differences (if “output = graph”). |
| <code>cproport</code>                                  | Display a graph of the cumulative proportions (if “output = graph”). |

#### *Loadings, Scores, Biplot Graph Options*

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>scale = arg</code> ,<br>( <i>default</i> = “normload”) | Diagonal matrix scaling of the loadings and the scores: normalize loadings (“normload”), normalize scores (“normscores”), symmetric weighting (“symmetric”), user-specified ( <i>arg</i> = number). |
| <code>cpnorm</code>  | Compute the normalization for the scores so that cross-products match the target (by default, EViews chooses a normalization scale so that the moments of the scores match the target).             |
| <code>nocenter</code>  | Do not center the elements in the graph.  |
| <code>mult = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “first”)       | Multiple graph options: first versus remainder (“first”), pairwise (“pair”), all pairs arrayed in lower triangle (“lt”).  |
| <code>labels = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “outlier”)   | Scores label options: identify outliers only (“outlier”), all points (“all”), none (“none”).  |
| <code>labelprob = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0.1)      | Outlier label probability (if “labels = outlier”).  |
| <code>autoscale = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 1.0)      | Rescaling factor for auto-scaling.  |
| <code>userscale = arg</code>                                 | User-specified scaling.   |

#### *Covariance Options*

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>cov = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “corr”) | Covariance calculation method: ordinary (Pearson product moment) covariance (“cov”), ordinary correlation (“corr”), Spearman rank covariance (“rcov”), Spearman rank correlation (“rcorr”), uncentered ordinary correlation (“ucorr”). Note that Kendall’s tau measures are not valid methods. |
|--|--|

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>wgt = name</code><br>(optional)                | Name of series containing weights.   |
| <code>wgtmethod = arg</code><br>(default = "sstdev") | Weighting method: frequency ("freq"), inverse of variances ("var"), inverse of standard deviation ("stdev"), scaled inverse of variances ("svar"), scaled inverse of standard deviations ("sstdev").<br><br>Only applicable for ordinary (Pearson) calculations where "weights = " is specified. Weights for rank correlation and Kendall's tau calculations are always frequency weights. |
| <code>pairwise</code>                                | Compute using pairwise deletion of observations with missing cases (pairwise samples).   |
| <code>df</code>                                      | Compute covariances with a degree-of-freedom correction accounting for the mean (for centered specifications) and any partial conditioning variables.<br><br>The default behavior in these cases is to perform no adjustment (e.g. – compute sample covariance dividing by $n$ rather than $n - k$ ).  |

Examples

```
group g1 x1 x2 x3 x4
freeze(tab1) g1.pcomp(eigval=v1, eigvec=m1)
```

The first line creates a group named G1 containing the four series X1, X2, X3, X4. The second line produces a view of the basic results for the principal components. The output view is stored in a table named TAB1, the eigenvalues in a vector named V1, and the eigenvectors in a matrix named M1.

```
g1.pcomp(out=graph)
g1.pcomp(out=graph, scree, cproport)
```

displays a screen plot of the eigenvalues, and a graph containing both a screen plot and a plot of the cumulative eigenvalue proportions.

```
g1.pcomp(out=loading)
```

displays a loadings plot, and

```
g1.pcomp(out=biplot, scale=symmetric, mult=lt) 1 2 3
```

displays a symmetric biplot for all three pairwise comparisons.

Cross-references

See [“Principal Components” on page 504](#) of *User’s Guide I* for further discussion. To save principal components scores in series in the workfile, see `Group::makepcomp` (p. 292).

|          |                             |
|----------|-----------------------------|
| resample | <a href="#">Group Procs</a> |
|----------|-----------------------------|

Resample from observations in a group.

### Syntax

```
group_name.resample(options) [output_spec]
```

You should follow the `resample` keyword and options with and an *output\_spec* containing a list of names or a wildcard expression identifying the series to hold the output. If a list is used to identify the targets, the number of target series must match the number of names implied by the keyword. If you do not provide an *output\_spec*, the output names will be formed using the names of the original series combined with the string specified by the *suffix* option.

### Options

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>outsmpl = <i>smp1_spec</i></code>                      | Sample to fill the new series. Either provide the sample range in double quotes or specify a named sample object. The default is the current workfile sample. |
| <code>name = <i>group_name</i></code>                        | Name of group to hold created series.   |
| <code>permute</code>   | Draw from rows without replacement. Default is to draw with replacement.  |
| <code>weight = <i>series_name</i></code>                     | Name of series to be used as weights. The weight series must be non-missing and non-negative in the current workfile sample. The default is equal weights.    |
| <code>block = <i>integer</i></code>                          | Block length for each draw. Must be a positive integer. The default block length is 1.  |
| <code>withna (<i>default</i>)</code>                         | [Draw / Do not draw] from all rows in the current sample, including those with NAs.   |
| <code>dropna</code>  | Do not draw from rows that contain missing values in the current workfile sample.   |
| <code>fixna</code>   | Excludes NAs from draws but copies rows containing missing values to the output series.   |
| <code>suffix = <i>arg</i></code><br>( <i>default</i> = “_b”) | Suffix to be appended to the original series names when forming output series names.  |
| <code>prompt</code>  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |

- You may not use groups that contain auto-series unless you provide an *output\_spec*. For example, resampling from a group containing the series X(-1) or LOG(X) without



providing explicit output names will produce an error since we will attempt to append a suffix to the original name, producing invalid object names.

- If the group name you provide already exists and is a group object, the group object will be overwritten. If the object already exists but is not a group object, EViews will error.
- Block bootstrap (block length larger than 1) requires a continuous output sample. Therefore a block length larger than 1 cannot be used together with the “fixna” option, and the “outsmpl” should not contain any gaps.
- The “fixna” option will have an effect only if there are missing values in the overlapping sample of the input sample (current workfile sample) and the output sample specified by “outsmpl”.
- If you specify “fixna”, we first copy any missing values in the overlapping sample to the output series. Then the input sample is adjusted to drop rows containing missing values and the output sample is adjusted so as not to overwrite the copied values.
- If you choose “dropna” and the block length is larger than 1, the input sample may shrink in order to ensure that there are no missing values in any of the drawn blocks.
- If you choose “permute”, the block option will be reset to 1, the “dropna” and “fixna” options will be ignored (reset to the default “withna” option), and the “weight” option will be ignored (reset to default equal weights).

## Examples

```
group g1 x y
g1.resample
```

creates new series X\_B and Y\_B by drawing with replacement from the rows of X and Y in the current workfile sample. If X\_B or Y\_B already exist in the workfile, they will be overwritten if they are series objects, otherwise EViews will error. Note that only values of X\_B and Y\_B in the output sample (in this case the current workfile sample) will be overwritten.

```
g1.resample(weight=wt,suffix=_2) g2
```

will append “\_2” to the names for the new series, and will create a group objected named G2 containing these series. The rows in the sample will be drawn with probabilities proportional to the corresponding values in the series WT. WT must have non-missing non-negative values in the current workfile sample.

## Cross-references

See [“Resample” on page 389](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of the resampling procedure. For additional discussion of wildcards, see [Appendix A. “Wildcards,” on page 683](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

See also [@resample](#) (p. 638) and [@permute](#) (p. 635) in the *Command and Programming Reference* for sampling from matrices.

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| setattr | <a href="#">Group Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

Syntax

```
group_name.setattr(attr) attr_value
```

Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the `@attr` data member.

Examples

```
a.setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

Cross-references

See “[Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View](#)” on page 103 and “[Adding Your Own Label Attributes](#)” on page 65 of *User’s Guide I*.

|           |                             |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| setformat | <a href="#">Group Procs</a> |
|-----------|-----------------------------|

Set the display format for cells in a group spreadsheet view.

Syntax

```
group_name.setformat(col_range) format_arg
```

where *format\_arg* is a set of arguments used to specify format settings. If necessary, you should enclose the *format\_arg* in double quotes.

The *col\_range* option is used to describe the columns to be updated in groups. It may take one of the following forms:

|                              |  |
|------------------------------|--|
| @all                         | Apply to all series in the group.  |
| col                          | Column number or letter (e.g., “2”, “B”). Apply to the series corresponding to the column.                               |
| first_col[:] <i>last_col</i> | Colon delimited range of columns (from low to high, e.g., “3:5”). Apply to all series corresponding to the column range. |

`first_series[:]last_series` Colon delimited range of columns (from low to high, *e.g.*, “series01:series05”) specified by the series names. Apply to all series corresponding to the column range.

To format numeric values, you should use one of the following format specifications:

|                            |                      |
|----------------------------|----------------------|
| <code>g[.precision]</code> | significant digits   |
| <code>f[.precision]</code> | fixed decimal places |
| <code>c[.precision]</code> | fixed characters     |
| <code>e[.precision]</code> | scientific/float     |
| <code>p[.precision]</code> | percentage           |
| <code>r[.precision]</code> | fraction             |

To specify a format that groups digits into thousands using a comma separator, place a “t” after the format character. For example, to obtain a fixed number of decimal places with commas used to separate thousands, use “ft[.precision]”.

To use the period character to separate thousands and commas to denote decimal places, use “.” (two periods) when specifying the precision. For example, to obtain a fixed number of characters with a period used to separate thousands, use “ct[.precision]”.

If you wish to display negative numbers surrounded by parentheses (*i.e.*, display the number -37.2 as “(37.2)”), you should enclose the format string in “( )” (*e.g.*, “f(.8)”).

To format numeric values using date and time formats, you may use a subset of the possible date format strings (see “[Date Formats](#)” on [page 85](#) in the *Command and Programming Reference*). The possible format arguments, along with an example of the date number 730856.944793113 (January 7, 2002 10:40:30.125 p.m) formatted using the argument are given by:

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| WF        | (uses current EViews workfile period display format) |
| YYYY      | “2002”   |
| YYYY-Mon  | “2002-Jan”   |
| YYYYMon   | “2002 Jan”   |
| YYYY[M]MM | “2002[M]01”  |
| YYYY:MM   | “2002:01”  |
| YYYY[Q]Q  | “2002[Q]1”   |
| YYYY:Q    | “2002:Q  |
| YYYY[S]S  | “2002[S]1” (semi-annual)                             |
| YYYY:S    | “2002:1”   |

|                         |                           |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| YYYY-MM-DD              | “2002-01-07”              |
| YYYY Mon dd             | “2002 Jan 7”              |
| YYYY Month dd           | “2002 January 7”          |
| YYYY-MM-DD HH:MI        | “2002-01-07 22:40”        |
| YYYY-MM-DD HH:MI:SS     | “2002-01-07 22:40:30”     |
| YYYY-MM-DD HH:MI:SS.SSS | “2002-01-07 22:40:30.125” |
| Mon-YYYY                | “Jan-2002”                |
| Mon dd YYYY             | “Jan 7 2002”              |
| Mon dd, YYYY            | “Jan 7, 2002”             |
| Month dd YYYY           | “January 7 2002”          |
| Month dd, YYYY          | “January 7, 2002”         |
| MM/DD/YYYY              | “01/07/2002”              |
| mm/DD/YYYY              | “1/07/2002”               |
| mm/DD/YYYY HH:MI        | “1/07/2002 22:40”         |
| mm/DD/YYYY HH:MI:SS     | “1/07/2002 22:40:30”      |
| mm/DD/YYYY HH:MI:SS.SSS | “1/07/2002 22:40:30.125”  |
| mm/dd/YYYY              | “1/7/2002”                |
| mm/dd/YYYY HH:MI        | “1/7/2002 22:40”          |
| mm/dd/YYYY HH:MI:SS     | “1/7/2002 22:40:30”       |
| mm/dd/YYYY HH:MI:SS.SSS | “1/7/2002 22:40:30.125”   |
| dd/MM/YYYY              | “7/01/2002”               |
| dd/mm/YYYY              | “7/1/2002”                |
| DD/MM/YYYY              | “07/01/2002”              |
| dd Mon YYYY             | “7 Jan 2002”              |
| dd Mon, YYYY            | “7 Jan, 2002”             |
| dd Month YYYY           | “7 January 2002”          |
| dd Month, YYYY          | “7 January, 2002”         |
| dd/MM/YYYY HH:MI        | “7/01/2002 22:40”         |
| dd/MM/YYYY HH:MI:SS     | “7/01/2002 22:40:30”      |
| dd/MM/YYYY HH:MI:SS.SSS | “7/01/2002 22:40:30.125”  |
| dd/mm/YYYY hh:MI        | “7/1/2002 22:40”          |
| dd/mm/YYYY hh:MI:SS     | “7/1/2002 22:40:30”       |
| dd/mm/YYYY hh:MI:SS.SSS | “7/1/2002 22:40:30.125”   |
| hm:MI am                | “10:40 pm”                |
| hm:MI:SS am             | “10:40:30 pm”             |

|                 |                   |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| hm:MI:SS.SSS am | “10:40:30.125 pm” |
| HH:MI           | “22:40”           |
| HH:MI:SS        | “22:40:30”        |
| HH:MI:SS.SSS    | “22:40:30.125”    |
| hh:MI           | “22:40”           |
| hh:MI:SS        | “22:40:30”        |
| hh:MI:SS.SSS    | “22:40:30.125”    |

Note that the “hh” formats display 24-hour time without leading zeros. In our examples above, there is no difference between the “HH” and “hh” formats for 10 p.m.

Also note that all of the “YYYY” formats above may be displayed using two-digit year “YY” format.

## Examples

To set the format for a series in a group, provide the column identifier and format:

```
group1.setformat(1) f.5
```

sets the first series in GROUP1 to fixed 5-digit precision.

```
group1.setformat(2) f(.7)
```

```
group1.setformat(c) e.5
```

sets the formats for the second and third series in the group.

You may use any of the date formats given above:

```
group1.setformat(2) YYYYMon
```

```
group1.setformat(d) "YYYY-MM-DD HH:MI:SS.SSS"
```

The column identifier may be the series names. Assuming we have a group which contains the series A1, C1, B2, A5, and H2, in that order,

```
group1.setformat(c1:a5) p.3
```

sets the formats of the series C1, B2, and A5.

## Cross-references

See [Group::setwidth \(p. 306\)](#), [Group::setindent \(p. 305\)](#) and [Group::setjust \(p. 305\)](#) for details on setting spreadsheet widths, indentation and justification.

|           |                             |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| setindent | <a href="#">Group Procs</a> |
|-----------|-----------------------------|

Set the display indentation for cells in a group object spreadsheet view.

Syntax

```
group_name.setindent(col_range) indent_arg
```

where *indent\_arg* is an indent value specified in 1/5 of a width unit. The width unit is computed from representative characters in the default font for the current spreadsheet (the EViews spreadsheet default font at the time the spreadsheet was created), and corresponds roughly to a single character. Indentation is only relevant for non-center justified cells.

The default indentation settings are taken from the Global Defaults for spreadsheet views (“[Spreadsheet Data Display](#)” on page 768 of *User’s Guide I*) at the time the spreadsheet was created.

The *col\_range* option is used to describe the columns to be updated. See [Group::setformat](#) (p. 301) for the syntax for *col\_range* specifications.

Examples

To set the justification, provide the column identifier and the format. The commands,

```
group1.setindent(2) 3
group1.setindent(c) 2
```

set the formats for the second and third series in the group, while:

```
group2.setindent(@all) 3
```

sets formats for all of the series.

Cross-references

See [Group::setWidth](#) (p. 306) and [Group::setjust](#) (p. 305) for details on setting spreadsheet widths and justification.

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| setjust | <a href="#">Group Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Set the display justification for cells in a group object spreadsheet view.

Syntax

```
group_name.setjust(col_range) format_arg
```

where *format\_arg* is a set of arguments used to specify format settings. You should enclose the *format\_arg* in double quotes if it contains any spaces or delimiters.

The *col\_range* option is used to describe the columns to be updated. See [Group::setformat](#) (p. 301) for the syntax for *col\_range* specifications.

The *format\_arg* may be formed using the following:

|                              |  |
|------------------------------|--|
| top / middle / bottom]       | Vertical justification setting.  |
| auto / left / center / right | Horizontal justification setting. “Auto” uses left justification for strings, and right for numbers. |

You may enter one or both of the justification settings. The default justification settings are taken from the Global Defaults for spreadsheet views (“[Spreadsheet Data Display](#)” on [page 768](#) of *User’s Guide I*) at the time the spreadsheet was created.

Examples

To set the justification, provide the column identifier and the format. The commands,

```
group1.setjust(2) bottom center
group1.setjust(c) center middle
```

set the formats for the second and third series in the group, while:

```
group2.setjust(@all) right
```

sets all of the series formats.

Cross-references

See [Group::setWidth](#) (p. 306) and [Group::setindent](#) (p. 305) for details on setting spreadsheet widths and indentation.

|          |                             |
|----------|-----------------------------|
| setWidth | <a href="#">Group Procs</a> |
|----------|-----------------------------|

Set the column width for selected columns in a group spreadsheet.

Syntax

```
group_name.setWidth(col_range) width_arg
```

where *col\_range* is either a single column number or letter (e.g., “5”, “E”), a colon delimited range of columns (from low to high, e.g., “3:5”, “C:E”), or the keyword “@ALL”, and *width\_arg* specifies the width unit value. The width unit is computed from representative characters in the default font for the current spreadsheet (the EVIEWS spreadsheet default font at the time the spreadsheet was created), and corresponds roughly to a single character. *width\_arg* values may be non-integer values with resolution up to 1/10 of a width unit.

### Examples

```
gr1.setwidth(2) 12
```

sets the width of column 2 to 12 width units.

```
gr1.setwidth(2:10) 20
```

sets the widths for columns 2 through 10 to 20 width units.

### Cross-references

See [Group::setindent](#) (p. 305) and [Group::setjust](#) (p. 305) for details on setting spreadsheet indentation and justification.

|       |                             |
|-------|-----------------------------|
| sheet | <a href="#">Group Views</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------|

Spreadsheet view of a group object.

### Syntax

```
group_name.sheet(options)
```

### Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| w  | Wide. In a panel this will switch to the unstacked form of the panel (dates along the side, cross-sections along the top).   |
| t  | Transpose.   |
| a  | All observations (ignore sample)   |
| nl   | Do not display labels.   |
| tform = <i>arg</i><br>( <i>default</i> =<br>"level") | Display transformed data: raw data ("level"), one period difference ("dif" or "d"), annual difference ("dify" or "dy"), one period percentage change ("pch" or "pc"), annualized one period percentage change ("pcha" or "pca"), annual percentage change ("pchy" or "pcy"), natural logarithm ("log"), one period difference of logged values ("dlog"). |
| c  | Compare view. Display the compare view of the group.   |
| p  | Print the spreadsheet view.  |

### Examples

```
g1.sheet(p)
```

displays and prints the spreadsheet view of the group G1.



```
g1.sheet(t, tform=log)
```

shows log values of the series in G1 using the current sample in a wide spreadsheet.

```
g1.sheet(n1, tform=diff)
```

displays differenced values of the series in the group using the current sample with no labels.

```
g1.sheet(a, tform=pc)
```

displays the one period percent changes for all observations in the workfile.

**Cross-references**

See [Chapter 5. “Basic Data Handling,” on page 109](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of the spreadsheet view of series and groups.

|      |                             |
|------|-----------------------------|
| sort | <a href="#">Group Procs</a> |
|------|-----------------------------|

**Change display order for group spreadsheet.**

The `sort` command changes the sort order settings for spreadsheet display of the group.

**Syntax**

```
group_name.sort(series1[, series2, series3])
```

Follow the keyword with a list of the series you wish to use to determine display order. You may specify up to three series for sorting. If you list two or more series, `sort` uses the values of the second series to resolve ties in the first series, and values of the third series to resolve ties in the first and second. By default, EViews will sort in ascending order. For purposes of sorting, NAs are considered to be smaller than any other value.

The series may be specified using the name or index of a series in the group. For example, if you provide the integer “2”, EViews will use the second series. To sort by the original workfile observation order, use the integer “0”, or the keyword “obs”.

To sort in descending order, precede the series name or index with a minus sign (“-”).

**Examples**

```
gr1.sort(x,y)
```

change the display order for group GR1, sorting by the series X and Y, with ties in X resolved using Y.

If X is the first series in group GR1 and Y is the second series,

```
gr1.sort(1,-2)
```

sorts first in ascending order by X and then in descending order by Y.

```
gr1.sort(obs)
```

returns the display order for group GR1 to the original (by observation).

## Cross-references

See [“Spreadsheet” on page 464](#) of *User’s Guide II* for additional discussion.

|              |                             |
|--------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>stats</b> | <a href="#">Group Views</a> |
|--------------|-----------------------------|

**Descriptive statistics.**

Computes and displays a table of means, medians, maximum and minimum values, standard deviations, and other descriptive statistics of a group of series.

## Syntax

```
group_name.stats(options)
```

## Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| i | Individual sample for each series. By default, EViews computes the statistics using a common sample. |
| p | Print the stats table.   |

## Examples

```
group group1 wage hrs edu
group1.stats(i)
```

displays the descriptive statistics view of GROUP1 for the individual samples.

## Cross-references

See [“Descriptive Statistics” on page 486](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of the descriptive statistics views of a group.

See also [boxplot \(p. 811\)](#).

|                |                             |
|----------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>testbtw</b> | <a href="#">Group Views</a> |
|----------------|-----------------------------|

Test equality of the mean, median or variance between (among) series in a group.

## Syntax

```
group_name.testbtw(options)
```

Specify the type of test as an option.

Options

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| mean ( <i>default</i> ) | Test equality of mean.                            |
| med                     | Test equality of median.                          |
| var                     | Test equality of variance.                        |
| c                       | Use common sample.                                |
| i ( <i>default</i> )    | Use individual sample.                            |
| prompt                  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
| p                       | Print the test results.                           |

Examples

```
group g1 wage_m wage_f
g1.testbtw
g1.testbtw(var,c)
```

tests the equality of means between the two series WAGE\_M and WAGE\_F.

Cross-references

See [“Tests of Equality” on page 503](#) of *User’s Guide I* for further discussion of these tests.

See also [Series::testby \(p. 534\)](#), [Series::teststat \(p. 536\)](#).

|       |                             |
|-------|-----------------------------|
| uroot | <a href="#">Group Views</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------|

Carries out (panel) unit root tests on a group of series.

When used on a group of series, the procedure will perform panel unit root testing. The panel unit root tests include Levin, Lin and Chu (LLC), Breitung, Im, Pesaran, and Shin (IPS), Fisher - ADF, Fisher - PP, and Hadri tests on levels, or first or second differences.

Note that simulation evidence suggests that in various settings (for example, small  $T$ ), Hadri's panel unit root test experiences significant size distortion in the presence of autocorrelation when there is no unit root. In particular, the Hadri test appears to over-reject the null of stationarity, and may yield results that directly contradict those obtained using alternative test statistics (see Hlouskova and Wagner (2006) for discussion and details).

Syntax

```
group_name.uroot(options)
```

## Options

### Basic Specification Options

You should specify the exogenous variables and order of dependent variable differencing in the test equation using the following options:

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>const (default)</code>             | Include a constant in the test equation.   |
| <code>trend</code>                       | Include a constant and a linear time trend in the test equation.                           |
| <code>none</code>                        | Do not include a constant or time trend (only available for the ADF and PP tests).         |
| <code>dif = integer (default = 0)</code> | Order of differencing of the series prior to running the test. Valid values are {0, 1, 2}. |

You may use one of the following keywords to specify the test:

|                            |   |
|----------------------------|---|
| <code>sum (default)</code> | Summary of the first five panel unit root tests (where applicable). |
| <code>llc</code>           | Levin, Lin, and Chu.  |
| <code>breit</code>         | Breitung.   |
| <code>ips</code>           | Im, Pesaran, and Shin.  |
| <code>adf</code>           | Fisher - ADF.   |
| <code>pp</code>            | Fisher - PP.  |
| <code>hadri</code>         | Hadri.  |

### Panel Specification Options

The following additional panel specific options are available:

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>balance</code>                              | Use balanced (across cross-sections or series) data when performing test.   |
| <code>hac = arg (default = "bt")</code>           | Method of estimating the frequency zero spectrum: "bt" (Bartlett kernel), "pr" (Parzen kernel), "qs" (Quadratic Spectral kernel).<br>Applicable to "Summary", LLC, Fisher-PP, and Hadri tests.  |
| <code>band = arg, b = arg (default = "nw")</code> | Method of selecting the bandwidth: "nw" (Newey-West automatic variable bandwidth selection), "a" (Andrews automatic selection), <i>number</i> (user-specified common bandwidth), <i>vector_name</i> (user-specified individual bandwidth).<br>Applicable to "Summary", LLC, Fisher-PP, and Hadri tests. |

`lag = arg` Method of selecting lag length (number of first difference terms) to be included in the regression: “a” (automatic information criterion based selection), *integer* (user-specified common lag length), *vector\_name* (user-specific individual lag length).  
If the “balance” option is used,

$$default = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (T_{\min} \leq 60) \\ 2 & \text{if } (60 < T_{\min} \leq 100) \\ 4 & \text{if } (T_{\min} > 100) \end{cases}$$

where  $T_{\min}$  is the length of the shortest cross-section or series, otherwise *default* = “a”.  
Applicable to “Summary”, LLC, Breitung, IPS, and Fisher-ADF tests.

`info = arg`  
*(default = “sic”)* Information criterion to use when computing automatic lag length selection: “aic” (Akaike), “sic” (Schwarz), “hqc” (Hannan-Quinn).  
Applicable to “Summary”, LLC, Breitung, IPS, and Fisher-ADF tests.

`maxlag = arg` Maximum lag length to consider when performing automatic lag length selection, where *arg* is an *integer* (common maximum lag length) or a *vector\_name* (individual maximum lag length)  
 $default = \text{int}(\min_i(12, T_i/3) \cdot (T_i/100)^{1/4})$   
where  $T_i$  is the length of the cross-section or series.

Other options

`prompt` Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  
`p` Print output from the test.

Examples

The command:

```
Grp1.root(llc,trend)
```

performs the LLC panel unit root test with exogenous individual trends and individual effects on series in GRP1.

```
Gp2.uroot(IPS,const,maxlag=4,info=AIC)
```

performs the IPS panel unit root test on series in group GP2. The test includes individual effects, lag will be chosen by AIC from maximum lag of three.

```
Gp3.uroot(sum,const,lag=3,hac=pr,b=2.3)
```

performs a summary of the panel unit root tests on the series in group GP3. The test equation includes a constant term and three lagged first-difference terms. The frequency zero spectrum is estimated using kernel methods (with a Parzen kernel), and a bandwidth of 2.3.

### Cross-references

See [“Unit Root Testing” on page 471](#) of *User’s Guide II* for discussion of standard unit root tests performed on a single series, and [“Panel Unit Root Testing” on page 483](#) of *User’s Guide II* for discussion of unit roots tests performed on panel structured workfiles, groups of series, or pooled data.

### References

- MacKinnon, James G., Alfred A. Haug, and Leo Michelis (1999), “Numerical Distribution Functions of Likelihood Ratio Tests For Cointegration,” *Journal of Applied Econometrics*, 14, 563-577.
- Osterwald-Lenum, Michael (1992). “A Note with Quantiles of the Asymptotic Distribution of the Maximum Likelihood Cointegration Rank Test Statistics,” *Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics*, 54, 461-472.



## Link

Link object. Series or alpha link used to frequency converted or match merge data from another workfile page.

Once created, links may be used just like the corresponding “Series” (p. 478) or “Alpha” (p. 4) objects.

### Link Declaration

**link**.....link object declaration (p. 318).

To declare a link object, enter the keyword `link`, followed by a name:

```
link newser
```

and an optional link specification:

```
link altser.linkto(c=obs,nacat) indiv::x @src ind1 ind2 @dest ind1
ind2
```

### Link Views

**label** .....label information for the link (p. 317).

### Link Procs

**displayname**.....set display name (p. 316).

**linkto**.....specify link object definition (p. 319).

**olepush**.....push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 324).

**setattr** .....set the value of an object attribute (p. 324).

### Link Data Members

#### *String values*

**@attr(“arg”)** .....string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.

**@description**.....string containing the description (if available).

**@detailedtype** .....string with the object type: “LINK”.

**@displayname** .....string containing display name. If the Link object has no display name set, the name is returned.

**@first** .....string containing the date or observation number of the first non-missing observation of the Link. In a panel workfile, the first date at which any cross-section has a non-missing observation is returned.

**@firstall**.....returns the same as **@first**, however in a panel workfile, the first date at which all cross-sections have a non-missing observation is returned.



- `@last` ..... string containing the date or observation number of the last non-blank observation of the alpha. In a panel workfile, the last date at which any cross-section has a non-missing observation is returned.
- `@lastall`..... returns the same as `@last`, however in a panel workfile, the last date at which all cross-sections have a non-missing observation is returned.
- `@name` ..... string containing the Link’s name.
- `@remarks` ..... string containing the Link’s remarks (if available).
- `@source`..... string containing the Link’s source (if available).
- `@type` ..... string with the series object type: “SERIES” or “ALPHA”.
- `@units`..... string containing the Group object’s units description (if available).
- `@update time`..... string representation of the time and date at which the Link was last updated.

Link Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the “Link” object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|             |                            |
|-------------|----------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">Link Procs</a> |
|-------------|----------------------------|

Display names for a link object.

Attaches a display name to a link object which may be used to label output in tables and graphs in place of the standard link object name.

Syntax

```
link_name.displayname display_name
```

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain a variety of characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in link object names.

Examples

```
hrs.displayname Hours Worked
hrs.label
```

The first line attaches a display name “Hours Worked” to the link object HRS, and the second line displays the label view of HRS, including its display name.

```
gdp.displayname US Gross Domestic Product
plot gdp
```

The first line attaches a display name “US Gross Domestic Product” to the link object GDP. The line graph view of GDP from the second line will use the display name as the legend.

Cross-references

See “Labeling Objects” on page 102 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names.

See also [Link::label](#) (p. 317) and [Graph::legend](#) (p. 229).

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| label | <a href="#">Link Views   Link Procs</a> |
|-------|---|

Display or change the label view of the link object, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

As a procedure, `label` changes the fields in the link object label.

Syntax

```
link_name.label
link_name.label(options) [text]
```

Options

The first version of the command displays the label view of the link. The second version may be used to modify the label. Specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of the link object LWAGE with “Data from CPS 1988 March File”:

```
lwage.label(r)
lwage.label(r) Data from CPS 1988 March File
```

To append additional remarks to LWAGE, and then to print the label view:

```
lwage.label(r) Log of hourly wage
```

```
lwage.label(p)
```

To clear and then set the units field, use:

```
lwage.label(u) Millions of bushels
```

**Cross-references**

See “[Labeling Objects](#)” on page 102 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.

See also [Link::displayname](#) (p. 316).

|      |                                  |
|------|----------------------------------|
| link | <a href="#">Link Declaration</a> |
|------|----------------------------------|

Create a series link object.

Declares a link object which may be used to refer to data in a series contained in a different workfile page. Links are used to create automatically updating match merges using identifier series or using dates (frequency conversion).

**Syntax**

```
link link_name
link link_name.linkto(options) link specification
```

Follow the `link` keyword with the name to be given to the link object. If desired, you may combine the declaration with the [Link::linkto](#) (p. 319) proc in order to provide a full link specification.

**Examples**

```
link mylink
```

creates the link MYLINK with no link specification, while,

```
link l1.linkto(c=obs,nacat) indiv\x @src ind1 ind2 @dest ind1 ind2
```

combines the link declaration with the link specification step.

**Cross-references**

For a discussion of linking, see [Chapter 8. “Series Links,”](#) on page 219 of *User’s Guide I*.

See also [Link::linkto](#) (p. 319) and [unlink](#) (p. 458).

**linkto**[Link Procs](#)

Define the specification of a series link.

Specify the method by which the object uses data in an existing series. Links are used to perform cross-page match merging or frequency conversion.

**Syntax**

```
link_name.linkto(options) source_page\series_name [src_id dest_id]
```

```
link_name.linkto(options) source_page\series_name [@src src_ids @dest dest_ids]
```

The most common use of `linkto` will be to define a link that employs general match merging. You should use the keyword `linkto` followed by any desired options, and then provide the name of the source series followed by the names of the source and destination IDs. If more than one identifier series is used, you must separate the source and destination IDs using the “@SRC” and “@DEST” keywords.

In the special case where you wish to link your data using date matching, you must use the special keyword “@DATE” as an ID series for a regular frequency page. If “@DATE” is not specified as either a source or destination ID, EViews will perform an exact match merge using the specified identifiers.

The other use of `linkto` will be to define a frequency conversion link between two date structured pages. To specify a frequency conversion link, you should use the `linkto` keyword followed by any desired options and then the name of a *numeric* source series. You must not specify ID series since a frequency conversion link uses the implicit dates associated with the regular frequency pages—if ID series are specified, the link will instead employ general match merging. Note also that if ID series are not specified, but a general match merge specific conversion option is provided (e.g., “c = med”), “@DATE @DATE” will be appended to the list of IDs and a general match merge employed.

When performing frequency conversion (where ID series are not provided) where either of the pages are undated, EViews will perform a raw copy link, in which the first observation in the source workfile page is copied into the first observation in the destination page, the second observation in the source into the second observation in the destination, and so forth.

It is worth mentioning that a frequency conversion link that uses an alpha source series will generate an evaluation error.

Note that linking by frequency conversion is the same as linking by general match merge using the source and destination IDs “@DATE @DATE” with the following exceptions:

- General match merge linking offers contraction methods not available with frequency conversion (*e.g.*, median, variance, skewness).
- General match merge linking allows you to use samples to restrict the source observations used in evaluating the link.
- General match merge linking allows you to treat NA values in the ID series as a category to be used in matching.
- Frequency conversion linking offers expansion methods other than repeat.
- Frequency conversion linking provides options for the handling of NA values.

Note that frequency conversion linking with panel structured pages offers special handling:

- If both pages are dated panel pages that are structured with a single identifier, EViews will perform frequency conversion cross-section by cross-section.
- Conversion from a dated panel page to a dated, non-panel page will first perform a mean contraction across cross-sections to obtain a single time series (by computing the means for each period), and then a frequency conversion of the resulting time series to the new frequency.
- Conversion from a dated, non-panel page to a dated panel page will first involve a frequency conversion of the single time series to the new frequency. The converted time series will be used for each cross-section in the panel page.

In all three of these cases, all of the high-to-low conversion methods are supported, but low-to-high frequency conversion only offers **Constant-match average** (repeating of the low frequency observations).

- Lastly, frequency conversion involving a panel page with more than one dimension or an undated page will default to raw data copy unless general match merge options are provided.

## Options

### *General Match Merge Link Options*

The following options are available when linking with general match merging:

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>smp1 =</code><br><code>smp1_spec</code> | Sample to be used when computing contractions in a link by match merge. Either provide the sample range in double quotes or specify a named sample object. By default, EViews will use the entire workfile sample “@ALL”. |
|---|---|

`c = arg`

Set the match merge contraction or the frequency conversion method.

If you are linking a numeric source series by general match merge, the argument can be one of: “mean”, “med” (median), “max”, “min”, “sum”, “sumsq” (sum-of-squares), “var” (variance), “sd” (standard deviation), “skew” (skewness), “kurt” (kurtosis), “quant” (quantile, used with “quant = ” option), “obs” (number of observations), “nas” (number of NA values), “first” (first observation in group), “last” (last observation in group), “unique” (single unique group value, if present), “none” (disallow contractions).

If linking an alpha series, only the non-summary methods “max”, “min”, “obs”, “nas”, “first”, “last”, “unique” and “none” are supported. For numeric links, the default contraction method is “c = mean”; for alpha links, the default is “c = unique”.

If you are linking by frequency conversion, you may use this argument to specify the up- or down-conversion method using the options found in [fetch \(p. 332\)](#) in the *Command and Programming Reference*. The default frequency conversion methods are taken from the series defaults.

`quant = number`

Quantile value to be used when contracting using the “c = quant” option (e.g., “quant = .3”).

`nacat`

Treat “NA” values as a category when performing link by general match merge operations.

Most of the conversion options should be self-explanatory. As for the others: “first” and “last” give the first and last non-missing observed for a given group ID; “obs” provides the number of non-missing values for a given group; “nas” reports the number of NAs in the group; “unique” will provide the value in the source series if it is the identical for all observations in the group, and will return NA otherwise; “none” will cause the link to fail if there are multiple observations in any group—this setting may be used if you wish to prohibit all contractions.

On a match merge expansion, linking by ID will repeat the values of the source for every matching value of the destination. If both the source and destination have multiple values for a given ID, EVIEWS will first perform a contraction in the source (if not ruled out by “c = none”), and then perform the expansion by replicating the contracted value in the destination.

### *Frequency Conversion Link Options*

If the `linkto` command does not specify identifier series, EViews will link series data using frequency conversion where appropriate.

The following options control the frequency conversion method when creating a frequency conversion link, converting from *low* to *high* frequency:

|                      |  |
|----------------------|--|
| <code>c = arg</code> | Low to high conversion methods: “r” (constant match average), “d” (constant match sum), “q” (quadratic match average), “t” (quadratic match sum), “i” (linear match last), “c” (cubic match last). |
|----------------------|--|

The following options control the frequency conversion method when creating a frequency conversion link, converting from *high* to *low* frequency:

|                      |  |
|----------------------|--|
| <code>c = arg</code> | <p>High to low conversion methods removing NAs: “a” (average of the nonmissing observations), “s” (sum of the nonmissing observations), “f” (first nonmissing observation), “l” (last nonmissing observation), “x” (maximum nonmissing observation), “m” (minimum nonmissing observation).</p> <p>High to low conversion methods propagating NAs: “an” or “na” (average, propagating missings), “sn” or “ns” (sum, propagating missings), “fn” or “nf” (first, propagating missings), “ln” or “nl” (last, propagating missings), “xn” or “nx” (maximum, propagating missings), “mn” or “nm” (minimum, propagating missings).</p> |
|----------------------|--|

Note that if no conversion method is specified, the series specific default conversion method or the global settings will be employed.

## Examples

### *General Match Merge Linking*

Let us start with a concrete example. Suppose our active workfile page contains observations on the 50 states of the US, and contains a series called `STATE` containing the unique state identifiers. We also have a workfile page called `INDIV` that contains data on individuals from all over the country, their incomes (`INCOME`), and their state of birth (`BIRTHSTATE`).

Now suppose that we wish to find the median income of males in our data for each possible state of birth, and then to match merge that value into our 50 observation state page.

The following commands:

```
link male_income
male_income.linkto(c=med, smpl="if male=1") indiv\income
birthstate state
```

create the series link MALE\_INCOME. MALE\_INCOME contains links to the individual INCOME data, telling EViews to subsample only observations where MALE = 1, to compute median values for individuals in each BIRTHSTATE, and to match observations by comparing the values of BIRTHSTATE to STATE in the current page.

In this next example, we link to the series X in the INDIV page, matching values of the IND1 and the IND2 series in the two workfile pages. The link will compute the number of valid observations in the X series for each index group, with NA values in the ID series treated as a valid identifier value.

```
link l1.linkto(c=obs,nacat) indiv\x @src ind1 ind2 @dest ind1 ind2
```

You may wish to use the “@DATE” keyword as an explicit identifier, in order to gain access to our expanded date matching feature. In our annual workfile, the command:

```
link gdp.linkto(c=sd) monthly\gdp @date @date
```

will create link that computes the standard deviation of the values of GDP for each year and then match merges these values to the years in the current page. Note that this command is equivalent to:

```
link gdp.linkto(c=sd) quarterly\gdp
```

since the presence of the match merge option “c = sd” and the absence of indices instructs EViews to perform the link by ID matching using the defaults “@DATE” and “@DATE”.

### *Frequency Conversion Linking*

Suppose that we are in an annual workfile page and wish to link data from a quarterly page. Then the commands:

```
link gdp
gdp.linkto quarterly\gdp
```

creates a series link GDP in the current page containing a link by date to the GDP series in the QUARTERLY workfile page. When evaluating the link, EViews will automatically frequency convert the quarterly GDP to the annual frequency of the current page, using the series default conversion options. If we wish to control the conversion method, we can specify the conversion method as an option:

```
gdp.linkto(c=s) quarterly\gdp
```

links to GDP in the QUARTERLY page, and will frequency convert by summing the non-missing observations.

### **Cross-references**

For a detailed discussion of linking, see [Chapter 8. “Series Links,” on page 219](#) of *User’s Guide I*.



See [Link::link](#) (p. 318). See also [unlink](#) (p. 458), and [copy](#) (p. 306) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|         |                            |
|---------|----------------------------|
| olepush | <a href="#">Link Procs</a> |
|---------|----------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

**Syntax**

`link_name.olepush`

**Cross-references**

See “[Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)](#)” on page 729 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|         |                            |
|---------|----------------------------|
| setattr | <a href="#">Link Procs</a> |
|---------|----------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

**Syntax**

`link_name.setattr(attr) attr_value`

Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the `@attr` data member.

**Examples**

```
a.setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

**Cross-references**

See “[Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View](#)” on page 103 and “[Adding Your Own Label Attributes](#)” on page 65 of *User’s Guide I*.

## Logl

Likelihood object. Used for performing maximum likelihood estimation of user-specified likelihood functions.

### Logl Declaration

[logl](#).....likelihood object declaration (p. 333).

To declare a logl object, use the `logl` keyword, followed by a name to be given to the object.

### Logl Method

[ml](#).....maximum likelihood estimation (p. 335).

### Logl Views

[append](#).....add line to the specification (p. 327).

[cellipse](#) .....confidence ellipses for coefficient restrictions (p. 328).

[checkderivs](#) .....compare user supplied and numeric derivatives (p. 329).

[coefcov](#) .....coefficient covariance matrix (p. 329).

[display](#) .....display table, graph, or spool in object window (p. 330).

[grads](#).....examine the gradients of the log likelihood (p. 331).

[label](#) .....label view of likelihood object (p. 332).

[output](#).....table of estimation results (p. 336).

[results](#).....estimation results (p. 337).

[spec](#) .....likelihood specification (p. 338).

[wald](#) .....Wald coefficient restriction test (p. 339).

### Logl Procs

[displayname](#).....set display name (p. 330).

[makegrads](#) .....make group containing gradients of the log likelihood (p. 334).

[makemodel](#) .....make model (p. 334).

[olepush](#).....push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 336).

[setattr](#) .....set the value of an object attribute (p. 337).

[updatecoefs](#) .....update coefficient vector(s) from likelihood (p. 338).

### Logl Statements

The following statements can be included in the specification of the likelihood object. These statements are optional, except for “@logl” which is required. See [Chapter 15. “The Log Likelihood \(LogL\) Object,” on page 447](#) of *User’s Guide II* for further discussion.

[@byeqn](#) .....evaluate specification by equation.

[@byobs](#).....evaluate specification by observation (default).

[@deriv](#).....specify an analytic derivative series.

[@derivstep](#).....set parameters to control step size.

`@logl` ..... specify the likelihood contribution series.  
`@param` ..... set starting values.  
`@temp` ..... remove temporary working series.

## Logl Data Members

### *Scalar Values (system data)*

`@aic` ..... Akaike information criterion.  
`@coefcov(i,j)` ..... covariance of coefficients  $i$  and  $j$ .  
`@coefs(i)` ..... coefficient  $i$ .  
`@hq` ..... Hannan-Quinn information criterion.  
`@linecount` ..... scalar containing the number of lines in the Logl object.  
`@logl` ..... value of the log likelihood function.  
`@ncoefs` ..... number of estimated coefficients.  
`@regobs` ..... number of observations used in estimation.  
`@sc` ..... Schwarz information criterion.  
`@stderrs(i)` ..... standard error for coefficient  $i$ .  
`@tstats(i)` .....  $t$ -statistic value for coefficient  $i$ .  
`coef_name(i)` .....  $i$ -th element of default coefficient vector for likelihood.

### *Vectors and Matrices*

`@coefcov` ..... covariance matrix of estimated parameters.  
`@coefs` ..... coefficient vector.  
`@stderrs` ..... vector of standard errors for coefficients.  
`@tstats` ..... vector of  $z$ -statistic values for coefficients.

### *String values*

`@attr("arg")` ..... string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.  
`@description` ..... string containing the Logl object's description (if available).  
`@detailedtype` ..... returns a string with the object type: "LOGL".  
`@displayname` ..... returns the Logl's display name. If the Logl has no display name set, the name is returned.  
`@line(i)` ..... returns a string containing the  $i$ -th line of the Logl object.  
`@name` ..... returns the Logl's name.  
`@smpl` ..... sample used for Logl estimation.  
`@svector` ..... returns an Svector where each element is a line of the Logl object.  
`@svectornb` ..... same as `@svector`, with blank lines removed.  
`@type` ..... returns a string with the object type: "LOGL".  
`@units` ..... string containing the Logl object's units description (if available).

`@updatetime` .....returns a string representation of the time and date at which the Logl was last updated.

## Logl Examples

To declare a likelihood named LL1:

```
logl ll1
```

To define a likelihood function for OLS (not a recommended way to do OLS!):

```
ll1.append @logl logl1
ll1.append res1 = y-c(1)-c(2)*x
ll1.append logl1 = log(@dnorm(res1/@sqrt(c(3))))-log(c(3))/2
```

To estimate LL1 by maximum likelihood (the “showstart” option displays the starting values):

```
ll1.ml(showstart)
```

To save the estimated covariance matrix of the parameters from LL1 as a named matrix COV1:

```
matrix cov1=ll1.@coefcov
```

## Logl Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the “Logl” object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|        |                            |
|--------|----------------------------|
| append | <a href="#">Logl Procs</a> |
|--------|----------------------------|

Append a specification line to a logl.

### Syntax

```
logl_name.append text
```

Type the text to be added after the `append` keyword.

### Examples

```
logl ll1
ll1.append @logl logl1
ll1.append res1 = y-c(1)-c(2)*x
ll1.append logl1 = log(@dnorm(res1/@sqrt(c(3))))-log(c(3))/2
```

declares a logl object called LL1, and then appends a specification that estimates an ordinary least squares model.

|          |                            |
|----------|----------------------------|
| cellipse | <a href="#">Logl Views</a> |
|----------|----------------------------|

Confidence ellipses for coefficient restrictions.

The `cellipse` view displays confidence ellipses for pairs of coefficient restrictions for an estimation object.

Syntax

`logl_name.cellipse(options) restrictions`

Enter the object name, followed by a period, and the keyword `cellipse`. This should be followed by a list of the coefficient restrictions. Joint (multiple) coefficient restrictions should be separated by commas.

Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>ind = arg</code>                                | Specifies whether and how to draw the individual coefficient intervals. The default is “ind = line” which plots the individual coefficient intervals as dashed lines. “ind = none” does not plot the individual intervals, while “ind = shade” plots the individual intervals as a shaded rectangle.  |
| <code>size = number</code><br><i>(default = 0.95)</i> | Set the size (level) of the confidence ellipse. You may specify more than one size by specifying a space separated list enclosed in double quotes.  |
| <code>dist = arg</code>                               | Select the distribution to use for the critical value associated with the ellipse size. The default depends on estimation object and method. If the parameter estimates are least-squares based, the $F(2, n - 2)$ distribution is used; if the parameter estimates are likelihood based, the $\chi^2(2)$ distribution will be employed. “dist = f” forces use of the $F$ -distribution, while “dist = c” uses the $\chi^2$ distribution. |
| <code>prompt</code>                                   | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>  | Print the graph.  |

Examples

The two commands:

```
logl.cellipse c(1), c(2), c(3)
logl.cellipse c(1)=0, c(2)=0, c(3)=0
```

both display a graph showing the 0.95-confidence ellipse for C(1) and C(2), C(1) and C(3), and C(2) and C(3).

```
logl.cellipse(dist=c,size="0.9 0.7 0.5") c(1), c(2)
```

displays multiple confidence ellipses (contours) for C(1) and C(2).

## Cross-references

See [“Confidence Intervals and Confidence Ellipses”](#) on page 140 of *User’s Guide II* for discussion.

See also [Logl::wald](#) (p. 339).

|             |                            |
|-------------|----------------------------|
| checkderivs | <a href="#">Logl Views</a> |
|-------------|----------------------------|

Check derivatives of likelihood object.

Displays a table containing information on numeric derivatives and, if available, the user-supplied analytic derivatives.

## Syntax

```
logl_name.checkderiv(options)
```

## Options

|   |                             |
|---|-----------------------------|
| p | Print the table of results. |
|---|-----------------------------|

## Examples

```
ll1.checkderiv
```

displays a table that evaluates the numeric derivatives of the logl object LL1.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 15. “The Log Likelihood \(LogL\) Object,”](#) on page 447 of *User’s Guide II* for a general discussion of the likelihood object and the `@deriv` statement for specifying analytic derivatives.

See also [Logl::grads](#) (p. 331) and [Logl::makegrads](#) (p. 334).

|        |                            |
|--------|----------------------------|
| cofcov | <a href="#">Logl Views</a> |
|--------|----------------------------|

Coefficient covariance matrix.

Displays the covariances of the coefficient estimates for an estimated likelihood object.

## Syntax

```
logl_name.cofcov(options)
```

### Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| p | Print the coefficient covariance matrix. |
|---|--|

### Examples

```
ll2.coefcov
```

displays the coefficient covariance matrix for the likelihood object LL2 in a window.

To store the coefficient covariance matrix as a sym object, use the @coefcov object data member:

```
sym eqcov = ll2.@coefcov
```

### Cross-references

See also [Coef::coef](#) (p. 18) and [Logl::spec](#) (p. 338).

|         |                            |
|---------|----------------------------|
| display | <a href="#">Logl Views</a> |
|---------|----------------------------|

Display table, graph, or spool output in the logl object window.

Display the contents of a table, graph, or spool in the window of the logl object.

### Syntax

```
logl_name.display object_name
```

### Examples

```
logl1.display tabl
```

Display the contents of the table TAB1 in the window of the object LOGL1.

### Cross-references

Most often used in constructing an EViews Add-in. See [“Custom Object Output” on page 192](#) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|             |                            |
|-------------|----------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">Logl Procs</a> |
|-------------|----------------------------|

Display names for likelihood objects.

Attaches a display name to a likelihood object which may be used to label output in place of the standard object name.

### Syntax

```
logl_name.displayname display_name
```

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain a variety of characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in likelihood object names.

Examples

```
lg1.displayname Hours Worked
lg1.label
```

The first line attaches a display name “Hours Worked” to the likelihood object LG1, and the second line displays the label view of LG1, including its display name.

Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names.

See also `Logl::label` (p. 332).

|       |                            |
|-------|----------------------------|
| grads | <a href="#">Logl Views</a> |
|-------|----------------------------|

Gradients of the objective function.

Displays the gradients of the objective function (where available) for an estimated likelihood object.

The (default) summary form shows the value of the gradient vector at the estimated parameter values (if valid estimates exist) or at the current coefficient values. Evaluating the gradients at current coefficient values allows you to examine the behavior of the objective function at starting values. The tabular form shows a spreadsheet view of the gradients for each observation. The graphical form shows this information in a multiple line graph.

Syntax

```
logl_name.grads(options)
```

Options

|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| g           | Display multiple graph showing the gradients of the objective function with respect to the coefficients evaluated at each observation.            |
| t (default) | Display spreadsheet view of the values of the gradients of the objective function with respect to the coefficients evaluated at each observation. |
| p           | Print results.  |



Examples

To show a summary view of the gradients:

```
l12.grads
```

To display and print the table view:

```
l12.grads(t, p)
```

Cross-references

See also [Logl::makegrads](#) (p. 334).

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| label | <a href="#">Logl Views</a>   <a href="#">Logl Procs</a> |
|-------|---|

Display or change the label view of likelihood object, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

As a procedure, `label` changes the fields in the likelihood object `label`.

Syntax

```
logl_name.label
logl_name.label(options) [text]
```

Options

The first version of the command displays the label view of the likelihood object. The second version may be used to modify the label. Specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of the `logl` object `L2` with “Data from CPS 1988 March File”:

```
l2.label(r)
l2.label(r) Data from CPS 1988 March File
```

To append additional remarks to L2, and then to print the label view:

```
l2.label(r) Log of hourly wage
l2.label(p)
```

To clear and then set the units field, use:

```
l2.label(u) Millions of bushels
```

## Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.

See also [Logl::displayname \(p. 330\)](#).

|      |                                  |
|------|----------------------------------|
| logl | <a href="#">Logl Declaration</a> |
|------|----------------------------------|

Declare likelihood object.

## Syntax

```
logl logl_name
```

## Examples

```
logl ll1
```

declares a likelihood object named LL1.

```
ll1.append @logl logl1
ll1.append res1 = y-c(1)-c(2)*x
ll1.append logl1 = log(@dnorm(res1/@sqrt(c(3))))-log(c(3))/2
```

specifies the likelihood function for LL1 and estimates the parameters by maximum likelihood.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 15. “The Log Likelihood \(LogL\) Object,” on page 447](#) of *User’s Guide II* for further examples of the use of the likelihood object.

See also [Logl::append \(p. 327\)](#) for adding specification lines to an existing likelihood object, and [Logl::ml \(p. 335\)](#) for estimation.

|           |                            |
|-----------|----------------------------|
| makegrads | <a href="#">Logl Procs</a> |
|-----------|----------------------------|

Make a group containing individual series which hold the gradients of the objective function.

### Syntax

```
logl_name.makegrads(options) [ser1 ser2 ...]
```

The argument specifying the names of the series is also optional. If the argument is not provided, EViews will name the series “GRAD##” where ## is a number such that “GRAD##” is the next available unused name. If the names are provided, the number of names must match the number of target series.

### Options

|                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <code>n = <i>arg</i></code> | Name of group object to contain the series. |
|-----------------------------|---|

### Examples

```
l12.grads(n=out)
```

creates a group named OUT containing series named GRAD01, GRAD02, and GRAD03.

```
l12.grads(n=out) g1 g2 g3
```

creates the same group, but names the series G1, G2 and G3.

### Cross-references

See also [Logl::grads](#) (p. 331).

|           |                            |
|-----------|----------------------------|
| makemodel | <a href="#">Logl Procs</a> |
|-----------|----------------------------|

Make a model from a likelihood object.

### Syntax

```
logl_name.makemodel(name) assign_statement
```

If you provide a name for the model in parentheses after the keyword, EViews will create the named model in the workfile. If you do not provide a name, EViews will open an untitled model window if the command is executed from the command line.

### Examples

```
l13.makemodel(logmod) @prefix s_
```

makes a model named LOGMOD from the estimated logl object. LOGMOD includes an assignment statement “ASSIGN @PREFIX S\_”. Use the command “show logmod” or “logmod.spec” to open the LOGMOD window.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 20. “Models,” on page 627](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of specifying and solving models in EViews.

See also [Logl::append \(p. 327\)](#), [Model::merge \(p. 389\)](#) and [Model::solve \(p. 398\)](#).

|    |                             |
|----|-----------------------------|
| ml | <a href="#">Logl Method</a> |
|----|-----------------------------|

Maximum likelihood estimation of logl models.

## Syntax

logl\_name.ml(*options*)

## Options

|                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| b                       | Use Berndt-Hall-Hall-Hausman (BHHH) algorithm (default is Marquardt).  |
| m = <i>integer</i>      | Set maximum number of iterations.  |
| c = <i>scalar</i>       | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients. |
| showopts /<br>-showopts | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.                   |
| prompt                  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| p                       | Print basic estimation results.  |

## Examples

```
bvar.ml
```

estimates the logl object BVAR by maximum likelihood.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 15. “The Log Likelihood \(LogL\) Object,” on page 447](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of user specified likelihood models.

|         |                            |
|---------|----------------------------|
| olepush | <a href="#">Logl Procs</a> |
|---------|----------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

### Syntax

`logl_name.olepush`

### Cross-references

See “[Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)](#)” on page 729 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|        |                            |
|--------|----------------------------|
| output | <a href="#">Logl Views</a> |
|--------|----------------------------|

Display estimation output.

`output` changes the default object view to display the estimation output (equivalent to using [Logl::results](#) (p. 337)).

### Syntax

`logl_name.output`

### Options

|                |   |
|----------------|---|
| <code>p</code> | Print estimation output for estimation object |
|----------------|---|

### Examples

The `output` keyword may be used to change the default view of an estimation object. Entering the command:

```
log2.output
```

displays the estimation output for likelihood object LOG2.

### Cross-references

See [Logl::results](#) (p. 337).

|         |                            |
|---------|----------------------------|
| results | <a href="#">Logl Views</a> |
|---------|----------------------------|

Displays the results view of an estimated likelihood object.

### Syntax

```
logl_name.results(options)
```

### Options

|   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| p | Print the view. |
|---|-----------------|

### Examples

```
ll1.results(p)
```

prints the estimation results from the estimated logl, LL1.

|         |                            |
|---------|----------------------------|
| setattr | <a href="#">Logl Procs</a> |
|---------|----------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

### Syntax

```
logl_name setattr(attr) attr_value
```

Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the @*attr* data member.

### Examples

```
a.setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

### Cross-references

See [“Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View” on page 103](#) and [“Adding Your Own Label Attributes” on page 65](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

|             |                            |
|-------------|----------------------------|
| <b>spec</b> | <a href="#">Logl Views</a> |
|-------------|----------------------------|

Display the text specification view for logl objects.

### Syntax

```
logl_name.spec(options)
```

### Options

|   |                               |
|---|-------------------------------|
| p | Print the specification text. |
|---|-------------------------------|

### Examples

```
lg1.spec
```

displays the specification of the logl object LG1.

### Cross-references

See also [Logl::append](#) (p. 327).

|                    |                            |
|--------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>updatecoefs</b> | <a href="#">Logl Procs</a> |
|--------------------|----------------------------|

Update coefficient object values from likelihood object.

Copies coefficients from the likelihood object into the appropriate coefficient vector or vectors.

### Syntax

```
logl_name.updatecoefs
```

Follow the name of the likelihood object by a period and the keyword `updatecoefs`.

### Examples

```
ll1.updatecoefs
```

places the coefficients from LL1 in the default coefficient vector C.

### Cross-references

See also [Coef::coef](#) (p. 18).

|      |                            |
|------|----------------------------|
| wald | <a href="#">Logl Views</a> |
|------|----------------------------|

Wald coefficient restriction test.

### Syntax

`logl_name.wald restrictions`

Enter the likelihood object name, followed by a period, and the keyword. You must provide a list of the coefficient restrictions, with joint (multiple) coefficient restrictions separated by commas.

### Options

|   |                         |
|---|-------------------------|
| p | Print the test results. |
|---|-------------------------|

### Examples

```
ll1.wald c(2)=0, c(3)=0
```

tests the null hypothesis that the second and third coefficients in LL1 are jointly zero.

### Cross-references

See [“Wald Test \(Coefficient Restrictions\)” on page 146](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of Wald tests.

See also [Logl::cellipse \(p. 328\)](#), [testdrop \(p. 451\)](#), [testadd \(p. 450\)](#).



## Matrix

Matrix (two-dimensional array).

### Matrix Declaration

**matrix** ..... declare matrix object ([p. 354](#)).

There are several ways to create a matrix object. You can enter the `matrix` keyword (with an optional row and column dimension) followed by a name:

```
matrix scalarmat
matrix(10,3) results
```

Alternatively, you can combine a declaration with an assignment statement, in which case the new matrix will be sized accordingly.

Lastly, a number of object procedures create matrices.

### Matrix Views

**cor** ..... correlation matrix by columns ([p. 343](#)).  
**cov** ..... covariance matrix by columns ([p. 346](#)).  
**display** ..... display table, graph, or spool in object window ([p. 349](#)).  
**label** ..... label information for the matrix ([p. 351](#)).  
**pcomp** ..... principal components analysis of the columns in a matrix ([p. 355](#)).  
**sheet** ..... spreadsheet view of the matrix ([p. 365](#)).  
**stats** ..... descriptive statistics by column ([p. 366](#)).

### Matrix Graph Views

Graph creation views are discussed in detail in “[Graph Creation Command Summary](#)” on [page 799](#).

**area** ..... area graph of the columns in the matrix ([p. 801](#)).  
**band** ..... area band graph ([p. 804](#)).  
**bar** ..... bar graph of each column ([p. 807](#)).  
**boxplot** ..... boxplot of each column ([p. 811](#)).  
**distplot** ..... distribution graph ([p. 813](#)).  
**dot** ..... dot plot graph ([p. 820](#)).  
**errbar** ..... error bar graph view ([p. 824](#)).  
**hilo** ..... high-low(-open-close) chart ([p. 826](#)).  
**line** ..... line graph of each column ([p. 828](#)).  
**pie** ..... pie chart view ([p. 831](#)).  
**qqplot** ..... quantile-quantile graph ([p. 834](#)).  
**scat** ..... scatter diagrams of the columns of the matrix ([p. 838](#)).  
**scatmat** ..... matrix of all pairwise scatter plots ([p. 843](#)).

[scatpair](#) ..... scatterplot pairs graph (p. 845).  
[seasplot](#) ..... seasonal line graph of the columns of the matrix (p. 849).  
[spike](#) ..... spike graph (p. 850).  
[xyarea](#) ..... XY area graph (p. 854).  
[xybar](#) ..... XY bar graph (p. 857).  
[xyline](#) ..... XY line graph (p. 859).  
[xypair](#) ..... XY pairs graph (p. 863).

## Matrix Procs

[displayname](#) ..... set display name (p. 350).  
[fill](#) ..... fill the elements of the matrix (p. 350).  
[makepcomp](#) ..... save the scores from a principal components analysis of the matrix (p. 352).  
[olepush](#) ..... push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 355).  
[read](#) ..... import data from disk (p. 359).  
[setattr](#) ..... set the value of an object attribute (p. 361).  
[setcollabels](#) ..... set the column headers in a matrix object spreadsheet (p. 361).  
[setformat](#) ..... set the display format for the matrix spreadsheet (p. 362).  
[setindent](#) ..... set the indentation for the matrix spreadsheet (p. 363).  
[setjust](#) ..... set the justification for the matrix spreadsheet (p. 363).  
[setrowlabels](#) ..... set the row headers in a matrix object spreadsheet (p. 364).  
[setwidth](#) ..... set the column width in the matrix spreadsheet (p. 365).  
[write](#) ..... export data to disk (p. 366).

## Matrix Data Members

### *String values*

[@attr\("arg"\)](#) ..... string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.  
[@description](#) ..... string containing the Matrix object's description (if available).  
[@detailedtype](#) ..... string with the object type: "MATRIX".  
[@displayname](#) ..... string containing the Matrix object's display name. If the Matrix has no display name set, the name is returned.  
[@name](#) ..... string containing the Matrix object's name.  
[@remarks](#) ..... string containing the Matrix object's remarks (if available).  
[@source](#) ..... string containing the Matrix object's source (if available).  
[@type](#) ..... string with the object type: "MATRIX".  
[@units](#) ..... string containing the Matrix object's units description (if available).  
[@updatetime](#) ..... string representation of the time and date at which the Matrix was last updated.

*Scalar values*

- `(i,j)` .....  $(i,j)$ -th element of the matrix. Simply append “ $(i,j)$ ” to the matrix name (without a “.”).
- `@cols` ..... number of columns.
- `@rows` ..... number of rows in the matrix.

*Matrix values*

- `@col(i)` ..... The  $i$ th column of the matrix.  $i$  may be a vector of integers, in which case multiple columns are returned (as a matrix).
- `@diag` ..... vector containing the diagonal elements of the matrix.
- `@dropcol(i)` ..... Returns the matrix with the  $i$ th column removed.  $i$  may be a vector of integers, in which case multiple columns are removed.
- `@droprow(i)` ..... Returns the matrix with the  $i$ th row removed.  $i$  may be a vector of integers, in which case multiple rows are removed.
- `@row(j)` ..... The  $j$ th row of the matrix.  $j$  may be a vector of integers, in which case multiple rows are returned (as a matrix).
- `@sub(i,j)` ..... The  $(i,j)$  element of the matrix. Both  $i$  and  $j$  may be vectors of integers, in which case multiple elements are returned (as a matrix).
- `@t` ..... transpose of the matrix.

**Matrix Examples**

The following assignment statements create and initialize matrix objects,

```
matrix copymat=results
matrix covmat1=eql.@coefcov
matrix(5,2) count
count.fill 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10
```

as does the equation procedure:

```
eql.makecoefcov covmat2
```

You can declare and initialize a matrix in one command:

```
matrix(10,30) results=3
matrix(5,5) other=results1
```

Graphs and covariances may be generated for the columns of the matrix,

```
copymat.line
copymat.cov
```

and statistics computed for the rows of a matrix:

```
matrix rowmat=@transpose(copymat)
rowmat.stats
```

You can use explicit indices to refer to matrix elements:

```
scalar diagsum=cov1(1,1)+cov1(2,2)+cov(3,3)
```

## Matrix Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the “Matrix” object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|     |                              |
|-----|------------------------------|
| cor | <a href="#">Matrix Views</a> |
|-----|------------------------------|

Compute covariances, correlations, and other measures of association for the columns in a matrix.

You may compute measures related to Pearson product-moment (ordinary) covariances and correlations, Spearman rank covariances, or Kendall’s tau along with test statistics for evaluating whether the correlations are equal to zero.

### Syntax

```
matrix_name.cor(options) [keywords [@partial z1 z2 z3...]]
```

You should specify keywords indicating the statistics you wish to display from the list below, optionally followed by the keyword `@partial` and the name of a conditioning matrix. The columns should contain the conditioning variables, and the number of rows should match the original matrix.

You may specify keywords from one of the four sets (Pearson correlation, Spearman correlation, Kendall’s tau, Uncentered Pearson) corresponding the computational method you wish to employ. (You may not select keywords from more than one set.)

If you do not specify *keywords*, EViews will assume “corr” and compute the Pearson correlation matrix. Note that `Matrix::cor` is equivalent to the [Matrix::cov \(p. 346\)](#) command with a different default setting.

### Pearson Correlation

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| cov   | Product moment covariance.  |
| corr  | Product moment correlation.   |
| sscp  | Sums-of-squared cross-products.   |
| stat  | Test statistic ( <i>t</i> -statistic) for evaluating whether the correlation is zero. |
| prob  | Probability under the null for the test statistic.                                    |
| cases | Number of cases.  |

|      |                         |
|------|-------------------------|
| obs  | Number of observations. |
| wgts | Sum of the weights.     |

*Spearman Rank Correlation*

|       |  |
|-------|--|
| rcov  | Spearman's rank covariance.  |
| rcorr | Spearman's rank correlation.   |
| rsscp | Sums-of-squared cross-products.  |
| rstat | Test statistic ( $t$ -statistic) for evaluating whether the correlation is zero. |
| rprob | Probability under the null for the test statistic.                               |
| cases | Number of cases.   |
| obs   | Number of observations.  |
| wgts  | Sum of the weights.  |

*Kendall's tau*

|         |   |
|---------|---|
| taub    | Kendall's tau-b.  |
| taua    | Kendall's tau-a.  |
| taucd   | Kendall's concordances and discordances.  |
| taustat | Kendall's score statistic for evaluating whether the Kendall's tau-b measure is zero. |
| tauprob | Probability under the null for the score statistic.                                   |
| cases   | Number of cases.  |
| obs     | Number of observations.   |
| wgts    | Sum of the weights.   |

*Uncentered Pearson*

|       |  |
|-------|--|
| ucov  | Product moment covariance.   |
| ucorr | Product moment correlation.  |
| usscp | Sums-of-squared cross-products.  |
| ustat | Test statistic ( $t$ -statistic) for evaluating whether the correlation is zero. |
| uprob | Probability under the null for the test statistic.                               |
| cases | Number of cases.   |

|                   |                         |
|-------------------|-------------------------|
| <code>obs</code>  | Number of observations. |
| <code>wgts</code> | Sum of the weights.     |

Note that `cases`, `obs`, and `wgts` are available for each of the methods.

## Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>wgt = name</code><br>(optional)                   | Name of vector containing weights. The number of rows of the weight vector should match the number of rows in the original matrix.   |
| <code>wgtmethod = arg</code><br>(default =<br>"sstdev") | Weighting method (when weights are specified using "weight ="): frequency ("freq"), inverse of variances ("var"), inverse of standard deviation ("stdev"), scaled inverse of variances ("svar"), scaled inverse of standard deviations ("sstdev").<br><br>Only applicable for ordinary (Pearson) calculations. Weights specified by "wgt =" are frequency weights for rank correlation and Kendall's tau calculations. |
| <code>pairwise</code>                                   | Compute using pairwise deletion of observations with missing cases (pairwise samples).   |
| <code>df</code>   | Compute covariances with a degree-of-freedom correction for the mean (for centered specifications), and any partial conditioning variables.  |
| <code>multi = arg</code><br>(default = "none")          | Adjustment to $p$ -values for multiple comparisons: none ("none"), Bonferroni ("bonferroni"), Dunn-Sidak ("dunn").   |
| <code>outfmt = arg</code><br>(default = "single")       | Output format: single table ("single"), multiple table ("mult"), list ("list"), spreadsheet ("sheet"). Note that "outfmt = sheet" is only applicable if you specify a single statistic keyword.  |
| <code>out = name</code>                                 | Basename for saving output. All results will be saved in Sym matrices named using keys ("COV", "CORR", "SSCP", "TAUA", "TAUB", "CONC" (Kendall's concurrences), "DISC" (Kendall's discordances), "CASES", "OBS", "WGTS") appended to the basename (e.g., the covariance specified by "out = my" is saved in the Sym matrix "MYCOV").   |
| <code>prompt</code>                                     | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>  | Print the result.  |

## Examples

```
mat1.cor
```

displays a  $3 \times 3$  Pearson correlation matrix for the columns series in MAT1.

```
mat1.cor corr stat prob
```

displays a table containing the Pearson correlation,  $t$ -statistic for testing for zero correlation, and associated  $p$ -value, for the columns in MAT1.

```
mat1.cor(pairwise) taub taustat tauprob
```

computes the Kendall's tau-b, score statistic, and  $p$ -value for the score statistic, using samples with pairwise missing value exclusion.

```
grp1.cor(out=aa) cov
```

computes the Pearson covariance for the columns in MAT1 and saves the results in the symmetric matrix object AACO.

Cross-references

See also [Matrix::cov](#) (p. 346). For simple forms of the calculation, see [@cor](#) (p. 616), and [@cov](#) (p. 616) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|     |                              |
|-----|------------------------------|
| COV | <a href="#">Matrix Views</a> |
|-----|------------------------------|

Compute covariances, correlations, and other measures of association for the columns in a matrix.

You may compute measures related to Pearson product-moment (ordinary) covariances and correlations, Spearman rank covariances, or Kendall's tau along with test statistics for evaluating whether the correlations are equal to zero.

Syntax

```
matrix_name.cov(options) [keywords [@partial z1 z2 z3...]]
```

You should specify keywords indicating the statistics you wish to display from the list below, optionally followed by the keyword `@partial` and the name of a conditioning matrix. The columns should contain the conditioning variables, and the number of rows should match the original matrix.

You may specify keywords from one of the four sets (Pearson correlation, Spearman correlation, Kendall's tau, Uncentered Pearson) corresponding the computational method you wish to employ. (You may not select keywords from more than one set.)

If you do not specify *keywords*, EViews will assume “cov” and compute the Pearson covariance matrix. Note that `Matrix::cov` is equivalent to the [Matrix::cor](#) (p. 343) command with a different default setting.

*Pearson Correlation*

|       |  |
|-------|--|
| cov   | Product moment covariance.   |
| corr  | Product moment correlation.  |
| sscp  | Sums-of-squared cross-products.  |
| stat  | Test statistic ( $t$ -statistic) for evaluating whether the correlation is zero. |
| prob  | Probability under the null for the test statistic.                               |
| cases | Number of cases.   |
| obs   | Number of observations.  |
| wgts  | Sum of the weights.  |

*Spearman Rank Correlation*

|       |  |
|-------|--|
| rcov  | Spearman's rank covariance.  |
| rcorr | Spearman's rank correlation.   |
| rsscp | Sums-of-squared cross-products.  |
| rstat | Test statistic ( $t$ -statistic) for evaluating whether the correlation is zero. |
| rprob | Probability under the null for the test statistic.                               |
| cases | Number of cases.   |
| obs   | Number of observations.  |
| wgts  | Sum of the weights.  |

*Kendall's tau*

|         |   |
|---------|---|
| taub    | Kendall's tau-b.  |
| taua    | Kendall's tau-a.  |
| taucd   | Kendall's concordances and discordances.  |
| taustat | Kendall's score statistic for evaluating whether the Kendall's tau-b measure is zero. |
| tauprob | Probability under the null for the score statistic.                                   |
| cases   | Number of cases.  |
| obs     | Number of observations.   |
| wgts    | Sum of the weights.   |



*Uncentered Pearson*

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| ucov  | Product moment covariance.  |
| ucorr | Product moment correlation.   |
| usscp | Sums-of-squared cross-products.   |
| ustat | Test statistic ( <i>t</i> -statistic) for evaluating whether the correlation is zero. |
| uprob | Probability under the null for the test statistic.                                    |
| cases | Number of cases.  |
| obs   | Number of observations.   |
| wgts  | Sum of the weights.   |

Note that `cases`, `obs`, and `wgts` are available for each of the methods.

**Options**

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>wgt = name</code><br>( <i>optional</i> )                  | Name of vector containing weights. The number of rows of the weight vector should match the number of rows in the original matrix.  |
| <code>wgtmethod = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> =<br>"sstdev") | Weighting method (when weights are specified using "weight = "): frequency ("freq"), inverse of variances ("var"), inverse of standard deviation ("stdev"), scaled inverse of variances ("svar"), scaled inverse of standard deviations ("sstdev").<br><br>Only applicable for ordinary (Pearson) calculations. Weights specified by "wgt =" are frequency weights for rank correlation and Kendall's tau calculations. |
| <code>pairwise</code>   | Compute using pairwise deletion of observations with missing cases (pairwise samples).  |
| <code>df</code>   | Compute covariances with a degree-of-freedom correction for the mean (for centered specifications), and any partial conditioning variables.   |
| <code>multi = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = "none")          | Adjustment to <i>p</i> -values for multiple comparisons: none ("none"), Bonferroni ("bonferroni"), Dunn-Sidak ("dunn").   |
| <code>outfmt = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> =<br>"single")    | Output format: single table ("single"), multiple table ("mult"), list ("list"), spreadsheet ("sheet"). Note that "outfmt = sheet" is only applicable if you specify a single statistic keyword.   |

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| <code>out = name</code> | Baseline for saving output. All results will be saved in Sym matrices named using keys (“COV”, “CORR”, “SSCP”, “TAUA”, “TAUB”, “CONC” (Kendall’s concurrences), “DISC” (Kendall’s discordances), “CASES”, “OBS”, “WGTS”) appended to the basename ( <i>e.g.</i> , the covariance specified by “out = my” is saved in the Sym matrix “MYCOV”). |
| <code>prompt</code>     | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>          | Print the result.   |

## Examples

```
mat1.cov
```

displays a  $3 \times 3$  Pearson covariance matrix for the columns series in MAT1.

```
mat1.cov corr stat prob
```

displays a table containing the Pearson covariance, *t*-statistic for testing for zero correlation, and associated *p*-value, for the columns in MAT1.

```
mat1.cov(pairwise) taub taustat tauprob
```

computes the Kendall’s tau-b, score statistic, and *p*-value for the score statistic, using samples with pairwise missing value exclusion.

```
mat1.cov(out=aa) cov
```

computes the Pearson covariance for the columns in MAT1 and saves the results in the symmetric matrix object AACO.

## Cross-references

See also [Matrix::cor](#) (p. 343). For simple forms of the calculation, see [@cor](#) (p. 616), and [@cov](#) (p. 616) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| display | <a href="#">Matrix Views</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Display table, graph, or spool output in the matrix object window.

Display the contents of a table, graph, or spool in the window of the matrix object.

## Syntax

```
matrix_name.display object_name
```

Examples

```
matrix1.display tab1
```

Display the contents of the table TAB1 in the window of the object MATRIX1.

Cross-references

Most often used in constructing an EViews Add-in. See [“Custom Object Output” on page 192](#) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|             |                              |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">Matrix Procs</a> |
|-------------|------------------------------|

Display names for matrix objects.

Attaches a display name to a matrix object which may be used to label output in place of the standard matrix object name.

Syntax

```
matrix_name.displayname display_name
```

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain a variety of characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in matrix object names.

Examples

```
m1.displayname Hours Worked
m1.label
```

The first line attaches a display name “Hours Worked” to the matrix object M1, and the second line displays the label view of M1, including its display name.

Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names.

See also [Matrix::label \(p. 351\)](#).

|      |                              |
|------|------------------------------|
| fill | <a href="#">Matrix Procs</a> |
|------|------------------------------|

Fill a matrix object with specified values.

Syntax

```
matrix_name.fill(options) n1[, n2, n3 ...]
```

Follow the keyword with a list of values to place in the matrix object. *Each value should be separated by a comma.*

Running out of values before the object is completely filled is not an error; the remaining cells or observations will be unaffected, unless the “l” option is specified. If, however, you list more values than the object can hold, EViews will not modify any observations and will return an error message.

Options

|                              |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| l                            | Loop repeatedly over the list of values as many times as it takes to fill the object. |
| o = integer<br>(default = 1) | Fill the object from the specified element. Default is the first element.             |
| b = arg<br>(default = “c”)   | Matrix fill order: “c” (fill the matrix by column), “r” (fill the matrix by row).     |

Examples

The commands,

```
matrix(2,2) m1
matrix(2,2) m2
m1.fill 1, 0, 1, 2
m2.fill(b=r) 1, 0, 1, 2
```

create the matrices:

$$m1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad m2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(1.1)

Cross-references

See [Chapter 11. “Matrix Language,” on page 239](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference* for a detailed discussion of vector and matrix manipulation in EViews.

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| label | <a href="#">Matrix Views   Matrix Procs</a> |
|-------|---|

Display or change the label view of a matrix, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

As a procedure, label changes the fields in the matrix label.

Syntax

```
matrix_name.label
matrix_name.label(options) [text]
```

Options

The first version of the command displays the label view of the matrix. The second version may be used to modify the label. Specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of M1 with “Data from CPS 1988 March File”:

```
m1.label(r)
m1.label(r) Data from CPS 1988 March File
```

To append additional remarks to M1, and then to print the label view:

```
m1.label(r) Log of hourly wage
m1.label(p)
```

To clear and then set the units field, use:

```
m1.label(u) Millions of bushels
```

Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.

See also [Matrix::displayname](#) (p. 350).

|          |                              |
|----------|------------------------------|
| makecomp | <a href="#">Matrix Procs</a> |
|----------|------------------------------|

Save the scores from a principal components analysis of the series in a group.

Syntax

```
group_name.makecomp(options) output_list
```

where the *output\_list* is a list of names identifying the saved components. EViews will save the first *k* components corresponding to the *k* elements in *output\_list*, up to the total number of series in the group.

## Options

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>scale = arg</code><br>(default = “normload”) | Diagonal matrix scaling of the loadings and the scores: normalize loadings (“normload”), normalize scores (“normscores”), symmetric weighting (“symmetric”), user-specified ( <i>arg</i> = <i>number</i> ). |
| <code>cpnorm</code>                                | Compute the normalization for the score so that cross-products match the target (by default, EViews chooses a normalization scale so that the moments of the scores match the target).                      |
| <code>eigval = vec_name</code>                     | Specify name of vector to hold the saved the eigenvalues in workfile.   |
| <code>eigvec = mat_name</code>                     | Specify name of matrix to hold the save the eigenvectors in workfile.   |
| <code>prompt</code>                                | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |

## Covariance Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>cov = arg</code><br>(default = “corr”)         | Covariance calculation method: ordinary (Pearson product moment) covariance (“cov”), ordinary correlation (“corr”), Spearman rank covariance (“rcov”), Spearman rank correlation (“rcorr”), uncentered ordinary correlation (“ucorr”). Note that Kendall’s tau measures are not valid methods.   |
| <code>wgt = name</code><br>(optional)                | Name of vector containing weights. The number of rows of the weight vector should match the number of rows in the original matrix.   |
| <code>wgtmethod = arg</code><br>(default = “sstdev”) | Weighting method: frequency (“freq”), inverse of variances (“var”), inverse of standard deviation (“stdev”), scaled inverse of variances (“svar”), scaled inverse of standard deviations (“sstdev”).<br><br>Only applicable for ordinary (Pearson) calculations where “weights = ” is specified. Weights for rank correlation and Kendall’s tau calculations are always frequency weights. |
| <code>pairwise</code>                                | Compute using pairwise deletion of observations with missing cases (pairwise samples).   |

|    |   |
|----|---|
| df | Compute covariances with a degree-of-freedom correction accounting for the mean (for centered specifications) and any partial conditioning variables.<br><br>The default behavior in these cases is to perform no adjustment (e.g. – compute sample covariance dividing by $n$ rather than $n - k$ ). |
|----|---|

Examples

```
grp1.makepcomp comp1 comp2 comp3
```

saves the first three principal components (in normalized loadings form) to the workfile. The components will have variances that are proportional to the eigenvalues.

```
grp1.makepcomp(scale=normscore) comp1 comp2 comp3
```

normalizes the scores so that the resulting series have variances that are equal to 1.

You may change the scaling for the normalized components so that the cross-products equal 1, using the `cpnorm` option:

```
grp1.makepcomp(scale=normscore, cpnorm) comp1 comp2 comp3
```

Cross-references

See “[Saving Component Scores](#),” beginning on page 511 of *User’s Guide I* for further discussion. See [Matrix::pcomp](#) (p. 355) for tools to display the principal components results for the matrix.

|        |                                    |
|--------|------------------------------------|
| matrix | <a href="#">Matrix Declaration</a> |
|--------|------------------------------------|

Declare and optionally initializes a matrix object.

Syntax

```
matrix(r, c) matrix_name[= assignment]
```

The `matrix` keyword is followed by the name you wish to give the matrix. `matrix` also takes an optional argument specifying the row  $r$  and column  $c$  dimension of the matrix. Once declared, matrices may be resized by repeating the `matrix` command using the original name.

You may combine matrix declaration and assignment. If there is no assignment statement, the matrix will initially be filled with zeros.

You should use `sym` for symmetric matrices.

Examples

```
matrix mom
```

declares a matrix named MOM with one element, initialized to zero.

```
matrix(3,6) coefs
```

declares a 3 by 6 matrix named COEFS, filled with zeros.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 11. “Matrix Language,” beginning on page 239](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference* for further discussion.

See [“Rowvector” \(p. 451\)](#) and [“Vector” \(p. 781\)](#) and [“Sym” \(p. 627\)](#) for full descriptions of the various matrix objects.

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| olepush | <a href="#">Matrix Procs</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

Syntax

```
matrix_name.olepush
```

Cross-references

See [“Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)” on page 729](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|       |                              |
|-------|------------------------------|
| pcomp | <a href="#">Matrix Views</a> |
|-------|------------------------------|

Principal components analysis of the columns in a matrix.

Syntax

There are two forms of the `pcomp` command. The first form, which applies when displaying eigenvalue table output or graphs of the ordered eigenvalues, has only options and no command argument.

```
matrix_name.pcomp(options)
```

The second form, which applies to the graphs of component loadings, component scores, and biplots, uses the optional argument to determine which components to plot. In this form:

```
matrix_name.pcomp(options) [graph_list]
```

where the *[graph\_list]* is an optional list of integers and/or vectors containing integers identifying the components to plot. Multiple pairs are handled using the method specified in the “mult = ” option.



If the list of component indices omitted, EViews will plot only first and second components. Note that the order of elements in the list matters; reversing the order of two indices reverses the axis on which each component is displayed.

## Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>out = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = "table") | <p>Output: table of eigenvalue and eigenvector results ("table"), graphs of ordered eigenvalues ("graph"), graph of the eigenvectors ("loadings"), graph of the component scores ("scores"), biplot of the loadings and scores ("biplot").</p> <p>Note: when specifying the eigenvalue graph ("out = graph"), the option keywords "scree" (scree graph), "diff" (difference in successive eigenvalues), and "cproport" (cumulative proportion of total variance) may be included to control the output. By default, EViews will display the scree graph. If you may one or more the three keywords, EViews will construct the graph using only the specified types.</p> |
| <code>n = integer</code>                              | <p>Maximum number of components to retain when presenting table ("out = table") or eigenvalue graph ("out = graph") results.</p> <p>The default is to set <i>n</i> to the number of variables.</p> <p>EViews will retain the minimum number satisfying any of: "n = ", "mineig = " or "cproport = ".</p>  |
| <code>mineig = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0)    | <p>Minimum eigenvalue threshold value: we retain components with eigenvalues that are greater than or equal to the threshold.</p> <p>EViews will retain the minimum number satisfying any of: "n = ", "mineig = " or "cproport = ".</p>   |
| <code>cproport = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 1)  | <p>Cumulative proportion threshold value: we retain <i>k</i>, the number of components required for the sum of the first <i>k</i> eigenvalues exceeds the specified value for the cumulative variance explained proportion.</p> <p>EViews will retain the minimum number satisfying any of: "n = ", "mineig = " or "cproport = ".</p>   |
| <code>eigval = vec_name</code>                        | <p>Specify name of vector to hold the saved the eigenvalues in workfile.</p>  |
| <code>eigvec = mat_name</code>                        | <p>Specify name of matrix to hold the save the eigenvectors in workfile.</p>  |
| <code>prompt</code>                                   | <p>Force the dialog to appear from within a program.</p>  |
| <code>p</code>  | <p>Print results.</p>   |

### Covariance Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>cov = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “cov”)          | Covariance calculation method: ordinary (Pearson product moment) covariance (“cov”), ordinary correlation (“corr”), Spearman rank covariance (“rcov”), Spearman rank correlation (“rcorr”), Kendall’s tau-b (“taub”), Kendall’s tau-a (“taua”), uncentered ordinary covariance (“ucov”), uncentered ordinary correlation (“ucorr”).  |
| <code>wgt = name</code><br>(optional)                        | Name of vector containing weights. The number of rows of the weight vector should match the number of rows in the original matrix.   |
| <code>wgtmethod = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “sstdev”) | Weighting method: frequency (“freq”), inverse of variances (“var”), inverse of standard deviation (“stdev”), scaled inverse of variances (“svar”), scaled inverse of standard deviations (“sstdev”).<br><br>Only applicable for ordinary (Pearson) calculations where “weights = ” is specified. Weights for rank correlation and Kendall’s tau calculations are always frequency weights. |
| <code>pairwise</code>  | Compute using pairwise deletion of observations with missing cases (pairwise samples).   |
| <code>df</code>  | Compute covariances with a degree-of-freedom correction accounting for the mean (for centered specifications) and any partial conditioning variables.<br><br>The default behavior in these cases is to perform no adjustment ( <i>e.g.</i> – compute sample covariance dividing by $n$ rather than $n - k$ ).  |

### Graph Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>scale = arg,</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “normload”) | Diagonal matrix scaling of the loadings and the scores: normalize loadings (“normload”), normalize scores (“normscores”), symmetric weighting (“symmetric”), user-specified ( <i>arg = number</i> ). |
| <code>mult = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “first”)      | Multiple series handling: plot first against remainder (“first”), plot as x-y pairs (“pair”), lower-triangular plot (“lt”).  |
| <code>nocenter</code>                                       | Do not center graphs around the origin. By <i>default</i> , EViews centers biplots around (0, 0).  |
| <code>labels = arg,</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “outlier”) | Observation labels for the scores: outliers only (“outlier”), all points (“all”), none (“none”).   |

|                                 |  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| <code>labelprob = number</code> | Probability value for determining whether a point is an outlier according to the chi-square tests based on the squared Mahalanbois distance between the observation and the sample means (when using the “labels = outlier” option). |
| <code>autoscale = arg</code>    | Scale factor applied to the automatically specified loadings when displaying both loadings and scores). The default is to let EViews auto-choose a scale or to specify “user-scale = ” to scale the original loadings.               |
| <code>userscale = arg</code>    | Scale factor applied to the original loadings when displaying both loadings and scores). The default is to let EViews auto-choose a scale, or to specify “autoscale = ” to scale the automatically scaled loadings.                  |
| <code>cpnorm</code>             | Compute the normalization for the score so that cross-products match the target (by default, EViews chooses a normalization scale so that the moments of the scores match the target).   |

## Examples

```
freeze(tab1) mat1.pcomp(method=corr, eigval=v1, eigvec=m1)
```

stores the table view of the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of MAT1 in a table object named TAB1, the eigenvalues in a vector named V1, and the eigenvectors in a matrix named M1.

```
mat1.pcomp(method=cov, out=graph)
```

displays the scree plot of the ordered eigenvalues computed from the covariance matrix.

```
mat1.pcomp(method=rcorr, out=biplot, scale=normscores)
```

displays a biplot where the scores are normalized to have variances that equal the eigenvalues of the Spearman correlation matrix computed for the series in MAT1.

## Cross-references

See “Principal Components” on page 504 of *User’s Guide I* for further discussion. See also “Covariance Analysis,” beginning on page 486 of *User’s Guide I* for discussion of the preliminary computation.

Note that this view analyzes the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of a covariance (or other association) matrix computed from the series in a group or the columns of a matrix. You may use `Sym::eigen` (p. 637) to examine the eigenvalues of a symmetric matrix.

**read**[Matrix Procs](#)

Import data from a foreign disk file into a matrix.

May be used to import data into an existing workfile from a text, Excel, or Lotus file on disk.

**Syntax**

```
matrix_name.read(options) [path/]file_name
```

You must supply the name of the source file. If you do not include the optional path specification, EViews will look for the file in the default directory. Path specifications may point to local or network drives. If the path specification contains a space, you may enclose the entire expression in double quotation marks.

**Options***File type options*

|              |                           |
|--------------|---------------------------|
| t = dat, txt | ASCII (plain text) files. |
| t = wk1, wk3 | Lotus spreadsheet files.  |
| t = xls      | Excel spreadsheet files.  |

If you do not specify the “*t*” option, EViews uses the file name extension to determine the file type. If you specify the “*t*” option, the file name extension will not be used to determine the file type.

*Options for ASCII text files*

|                                     |  |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| t                                   | Read data organized by column (transposed). Default is to read by row.   |
| na = <i>text</i>                    | Specify text for NAs. Default is “NA”.   |
| d = t                               | Treat tab as delimiter (note: you may specify multiple delimiter options). The <i>default</i> is “d = c” only. |
| d = c                               | Treat comma as delimiter.  |
| d = s                               | Treat space as delimiter.  |
| d = a                               | Treat alpha numeric characters as delimiter.   |
| custom = <i>symbol</i>              | Specify symbol/character to treat as delimiter.  |
| mult                                | Treat multiple delimiters as one.  |
| rect ( <i>default</i> ) /<br>norect | [Treat / Do not treat] file layout as rectangular.   |

|                                    |  |
|------------------------------------|--|
| <code>skipcol =<br/>integer</code> | Number of columns to skip. Must be used with the “ <i>rect</i> ” option.   |
| <code>skiprow =<br/>integer</code> | Number of rows to skip. Must be used with the “ <i>rect</i> ” option.  |
| <code>comment =<br/>symbol</code>  | Specify character/symbol to treat as comment sign. Everything to the right of the comment sign is ignored. Must be used with the “ <i>rect</i> ” option. |
| <code>singlequote</code>           | Strings are in single quotes, not double quotes.   |
| <code>dropstrings</code>           | Do not treat strings as NA; simply drop them.  |
| <code>negparen</code>              | Treat numbers in parentheses as negative numbers.  |
| <code>allowcomma</code>            | Allow commas in numbers (note that using commas as a delimiter takes precedence over this option).   |

#### *Options for spreadsheet (Lotus, Excel) files*

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>t</code>                                  | Read data organized by column (transposed). Default is to read by row. |
| <code>letter_number<br/>(default = “b2”)</code> | Coordinate of the upper-left cell containing data.                     |
| <code>s = sheet_name</code>                     | Sheet name for Excel 5–8 Workbooks.                                    |

### Examples

```
m1.read(t=dat, na=.) a:\mydat.raw
```

reads data into matrix M1 from an ASCII file MYDAT.RAW in the A: drive. The data in the file are listed by row, and the missing value NA is coded as a “.” (dot or period).

```
m1.read(t, a2, s=sheet3) cps88.xls
```

reads data into matrix M1 from an Excel file CPS88 in the default directory. The data are organized by column (transposed), the upper left data cell is A2, and the data is read from a sheet named SHEET3.

```
m2.read(a2, s=sheet2) "\\network\dr 1\cps91.xls"
```

reads the Excel file CPS91 into matrix M2 from the network drive specified in the path.

### Cross-references

See [“Importing Data” on page 129](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion and examples of importing data from external files.

See also [Matrix::write](#) (p. 366).

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| setattr | <a href="#">Matrix Procs</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

**Syntax**

```
alpha_name.setattr(attr) attr_value
```

Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the @attr data member.

**Examples**

```
a.setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

**Cross-references**

See [“Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View” on page 103](#) and [“Adding Your Own Label Attributes” on page 65](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

|              |                              |
|--------------|------------------------------|
| setcollabels | <a href="#">Matrix Procs</a> |
|--------------|------------------------------|

Set the column headers in a matrix object spreadsheet.

**Syntax**

```
matrix_name.setcollabels label1 label2 label3....
```

Follow the `setcollabels` command with a space delimited list of column headers. Note that each column heading should not contain spaces, unless it is enclosed in quotes. If you provide fewer labels than there are columns, EVIEWS will name the remaining columns C1, C2, etc...

**Examples**

```
mat1.setcollabels USA UK FRANCE
```

sets the column heading for the first column in matrix MAT1 to USA, the second to UK, and the third to FRANCE.

Cross-references

|           |                              |
|-----------|------------------------------|
| setformat | <a href="#">Matrix Procs</a> |
|-----------|------------------------------|

Set the display format for cells in a matrix object spreadsheet view.

Syntax

```
matrix_name.setformat format_arg
```

where *format\_arg* is a set of arguments used to specify format settings. If necessary, you should enclose the *format\_arg* in double quotes.

For matrices, `setformat` operates on all of the cells in the matrix.

To format numeric values, you should use one of the following format specifications:

|                      |                      |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| <i>g[.precision]</i> | significant digits   |
| <i>f[.precision]</i> | fixed decimal places |
| <i>c[.precision]</i> | fixed characters     |
| <i>e[.precision]</i> | scientific/float     |
| <i>p[.precision]</i> | percentage           |
| <i>r[.precision]</i> | fraction             |

To specify a format that groups digits into thousands using a comma separator, place a “t” after the format character. For example, to obtain a fixed number of decimal places with commas used to separate thousands, use “ft[.precision]”.

To use the period character to separate thousands and commas to denote decimal places, use “..” (two periods) when specifying the precision. For example, to obtain a fixed number of characters with a period used to separate thousands, use “ct[.precision]”.

If you wish to display negative numbers surrounded by parentheses (*i.e.*, display the number -37.2 as “(37.2)”), you should enclose the format string in “()” (*e.g.*, “f(.8)”).

Examples

To set the format for all cells in the matrix to fixed 5-digit precision, simply provide the format specification:

```
matrix1.setformat f.5
```

Other format specifications include:

```
matrix1.setformat f(.7)
matrix1.setformat e.5
```

Cross-references

See [Matrix::setWidth \(p. 365\)](#), [Matrix::setindent \(p. 363\)](#) and [Matrix::setjust \(p. 363\)](#) for details on setting spreadsheet widths, indentation and justification.

|           |                              |
|-----------|------------------------------|
| setindent | <a href="#">Matrix Procs</a> |
|-----------|------------------------------|

Set the display indentation for cells in a matrix object spreadsheet view.

Syntax

```
matrix_name.setindent indent_arg
```

where *indent\_arg* is an indent value specified in 1/5 of a width unit. The width unit is computed from representative characters in the default font for the current spreadsheet (the EViews spreadsheet default font at the time the spreadsheet was created), and corresponds roughly to a single character. Indentation is only relevant for non-center justified cells.

The default value is taken from the Global Defaults at the time the spreadsheet view is created.

For matrices, `setindent` operates on all of the cells in the matrix.

Examples

To set the indentation for all the cells in a matrix object:

```
matrix1.setindent 2
```

Cross-references

See [Matrix::setWidth \(p. 365\)](#) and [Matrix::setjust \(p. 363\)](#) for details on setting spreadsheet widths and justification.

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| setjust | <a href="#">Matrix Procs</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Set the display justification for cells in a matrix object spreadsheet view.

Syntax

```
matrix_name.setjust format_arg
```

where *format\_arg* is a set of arguments used to specify format settings. You should enclose the *format\_arg* in double quotes if it contains any spaces or delimiters.

For matrices, `setjust` operates on all of the cells in the matrix.

The *format\_arg* may be formed using the following:



|                                   |   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| top / middle /<br>bottom]         | Vertical justification setting.   |
| auto / left / cen-<br>ter / right | Horizontal justification setting. “Auto” uses left justifica-<br>tion for strings, and right for numbers. |

You may enter one or both of the justification settings. The default settings are taken from the Global Defaults for spreadsheet views.

Examples

```
mat1.setjust middle
```

sets the vertical justification to the middle.

```
mat1.setjust top left
```

sets the vertical justification to top and the horizontal justification to left.

Cross-references

See [Matrix::setWidth \(p. 365\)](#) and [Matrix::setindent \(p. 363\)](#) for details on setting spreadsheet widths and indentation.

|              |                              |
|--------------|------------------------------|
| setrowlabels | <a href="#">Matrix Procs</a> |
|--------------|------------------------------|

Set the row headers in a matrix object spreadsheet.

Syntax

```
matrix_name.setrowlabels label1 label2 label3....
```

Follow the `setrowlabels` command with a space delimited list of row headers. Note that each row heading should not contain spaces, unless it is enclosed in quotes. If you provide fewer labels than there are rows, EViews will name the remaining rows R1, R2, etc...

Examples

```
mat1.setrowlabels USA UK FRANCE
```

sets the row heading for the first row in matrix MAT1 to USA, the second to UK, and the third to FRANCE.

## Cross-references

|          |                              |
|----------|------------------------------|
| setwidth | <a href="#">Matrix Procs</a> |
|----------|------------------------------|

Set the column width for all columns in a matrix object spreadsheet.

### Syntax

```
matrix_name.setwidth width_arg
```

where *width\_arg* specifies the width unit value. The width unit is computed from representative characters in the default font for the current spreadsheet (the EViews spreadsheet default font at the time the spreadsheet was created), and corresponds roughly to a single character. *width\_arg* values may be non-integer values with resolution up to 1/10 of a width unit.

### Examples

```
mat1.setwidth 12
```

sets the width of all columns in matrix MAT1 to 12 width units.

## Cross-references

See [Matrix::setindent](#) (p. 363) and [Matrix::setjust](#) (p. 363) for details on setting spreadsheet indentation and justification.

|       |                              |
|-------|------------------------------|
| sheet | <a href="#">Matrix Views</a> |
|-------|------------------------------|

Spreadsheet view of a matrix object.

### Syntax

```
matrix_name.sheet(options)
```

### Options

|   |                             |
|---|-----------------------------|
| p | Print the spreadsheet view. |
|---|-----------------------------|

### Examples

```
mat1.sheet(p)
```

displays and prints the spreadsheet view of matrix MAT1.

|       |                              |
|-------|------------------------------|
| stats | <a href="#">Matrix Views</a> |
|-------|------------------------------|

**Descriptive statistics.**

Computes and displays a table of means, medians, maximum and minimum values, standard deviations, and other descriptive statistics of each column in the matrix.

**Syntax**

`matrix_name.stats(options)`

**Options**

|   |                        |
|---|------------------------|
| p | Print the stats table. |
|---|------------------------|

**Examples**

```
mat1.stats
```

displays the descriptive statistics view of matrix MAT1.

**Cross-references**

See [“Descriptive Statistics & Tests” on page 358](#) and [“Descriptive Statistics” on page 486](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of descriptive statistics views.

|       |                              |
|-------|------------------------------|
| write | <a href="#">Matrix Procs</a> |
|-------|------------------------------|

**Write EViews data to a text (ASCII), Excel, or Lotus file on disk.**

Creates a foreign format disk file containing EViews data. May be used to export EViews data to another program.

**Syntax**

`matrix_name.write(options) [path\filename]`

Follow the name of the matrix object by a period, the keyword, and the name for the output file. The optional path name may be on the local machine, or may point to a network drive. If the path name contains spaces, enclose the entire expression in double quotation marks. The entire matrix will be exported.

Note that EViews cannot, at present, write into an existing file. The file that you select will, if it exists, be replaced.

## Options

Options are specified in parentheses after the keyword and are used to specify the format of the output file.

### *File type*

|                           |                           |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| <code>t = dat, txt</code> | ASCII (plain text) files. |
| <code>t = wk1, wk3</code> | Lotus spreadsheet files.  |
| <code>t = xls</code>      | Excel spreadsheet files.  |

If you omit the “`t =`” option, EViews will determine the type based on the file extension. Unrecognized extensions will be treated as ASCII files. For Lotus and Excel spreadsheet files specified without the “`t =`” option, EViews will automatically append the appropriate extension if it is not otherwise specified.

### *ASCII text files*

|                          |   |
|--------------------------|---|
| <code>na = string</code> | Specify text string for NAs. Default is “NA”.                         |
| <code>d = arg</code>     | Specify delimiter ( <i>default</i> is tab): “s” (space), “c” (comma). |
| <code>t</code>           | Write by column (transpose the data). Default is to write by row.     |

### *Spreadsheet (Lotus, Excel) files*

|                            |   |
|----------------------------|---|
| <code>letter_number</code> | Coordinate of the upper-left cell containing data.                |
| <code>t</code>             | Write by column (transpose the data). Default is to write by row. |

## Examples

```
m1.write(t=txt,na=.) a:\dat1.csv
```

Writes the matrix M1 into an ASCII file named DAT1.CSV on the A: drive. NAs are coded as “.” (dot).

```
m1.write(t=txt,na=.) dat1.csv
```

writes the same file in the default directory.

```
m1.write(t=xls) "\\network\drive a\results"
```

saves the contents of M1 in an Excel file “Results.xls” in the specified directory.

## Cross-references

See [“Exporting to a Spreadsheet or Text File” on page 144](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion.

See also [Matrix::read](#) (p. 359).



## Model

Set of simultaneous equations used for forecasting and simulation.

### Model Declaration

**model**..... declare model object (p. 389).

Declare an object by entering the keyword `model`, followed by a name:

```
model mymod
```

declares an empty model named MYMOD. To fill MYMOD, open the model and edit the specification view, or use the `append` view. Note that models are not used for estimation of unknown parameters.

See also the section on model keywords in “Text View” on page 650 of *User’s Guide II*.

### Model Views

**block**..... display model block structure (p. 377).

**display** ..... display table, graph, or spool in object window (p. 380).

**eqs** ..... view of model organized by equation (p. 382).

**label** ..... view or set label information for the model (p. 385).

**msg** ..... display model solution messages (p. 390).

**text** ..... show text showing equations in the model (p. 402).

**trace** ..... view of trace output from model solution (p. 402).

**vars** ..... view of model organized by variable (p. 404).

### Model Procs

**addassign** ..... assign add factors to equations (p. 373).

**addinit** ..... initialize add factors (p. 374).

**adjust** ..... prepare a variable for editing in the current scenario and/or update its values using an array expression (p. 375).

**append** ..... append a line of text to a model (p. 376).

**control** ..... solve for values of control variable so that target matches trajectory (p. 379).

**displayname** ..... set display name (p. 380).

**drop** ..... drop equations for one or more endogenous variables in the model (p. 381).

**droplink** ..... drop linked objects from the model (p. 381).

**exclude** ..... specifies (or merges) excluded series to the active scenario (p. 382).

**innov** ..... solve options for stochastic simulation (p. 384).

**label** ..... view or set label information for the model (p. 385).

**makegraph** ..... make graph object showing model series (p. 386).

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|                          |  |
|--------------------------|--|
| <b>makegroup</b> .....   | make group out of model series and display dated data table (p. 387).  |
| <b>merge</b> .....       | merge objects into the model (p. 389).   |
| <b>olepush</b> .....     | push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 390).  |
| <b>override</b> .....    | specifies (or merges) override series to the active scenario (p. 391).                                       |
| <b>reinclude</b> .....   | removes one or more variables from the excluded variable list (p. 391).                                      |
| <b>replace</b> .....     | replace the text specification for an endogenous variable in the model with a new specification (p. 391).    |
| <b>replacelink</b> ..... | replace a linked object with a different linked object (p. 393).   |
| <b>replacevar</b> .....  | replace all instances of a variable in the text specification of a model with a different variable (p. 393). |
| <b>revert</b> .....      | revert one or more overridden variables in the active scenario back to baseline values (p. 394).             |
| <b>scenario</b> .....    | set the active, alternate, or comparison scenario (p. 395).  |
| <b>setattr</b> .....     | set the value of an object attribute (p. 396).   |
| <b>settrace</b> .....    | specify the endogenous variables to be traced when solving the model (p. 397).                               |
| <b>solve</b> .....       | solve the model (p. 398).  |
| <b>solveopt</b> .....    | set solve options for model (p. 399).  |
| <b>spec</b> .....        | display the text specification view (p. 400).  |
| <b>stochastic</b> .....  | stochastic solution options (p. 401).  |
| <b>trace</b> .....       | specify endogenous variables to trace (p. 402).  |
| <b>track</b> .....       | specify endogenous variables to track (p. 403).  |
| <b>unlink</b> .....      | break links in specification (p. 403).   |
| <b>update</b> .....      | update model specification (p. 404).   |

## Model Data Members

### *String values*

|                            |  |
|----------------------------|--|
| <b>@attr("arg")</b> .....  | string containing the value of the <i>arg</i> attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.   |
| <b>@description</b> .....  | string containing the Model object's description (if available).   |
| <b>@detailedtype</b> ..... | string with the object type: "MODEL".  |
| <b>@displayname</b> .....  | string containing the Model object's display name. If the Model has no display name set, the name is returned. |
| <b>@linklist</b> .....     | string containing space delimited list of all linked objects in the model                                      |
| <b>@name</b> .....         | string containing the Model object's name.   |
| <b>@remarks</b> .....      | string containing the Model object's remarks (if available).   |
| <b>@source</b> .....       | string containing the Model object's source (if available).  |



- `@spec("variable")` string containing the equation specification for the specified endogenous variable.
- `@type .....` string with the object type: "MODEL".
- `@units .....` string containing the Model object's units description (if available).
- `@updatetime .....` string representation of the time and date at which the Model was last updated.

#### *String values for Model variables*

- `@addfactors[("scenario")]` or `@alist[("scenario")]` string containing a space delimited list of the model's addfactor variables for the specified scenario (default is Actuals).
- `@endoglist[("scenario")]` string containing a space delimited list of the model's endogenous variables for the specified scenario (default is Actuals).
- `@exoglist[("scenario")]` string containing a space delimited list of the model's exogenous variables for the specified scenario (default is Actuals).
- `@overrides[("scenario")]` or `@olist[("scenario")]` string containing a space delimited list of the model's variables set as overrides for the specified scenario (default is Actuals).
- `@varlist[("scenario")].....` string containing a space delimited list of all the model's variables for the specified scenario (default is Actuals).

In addition to a scenario name, you may specify "`@active`" (in quotes) to specify the current active scenario or "`@alternate`" to specify the current alternative scenario.

## Model Examples

The commands:

```
model mod1
mod1.append y=324.35+x
mod1.append x=-234+7.3*z
mod1.solve(m=100,c=.008)
```

create, specify, and solve the model MOD1.

The command:

```
mod1(g).makegraph gr1 x y z
```

plots the endogenous series X, Y, and Z, in the active scenario for model MOD1.

## Model Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the "Model" object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|           |                             |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| addassign | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|-----------|-----------------------------|

Assign add factors to equations.

Syntax

```
model_name.addassign(options) equation_spec
```

where *equation\_spec* identifies the equations for which you wish to assign add factors. You may either provide a list of endogenous variables, or you can use one of the following short-hand keywords:

|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| @all        | All equations.                            |
| @stochastic | All stochastic equations (no identities). |
| @identity   | All identities.                           |

The options identify the type of add factor to be used, and control the assignment behavior for equations where you have previously assigned add factors. `addassign` may be called multiple times to add different types of add factors to different equations. `addassign` may also be called to remove existing add factors.

Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| i | Intercept shifts (default).  |
| v | Variable shift.  |
| n | None—remove add factors.   |
| c | Change existing add factors to the specified type—if the “c” option is not used, only newly assigned add factors will be given the specified type. |

Examples

```
m1.addassign(v) @all
```

assigns a variable shift to all equations in the model.

```
m1.addassign(c, i) @stochastic
```

changes the stochastic equation add factors to intercept shifts.

```
m1.addassign(v) @stochastic
m1.addassign(v) y1 y2 y2
m1.addassign(i) @identity
```

assigns variable shifts to the stochastic equations and the equations for Y1, Y2, and Y3, and assigns intercept shifts to the identities.

Cross-references

See [“Using Add Factors” on page 654](#) of *User’s Guide II*. See also [Chapter 20. “Models,” beginning on page 627](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a general discussion of models.

See `Model::addinit` (p. 374).

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| addinit | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Initialize add factors.

Syntax

`model_name.addinit(options) equation_spec`

where *equation\_spec* identifies the equations for which you wish to initialize the add factors. You may either provide a list of endogenous variables, or you may use one of the following shorthand keywords:

|                          |  |
|--------------------------|--|
| <code>@all</code>        | All equations                            |
| <code>@stochastic</code> | All stochastic equations (no identities) |
| <code>@identity</code>   | All identities                           |

The options control the type of initialization and the scenario for which you want to perform the initialization. `addinit` may be called multiple times to initialize various types of add factors in the different scenarios.

Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>v = arg</code><br><code>(default = “z”)</code> | Initialize add factors: “z” (set add factor values to zero), “n” (set add factor values so that the equation has no residual when evaluated at actuals), “b” (set add factors to the values of the baseline; <code>override = actual</code> ). |
| <code>s = arg</code><br><code>(default = “a”)</code> | Scenario selection: “a” (set active scenario add factors), “b” (set baseline scenario/actuals add factors), “o” (set active scenario override add factors).  |

Examples

```
m1.addinit(v=b) @all
```

sets all of the add factors in the active scenario to the values of the baseline.

```
m1.addinit(v=z) @stochastic
```

```
m1.addinit(v=n) y1 y1 y2
```

first sets the active scenario stochastic equation add factors to zero, and then sets the Y1, Y2, and Y3 equation residuals to zero (evaluated at actuals).

```
m1.addinit(s=b, v=z) @stochastic
```

sets the baseline scenario add factors to zero.

## Cross-references

See [“Using Add Factors” on page 654](#) of *User’s Guide II*. See also [Chapter 20. “Models,” on page 627](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a general discussion of models.

See also [Model::addassign \(p. 373\)](#).

|        |                             |
|--------|-----------------------------|
| adjust | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|--------|-----------------------------|

Prepare a variable for editing in the current scenario and/or update its values using an array expression.

## Syntax

```
model_name.adjust(options) ser [array expression]...
```

The adjust proc allows you to adjust the values of the series *ser* in the current scenario. If the series is an exogenous variable, it will be added to the override list. If the series is an endogenous variable it will be added to both the excluded list and the override list.

If an array expression is provided, the overridden series will be modified according to the expression specification. Note that a transform may optionally be provided as part of the variable name using the syntax: `transform(varname)`.

If you use an array expression which applies an operator to existing series values the overridden series must already exist in the workfile, unless the *init* option is used.

## Options

|                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| <code>init[ = scenario]</code> | Initialize the overridden variable with values from the specified scenario before applying any adjustment. If no scenario name is provided, the variable is initialized with values from the base scenario. |
|--------------------------------|---|

## Examples

```
mod1.adjust gdp
```

simply sets the variable GDP as an overridden variable in the current scenario. If GDP is endogenous, it is also added to the exclude list.

```
mod1.scenario(a=_1) "sim1"  
mod1.adjust gdp =+10
```

sets the current scenario as “SIM1”, with an alias of `_1`, and then overrides the variable GDP, setting the override series, `GDP_1`, equal to the previous values in `GDP_1` plus 10.

```
mod1.scenario(a=_1) "sim1"  
mod1.adjust(init="sim2") gdp =+10
```

performs the same operation, but rather than using the previous values in `GDP_1` for the array expression, the values in `GDP_2` (corresponding to the scenario `SIM2`) are used.

### Cross-references

See [Chapter 20. “Models,” on page 627](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of specifying and solving models in EViews. See also, the discussion in [“Specifying Scenarios” on page 651](#) of *User’s Guide II*.

See [Model::scenario \(p. 395\)](#) and [Model::compare \(p. 378\)](#).

|        |                             |
|--------|-----------------------------|
| append | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|--------|-----------------------------|

Append a specification line to a model.

### Syntax

```
model_name.append text
```

Type the text to be added after the `append` keyword.

### Examples

```
model macro2  
macro2.merge eq_m1  
macro2.merge eq_gdp  
macro2.append assign @all f  
macro1.append @trace gdp  
macro2.solve
```

The first line declares a model object. The second and third lines merge existing equations into the model. The fourth and fifth line appends an assign statement and a trace of GDP to the model. The last line solves the model.

### Cross-references

For details, see [“Models” on page 627](#) of *User’s Guide II*.

|       |                             |
|-------|-----------------------------|
| block | <a href="#">Model Views</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------|

Display the model block structure view.

Show the block structure of the model, identifying which blocks are recursive and which blocks are simultaneous.

### Syntax

```
model_name.block(options)
```

### Options

|   |                                 |
|---|---------------------------------|
| p | Print the block structure view. |
|---|---------------------------------|

### Cross-references

See “[Block Structure View](#)” on [page 649](#) of *User’s Guide II* for details. [Chapter 20. “Models,”](#) on [page 627](#) of *User’s Guide II* provides a general discussion of models.

See also [Model::eqs](#) ([p. 382](#)), [Model::text](#) ([p. 402](#)) and [Model::vars](#) ([p. 404](#)) for alternative representations of the model.

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| compare | <a href="#">Model Views</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Produce a table showing the differences between scenarios for the specified series.

Syntax

```
model_name.compare(options) model_vars
```

The compare view allows you to quickly compare the results from different scenarios (or the actual values) following a model solve. By default the output table will show any of the series specified in *model\_vars* whose difference between the current active and comparison scenarios exceeds a specified tolerance. You may optionally use the “patt = ” option to specify a separate set of comparison series from those in the current comparison scenario.

The list of *model\_vars* may include the following special keywords:

|            |   |
|------------|---|
| @all       | All model variables.                          |
| @endog     | All endogenous model variables.               |
| @exog      | All exogenous model variables.                |
| @addfactor | All add factor variables in the model.        |
| @overrides | All currently overridden exogenous variables  |
| @excludes  | All currently overridden endogenous variables |

Options

|                           |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| tol = <i>num</i>          | Set the tolerance level for comparing the series. Any differences below the tolerance will not be reported. Default value is 0.001.  |
| patt = " <i>pattern</i> " | Set the comparison set of series. Without this option, EViews will build the comparison set based upon the current comparison scenario. This option allows you to select a different set of series using pattern matching. <i>pattern</i> should contain an * to represent the variable names given in <i>model_vars</i> . |

Examples

```
mod1.scenario(a="_0") "scenario0"
mod1.scenario(c, a="_1") "scenario1"
mod1.solve(a=t)
mod1.compare gdp unemp infl
```

The first two lines of this example set the current active scenario “Scenario0”, and set the comparison scenario to “Scenario1”, with a name alias of “\_1”. The model is then solved for both scenarios. The `compare` command is used to produce a table detailing the differences between the two scenarios for the three variables GDP, UNEMP and INFL. Any differences between the solved series GDP\_0 and GDP\_1, UNEMP\_0 and UNEMP\_1 or INFL\_0 and INFL\_1 greater than 0.001 will be shown in the table.

```
mod1.compare(tol=0.00001) gdp unemp infl
```

produces the same table, but uses a lower tolerance rate (of 0.00001).

```
mod1.compare @endog
```

produces a table comparing all endogenous variables in the model, not just GDP, UNEMP and INFL.

```
mod1.compare(patt="*_2") gdp unemp infl
```

produces a table that compares GDP\_0 with GDP\_2, UNEMP\_0 with UNEMP\_2 and INFL\_0 with INFL\_2, even though the current comparison scenario is still “Scenario1”.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 20. “Models,” on page 627](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of specifying and solving models in EViews. See also, the discussion in [“Specifying Scenarios” on page 651](#) of *User’s Guide II*.

See [Model::scenario \(p. 395\)](#) and [Model::adjust \(p. 375\)](#).

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| control | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Solve for values of control variable so that the target series matches a trajectory.

Syntax

```
model_name.control control_var target_var trajectory
```

Specify the name of the control variable, followed by the target variable, and then the trajectory you wish to achieve for the target variable. EViews will solve for the values of the control so that the target equals the trajectory over the current workfile sample.

Examples

```
m1.control myvar targetvar trajvar
```

will put into MYVAR the values that lead the solution of the model for TARGETVAR to match TRAJVAR for the workfile sample.



### Cross-references

See [“Solve Control for Target” on page 674](#) of *User’s Guide II*. See [Chapter 20. “Models,” on page 627](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a general discussion of models.

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| display | <a href="#">Model Views</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Display table, graph, or spool output in the model object window.

Display the contents of a table, graph, or spool in the window of the model object.

### Syntax

```
model_name.display object_name
```

### Examples

```
modell1.display tabl
```

Display the contents of the table TAB1 in the window of the object MODEL1.

### Cross-references

Most often used in constructing an EViews Add-in. See [“Custom Object Output” on page 192](#) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|             |                             |
|-------------|-----------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|-------------|-----------------------------|

Display name for model objects.

Attaches a display name to a model object which may be used in place of the standard model object name.

### Syntax

```
model_name.displayname display_name
```

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain a variety of characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in model object names.

### Examples

```
mod1.displayname Sept 2006
mod1.label
```

The first line attaches a display name “Sept 2006” to the model object MOD1, and the second line displays the label view of MOD1, including its display name.

Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names.

See also `Model::label` (p. 385).

|      |                             |
|------|-----------------------------|
| drop | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|------|-----------------------------|

Drop equations for one or more endogenous variables in the model.

Syntax

```
model_name.drop(options) var_list
```

Where *var\_list* is a space delimited list of variables whose equations will be dropped from the model. By default if a variable is contained in a multi-equation object, such as a system, VAR or model, the entire object will be dropped, which will also drop the specification for the other variables defined in that object.

Options

|        |                                    |
|--------|------------------------------------|
| nomult | Do not drop multi-equation objects |
| noerr  | Suppress variable not found errors |

Examples

```
m1.drop gdp
```

will drop the equation/object which has GDP as a dependent variable from the model M1.

```
m2.drop(nomult) gdp unemp
```

will drop the equations which have GDP or UNEMP as dependent variables. Systems, VARs, models, etc... will not be dropped.

Cross-references

|          |                             |
|----------|-----------------------------|
| droplink | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|----------|-----------------------------|

Drop linked objects from the model.

Syntax

```
model_name.droplink(options) obj_list
```

Where *obj\_list* is a space delimited list of objects to be dropped from the model.

Options

|       |                                       |
|-------|---------------------------------------|
| noerr | Suppress object link not found errors |
|-------|---------------------------------------|

Examples

```
m1.droplink eq1 mod1
```

will drop the equation EQ1 and the model MOD1 from the model M1.

Cross-references

|       |                             |
|-------|-----------------------------|
| endog | <a href="#">Model Views</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------|

Note that `endog` and `makeendog` are no longer supported for model objects. See instead, [Model::makegroup \(p. 387\)](#).

|     |                             |
|-----|-----------------------------|
| eqs | <a href="#">Model Views</a> |
|-----|-----------------------------|

**View of model organized by equation.**

Lists the equations in the model. This view also allows you to identify which equations are entered by text, or by link, and to access and modify the equation specifications.

Syntax

```
model_name.eqs
```

Cross-references

See “[Equation View](#)” on [page 647](#) of *User’s Guide II* for details. See [Chapter 20. “Models,” on page 627](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a general discussion of models.

See also [Model::block \(p. 377\)](#), [Model::text \(p. 402\)](#), and [Model::vars \(p. 404\)](#) for alternative representations of the model.

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| exclude | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

**Specifies (or merges) excluded endogenous variables in the active scenario.**

Syntax

```
model_name.exclude(options) ser1(smpl) ser2(smpl) ...
```

Follow the `exclude` keyword with the argument list containing the endogenous variables you wish to exclude from the solution, along with an optional sample for exclusion. If a sample is not provided, the variable will be excluded for the entire solution sample.

## Options

|                             |  |
|-----------------------------|--|
| <code>m</code>              | Merge into instead of replace the existing exclude list.   |
| <code>actexist = arg</code> | <code>arg</code> may be “t” (true) or “f” (false). When true, EViews will exclude periods for all endogenous variables where values of the actuals exist. (Applies to all endogenous variables, not just those explicitly listed in the proc.) |
| <code>r</code>              | Re-include a variable (drop from the exclude list).  |

## Examples

```
mod1.exclude fedfunds govexp("1990:01 1995:02")
```

will create an exclude list containing the variables FEDFUNDS and GOVEXP. FEDFUNDS will be excluded for the entire solution sample, while GOVEXP will only be excluded for the specified sample.

If you then issue the command:

```
mod1.exclude govexp
```

EViews will replace the original exclude list with one containing only GOVEXP. To add excludes to an existing list, use the “m” option:

```
mod1.exclude govexp
```

The excluded list now contains both GOVEXP and FEDFUNDS.

```
mod1.exclude(actexist=t,m)
```

instructs EViews to keep all existing excludes (the “m” option) in the current active scenario and in addition to exclude all endogenous variables in periods where actuals exist.

## Cross-references

See the discussion in [“Specifying Scenarios” on page 651](#) of *User’s Guide II*.

See also [Model::override \(p. 391\)](#), [Model::reinclude \(p. 391\)](#), and [Model::solveopt \(p. 399\)](#).

|       |                             |
|-------|-----------------------------|
| innov | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------|

Solve options for stochastic simulation.

Syntax

```
model_name.innov var1 option [var2 option, var3 option, ...]
```

Follow the `innov` keyword with a list of model variables and options. If the variable is an endogenous variable (or add factor), it identifies a model equation and will use different options than an exogenous variable.

Options

*Options for endogenous variables*

|                     |  |
|---------------------|--|
| “i” or “identity”   | Specifies that the equation is an identity in stochastic solution.   |
| “s” or “stochastic” | Specifies that the equation is stochastic with unknown innovation variance in stochastic solution. Note: if a value has been previously specified in the <i>positive_num</i> option, it will be kept.  |
| <i>positive_num</i> | Specifies that the equation is stochastic with an equation innovation standard error equal to the positive number <i>positive_num</i> . Note: the innovation standard error is only relevant when used with the <code>Model::stochastic</code> command, with the “v = t” option set. |

*Options for exogenous variables*

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| <i>number</i> | <i>number</i> specifies the forecast standard error of the exogenous variable. You may use “NA” to specify an unknown (or zero) forecast error. |
|---------------|---|

Examples

```
usmacro.innov gdp i
```

specifies that the endogenous variable GDP be treated as an identity in stochastic solution.

```
model01.innov cons 5600 gdp i cpi s
```

indicates that the endogenous variable CONS is stochastic with standard error equal to 5600, GDP is an identity, and CPI is stochastic with unknown innovation variance.

```
model01.innov govexp 12210
```

specifies that the forecast standard error of the exogenous variable GOVEXP is 12210.

## Cross-references

See the discussion in [“Stochastic Options”](#) on page 664 of *User’s Guide II*.

See also [Model::model](#) (p. 389), [Model::stochastic](#) (p. 401), and [Model::solve](#) (p. 398).

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| label | <a href="#">Model Views   Model Procs</a> |
|-------|---|

Display or change the label view of a model object, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

As a procedure, `label` changes the fields in the model object label.

## Syntax

```
model_name.label
model_name.label(options) [text]
```

## Options

The first version of the command displays the label view of the model. The second version may be used to modify the label. Specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

## Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of M1 with “Data from CPS 1988 March File”:

```
m1.label(r)
m1.label(r) Data from CPS 1988 March File
```

To append additional remarks to M1, and then to print the label view:

```
m1.label(r) Log of hourly wage
m1.label(p)
```

To clear and then set the units field, use:

```
m1.label(u) Millions of bushels
```

### Cross-references

See “Labeling Objects” on page 102 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.

See also `Model::displayname` (p. 380).

|           |                             |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| makeendog | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|-----------|-----------------------------|

Note that in `endog` and `makeendog` are no longer supported for model objects. See instead, `Model::makegroup` (p. 387).

|           |                             |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| makegraph | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|-----------|-----------------------------|

Make graph object showing model series.

### Syntax

`model_name.makegraph(options) graph_name model_vars`

where *graph\_name* is the name of the resulting graph object, and *models\_vars* are the names of the series. The list of *model\_vars* may include the following special keywords:

|            |   |
|------------|---|
| @all       | All model variables.                          |
| @endog     | All endogenous model variables.               |
| @exog      | All exogenous model variables.                |
| @addfactor | All add factor variables in the model.        |
| @overrides | All currently overridden exogenous variables  |
| @excludes  | All currently overridden endogenous variables |

### Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| a | Include actuals.   |
| c | Include comparison scenarios.  |
| d | Include deviations.  |
| n | Do not include active scenario (by default the active scenario is included). |

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>t = trans_type</code><br>(default = level) | Transformation type: “level” (display levels in graph, “pch” (display percent change in graph), “pcha” (display percent change - annual rates - in graph), “pchy” (display 1-year percent change in graph), “dif” (display 1-period differences in graph), “dify” (display 1-year differences in graph). |
| <code>s = sol_type</code><br>(default = “d”)     | Solution type: “d” (deterministic), “m” (mean of stochastic), “s” (mean and $\pm 2$ std. dev. of stochastic), “b” (mean and confidence bounds of stochastic).  |
| <code>g = grouping</code><br>(default = “v”)     | Grouping setting for graphs: “v” (group series in graph by model variable), “s” (group series in graph by scenario), “u” (ungrouped - each series in its own graph).   |

Examples

```
mod1.makegraph(a) gr1 y1 y2 y3
```

creates a graph containing the model series Y1, Y2, and Y3 in the active scenario and the actual Y1, Y2, and Y3.

```
mod1.makegraph(a,t=pchy) gr1 y1 y2 y3
```

plots the same graph, but with data displayed as 1-year percent changes.

Cross-references

See “[Displaying Data](#)” on page 676 of *User’s Guide II* for details. See [Chapter 20. “Models,”](#) on page 627 of *User’s Guide II* for a general discussion of models.

See [Model::makegroup](#) (p. 387).

|           |                             |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| makegroup | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|-----------|-----------------------------|

Make a group out of model series and display dated data table.

Syntax

```
model_name.makegroup(options) grp_name model_vars
```

The `makegroup` keyword should be followed by options, the name of the destination group, and the list of model variables to be created. The options control the choice of model series, and transformation and grouping features of the resulting dated data table view. The list of `model_vars` may include the following special keywords:

|                     |                                 |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| <code>@all</code>   | All model variables.            |
| <code>@endog</code> | All endogenous model variables. |



|            |   |
|------------|---|
| @exog      | All exogenous model variables.                |
| @addfactor | All add factor variables in the model.        |
| @overrides | All currently overridden exogenous variables  |
| @excludes  | All currently overridden endogenous variables |

Options

|                                   |   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| a                                 | Include actuals.  |
| c                                 | Include comparison scenarios.   |
| d                                 | Include deviations.   |
| r                                 | Include percentage deviations.  |
| n                                 | Do not include active scenario (by default the active scenario is included).  |
| t = arg<br>(default =<br>"level") | Transformation type: "level" (display levels), "pch" (percent change), "pcha" (display percent change - annual rates), "pchy" (display 1-year percent change), "dif" (display 1-period differences), "dify" (display 1-year differences). |
| s = arg<br>(default = "d")        | Solution type: "d" (deterministic), "m" (mean of stochastic), "s" (mean and $\pm 2$ std. dev. of stochastic), "b" (mean and confidence bounds of stochastic).   |
| g = arg<br>(default = "v")        | Grouping setting for graphs: "v" (group series in graph by model variable), "s" (group series in graph by scenario).  |

Examples

```
model1.makegroup(a,n) group1 @endog
```

places all of the actual endogenous series in the group GROUP1.

Cross-references

See [“Displaying Data” on page 676](#) of *User’s Guide II* for details. See [Chapter 20. “Models,” on page 627](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a general discussion of models.

See also [Model::makegraph \(p. 386\)](#).

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|-------|-----------------------------|
| merge | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------|

Merge equations from an estimated equation, model, pool, system, or var object.

If you supply only the object's name, EViews first searches the current workfile for the object containing the equation. If the object is not found, EViews looks in the default directory for an equation or pool file (.DBE). If you want to merge the equations from a system file (.DBS), a var file (.DBV), or a model file (.DBL), include the extension in the command and an optional path when merging files. You must merge objects to a model one at a time; `merge` appends the object to the equations already existing in the model.

### Syntax

`model_name.merge(options) object_name`

Follow the keyword with a name of an object containing estimated equation(s) to merge.

### Options

|   |                           |
|---|---------------------------|
| t | Merge an ASCII text file. |
|---|---------------------------|

### Examples

```
eq1.makemodel(mod1)
mod1.merge eq2
mod1.merge(t) c:\data\test.txt
```

The first line makes a model named MOD1 from EQ1. The second line merges (appends) EQ2 to MOD1 and the third line further merges (appends) the text file TEST from the specified directory.

|       |                                   |
|-------|-----------------------------------|
| model | <a href="#">Model Declaration</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------------|

Declare a model object.

### Syntax

`model model_name`

The keyword `model` should be followed by a name for the model. To fill the model, you may use [Model::append](#) (p. 376) or [Model::merge](#) (p. 389).

### Examples

```
model macro
macro.append cs = 10+0.8*y(-1)
```

```
macro.append i = 0.7*(y(-1)-y(-2))
macro.append y = cs+i+g
```

declares an empty model named MACRO and adds three lines to MACRO.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 20. “Models,” on page 627](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of specifying and solving models in EViews.

See also [Model::append \(p. 376\)](#), [Model::merge \(p. 389\)](#) and [Model::solve \(p. 398\)](#).

|     |                             |
|-----|-----------------------------|
| msg | <a href="#">Model Views</a> |
|-----|-----------------------------|

Display model solution messages.

Show view containing messages generated by the most recent model solution.

Syntax

```
model_name.msg(options)
```

Options

|   |                                    |
|---|------------------------------------|
| p | Print the model solution messages. |
|---|------------------------------------|

Cross-references

See [Chapter 20. “Models,” on page 627](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of specifying and solving models in EViews.

See also [Model::solve \(p. 398\)](#) and [Model::solveopt \(p. 399\)](#).

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| olepush | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

Syntax

```
model_name.olepush
```

Cross-references

See [“Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)” on page 729](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|                 |                             |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>override</b> | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|

Specifies (or merges) overridden exogenous variables and add factors in the active scenario.

### Syntax

```
model_name.override(options) ser1 [ser2 ser3 ...]
```

Follow the keyword with the argument list containing the exogenous variables or add factors you wish to override.

### Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| m | Merge into (instead of replace) the existing override list. |
| r | Remove the variable from the override list.                 |

### Examples

```
mod1.override fed1 add1
```

creates an override list containing the variables FED1 and ADD1.

If you then issue the command:

```
mod1.override fed1
```

EViews will replace the original exclude list with one containing only FED1. To add overrides to an existing list, use the “m” option:

```
mod1.override(m) add1
```

The override list now contains both series.

### Cross-references

See the discussion in [“Specifying Scenarios” on page 651](#) of *User’s Guide II*. See also [Chapter 20. “Models,” on page 627](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a general discussion of models.

See [Model::exclude \(p. 382\)](#), [Model::scenario \(p. 395\)](#) and [Model::revert \(p. 394\)](#).

|                    |                             |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>reininclude</b> | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|

Removes one or more variables from the excluded variable list.

### Syntax

```
Model_name.reininclude(options) ser1 ser2
```

The specified variables are removed from the current active scenario’s exclude list, and generates an add factor for each variable so that the solution for the current scenario remains unchanged.

Options

|            |   |
|------------|---|
| v          | Create variable shift add factors in cases where no add factor is currently associated with the endogenous variable. (Default is to create intercept shifts). |
| skipidents | Ignore endogenous variables whose associated equation is tagged as an identity.   |

Examples

```
M1.reinclude x z
```

removes both X and Z from the exclude list in the current scenario, and creates add factors for each.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 20. “Models,” on page 627 of User’s Guide II](#) for a discussion of specifying and solving models in EViews.

See also [Model::exclude \(p. 382\)](#).

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| replace | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Replace the text specification for an endogenous variable in the model with a new specification.

Syntax

```
model_name.replace new_specification
```

The replace command will only replace the specification for variables that currently have a text specification in the model. Variables defined by a linked object cannot have their specification replace. New\_specification should be the new text specification for the variable. Note EViews will automatically detect the endogenous variable in the new specification, even if it is contained in an implicit expression, and will replace the existing specification for that variable.

Examples

```
model m1
m1.append x = 3*y
m1.replace x = 4*y
```

this trivial example first creates a model, M1, then adds a text specification for the variable X, setting it equal to  $3*Y$ . It then changes the specification for X to set it equal to  $4*Y$ .

```
model m1
m1.append x = 3*y
m1.replace log(x) = 4*y
```

this example replaces the specification for X by setting the log of X equal to  $4*Y$ .

```
model m1
m1.append log(x/w) = 3*y
m1.replace x^2 = 4*y
```

this example first defines using an expression,  $\log(X/W)$ , The replace command is used to change that definition to be in terms of  $X^2$ . EViews automatically detects that the new specification, even though it is based in terms of  $X^2$ , should be used to replace the current line involving  $\log(X/W)$ .

|             |                             |
|-------------|-----------------------------|
| replacelink | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|-------------|-----------------------------|

Replace a linked object with a different linked object.

### Syntax

```
model_name.replacelink old_obj new_obj
```

*old\_obj* should be the name of an object currently linked inside the model. That object will be removed from the model and replaced with the new object, *new\_obj*.

### Examples

```
M1.replacelink eq1 eq1_new
```

replaces the linked equation, EQ1, with a different equation, EQ1\_NEW.

### Cross-references

|            |                             |
|------------|-----------------------------|
| replacevar | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|------------|-----------------------------|

Replace all instances of a variable in the text specification of a model with a different variable.

### Syntax

```
model_name.replacevar oldvar newvar
```

Replacevar can only replace variables defined by a text specification inside the model. It will not replace variables contained inside linked objects. Note that replacevar does not do a simple text substitution, and is capable of determining full variable names from other pieces of text.

Examples

```
Model m1
M1.append y = 3*x
M1.replacevar x z
```

this example creates a model, M1, and adds a text specification for the variable Y, setting it equal to 3\*X. It then replaces all occurrences of X with Z, changing the specification of Y to be equal to 3\*Z.

```
M1.append y=3*log(x(-2))
m1.append w = 4*x1
M1.replacevar x z
```

this example generates a specification for Y, setting it equal to 3 times the log of the twice lagged value of X, and a specification for W, setting it equal to 4 times X1. It then replaces all instances of the variable X with the variable Z, changing the specification of Y to be equal to 3 times the log of twice lagged Z. Note that the specification of W does not change, since X1 is a different variable from X.

Cross-references

|        |                             |
|--------|-----------------------------|
| revert | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|--------|-----------------------------|

Reverts one or more overridden variables in the active model scenario back to their baseline values.

Syntax

```
model_name.revert ser1 [ser2 ...]
```

The specified variables will be removed from the override and exclude list of this scenario, and the associated overridden series in the workfile will be deleted.

If an asterisk is provided for the variable name, all overridden series in the active model scenario will be reverted.

Examples

```
M1.revert x z
```

removes X and Z from the override list in the current scenario.

Cross-references

|          |                             |
|----------|-----------------------------|
| scenario | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|----------|-----------------------------|

Manage the model scenarios.

The scenario procedure is used to set the active and comparison scenarios for a model, to create new scenarios, to initialize one scenario with settings from another scenario, to delete scenarios, and to change the variable aliasing associated with a scenario.

Syntax

```
model_name.scenario(options) "name"
```

performs scenario options on a scenario given by the specified name (entered in double quotes). By default the scenario procedure also sets the active scenario to the specified name.

Options

|            |   |
|------------|---|
| c          | Set the comparison scenario to the named scenario.  |
| n          | Create a new scenario with the specified name.  |
| i = "name" | Copy the Excludes and Overrides from the named scenario.  |
| d          | Delete the named scenario.  |
| a = string | Set the scenario alias string to be used when creating aliased variables ( <i>string</i> is a 1 to 3 alphanumeric string to be used in creating aliased variables). If an underscore is not specified, one will be added to the beginning of the string. Examples: "_5", "_T", "S2". The string "A" may not be used since it may conflict with add factor specifications. |
| v          | Copy the values of any overridden series in the scenario specified in the "i = " option into the overridden series for this scenario, creating new series if necessary.   |

Examples

The command string,

```
mod1.scenario "baseline"
```

sets the active scenario to the baseline, while:

```
mod1.scenario(c) "actuals"
```

sets the comparison scenario to the actuals (warning: this action will overwrite any historical data in the solution period).



A newly created scenario will become the active scenario. Thus:

```
mod1.scenario(n) "Peace Scenario"
```

creates a scenario called “Peace Scenario” and makes it the active scenario. The scenario will automatically be assigned a unique numeric alias. To change the alias, simply use the “a=” option:

```
mod1.scenario(a=_ps) "Peace Scenario"
```

changes the alias for “Peace Scenario” to “\_PS” and makes this scenario the active scenario.

The command:

```
mod1.scenario(n, a=w, i="Peace Scenario", c) "War Scenario"
```

creates a scenario called “War Scenario”, initializes it with the Excludes and Overrides contained in “Peace Scenario”, associates it with the alias “\_W”, and makes this scenario the comparison scenario.

```
mod1.scenario(i="Scenario 1") "Scenario 2"
```

copies the Excludes and Overrides in “Scenario 1” to “Scenario 2” and makes “Scenario 2” the active scenario.

*Compatibility Notes*

For backward compatibility with EViews 4, the single character option “a” may be used to set the comparison scenario, but future support for this option is not guaranteed.

In all of the arguments above the quotation marks around scenario name are currently optional. Support for the non-quoted names is provided for backward compatibility, but may be dropped in the future, thus

```
mod1.scenario Scenario 1
```

is currently valid, but may not be in future versions of EViews.

**Cross-references**

Scenarios are described in detail in [“Specifying Scenarios” on page 651](#) of *User’s Guide II*. [Chapter 20. “Models,” on page 627](#) of *User’s Guide II* documents EViews models.

See also [Model::solve \(p. 398\)](#).

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| setattr | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

**Syntax**

```
model_name.setattr(attr) attr_value
```

Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the @attr data member.

Examples

```
a.setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

Cross-references

See [“Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View” on page 103](#) and [“Adding Your Own Label Attributes” on page 65](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

|          |                             |
|----------|-----------------------------|
| settrace | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|----------|-----------------------------|

Specify the endogenous variables to be traced when solving the model

Specifies the endogenous variables for which you wish to keep intermediate calculations at the next deterministic simulation. The intermediate results of all traced variables will be part of the model solution output. Tracing intermediate values may give you some idea of where to look for problems when a model is generating errors or failing to converge.

Syntax

```
model_name.settrace [endogenous_list]
```

If the *endogenous\_list* of variables is omitted, *settrace* clears out the existing trace specification.

Examples

```
modell.trace gdp cons interest cpi
```

specifies that GDP, CONS, INTEREST, and CPI should be traced at the next simulation.

If you then issue the command:

```
modl.settrace
```

EViews will clear the trace list.

Cross-references

See the discussion in [“Diagnostics” on page 669](#) of *User’s Guide II*.

See also [Model::trace \(p. 402\)](#) and [Model::track \(p. 403\)](#).

|              |                             |
|--------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>solve</b> | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|--------------|-----------------------------|

**Solve the model.**

`solve` finds the solution to a simultaneous equation model for the set of observations specified in the current workfile sample.

### Syntax

```
model_name.solve(options)
```

Note: when `solve` is used in a program (batch mode) models are always solved over the workfile sample. If the model contains a solution sample, it will be ignored in favor of the workfile sample.

You should follow the name of the model after the `solve` command. The default solution method is dynamic simulation. You may modify the solution method as an option.

`solve` first looks for the specified model in the current workfile. If it is not present, `solve` attempts to `fetch` a model file (.DBL) from the default directory or, if provided, the path specified with the model name.

### Options

`solve` can take any of the options available in [Model::solveopt \(p. 399\)](#). Stochastic solution options should be set using [Model::stochastic \(p. 401\)](#).

### Examples

```
mod1.solve
```

solves the model MOD1 using the default solution method.

```
nonlin2.solve(m=500,e)
```

solves the model NONLIN2 with an extended search of up to 500 iterations.

### Cross-references

See [Chapter 20. “Models,” on page 627](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of models.

See also [Model::model \(p. 389\)](#), [Model::msg \(p. 390\)](#), [Model::solveopt \(p. 399\)](#), and [Model::stochastic \(p. 401\)](#).

|                 |                             |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>solveopt</b> | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|

Solve options for models.

`solveopt` sets options for model solution but does not solve the model. The same options can be set directly in a `solve` procedure.

## Syntax

```
model_name.solveopt(options)
```

## Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>s = arg</code><br>(default = "d")      | Solution type: "d" (deterministic), "m" (stochastic – collect means only), "s" (stochastic – collect means and s.d.), "b" (stochastic – collect means and confidence bounds), "a" (stochastic – collect all; means, s.d. and confidence bounds). |
| <code>d = arg</code><br>(default = "d")      | Model solution dynamics: "d" (dynamic solution), "s" (static solution), "f" (fitted values – single equation solution).  |
| <code>struct = f</code>                      | Ignore ARMA terms and use only the structural part of the equations when solving the model.  |
| <code>m = integer</code><br>(default = 5000) | Maximum number of iterations for solution (maximum 100,000).   |
| <code>c = number</code><br>(default = 1e-8)  | Convergence criterion. Based upon the maximum change in any of the endogenous variables in the model. You may set a number between 1e-15 and 0.01.   |
| <code>a = arg</code><br>(default = "f")      | Alternate scenario solution: "t" (true - solve both active and alternate scenario and collect deviations for stochastic), "f" (false - solve only the active scenario).  |
| <code>o = arg</code><br>(default = "g")      | Solution method: "g" (Gauss-Seidel), "n" (Newton), "b" (Broyden).  |
| <code>i = arg</code><br>(default = "a")      | Set initial (starting) solution values: "a" (actuals), "p" (values in period prior to start of solution period).   |
| <code>n = arg</code><br>(default = "t")      | NA behavior: "t" (true - stop on "NA" values), "f" (false - do not stop when encountering "NA" values). Only applies to deterministic solution; EViews will always stop on "NA" values in stochastic solution.                                   |
| <code>e = arg</code><br>(default = "t")      | Excluded variables initialized from actuals: "t" (true), "f" (false).  |

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>t = arg</code><br><i>(default = "u")</i>  | Terminal condition for forward solution: "u" (user supplied - actuals), "l" (constant level), "d" (constant difference), "g" (constant growth rate). |
| <code>w = arg</code>                            | Solve direction: "t" (two-directional), "f" (forwards only).   |
| <code>g = arg</code><br><i>(default = 7)</i>    | Number of digits to round solution: an integer value (number of digits), "n" (do not roundoff).  |
| <code>z = arg</code><br><i>(default = 1e-7)</i> | Zero value: a positive number below which the solution (absolute value) is set to zero, "n" (do not set to zero).                                    |
| <code>f = arg</code><br><i>(default = "t")</i>  | Order simultaneous blocks for minimum feedback: "t" (true), "f" (false).   |
| <code>v = arg</code><br><i>(default = "f")</i>  | Display verbose diagnostic messages: "t" (true), "f" (false).  |
| <code>j = arg</code><br><i>(default = "a")</i>  | Use analytic or numeric Jacobians: "a" (analytic), "n" (numeric only).   |

Cross-references

See [Chapter 20. "Models," on page 627](#) of *User's Guide II* for a discussion of models.

See also [Model::model \(p. 389\)](#), [Model::msg \(p. 390\)](#), and [Model::solve \(p. 398\)](#). Stochastic solution options should be set using [Model::stochastic \(p. 401\)](#).

|      |                             |
|------|-----------------------------|
| spec | <a href="#">Model Views</a> |
|------|-----------------------------|

Display the text specification view for model objects.

Syntax

```
model_name.spec(options)
```

Options

|   |                               |
|---|-------------------------------|
| p | Print the specification text. |
|---|-------------------------------|

Examples

```
model1.spec
```

displays the specification of the object MODEL1.

Cross-references

See also [Model::append \(p. 376\)](#), [Model::merge \(p. 389\)](#), [Model::text \(p. 402\)](#).

|            |                             |
|------------|-----------------------------|
| stochastic | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|------------|-----------------------------|

Stochastic solution options for models.

`stochastic` sets options for stochastic model solution but does not solve the model.

## Syntax

`model_name.stochastic(options)`

## Options

Note that these options have no effect on the current solve if deterministic solution has been selected.

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>i = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = "n")        | Innovation generation: "n" (normal random number) or "b" (bootstrap).   |
| <code>d = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = "f")        | Diagonal covariance matrix (for bootstrap: draw resid independently for each equation): "t" (true), "f" (false).  |
| <code>v = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = "t")        | Scale covariance matrix to equation specified innovation variances: "t" (true), "f" (false). Does not apply to Bootstrap.   |
| <code>m = pos_number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 1.0) | Multiply resid covariance or bootstrap by the positive number <i>pos_number</i> .   |
| <code>s = quoted_sample</code>                         | Covariance estimation sample (Bootstrap residual draw sample). For example, <code>s = "1970.1 2003.4"</code>  |
| <code>r = integer</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 1000)   | Number of stochastic repetitions.   |
| <code>f = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = .02)     | Fraction of failed repetitions before stopping.   |
| <code>b = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = .95)     | Size of stochastic confidence intervals.  |
| <code>c = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = "f")        | Include coefficient uncertainty: "t" (true), "f" (false).   |
| <code>p = page_name</code>                             | Page name for a new workfile page to save the results of all repetitions of the stochastic solve. If blank (default) only summaries (mean, sd, etc.) of the repetitions are maintained. |

Cross-references

See [Chapter 20. “Models,” on page 627](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of models. See [Model::innov \(p. 384\)](#) to set options on individual series in stochastic solution.

See also [Model::model \(p. 389\)](#), [Model::solve \(p. 398\)](#) and [Model::solveopt \(p. 399\)](#).

|      |                             |
|------|-----------------------------|
| text | <a href="#">Model Views</a> |
|------|-----------------------------|

Display text representation of the model specification.

Syntax

`model_name.text(options)`

The `text` command is equivalent to [Model::spec \(p. 400\)](#).

Options

|   |                                     |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| p | Print the model text specification. |
|---|-------------------------------------|

Examples

```
model1.text
```

displays the text representation of the object MODEL1.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 20. “Models,” on page 627](#) of *User’s Guide II* for further details on models.

See also [Model::spec \(p. 400\)](#).

|       |                             |
|-------|-----------------------------|
| trace | <a href="#">Model Views</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------|

Display trace view of a model showing iteration history for selected solved variables.

Syntax

`model_name.trace(options)`

Options

|   |                                 |
|---|---------------------------------|
| p | Print the block structure view. |
|---|---------------------------------|

Cross-references

See [“Diagnostics” on page 669](#) of *User’s Guide II* for further details on tracing model solutions.

See also [Model::msg \(p. 390\)](#), [Model::solve \(p. 398\)](#) and [Model::solveopt \(p. 399\)](#).

|       |                             |
|-------|-----------------------------|
| track | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------|

Specify endogenous variables to track.

Sets the list of endogenous variables that will be tracked at the next simulation. Results of all tracked endogenous variables will be part of the model solution output.

### Syntax

```
model_name.track endog1 [endog2 endog3 ...]
```

Specify a list of endogenous variables to be tracked. You may use `@all` to track all endogenous variables.

### Examples

```
model1.track gdp cons interest cpi
```

specifies that GDP, CONS, INTEREST, and CPI should be tracked at the next simulation.

```
model1.track @all
```

tracks all endogenous variables at the next simulation.

### Cross-references

See also [Model::model \(p. 389\)](#) and [Model::trace \(p. 402\)](#).

|        |                             |
|--------|-----------------------------|
| unlink | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|--------|-----------------------------|

Break links in models.

### Syntax

```
object.unlink spec
```

`unlink breaks` equation links in the model. Follow the name of the model object by a period, the keyword, and a specification for the variables to unlink.

The *spec* may contain either a list of the endogenous variables to be unlinked, or the keyword “@ALL”, instructing EViews to unlink all equations in the model.

Note: if a link is to another model or a system object, more than one endogenous variable may be associated with the link. If the *spec* contains any of the endogenous variables in a linked model or system, EViews will break the link for all of the variables found in the link.



Examples

The expressions:

```
mod1.unlink @all
mod2.unlink z1 z2
```

unlink all of equations in MOD1, and all of the variables associated with the links for Z1 and Z2 in MOD2.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 20. “Models,” on page 627](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of specifying and solving models in EViews. See also [Model::append \(p. 376\)](#), [Model::merge \(p. 389\)](#) and [Model::solve \(p. 398\)](#).

|        |                             |
|--------|-----------------------------|
| update | <a href="#">Model Procs</a> |
|--------|-----------------------------|

**Update model specification.**

Recompiles the model and updates all links.

Syntax

```
model.update
```

Follow the name of the model object by a period and the keyword `update`.

Examples

```
mod1.update
```

recompiles and updates all of the links in MOD1.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 20. “Models,” on page 627](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of specifying and solving models in EViews. See also [Model::append \(p. 376\)](#), [Model::merge \(p. 389\)](#) and [Model::solve \(p. 398\)](#).

|      |                             |
|------|-----------------------------|
| vars | <a href="#">Model Views</a> |
|------|-----------------------------|

**View of model organized by variable.**

Display the model in variable form with identification of endogenous, exogenous, and identity variables, with dependency tracking.

## Syntax

`model_name.vars`

## Cross-references

See [“Variable View” on page 649](#) of *User’s Guide II* for details. See [Chapter 20. “Models,” on page 627](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a general discussion of models.

See also [Model::block \(p. 377\)](#), [Model::text \(p. 402\)](#), and [Model::eqs \(p. 382\)](#) for alternative representations of the model.

## Pool

Pooled time series, cross-section object. Used when working with data with both time series and cross-section structure.

### Pool Declaration

**pool** ..... declare pool object (p. 431).

To declare a pool object, use the `pool` keyword, followed by a pool name, and optionally, a list of pool members. Pool members are short text identifiers for the cross section units:

```
pool mypool
pool g7 _can _fr _ger _ita _jpn _us _uk
```

### Pool Methods

**ls** ..... estimate linear regression models including cross-section weighted least squares, and fixed and random effects models (p. 423).  
**tsls** ..... linear two-stage least squares (TSLS) regression models (p. 441).

### Pool Views

**cellipse** ..... Confidence ellipses for coefficient restrictions (p. 410).  
**coefcov** ..... coefficient covariance matrix (p. 411).  
**coint** ..... Johansen's cointegration test (p. 411).  
**describe** ..... calculate pool descriptive statistics (p. 415).  
**fixedtest** ..... test significance of estimates of fixed effects (p. 420).  
**label** ..... label information for the pool object (p. 422).  
**output** ..... table of estimation results (p. 430).  
**ranhaus** ..... Hausman test for correlation between random effects and regressors (p. 431).  
**representations** ..... text showing equations in the model (p. 434).  
**residcor** ..... residual correlation matrix (p. 435).  
**residcov** ..... residual covariance matrix (p. 435).  
**resids** ..... table or graph of residuals for each pool member (p. 436).  
**results** ..... table of estimation results (p. 437).  
**sheet** ..... spreadsheet view of series in pool (p. 438).  
**testadd** ..... likelihood ratio test for adding variables to pool equation (p. 440).  
**testdrop** ..... likelihood ratio test for dropping variables from pool equation (p. 441).  
**uroot** ..... unit root test on a pool series (p. 445).  
**wald** ..... Wald coefficient restriction test (p. 448).

### Pool Procs

**add** ..... add cross section members to pool (p. 409).

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**define** .....define cross section identifiers (p. 414).  
**delete** .....delete pool series (p. 414).  
**displayname** .....set display name (p. 417).  
**drop** .....drop cross section members from pool (p. 417).  
**fetch** .....fetch series into workfile using a pool (p. 418).  
**genr** .....generate pool series using the “?” (p. 421).  
**makegroup** .....create a group of series from a pool (p. 426).  
**makemodel** .....creates a model object from the estimated pool (p. 426).  
**makesresids** .....make series containing residuals from pool (p. 427).  
**makestats** .....make descriptive statistic series (p. 427).  
**makesystem** .....creates a system object from the pool for other estimation methods (p. 429).  
**olepush** .....push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 430).  
**read** .....import pool data from disk (p. 432).  
**setattr** .....set the value of an object attribute (p. 437).  
**store** .....store pool series in database/bank files (p. 438).  
**updatecoefs** .....update coefficient vector from pool (p. 444).  
**write** .....export pool data to disk (p. 448).

## Pool Data Members

### *String Values*

**@attr(“arg”)** .....string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.  
**@command** .....full command line form of the estimation command. Note this is a combination of @method, @options and @spec.  
**@crosssids** .....space delimited list of the Pool identifiers.  
**@crosssidest** .....space delimited list of the Pool identifiers used in estimation.  
**@description** .....string containing the Pool object’s description (if available).  
**@detailedtype** .....returns a string with the object type: “POOL”.  
**@displayname** .....returns the Pool’s display name. If the Pool has no display name set, the name is returned.  
**@idname(i)** .....*i*-th cross-section identifier.  
**@idnameest(i)** .....*i*-th cross-section identifier for estimated equation.  
**@method** .....command line form of estimation method (“LS”, “TSLS”, *etc.*...).  
**@name** .....returns the Pool’s name.  
**@options** .....command line form of pool estimation options.  
**@smpl** .....description of sample used for estimation.  
**@spec** .....original Pool estimation specification.  
**@type** .....returns a string with the object type: “POOL”.

**@units** ..... string containing the Pool object's units description (if available).  
**@updatetime** ..... returns a string representation of the time and date at which the Pool was last updated.

### *Scalar Values*

**@aic** ..... Akaike information criterion.  
**@coefcov(i,j)** ..... covariance of coefficients  $i$  and  $j$ .  
**@coefs(i)** ..... coefficient  $i$ .  
**@dw** ..... Durbin-Watson statistic.  
**@effects(i)** ..... estimated fixed or random effect for the  $i$ -th cross-section member (only for fixed or random effects).  
**@f** .....  $F$ -statistic.  
**@logl** ..... log likelihood.  
**@meandep** ..... mean of the dependent variable.  
**@ncoef** ..... total number of estimated coefficients.  
**@ncross** ..... total number of cross sectional units.  
**@ncrossest** ..... number of cross sectional units in last estimated pool equation.  
**@npers** ..... number of workfile periods used in estimation of the pool equation.  
**@r2** ..... R-squared statistic.  
**@rbar2** ..... adjusted R-squared statistic.  
**@regobs** ..... total number of observations in regression.  
**@schwarz** ..... Schwarz information criterion.  
**@sddep** ..... standard deviation of the dependent variable.  
**@se** ..... standard error of the regression.  
**@ssr** ..... sum of squared residuals.  
**@stderrs(i)** ..... standard error for coefficient  $i$ .  
**@totalobs** ..... total number of observations in the pool. For a balanced sample this is "**@regobs**\***@ncrossest**".  
**@tstats(i)** .....  $t$ -statistic value for coefficient  $i$ .  
**c(i)** .....  $i$ -th element of default coefficient vector for the pool.

### *Vectors and Matrices*

**@coefcov** ..... covariance matrix for coefficients of equation.  
**@coefs** ..... coefficient vector.  
**@effects** ..... vector of estimated fixed or random effects (only for fixed or random effects estimation).  
**@residcov** ..... (sym) covariance matrix of the residuals.  
**@stderrs** ..... vector of standard errors for coefficients.  
**@tstats** ..... vector of  $t$ -statistic values for coefficients.

## Pool Examples

To read data using the pool object:

```
mypool1.read(b2) data.xls x? y? z?
```

To delete and store pool series you may enter:

```
mypool1.delete x? y?  
mypool1.store z?
```

Descriptive statistics may be computed using the command:

```
mypool1.describe(m) z?
```

To estimate a pool equation using least squares and to access the *t*-statistics, enter:

```
mypool1.ls y? c z? @ w?  
vector tstat1 = mypool1.@tstats
```

## Pool Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the “Pool” object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|     |                            |
|-----|----------------------------|
| add | <a href="#">Pool Procs</a> |
|-----|----------------------------|

Add cross section members to a pool.

### Syntax

```
pool_name.add id1 [id2 id3 ...]
```

List the cross-section identifiers to add to the pool.

### Examples

```
countries.add us gr
```

Adds US and GR as cross-section members of the pool object COUNTRIES.

### Cross-references

See “[Cross-section Identifiers](#)” on page 687 of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of pool identifiers.

See also [Pool::drop](#) (p. 417).

|          |                            |
|----------|----------------------------|
| cellipse | <a href="#">Pool Views</a> |
|----------|----------------------------|

Confidence ellipses for coefficient restrictions.

The `cellipse` view displays confidence ellipses for pairs of coefficient restrictions for an estimation from a pool object.

Syntax

`pool_name.cellipse(options) restrictions`

Enter the object name, followed by a period, and the keyword `cellipse`. This should be followed by a list of the coefficient restrictions. Joint (multiple) coefficient restrictions should be separated by commas.

Options

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>ind = arg</code>                         | Specifies whether and how to draw the individual coefficient intervals. The default is “ind = line” which plots the individual coefficient intervals as dashed lines. “ind = none” does not plot the individual intervals, while “ind = shade” plots the individual intervals as a shaded rectangle.  |
| <code>size = number</code><br>(default = 0.95) | Set the size (level) of the confidence ellipse. You may specify more than one size by specifying a space separated list enclosed in double quotes.  |
| <code>dist = arg</code>                        | Select the distribution to use for the critical value associated with the ellipse size. The default depends on estimation object and method. If the parameter estimates are least-squares based, the $F(2, n - 2)$ distribution is used; if the parameter estimates are likelihood based, the $\chi^2(2)$ distribution will be employed. “dist = f” forces use of the $F$ -distribution, while “dist = c” uses the $\chi^2$ distribution. |
| <code>prompt</code>                            | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>                                 | Print the graph.  |

Examples

The two commands:

```
pool1.cellipse c(1), c(2), c(3)
pool1.cellipse c(1)=0, c(2)=0, c(3)=0
```

both display a graph showing the 0.95-confidence ellipse for C(1) and C(2), C(1) and C(3), and C(2) and C(3).

```
pool1.cellipse(dist=c,size="0.9 0.7 0.5") c(1), c(2)
```

displays multiple confidence ellipses (contours) for C(1) and C(2).

## Cross-references

See [“Confidence Intervals and Confidence Ellipses”](#) on page 140 of *User’s Guide II* for discussion.

See also [Pool::wald](#) (p. 448).

|                |                            |
|----------------|----------------------------|
| <b>coefcov</b> | <a href="#">Pool Views</a> |
|----------------|----------------------------|

Coefficient covariance matrix.

Displays the covariances of the coefficient estimates for an estimated pool object.

## Syntax

```
pool_name.coefcov(options)
```

## Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| p | Print the coefficient covariance matrix. |
|---|--|

## Examples

```
pool1.coefcov
```

displays the coefficient covariance matrix for POOL1 in a window. To store the coefficient covariance matrix as a sym object, use “@cofcov”:

```
sym eqcov = pool1.@cofcov
```

## Cross-references

See also [Coef::coef](#) (p. 18).

|              |                            |
|--------------|----------------------------|
| <b>coint</b> | <a href="#">Pool Views</a> |
|--------------|----------------------------|

Panel cointegration tests.

## Syntax

```
pool_name.coint(option) pool_ser1 pool_ser2 [pool_ser3]...
```

Follow the pool name with the `coint` keyword, any options, and a list of two or more ordinary or pool series.



### Options

You may specify the type using one of the following keywords:

|                   |                          |
|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Pedroni (default) | Pedroni (1994 and 2004). |
| Kao               | Kao (1999)               |
| Fisher            | Fisher - pooled Johansen |

Depending on the type selected above, the following may be used to indicate deterministic trends:

|                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| const (default) | Include a constant in the test equation.<br>Applicable to Pedroni and Kao tests.  |
| trend           | Include a constant and a linear time trend in the test equation.<br>Applicable to Pedroni tests.                                |
| none            | Do not include a constant or time trend.<br>Applicable to Pedroni tests.  |
| a               | No deterministic trend in the data, and no intercept or trend in the cointegrating equation.<br>Applicable to Fisher tests.     |
| b               | No deterministic trend in the data, and an intercept but no trend in the cointegrating equation.<br>Applicable to Fisher tests. |
| c               | Linear trend in the data, and an intercept but no trend in the cointegrating equation.<br>Applicable to Fisher tests.           |
| d               | Linear trend in the data, and both an intercept and a trend in the cointegrating equation.<br>Applicable to Fisher tests.       |
| e               | Quadratic trend in the data, and both an intercept and a trend in the cointegrating equation.<br>Applicable to Fisher tests.    |

Additional options:

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>ac = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “bt”)    | Method of estimating the frequency zero spectrum: “bt” (Bartlett kernel), “pr” (Parzen kernel), “qs” (Quadratic Spectral kernel).<br>Applicable to Pedroni and Kao tests.  |
| <code>band = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “nw”)  | Method of selecting the bandwidth, where <i>arg</i> may be “nw” (Newey-West automatic variable bandwidth selection), or a number indicating a user-specified common bandwidth.<br>Applicable to Pedroni and Kao tests.   |
| <code>lag = arg</code>                               | For Pedroni and Kao tests, the method of selecting lag length (number of first difference terms) to be included in the residual regression. For Fisher tests, a pair of numbers indicating lag.  |
| <code>info = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “sic”) | Information criterion to use when computing automatic lag length selection: “aic” (Akaike), “sic” (Schwarz), “hqc” (Hannan-Quinn).<br>Applicable to Pedroni and Kao tests.   |
| <code>maxlag = int</code>                            | Maximum lag length to consider when performing automatic lag length selection, where <i>int</i> is an integer. The<br>$\text{default} = \text{int}(\min((T_i - k)/3, 12) \cdot (T_i/100)^{1/4})$ where $T_i$ is the length of the cross-section.<br>Applicable to Pedroni and Kao tests. |
| <code>disp = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 500)   | Maximum number of individual results to be displayed.  |
| <code>prompt</code>                                  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>                                       | Print results.   |

## Examples

```
pool01.coint(fisher, lag=1 2, c) y? x1? x2?
```

performs a Johansen test for pool series  $Y?$ ,  $X1?$ , and  $X2?$  with a lag of 1 to 2 and linear trend in the data, and an intercept but no trend in the cointegrating equation is assumed as exogenous variables.

## Cross-references

See [“References” on page 867](#) of *User’s Guide II* for details on panel cointegration testing. See also `Pool::uroot` (p. 445).

|        |            |
|--------|------------|
| define | Pool Procs |
|--------|------------|

Define cross section members (identifiers) in a pool.

### Syntax

```
pool_name.define id1 [id2 id3 ...]
```

List the cross section identifiers after the `define` keyword.

### Examples

```
pool spot uk jpn ger can
spot.def uk ger ita fra
```

The first line declares a pool object named SPOT with cross section identifiers UK, JPN, GER, and CAN. The second line redefines the identifiers to be UK, GER, ITA, and FRA.

### Cross-references

See [Chapter 21. “Pooled Time Series, Cross-Section Data,” on page 685](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of cross-section identifiers.

See also [Pool::add \(p. 409\)](#), [Pool::drop \(p. 417\)](#) and [Pool::pool \(p. 431\)](#).

|        |            |
|--------|------------|
| delete | Pool Procs |
|--------|------------|

Deletes series based upon identifiers in a pool.

### Syntax

```
pool_name.delete(option) pool_ser1 [pool_ser2 pool_ser3 ...]
```

Follow the keyword by a list of the names of any series you wish to remove from the current workfile. Deleting does *not* remove objects that have been stored on disk in EViews database files.

The `delete` command allows you to delete series from the workfile using ordinary and pool series names.

You can delete an object from a database by prefixing the name with the database name and a double colon. You can use a pattern to delete all objects from a workfile or database with names that match the pattern. Use the “?” to match any one character and the “\*” to match zero or more characters.

If you use `delete` in a program file, EViews will delete the listed objects without prompting you to confirm each deletion.

Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
|--------|---|

Examples

To delete all series in the workfile with names beginning with “CPI” that are followed by identifiers in the pool object MYPOOL:

```
mypool.delete cpi?
```

Cross-references

See [Chapter 4. “Object Basics,” on page 93](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of working with objects, and [Chapter 10. “EViews Databases,” on page 303](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of EViews databases.

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|----------|----------------------------|
| describe | <a href="#">Pool Views</a> |
|----------|----------------------------|

Computes and displays descriptive statistics for the pooled data.

Syntax

```
pool_name.describe(options) pool_ser1 [pool_ser2 pool_ser3 ...]
```

List the name of ordinary and pool series for which you wish to compute descriptive statistics.

By default, statistics are computed for each stacked pool series, using only common observations where *all* of the cross-sections for a given series have nonmissing data. A missing observation for a series in any one cross-section causes that observation to be dropped for all cross-sections for the corresponding series. You may change the default treatment of NAs using the “i” and “b” options.

EViews also allows you to compute statistics with the cross-section means removed, statistics for each cross-sectional series in a pool series, and statistics for each period, taken across all cross-section units.

Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| m | Stack data and subtract cross-section specific means from each variable—this option provides the within estimators. |
| c | Do not stack data—compute statistics individually for each cross-sectional unit.                                    |
| t | Time period specific—compute statistics for each period, taken over all cross-section identifiers.                  |

|        |  |
|--------|--|
| i      | Individual sample—includes every valid observation for the series even if data are missing from other series in the list.  |
| b      | Balanced sample—constrains each cross-section to have the <i>same observations</i> . If an observation is missing for any series, in any cross-section, it will be dropped for all cross-sections. |
| prompt | If no pool series are specified, force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| p      | Print the descriptive statistics.  |

Examples

```
pool1.describe(m) gdp? inv? cpi?
```

displays the “within” descriptive statistics of the three series GDP, INV, CPI for the POOL1 cross-section members.

```
pool1.describe(t) gdp?
```

computes the statistics for GDP for each period, taken across each of the cross-section identifiers.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 21. “Pooled Time Series, Cross-Section Data,” on page 685](#) of the *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of the computation of these statistics, and a description of individual and balanced samples.

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|---------|----------------------------|
| display | <a href="#">Pool Views</a> |
|---------|----------------------------|

Display table, graph, or spool output in the pool object window.

Display the contents of a table, graph, or spool in the window of the pool object.

Syntax

```
pool_name.display object_name
```

Examples

```
pool1.display tab1
```

Display the contents of the table TAB1 in the window of the object POOL1.

## Cross-references

Most often used in constructing an EViews Add-in. See [“Custom Object Output” on page 192](#) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|             |                            |
|-------------|----------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">Pool Procs</a> |
|-------------|----------------------------|

Display name for pool objects.

Attaches a display name to a pool object which may be used to label output in place of the standard pool object name.

## Syntax

```
pool_name.displayname display_name
```

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain a variety of characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in pool object names.

## Examples

```
hrs.displayname Hours Worked
hrs.label
```

The first line attaches a display name “Hours Worked” to the pool object HRS, and the second line displays the label view of HRS, including its display name.

## Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names.

See also [Pool::label \(p. 422\)](#).

|      |                            |
|------|----------------------------|
| drop | <a href="#">Pool Procs</a> |
|------|----------------------------|

Drops cross-section members from a pool.

## Syntax

```
pool_name.drop id1 [id2 id3 ...]
```

List the cross-section members to be dropped from the pool.

## Examples

```
crosssc.drop jpn kor hk
```

drops the cross-section members JPN, KOR, and HK from the pool CROSSSC.

Cross-references

[“Cross-section Identifiers” on page 687](#) of *User’s Guide II* discusses pool identifiers.

See also [Pool::add](#) (p. 409).

|       |                            |
|-------|----------------------------|
| fetch | <a href="#">Pool Procs</a> |
|-------|----------------------------|

Fetch objects from databases or databank files into the workfile.

`fetch` reads one or more objects from EViews databases or databank files into the active workfile. The objects are loaded into the workfile using the object in the database or using the databank file name. EViews will first expand the list of series using the pool operator, and then perform the fetch.

If you fetch a series into a workfile with a different frequency, EViews will automatically apply the frequency conversion method attached to the series by `setconvert`. If the series does not have an attached conversion method, EViews will use the method set by **Options/Date-Frequency** in the main menu. You can override the conversion method by specifying an explicit conversion method option.

Syntax

`pool_name.fetch(options) pool_ser1 [pool_ser2 pool_ser3 ...]`

The `fetch` command keyword is followed by a list of object names separated by spaces. The default behavior is to fetch the objects from the default database (*this is a change from versions of EViews prior to EViews 3.x where the default was to fetch from individual databank files*).

You can precede the object name with a database name and the double colon “::” to indicate a specific database source. If you specify the database name as an option in parentheses (see below), all objects without an explicit database prefix will be fetched from the specified database. You may optionally fetch from individual databank files or search among registered databases.

You may use wild card characters, “?” (to match a single character) or “\*” (to match zero or more characters), in the object name list. All objects with names matching the pattern will be fetched.

To fetch from individual databank files that are not in the default path, you should include an explicit path. If you have more than one object with the same file name (for example, an equation and a series named CONS), then you should supply the full object file name including identifying extensions.

## Options

|                            |   |
|----------------------------|---|
| <code>d = db_name</code>   | Fetch from specified database.  |
| <code>d</code>             | Fetch all registered databases in registry order.   |
| <code>i</code>             | Fetch from individual databank files.   |
| <code>notifyillegal</code> | When in a program, report illegal EViews object names. By default, objects with illegal names are automatically renamed. (Has no effect in the command window.) |
| <code>prompt</code>        | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |

The database specified by the double colon “::” takes precedence over the database specified by the “`d =`” option.

In addition, there are a number of options for controlling automatic frequency conversion when performing a fetch. The following options control the frequency conversion method when copying series and group objects to a workfile, converting from *low* to *high* frequency:

|                      |  |
|----------------------|--|
| <code>c = arg</code> | Low to high conversion methods: “r” (constant match average), “d” (constant match sum), “q” (quadratic match average), “t” (quadratic match sum), “i” (linear match last), “c” (cubic match last). |
|----------------------|--|

The following options control the frequency conversion method when copying series and group objects to a workfile, converting from *high* to *low* frequency:

|                      |  |
|----------------------|--|
| <code>c = arg</code> | <p><i>High to low conversion methods removing NAs:</i> “a” (average of the nonmissing observations), “s” (sum of the nonmissing observations), “f” (first nonmissing observation), “l” (last nonmissing observation), “x” (maximum nonmissing observation), “m” (minimum nonmissing observation).</p> <p><i>High to low conversion methods propagating NAs:</i> “an” or “na” (average, propagating missings), “sn” or “ns” (sum, propagating missings), “fn” or “nf” (first, propagating missings), “ln” or “nl” (last, propagating missings), “xn” or “nx” (maximum, propagating missings), “mn” or “nm” (minimum, propagating missings).</p> |
|----------------------|--|

If no conversion method is specified, the series-specific or global default conversion method will be employed.

## Examples

To fetch M1, GDP, and UNEMP pool series from the default database, use:

```
pool1.fetch m1? gdp? unemp?
```



To fetch M1 and GDP from the US1 database and UNEMP from the MACRO database, use the command:

```
pool1.fetch(d=us1) m1? gdp? macro::unemp
```

Use the “notifyillegal” option to display a dialog when fetching the series MYIL-LEG@LNAME that will suggest a valid name and give you to opportunity to name the object before it is inserted into a workfile:

```
pool2.fetch(notifyillegal) myilleg@lname
```

Cross-references

See [Chapter 10. “EViews Databases,” on page 303](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of databases, databank files, and frequency conversion. [Appendix A. “Wildcards,” on page 683](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference* describes the use of wildcard characters.

See also [Series::setconvert \(p. 522\)](#), [Pool::store \(p. 438\)](#), and [Pool::store \(p. 438\)](#).

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|-----------|----------------------------|
| fixedtest | <a href="#">Pool Views</a> |
|-----------|----------------------------|

Test joint significance of the fixed effects estimates.

Tests the hypothesis that the estimated fixed effects are jointly significant using  $F$  and LR test statistics. If the estimated specification involves two-way fixed effects, three separate tests will be performed; one for each set of effects, and one for the joint effects.

Only valid for panel or pool regression equations estimated with fixed effects. Not currently available for specifications estimated using instrumental variables.

Syntax

```
pool_name.fixedtest(options)
```

Options

|   |                             |
|---|-----------------------------|
| p | Print output from the test. |
|---|-----------------------------|

Examples

```
pool1.fixedtest
```

tests whether the fixed effects are jointly significant.

Cross-references

See [“Fixed Effects Testing” on page 784](#) of *User’s Guide II* for discussion. See also [Pool::testadd \(p. 440\)](#), [Pool::testdrop \(p. 441\)](#), [Pool::ranhaus \(p. 431\)](#), and [Pool::wald \(p. 448\)](#).

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|------|----------------------------|
| genr | <a href="#">Pool Procs</a> |
|------|----------------------------|

Generate series.

This procedure allows you to generate multiple series using the cross-section identifiers in a pool.

### Syntax

```
pool_name.genr(option) ser_name = expression
```

You may use the cross section identifier “?” in the series name and/or in the expression on the right-hand side.

### Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
|--------|---|

### Examples

The commands,

```
pool pool1
pool1.add 1 2 3
pool1.genr y? = x? - @mean(x?)
```

are equivalent to generating separate series for each cross-section:

```
genr y1 = x1 - @mean(x1)
genr y2 = x2 - @mean(x2)
genr y3 = x3 - @mean(x3)
```

Similarly:

```
pool pool2
pool2.add us uk can
pool2.genr y_? = log(x_?) - log(x_us)
```

generates three series Y\_US, Y\_UK, Y\_CAN that are the log differences from X\_US. Note that Y\_US=0.

It is worth noting that the pool `genr` command simply loops across the cross-section identifiers, performing the evaluations using the appropriate substitution. Thus, the command,

```
pool2.genr z = y_?
```

is equivalent to entering:

```
genr z = y_us
```

```
genr z = y_uk
genr z = y_can
```

so that upon completion, the ordinary series Z will contain Y\_CAN.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 21. “Pooled Time Series, Cross-Section Data,” on page 685](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of the computation of pools, and a description of individual and balanced samples.

See [Series::series \(p. 520\)](#) for a discussion of the expressions allowed in `genr`.

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|-------|---|
| label | <a href="#">Pool Views   Pool Procs</a> |
|-------|---|

Display or change the label view of a pool object, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

As a procedure, `label` changes the fields in the pool object label.

Syntax

```
pool_name.label
pool_name.label(options) [text]
```

Options

The first version of the command displays the label view of the pool object. The second version may be used to modify the label. Specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of POOL1 with “Data from CPS 1988 March File”:

```
pool1.label(r)
pool1.label(r) Data from CPS 1988 March File
```

To append additional remarks to POOL1, and then to print the label view:

```
pool1.label(r) Log of hourly wage
pool1.label(p)
```

To clear and then set the units field, use:

```
pool1.label(u) Millions of bushels
```

## Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.

See also [Pool::displayname \(p. 417\)](#).

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|----|------------------------------|
| ls | <a href="#">Pool Methods</a> |
|----|------------------------------|

**Estimation by linear or nonlinear least squares regression.**

ls estimates cross-section weighed least squares, feasible GLS, and fixed and random effects models.

## Syntax

```
pool_name.ls(options) y [x1 x2 x3...] [@cxreg z1 z2 ...] [@perreg z3 z4 ...]
```

ls carries out pooled data estimation. Type the name of the dependent variable followed by one or more lists of regressors. The first list should contain ordinary and pool series that are restricted to have the same coefficient across all members of the pool. The second list, if provided, should contain pool variables that have different coefficients for each cross-section member of the pool. If there is a cross-section specific regressor list, the two lists must be separated by “@CXREG”. The third list, if provided, should contain pool variables that have different coefficients for each period. The list should be separated from the previous lists by “@PERREG”.

You may include AR terms as regressors in either the common or cross-section specific lists. AR terms are, however, not allowed for some estimation methods. MA terms are not supported.

## Options

|             |  |
|-------------|--|
| m = integer | Set maximum number of iterations.  |
| c = scalar  | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2. |

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>s</code>                                  | Use the current coefficient values in “C” as starting values for equations with AR or MA terms (see also <a href="#">param</a> (p. 413) of the <i>Command and Programming Reference</i> ).   |
| <code>s = number</code>                         | Determine starting values for equations specified by list with AR or MA terms. Specify a number between zero and one representing the fraction of preliminary least squares estimates computed without AR or MA terms to be used. Note that out of range values are set to “s = 1”. Specifying “s = 0” initializes coefficients to zero. By default EViews uses “s = 1”.   |
| <code>showopts /<br/>-showopts</code>           | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.   |
| <code>deriv = keyword</code>                    | Set derivative methods. The argument <i>keyword</i> should be a one or two letter string. The first letter should either be “f” or “a” corresponding to fast or accurate numeric derivatives (if used). The second letter should be either “n” (always use numeric) or “a” (use analytic if possible). If omitted, EViews will use the global defaults.  |
| <code>cx = arg</code>                           | Cross-section effects: (default) none, fixed effects (“cx = f”), random effects (“cx = r”).  |
| <code>per = arg</code>                          | Period effects: (default) none, fixed effects (“per = f”), random effects (“per = r”).   |
| <code>wgt = arg</code>                          | GLS weighting: (default) none, cross-section system weights (“wgt = cxsur”), period system weights (“wgt = persur”), cross-section diagonal weights (“wgt = cxdiag”), period diagonal weights (“wgt = perdiag”).   |
| <code>cov = arg</code>                          | Coefficient covariance method: (default) ordinary, White cross-section system robust (“cov = cxwhite”), White period system robust (“cov = perwhite”), White heteroskedasticity robust (“cov = stackedwhite”), Cross-section system robust/PCSE (“cov = cxsur”), Period system robust/PCSE (“cov = persur”), Cross-section heteroskedasticity robust/PCSE (“cov = cxdiag”), Period heteroskedasticity robust/PCSE (“cov = perdiag”). |
| <code>keepwghts</code>                          | Keep full set of GLS weights used in estimation with object, if applicable (by default, only small memory weights are saved).  |
| <code>rancalc = arg<br/>(default = “sa”)</code> | Random component method: Swamy-Arora (“rancalc = sa”), Wansbeek-Kapteyn (“rancalc = wk”), Wallace-Hussain (“rancalc = wh”).  |

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>nodf</code>                                     | Do not perform degree of freedom corrections in computing coefficient covariance matrix. The default is to use degree of freedom corrections.  |
| <code>b</code>  | Estimate using a balanced sample (pool estimation only).   |
| <code>coef = arg</code>                               | Specify the name of the coefficient vector (if specified by list); the default behavior is to use the “C” coefficient vector.  |
| <code>iter = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “onec”) | Iteration control for GLS specifications: perform one weight iteration, then iterate coefficients to convergence (“iter = onec”), iterate weights and coefficients simultaneously to convergence (“iter = sim”), iterate weights and coefficients sequentially to convergence (“iter = seq”), perform one weight iteration, then one coefficient step (“iter = oneb”).<br><br>Note that random effects models currently do not permit weight iteration to convergence. |
| <code>unbalsur</code>                                 | Compute SUR factorization for unbalanced data using the subset of available observations in a cluster.   |
| <code>prompt</code>                                   | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>  | Print basic estimation results.  |

## Examples

```
pool1.ls dy? c inv? edu? year
```

estimates pooled OLS of DY? on a constant, INV?, EDU? and YEAR.

```
pool1.ls(cx=f) dy? @cxreg inv? edu? year ar(1)
```

estimates a fixed effects model without restricting any of the coefficients to be the same across pool members.

## Cross-references

[Chapter 1. “Basic Regression Analysis,” on page 5](#) and [Chapter 2. “Additional Regression Tools,” on page 23](#) of *User’s Guide II* discuss the various regression methods in greater depth.

See [Chapter 21. “Pooled Time Series, Cross-Section Data,” on page 685](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of pool estimation, and [Chapter 23. “Panel Estimation,” on page 759](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of panel equation estimation.

See [Chapter 16. “Special Expression Reference,” on page 557](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference* for special terms that may be used in `ls` specifications.

See also [Pool::tsls \(p. 441\)](#) for instrumental variables estimation.

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|-----------|----------------------------|
| makegroup | <a href="#">Pool Procs</a> |
|-----------|----------------------------|

Make a group out of pool and ordinary series using a pool object.

### Syntax

```
pool_name.makegroup(group_name, options) pool_series1 [pool_series2  
pool_series3...]
```

List the ordinary and pool series to be placed in the group. If specified, *group\_name* should be the first option.

### Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
|--------|---|

### Examples

```
pool1.makegroup(g1) x? z y?
```

places the ordinary series Z, and all of the series represented by the pool series X? and Y?, in the group G1.

### Cross-references

See [“Making a Group of Pool Series” on page 703](#) of *User’s Guide II* for details.

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|-----------|----------------------------|
| makemodel | <a href="#">Pool Procs</a> |
|-----------|----------------------------|

Make a model from a pool object.

### Syntax

```
pool_name.makemodel(name) assign_statement
```

If you provide a name for the model in parentheses after the keyword, EViews will create the named model in the workfile. If you do not provide a name, EViews will open an untitled model window if the command is executed from the command line.

### Examples

```
pool3.ls m1? gdp? tb3?  
pool3.makemodel(poolmod) @prefix s_
```

estimates a VAR and makes a model named POOLMOD from the estimated pool object. POOLMOD includes an assignment statement “ASSIGN @PREFIX S\_”. Use the command “show poolmod” or “poolmod.spec” to open the POOLMOD window.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 20. “Models,” on page 627](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of specifying and solving models in EViews.

See also [Model::merge \(p. 389\)](#) and [Model::solve \(p. 398\)](#).

|             |                            |
|-------------|----------------------------|
| makesresids | <a href="#">Pool Procs</a> |
|-------------|----------------------------|

Create residual series.

Creates and saves residuals in the workfile from a pool object.

Syntax

```
pool_name.makesresids [poolser]
```

Follow the object name with a period and the `makesresids` keyword, then provide a list of names to be given to the stored residuals. You may use a cross section identifier “?” to specify a set of names.

Options

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|----------------------|--|
| <code>n = arg</code> | Create group object to hold the residual series. |
|----------------------|--|

Examples

```
pool1.makesresids res1_?
```

The residuals of each pool member will have a name starting with “RES1\_” and the cross-section identifier substituted for the “?”.

Cross-references

See [“Residuals” on page 721](#) of *User’s Guide II*.

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|-----------|----------------------------|
| makestats | <a href="#">Pool Procs</a> |
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Create and save series of descriptive statistics computed from a pool object.

Syntax

```
pool_name.makestats(options) pool_series1 [pool_series2 ...] @ stat_list
```

You should provide options, a list of series names, an “@” separator, and a list of command names for the statistics you wish to compute. The series will have a name with the cross-section identifier “?” replaced by the statistic command.



## Options

*Options in parentheses specify the sample to use to compute the statistics*

|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| i           | Use individual sample.  |
| c (default) | Use common sample.  |
| b           | Use balanced sample.  |
| o           | Force the overwrite of the computed statistics series if they already exist. The default creates a new series using the next available names. |
| prompt      | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |

*Command names for the statistics to be computed*

|      |                             |
|------|-----------------------------|
| obs  | Number of observations.     |
| mean | Mean.                       |
| med  | Median.                     |
| var  | Variance.                   |
| sd   | Standard deviation.         |
| skew | Skewness.                   |
| kurt | Kurtosis.                   |
| jarq | Jarque-Bera test statistic. |
| min  | Minimum value.              |
| max  | Maximum value.              |

## Examples

```
pool11.makestats gdp_? edu_? @ mean sd
```

computes the mean and standard deviation of the GDP\_? and EDU\_? series in each period (across the cross-section members) using the default common sample. The mean and standard deviation series will be named GDP\_MEAN, EDU\_MEAN, GDP\_SD, and EDU\_SD.

```
pool11.makestats(b) gdp_? @ max min
```

Computes the maximum and minimum values of the GDP\_? series in each period using the balanced sample. The max and min series will be named GDP\_MAX and GDP\_MIN.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 21. “Pooled Time Series, Cross-Section Data,” on page 685](#) of *User’s Guide II* for details on the computation of these statistics and a discussion of the use of individual, common, and balanced samples in pool.

See also [Pool::describe](#) (p. 415).

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|-------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>makesystem</b> | <a href="#">Pool Procs</a> |
|-------------------|----------------------------|

Create system from a pool object.

### Syntax

```
pool_name.makesystem(options) y [x1 x2 x3 ...] [@cxreg w1 w2 ...] [@inst z1 z2 ...]
[@cxinst z3 z4 ...]
```

Creates a system out of the pool equation specification. Each cross-section in the pool will be used to form an equation. The pool variable *y* is the dependent variable. The *[x1 x2 x3 ...]* list consists of regressors with common coefficients in the system. The *@cxreg* list are regressors with different coefficients in each cross-section. The list of variables that follow *@inst* are the common instruments. The list of variables that follow *@cxinst* are the equation specific instruments.

Note that period specific coefficients and effects are not available in this routine.

### Options

|                          |   |
|--------------------------|---|
| <code>name = name</code> | Specify name for the system object.               |
| <code>prompt</code>      | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |

### Examples

```
pool1.makesystem(name=sys1) inv? cap? @inst val?
```

creates a system named SYS1 with INV? as the dependent variable and a common intercept for each cross-section member. The regressor CAP? is restricted to have the same coefficient in each equation, while the VAL? regressor has a different coefficient in each equation.

```
pool1.makesystem(name=sys2,cx=f) inv? @cxreg cap? @cxinst @trend
inv? (-1)
```

This command creates a system named SYS2 with INV? as the dependent variable and a different intercept for each cross-section member equation. The regressor CAP? enters each equation with a different coefficient and each equation has two instrumental variables @TREND and INV? lagged.

### Cross-references

See [Chapter 17. “System Estimation,” on page 513](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of system objects in EViews.

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|---------|----------------------------|
| olepush | <a href="#">Pool Procs</a> |
|---------|----------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

**Syntax**

`pool_name.olepush`

**Cross-references**

See “[Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)](#)” on page 729 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

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|--------|----------------------------|
| output | <a href="#">Pool Views</a> |
|--------|----------------------------|

Display estimation output.

`output` changes the default object view to display the estimation output (equivalent to using [Pool::results](#) (p. 437)).

**Syntax**

`pool_name.output`

**Options**

|                |   |
|----------------|---|
| <code>p</code> | Print estimation output for estimation object |
|----------------|---|

**Examples**

The `output` keyword may be used to change the default view of an estimation object. Entering the command:

`pool1.output`

displays the estimation output for pool POOL1.

**Cross-references**

See [Pool::results](#) (p. 437).

|      |                  |
|------|------------------|
| pool | Pool Declaration |
|------|------------------|

Declare pool object.

### Syntax

```
pool name [id1 id2 id3 ...]
```

Follow the `pool` keyword with a *name* for the pool object. You may optionally provide the identifiers for the cross-section members of the pool object. Pool identifiers may be added or removed at any time using `Pool::add` (p. 409) and `Pool::drop` (p. 417).

### Examples

```
pool zoo1 dog cat pig owl ant
```

Declares a pool object named ZOO1 with the listed cross-section identifiers.

### Cross-references

See [Chapter 21. “Pooled Time Series, Cross-Section Data,”](#) on page 685 of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of working with pools in EViews.

See `Pool::add` (p. 409) and `Pool::drop` (p. 417). See also `Pool::ls` (p. 423) for details on estimation using a pool object.

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|---------|------------|
| ranhaus | Pool Views |
|---------|------------|

Test for correlation between random effects and regressors using Hausman test.

Tests the hypothesis that the random effects (components) are correlated with the right-hand side variables in a pool equation setting. Uses Hausman test methodology to compare the results from the estimated random effects specification and a corresponding fixed effects specification. If the estimated specification involves two-way random effects, three separate tests will be performed; one for each set of effects, and one for the joint effects.

Only valid for pool regression equations estimated with random effects. Note that the test results may be suspect in cases where robust standard errors are employed.

### Syntax

```
pool_name.ranhaus(options)
```

### Options

|   |                             |
|---|-----------------------------|
| p | Print output from the test. |
|---|-----------------------------|

Examples

```
pool1.ls(cx=r) sales? c adver? lsales?  
pool1.ranhaus
```

estimates a specification with cross-section random effects and tests whether the random effects are correlated with the right-hand side variables ADVER and LSALES using the Hausman test methodology.

Cross-references

See also [Pool::testadd](#) (p. 440), [Pool::testdrop](#) (p. 441), [Pool::fixedtest](#) (p. 420), and [Pool::wald](#) (p. 448).

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|------|----------------------------|
| read | <a href="#">Pool Procs</a> |
|------|----------------------------|

Import data from a foreign disk file into a pool object.

May be used to import data into an existing workfile from a text, Excel, or Lotus file on disk.

Syntax

```
pool_name.read(options) [path\]file_name pool_ser1 [pool_ser2 pool_ser3 ...]
```

You must supply the name of the source file. If you do not include the optional path specification, EViews will look for the file in the default directory. Path specifications may point to local or network drives. If the path specification contains a space, you may enclose the entire expression in double quotation marks.

Follow the source file name with a list of ordinary or pool series.

Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
|--------|---|

File type options

|              |                           |
|--------------|---------------------------|
| t = dat, txt | ASCII (plain text) files. |
| t = wk1, wk3 | Lotus spreadsheet files.  |
| t = xls      | Excel spreadsheet files.  |

If you do not specify the “t” option, EViews uses the file name extension to determine the file type. If you specify the “t” option, the file name extension will not be used to determine the file type.

*Options for ASCII text files*

|                                      |   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| <code>t</code>                       | Read data organized by series. Default is to read by observation with series in columns.  |
| <code>na = text</code>               | Specify text for NAs. Default is “NA”.  |
| <code>d = t</code>                   | Treat tab as delimiter (note: you may specify multiple delimiter options). The <i>default</i> is “d = c” only.                                  |
| <code>d = c</code>                   | Treat comma as delimiter.   |
| <code>d = s</code>                   | Treat space as delimiter.   |
| <code>d = a</code>                   | Treat alpha numeric characters as delimiter.  |
| <code>custom = symbol</code>         | Specify symbol/character to treat as delimiter.   |
| <code>mult</code>                    | Treat multiple delimiters as one.   |
| <code>name</code>                    | Series names provided in file.  |
| <code>label = integer</code>         | Number of lines between the header line and the data. Must be used with the “name” option.  |
| <code>rect (default) / norect</code> | [Treat / Do not treat] file layout as rectangular.  |
| <code>skipcol = integer</code>       | Number of columns to skip. Must be used with the “rect” option.   |
| <code>skiprow = integer</code>       | Number of rows to skip. Must be used with the “rect” option.  |
| <code>comment = symbol</code>        | Specify character/symbol to treat as comment sign. Everything to the right of the comment sign is ignored. Must be used with the “rect” option. |
| <code>singlequote</code>             | Strings are in single quotes, not double quotes.  |
| <code>dropstrings</code>             | Do not treat strings as NA; simply drop them.   |
| <code>negparen</code>                | Treat numbers in parentheses as negative numbers.   |
| <code>allowcomma</code>              | Allow commas in numbers (note that using commas as a delimiter takes precedence over this option).  |
| <code>currency = symbol</code>       | Specify symbol/character for currency data.   |

*Options for spreadsheet (Lotus, Excel) files*

|                                   |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| t                                 | Read data organized by series. Default is to read by observation with series in columns. |
| letter_number<br>(default = "b2") | Coordinate of the upper-left cell containing data.                                       |
| s = sheet_name                    | Sheet name for Excel 5-8 Workbooks.  |

*Options for pool reading*

|                                 |   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| bycross<br>(default) /<br>byper | Structure of stacked pool data [cross-section / date or period] (only for pool read). |
|---------------------------------|---|

Examples

```
pool11.read(t=dat,na=.) a:\mydat.raw year lwage? hrs?
```

reads stacked data from an ASCII file MYDAT.RAW in the A: drive. The data in the file are stacked by cross-section, the missing value NA is coded as a "." (dot or period). We read one ordinary series YEAR, and three two pool series LWAGE? and HRS?.

```
pool11.read(a2,s=sheet3,byper) statepan.xls inc? educ? pop?
```

reads data from an Excel file STATEPAN in the default directory. The data are stacked by period in the sheet SHEET3 with the upper left data cell A2. We read three pool series INC? EDUC? and POP?.

Cross-references

See [“Creating a Workfile by Reading from a Foreign Data Source” on page 47](#) and [“Importing Data” on page 129](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion and examples of importing data from external files.

[Chapter 22. “Working with Panel Data,” beginning on page 735](#) of *User’s Guide II* describes panel data alternatives to working with pooled data.

See also [pageload \(p. 400\)](#) and [wfopen \(p. 472\)](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference* and [Pool::write \(p. 448\)](#).

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|-----------------|----------------------------|
| representations | <a href="#">Pool Views</a> |
|-----------------|----------------------------|

Display text of specification for pool objects.

Syntax

```
pool_name.representation(options)
```

## Options

|   |                                |
|---|--------------------------------|
| p | Print the representation text. |
|---|--------------------------------|

## Examples

```
pool1.representations
```

displays the specifications of the estimation object POOL1.

## Cross-references

See [“Estimating a Pool Equation” on page 706](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of pool equations.

|          |                            |
|----------|----------------------------|
| residcor | <a href="#">Pool Views</a> |
|----------|----------------------------|

**Residual correlation matrix.**

Displays the correlations of the residuals from each pool cross-section equation.

## Syntax

```
pool_name.residcor(options)
```

## Options

|   |                               |
|---|-------------------------------|
| p | Print the correlation matrix. |
|---|-------------------------------|

## Examples

```
pool1.residcor
```

displays the residual correlation matrix of POOL1.

## Cross-references

See also [Pool::residcov \(p. 435\)](#) and [Pool::makeresids \(p. 427\)](#).

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|----------|----------------------------|
| residcov | <a href="#">Pool Views</a> |
|----------|----------------------------|

**Residual covariance matrix.**

Displays the covariances of the residuals from each pool cross-section equation.

## Syntax

```
pool_name.residcov(options)
```



Options

|   |                              |
|---|------------------------------|
| p | Print the covariance matrix. |
|---|------------------------------|

Examples

```
pool1.residcov
```

displays the residual covariance matrix of POOL1.

Cross-references

See [“Estimating a Pool Equation” on page 706](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of pool equations. See also [Pool::residcor](#) (p. 435) and [Pool::makeresids](#) (p. 427).

|        |                            |
|--------|----------------------------|
| resids | <a href="#">Pool Views</a> |
|--------|----------------------------|

Display residuals.

Display the actual, fitted values and residuals in either tabular or graphical form. `resids` displays multiple graphs, where each graph will contain the residuals for each cross-section in the pool.

Syntax

```
pool_name.resids(options)
```

Options

|                      |                                |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| g ( <i>default</i> ) | Display graph(s) of residuals. |
| p                    | Print the table/graph.         |

Examples

```
pool1.ls m1? c inc? tb3?
pool1.resids
```

regresses M1 on a constant, INC, and TB3, and displays a table of actual, fitted, and residual series.

```
pool1.resids(g)
```

displays a graph of the actual, fitted, and residual series.

Cross-references

See also [Pool::makeresids](#) (p. 427).

## Cross-references

See [“Estimating a Pool Equation” on page 706](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of pool equations.

|         |                            |
|---------|----------------------------|
| results | <a href="#">Pool Views</a> |
|---------|----------------------------|

Displays the results view of a pool object.

## Syntax

```
pool_name.results(options)
```

## Options

|   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| p | Print the view. |
|---|-----------------|

## Examples

```
pool1.ls ml? c inc? tb3?
pool1.results(p)
```

estimates an equation using least squares, and displays and prints the results.

## Cross-references

See [“Estimating a Pool Equation” on page 706](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of pool equations.

|         |                            |
|---------|----------------------------|
| setattr | <a href="#">Pool Procs</a> |
|---------|----------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

## Syntax

```
pool_name setattr(attr) attr_value
```

Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the @attr data member.

## Examples

```
a setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

Cross-references

See [“Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View” on page 103](#) and [“Adding Your Own Label Attributes” on page 65](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

|       |                            |
|-------|----------------------------|
| sheet | <a href="#">Pool Views</a> |
|-------|----------------------------|

Spreadsheet view of a pool object.

Syntax

```
pool_name.sheet(options) pool_ser1 [pool_ser2 pool_ser3 ...]
```

The `sheet` view displays the spreadsheet view of the series in the pool. Follow the word `sheet` by a list of series to display; you may use the cross section identifier “?” in the series name.

Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
| p      | Print the spreadsheet view.                       |

Examples

```
pool1.sheet(p) x? y? z?
```

displays and prints the pool spreadsheet view of the series X?, Y?, and Z?.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 21. “Pooled Time Series, Cross-Section Data,” on page 685](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of pools.

|       |                            |
|-------|----------------------------|
| store | <a href="#">Pool Procs</a> |
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Store objects in databases and databank files.

Stores one or more objects in the current workfile in EViews databases or individual databank files on disk. The objects are stored under the name that appears in the workfile. EViews will first expand the list of series using the pool operator, and then perform the operation.

Syntax

```
pool_name.store(options) pool_ser1 [pool_ser2 pool_ser3 ...]
```

Follow the `store` command keyword with a list of object names (each separated by a space) that you wish to store. The default is to store the objects in the default database. (*This behavior is a change from EViews 2 and earlier where the default was to store objects in individual databank files*).

You may precede the object name with a database name and the double colon “::” to indicate a specific database. You can also specify the database name as an option in parentheses, in which case all objects without an explicit database name will be stored in the specified database.

You may use the wild card character “\*” to match zero or more characters in the object name list. All objects with names matching the pattern will be stored. You may not use “?” as a wildcard character, since this conflicts with the pool identifier.

You can optionally choose to store the listed objects in individual databank files. To store in files other than the default path, you should include a path designation before the object name.

## Options

|                          |  |
|--------------------------|--|
| <code>d = db_name</code> | Store to the specified database.   |
| <code>i</code>           | Store to individual databank files.  |
| <code>1 / 2</code>       | Store series in [single / double] precision to save space.   |
| <code>o</code>           | Overwrite object in database (default is to merge data, where possible).   |
| <code>g = arg</code>     | Group store from workfile to database: “s” (copy group definition and series as separate objects), “t” (copy group definition and series as one object), “d” (copy series only as separate objects), “l” (copy group definition only). |
| <code>prompt</code>      | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |

If you do not specify the precision option (1 or 2), the global option setting will be used. See [“Database Storage Defaults” on page 770](#) of *User’s Guide II*.

## Examples

```
pool1.store m1? gdp? unemp?
```

stores the three pool objects M1, GDP, UNEMP in the default database.

```
pool1.store(d=us1) m1? gdp? macro::unemp?
```

### Cross-references

“Basic Data Handling” on page 109 of *User’s Guide I* discusses exporting data in other file formats. See [Chapter 10. “EViews Databases,” on page 303](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of EViews databases and databank files.

For additional discussion of wildcards, see [Appendix A. “Wildcards,” on page 683](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference*.

See also [Pool::fetch \(p. 418\)](#).

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|---------|----------------------------|
| testadd | <a href="#">Pool Views</a> |
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Test whether to add regressors to an estimated equation.

Tests the hypothesis that the listed variables were incorrectly omitted from an estimated equation (only available for equations estimated by list). The test displays some combination of Wald and LR test statistics, as well as the auxiliary regression.

### Syntax

`pool_name.testadd(options) [x1 x2 ...] [@cxreg z1 z2 ...] [@perreg z3 z4 ...]`

List the names of the series to test for omission after the keyword.

### Options

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| <code>prompt</code> | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
| <code>p</code>      | Print output from the test.                       |

### Examples

```
pool1.testadd gdp? @cxreg inc?
```

tests the addition of the pool series GDP? to the common coefficients list and INC? to the cross-section specific coefficients list.

### Cross-references

See “Coefficient Diagnostics” on page 140 of *User’s Guide II* for further discussion.

See also [Pool::testdrop \(p. 441\)](#) and [Pool::wald \(p. 448\)](#).

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|----------|----------------------------|
| testdrop | <a href="#">Pool Views</a> |
|----------|----------------------------|

Test whether to drop regressors from a regression.

Tests the hypothesis that the listed variables were incorrectly included in the estimated equation (only available for equations estimated by list). The test displays some combination of  $F$  and LR test statistics, as well as the test regression.

### Syntax

```
pool_name.testdrop(options) arg1 [arg2 arg3 ...]
```

List the names of the series to test for omission after the keyword.

### Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
| p      | Print output from the test.                       |

### Examples

```
pool1.testdrop(p) x?
```

drops X? from the existing pool specification and prints the results of the test.

### Cross-references

See [“Coefficient Diagnostics” on page 140](#) of *User's Guide II* for further discussion of testing coefficients.

See also [Pool::testadd \(p. 440\)](#) and [Pool::wald \(p. 448\)](#).

|      |                              |
|------|------------------------------|
| tsls | <a href="#">Pool Methods</a> |
|------|------------------------------|

Two-stage least squares.

### Syntax

```
pool_name.tsls(options) y [x1 x2 x3 ...] [@cxreg w1 w2 ...] [@perreg w3 w4 ...]  
[@inst z1 z2 ...] [@cxinst z3 z4 ...] [@perinst z5 z6 ...]
```

Type the name of the dependent variable followed by one or more lists of regressors. The first list should contain ordinary and pool series that are restricted to have the same coefficient across all members of the pool. The second list, if provided, should contain pool variables that have different coefficients for each cross-section member of the pool. If there is a cross-section specific regressor list, the two lists must be separated by “@CXREG”. The third

list, if provided, should contain pool variables that have different coefficients for each period. The list should be separated from the previous lists by “@PERREG”.

You may include AR terms as regressors in either the common or cross-section specific lists. AR terms are, however, not allowed for some estimation methods. MA terms are not supported.

Instruments should be specified in one of three lists. The “@INST” list should contain instruments that are common across all cross-sections and periods. The “@CXINST” should contain instruments that differ across cross-sections, while the “@PERINST” list specifies instruments that differ across periods.

There must be at least as many instrumental variables as there are independent variables. All exogenous variables included in the regressor list should also be included in the corresponding instrument list. A constant is included in the common instrumental list if not explicitly specified.

Options

General options

|                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| m = integer             | Set maximum number of iterations.  |
| c = number              | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2.   |
| deriv = keyword         | Set derivative methods. The argument <i>keyword</i> should be a one- or two-letter string. The first letter should either be “f” or “a” corresponding to fast or accurate numeric derivatives (if used). The second letter should be either “n” (always use numeric) or “a” (use analytic if possible). If omitted, EViews will use the global defaults.       |
| showopts /<br>-showopts | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.   |
| s                       | Use the current coefficient values in “C” as starting values for equations with AR or MA terms (see also <a href="#">param (p. 413)</a> of the <i>Command and Programming Reference</i> ).   |
| s = number              | Determine starting values for equations specified by list with AR or MA terms. Specify a number between zero and one representing the fraction of preliminary least squares estimates computed without AR or MA terms. Note that out of range values are set to “s = 1”. Specifying “s = 0” initializes coefficients to zero. By default, EViews uses “s = 1”. |

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>cx = arg</code>                                  | Cross-section effects. For fixed effects estimation, use “cx = f”; for random effects estimation, use “cx = r”.  |
| <code>per = arg</code>                                 | Period effects. For fixed effects estimation, use “cx = f”; for random effects estimation, use “cx = r”.   |
| <code>wgt = arg</code>                                 | GLS weighting: ( <i>default</i> ) none, cross-section system weights (“wgt = cxsur”), period system weights (“wgt = persur”), cross-section diagonal weights (“wgt = cxdiag”), period diagonal weights (“wgt = perdiag”).  |
| <code>cov = arg</code>                                 | Coefficient covariance method: ( <i>default</i> ) ordinary, White cross-section system robust (“cov = cxwhite”), White period system robust (“cov = perwhite”), White heteroskedasticity robust (“cov = stackedwhite”), Cross-section system robust/PCSE (“cov = cxsur”), Period system robust/PCSE (“cov = persur”), Cross-section heteroskedasticity robust/PCSE (“cov = cxdiag”), Period heteroskedasticity robust (“cov = perdiag”).                               |
| <code>keepwghts</code>                                 | Keep full set of GLS weights used in estimation with object, if applicable (by default, only small memory weights are saved).  |
| <code>rancalc = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “sa”) | Random component method: Swamy-Arora (“rancalc = sa”), Wansbeek-Kapteyn (“rancalc = wk”), Wallace-Hussain (“rancalc = wh”).  |
| <code>nodf</code>                                      | Do not perform degree of freedom corrections in computing coefficient covariance matrix. The default is to use degree of freedom corrections.  |
| <code>coef = arg</code>                                | Specify the name of the coefficient vector (if specified by list); the default is to use the “C” coefficient vector.   |
| <code>iter = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “onec”)  | Iteration control for GLS specifications: perform one weight iteration, then iterate coefficients to convergence (“iter = onec”), iterate weights and coefficients simultaneously to convergence (“iter = sim”), iterate weights and coefficients sequentially to convergence (“iter = seq”), perform one weight iteration, then one coefficient step (“iter = oneb”).<br><br>Note that random effects models currently do not permit weight iteration to convergence. |
| <code>s</code>   | Use the current coefficient values in “C” as starting values for equations with AR or MA terms (see also <a href="#">param</a> (p. 413) of the <i>Command and Programming Reference</i> ).   |



|                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| <code>s = number</code> | Determine starting values for equations specified by list with AR terms. Specify a number between zero and one representing the fraction of preliminary least squares estimates computed without AR terms. Note that out of range values are set to “s = 1”. Specifying “s = 0” initializes coefficients to zero. By default, EViews uses “s = 1”. |
| <code>unbalsur</code>   | Compute SUR factorization in unbalanced data using the subset of available observations for a cluster.   |
| <code>prompt</code>     | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>          | Print estimation results.  |

Examples

```
pool1.tsls y? c x? @inst z?
```

estimates TSLS on the pool specification using common instruments Z?

Cross-references

See [“Two-stage Least Squares” on page 55](#) and [“Two-Stage Least Squares” on page 515](#) of *User’s Guide II* for details on two-stage least squares estimation in single equations and systems, respectively.

[“Instrumental Variables” on page 728](#) of *User’s Guide II* discusses estimation using pool objects, while [“Instrumental Variables Estimation” on page 762](#) of *User’s Guide II* discusses estimation in panel structured workfiles.

See also [Pool::ls \(p. 423\)](#).

|                    |                            |
|--------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>updatecoefs</b> | <a href="#">Pool Procs</a> |
|--------------------|----------------------------|

Update coefficient object values from pool object.

Copies coefficients from the pool into the appropriate coefficient vector.

Syntax

```
pool_name.updatecoef
```

Follow the name of the pool object by a period and the keyword `updatecoef`.

Examples

```
pool1.ls y? c x1? x2? x3?
pool2.ls z? c z1? z2? z3?
pool1.updatecoef
```

places the coefficients from POOL1 in the default coefficient vector C.

Cross-references

See also [Coef::coef](#) (p. 18).

|       |                            |
|-------|----------------------------|
| uroot | <a href="#">Pool Views</a> |
|-------|----------------------------|

Carries out unit root tests on a pool series.

When used with a pool series, the procedure will perform panel unit root testing. The panel unit root tests include Levin, Lin and Chu (LLC), Breitung, Im, Pesaran, and Shin (IPS), Fisher - ADF, Fisher - PP, and Hadri tests on levels, or first or second differences.

Note that simulation evidence suggests that in various settings (for example, small  $T$ ), Hadri's panel unit root test experiences significant size distortion in the presence of autocorrelation when there is no unit root. In particular, the Hadri test appears to over-reject the null of stationarity, and may yield results that directly contradict those obtained using alternative test statistics (see Hlouskova and Wagner (2006) for discussion and details).

Syntax

```
pool_name.uroot(options) pool_series
```

Enter the pool object name followed by a period, the keyword, and the name of a pool “?” series.

Options

Basic Specification Options

You should specify the exogenous variables and order of dependent variable differencing in the test equation using the following options:

|                             |  |
|-----------------------------|--|
| const (default)             | Include a constant in the test equation.   |
| trend                       | Include a constant and a linear time trend in the test equation.                           |
| none                        | Do not include a constant or time trend (only available for the ADF and PP tests).         |
| dif = integer (default = 0) | Order of differencing of the series prior to running the test. Valid values are {0, 1, 2}. |

For panel testing, you may use one of the following keywords to specify the test:

|                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| sum ( <i>default</i> ) | Summary of the first five panel unit root tests (where applicable). |
| llc                    | Levin, Lin, and Chu.  |
| breit                  | Breitung.   |
| ips                    | Im, Pesaran, and Shin.  |
| adf                    | Fisher - ADF.   |
| pp                     | Fisher - PP.  |
| hadri                  | Hadri.  |

### Panel Specification Options

The following additional panel specific options are available:

|   |   |
|---|---|
| balance   | Use balanced (across cross-sections or series) data when performing test.   |
| hac = <i>arg</i><br>( <i>default</i> = "bt")                      | Method of estimating the frequency zero spectrum: "bt" (Bartlett kernel), "pr" (Parzen kernel), "qs" (Quadratic Spectral kernel).<br>Applicable to "Summary", LLC, Fisher-PP, and Hadri tests.  |
| band = <i>arg</i> ,<br>b = <i>arg</i><br>( <i>default</i> = "nw") | Method of selecting the bandwidth: "nw" (Newey-West automatic variable bandwidth selection), "a" (Andrews automatic selection), <i>number</i> (user-specified common bandwidth), <i>vector_name</i> (user-specified individual bandwidth).<br>Applicable to "Summary", LLC, Fisher-PP, and Hadri tests.     |
| lag = <i>arg</i>  | Method of selecting lag length (number of first difference terms) to be included in the regression: "a" (automatic information criterion based selection), <i>integer</i> (user-specified common lag length), <i>vector_name</i> (user-specific individual lag length).<br>If the "balance" option is used, |

$$default = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (T_{\min} \leq 60) \\ 2 & \text{if } (60 < T_{\min} \leq 100) \\ 4 & \text{if } (T_{\min} > 100) \end{cases}$$

where  $T_{\min}$  is the length of the shortest cross-section or series, otherwise *default* = "a".

Applicable to "Summary", LLC, Breitung, IPS, and Fisher-ADF tests.

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>info = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “sic”) | Information criterion to use when computing automatic lag length selection: “aic” (Akaike), “sic” (Schwarz), “hqc” (Hannan-Quinn).<br><br>Applicable to “Summary”, LLC, Breitung, IPS, and Fisher-ADF tests.   |
| <code>maxlag = arg</code>                            | Maximum lag length to consider when performing automatic lag length selection, where <i>arg</i> is an <i>integer</i> (common maximum lag length) or a <i>vector_name</i> (individual maximum lag length)<br><br>$default = \text{int}(\min_i(12, T_i/3) \cdot (T_i/100)^{1/4})$<br>where $T_i$ is the length of the cross-section or series. |

Other options

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| <code>prompt</code> | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
| <code>p</code>      | Print output from the test.                       |

Examples

```
Pool1.uroot(llc,trend) gdp?
```

performs the LLC panel unit root test with exogenous individual trends and individual effects on pool series GDP?

```
Pool1.uroot(IPS, const, maxlag=4, info=AIC) inv?
```

performs the IPS panel unit root test on pool series INV?. The test includes individual effects, lag will be chosen by AIC from maximum lag of three.

```
Pool1.uroot(sum, const, lag=3, hac=pr,b=2.3) mm?
```

performs a summary of the panel unit root tests on the pool series MM?. The test equation includes a constant term and three lagged first-difference terms. The frequency zero spectrum is estimated using kernel methods (with a Parzen kernel), and a bandwidth of 2.3.

Cross-references

See [“Panel Unit Root Testing” on page 483](#) of *User’s Guide II* for discussion of unit roots tests performed on pooled data.

See also `Pool::coint` (p. 411).

|      |                            |
|------|----------------------------|
| wald | <a href="#">Pool Views</a> |
|------|----------------------------|

**Wald coefficient restriction test.**

The `wald` view carries out a Wald test of coefficient restrictions for a pool object.

**Syntax**

`pool_name.wald restrictions`

Enter the pool object name, followed by a period, and the keyword. You must provide a list of the coefficient restrictions, with joint (multiple) coefficient restrictions separated by commas.

**Options**

|        |  |
|--------|--|
| prompt | If no <i>restrictions</i> are specified, force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
| p      | Print the test results.  |

**Examples**

```
pool panel us uk jpn
panel.ls cons? c inc? @cxreg ar(1)
panel.wald c(3)=c(4)=c(5)
```

declares a pool object with three cross section members (US, UK, JPN), estimates a pooled OLS regression with separate AR(1) coefficients, and tests the null hypothesis that all AR(1) coefficients are equal.

**Cross-references**

See [“Wald Test \(Coefficient Restrictions\)” on page 146](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of Wald tests.

See also [Pool::cellipse \(p. 410\)](#), [Pool::testdrop \(p. 441\)](#), [Pool::testadd \(p. 440\)](#).

|       |                            |
|-------|----------------------------|
| write | <a href="#">Pool Procs</a> |
|-------|----------------------------|

**Write EViews data to a text (ASCII), Excel, or Lotus file on disk.**

Creates a foreign format disk file containing EViews data. May be used to export EViews data to another program.

## Syntax

```
pool_name.write(options) [path\filename] pool_series1 [pool_series2 pool_series3 ...]
```

Follow the keyword by a name for the output file and list the series to be written. The optional path name may be on the local machine, or may point to a network drive. If the path name contains spaces, enclose the entire expression in double quotation marks.

Note that EViews cannot, at present, write into an existing file. The file that you select will, if it exists, be replaced.

## Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
|--------|---|

Other options are used to specify the format of the output file.

### File type

|              |                           |
|--------------|---------------------------|
| t = dat, txt | ASCII (plain text) files. |
| t = wk1, wk3 | Lotus spreadsheet files.  |
| t = xls      | Excel spreadsheet files.  |

If you omit the “t = ” option, EViews will determine the type based on the file extension. Unrecognized extensions will be treated as ASCII files. For Lotus and Excel spreadsheet files specified without the “t = ” option, EViews will automatically append the appropriate extension if it is not otherwise specified.

### ASCII text files

|                           |   |
|---------------------------|---|
| na = string               | Specify text string for NAs. Default is “NA”.                       |
| names (default) / nonames | [Write / Do not write] series names.                                |
| id                        | Write dates/obs and cross-section identifiers.                      |
| d = arg                   | Specify delimiter (default is tab): “s” (space), “c” (comma).       |
| t                         | Write by series. Default is to write by obs with series in columns. |

### Spreadsheet (Lotus, Excel) files

|                           |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| letter_number             | Coordinate of the upper-left cell containing data. |
| names (default) / nonames | [Write / Do not write] series names.               |
| id                        | Write dates/obs and cross-section identifiers.     |

|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| dates = arg | Excel format for writing date: “first” (convert to the first day of the corresponding observation if necessary), “last” (convert to the last day of the corresponding observation). |
| t           | Write by series. Default is to write by obs with series in columns.   |

### *Pooled data writing*

```
bycross (default) / Stack pool data by [cross-section / date or period].  
byper
```

### Examples

```
pool1.write(t=txt,na=.,d=c,id) a:\dat1.csv gdp? edu?
```

Writes into an ASCII file named “Dat1.csv” on the A drive. The data file is listed by observations, NAs are coded as “.” (dot), each series is separated by a comma, and the date/observation numbers and cross-section identifiers are written together with the series names.

```
pool1.write(t=txt,na=.,d=c,id) dat1.csv gdp? edu?
```

writes the same file in the default directory.

```
mypool.write(t=xls,per) "\\network\drive a\growth" gdp? edu?
```

writes an Excel file “GROWTH.XLS” in the specified directory. The data are organized by observation, and are listed by period/time.

### Cross-references

See [“Exporting Data,” beginning on page 143](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion. Pool writing is discussed in [“Exporting Pooled Data” on page 704](#) of *User’s Guide II*.

See also [pagesave \(p. 402\)](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference* and [Pool::read \(p. 432\)](#).

## Rowvector

Row vector. (One dimensional array of numbers).

### Rowvector Declaration

**rowvector**.....declare rowvector object (p. 458).

There are several ways to create a rowvector object. First, you can enter the `rowvector` keyword (with an optional dimension) followed by a name:

```
rowvector scalarmat
rowvector(10) results
```

The resulting rowvector will be initialized with zeros.

Alternatively, you may combine a declaration with an assignment statement. The new vector will be sized and initialized accordingly:

```
rowvector(10) y=3
rowvector z=results
```

### Rowvector Views

**display** .....display table, graph, or spool in object window (p. 453).  
**label** .....label information for the rowvector (p. 455).  
**sheet** .....spreadsheet view of the vector (p. 462).  
**stats** .....(trivial) descriptive statistics (p. 463).

### Rowvector Graph Views

Graph creation views are discussed in detail in “[Graph Creation Command Summary](#)” on page 799.

**bar** .....bar graph of each column (element) of the data against the row index (p. 807).  
**boxplot** .....boxplot graph (p. 811).  
**distplot** .....distribution graph (p. 813).  
**dot** .....dot plot graph (p. 820).  
**errbar** .....error bar graph view (p. 824).  
**pie** .....pie chart view (p. 831).  
**qqplot** .....quantile-quantile graph (p. 834).  
**scat** .....scatter diagrams of the columns of the rowvector (p. 838).  
**scatmat** .....matrix of all pairwise scatter plots (p. 843).  
**scatpair** .....scatterplot pairs graph (p. 845).  
**seasplot** .....seasonal line graph of the columns of the rowvector (p. 849).  
**spike** .....spike graph (p. 850).  
**xybar** .....XY bar graph (p. 857).



**xypair** ..... XY pairs graph (p. 863).

## Rowvector Procs

**displayname** ..... set display name (p. 453).

**fill** ..... fill elements of the vector (p. 454).

**olepush** ..... push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 456).

**read** ..... import data from disk (p. 456).

**setattr** ..... set the value of an object attribute (p. 459).

**setformat** ..... set the display format for the vector spreadsheet (p. 459).

**setindent** ..... set the indentation for the vector spreadsheet (p. 460).

**setjust** ..... set the justification for the vector spreadsheet (p. 461).

**setWidth** ..... set the column width in the vector spreadsheet (p. 462).

**write** ..... export data to disk (p. 463).

## Rowvector Data Members

### String values

**@attr("arg")** ..... string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.

**@description** ..... string containing the Rowvector object's description (if available).

**@detailedtype** ..... string with the object type: "ROWVECTOR".

**@displayname** ..... string containing the Rowvector object's display name. If the Rowvector has no display name set, the name is returned.

**@name** ..... string containing the Rowvector object's name.

**@remarks** ..... string containing the Rowvector object's remarks (if available).

**@source** ..... string containing the Rowvector object's source (if available).

**@type** ..... string with the object type: "ROWVECTOR".

**@units** ..... string containing the Rowvector object's units description (if available).

**@updatetime** ..... string representation of the time and date at which the Rowvector was last updated.

### Scalar values

**(i)** ..... *i*-th element of the vector. Simply append "(i)" to the matrix name (without a ".").

**@cols** ..... number of columns in the matrix.

### Vector values

**@dropcol(i)** ..... Returns the rowvector with the *i*-th row removed. *i* may be a vector of integers, in which case multiple rows are removed.

## Rowvector Examples

To declare a rowvector and to fill it with data read from an Excel file:

```
rowvector(10) mydata
mydata.read(b2) thedata.xls
```

To access a single element of the vector using direct indexing:

```
scalar result1=mydata(2)
```

The rowvector may be used in standard matrix expressions:

```
vector transdata=@transpose(mydata)
```

## Rowvector Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the “[Rowvector](#)” object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|                |                                 |
|----------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>display</b> | <a href="#">Rowvector Views</a> |
|----------------|---------------------------------|

Display table, graph, or spool output in the rowvector object window.

Display the contents of a table, graph, or spool in the window of the rowvector object.

### Syntax

```
rowvector_name.display object_name
```

### Examples

```
rowvector1.display tab1
```

Display the contents of the table TAB1 in the window of the object ROWVECTOR1.

### Cross-references

Most often used in constructing an EViews Add-in. See “[Custom Object Output](#)” on [page 192](#) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|                    |                                 |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>displayname</b> | <a href="#">Rowvector Procs</a> |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|

Display name for rowvector objects.

Attaches a display name to a rowvector object which may be used to label output in tables and graphs in place of the standard rowvector object name.

Syntax

```
vector_name.displayname display_name
```

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain a variety of characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in rowvector object names.

Examples

```
hrs.displayname Hours Worked
hrs.label
```

The first line attaches a display name “Hours Worked” to the rowvector object HRS, and the second line displays the label view of HRS, including its display name.

Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names.

See also [Rowvector::label](#) (p. 455).

|      |                                 |
|------|---------------------------------|
| fill | <a href="#">Rowvector Procs</a> |
|------|---------------------------------|

Fill a rowvector object with specified values.

Syntax

```
vector_name.fill(options) n1[, n2, n3 ...]
```

Follow the keyword with a list of values to place in the specified object. *Each value should be separated by a comma.*

Running out of values before the object is completely filled is not an error; the remaining cells or observations will be unaffected, unless the “1” option is specified. If, however, you list more values than the object can hold, EViews will not modify any observations and will return an error message.

Options

|                                     |   |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| 1                                   | Loop repeatedly over the list of values as many times as it takes to fill the object. |
| <i>o</i> = integer<br>(default = 1) | Fill the object from the specified element. Default is the first element.             |

### Examples

The following example declares a four element rowvector MC, initially filled with zeros. The second line fills MC with the specified values and the third line replaces from column 3 to the last column with -1.

```
rowvector(4) mc
mc.fill 0.1, 0.2, 0.5, 0.5
mc.fill(o=3,1) -1
```

### Cross-references

See [Chapter 11, “Matrix Language,” on page 239](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a detailed discussion of vector and matrix manipulation in EViews.

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| label | <a href="#">Rowvector Views   Rowvector Procs</a> |
|-------|---|

Display or change the label view of a rowvector object, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

As a procedure, `label` changes the fields in the rowvector label.

### Syntax

```
vector_name.label
vector_name.label(options) [text]
```

### Options

The first version of the command displays the label view of the rowvector. The second version may be used to modify the label. Specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

### Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of rowvector RV1 with “Data from CPS 1988 March File”:

```
rv1.label(r)
```

```
rv1.label(r) Data from CPS 1988 March File
```

To append additional remarks to RV1, and then to print the label view:

```
rv1.label(r) Log of hourly wage
rv1.label(p)
```

To clear and then set the units field, use:

```
rv1.label(u) Millions of bushels
```

**Cross-references**

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.

See also [Rowvector::displayname](#) (p. 453).

|         |                                 |
|---------|---------------------------------|
| olepush | <a href="#">Rowvector Procs</a> |
|---------|---------------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

**Syntax**

```
vector_name.olepush
```

**Cross-references**

See [“Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)” on page 729](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|      |                                 |
|------|---------------------------------|
| read | <a href="#">Rowvector Procs</a> |
|------|---------------------------------|

Import data from a foreign disk file into a rowvector.

May be used to import data into an existing workfile from a text, Excel, or Lotus file on disk.

**Syntax**

```
vector_name.read(options) [path\]file_name
```

You must supply the name of the source file. If you do not include the optional path specification, EViews will look for the file in the default directory. Path specifications may point to local or network drives. If the path specification contains a space, you may enclose the entire expression in double quotation marks.

**Options**

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
|--------|---|

*File type options*

|              |                           |
|--------------|---------------------------|
| t = dat, txt | ASCII (plain text) files. |
| t = wk1, wk3 | Lotus spreadsheet files.  |
| t = xls      | Excel spreadsheet files.  |

If you do not specify the “*t*” option, EViews uses the file name extension to determine the file type. If you specify the “*t*” option, the file name extension will not be used to determine the file type.

*Options for ASCII text files*

|                                     |   |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| na = <i>text</i>                    | Specify text for NAs. Default is “NA”.  |
| d = t                               | Treat tab as delimiter (note: you may specify multiple delimiter options). The <i>default</i> is “d = c” only.                                  |
| d = c                               | Treat comma as delimiter.   |
| d = s                               | Treat space as delimiter.   |
| d = a                               | Treat alpha numeric characters as delimiter.  |
| custom =<br><i>symbol</i>           | Specify symbol/character to treat as delimiter.   |
| mult                                | Treat multiple delimiters as one.   |
| rect ( <i>default</i> ) /<br>norect | [Treat / Do not treat] file layout as rectangular.  |
| skipcol =<br><i>integer</i>         | Number of columns to skip. Must be used with the “rect” option.   |
| skiprow =<br><i>integer</i>         | Number of rows to skip. Must be used with the “rect” option.  |
| comment =<br><i>symbol</i>          | Specify character/symbol to treat as comment sign. Everything to the right of the comment sign is ignored. Must be used with the “rect” option. |
| singlequote                         | Strings are in single quotes, not double quotes.  |
| dropstrings                         | Do not treat strings as NA; simply drop them.   |
| negparen                            | Treat numbers in parentheses as negative numbers.   |
| allowcomma                          | Allow commas in numbers (note that using commas as a delimiter takes precedence over this option).  |

*Options for spreadsheet (Lotus, Excel) files*

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <i>letter_number</i><br>(default = "b2") | Coordinate of the upper-left cell containing data. |
| <i>s = sheet_name</i>                    | Sheet name for Excel 5–8 Workbooks.                |

**Examples**

```
rv1.read(t=dat,na=.) a:\mydat.raw
```

reads data into rowvector RV1 from an ASCII file MYDAT.RAW in the A: drive. The data in the file are listed by row, and the missing value NA is coded as a "." (dot or period).

```
rv1.read(a2,s=sheet3) cps88.xls
```

reads data into rowvector RV1 from an Excel file CPS88 in the default directory. The upper left data cell is A2, and the data is read from a sheet named SHEET3.

```
rv2.read(a2, s=sheet2) "\\network\dr 1\cps91.xls"
```

reads the Excel file CPS91 into rowvector RV1 from the network drive specified in the path.

**Cross-references**

See [“Importing Data” on page 129](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion and examples of importing data from external files.

See also [Rowvector::write](#) (p. 463).

|           |                                       |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|
| rowvector | <a href="#">Rowvector Declaration</a> |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|

Declare a rowvector object.

The `rowvector` command declares and optionally initializes a (row) vector object.

**Syntax**

```
rowvector(n1) vector_name  
rowvector vector_name = assignment
```

You may optionally specify the size (number of columns) of the row vector in parentheses after the `rowvector` keyword. If you do not specify the size, EViews creates a rowvector of size 1, unless the declaration is combined with an assignment.

By default, all elements of the vector are set to 0, unless an assignment statement is provided. EViews will automatically resize new rowvectors, if appropriate.

**Examples**

```
rowvector rvec1
```

```
rowvector(20) coefvec = 2
rowvector newcoef = coefvec
```

RVEC1 is a row vector of size one with value 0. COEFVEC is a row vector of size 20 with all elements equal to 2. NEWCOEF is also a row vector of size 20 with all elements equal to the same values as COEFVEC.

## Cross-references

See also [Coef::coef](#) (p. 18) and [Vector::vector](#) (p. 796).

|         |                                 |
|---------|---------------------------------|
| setattr | <a href="#">Rowvector Procs</a> |
|---------|---------------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

## Syntax

```
rowvector_name.setattr(attr) attr_value
```

Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the @*attr* data member.

## Examples

```
a.setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

## Cross-references

See “[Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View](#)” on page 103 and “[Adding Your Own Label Attributes](#)” on page 65 of *User’s Guide I*.

|           |                                 |
|-----------|---------------------------------|
| setformat | <a href="#">Rowvector Procs</a> |
|-----------|---------------------------------|

Set the display format for cells in a rowvector object spreadsheet view.

## Syntax

```
vector_name.setformat format_arg
```

where *format\_arg* is a set of arguments used to specify format settings. If necessary, you should enclose the *format\_arg* in double quotes.

For rowvectors, `setformat` operates on all of the cells in the rowvector.

To format numeric values, you should use one of the following format specifications:



|                            |                      |
|----------------------------|----------------------|
| <code>g[.precision]</code> | significant digits   |
| <code>f[.precision]</code> | fixed decimal places |
| <code>c[.precision]</code> | fixed characters     |
| <code>e[.precision]</code> | scientific/float     |
| <code>p[.precision]</code> | percentage           |
| <code>r[.precision]</code> | fraction             |

To specify a format that groups digits into thousands using a comma separator, place a “t” after the format character. For example, to obtain a fixed number of decimal places with commas used to separate thousands, use “`ft[.precision]`”.

To use the period character to separate thousands and commas to denote decimal places, use “.” (two periods) when specifying the precision. For example, to obtain a fixed number of characters with a period used to separate thousands, use “`ct[.precision]`”.

If you wish to display negative numbers surrounded by parentheses (*i.e.*, display the number -37.2 as “(37.2)”), you should enclose the format string in “()” (*e.g.*, “`f(.8)`”).

Examples

To set the format for all cells in the rowvector to fixed 5-digit precision, simply provide the format specification:

```
rv1.setformat f.5
```

Other format specifications include:

```
rv1.setformat f(.7)
rv1.setformat e.5
```

Cross-references

See [Rowvector::setwidth \(p. 462\)](#), [Rowvector::setindent \(p. 460\)](#) and [Rowvector::setjust \(p. 461\)](#) for details on setting spreadsheet widths, indentation and justification.

|           |                                 |
|-----------|---------------------------------|
| setindent | <a href="#">Rowvector Procs</a> |
|-----------|---------------------------------|

Set the display indentation for cells in a rowvector object spreadsheet view.

Syntax

```
vector_name.setindent indent_arg
```

where *indent\_arg* is an indent value specified in 1/5 of a width unit. The width unit is computed from representative characters in the default font for the current spreadsheet (the

EViews spreadsheet default font at the time the spreadsheet was created), and corresponds roughly to a single character. Indentation is only relevant for non-center justified cells.

The default indentation settings are taken from the Global Defaults for spreadsheet views (“[Spreadsheet Data Display](#)” on page 768 of *User’s Guide I*) at the time the spreadsheet was created.

For rowvectors, `setindent` operates on all of the cells in the vector.

Examples

To set the indentation for all the cells in a matrix object:

```
rv1.setindent 2
```

Cross-references

See [Rowvector::setWidth](#) (p. 462) and [Rowvector::setjust](#) (p. 461) for details on setting spreadsheet widths and justification.

|         |                                 |
|---------|---------------------------------|
| setjust | <a href="#">Rowvector Procs</a> |
|---------|---------------------------------|

Set the display justification for cells in a rowvector spreadsheet view.

Syntax

```
vector_name.setjust format_arg
```

where *format\_arg* is a set of arguments used to specify format settings. You should enclose the *format\_arg* in double quotes if it contains any spaces or delimiters.

For rowvectors, `setjust` operates on all of the cells in the vector.

The *format\_arg* may be formed using the following:

|                              |  |
|------------------------------|--|
| top / middle / bottom]       | Vertical justification setting.  |
| auto / left / center / right | Horizontal justification setting. “Auto” uses left justification for strings, and right for numbers. |

You may enter one or both of the justification settings. The default justification settings are taken from the Global Defaults for spreadsheet views (“[Spreadsheet Data Display](#)” on page 768 of *User’s Guide I*) at the time the spreadsheet was created.

Examples

```
rv1.setjust middle
```

sets the vertical justification to the middle.

```
rv1.setjust top left
```

sets the vertical justification to top and the horizontal justification to left.

Cross-references

See [Rowvector::setwidth \(p. 462\)](#) and [Rowvector::setindent \(p. 460\)](#) for details on setting spreadsheet widths and indentation.

|          |                                 |
|----------|---------------------------------|
| setwidth | <a href="#">Rowvector Procs</a> |
|----------|---------------------------------|

Set the column width for all columns in a rowvector object spreadsheet.

Syntax

```
vector_name.setwidth width_arg
```

where *width\_arg* specifies the width unit value. The width unit is computed from representative characters in the default font for the current spreadsheet (the EViews spreadsheet default font at the time the spreadsheet was created), and corresponds roughly to a single character. *width\_arg* values may be non-integer values with resolution up to 1/10 of a width unit.

Examples

```
rv1.setwidth 12
```

sets the width of all columns in rowvector RV1 to 12 width units.

Cross-references

See [Rowvector::setindent \(p. 460\)](#) and [Rowvector::setjust \(p. 461\)](#) for details on setting spreadsheet indentation and justification.

|       |                                 |
|-------|---------------------------------|
| sheet | <a href="#">Rowvector Views</a> |
|-------|---------------------------------|

Spreadsheet view of a rowvector object.

Syntax

```
vector_name.sheet(options)
```

Options

|   |                             |
|---|-----------------------------|
| p | Print the spreadsheet view. |
|---|-----------------------------|

Examples

```
rv1.sheet(p)
```

displays and prints the spreadsheet view of rowvector RV1.

|       |                                 |
|-------|---------------------------------|
| stats | <a href="#">Rowvector Views</a> |
|-------|---------------------------------|

**Descriptive statistics.**

Computes and displays a table of means, medians, maximum and minimum values, standard deviations, and other descriptive statistics for a rowvector.

The `stats` command computes the statistics for each column. Note that in the case of a rowvector, this will be for a single observation.

**Syntax**

`vector_name.stats(options)`

**Options**

|   |                        |
|---|------------------------|
| p | Print the stats table. |
|---|------------------------|

**Examples**

`rv1.stats`

displays the descriptive statistics view of rowvector RV1.

**Cross-references**

See [“Descriptive Statistics & Tests” on page 358](#) and [page 486](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of the descriptive statistics views of series and groups.

|       |                                 |
|-------|---------------------------------|
| write | <a href="#">Rowvector Procs</a> |
|-------|---------------------------------|

**Write EViews data to a text (ASCII), Excel, or Lotus file on disk.**

Creates a foreign format disk file containing EViews data. May be used to export EViews data to another program.

**Syntax**

`vector_name.write(options) [path\filename]`

Follow the name of the rowvector object by a period, the keyword, and the name for the output file. The optional path name may be on the local machine, or may point to a network drive. If the path name contains spaces, enclose the entire expression in double quotation marks. The entire rowvector will be exported.

Note that EViews cannot, at present, write into an existing file. The file that you select will, if it exists, be replaced.

## Options

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| <code>prompt</code> | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
|---------------------|---|

### *File type*

|                           |                           |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| <code>t = dat, txt</code> | ASCII (plain text) files. |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|

|                           |                          |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| <code>t = wk1, wk3</code> | Lotus spreadsheet files. |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|

|                      |                          |
|----------------------|--------------------------|
| <code>t = xls</code> | Excel spreadsheet files. |
|----------------------|--------------------------|

If you omit the “`t =`” option, EViews will determine the type based on the file extension. Unrecognized extensions will be treated as ASCII files. For Lotus and Excel spreadsheet files specified without the “`t =`” option, EViews will automatically append the appropriate extension if it is not otherwise specified.

### *ASCII text files*

|                          |   |
|--------------------------|---|
| <code>na = string</code> | Specify text string for NAs. Default is “NA”. |
|--------------------------|---|

|                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| <code>d = arg</code> | Specify delimiter ( <i>default</i> is tab): “s” (space), “c” (comma). |
|----------------------|---|

### *Spreadsheet (Lotus, Excel) files*

|                            |  |
|----------------------------|--|
| <code>letter_number</code> | Coordinate of the upper-left cell containing data. |
|----------------------------|--|

## Examples

```
rv1.write(t=txt,na=.) a:\dat1.csv
```

writes the rowvector RV1 into an ASCII file named DAT1.CSV on the A: drive. NAs are coded as “.” (dot).

```
rv1.write(t=txt,na=.) dat1.csv
```

writes the same file in the default directory.

```
rv1.write(t=xls) "\\network\drive a\results"
```

saves the contents of RV1 in an Excel file “Results.xls” in the specified directory.

## Cross-references

See [“Exporting to a Spreadsheet or Text File” on page 144](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion.

See also [pagesave \(p. 402\)](#) and [Rowvector::read \(p. 456\)](#).



## Sample

Sample of observations. Description of a set of observations to be used in operations.

### Sample Declaration

**sample** ..... declare a sample object (p. 469).

To declare a sample object, use the keyword `sample`, followed by a name and a sample string:

```
sample mysample 1960:1 1990:4
sample altsample 120 170 300 1000 if x>0
```

### Sample Views

**label** ..... label information for the sample (p. 467).

### Sample Procs

**displayname** ..... set display name (p. 467).

**olepush** ..... push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 468).

**set** ..... reset the sample range (p. 470).

**setattr** ..... set the value of an object attribute (p. 470).

### Sample Data Members

#### *String values*

**@attr("arg")** ..... string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.

**@description** ..... string containing the Sample object's description (if available).

**@detailedtype** ..... string with the object type: "SAMPLE".

**@displayname** ..... string containing the Sample object's display name. If the Sample has no display name set, the name is returned.

**@name** ..... string containing the Sample object's name.

**@remarks** ..... string containing the Sample object's remarks (if available).

**@source** ..... string containing the Sample object's source (if available).

**@type** ..... string with the object type: "SAMPLE".

**@update time** ..... string representation of the time and date at which the Sample was last updated.

### Sample Example

To change the observations in a sample object, you can use the `set` proc:

```
mysample.set 1960:1 1980:4 if y>0
sample thesamp 1 10 20 30 40 60 if x>0
thesamp.set @all
```

To set the current sample to use a sample, enter a `smpl` statement, followed by the name of the sample object:

```
smpl mysample
equation eq1.ls y x c
```

## Sample Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the “[Sample](#)” object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|             |                              |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">Sample Procs</a> |
|-------------|------------------------------|

Display name for sample objects.

Attaches a display name to a sample object which may be used to label output in place of the standard sample object name.

### Syntax

```
sample_name.displayname display_name
```

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain a variety of characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in sample object names.

### Examples

```
sm1.displayname Annual Sample
sm1.label
```

The first line attaches a display name “Annual Sample” to the sample object SM1, and the second line displays the label view of SM1, including its display name.

### Cross-references

See “[Labeling Objects](#)” on page 102 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names.

See also [Sample::label](#) (p. 467).

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| label | <a href="#">Sample Views   Sample Procs</a> |
|-------|---|

Display or change the label view of a sample object, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

As a procedure, `label` changes the fields in the sample object label.



Syntax

```
sample_name.label
sample_name.label(options) [text]
```

Options

The first version of the command displays the label view of the sample object. The second version may be used to modify the label. Specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of the sample SP1 with “1988 March”

```
sp1.label(r)
sp1.label(r) 1988 March
```

To append additional remarks to SP1, and then to print the label view:

```
sp1.label(r) if X is greater than 3
sp1.label(p)
```

Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.

See also [Sample::displayname \(p. 467\)](#).

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| olepush | <a href="#">Sample Procs</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

Syntax

```
sample_name.olepush
```

Cross-references

See [“Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)” on page 729](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|        |                                    |
|--------|------------------------------------|
| sample | <a href="#">Sample Declaration</a> |
|--------|------------------------------------|

Declare a sample object.

The `sample` statement declares, and optionally defines, a sample object.

Syntax

```
sample smp1_name [smp1_statement]
```

Follow the `sample` keyword with a name for the sample object and a sample statement. If no sample statement is provided, the sample object will be set to the current workfile sample.

To reset the sample dates in a sample object, you must use the [Sample::set \(p. 470\)](#) procedure.

Examples

```
sample ss
```

declares a sample object named SS and sets it to the current workfile sample.

```
sample s2 1974q1 1995q4
```

declares a sample object named S2 and sets it from 1974Q1 to 1995Q4.

```
sample fe_bl @all if gender=1 and race=3
smp1 fe_bl
```

The first line declares a sample FE\_BL that includes observations where GENDER = 1 and RACE = 3. The second line sets the current sample to FE\_BL.

```
sample sf @last-10 @last
```

declares a sample object named SF and sets it to the last 10 observations of the current workfile range.

```
sample s1 @first 1973q1
s1.set 1973q2 @last
```

The first line declares a sample object named S1 and sets it from the beginning of the workfile range to 1973Q1. The second line resets S1 from 1973Q2 to the end of the workfile range.

```
sample s2 @all if @hourf<=9.5 and @hourf<=14.5
```

declares a sample S2 that includes all observations that are between 9:30AM and 2:30PM.

Cross-references

See [“Samples” on page 119](#) of *User’s Guide I* and [“Dates” on page 82](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference* for a discussion of using samples and dates in EViews.

See also [Sample::set \(p. 470\)](#) and [smp1 \(p. 436\)](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|     |                              |
|-----|------------------------------|
| set | <a href="#">Sample Procs</a> |
|-----|------------------------------|

Set the sample in a sample object.

The `set` procedure resets the sample of an existing sample object.

Syntax

`sample_name.set(options) sample_description`

Follow the `set` command with a sample description. See `sample` for instructions on describing a sample.

Options

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| <code>prompt</code> | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
|---------------------|---|

Examples

```
sample s1 @first 1973
s1.set 1974 @last
```

The first line declares and defines a sample object named S1 from the beginning of the workfile range to 1973. The second line resets S1 from 1974 to the end of the workfile range.

Cross-references

See [“Samples” on page 119](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of samples in EViews.

See also [Sample::sample \(p. 469\)](#) and [smp1 \(p. 436\)](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| setattr | <a href="#">Sample Procs</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

Syntax

`sample_name setattr(attr) attr_value`

Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the `@attr` data member.

### Examples

```
a.setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

### Cross-references

See [“Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View” on page 103](#) and [“Adding Your Own Label Attributes” on page 65](#) of *User’s Guide I*.



## Scalar

Scalar (single number). A scalar holds a single numeric value. Scalar values may be used in standard EViews expressions in place of numeric values.

### Scalar Declaration

**scalar** .....declare scalar object (p. 475).

To declare a scalar object, use the keyword `scalar`, followed by a name, an “=” sign and a scalar expression or value.

### Scalar Views

**label** .....label view (p. 474).

**sheet** .....spreadsheet view of the scalar (p. 476).

### Scalar Procs

**olepush** .....push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 475).

**setattr** .....set the value of an object attribute (p. 475).

### Scalar Data Members

#### *String values*

**@attr(“arg”)** .....string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.

**@description** .....string containing the Scalar object’s description (if available).

**@detailedtype** .....string with the object type: “SCALAR”.

**@displayname** .....string containing the Scalar object’s display name. If the Scalar has no display name set, the name is returned.

**@name** .....string containing the Scalar object’s name.

**@remarks** .....string containing the Scalar object’s remarks (if available).

**@source** .....string containing the Scalar object’s source (if available).

**@type** .....string with the object type: “SCALAR”.

**@units** .....string containing the Scalar object’s units description (if available).

**@updateime** .....string representation of the time and date at which the Scalar was last updated.

### Scalar Examples

You can declare a scalar and examine its contents in the status line:

```
scalar pi=3.14159
scalar shape=beta(7)
show shape
```

or you can declare a scalar and use it in an expression:

```
scalar inner=@transpose(mydata)*mydata
series x=1/@sqrt(inner)*y
```

## Scalar Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the “[Scalar](#)” object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|       |                              |
|-------|------------------------------|
| label | <a href="#">Scalar Views</a> |
|-------|------------------------------|

Display or change the label view of the scalar object, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

### Syntax

```
scalar_name.label
scalar_name.label(options) text
```

### Options

To modify the label, you should specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared:

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

### Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of the scalar S1 with “Mean of Dependent Variable from EQ3”:

```
s1.label(r)
s1.label(r) Mean of Dependent Variable EQ3
```

### Cross-references

See “[Labeling Objects](#)” on page 102 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.

|                |                              |
|----------------|------------------------------|
| <b>olepush</b> | <a href="#">Scalar Procs</a> |
|----------------|------------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

### Syntax

`scalar_name.olepush`

### Cross-references

See [“Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)” on page 729](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|               |                                    |
|---------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>scalar</b> | <a href="#">Scalar Declaration</a> |
|---------------|------------------------------------|

Declare a scalar object.

The `scalar` command declares a scalar object and optionally assigns a value.

### Syntax

`scalar scalar_name[ = assignment]`

The `scalar` keyword should be followed by a valid name, and optionally, by an assignment. If there is no explicit assignment, the scalar will be initialized with a value of zero.

### Examples

```
scalar alpha
```

declares a scalar object named ALPHA with value zero.

```
equation eq1.ls res c res(-1 to -4) x1 x2
scalar lm = eq1.@regobs*eq1.@r2
show lm
```

runs a regression, saves the  $nR^2$  as a scalar named LM, and displays its value in the status line at the bottom of the EViews window.

|                |                              |
|----------------|------------------------------|
| <b>setattr</b> | <a href="#">Scalar Procs</a> |
|----------------|------------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

### Syntax

`scalar_name setattr(attr) attr_value`



Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the `@attr` data member.

Examples

```
a.setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

Cross-references

See [“Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View” on page 103](#) and [“Adding Your Own Label Attributes” on page 65 of \*User’s Guide I\*](#).

|       |                              |
|-------|------------------------------|
| sheet | <a href="#">Scalar Views</a> |
|-------|------------------------------|

Spreadsheet view of a scalar object.

Syntax

```
scalar_name.sheet(options)
```

Options

|   |                             |
|---|-----------------------------|
| p | Print the spreadsheet view. |
|---|-----------------------------|

Examples

```
s01.sheet
```

displays the spreadsheet view of S01.



## Series

Series of numeric observations. An EViews series contains a set of observations on a numeric variable.

### Series Declaration

**frml**..... create numeric series object with a formula for auto-updating (p. 501).  
**genr** ..... create numeric series object (p. 502).  
**series** ..... declare numeric series object (p. 520).

To declare a series, use the keyword `series` or `alpha` followed by a name, and optionally, by an “=” sign and a valid numeric series expression:

```
series y
genr x=3*z
```

If there is no assignment, the series will be initialized to contain NAs.

Note: to convert data between series and vectors, see “Copying Data Between Matrix And Other Objects” on page 247, `stom` (p. 642), `stomna` (p. 642), `mtos` (p. 633), all in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

### Series Views

**bdstest**..... BDS independence test (p. 484).  
**correl** ..... correlogram, autocorrelation and partial autocorrelation functions (p. 490).  
**display** ..... display table, graph, or spool in object window (p. 491).  
**edftest** ..... empirical distribution function tests (p. 494).  
**freq** ..... one-way tabulation (p. 499).  
**hist** ..... descriptive statistics and histogram (p. 502).  
**label** ..... label information for the series (p. 505).  
**lrvvar** ..... compute the symmetric, one-sided, or strict one-sided long-run variance of a series (p. 506).  
**pancov** ..... compute covariances, correlations, and other measures of association for a panel series (p. 512).  
**panpcomp** ..... perform principal components analysis on a panel series (p. 515).  
**sheet** ..... spreadsheet view of the series (p. 528).  
**statby** ..... statistics by classification (p. 532).  
**stats** ..... descriptive statistics table (p. 534).  
**testby** ..... equality test by classification (p. 534).  
**teststat** ..... simple hypothesis tests (p. 536).  
**uroot** ..... unit root test on an ordinary or panel series (p. 540).

**vratio** .....compute Lo and MacKinlay variance ratio test, or Wright rank, rank-score, or sign-based forms of the test (p. 545).

## Series Graph Views

Graph creation views are discussed in detail in “Graph Creation Command Summary” on page 799.

**area** .....area graph of the series (p. 801).

**bar** .....bar graph of the series (p. 807).

**boxplot** .....boxplot graph (p. 811).

**distplot** .....distribution graph (p. 813).

**dot** .....dot plot graph (p. 820).

**line** .....line graph of the series (p. 828).

**qqplot** .....quantile-quantile plot (p. 834).

**seasplot** .....seasonal line graph (p. 849).

**spike** .....spike graph (p. 850).

## Series Procs

**adjust** .....modify or fill in the values in a series (p. 481).

**bpf** .....compute and display band-pass filter (p. 485).

**classify** .....recode series into classes defined by a grid, specified limits, or quantiles (p. 488).

**displayname** .....set display name (p. 492).

**distdata** .....save distribution plot data to a matrix (p. 492).

**ets** .....perform Error-Trend-Season (ETS) estimation and exponential smoothing (p. 495).

**fill** .....fill the elements of the series (p. 498).

**hpf** .....Hodrick-Prescott filter (p. 503).

**ipolate** .....interpolate missing values (p. 504).

**makepanpcomp** .....save the scores from a principal components analysis of a panel series (p. 508).

**makewhiten** .....whiten the series (p. 510).

**map** .....assign or remove value map setting (p. 511).

**olepush** .....push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 511).

**resample** .....resample from the observations in the series (p. 517).

**seas** .....seasonal adjustment for quarterly and monthly time series (p. 519).

**setattr** .....set the value of an object attribute (p. 522).

**setconvert** .....set default frequency conversion method (p. 522).

**setformat** .....set the display format for the series spreadsheet (p. 524).

**setindent** .....set the indentation for the series spreadsheet (p. 527).

**setjust** .....set the justification for the series spreadsheet (p. 527).

- [setwidth](#) ..... set the column width in the series spreadsheet (p. 528).
- [smooth](#) ..... exponential smoothing (p. 529).
- [sort](#) ..... change display order for series spreadsheet (p. 531).
- [tramoseats](#) ..... seasonal adjustment using Tramo/Seats (p. 537).
- [x11](#) ..... seasonal adjustment by Census X11 method for quarterly and monthly time series (p. 547).
- [x12](#) ..... seasonal adjustment by Census X12 method for quarterly and monthly time series (p. 549).
- [x13](#) ..... seasonally adjust series using the Census X-13ARIMA-SEATS method (p. 554).

## Series Data Members

### *String values*

- [@attr\("arg"\)](#) ..... string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.
- [@description](#) ..... string containing the Series object's description (if available).
- [@detailedtype](#) ..... string with the object type: "SERIES", if an ordinary series, or "LINK", if defined by link.
- [@displayname](#) ..... string containing the Series object's display name. If the Series has no display name set, the name is returned.
- [@first](#) ..... string containing the date or observation number of the first non-NA observation of the series. In a panel workfile, the first date at which any cross-section has a non-NA observation is returned.
- [@firstall](#) ..... returns the same as [@first](#), however in a panel workfile, the first date at which all cross-sections have a non-NA observation is returned.
- [@last](#) ..... string containing the date or observation number of the last non-NA observation of the series. In a panel workfile, the last date at which any cross-section has a non-NA observation is returned.
- [@lastall](#) ..... returns the same as [@last](#), however in a panel workfile, the last date at which all cross-sections have a non-NA observation is returned.
- [@name](#) ..... string containing the Series object's name.
- [@remarks](#) ..... string containing the Series object's remarks (if available).
- [@source](#) ..... string containing the Series object's source (if available).
- [@type](#) ..... string with the object type: "SERIES".
- [@units](#) ..... string containing the Series object's units description (if available).
- [@updatetime](#) ..... string represent of the time and date at which the Series was last updated.

*Scalar values*

- `@obs` ..... scalar containing the number of non-NA observations.
- `(i)` .....  $i$ -th element of the series from the beginning of the workfile (when used on the left-hand side of an assignment, or when the element appears in a matrix, vector, or scalar assignment).

**Series Element Functions**

- `@elem(ser, j)` ..... function to access the  $j$ -th observation of the series SER, where  $j$  identifies the date or observation.

**Series Examples**

You can declare a series in the usual fashion:

```
series b=income*@mean(z)
series blag=b(1)
```

Note that the last example above involves a series expression so that B(1) is treated as a one-period lead of the entire series, not as an element operator. In contrast:

```
scalar blag1=b(1)
```

evaluates the first observation on B in the workfile.

Once a series is declared, views and procs are available:

```
a.qqplot
a.statby(mean, var, std) b
```

To access individual values:

```
scalar quarterlyval = @elem(y, "1980:3")
scalar undatedval = @elem(x, 323)
```

**Series Entries**

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the “Series” object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|               |                              |
|---------------|------------------------------|
| <b>adjust</b> | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|---------------|------------------------------|

Modify or fill in the values in a series.

**Syntax**

```
series_name.adjust [transform] [operator] [values] [interpolation]
```

Follow the `adjust` keyword with an expression made up of a combination of *transform*, *operator*, *values* and *interpolation* components. *transform* is used to specify a transformation of the data to which the adjustment will be made. The *operator* contains a mathematical expression defining how you would like to adjust the values in the series. *values* contains the values used during that operation. Finally, the *interpolation* component specifies how any missing values in the *values* component should be filled in via interpolation.

All adjustments are made on the current workfile sample.

## Transform

The following *transformations* are available. If a transformation is specified, any adjustments specified in the *operator* or *interpolation* components is made to the transformed data rather than the raw data.

| Transform | Description                              |
|-----------|--|
| d         | One period difference.                   |
| dy        | Annual difference.                       |
| pch       | One period percentage change.            |
| pcha      | Annualized one period percentage change. |
| pchy      | Annual percentage change.                |
| log       | Natural logarithm.                       |
| dlog      | One period difference of logged values.  |

## Operators

The following *operators* are available:

| Operator | Description   |
|----------|---|
| =        | Overwrites the existing value with the new value.             |
| + =      | Adds the new value to the existing value.                     |
| - =      | Subtracts the new value from the existing value.              |
| * =      | Multiplies the existing value by the new value.               |
| / =      | Divides the existing value by the new value.                  |
| = _      | Overwrites the existing value with the previous cell's value. |
| + _      | Add the new value to the previous observation's value.        |
| - _      | Subtract the new value from the previous observation's value. |

|    |  |
|----|--|
| *_ | Multiply the previous observation's value by the new value.  |
| /_ | Divide the previous observation's value by the new value.  |
| \  | Reverse the order of the observations. Note this operator cannot be used with a values or interpolation component. |

## Values

The *values* component should be made up of a space delimited set of values to use during the adjustment. In addition to single numbers, you may use the following keywords as part of the *values* component:

| Keyword       | Description   |
|---------------|---|
| .             | A single value to be filled in by interpolation.  |
| #             | Use the existing series value, unless it is an NA, in which case fill it by interpolation.  |
| NA            | Insert an NA (which will not be filled by interpolation).   |
| Rint1[(int2)] | Repeats the previous value <i>int1</i> times. You may optionally include a second number in parenthesis indicating how many of the previous values to repeat. |
| ..            | Interpolate between all remaining values.   |

## Interpolation

The *interpolation* component specifies how to fill in any missing values in the *values* component designated for interpolation. By default a cubic spline is used for interpolation. The other available choices are show below.

| Method Symbol | Description  |
|---------------|--|
| _             | Repeats previous non-missing value.  |
| ^             | Linear interpolation.  |
| ~             | Cubic spline interpolation   |
| &             | Catmull-Rom spline interpolation.  |
| ^*            | Log-linear (multiplicative) interpolation (linear in the log of the data).                     |
| ~*            | Multiplicative cubic spline interpolation (a cubic spline on the log of the data).             |
| &*            | Multiplicative Catmull-Rom spline interpolation (a Catmull-Rom spline on the log of the data). |



### Examples

The following command replaces the first four observations in the current sample of the series UNEMP with the values 2.4, 3.5, 2.9 and 1.4.

```
unemp.adjust = 2.4 3.5 2.9 1.4
```

This command modifies the first ten observations in UNEMP, by replacing them with the values: 3.4, 3.15, 2.9, 3.2, 3.5, 3.7, 3.5, 3.7, 3.5, 3.7. Note that the second observation (3.15) has been interpolated, using linear interpolation, between 3.4 and 2.9. Similarly the 4<sup>th</sup> observation was interpolated between 2.9 and 3.5. Also note that the values 3.5 and 3.7 were repeated three times.

```
unemp.adjust = 3.4 . 2.9 . 3.5 3.7 R3(2) ^
```

The following command replaces the log of the first observation in the current sample with 3.4 (setting the raw value equal to  $\exp(3.4) = 29.96$ ). The second observation is left alone (unless it contains an NA, in which case the log value is interpolated). The third observation's logged value is replaced with 2.2. The log of the penultimate observation in the current sample is replaced with 3.9, and the last observation with 4.8. All observations between the third and the penultimate are interpolated using a cubic spline interpolation method.

```
unemp.adjust log = 3.4 # 2.2 .. 3.9 4.8
```

This command adjusts all the observations in the current sample by adding to the existing values. The first observation has 3.4 added to it. The second has 2.9 added to it, and the third has 4.5 added. The last observation has 1.9 added to it. The values added to the observations in between are calculated via a multiplicative Catmull-Rom spline interpolation.

```
unemp.adjust += 3.4 2.9 4.5 .. 1.9 &*
```

### Cross-references

See [Appendix B. “Enhanced Spreadsheet Editing,” on page 783](#) and [“Series Adjust” on page 382](#) in *User’s Guide I* for additional discussion of series adjustment.

|                |                              |
|----------------|------------------------------|
| <b>bdstest</b> | <a href="#">Series Views</a> |
|----------------|------------------------------|

Perform BDS test for independence.

The BDS test is a Portmanteau test for time-based dependence in a series. The test may be used for testing against a variety of possible deviations from independence, including linear dependence, non-linear dependence, or chaos.

### Syntax

```
series_name.bds(options)
```

## Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>m = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “p”) | Method for calculating $\epsilon$ : “p” (fraction of pairs), “v” (fixed value), “s” (standard deviations), “r” (fraction of range). |
| <code>e = number</code>                         | Value for calculating $\epsilon$ .  |
| <code>d = integer</code>                        | Maximum dimension.  |
| <code>b = integer</code>                        | Number of repetitions for bootstrap $p$ -values. If option is omitted, no bootstrapping is performed.                               |
| <code>o = arg</code>                            | Name of output vector for final BDS $z$ -statistics.  |
| <code>prompt</code>                             | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>                                  | Print output.   |

## Cross-references

See [“BDS Independence Test” on page 504](#) of *User’s Guide II* for additional discussion.

|                  |                              |
|------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>boxplotby</b> | <a href="#">Series Views</a> |
|------------------|------------------------------|

Display the boxplots of a series classified into categories.

The `boxplotby` command is no longer supported. See [boxplot \(p. 811\)](#) for the replacement categorical graph command.

|            |                              |
|------------|------------------------------|
| <b>bpf</b> | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|------------|------------------------------|

Compute and display the band-pass filter of a series.

Computes, and displays a graphical view of the Baxter-King fixed length symmetric, Christiano-Fitzgerald fixed length symmetric, or the Christiano-Fitzgerald full sample asymmetric band-pass filter of the series.

The view will show the original series, the cyclical component, and non-cyclical component in a single graph. For non time-varying filters, a second graph will show the frequency responses.

## Syntax

```
series_name.bpf(options) [cyc_name]
```

Follow the `bpf` keyword with any desired options, and the optional name to be given to the cyclical component. If you do not provide `cyc_name`, the filtered series will be named BPFILTER## where ## is a number chosen to ensure that the name is unique.

To display the graph, you may need to precede the object command with the “show” key-word.

## Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>type = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “bk”)      | Specify the type of band-pass filter: “bk” is the Baxter-King fixed length symmetric filter, “cffix” is the Christiano-Fitzgerald fixed length symmetric filter, “cfasym” is the Christiano-Fitzgerald full sample asymmetric filter.  |
| <code>low = number,</code><br><code>high = number</code> | <p>Low (<math>P_L</math>) and high (<math>P_H</math>) values for the cycle range to be passed through (specified in periods of the workfile frequency).</p> <p>Defaults to the workfile equivalent corresponding to a range of 1.5–8 years for semi-annual to daily workfiles; otherwise sets “low = 2”, “high = 8”.</p> <p>The arguments must satisfy <math>2 \leq P_L &lt; P_H</math>. The corresponding frequency range to be passed through will be <math>(2\pi / P_H, 2\pi / P_L)</math>.</p> |
| <code>lag = integer</code>                               | <p>Fixed lag length (positive integer). Sets the fixed lead/lag length for fixed length filters (“type = bk” or “type = cffix”). Must be less than half the sample size. Defaults to the workfile equivalent of 3 years for semi-annual to daily workfiles; otherwise sets “lag = 3”.</p>  |
| <code>iorder = [0,1]</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0)     | <p>Specifies the integration order of the series. The default value, “0” implies that the series is assumed to be (covariance) stationary; “1” implies that the series contains a unit root.</p> <p>The integration order is only used in the computation of Christiano-Fitzgerald filter weights (“type = cffix” or “type = cfasym”). When “iorder = 1”, the filter weights are constrained to sum to zero.</p>   |
| <code>detrend = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “n”)    | <p>Detrending method for Christiano-Fitzgerald filters (“type = cffix” or “type = cfasym”).</p> <p>You may select the default argument “n” for no detrending, “c” to demean, or “t” to remove a constant and linear trend.</p> <p>You may use the argument “d” to remove drift, if the option “iorder = 1” is also specified.</p>  |
| <code>nogain</code>                                      | <p>Suppresses plotting of the frequency response (gain) function for fixed length symmetric filters (“type = bk” or “type = cffix”). By default, EViews will plot the gain function.</p>   |

`noncyc = arg` Specifies a name for a series to contain the non-cyclical series (difference between the actual and the filtered series). If no name is provided, the non-cyclical series will not be saved in the workfile.

`w = arg` Store the filter weights as an object with the specified name. For fixed length symmetric filters (“type = bk” or “type = cffix”), the saved object will be a matrix of dimension  $1 \times (q + 1)$  where  $q$  is the user-specified lag length order. For these filters, the weights on the leads and the lags are the same, so the returned matrix contains only the one-sided weights. The filtered series  $z_t$  may be computed as:

$$z_t = \sum_{c=1}^{q+1} w(1, c) y_{t+1-c} + \sum_{c=2}^{q+1} w(1, c) y_{t+c-1}$$

for  $t = q + 1, \dots, n - q$ .

For time-varying filters, the weight matrix is of dimension  $n \times n$  where  $n$  is the number of non-missing observations in the current sample. Row  $r$  of the matrix contains the weighting vector used to generate the  $r$ -th observation of the filtered series, where column  $c$  contains the weight on the  $c$ -th observation of the original series. The filtered series may be computed as:

$$z_t = \sum_{c=1}^T w(r, c) y_c \quad r = 1, \dots, T$$

where  $y_t$  is the original series and  $w(r, c)$  is the  $(r, c)$  element of the weighting matrix. By construction, the first and last rows of the weight matrix will be filled with missing values for the symmetric filter.

`prompt` Force the dialog to appear from within a program.

`p` Print the graph.

## Examples

Suppose we are working in a quarterly workfile and we issue the following command:

```
lgdp.bpf(type=bk, low=6, high=32) cyc0
```

EViews will compute the Baxter-King band-pass filter of the series LGDP. The periodicity of cycles extracted ranges from 6 to 32 quarters, and the filtered series will be saved in the workfile in CYC0. The BK filter uses the default lag of 12 (3 years of quarterly data).

Since this is a fixed length filter, EViews will display both a graph of the cyclical/original/non-cyclical series, as well as the frequency response (gain) graph. To suppress the latter graph, we could enter a command containing the “nogain” option:

```
lgdp.bpf (type=bk, low=6, high=32, lag=12, nogain)
```

In this example, we have also overridden the default by specifying a fixed lag of 12 (quarters). Since we have omitted the name for the cyclical series, EViews will create a series with a name like BPFILTER01 to hold the results.

To compute the asymmetric Christiano-Fitzgerald filter, we might enter a command of the form:

```
lgdp.bpf (type=cfasym, low=6, high=32, noncyc=non1, weight=wm) cyc0
```

The cyclical components are saved in CYC0, the non-cyclical in NON1, and the weighting matrix in WM.

## Cross-references

See “Frequency (Band-Pass) Filter” on page 454 of *User’s Guide I*. See also [Series::hpf](#) (p. 503).

|                |                              |
|----------------|------------------------------|
| <b>cdfplot</b> | <a href="#">Series Views</a> |
|----------------|------------------------------|

Empirical distribution functions.

The `cdfplot` command is no longer supported. See [distplot](#) (p. 813).

|                 |                              |
|-----------------|------------------------------|
| <b>classify</b> | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|-----------------|------------------------------|

Recode series into classes defined by a grid, specified limits, or quantiles.

## Syntax

```
series_name.classify(options) spec @ outname [mapname]
```

Follow the `classify` keyword with any desired options, the “@”-sign, the name to be given the output series, and optionally the name for a valmap object describing the classification.

The form for the specification *spec* will depend on which of the four supported methods for classification is employed (using the “method = ” option).

- If the default “method = step” is employed, EViews will construct the classification using the set of intervals of size *step* from *start* through *end*. The *spec* specification is of the form

*stepsize start end*

where *stepsize* is a positive numeric value and *start* and *end* are numeric values. If *start* or *end* are explicitly set to NAs, EViews will use the corresponding minimum and maximum value of the data extended by 5% (e.g.,  $0.95 * \min$  or  $1.05 * \max$ ).

- If “method = bins”, EViews will construct the classification by dividing the range between *start* and *end* into a specified number of bins. The specification is of the form:

*nbins start end*

where *nbins* is the integer number of bins. Note that depending upon whether you have selected left or right-closed intervals (using the “rightclosed” option), observations with values equal to the *start* or *end* may fall out-of-range.

- Using “method = limits” specifies a classification using bins defined by a set of limit values. The *spec* is given by:

*arg1 [arg2 arg3 ...]*

where the arguments are limit values or EViews vectors containing limit values. Note that there must be at least two limit values and that the values *need not* be provided in ascending or descending order.

- If “method = quant” is given, EViews uses the specified number of quantiles for the data, specified as an integer value. The specification is:

*nquants*

where *nquants* is the integer for the number of quantiles. For deciles you should set *nquants* = 10, for quartiles, *nquants* = 4.

## Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <i>method = arg</i><br>( <i>default</i> = “step”) | Method for classification values: “step” – create a grid from <i>start</i> through <i>end</i> using the <i>stepsize</i> ; “bins” – create bins by dividing the region from <i>start</i> to <i>end</i> into a specified number of bins; “quants” – create bins using the quantile values; “limits” – create bins using the specified limit points. |
| <i>rightclosed</i>                                | Bins formed using right-closed intervals. <i>x</i> is defined to be in the bin from <i>a</i> to <i>b</i> if $a < x \leq b$ .  |
| <i>rangeerr</i>                                   | Generate error if data value is found outside of defined bins. The default is to classify out-of-range values as NAs.   |
| <i>q = arg</i><br>( <i>default</i> = “r”)         | Quantile calculation method. “b” (Blom), “r” (Rankit-Cleveland), “o” (Ordinary), “t” (Tukey), “v” (van der Waerden), “g” (Gumbel). Only relevant where “method = quant”.  |

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>encode = arg</code><br>( <code>default = "index"</code> ) | Encoding method for output series: “index” – encode as integers from 0 to $k$ where $k$ is the number of bins, where the 0 is reserved for NA encoding if “keepna” is specified; “left” – encode using the left-most value defining the bin; “right” – encode using the right-most value defining the bin; “mid” – encode using the midpoint of the bin. |
| <code>keepna</code>   | Classify NA values as 0 (for “encode = index” only).   |
| <code>prompt</code>   | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>  | Print the results.   |

Examples

```
api5b.classify 100 200 @ api5b_ct api5b_mp
```

classifies the values of API5B into bins of width 100 starting at 200 and ending at the data maximum times 1.05. The classification results are saved in the series API5B\_CT with associated map API5B\_MP.

```
api5b.classify(encode=right) 100 200 1100 @ api5b_ct1
```

classifies API5B into bins of size 100 from 200 through 1100. The output series API5B\_CT1 will have values taken from the right endpoints of the classification intervals.

```
api5b.classify(method=bins, rightclosed, rangeerr) 9 200 1100 @  
api5b_ct2 api5b_mp2
```

defines 9 equally sized bins starting at 200 and ending at 1100, and classifies the data into the series API5B\_CT2 with map API5B\_MP2. The bins are closed on the right, and out-of-range values will generate an error.

```
api5b.classify(method=quants, q=g, keepna) 4 @ api5b_ct3
```

classifies the values of API5B into quartiles (using the Gumbel definition) in the series API5B\_CT3. NA values for API5B will be encoded as 0 in the output series.

Cross-references

See [“Generate by Classification” on page 384](#) of *User’s Guide I* for additional discussion.

|               |                              |
|---------------|------------------------------|
| <b>correl</b> | <a href="#">Series Views</a> |
|---------------|------------------------------|

Display autocorrelation and partial correlations.

Displays the autocorrelation and partial correlation functions of the series, together with the  $Q$ -statistics and  $p$ -values associated with each lag.

Syntax

```
series_name.correl(n, options)
```

You must specify the largest lag *n* to use when computing the autocorrelations.

Options

|                                     |   |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| <i>d</i> = integer<br>(default = 0) | Compute correlogram for specified difference of the data. |
| prompt                              | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.         |
| p                                   | Print the correlograms.                                   |

Examples

```
ser1.correl(24)
```

Displays the correlograms of the SER1 series for up to 24 lags.

Cross-references

See [“Autocorrelations \(AC\)” on page 377](#) and [“Partial Autocorrelations \(PAC\)” on page 378](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of autocorrelation and partial correlation functions, respectively.

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| display | <a href="#">Series Views</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Display table, graph, or spool output in the series object window.

Display the contents of a table, graph, or spool in the window of the series object.

Syntax

```
series_name.display object_name
```

Examples

```
series1.display tabl
```

Display the contents of the table TAB1 in the window of the object SERIES1.

Cross-references

Most often used in constructing an EViews Add-in. See [“Custom Object Output” on page 192](#) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.



|             |                              |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|-------------|------------------------------|

Display name for series objects.

Attaches a display name to a series object which may be used to label output in tables and graphs in place of the standard series object name.

**Syntax**

`series_name.displayname display_name`

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain a variety of characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in series object names.

**Examples**

```
hrs.displayname Hours Worked
hrs.label
```

The first line attaches a display name “Hours Worked” to the series HRS, and the second line displays the label view of HRS, including its display name.

```
gdp.displayname US Gross Domestic Product
plot gdp
```

The first line attaches a display name “US Gross Domestic Product” to the series GDP. The line graph view of GDP from the second line will use the display name as the legend.

**Cross-references**

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names.

See also [Series::label \(p. 505\)](#) and [Series::label \(p. 505\)](#).

|          |                              |
|----------|------------------------------|
| distdata | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|----------|------------------------------|

Save distribution plot data to a matrix.

Saves the data used to construct a distribution plot to the workfile.

**Syntax**

`series_name.distdata(dtype = dist_type, dist_options) matrix_name`

saves the distribution plot data specified by *dist\_type*, where *dist\_type* must be one of the following keywords:

|              |   |
|--------------|---|
| hist         | Histogram ( <i>default</i> ).               |
| freqpoly     | Histogram Polygon.                          |
| edgefreqpoly | Histogram Edge Polygon.                     |
| ash          | Average Shifted Histogram.                  |
| kernel       | Kernel Density                              |
| theory       | Theoretical Distribution.                   |
| cdf          | Empirical cumulative distribution function. |
| survivor     | Empirical survivor function.                |
| logsurvivor  | Empirical log survivor function.            |
| quantile     | Empirical quantile function.                |
| theoryqq     | Theoretical quantile-quantile plot.         |

## Options

The theoretical quantile-quantile plot type “theoryqq” takes the options described in [qqplot \(p. 834\)](#) under “Theoretical Options” on page 836.

For the remaining types, *dist\_options* are any of the distribution type-specific options described in [distplot \(p. 813\)](#).

Note that the graph display specific options such as “fill,” “nofill,” and “leg,” and “noline” are not relevant for this procedure.

You may use the “prompt” option to force the dialog display

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
|--------|---|

## Examples

```
gdp.distdata(dtype=hist, anchor=0, scale=dens, rightclosed)
matrix01
```

creates the data used to draw a histogram from the series GDP with the anchor at 0, density scaling, and right-closed intervals, and stores that data in a matrix called MATRIX01 in the workfile.

```
unemp.distdata(dtype=kernel, k=b, ngrid=50, b=.5) matrix02
```

generates the kernel density data computed with a biweight kernel at 50 grid points, using a bandwidth of 0.5 and linear binning, and stores that data in MATRIX02.

```
wage.distdata(dtype=theoryqq, q=o, dist=logit, p1=.5) matrix03
```

creates theoretical quantile-quantile data from the series WAGE using the ordinary quantile method to calculate quantiles. The theoretical distribution is the logit distribution, with the location parameter set to 0.5. The data is saved into the matrix MATRIX03.

Cross-references

For a description of distribution graphs and quantile-quantile graphs, see [“Analytical Graph Types,” on page 591](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

See also [distplot \(p. 813\)](#) and [qqplot \(p. 834\)](#).

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| edftest | <a href="#">Series Views</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Computes goodness-of-fit tests based on the empirical distribution function.

Syntax

`series_name.edftest(options)`

Options

General Options

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>dist = arg</code><br><i>(default = "normal")</i> | Distribution to test: “normal” (Normal distribution), “chisq” (Chi-square distribution), “exp” (Exponential distribution), “xmax” (Extreme Value - Type I maximum), “xmin” (Extreme Value Type I minimum), “gamma” (Gamma), “logit” (Logistic), “pareto” (Pareto), “uniform” (Uniform). |
| <code>p1 = number</code>                               | Specify the value of the first parameter of the distribution (as it appears in the dialog). If this option is not specified, the first parameter will be estimated.   |
| <code>p2 = number</code>                               | Specify the value of the second parameter of the distribution (as it appears in the dialog). If this option is not specified, the second parameter will be estimated.   |
| <code>p3 = number</code>                               | Specify the value of the third parameter of the distribution (as it appears in the dialog). If this option is not specified, the third parameter will be estimated.   |
| <code>prompt</code>                                    | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>   | Print test results.   |

Estimation Options

The following options apply if iterative estimation of parameters is required:

|                                   |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| <code>b</code>                    | Use Berndt-Hall-Hausman (BHHH) algorithm. The default is Marquardt.  |
| <code>m = integer</code>          | Maximum number of iterations.  |
| <code>c = number</code>           | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients.   |
| <code>showopts / -showopts</code> | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.   |
| <code>s</code>                    | Take starting values from the C coefficient vector. By default, EViews uses distribution specific starting values that typically are based on the method of the moments. |

## Examples

```
x.edftest
```

uses the default settings to test whether the series X comes from a normal distribution. Both the location and scale parameters are estimated from the data in X.

```
freeze(tab1) x.edftest(type=chisq, p1=5)
```

tests whether the series x comes from a  $\chi^2$  distribution with 5 degrees of freedom. The output is stored as a table object TAB1.

## Cross-references

See [“Empirical Distribution Tests” on page 373](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a description of the goodness-of-fit tests.

See also [qqplot](#) (p. 834).

|            |                              |
|------------|------------------------------|
| <b>ets</b> | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|------------|------------------------------|

## Perform Error-Trend-Season (ETS) exponential smoothing.

The `ets` procedure forecasts a series using the ETS model framework with state-space based likelihood calculations, support for model selection, and calculation of forecast standard errors.

The ETS framework defines an extended class of exponential smoothing models, including the standard exponential smoothing models (*e.g.*, Holt and Holt-Winters additive and multiplicative models).

## Syntax

```
series_name.ets(options) smooth_name
```

You should enter the `ets` keyword followed by options and then the a name for the smoothed output series. You can specify the smoothing method (the default setting is additive error, no trend, no seasonality) and the smoothing options in the parenthesis.

## Options

### General

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| <code>prompt</code> | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
| <code>p</code>      | Print the view.                                   |

### Model specification

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>e = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = "a")       | Set error type: "a" (additive), "m" (multiplicative), "e" (auto).   |
| <code>t = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = "n")       | Set trend type. <i>key</i> can be: "n" (none), "a" (additive), "m" (multiplicative), "ad" (additive dampened), "md" (multiplicative dampened), "e" (auto).  |
| <code>s = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = "n")       | Set season type. <i>key</i> can be: "n" (none), "a"(additive), "m" (multiplicative), "e" (auto).  |
| <code>model = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = "aic") | Model selection method: "aic" (Akaike information criterion), "bic" (Bayesian information criterion/Schwartz criterion), "hq" (Hannan-Quinn information criterion), "amse" (average mean squared errors). |
| <code>alpha = arg</code>                              | Specify fixed value for level parameter $\alpha$ .  |
| <code>beta = arg</code>                               | Specify fixed value for trend parameter $\beta$ in models with trend.   |
| <code>gamma = arg</code>                              | Specify fixed value for seasonal parameter $\gamma$ in models with a seasonal component.  |
| <code>phi = arg</code>                                | Specify fixed value for dampening parameter $\phi$ in models with dampened trends.  |
| <code>forc = arg</code>                               | Specify the date of the forecast end point. If omitted, the end point will be the end of the workfile sample.   |

### Optimization options

|                              |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| <code>amse</code>            | Set Average Mean Square Error (AMSE) as the objective function (The default is log-likelihood as the objective function). |
| <code>namse = integer</code> | Specify the AMSE length—the number of observations over which to calculate AMSE if "amse" is selected.                    |
| <code>c = number</code>      | Set the convergence criteria.   |

|                          |   |
|--------------------------|---|
| <code>m = integer</code> | Set the maximum number of iterations.   |
| <code>ustart</code>      | Employ user-supplied starting values (taken from the C vector in the workfile). |
| <code>noi</code>         | Do not optimize the initial state values (fix at their starting values).        |

### Output options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>dgraph = arg</code>                           | Include a decomposition graph for each specified element. <i>arg</i> may be composed of any of the following elements: “f” (forecast), “l” (level), “t” (trend), “s” (season).  |
| <code>dgopt = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “m”) | Format for display of decomposition graph: “m” (multiple graph), “s” (single graph)   |
| <code>graph = arg</code>                            | Include a comparison graph in the output for each specified element (if model selection is employed). <i>arg</i> may be composed of any of the following elements: “c” (forecast comparison) and “l” (likelihood comparison). |
| <code>table = arg</code>                            | Include a comparison table in the output (if model selection is employed). <i>arg</i> may be composed of any of the following elements: “c” (forecast comparison) and “l” (likelihood comparison).                            |
| <code>level = name</code>                           | Save the level component as a separate series in the workfile.  |
| <code>trend = name</code>                           | Save the trend component as a separate series in the workfile (if applicable).  |
| <code>season = name</code>                          | Save the seasonal component as a separate series in the workfile (if applicable).   |

### Other options

|                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| <code>forc = num</code> | Set the length of the out-of-sample forecast. By default the forecast will be until the end of the workfile range. |
|-------------------------|--|

### Examples

```
sales.ets(e=a, t=n, s=a) sales_f
```

smooths the series SALES using the an ANN (additive error, no trend, no seasonal) model and creates the smoothed series named “sales\_f”.

```
tb3.ets(e=e, t=e, s=n) tb3_smooth
```

will smooth TB3, automatically selecting the best smoothing model amongst the different Error and Trend specifications (the Seasonal specification is set at none).

```
sales.ets(e=a, t=a, s=a, dgopt=m, dgraph=flts)
```

will smooth the series SALES using the an AAA (additive error, additive trend, additive seasonal) model and display the output in a spool object which contains the actual and decomposition series (*i.e.*, forecast, trend, level, and seasonal series) in multiple graphs.

```
sales.ets(e=a, t=a, s=a, level=level1, trend=trend1,
season=season1, dgopt=s, dgraph=flts)
```

will smooth the series SALES using the an AAA (additive error, additive trend, additive seasonal) model, create the decomposition series named level, trend, and season series as level1, trend1, and season1, respectively, and display a spool object which contains the actual and decomposition graphs in a single graph.

```
tb3.ets(e=e, t=e, s=e, graph=cl)
```

will find out the best model amongst the different Error, Trend, and Seasonal specifications and present the estimation results in a spool object which contains the graphs with forecast and likelihood comparison graphs between all available models.

```
tb3.ets(e=a, t=e, s=e, amse, table=cl)
```

will search for the best model using average mean square errors calculations and display the estimation results in a spool object with forecast and likelihood comparison tables.

## Cross-references

See [“Exponential Smoothing” on page 427](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of exponential smoothing methods.

See also [Series::smooth \(p. 529\)](#).

|             |                              |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| <b>fill</b> | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|-------------|------------------------------|

Fill a series object with specified values.

## Syntax

```
series_name.fill(options) n1[, n2, n3 ...]
```

Follow the keyword with a list of values to place in the specified object. *Each value should be separated by a comma.* By default, series `fill` ignores the current sample and fills the series from the beginning of the workfile range. You may provide sample information using options.

Running out of values before the object is completely filled is not an error; the remaining cells or observations will be unaffected, unless the “1” option is specified. If, however, you list more values than the object can hold, EViews will not modify any observations and will return an error message.

Options

|                                  |  |
|----------------------------------|--|
| <code>l</code>                   | Loop repeatedly over the list of values as many times as it takes to fill the series.                                    |
| <code>o = [date, integer]</code> | Set starting date or observation from which to start filling the series. Default is the beginning of the workfile range. |
| <code>s</code>                   | Fill the series only for the current workfile sample. The “s” option overrides the “o” option.                           |
| <code>s = sample_name</code>     | Fill the series only for the specified subsample. The “s” option overrides the “o” option.                               |

Examples

To generate a series D70 that takes the value 1, 2, and 3 for all observations from 1970:1:

```
series d70=0
d70.fill(o=1970:1,l) 1,2,3
```

Note that the last argument in the fill command above is the *letter* “l”. The next three lines generate a dummy series D70S that takes the value one and two for observations from 1970:1 to 1979:4:

```
series d70s=0
smpl 1970:1 1979:4
d70s.fill(s,l) 1,2
smpl @all
```

Assuming a quarterly workfile, the following generates a dummy variable for observations in either the third and fourth quarter:

```
series d34
d34.fill(1) 0, 0, 1, 1
```

Note that this series could more easily be generated using `@seas` or the special workfile functions (see [“Basic Date Functions” on page 550](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference*).

|      |                              |
|------|------------------------------|
| freq | <a href="#">Series Views</a> |
|------|------------------------------|

Compute frequency tables.

The `freq` command performs a one-way frequency tabulation. The options allow you to control binning (grouping) of observations.

Syntax

```
series_name.freq(options)
```



## Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| dropna ( <i>default</i> ) /<br>keepna         | [Drop/Keep] NA as a category.   |
| v = <i>integer</i><br>( <i>default</i> = 100) | Make bins if the number of distinct values or categories exceeds the specified number.                |
| nov   | Do not make bins on the basis of number of distinct values; ignored if you set “v = <i>integer</i> .” |
| a = <i>number</i><br>( <i>default</i> = 2)    | Make bins if average count per distinct value is less than the specified number.                      |
| noa   | Do not make bins on the basis of average count; ignored if you set “a = <i>number</i> .”              |
| b = <i>integer</i><br>( <i>default</i> = 5)   | Maximum number of categories to bin into.   |
| n, obs, count<br>( <i>default</i> )           | Display frequency counts.   |
| nocount                                       | Do not display frequency counts.  |
| total ( <i>default</i> ) /<br>nototal         | [Display / Do not display] totals.  |
| pct ( <i>default</i> ) /<br>nopct             | [Display / Do not display] percent frequencies.   |
| cum ( <i>default</i> ) /<br>nocum             | (Display/Do not) display cumulative frequency counts/percentages.                                     |
| prompt  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| p   | Print the table.  |

## Examples

```
hrs.freq(nov, noa)
```

tabulates each value (no binning) of HRS in ascending order with counts, percentages, and cumulatives.

```
inc.freq(v=20, b=10, noa)
```

tabulates INC excluding NAs. The observations will be binned if INC has more than 20 distinct values; EViews will create at most 10 equal width bins. The number of bins may be smaller than specified.

## Cross-references

See [“One-Way Tabulation” on page 376](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of frequency tables.

|      |                                    |
|------|------------------------------------|
| frml | <a href="#">Series Declaration</a> |
|------|------------------------------------|

Declare a series object with a formula for auto-updating, or specify a formula for an existing series.

### Syntax

```
frml series_name = series_expression
```

```
frml series_name = @clear
```

Follow the `frml` keyword with a name for the series, and an assignment statement. The special keyword “@CLEAR” is used to return the auto-updating series to an ordinary numeric series.

### Examples

To define an auto-updating numeric series, you must use the `frml` keyword prior to entering an assignment statement. The following example creates a series named LOW that uses a formula to compute its values.:

```
frml low = inc<=5000 or edu<13
```

The auto-updating series takes the value 1 if either INC is less than or equal to 5000 or EDU is less than 13, and 0 otherwise, and will be re-evaluated whenever INC or EDU change.

You may apply a `frml` to an existing series. The commands:

```
series z = 3
```

```
frml z = (x+y)/2
```

makes the previously created series Z an auto-updating series containing the average of series X and Y. Note that once a series is defined to be auto-updating, it may not be modified directly. Here, you may not edit Z, nor may you generate values into the series.

Note that the commands:

```
series z = 3
```

```
z = (x+y)/2
```

while similar, produce quite different results, since the absence of the `frml` keyword in the second example means that EViews will generate fixed values in the series instead of defining a formula to compute the series values. In this latter case, the values in the series Z are fixed, and may be modified.

One particularly useful feature of auto-updating series is the ability to reference series in databases. The command:

```
frml gdp = usdata::gdp
```

creates a series called GDP that obtains its values from the series GDP in the database USDATA. Similarly:

```
frml lgdp = log(usdata::gdp)
```

creates an auto-updating series that is the log of the values of GDP in the database USDATA.

To turn off auto-updating for a series, you should use the special expression “@CLEAR” in your `frml` assignment. The command:

```
frml z = @clear
```

sets the series to numeric value format, freezing the contents of the series at the current values.

### Cross-references

See [“Auto-Updating Series” on page 189](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

See also [Link::link](#) (p. 318).

|      |                                    |
|------|------------------------------------|
| genr | <a href="#">Series Declaration</a> |
|------|------------------------------------|

Generate series.

### Syntax

```
genr ser_name = expression
```

### Examples

```
genr y = 3 + x
```

generates a numeric series that takes the values from the series X and adds 3.

### Cross-references

See [Series::series](#) (p. 520) for a discussion of the expressions allowed in `genr`.

|      |                              |
|------|------------------------------|
| hist | <a href="#">Series Views</a> |
|------|------------------------------|

Histogram and descriptive statistics of a series.

The `hist` command computes descriptive statistics and displays a histogram for the series.

### Syntax

```
series_name.hist(options)
```

## Options

|   |                      |
|---|----------------------|
| p | Print the histogram. |
|---|----------------------|

## Examples

```
lwage.hist
```

Displays the histogram and descriptive statistics of LWAGE.

## Cross-references

See [“Histogram and Stats” on page 358](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of the descriptive statistics reported in the histogram view.

See [distplot \(p. 813\)](#) for a more full-featured and customizable method of constructing histograms.

|     |                              |
|-----|------------------------------|
| hpf | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|-----|------------------------------|

Smooth a series using the Hodrick-Prescott filter.

## Syntax

```
series_name.hpf(options) filtered_name [@ cycle_name]
```

You may need to prepend the “show” keyword to display the graph the smoothed and original series.

## Smoothing Options

The degree of smoothing may be specified as an option. You may specify the smoothing as a value, or using a power rule:

|                                     |  |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| lambda = <i>arg</i>                 | Set smoothing parameter value to <i>arg</i> ; a larger number results in greater smoothing.  |
| power = <i>arg</i><br>(default = 2) | Set smoothing parameter value using the frequency power rule of Ravn and Uhlig (2002) (the number of periods per year divided by 4, raised to the power <i>arg</i> , and multiplied by 1600).<br><br>Hodrick and Prescott recommend the value 2; Ravn and Uhlig recommend the value 4. |
| prompt                              | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |

If no smoothing option is specified, EViews will use the power rule with a value of 2.

Other Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| p | Print the graph of the smoothed series and the original series. |
|---|---|

Examples

```
gdp.hp(f(lambda=1000) gdp_hp
```

smooths the GDP series with a smoothing parameter “1000” and saves the smoothed series as GDP\_HP.

```
gdp.hp(f(power=4) gdp_hp @ gdp_cycle
```

smooths the same series with a power parameter of “4” and saves the smoothed series as GDP\_HP, and the cycle series as GDP\_CYCLE.

Cross-references

See [“Hodrick-Prescott Filter” on page 453](#) of *User’s Guide I* for details.

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| ipolate | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Fill in missing values, or NAs, within a series by interpolating from values that are not missing.

Syntax

```
series_name.ipolate(options) series_name
```

Options

|                                     |   |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| type = <i>key</i>                   | Specify the interpolation method. <i>key</i> is either “lin” (linear, default), “log” (log-linear), “cs” (Cardinal spline), “cr” (Catmull-Rom spline), “cb” (Cubic spline), “lcs” (log-cardinal spline), “lcr” (log-Catmull-Rom spline), or “lcb” (log-cubic spline). |
| tension = <i>number</i>             | Sets the tension parameter for the Cardinal spline method of interpolation. <i>number</i> should be a number between 0 and 1.   |
| f = <i>arg</i> (default = “actual”) | Out-of-sample fill behavior: “actual” (fill observations outside the interpolated sample with values from the source series). “na” (fill observations outside the sample with missing values)   |
| prompt                              | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |

## Examples

The following lines interpolate the missing values of series X1 using linear interpolation, and store the new interpolated series with a name X\_INTER:

```
x1.interpolate x_inter
```

This line performs the same interpolation, but this time using the Cardinal spline, with a tension value of 0.8:

```
x1.interpolate(type=cs, tension=0.8) x_inter
```

## Cross-references

See [“Interpolate” on page 391](#) of *User’s Guide I* for discussion.

|          |                              |
|----------|------------------------------|
| kdensity | <a href="#">Series Views</a> |
|----------|------------------------------|

Kernel density plots.

The `kdensity` command is no longer supported. See [distplot \(p. 813\)](#).

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| label | <a href="#">Series Views</a>   <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|-------|---|

Display or change the label view of a series object, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

As a procedure, `label` changes the fields in the series label.

## Syntax

```
series_name.label
```

```
series_name.label(options) [text]
```

## Options

The first version of the command displays the label view of the series. The second version may be used to modify the label. Specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of SER1 with “Data from CPS 1988 March File”:

```
ser1.label(r)
ser1.label(r) Data from CPS 1988 March File
```

To append additional remarks to SER1, and then to print the label view:

```
ser1.label(r) Log of hourly wage
ser1.label(p)
```

To clear and then set the units field, use:

```
ser1.label(u) Millions of bushels
```

Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.

See also [Series::displayname \(p. 492\)](#).

|       |                              |
|-------|------------------------------|
| lrvar | <a href="#">Series Views</a> |
|-------|------------------------------|

Compute the symmetric, one-sided, or strict one-sided long-run variance of a series.

Syntax

```
Series View: series_name.lrvar(options)
```

Options

|              |   |
|--------------|---|
| window = arg | Type of long-run covariance to compute: “sym” (symmetric), “lower” (lower - lags in columns), “slower” (strict lower - lags only), “upper” (upper - leads in columns), “supper” (strict upper - leads only) |
| noc          | Do not remove means (center data) prior to whitening.   |
| out = arg    | Name of output sym or matrix (optional)   |
| panout = arg | Name of panel output matrix (optional).   |
| prompt       | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| p            | Print results.  |

### Whitening Options

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>lag = arg</code>                               | Lag specification: <i>integer</i> (user-specified number of lags), “a” (automatic selection).   |
| <code>info = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “aic”) | Information criterion for automatic selection: “aic” (Akaike), “sic” (Schwarz), “hqc” (Hannan-Quinn) (if “lag = a”).                      |
| <code>maxlag = integer</code>                        | Maximum lag-length for automatic selection ( <i>optional</i> ) (if “lag = a”). The default is an observation-based maximum of $T^{1/3}$ . |

### Kernel Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>kern = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “bart”)    | Kernel shape: “none” (no kernel), “bart” (Bartlett, <i>default</i> ), “bohman” (Bohman), “daniell” (Daniel), “parzen” (Parzen), “parzriesz” (Parzen-Riesz), “parzgeo” (Parzen-Geometric), “parzcauchy” (Parzen-Cauchy), “quadspec” (Quadratic Spectral), “trunc” (Truncated), “thamm” (Tukey-Hamming), “thann” (Tukey-Hanning), “tparz” (Tukey-Parzen), “user” (User-specified; see “kernwgt = ” below). |
| <code>kernwgt = vector</code>                            | User-specified kernel weight vector (if “kern = user”).  |
| <code>bw = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “nwfixed”)   | Bandwidth: “fixednw” (Newey-West fixed), “andrews” (Andrews automatic), “neweywest” (Newey-West automatic), <i>number</i> (User-specified bandwidth).  |
| <code>nwlag = integer</code>                             | Newey-West lag-selection parameter for use in nonparametric bandwidth selection (if “bw = neweywest”).   |
| <code>bwoffset = integer</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0) | Apply integer offset to bandwidth chosen by automatic selection method (“bw = andrews” or “bw = neweywest”).   |
| <code>bwint</code>                                       | Use integer portion of bandwidth chosen by automatic selection method (“bw = andrews” or “bw = neweywest”).  |

### Examples

```
ser1.lrvar(out=outsym)
```

computes the symmetric long-run variance of the series SER1 and saves the results in the output sym matrix OUTSYM.

```
ser1.lrvar(kern=quadspec, bw=andrews)
```

computes the long-run variance SER1 using the quadratic spectral kernel, Andrews automatic bandwidth.

```
ser1.lrvar(kern=quadspec, lag=3, bw=andrews)
```



performs the same calculation but uses AR(3) prewhitening prior to computing the kernel estimator.

```
ser1.lrvvar(kern=none, window=upper, lag=a, info=aic, bw=neweywest,
            rwgt=res)
```

computes parametric VAR estimates of the upper long-run variance using an AIC based automatic lag-length prewhitening procedure, Newey-West bandwidth selection, and row weight series RES.

Cross-references

See “Long-run Variance,” on page 380 of *User’s Guide I*, “Panel Long-run Variances,” on page 838 of *User’s Guide II*, Appendix D. “Long-run Covariance Estimation,” on page 939 of *User’s Guide II*. See also `Group::lrcov` (p. 290).

|              |                              |
|--------------|------------------------------|
| makepanpcomp | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|--------------|------------------------------|

Save the scores from a principal components analysis of a panel series.

Syntax

```
series_name.makepanpcomp(options) output_list
```

where the *output\_list* is a list of names identifying the saved components. EViews will save the first *k* components corresponding to the *k* elements in *output\_list*, up to the total number of series in the group.

Options

|  |   |
|--|---|
| scale = <i>arg</i><br>(default = “normload”) | Diagonal matrix scaling of the loadings and the scores: normalize loadings (“normload”), normalize scores (“normscores”), symmetric weighting (“symmetric”), user-specified ( <i>arg</i> = <i>number</i> ). |
| cpnorm                                       | Compute the normalization for the score so that cross-products match the target (by default, EViews chooses a normalization scale so that the moments of the scores match the target).                      |
| eigval = <i>vec_name</i>                     | Specify name of vector to hold the saved the eigenvalues in workfile.   |
| eigvec = <i>mat_name</i>                     | Specify name of matrix to hold the save the eigenvectors in workfile.   |
| prompt                                       | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |

### Covariance Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| period                                 | Compute period (within cross-section) panel covariances and related statistics. The default is to compute contemporaneous (between cross-section) measures.  |
| cov = <i>arg</i><br>(default = “corr”) | Covariance calculation method: ordinary (Pearson product moment) covariance (“cov”), ordinary correlation (“corr”), Spearman rank covariance (“rcov”), Spearman rank correlation (“rcorr”), uncentered ordinary correlation (“ucorr”). Note that Kendall’s tau measures are not valid methods. |
| pairwise                               | Compute using pairwise deletion of observations with missing cases (pairwise samples).   |
| df                                     | Compute covariances with a degree-of-freedom correction accounting for the estimation of the mean (for centered specifications).<br><br>The default behavior in these cases is to perform no adjustment (e.g. – compute sample covariance dividing by $n$ rather than $n - k$ ).               |

### Examples

```
ser1.makepanpcomp(eigval=v1, eigvec=m1) comp1 comp2 comp3
```

saves the first three principal components (in normalized loadings form) of the panel series SER1 to the workfile. The components will have variances that are proportional to the eigenvalues of the contemporaneous correlation matrix. In addition, the vector V1 and matrix M1 will contain the eigenvectors and eigenvalues of the decomposition.

```
smpl 1990 2010
```

```
ser.makepanpcomp(period, cov=rcorr, scale=normscore) comp1
```

saves the first principal component of the period (within cross-section) Spearman rank correlations. The scores will be normalized so that the variances of the scores are equal to 1.

### Cross-references

See [“Saving Component Scores,” beginning on page 832 of \*User’s Guide I\*](#) and [“Panel Principal Components” on page 830 of \*User’s Guide II\*](#) for further discussion.

To display the results of the panel principal components decomposition, see [Series::panpcomp \(p. 515\)](#).

|            |                              |
|------------|------------------------------|
| makewhiten | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|------------|------------------------------|

Whiten the series.

Estimate an  $AR(p)$ , compute the residuals, and save the results into a whitened series.

Syntax

Series View:     `series_name.makewhiten(options) out_specification`

where *out\_name* is either a name for the output series or a wildcard expression. Note that a wildcard may not be used if the original group contains series expressions.

Options

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>lag = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 1)      | Lag specification: <i>integer</i> (user-specified number of lags), “a” (automatic selection).   |
| <code>noc</code>                                     | Do not remove means (center data) prior to whitening.   |
| <code>info = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “aic”) | Information criterion for automatic selection: “aic” (Akaike), “sic” (Schwarz), “hqc” (Hannan-Quinn).   |
| <code>maxlag = integer</code>                        | Maximum lag-length for automatic selection ( <i>optional</i> ). The default is an observation-based maximum of the integer portion of $T^{1/3}$ . |
| <code>prompt</code>                                  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |

Examples

```
ser1.makewhiten(lag=a, info=sic, maxlag=10) *a
```

whitens the series in GRP1 using a VAR with auto-selected number of lags based on the SIC information criterion and a maximum of 10 lags. The resulting series is named ASER1.

```
ser1.makewhiten(noc, lag=5) aser1
```

whitens the series using a no-constant VAR and 5 lags.

Cross-references

See [“Make Whitened” on page 526](#) of *User’s Guide I* for details.

|     |                              |
|-----|------------------------------|
| map | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|-----|------------------------------|

Assign or remove value map setting.

### Syntax

```
series_name.map [valmap_name]
```

If the optional valmap name is provided, the procedure will assign the specified value map to the series. If no name is provided, EViews will remove an existing valmap assignment.

### Examples

```
series1.map mymap
```

assigns the valmap object MYMAP to SERIES1.

```
series1.map
```

removes an existing valmap assignment from SERIES1.

### Cross-references

See [“Value Maps” on page 205](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of valmap objects in EViews.

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| olepush | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

### Syntax

```
series_name.olepush
```

### Cross-references

See [“Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)” on page 729](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|               |                              |
|---------------|------------------------------|
| <b>pancov</b> | <a href="#">Series Views</a> |
|---------------|------------------------------|

Compute covariances, correlations, and other measures of association for a panel series.

You may compute measures related to Pearson product-moment (ordinary) covariances and correlations, Spearman rank covariances, or Kendall’s tau along with test statistics for evaluating whether the correlations are equal to zero.

**Syntax**

```
series_name.pancov(options) [keywords]
```

By default, EViews will compute the contemporaneous (between cross-section) covariances, correlations and related statistics for the panel series. You may use the “period” option to instruct EViews to compute the between period (within cross-section) measures.

You should specify keywords indicating the statistics you wish to display from the list below.

You may specify keywords from one of the four sets (Pearson correlation, Spearman rank correlation, Kendall’s tau, Uncentered Pearson) corresponding the computational method you wish to employ. (You may not select keywords from more than one set.)

If you do not specify *keywords*, EViews will assume “cov” and compute the Pearson covariance matrix.

*Pearson Correlation*

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| cov   | Product moment covariance.  |
| corr  | Product moment correlation.   |
| sscp  | Sums-of-squared cross-products.   |
| stat  | Test statistic ( <i>t</i> -statistic) for evaluating whether the correlation is zero. |
| prob  | Probability under the null for the test statistic.                                    |
| cases | Number of cases.  |
| obs   | Number of observations.   |

*Spearman Rank Correlation*

|       |                                 |
|-------|---------------------------------|
| rcov  | Spearman’s rank covariance.     |
| rcorr | Spearman’s rank correlation.    |
| rsscp | Sums-of-squared cross-products. |

|       |  |
|-------|--|
| rstat | Test statistic ( $t$ -statistic) for evaluating whether the correlation is zero. |
| rprob | Probability under the null for the test statistic.                               |
| cases | Number of cases.   |
| obs   | Number of observations.  |

*Kendall's tau*

|         |   |
|---------|---|
| taub    | Kendall's tau-b.  |
| taua    | Kendall's tau-a.  |
| taucd   | Kendall's concordances and discordances.  |
| taustat | Kendall's score statistic for evaluating whether the Kendall's tau-b measure is zero. |
| tauprob | Probability under the null for the score statistic.                                   |
| cases   | Number of cases.  |
| obs     | Number of observations.   |

*Uncentered Pearson*

|       |  |
|-------|--|
| ucov  | Product moment covariance.   |
| ucorr | Product moment correlation.  |
| usscp | Sums-of-squared cross-products.  |
| ustat | Test statistic ( $t$ -statistic) for evaluating whether the correlation is zero. |
| uprob | Probability under the null for the test statistic.                               |
| cases | Number of cases.   |
| obs   | Number of observations.  |

Note that `cases` and `obs` are available for each of the methods.

**Options**

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| period   | Compute period (within cross-section) panel covariances and related statistics. The default is to compute contemporaneous (between cross-section) measures. |
| pairwise | Compute using pairwise deletion of observations with missing cases (pairwise samples).  |

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>df</code>   | Compute covariances with a degree-of-freedom correction for the mean (for centered specifications).   |
| <code>multi = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “none”)    | Adjustment to $p$ -values for multiple comparisons: none (“none”), Bonferroni (“bonferroni”), Dunn-Sidak (“dunn”).  |
| <code>outfmt = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “single”) | Output format: single table (“single”), multiple table (“mult”), list (“list”), spreadsheet (“sheet”). Note that “outfmt = sheet” is only applicable if you specify a single statistic keyword.   |
| <code>out = name</code>                                   | Basename for saving output. All results will be saved in Sym matrices named using keys (“COV”, “CORR”, “SSCP”, “TAUA”, “TAUB”, “CONC” (Kendall’s concurrences), “DISC” (Kendall’s discordances), “CASES”, “OBS”, “WGTS”) appended to the basename ( <i>e.g.</i> , the covariance specified by “out = my” is saved in the Sym matrix “MYCOV”). |
| <code>prompt</code>                                       | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>  | Print the result.   |

## Examples

```
ser1.pancov
```

displays the contemporaneous Pearson covariance matrix of SER1 using the cross-sections in sample.

```
ser1.pancov corr stat prob
```

displays a table containing the contemporaneous Pearson correlation matrix for SER1, along with  $t$ -statistics for testing for zero correlation, and associated  $p$ -values,.

```
smpl 1990 2010
```

```
ser1.pancov(period, pairwise) taub taustat tauprob
```

computes the between period Kendall’s tau-b, score statistic, and  $p$ -value for the score statistic, for the periods in the sample “1990 2010” using samples with pairwise missing value exclusion.

```
ser1.pancov(out=aa, list) cor
```

computes the contemporaneous Pearson correlation for the series SER1, displays it in list form, and saves the results in the symmetric matrix object AACORR.

## Cross-references

See [“Covariance Analysis” on page 486](#) of *User’s Guide I* and [“Panel Covariances” on page 825](#) of *User’s Guide II* for discussion.

To display the results of the panel principal components decomposition, see [Series::panpcomp](#) (p. 515).

See [Group::cor](#) (p. 267) in the *Command and Programming Reference* for the command to compute these measures across series.

|                 |                              |
|-----------------|------------------------------|
| <b>panpcomp</b> | <a href="#">Series Views</a> |
|-----------------|------------------------------|

Panel principal components analysis.

## Syntax

group\_name.**panpcomp**(options) [indices]

where the elements to display in loadings, scores, and biplot graph form (“out = loadings”, “out = scores” or “out = biplot”) are given by the optional *indices*, (e.g., “1 2 3” or “2 3”). If *indices* is not provided, the first two elements will be displayed.

## Basic Options

|                                  |  |
|----------------------------------|--|
| out = arg<br>(default = “table”) | Output type: eigenvector/eigenvalue table (“table”), eigenvalues graph (“graph”), loadings graph (“loadings”), scores graph (“scores”), biplot (“biplot”). |
| eigval = vec_name                | Specify name of vector to hold the saved the eigenvalues in workfile.  |
| eigvec = mat_name                | Specify name of matrix to hold the save the eigenvectors in workfile.  |
| prompt                           | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| p                                | Print results.   |

## Table and Eigenvalues Plot Options

The number of elements to display in the table and eigenvalue graph form is given by the minimum of the elements specified using the “n =”, “mineigen =” and “cproport =” options.

The default eigenvalue graph shows a scree plot of the ordered eigenvalues. You may use the “scree”, “cproport”, and “diff” option keywords to display any combination of the scree plot, cumulative eigenvalue proportions plot, or eigenvalue difference plot.

|                                 |                               |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| n = arg (default = all)         | Maximum number of components. |
| mineigen = arg<br>(default = 0) | Minimum eigenvalue.           |



|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>cproport = arg</code><br>( <i>default = 1.0</i> ) | Cumulative proportion of eigenvalue total to attain.                 |
| <code>scree</code>                                      | Display a scree plot of the eigenvalues (if “output = graph”).       |
| <code>diff</code>                                       | Display a graph of the eigenvalue differences (if “output = graph”). |
| <code>cproport</code>                                   | Display a graph of the cumulative proportions (if “output = graph”). |

#### *Loadings, Scores, Biplot Graph Options*

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>scale = arg,</code><br>( <i>default = “normload”</i> ) | Diagonal matrix scaling of the loadings and the scores: normalize loadings (“normload”), normalize scores (“normscores”), symmetric weighting (“symmetric”), user-specified ( <i>arg = number</i> ). |
| <code>cpnorm</code>  | Compute the normalization for the scores so that cross-products match the target (by default, EVIEWS chooses a normalization scale so that the moments of the scores match the target).              |
| <code>nocenter</code>  | Do not center the elements in the graph.   |
| <code>mult = arg</code><br>( <i>default = “first”</i> )      | Multiple graph options: first versus remainder (“first”), pairwise (“pair”), all pairs arrayed in lower triangle (“lt”).   |
| <code>labels = arg</code><br>( <i>default = “outlier”</i> )  | Scores label options: identify outliers only (“outlier”), all points (“all”), none (“none”).   |
| <code>labelprob = arg</code><br>( <i>default = 0.1</i> )     | Outlier label probability (if “labels = outlier”).   |
| <code>autoscale = arg</code><br>( <i>default = 1.0</i> )     | Rescaling factor for auto-scaling.   |
| <code>userscale = arg</code>                                 | User-specified scaling.  |

#### *Covariance Options*

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>period</code>                                   | Compute period (within cross-section) panel covariances and related statistics. The default is to compute contemporaneous (between cross-section) measures.  |
| <code>cov = arg</code><br>( <i>default = “corr”</i> ) | Covariance calculation method: ordinary (Pearson product moment) covariance (“cov”), ordinary correlation (“corr”), Spearman rank covariance (“rcov”), Spearman rank correlation (“rcorr”), uncentered ordinary correlation (“ucorr”). Note that Kendall’s tau measures are not valid methods. |
| <code>pairwise</code>                                 | Compute using pairwise deletion of observations with missing cases (pairwise samples).   |

`df` Compute covariances with a degree-of-freedom correction accounting for the mean (for centered specifications). The default behavior in these cases is to perform no adjustment (e.g. – compute sample covariance dividing by  $n$  rather than  $n - 1$ ).

## Examples

```
ser1.panpcomp(eigval=v1, eigvec=m1)
```

computes the principal components decomposition of the contemporaneous (between cross-section) Pearson correlation matrix for the series SER1.

The output view is stored in a table named TAB1, the eigenvalues in a vector named V1, and the eigenvectors in a matrix named M1.

```
ser1.panpcomp(out=graph)
ser2.panpcomp(out=graph, scree, cproport)
```

displays a screen plot of the eigenvalues, and a graph containing both a screen plot and a plot of the cumulative eigenvalue proportions.

```
ser.panpcomp(period, cov=rcorr, out=loading)
```

displays a loadings plot for the principal component decomposition of the period (within cross-section) Spearman rank correlation matrix, and

```
ser.panpcomp(period, cov=rcorr, out=biplot, scale=symmetric,
mult=lt) 1 2 3
```

displays a symmetric biplot of the period Spearman correlation matrix for all three pairwise comparisons.

## Cross-references

See [“Principal Components” on page 504](#) of *User’s Guide I* and [“Panel Principal Components” on page 830](#) of *User’s Guide II* for further discussion.

To compute principal components scores and save them in series in the workfile, see [Series::makepanpcomp \(p. 508\)](#).

|          |                              |
|----------|------------------------------|
| resample | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|----------|------------------------------|

Resample from observations in a series.

## Syntax

```
series_name.resample(options) [output_spec]
```

You should follow the `resample` keyword and options and an *output\_spec* containing a list of names or a wildcard expression identifying the series to hold the output. If a list is used to identify the targets, the number of target series must match the number of names implied by the keyword. If you do not provide an *output\_spec*, the output name will be formed using the name of the original series combined with the string specified by the *suffix* option.

## Options

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>outsmpl =<br/>smpl_spec</code>           | Sample to fill the new series. Either provide the sample range in double quotes or specify a named sample object. The default is the current workfile sample. |
| <code>permute</code>                           | Draw from rows without replacement. Default is to draw with replacement.  |
| <code>weight =<br/>series_name</code>          | Name of series to be used as weights. The weight series must be non-missing and non-negative in the current workfile sample. The default is equal weights.    |
| <code>block = integer</code>                   | Block length for each draw. Must be a positive integer. The default block length is 1.  |
| <code>withna (default)</code>                  | [Draw / Do not draw] from all rows in the current sample, including those with NAs.   |
| <code>dropna</code>                            | Do not draw from rows that contain missing values in the current workfile sample.   |
| <code>fixna</code>                             | Excludes NAs from draws but copies rows containing missing values to the output series.   |
| <code>suffix = arg<br/>(default = "_b")</code> | Suffix to be appended to the series name when forming output series names.  |
| <code>prompt</code>                            | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |

- You may not use this proc with an auto-series unless you provide an *output\_spec*. For example, resampling from  $X(-1)$  or  $\text{LOG}(X)$  without providing explicit output names will produce an error since we will attempt to append a suffix to the original name, producing an invalid object name.
- Block bootstrap (block length larger than 1) requires a continuous output sample. Therefore a block length larger than 1 cannot be used together with the “fixna” option, and the “outsmpl” should not contain any gaps.
- The “fixna” option will have an effect only if there are missing values in the overlapping sample of the input sample (current workfile sample) and the output sample specified by “outsmpl”.

- If you specify “*fixna*”, we first copy any missing values in the overlapping sample to the output series. Then the input sample is adjusted to drop rows containing missing values and the output sample is adjusted so as not to overwrite the copied values.
- If you choose “*dropna*” and the block length is larger than 1, the input sample may shrink in order to ensure that there are no missing values in any of the drawn blocks.
- If you choose “*permute*”, the block option will be reset to 1, the “*dropna*” and “*fixna*” options will be ignored (reset to the default “*withna*” option), and the “*weight*” option will be ignored (reset to default equal weights).

## Examples

```
ser1.resample
```

creates a new series SER1\_B by drawing with replacement from the rows of SER1 in the current workfile sample. If SER1\_B already exists in the workfile, it will be overwritten if it is a series object, otherwise EViews will error. Note that only values of SER\_B (in this case the current workfile sample) will be overwritten.

```
ser1.resample(weight=wt, suffix=_2)
```

will append “\_2” to the SER1 for the name of the new series, SER\_2. The rows in the sample will be drawn with probabilities proportional to the corresponding values in the series WT. WT must have non-missing non-negative values in the current workfile sample.

## Cross-references

See “[Resample](#)” on page 389 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of the resampling procedure. For additional discussion of wildcards, see [Appendix A. “Wildcards,”](#) on page 683 of *User’s Guide II*.

See also [@resample](#) (p. 638) and [@permute](#) (p. 635) in the *Command and Programming Reference* for sampling from matrices.

|      |                              |
|------|------------------------------|
| seas | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|------|------------------------------|

## Seasonal adjustment.

The `seas` command carries out seasonal adjustment using either the ratio to moving average, or the difference from moving average technique.

EViews also performs Census X11, Census X12, and Census X-13ARIMA-SEATS seasonal adjustment. For details, see [Series::x11](#) (p. 547), [Series::x12](#) (p. 549), and [Series::x13](#) (p. 554).

## Syntax

```
series_name.seas(options) name_adjust [name_fac]
```

### Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| m      | Multiplicative (ratio to moving average) method.  |
| a      | Additive (difference from moving average) method. |
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |

### Examples

```
sales.seas(m) adj_sales
```

seasonally adjusts the series SALES using the multiplicative method and saves the adjusted series as ADJ\_SALES.

### Cross-references

See [“Seasonal Adjustment” on page 394](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of seasonal adjustment methods.

See also [seasplot \(p. 849\)](#), [Series::x11 \(p. 547\)](#), [Series::x12 \(p. 549\)](#), [Series::x13 \(p. 554\)](#), and [Series::tramoseats \(p. 537\)](#).

|        |                                    |
|--------|------------------------------------|
| series | <a href="#">Series Declaration</a> |
|--------|------------------------------------|

Declare a series object.

The `series` command creates and optionally initializes a series, or modifies an existing series.

### Syntax

```
series ser_name[ = formula]
```

The `series` command should be followed by either the name of a new series, or an explicit or implicit expression for generating a series. If you create a series and do not initialize it, the series will be filled with NAs. Rules for composing a formula are given in [“Numeric Expressions” on page 165](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

### Examples

```
series x
```

creates a series named X filled with NAs.

Once a series is declared, you do not need to include the `series` keyword prior to entering the formula. The following example generates a series named LOW that takes value 1 if either INC is less than or equal to 5000 or EDU is less than 13, and 0 otherwise.

```
series low
```

```
low = inc<=5000 or edu<13
```

This example solves for the implicit relation and generates a series named Z which is the double log of Y so that  $Z = \log(\log(Y))$ .

```
series exp(exp(z)) = y
```

The command:

```
series z = (x+y)/2
```

creates a series named Z which is the average of series X and Y.

```
series cwage = wage*(hrs>5)
```

generates a series named CWAGE which is equal to WAGE if HRS exceeds 5, and zero otherwise.

```
series 10^z = y
```

generates a series named Z which is the base 10 log of Y.

The commands:

```
series y_t = y
smpl if y<0
y_t = na
smpl @all
```

generate a series named Y\_T which replaces negative values of Y with NAs.

```
series z = @movav(x(+2),5)
```

creates a series named Z which is the *centered* moving average of the series X with two leads and two lags.

```
series z = (.5*x(6)+@movsum(x(5),11)+.5*x(-6))/12
```

generates a series named Z which is the *centered* moving average of the series X over twelve periods.

```
genr y = 2+(5-2)*rnd
```

creates a series named Y which is a random draw from a uniform distribution between 2 and 5.

```
series y = 3+@sqr(5)*nrnd
```

generates a series named Y which is a random draw from a normal distribution with mean 3 and variance 5.

## Cross-references

There is an extensive set of functions that you may use with series:

- A list of functions is presented in [Chapter 13. “Operator and Function Reference,”](#) on [page 503](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference*.

See [“Numeric Expressions”](#) on [page 165](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of rules for forming EViews expressions.

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| setattr | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

**Syntax**

`series_name.setattr(attr attr_value`

Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the @attr data member.

**Examples**

```
a.setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

**Cross-references**

See [“Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View”](#) on [page 103](#) and [“Adding Your Own Label Attributes”](#) on [page 65](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

|            |                              |
|------------|------------------------------|
| setconvert | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|------------|------------------------------|

Set frequency conversion method.

Determines the default frequency conversion method for a series when copied or linked between different frequency workfiles.

You may override this default conversion method by specifying a frequency conversion method as an option in the specific command (using [copy](#) ([p. 306](#)) or [fetch](#) ([p. 332](#)) in the *Command and Programming Reference* or [Link::linkto](#) ([p. 319](#))).

If you do not set a conversion method and if you do not specify a conversion method as an option in the command, EViews will use the conversion method set in the global option.

**Syntax**

`ser_name.setconvert [up_method down_method]`

Follow the series name with a period, the keyword, and option letters to specify the frequency conversion method. If either the up-conversion or down-conversion method is omitted, EViews will set the corresponding method to **Use EViews default**.

## Options

The following options control the frequency conversion method when copying series and group objects to a workfile, converting from *low* to *high* frequency:

|                                |  |
|--------------------------------|--|
| Low to high conversion methods | “r” (constant match average), “d” (constant match sum),<br>“q” (quadratic match average), “t” (quadratic match sum),<br>“i” (linear match last), “c” (cubic match last). |
|--------------------------------|--|

The following options control the frequency conversion method when copying series and group objects to a workfile, converting from *high* to *low* frequency:

|                                |  |
|--------------------------------|--|
| High to low conversion methods | <p><i>High to low conversion methods removing NAs:</i> “a” (average of the nonmissing observations), “s” (sum of the nonmissing observations), “f” (first nonmissing observation), “l” (last nonmissing observation), “x” (maximum nonmissing observation), “m” (minimum nonmissing observation).</p> <p><i>High to low conversion methods propagating NAs:</i> “an” or “na” (average, propagating missings), “sn” or “ns” (sum, propagating missings), “fn” or “nf” (first, propagating missings), “ln” or “nl” (last, propagating missings), “xn” or “nx” (maximum, propagating missings), “mn” or “nm” (minimum, propagating missings).</p> |
|--------------------------------|--|

## Examples

```
unemp.setconvert a
```

sets the default down-conversion method of the series UNEMP to take the average of nonmissing observations, and resets the up-conversion method to use the global default.

```
ibm_hi.setconvert xn d
```

sets the default down-conversion method for IBM\_HI to take the largest observation of the higher frequency observations, propagating missing values, and the default up-conversion method to constant, match sum.

```
consump.setconvert
```

resets both methods to the global default.

## Cross-references

See [“Frequency Conversion” on page 151](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of frequency conversion and the treatment of missing values.



See also [copy](#) (p. 306) and [fetch](#) (p. 332) of the *Command and Programming Reference*, and [Link::linkto](#) (p. 319).

|                  |                              |
|------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>setformat</b> | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|------------------|------------------------------|

Set the display format for cells in a series object spreadsheet view.

Syntax

```
series_name.setformat format_arg
```

where *format\_arg* is a set of arguments used to specify format settings. If necessary, you should enclose the *format\_arg* in double quotes.

For series, `setformat` operates on all of the cells in the series.

To format numeric values, you should use one of the following format specifications:

|                      |                      |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| <i>g[.precision]</i> | significant digits   |
| <i>f[.precision]</i> | fixed decimal places |
| <i>c[.precision]</i> | fixed characters     |
| <i>e[.precision]</i> | scientific/float     |
| <i>p[.precision]</i> | percentage           |
| <i>r[.precision]</i> | fraction             |

To specify a format that groups digits into thousands using a comma separator, place a “t” after the format character. For example, to obtain a fixed number of decimal places with commas used to separate thousands, use “ft[.precision]”.

To use the period character to separate thousands and commas to denote decimal places, use “.” (two periods) when specifying the precision. For example, to obtain a fixed number of characters with a period used to separate thousands, use “ct[.precision]”.

If you wish to display negative numbers surrounded by parentheses (*i.e.*, display the number -37.2 as “(37.2)”), you should enclose the format string in “()” (*e.g.*, “f(.8)”).

To format numeric values using date and time formats, you may use a subset of the possible date format strings (see [“Date Formats” on page 85](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference*). The possible format arguments, along with an example of the date number 730856.944793113 (January 7, 2002 10:40:30.125 p.m) formatted using the argument are given by:

|    |   |
|----|---|
| WF | (uses current EViews workfile<br>period display format) |
|----|---|

|                         |                           |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| YYYY                    | “2002”                    |
| YYYY-Mon                | “2002-Jan”                |
| YYYYMon                 | “2002 Jan”                |
| YYYY[M]MM               | “2002[M]01”               |
| YYYY:MM                 | “2002:01”                 |
| YYYY[Q]Q                | “2002[Q]1”                |
| YYYY:Q                  | “2002:Q                   |
| YYYY[S]S                | “2002[S]1” (semi-annual)  |
| YYYY:S                  | “2002:1”                  |
| YYYY-MM-DD              | “2002-01-07”              |
| YYYY Mon dd             | “2002 Jan 7”              |
| YYYY Month dd           | “2002 January 7”          |
| YYYY-MM-DD HH:MI        | “2002-01-07 22:40”        |
| YYYY-MM-DD HH:MI:SS     | “2002-01-07 22:40:30”     |
| YYYY-MM-DD HH:MI:SS.SSS | “2002-01-07 22:40:30.125” |
| Mon-YYYY                | “Jan-2002”                |
| Mon dd YYYY             | “Jan 7 2002”              |
| Mon dd, YYYY            | “Jan 7, 2002”             |
| Month dd YYYY           | “January 7 2002”          |
| Month dd, YYYY          | “January 7, 2002”         |
| MM/DD/YYYY              | “01/07/2002”              |
| mm/DD/YYYY              | “1/07/2002”               |
| mm/DD/YYYY HH:MI        | “1/07/2002 22:40”         |
| mm/DD/YYYY HH:MI:SS     | “1/07/2002 22:40:30”      |
| mm/DD/YYYY HH:MI:SS.SSS | “1/07/2002 22:40:30.125”  |
| mm/dd/YYYY              | “1/7/2002”                |
| mm/dd/YYYY HH:MI        | “1/7/2002 22:40”          |
| mm/dd/YYYY HH:MI:SS     | “1/7/2002 22:40:30”       |
| mm/dd/YYYY HH:MI:SS.SSS | “1/7/2002 22:40:30.125”   |
| dd/MM/YYYY              | “7/01/2002”               |
| dd/mm/YYYY              | “7/1/2002”                |
| DD/MM/YYYY              | “07/01/2002”              |
| dd Mon YYYY             | “7 Jan 2002”              |
| dd Mon, YYYY            | “7 Jan, 2002”             |
| dd Month YYYY           | “7 January 2002”          |

|                         |                          |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| dd Month, YYYY          | "7 January, 2002"        |
| dd/MM/YYYY HH:MI        | "7/01/2002 22:40"        |
| dd/MM/YYYY HH:MI:SS     | "7/01/2002 22:40:30"     |
| dd/MM/YYYY HH:MI:SS.SSS | "7/01/2002 22:40:30.125" |
| dd/mm/YYYY hh:MI        | "7/1/2002 22:40"         |
| dd/mm/YYYY hh:MI:SS     | "7/1/2002 22:40:30"      |
| dd/mm/YYYY hh:MI:SS.SSS | "7/1/2002 22:40:30.125"  |
| hm:MI am                | "10:40 pm"               |
| hm:MI:SS am             | "10:40:30 pm"            |
| hm:MI:SS.SSS am         | "10:40:30.125 pm"        |
| HH:MI                   | "22:40"                  |
| HH:MI:SS                | "22:40:30"               |
| HH:MI:SS.SSS            | "22:40:30.125"           |
| hh:MI                   | "22:40"                  |
| hh:MI:SS                | "22:40:30"               |
| hh:MI:SS.SSS            | "22:40:30.125"           |

Note that the "hh" formats display 24-hour time without leading zeros. In our examples above, there is no difference between the "HH" and "hh" formats for 10 p.m.

Also note that all of the "YYYY" formats above may be displayed using two-digit year "YY" format.

## Examples

To set the format for all cells in the series to fixed 5-digit precision, simply provide the format specification:

```
ser1.setformat f.5
```

Other format specifications include:

```
ser1.setformat f(.7)
```

```
ser1.setformat e.5
```

You may use any of the date formats given above:

```
ser1.setformat YYYYMon
```

```
ser1.setformat "YYYY-MM-DD HH:MI:SS.SSS"
```

to set the series display characteristics.

Cross-references

See [Series::setWidth \(p. 528\)](#), [Series::setindent \(p. 527\)](#) and [Series::setjust \(p. 527\)](#) for details on setting spreadsheet widths, indentation and justification.

|           |                              |
|-----------|------------------------------|
| setindent | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|-----------|------------------------------|

Set the display indentation for cells in a series object spreadsheet view.

Syntax

```
series_name.setindent indent_arg
```

where *indent\_arg* is an indent value specified in 1/5 of a width unit. The width unit is computed from representative characters in the default font for the current spreadsheet (the EViews spreadsheet default font at the time the spreadsheet was created), and corresponds roughly to a single character. Indentation is only relevant for non-center justified cells.

The default indentation settings are taken from the Global Defaults for spreadsheet views ([“Spreadsheet Data Display” on page 768 of User’s Guide I](#)) at the time the spreadsheet was created.

For series, `setindent` operates on all of the cells in the series.

Examples

To set the indentation for a series object:

```
ser1.setindent 2
```

Cross-references

See [Series::setWidth \(p. 528\)](#) and [Series::setjust \(p. 527\)](#) for details on setting spreadsheet widths and justification.

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| setjust | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Set the display justification for cells in a series spreadsheet view.

Syntax

```
series_name.setjust format_arg
```

where *format\_arg* is a set of arguments used to specify format settings. You should enclose the *format\_arg* in double quotes if it contains any spaces or delimiters.

For series, `setjust` operates on all of the cells in the series.

The *format\_arg* may be formed using the following:

|                              |  |
|------------------------------|--|
| auto / left / center / right | Horizontal justification setting. “Auto” uses left justification for strings, and right for numbers. |
|------------------------------|--|

The default justification setting is taken from the Global Defaults for spreadsheet views (“[Spreadsheet Data Display](#)” on page 768 of *User’s Guide I*) at the time the spreadsheet was created.

Examples

```
ser1.setjust left
```

sets the horizontal justification to left.

Cross-references

See [Series::setwidth](#) (p. 528) and [Series::setindent](#) (p. 527) for details on setting spreadsheet widths and indentation.

|          |                              |
|----------|------------------------------|
| setwidth | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|----------|------------------------------|

Set the column width for a series spreadsheet.

Syntax

```
series_name.setwidth width_arg
```

where *width\_arg* specifies the width unit value. The width unit is computed from representative characters in the default font for the current spreadsheet (the EViews spreadsheet default font at the time the spreadsheet was created), and corresponds roughly to a single character. *width\_arg* values may be non-integer values with resolution up to 1/10 of a width unit.

Examples

```
ser1.setwidth 12
```

sets the width of series SER1 to 12 width units.

Cross-references

See [Series::setindent](#) (p. 527) and [Series::setjust](#) (p. 527) for details on setting spreadsheet indentation and justification.

|       |                              |
|-------|------------------------------|
| sheet | <a href="#">Series Views</a> |
|-------|------------------------------|

Spreadsheet view of a series object.

Syntax

`series_name.sheet(options)`

Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| w  | Wide. In a panel this will switch to the unstacked form of the panel (dates along the side, cross-sections along the top).   |
| t  | Transpose.   |
| a  | All observations (ignore sample)   |
| nl   | Do not display labels.   |
| tform = <i>arg</i><br>(default =<br>"level") | Display transformed data: raw data ("level"), one period difference ("dif" or "d"), annual difference ("dify" or "dy"), one period percentage change ("pch" or "pc"), annualized one period percentage change ("pcha" or "pca"), annual percentage change ("pchy" or "pcy"), natural logarithm ("log"), one period difference of logged values ("dlog"). |
| p  | Print the spreadsheet view.  |

Examples

```
ser1.sheet(p)
```

displays and prints the default spreadsheet view of series SER1.

```
ser1.sheet(t, tform=log)
```

displays log values of SER1 in the current sample in a wide spreadsheet.

```
ser1.sheet(nl, tform=diff)
```

shows differenced values of the series without labels.

```
ser1.sheet(a, tform=pc)
```

displays the one period percent changes for all observations in the workfile.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 5. "Basic Data Handling," on page 109](#) of *User's Guide I* for a discussion of the spreadsheet view of series and groups.

|        |                              |
|--------|------------------------------|
| smooth | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|--------|------------------------------|

**Exponential smoothing.**

Forecasts a series using one of a number of exponential smoothing techniques. By default, `smooth` estimates the damping parameters of the smoothing model to minimize the sum of squared forecast errors, but you may specify your own values for the damping parameters.

`smooth` automatically calculates in-sample forecast errors and puts them into the series `RESID`.

**Syntax**

`series_name.smooth(method) smooth_name [freq]`

You should follow the `smooth` keyword with a name for the smoothed series. You must also specify the smoothing method in parentheses. The optional *freq* may be used to override the default for the number of periods in the seasonal cycle. By default, this value is set to the workfile frequency (*e.g.* — 4 for quarterly data). For undated data, the default is 5.

**Options**

*Smoothing method options*

|                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| <code>s[,x]</code>     | Single exponential smoothing for series with no trend. You may optionally specify a number <i>x</i> between zero and one for the mean parameter.  |
| <code>d[,x]</code>     | Double exponential smoothing for series with a trend. You may optionally specify a number <i>x</i> between zero and one for the mean parameter.   |
| <code>n[,x,y]</code>   | Holt-Winters without seasonal component. You may optionally specify numbers <i>x</i> and <i>y</i> between zero and one for the mean and trend parameters, respectively.                                       |
| <code>a[,x,y,z]</code> | Holt-Winters with additive seasonal component. You may optionally specify numbers <i>x</i> , <i>y</i> , and <i>z</i> , between zero and one for the mean, trend, and seasonal parameters, respectively.       |
| <code>m[,x,y,z]</code> | Holt-Winters with multiplicative seasonal component. You may optionally specify numbers <i>x</i> , <i>y</i> , and <i>z</i> , between zero and one for the mean, trend, and seasonal parameters, respectively. |

*Other Options:*

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
| p      | Print a table of forecast statistics.             |

If you wish to set only some of the damping parameters and let EViews estimate the other parameters, enter the letter “e” where you wish the parameter to be estimated.

If the number of seasons is different from the frequency of the workfile (an unusual case that arises primarily if you are using an undated workfile for data that are not monthly or quarterly), you should enter the number of seasons after the smoothed series name. This optional input will have no effect on forecasts without seasonal components.

**Examples**

```
sales.smooth(s) sales_f
```

smooths the SALES series by a single exponential smoothing method and saves the smoothed series as SALES\_F. EViews estimates the damping (smoothing) parameter and displays it with other forecast statistics in the SALES series window.

```
tb3.smooth(n,e,.3) tb3_hw
```

smooths the TB3 series by a Holt-Winters no seasonal method and saves the smoothed series as TB3\_HW. The mean damping parameter is estimated while the trend damping parameter is set to 0.3.

```
smpl @first @last-10
order.smooth(m,.1,.1,.1) order_hw
smpl @all
graph gral.line order order_hw
show gral
```

smooths the ORDER series by a Holt-Winters multiplicative seasonal method leaving the last 10 observations. The damping parameters are all set to 0.1. The last three lines plot and display the actual and smoothed series over the full sample.

**Cross-references**

See [“Exponential Smoothing” on page 427](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of exponential smoothing methods. See also [Series::ets \(p. 495\)](#).

|      |                              |
|------|------------------------------|
| sort | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|------|------------------------------|

Change display order for series spreadsheet.

The `sort` command changes the sort order settings for spreadsheet display of the series.



**Syntax**

```
series_name.sort([opt])
```

By default, EViews will sort by the value of the series, in ascending order. For purposes of sorting, NAs are considered to be smaller than any other value.

You may modify the default sort order by providing a sort option. If you provide the integer “0”, or the keyword “obs”, EViews will sort using the original workfile observation order. To sort in descending order, simply include the minus sign (“-”).

**Examples**

```
ser1.sort
```

change the display order for the series SER1 so that spreadsheet rows are ordered from low to high values of the series.

```
ser1.sort(-)
```

sorts in descending order.

```
ser1.sort(obs)
```

returns the display order for group SER1 to the original (by observation).

**Cross-references**

See [“Spreadsheet” on page 464](#) of *User’s Guide II* for additional discussion.

|        |                              |
|--------|------------------------------|
| statby | <a href="#">Series Views</a> |
|--------|------------------------------|

**Basic statistics by classification.**

The `statby` view displays descriptive statistics for the elements of a series classified into categories by one or more series.

**Syntax**

```
series_name.statby(options) classifier_names
```

Follow the series name with a period, the `statby` keyword, and a name (or a list of names) for the series or group by which to classify. The options control which statistics to display and in what form. By default, `statby` displays the means, standard deviations, and counts for the series.

## Options

### *Options to control statistics to be displayed*

|                                      |   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| sum                                  | Display sums.   |
| med                                  | Display medians.  |
| max                                  | Display maxima.   |
| min                                  | Display minima.   |
| quant = <i>arg</i><br>(default = .5) | Display quantile with value given by the argument.  |
| q = <i>arg</i><br>(default = "r")    | Compute quantiles using the specified definition: "b" (Blom), "r" (Rankit-Cleveland), "o" (Ordinary), "t" (Tukey), "v" (van der Waerden), "g" (Gumbel). |
| skew                                 | Display skewness.   |
| kurt                                 | Display kurtosis.   |
| na                                   | Display counts of NAs.  |
| nomean                               | Do not display means.   |
| nostd                                | Do not display standard deviations.   |
| nocount                              | Do not display counts.  |

### *Options to control layout*

|     |   |
|-----|---|
| l   | Display in list mode (for more than one classifier).  |
| nor | Do not display row margin statistics.   |
| noc | Do not display column margin statistics.  |
| nom | Do not display table margin statistics (unconditional tables); for more than two classifier series.           |
| nos | Do not display sub-margin totals in list mode; only used with "l" option and more than two classifier series. |
| sp  | Display sparse labels; only with list mode option, "l".   |

### *Options to control binning*

|                                       |  |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| dropna<br>(default),<br>keepna        | [Drop/Keep] NA as a category.  |
| v = <i>integer</i><br>(default = 100) | Bin categories if classification series take on more than the specified number of distinct values. |

|                                     |   |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| nov                                 | Do not bin based on the number of values of the classification series.  |
| a = <i>number</i><br>(default = 2)  | Bin categories if average cell count is less than the specified number. |
| noa                                 | Do not bin based on the average cell count.                             |
| b = <i>integer</i><br>(default = 5) | Set maximum number of binned categories.                                |
| nolimit                             | Remove protections on total number of cells.                            |

*Other options*

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
| p      | Print the descriptive statistics table.           |

Examples

```
wage.statby(max,min) sex race
```

displays the mean, standard deviation, max, and min of the series WAGE by (possibly binned) values of SEX and RACE.

Cross-references

See [“By-Group Statistics” on page 520](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference* for a list of functions to compute by-group statistics. See also [“Stats by Classification” on page 361](#) and [“Descriptive Statistics” on page 486](#) of *User’s Guide I* for discussion.

See also [Series::hist \(p. 502\)](#), [boxplot \(p. 811\)](#) and [Link::linkto \(p. 319\)](#).

|       |                              |
|-------|------------------------------|
| stats | <a href="#">Series Views</a> |
|-------|------------------------------|

Descriptive statistics.

Computes and displays a table of means, medians, maximum and minimum values, standard deviations, and other descriptive statistics of a series.

Syntax

```
series_name.stats(options)
```

Options

|   |                        |
|---|------------------------|
| p | Print the stats table. |
|---|------------------------|

## Examples

```
wage.stats
```

displays the descriptive statistics view of the series WAGE.

## Cross-references

See “[Descriptive Statistics & Tests](#)” on page 358 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of the descriptive statistics views of series.

See also [boxplot](#) (p. 811) and [Series::hist](#) (p. 502).

|        |                              |
|--------|------------------------------|
| testby | <a href="#">Series Views</a> |
|--------|------------------------------|

Test equality of the mean, median, or variance of a series across categories classified by a list of series or a group.

## Syntax

```
series_name.testby(options) arg1 [arg2 arg2 ...]
```

Follow the `testby` keyword by a list of the names of the series or groups to use as classifiers. Specify the type of test as an option.

## Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| mean ( <i>default</i> )                       | Test equality of mean.  |
| med   | Test equality of median.  |
| var   | Test equality of variance.  |
| dropna ( <i>default</i> ),<br>keepna          | [Drop /Keep] NAs as a classification category.  |
| v = <i>integer</i><br>( <i>default</i> = 100) | Bin categories if classification series take more than the specified number of distinct values. |
| nov   | Do not bin based on the number of values of the classification series.                          |
| a = <i>number</i><br>( <i>default</i> = 2)    | Bin categories if average cell count is less than the specified number.                         |
| noa   | Do not bin on the basis of average cell count.  |
| b = <i>integer</i><br>( <i>default</i> = 5)   | Set maximum number of binned categories.  |
| nolimt  | Remove protections on total number of cells.  |

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
| p      | Print the test results.                           |

Examples

```
wage.testby(med) race
```

Tests equality of medians of WAGE across groups classified by RACE.

Cross-references

See [“Equality Tests by Classification” on page 367](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of equality tests.

See also [Group::testbtw \(p. 309\)](#), [Series::teststat \(p. 536\)](#).

|          |                              |
|----------|------------------------------|
| teststat | <a href="#">Series Views</a> |
|----------|------------------------------|

Test simple hypotheses of whether the mean, median, or variance of a series is equal to a specified value.

Syntax

```
series_name.teststat(options)
```

Specify the type of test and the value under the null hypothesis as an option.

Options

|                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| mean = <i>number</i> | Test the null hypothesis that the mean equals the specified number.   |
| med = <i>number</i>  | Test the null hypothesis that the median equals the specified number.   |
| var = <i>number</i>  | Test the null hypothesis that the variance equals the specified number. The number must be positive.            |
| std = <i>number</i>  | Test equality of mean conditional on the specified standard deviation. The standard deviation must be positive. |
| prompt               | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| p                    | Print the test results.   |

Examples

```
smpl if race=1
lwage.teststat(var=4)
```

tests the null hypothesis that the variance of LWAGE is equal to 4 for the subsample with RACE = 1.

Cross-references

See “Descriptive Statistics & Tests” on page 358 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of simple hypothesis tests.

See also `Group::testbtw` (p. 309), `Series::testby` (p. 534).

|            |                              |
|------------|------------------------------|
| tramoseats | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|------------|------------------------------|

Run the external seasonal adjustment program Tramo/Seats using the data in the series.

`tramoseats` is available for annual, semi-annual, quarterly, and monthly series. The procedure requires at least  $n$  observations and can adjust up to 600 observations where:

$$n = \begin{cases} 36 & \text{for monthly data} \\ \max\{12, 4s\} & \text{for other seasonal data} \end{cases} \tag{1.2}$$

Syntax

```
series_name.tramoseats(options) [base_name]
```

Enter the name of the original series followed by a dot, the keyword, and optionally provide a base name (no more than 20 characters long) to name the saved series. The default base name is the original series name. The saved series will have postfixes appended to the base name.

Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>runtype = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “ts”) | Tramo/Seats Run Specification: “ts” (run Tramo followed by Seats; the “ <i>opt</i> = ” options are passed to Tramo, and Seats is run with the input file returned from Tramo), “t” (run only Tramo), “s” (run only Seats). |
|--|--|

|                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| save = <i>arg</i>    | <p>Specify series to save in workfile: you must use one or more from the following key word list: “hat” (forecasts of original series), “lin” (linearized series from Tramo), “pol” (interpolated series from Tramo), “sa” (seasonally adjusted series from Seats), “trd” (final trend component from Seats), “ir” (final irregular component from Seats), “sf” (final seasonal factor from Seats), “cyc” (final cyclical component from Seats).</p> <p>To save more than one series, separate the list of key words with a space. <i>Do not use commas</i> within the list of save series.</p> <p>The special key word “save = *” will save all series in the key word list. The five key words “sa”, “trd”, “ir”, “sf”, “cyc” will be ignored if “runtype = t”.</p> |
| opt = <i>arg</i>     | <p>A space delimited list of input namelist. <i>Do not use commas within the list</i>. The syntax for the input namelist is explained in the PDF documentation file. See also <a href="#">“Notes” on page 538</a>.</p>  |
| reg = <i>arg</i>     | <p>A space delimited list for one line of reg namelist. <i>Do not use commas within the list</i>. This option must be used in pairs, either with another “reg = ” option or “regname = ” option. The reg namelist is available only for Tramo and its syntax is explained in the PDF documentation file. See also <a href="#">“Notes” on page 538</a>.</p>  |
| regname = <i>arg</i> | <p>Name of a series or group in the current workfile that contains the exogenous regressors specified in the previous “reg = ” option. See <a href="#">“Notes” on page 538</a>.</p>   |
| prompt               | <p>Force the dialog to appear from within a program.</p>  |
| p                    | <p>Print the results of the Tramo/Seats procedure.</p>  |

## Notes

The command line interface to Tramo/Seats does very little error checking of the command syntax. EViews simply passes on the options you provide “as is” to Tramo/Seats. If the syntax contains an error, you will most likely to see the EViews error message “output file not found”. If you see this error message, check the input files produced by EViews for possible syntax errors as described in [“Trouble Shooting” on page 425 of User’s Guide I](#).

Additionally, here are some of the more commonly encountered syntax errors.

- To replicate the dialog options from the command line, use the following input options in the “opt = ” list. See the PDF documentation file for a description of each option.
  1. data frequency: “mq = ”.

2. forecast horizon: “npred = ” for Tramo and “fh = ” for Seats.
  3. transformation: “lam = ”.
  4. ARIMA order search: “inic = ” and “idif = ”.
  5. Easter adjustment: “ieast = ”.
  6. trading day adjustment: “itrاد = ”.
  7. outlier detection: “iatip = ” and “aio = ”.
- The command option input string list must be space delimited. *Do not use commas.* Options containing an equals sign should not contain any spaces around the equals; the space will be interpreted as a delimiter by Tramo/Seats.
  - If you set “rtype = ts”, you are responsible for supplying either “seats = 1” or “seats = 2” in the “opt = ” option list. EViews will issue the error message “Seats.itr not found” if the option is omitted. Note that the dialog option **Run Seats after Tramo** sets “seats = 2”.
  - Each “reg = ” or “regname = ” option is passed to the input file as a separate line in the order that they appear in the option argument list. Note that these options must come in pairs. A “reg = ” option must be followed by another “reg = ” option that specifies the outlier or intervention series or by a “regname = ” option that provides the name for an exogenous series or group in the current workfile. See the sample programs in the “./Example Files” directory.
  - If you specify exogenous regressors with the “reg = ” option, you must set the appropriate “ireg = ” option (for the total number of exogenous series) in the “opt = ” list.
  - To use the “regname = ” option, the preceding “reg = ” list must contain the “user = -1” option and the appropriate “ilong = ” option. *Do not* use “user = 1” since EViews will always write data in a separate external file. The “ilong = ” option must be at least the number of observations in the current workfile sample *plus* the number of forecasts. The exogenous series should not contain any missing values in this range. *Note that Tramo may increase the forecast horizon, in which case the exogenous series is extended by appending zeros at the end.*

## Examples

```
freeze(tab1) x.tramoseats(runtype=t, opt="lam=-1 iatip=1 aio=2
va=3.3 noadmiss=1 seats=2", save=*) x
```

replicates the example file EXAMPLE.1 in Tramo. The output file from Tramo is stored in a text object named tab1. This command returns three series named X\_HAT, X\_LIN, X\_POL.

```
show x.TramoSeats(runtype=t, opt="NPRED=36 LAM=1 IREG=3 INTERP=2
IMEAN=0 P=1 Q=0 D=0", reg="ISEQ=1 DELTA=1.0", reg="61 1",
reg="ISEQ=8 DELTAS=1.0", reg="138 5 150 5 162 5 174 5 186 5 198
5 210 5 222 5", reg="ISEQ=8 DELTAS=1.0", reg="143 7 155 7 167 7
179 7 191 7 203 7 215 7 227 7") x
```



replicates the example file EXAMPLE.2 in Tramo. This command produces an input file containing the lines:

```
$INPUT NPRED=36 LAM=1 IREG=3 INTERP=2 IMEAN=0 P=1 Q=0 D=0, $
$REG ISEQ=1 DELTA=1.0$
61 1
$REG ISEQ=8 DELTAS=1.0$
138 5 150 5 162 5 174 5 186 5 198 5 210 5 222 5
$REG ISEQ=8 DELTAS=1.0$
143 7 155 7 167 7 179 7 191 7 203 7 215 7 227 7
```

Additional examples replicating many of the example files provided by Tramo/Seats can be found in the “./Example Files” directory. You will also find files that compare seasonal adjustments from Census X12 and Tramo/Seats.

Cross-references

See “[Tramo/Seats](#)” on page 421 of *User’s Guide I* for discussion. See also the Tramo/Seats documentation that accompanied your EViews distribution.

See [Series::seas](#) (p. 519) and [Series::x12](#) (p. 549).

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| uroot | <a href="#">Series Views</a> |
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Carries out unit root tests on a series or panel structured series.

The ordinary, single series unit root tests include Augmented Dickey-Fuller (ADF), GLS detrended Dickey-Fuller (DFGLS), Phillips-Perron (PP), Kwiatkowski, *et. al.* (KPSS), Elliot, Rothenberg, and Stock (ERS) Point Optimal, or Ng and Perron (NP) tests for a unit root in the series (or its first or second difference).

If used on a series in a panel structured workfile, the procedure will perform panel unit root testing. The panel unit root tests include Levin, Lin and Chu (LLC), Breitung, Im, Pesaran, and Shin (IPS), Fisher - ADF, Fisher - PP, and Hadri tests on levels, or first or second differences.

Note that simulation evidence suggests that in various settings (for example, small *T*), Hadri's panel unit root test experiences significant size distortion in the presence of autocorrelation when there is no unit root. In particular, the Hadri test appears to over-reject the null of stationarity, and may yield results that directly contradict those obtained using alternative test statistics (see Hlouskova and Wagner (2006) for discussion and details).

Syntax

```
series_name.uroot(options)
```

## Options

### *Basic Specification Options*

You should specify the exogenous variables and order of dependent variable differencing in the test equation using the following options:

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|---|--|
| <code>const</code> ( <i>default</i> )               | Include a constant in the test equation.   |
| <code>trend</code>                                  | Include a constant and a linear time trend in the test equation.                           |
| <code>none</code>                                   | Do not include a constant or time trend (only available for the ADF and PP tests).         |
| <code>dif = integer</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0) | Order of differencing of the series prior to running the test. Valid values are {0, 1, 2}. |

For backward compatibility, the shortened forms of these options, “c”, “t”, and “n”, are presently supported. For future compatibility we recommend that you use the longer forms.

For ordinary (non-panel) unit root tests, you should specify the test type using one of the following keywords:

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|-------------------------------------|--|
| <code>adf</code> ( <i>default</i> ) | Augmented Dickey-Fuller.                                     |
| <code>dfgls</code>                  | GLS detrended Dickey-Fuller (Elliot, Rothenberg, and Stock). |
| <code>pp</code>                     | Phillips-Perron.   |
| <code>kpss</code>                   | Kwiatkowski, Phillips, Schmidt, and Shin.                    |
| <code>ers</code>                    | Elliot, Rothenberg, and Stock (Point Optimal).               |
| <code>np</code>                     | Ng and Perron.   |

For panel testing, you may use one of the following keywords to specify the test:

|                                     |  |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| <code>sum</code> ( <i>default</i> ) | Summary of all of the panel unit root tests. |
| <code>llc</code>                    | Levin, Lin, and Chu.                         |
| <code>breit</code>                  | Breitung.                                    |
| <code>ips</code>                    | Im, Pesaran, and Shin.                       |
| <code>adf</code>                    | Fisher - ADF.                                |
| <code>pp</code>                     | Fisher - PP.                                 |
| <code>hadri</code>                  | Hadri.                                       |

### *Options for ordinary (non-panel) unit root tests*

In addition, the following panel specific options are available:

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|---|---|
| <code>hac = arg</code>  | <p>Method of estimating the frequency zero spectrum: “bt” (Bartlett kernel), “pr” (Parzen kernel), “qs” (Quadratic Spectral kernel), “ar” (AR spectral), “ardt” (AR spectral - OLS detrended data), “argls” (AR spectral - GLS detrended data).</p> <p>Applicable to PP, KPSS, ERS, and NP tests. <i>The default settings are test specific</i> (“bt” for PP and KPSS, “ar” for ERS, “argls” for NP).</p> |
| <code>band = arg,</code><br><code>b = arg</code><br><i>(default = “nw”)</i> | <p>Method of selecting the bandwidth: “nw” (Newey-West automatic variable bandwidth selection), “a” (Andrews automatic selection), <i>number</i> (user specified bandwidth).</p> <p>Applicable to PP, KPSS, ERS, and NP tests when using kernel sums-of-covariances estimators (where “hac = ” is one of {bt, pz, qs}).</p>   |
| <code>lag = arg</code><br><i>(default = “a”)</i>                            | <p>Method of selecting lag length (number of first difference terms) to be included in the regression: “a” (automatic information criterion based selection), or <i>integer</i> (user-specified lag length).</p> <p>Applicable to ADF and DFGLS tests, and for the other tests when using AR spectral density estimators (where “hac = ” is one of {ar, ardt, argls}).</p>                                |
| <code>info = arg</code><br><i>(default = “sic”)</i>                         | <p>Information criterion to use when computing automatic lag length selection: “aic” (Akaike), “sic” (Schwarz), “hqc” (Hannan-Quinn), “maic” (Modified Akaike), “msic” (Modified Schwarz), “mhqc” (Modified Hannan-Quinn).</p> <p>Applicable to ADF and DFGLS tests, and for other tests when using AR spectral density estimators (where “hac = ” is one of {ar, ardt, argls}).</p>                      |
| <code>maxlag = integer</code>   | <p>Maximum lag length to consider when performing automatic lag length selection:</p> $\text{default} = \text{int}((12 T / 100)^{0.25})$ <p>Applicable to ADF and DFGLS tests, and for other tests when using AR spectral density estimators (where “hac = ” is one of {ar, ardt, argls}).</p>  |

### Options for panel unit root tests

The following panel specific options are available:

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|---|---|
| balance   | Use balanced (across cross-sections or series) data when performing test.   |
| hac = <i>arg</i><br>(default = “bt”)                      | Method of estimating the frequency zero spectrum: “bt” (Bartlett kernel), “pr” (Parzen kernel), “qs” (Quadratic Spectral kernel).<br>Applicable to “Summary”, LLC, Fisher-PP, and Hadri tests.  |
| band = <i>arg</i> ,<br>b = <i>arg</i><br>(default = “nw”) | Method of selecting the bandwidth: “nw” (Newey-West automatic variable bandwidth selection), “a” (Andrews automatic selection), <i>number</i> (user-specified common bandwidth), <i>vector_name</i> (user-specified individual bandwidth).<br>Applicable to “Summary”, LLC, Fisher-PP, and Hadri tests.   |
| lag = <i>arg</i>  | Method of selecting lag length (number of first difference terms) to be included in the regression: “a” (automatic information criterion based selection), <i>integer</i> (user-specified common lag length), <i>vector_name</i> (user-specific individual lag length).<br>If the “balance” option is used,<br>$default = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (T_{\min} \leq 60) \\ 2 & \text{if } (60 < T_{\min} \leq 100) \\ 4 & \text{if } (T_{\min} > 100) \end{cases}$ <p>where <math>T_{\min}</math> is the length of the shortest cross-section or series, otherwise <i>default</i> = “a”.<br/>Applicable to “Summary”, LLC, Breitung, IPS, and Fisher-ADF tests.</p> |
| info = <i>arg</i><br>(default = “sic”)                    | Information criterion to use when computing automatic lag length selection: “aic” (Akaike), “sic” (Schwarz), “hqc” (Hannan-Quinn).<br>Applicable to “Summary”, LLC, Breitung, IPS, and Fisher-ADF tests.  |
| maxlag = <i>arg</i>                                       | Maximum lag length to consider when performing automatic lag length selection, where <i>arg</i> is an <i>integer</i> (common maximum lag length) or a <i>vector_name</i> (individual maximum lag length)<br>$default = \text{int}(\min_i(12, T_i/3) \cdot (T_i/100)^{1/4})$ <p>where <math>T_i</math> is the length of the cross-section or series.</p>   |

*Other options*

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| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
| p      | Print output from the test.                       |

**Examples**

The command:

```
gnp.uroot(adf,const,lag=3,save=mout)
```

performs an ADF test on the series GDP with the test equation including a constant term and three lagged first-difference terms. Intermediate results are stored in the matrix MOUT.

```
ip.uroot(dfqls,trend,info=sic)
```

runs the DFGLS unit root test on the series IP with a constant and a trend. The number of lagged difference terms is selected automatically using the Schwarz criterion.

```
unemp.uroot(kpss,const,hac=pr,b=2.3)
```

runs the KPSS test on the series UNEMP. The null hypothesis is that the series is stationary around a constant mean. The frequency zero spectrum is estimated using kernel methods (with a Parzen kernel), and a bandwidth of 2.3.

```
sp500.uroot(np,hac=ardt,info=maic)
```

runs the NP test on the series SP500. The frequency zero spectrum is estimated using the OLS AR spectral estimator with the lag length automatically selected using the modified AIC.

```
gdp.uroot(llc,hac=pr, info=aic)
```

runs the LLC panel unit root test on series GDP. The frequency zero spectrum is estimated using the Parzen Kernel with lag length automatically selected using the AIC.

**Cross-references**

See [“Unit Root Testing” on page 471](#) of *User’s Guide II* for discussion of standard unit root tests performed on a single series, and [“Panel Unit Root Testing” on page 483](#) of *User’s Guide II* for discussion of unit roots tests performed on panel structured workfiles, groups of series, or pooled data.

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| <b>vratio</b> | <a href="#">Series Views</a> |
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Compute the Lo and MacKinlay (1988) variance ratio test using the original data, or the Wright (2000) rank, rank-score, or sign-based forms of the test.

Multiple comparisons are handled using Wald (Richardson and Smith, 1991) or multiple comparison variance ratio (Chow and Denning, 1993). Significance levels may be computed using the asymptotic distribution, or the wild or permutation bootstrap.

### Syntax

Series View: `series_name.vratio(options) lag_specification`

Series View: `series_name.vratio(grid[, options]) start end [step]`

In the first form of the command, *lag\_specification* should contain the lag values to test in the form of a list of integers, scalars, or a vector containing integer values greater than 1.

In the second form of the command, we include the “grid” option and specify a grid of lag values in the form

*start end [step]*

where *start* is the smallest lag, *end* is the largest required lag, and the optional *step* indicates which intermediate lags to consider. By default, *step* is set to 1 so that all lags from *start* through *end* will be included.

### Options

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| <code>out = arg</code><br>(default = “table”)      | Output type: “table” or “graph” of test results.  |
| <code>data = arg</code><br>(default = “level”)     | Form of data in series: “level” (random walk or martingale), “exp” (exponential random walk or martingale), “innov” (innovations to random walk or martingale). |
| <code>method = arg</code>                          | Test method: “orig” (Lo-MacKinlay test statistic), “rank” (rank statistic), “rankscore” (score statistic), “sign” (sign variance ratio statistic).              |
| <code>probcalc = arg</code><br>(default = “anorm”) | Probability calculation: “norm” (asymptotic normal), “wildboot” (wild bootstrap), when “method = orig”.   |
| <code>biased</code>                                | Do not bias correct the variances.  |
| <code>iid</code>                                   | Do not use heteroskedastic robust S.E.  |
| <code>noc</code>                                   | Do not allow for drift / demean the data (for default “data = level”).  |

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| stack  | Compute estimates for stacked panel (in panel workfiles).             |
| rankties = <i>arg</i><br>( <i>default</i> = "a") | Tie handling for ranks: "i" (ignore), "a" (average), "r" (randomize). |
| prompt   | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.                     |
| p  | Print results.  |

*Bootstrap Options*

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|--|--|
| btreps = <i>integer</i><br>( <i>default</i> = 1000)  | Number of bootstrap repetitions  |
| btseed = <i>positive_integer</i>   | Seed the bootstrap random number generator.<br>If not specified, EViews will seed the bootstrap random number generator with a single integer draw from the default global random number generator.  |
| btrnd = <i>arg</i><br>( <i>default</i> = "kn" or<br>method previously set<br>using <a href="#">rndseed</a><br>(p. 423) of the <i>Command and Programming Reference</i> ) | Type of random number generator for the bootstrap: improved Knuth generator ("kn"), improved Mersenne Twister ("mt"), Knuth's (1997) lagged Fibonacci generator used in EViews 4 ("kn4") L'Ecuyer's (1999) combined multiple recursive generator ("le"), Matsumoto and Nishimura's (1998) Mersenne Twister used in EViews 4 ("mt4"). |
| btldist = <i>arg</i><br>( <i>default</i> = "twopoint")   | Bootstrap distribution: "twopoint", "rademacher", "normal" (when "probcalc = wildboot").   |

**Examples**

The commands

```
jp.vratio(data=exp, biased, iid) 2 5 10 30
jp.vratio(out=graph, data=exp, biased, iid) 2 5 10 30
```

compute the Lo-MacKinley and the joint Chow-Denning and Wald tests for the homoskedastic random walk using periods 2, 5, 10, and 30. The results are displayed first in table, then in graph form. The individual test *z*-statistics use the asymptotic normal distribution and the Chow-Denning statistic uses the asymptotic Studentized Maximum Modulus distribution for evaluating significance.

```
series logjp = log(jp)
logjp.vratio(noc, iid, grid) 2 10 2
```

computes the same tests using periods 2, 4, 6, 8, and 10, with the bias-corrected variances computed without allowing for a mean/drift term.

To compute a heteroskedastic robust version of the last test, we simply remove the “iid” option:

```
logjp.vratio(noc, grid) 2 10 2
```

To compute the significance levels using the wild bootstrap,

```
jp.vratio(data=exp, biased, probcalc=wildboot, btrep=5000,
  btseed=1000, btrng=kn) 2 5 10 30
jp.vratio(data=exp, probcalc=wildboot, btdist=normal, btrep=5000,
  btseed=1000, btrng=kn) 2 5 10 30
```

Both commands produce bootstrap significance levels using 5000 replications with the Knuth generator and a seed of 1000. The second command substitutes bias corrects the variance estimates and changes the bootstrap random number distribution from the default two-step to the normal.

To perform Wright’s rank and rank-score based tests,

```
vector(4) periods
periods.fill 2, 5, 10, 30
jp.vratio(data=exp, method=rank, btrep=5000, btseed=1000,
  btrng=kn) periods
jp.vratio(data=exp, method=rankscore, btrep=5000, btseed=1000,
  btrng=mt) periods
```

In panel settings, you may compute the statistic on the individual cross-sections and perform a joint Fisher test

```
exchange.vratio(data=exp, biased, probcalc=wildboot, btrep=5000,
  btseed=1000, btrng=kn) periods
```

or you may compute the statistic on the stacked data

```
series dexch = @dlog(exch)
dexch.vratio(stack, data=innov) periods
```

## Cross-references

See [“Variance Ratio Test” on page 494](#) of *User’s Guide II* for discussion.

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| x11 | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
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Seasonally adjust series using the Census X11.2 method.

## Syntax

```
series_name.x11(options) adj_name [fac_name]
```



The X11 procedure carries out Census X11.2 seasonal adjustment. Enter the name of the original series followed by a period, the keyword, and then provide a name for the seasonally adjusted series. You may optionally list a second series name for the seasonal factors. The seasonal adjustment method is specified as an option in parentheses after the `x11` keyword.

*The X11 procedure is available only for quarterly and monthly series.* The procedure requires at least four full years of data, and can adjust up to 20 years of monthly data and 30 years of quarterly data.

### Options

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|--------|--|
| m      | Multiplicative seasonals.  |
| a      | Additive seasonals.  |
| s      | Use sliding spans.   |
| h      | Adjustment for all holidays (only for monthly data specified with the <code>m</code> option).          |
| i      | Adjustment for holidays if significant (only for monthly data specified with the “ <i>m</i> ” option). |
| t      | Adjustment for all trading days (only for monthly data).   |
| q      | Adjustment for trading days if significant (only for monthly data).                                    |
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| p      | Print the X11 results.   |

### Examples

```
sales.x11(m,h) salesx11 salesfac
```

seasonally adjusts the SALES series and saves the adjusted series as SALESX11 and the seasonal factors as SALESFAC. The adjustment assumes multiplicative seasonals and makes adjustment for all holidays.

### Cross-references

See [“Census X11 \(Historical\)” on page 421](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of Census X11 seasonal adjustment method.

Note that the X11 routines are separate programs provided by the Census and are installed in the EViews directory in the files X11Q2.EXE and X11SS.EXE. Additional documentation for these programs can also be found in your EViews directory in the text files X11DOC1.TXT through X11DOC3.TXT.

See also [Series::seas](#) (p. 519), [Series::x12](#) (p. 549), [Series::x13](#) (p. 554), and [Series::tramoseats](#) (p. 537).

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|-----|------------------------------|
| x12 | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|-----|------------------------------|

Seasonally adjust series using the Census X12 method.

`x12` is available only for quarterly and monthly series. The procedure requires at least 3 full years of data and can adjust up to 600 observations (50 years of monthly data or 150 years of quarterly data).

Syntax

```
series_name.x12(options) base_name
```

Enter the name of the original series followed by a dot, the keyword, and a base name (no more than the maximum length of a series name minus 4) for the saved series. If you do not provide a base name, the original series name will be used as a base name. See the description in “save = ” option below for the naming convention used to save series.

Options

Commonly Used Options

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| <code>mode = arg</code><br>(default = “m”)     | Seasonal adjustment method: “m” (multiplicative adjustment; <i>Series must take only non-negative values</i> ), “a” (additive adjustment), “p” (pseudo-additive adjustment), “l” (log-additive seasonal adjustment; <i>Series must take only positive values</i> ).  |
| <code>filter = arg</code><br>(default = “msr”) | Seasonal filter: “msr” (automatic, moving seasonality ratio), “x11” (X11 default), “stable” (stable), “s3x1” (3x1 moving average), “s3x3” (3x3 moving average), “s3x5” (3x5 moving average), “s3x9” (3x9 moving average), “s3x15” (3x15 moving average seasonal filter; <i>Series must have at least 20 years of data</i> ). |

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|----------------|--|
| save = "arg"   | <p>Optionally saved series keyword enclosed in quotes. List the extension (given in Table 6-8, p.71 of the <i>X12-ARIMA Reference Manual</i>) for the series you want to save. The created series will use names of the form <i>basename</i>, followed by a series keyword specific suffix. Commonly used options and suffixes are: "d10" (final seasonal factors, saved with suffix "_sf"), "d11" (final seasonally adjusted series using "_sa"), "d12" (final trend-cycle component using "_tc"), "d13" (final irregular component using "_ir").</p> <p>All other options are named using the option symbol. For example "save = "d16"" will store a series named <i>basename_D16</i>.</p> <p>To save more than two series, separate the list with a space. For example, "save = "d10 d12"" saves the seasonal factors and the trend-cycle series.</p> |
| tf = arg       | Transformation for regARIMA: "logit" (Logit transformation), "auto" (automatically choose between no transformation and log transformation), <i>number</i> (Box-Cox power transformation using specified parameter; use "tf = 0" for log transformation).  |
| sspan          | Sliding spans stability analysis. <i>Cannot be used along with the "h" option.</i>   |
| history        | Historical record of seasonal adjustment revisions. <i>Cannot be used along with the "sspan" option.</i>   |
| check          | Check residuals of regARIMA.   |
| outlier        | Outlier analysis of regARIMA.  |
| x11reg = arg   | Regressors to model the irregular component in seasonal adjustment. Regressors must be chosen from the predefined list in Table 6-14, p. 88 of the <i>X12-ARIMA Reference Manual</i> . To specify more than one regressor, separate by a space within the double quotes.   |
| reg = arg_list | Regressors for the regARIMA model. Regressors must be chosen from the predefined list in Table 6-17, pp. 100-101 of the <i>X12-ARIMA Reference Manual</i> . To specify more than one regressor, separate by a space within the double quotes.  |
| arima = arg    | ARIMA spec of the regARIMA model. Must follow the X12 ARIMA specification syntax. <i>Cannot be used together with the "amdl = " option.</i>  |

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| <code>amdl = f</code>        | Automatically choose the ARIMA spec. Use forecasts from the chosen model in seasonal adjustment. <i>Cannot be used together with the “arima = ” option and must be used together with the “mfile = ” option.</i>                      |
| <code>amdl = b</code>        | Automatically choose the ARIMA spec. Use forecasts and backcasts from the chosen model in seasonal adjustment. <i>Cannot be used together with the “arima = ” option and must be used together with the “mfile = ” option.</i>        |
| <code>best</code>            | Sets the method option of the auto model spec to best (default is first). Also sets the identify option of the auto model spec to all (default is first). <i>Must be used together with the “amdl = ” option.</i>                     |
| <code>modelsmpl = arg</code> | Sets the subsample for fitting the ARIMA model. Either specify a sample object name or a sample range. <i>The model sample must be a subsample of the current workfile sample and should not contain any breaks.</i>                  |
| <code>mfile = arg</code>     | Specifies the file name (include the extension, if any) that contains a list of ARIMA specifications to choose from. <i>Must be used together with the “amdl = ” option.</i> The default is the X12A.MDL file provided by the Census. |
| <code>outsmpl</code>         | Use out-of-sample forecasts for automatic model selection. Default is in-sample forecasts. <i>Must be used together with the “amdl = ” option.</i>  |
| <code>plotspectra</code>     | Save graph of spectra for differenced seasonally adjusted series and outlier modified irregular series. The saved graph will be named GR_ <i>seriesname</i> _SP.  |
| <code>prompt</code>          | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>               | Print X12 procedure results.  |

### Other Options

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| <code>hma = integer</code> | Specifies the Henderson moving average to estimate the final trend-cycle. The X12 default is automatically selected based on the data. To override this default, specify an <i>odd integer between 1 and 101</i> . |
| <code>sigl = arg</code>    | Specifies the lower sigma limit used to downweight extreme irregulars in the seasonal adjustment. The default is 1.5 and you can specify any positive real number.   |
| <code>sigh = arg</code>    | Specifies the upper sigma limit used to downweight extreme irregulars in the seasonal adjustment. The default is 2.5 and you can specify any positive real number less than the lower sigma limit.                 |

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|-----------------|---|
| ea              | Nonparametric Easter holiday adjustment (x11easter). <i>Cannot be used together with the “easter[w]” regressor in the “reg = ” or “x11reg = ” options.</i>  |
| f               | Appends forecasts up to one year to some optionally saved series. Forecasts are appended only to the following series specified in the “save = ” option: “b1” (original series, adjusted for prior effects), “d10” (final seasonal factors), “d16” (combined seasonal and trading day factors). |
| flead = integer | Specifies the number of periods to forecast (to be used in the seasonal adjustment procedure). The default is one year and you can specify an integer up to 60.   |
| fback = integer | Specifies the number of periods to backcast (to be used in the seasonal adjustment procedure). The default is 0 and you can specify an integer up to 60. No backcasts are produced for series more than 15 years long.  |
| aicx11          | Test (based on AIC) whether to retain the regressors specified in “x11reg = ”. <i>Must be used together with the “x11reg = ” option.</i>  |
| aicreg          | Test (based on AIC) whether to retain the regressors specified in “reg = ”. <i>Must be used together with the “reg = ” option.</i>  |
| sfile = arg     | Path/name (including extension, if any) of user provided specification file. The file must follow a specific format; see the discussion below.  |

### *User provided spec file*

EViews provides most of the basic options available in the X12 program. For users who need to access the full set of options, we have provided the ability to pass your own X12 specification file from EViews. The advantage of using this method (as opposed to running the X12 program in DOS) is that EViews will automatically handle the data in the input and output series.

To provide your own specification file, specify the path/name of your file using the “sfile = ” option in the `x12` proc. Your specification file should follow the format of an X12 specification file as described in the *X12-ARIMA Reference Manual*, with the following exceptions:

- the specification file should have neither a series spec nor a composite spec.
- the x11 spec must include a save option for D11 (the final seasonally adjusted series) in addition to any other extensions you want to store. EViews will always look for D11, and will error if it is not found.

- to read back data for a “save” option other than D11, you must include the “save = ” option in the x12 proc. For example, to obtain the final trend-cycle series (D12) into EViews, you must have a “save = ” option for D12 (and D11) in the x11 spec of your specification file and a “save = d12” option in the EViews x12 proc.

Note that when you use an “sfile = ” option, EViews will ignore any other options in the x12 proc, except for the “save = ” option.

#### *Difference between the dialog and command line*

The options corresponding to the **Trading Day/Holiday** and **Outliers** tab in the X12 dialog should be specified by listing the appropriate regressors in the “x11reg = ” and “reg = ” options.

### Examples

The command:

```
sales.x12(mode=m,save="d10 d12") salesx12
```

seasonally adjusts the SALES series in multiplicative mode. The seasonal factors (d10) are stored as SALESX12\_SF and the trend-cycles series is stored as SALESX12\_TC.

```
sales.x12(tf=0,arima="(0 0 1)",reg="const td")
```

specifies a regARIMA model with a constant, trading day effect variables, and MA(1) using a log transformation. This command does not store any series.

```
freeze(x12out) sales.x12(tf=auto, amdl=f, mfile=
"c:\eviews\mymdl.txt")
```

stores the output from X12 in a text object named X12OUT. The options specify an automatic transformation and an automatic model selection from the file “Mymdl.TXT”.

```
revenue.x12(tf=auto,sfile="c:\eviews\spec1.txt",save="d12 d13")
```

adjusts the series REVENUE using the options given in the “Spec1.TXT” file. Note the following: (1) the “tf = auto” option will be ignored (you should instead specify this option in your specification file) and (2) EViews will save two series REVENUE\_TC and REVENUE\_IR which will be filled with NAs unless you provided the “save = ” option for D12 and D13 in your specification file.

```
freeze(x12out) sales.x12(tf=auto, amdl=f, mfile=
"c:\eviews\mymdl.txt")
```

stores the output from X12 in the text object X12OUT. The options specify an automatic transformation and an automatic model selection from the file “Mymdl.TXT”. The seasonally adjusted series is stored as SALES\_SA by default.

```
revenue.x12(tf=auto,sfile="c:\eviews\spec1.txt",save="d12 d13")
```

adjusts the series REVENUE using the options given in the “Spec1.TXT” file. Note the following: (1) the “tf = auto” option will again be ignored (you should instead specify this in your specification file) and (2) EViews will error if you did not specify a “save = ” option for D11, D12, and D13 in your specification file.

Cross-references

See “[Census X12](#)” on [page 412](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of the Census X12 program. The documentation for X12, *X12-ARIMA Reference Manual*, may be found in the “docs” sub-directory of your EViews directory, in the PDF files “Finalpt1.PDF” and “Finalpt2.PDF”.

See also [Series::seas](#) (p. 519), [Series::x11](#) (p. 547), [Series::x13](#) (p. 554), and [Series::tramoseats](#) (p. 537).

|     |                              |
|-----|------------------------------|
| x13 | <a href="#">Series Procs</a> |
|-----|------------------------------|

Seasonally adjust series using the Census X-13 method.

Census X-13 is available only for quarterly and monthly series. The procedure requires at least 3 full years of data and can adjust up to 600 observations (50 years of monthly data or 150 years of quarterly data).

Syntax:

```
series.x13(options) [@reg\(regopts\)] [@arima\(arimaopts\)]  
                  [@x11arima\(x11arimaopts\)] [@tramo\(tramopts\)] [@x11\(x11opts\)]  
                  [@seats\(seatsopts\)]
```

You should follow the x13 keyword with general options and optionally, specifications for regression ([@reg](#)), ARIMA (either manual ([@arima](#)), X-11 automatic ([@x11arima](#)), or TRAMO automatic ([@tramo](#))), and seasonal adjustment (either X-11 based ([@x11](#)) or SEATS based ([@seats](#))) components.

When using X-13, EViews calls the X-13 executable written by the US Census. Many of the options available in the EViews x13 command closely mirror those available in the original X-13 executable. As such in the documentation of options that follows, we often make reference to the original Census documentation, which is included in PDF form with the rest of your EViews documentation.

You should note that while EViews does not offer direct support for the full set of Census X-13, most of the specification statements allow you to directly add Census X-13 options using the extra option. For example, although EViews does not directly support the “constant” or “adjust” options of the X-13 Transformation spec (see Section 7.18 of the Census X-13 documentation), you may instruct Census X-13 to use those options by adding the option

```
tfextra="constant adjust"
```

to your EViews X-13 command.

## Specification Component Options

The regression, manual, X-11 or TRAMO automatic ARIMA, and X11 or SEATS based seasonal adjustment specification components,

```
[@reg(regopts)] [@arima(arimaopts)] [@x11arima(x11arimaopts)]
[@tramo(tramopts)] [@x11(x11opts)] [@seats(seatopts)]
```

each take various options. In this section, we outline the possible settings for each of these components.

### Regression Specification (@reg)

Include exogenous variables in the ARIMA regression. If @arima, @x11arima, and @tramo specs are not included, a simple regression without ARIMA is performed. See Section 7.13 of the Census X-13 documentation for details.

|                         |   | X-13 Equivalent Option |
|-------------------------|---|------------------------|
| regs = <i>list</i>      | Quoted, space delimited, list of X-13 built-in variables to use as regressors. For a full list of available variable types, see Table 7.27 of the X-13 documentation.   | Variables =            |
| userregs = <i>list</i>  | Quoted, space delimited, list of series to include as user-variables in the regression. Each member of the list should be a valid series expression (e.g. “X” or “log(X)”).   | User =                 |
| usertypes = <i>list</i> | Quoted, space delimited, list of user variable types.<br><br>The number of elements in the list must be the same as the number of elements in the “userregs” list, or should contain only one type, which will apply to <i>all</i> variables listed in “userregs”.<br><br>Types can be “constant” (constant), “seasonal” (seasonal), “td” (trading-day), “tdstock” (trading-day stock), “lom” (length of month), “loq” (length of quarter), “lpyear” (leap year), “easter” (Easter), “thanks” (Thanks-giving), “labor” (Labor day), “ao”, “ls”, “rp”, “so” or “tc” (outlier effects), “transitory” (SEATS transitory), “holiday1”, “holiday2”, “holiday3”, “holiday4” or “holiday5” (user-defined holidays), or “user” (none of the above). | Usertype =             |



|                              |   |                |
|------------------------------|---|----------------|
| <code>aictest = list</code>  | Quoted, space delimited, list of variables to include in the AIC based variable selection routine.<br><br>Only certain variable types may be included in this list: “td”, “tdnolpyear”, “tdstock”, “tdlcoef”, “tdlnolpyear”, “tdstocklcoef”, “lom”, “loq”, “lpyear”, “easter”, “easterstock”, and “user”.<br>See Table 7.27 of the X-13 documentation for a description of these variables. | AICtest =      |
| <code>chitest</code>         | Perform a chi-squared test for inclusion of all user-defined holiday variables.   | Chi2test = yes |
| <code>regextra = list</code> | A quoted, space delimited, list of any extra regression options included as part of X-13.   |                |

#### Manual ARIMA (@arima)

The @arima spec allows you to specify manually an ARIMA model to be used. Note that an @arima spec cannot be used at the same time as an @x11arima or @tramo spec. See Section 7.1 of the X-13 documentation for details.

|                           |   | X-13 Equivalent Option |
|---------------------------|---|------------------------|
| <code>model = text</code> | Set the ARIMA model by specifying the model in standard “(p,d,q)(P,D,Q)” format. The <i>text</i> argument must be surrounded by quotes.<br><br>See the Census X-13 documentation for details on the syntax of <i>text</i> . | Model =                |

|                        |  |      |
|------------------------|--|------|
| <code>ar = list</code> | Set the starting values for the AR parameters in the ARIMA model.<br><i>list</i> should be a quoted, comma separated list of AR parameters. A blank space between commas may be used to use the default starting value for a parameter. To fix a parameter at its starting value, you may append the “f” character to the end of the parameter value (e.g., to fix a parameter at 0.7, use 0.7f) | AR = |
| <code>ma = list</code> | Set the starting values for the MA parameters in the ARIMA model.<br><i>list</i> should be a quoted, comma separated list of MA parameters. A blank space between commas may be used to use a default starting value for a parameter. To fix a parameter at its starting value, you may append the “f” character to the end of the parameter value (e.g., to fix a parameter at 0.7, use 0.7f)   | MA = |

#### Automatic ARIMA Selection using X-11 (@x11arima)

Use X-11-ARIMA to automatically choose an ARIMA model. Note that an @x11arima spec cannot be used at the same time as an @arima or @tramo spec. See Section 7.12 of the Census X-13 documentation for more details.

|                                |  | X-13 Equivalent Option |
|--------------------------------|--|------------------------|
| <code>mfile = file</code>      | Specify a file on disk containing the list of possible ARIMA models to choose from. Note that this option cannot be used with the “max*” options<br><br>See the <i>Details</i> portion of Section 7.12 of the Census X-13 documentation for details on how to create a valid ARIMA model file. | File =                 |
| <code>maxar = integer</code>   | Set the maximum number of AR terms in models to be selected from. Cannot be used with the “mfile = ” option.   |                        |
| <code>maxdiff = integer</code> | Set the maximum differencing order in models to be selected from. Cannot be used with the “mfile = ” option.   |                        |
| <code>maxma = integer</code>   | Set the maximum number of MA in models to be selected from. Cannot be used with the “mfile = ” option.   |                        |

|                                  |   |                   |
|----------------------------------|---|-------------------|
| <code>maxsar = integer</code>    | Set the maximum number of seasonal AR terms in models to be selected from. Cannot be used with the “mfile = ” option.   |                   |
| <code>maxsdiff = integer</code>  | Set the maximum seasonal differencing order in models to be selected from. Cannot be used with the “mfile = ” option.   |                   |
| <code>maxsma = integer</code>    | Set the maximum number of seasonal MA in models to be selected from. Cannot be used with the “mfile = ” option.   |                   |
| <code>amd1 = f</code>            | Use only forecasts from the ARIMA model in model evaluation. Without this option, both forecasts and backcasts are used.  | Mode = f          |
| <code>outsmpl</code>             | Use out of sample forecast errors during model evaluation   | Outofsample = yes |
| <code>best</code>                | Model selection tests all possible models and chooses the most likely. Without this option, the model selection routine will chose the first model that matches model selection criteria. | Method = best     |
| <code>flim = number</code>       | Sets the acceptance threshold for the within-sample forecast error test.  | Fcstlim =         |
| <code>blim = number</code>       | Sets the acceptance threshold for the within-sample backcast error test. Only applies if the <code>amd1 = f</code> option is not set.   | Bcstlim =         |
| <code>x11aimaextra = list</code> | A quoted, space delimited, list of any extra X-11 automatic ARIMA options included as part of X-13.   |                   |

#### *Automatic ARIMA selection using TRAMO (@tramo)*

Use TRAMO to automatically choose an ARIMA model. Note that an `@tramo` spec cannot be used at the same time as an `@arima` or `@x11arima` spec. See Section 7.2 of the Census X-13 documentation for more details.

|  |   |                        |
|--|---|------------------------|
|  |   | X-13 Equivalent Option |
| <code>maxorder = “(int1, int2)”</code> | Set the maximum order of AR, MA, SAR and SMA terms in candidate models. <i>int1</i> sets the maximum for AR and MA terms, and <i>int2</i> sets the maximum for seasonal AR and seasonal MA terms. | Maxorder =             |

|                             |   |                     |
|-----------------------------|---|---------------------|
| maxdiff =<br>“(int1, int2)” | Sets the maximum differencing and seasonal differencing in candidate models. <i>int1</i> sets the maximum differencing, and <i>int2</i> sets the maximum seasonal differencing.<br><br>Note the “maxdiff” option cannot be used along with the “diff” option.     | Maxdiff =           |
| diff =<br>“(int1, int2)”    | Set a fixed differencing for candidate models – i.e. differencing will not be automatically chosen. <i>int1</i> sets differencing, and <i>int2</i> sets seasonal differencing.<br><br>Note that the “diff” option cannot be used along with the “maxdiff” option. | Diff =              |
| nomixed                     | Do not allow mixed (i.e. models with both AR and MA terms) amongst the candidate models.  | Mixed = no          |
| rejectfcst                  | Test the out-of-sample forecast error of the final three years of data with the identified model to determine if forecast extension should be applied.  | Rejectfcst = yes    |
| flim = <i>number</i>        | Sets the acceptance threshold for the within-sample forecast error test of the final identified model. Only applies if the “rejectfcst” option is set.  | Fcstlim =           |
| lbqlim = <i>number</i>      | Acceptance criterion for confidence coefficient of the Ljung-Box Q statistic.   | Ljungboxlimit =     |
| acceptdef                   | Controls whether the default model is chosen if the Ljung-Box Q statistic for its model residuals is acceptable.  | Acceptdefault = yes |
| nomu                        | Do not check for significance of the constant term in candidate models  | Checkmu = no        |
| tramoextra = <i>list</i>    | A quoted, space delimited, list of any extra TRAMO automatic ARIMA options included as part of X-13.  |                     |

#### *X-11 Seasonal Adjustment (@x11)*

Perform an X-11 based seasonal adjustment. Note that an @x11 spec cannot be included at the same time as an @seats spec. See Section 7.19 of the Census X-13 documentation for details.

|                                |  | X-13 Equivalent Option |
|--------------------------------|--|------------------------|
| <code>mode = arg</code>        | Sets the mode of seasonal adjustment decomposition: “mult” (multiplicative), “add” (additive), “pseudoadd” (pseudo-additive), or “logadd” (log-additive). The default is “mult”.   | Mode =                 |
| <code>type = arg</code>        | Sets the type of seasonal adjustment: “sum” (summary), “trend”, or “sa” (default). See the Census X-13 documentation for a full description of each.   | Type =                 |
| <code>filter = arg</code>      | Specifies the seasonal moving average filter to use: “s3x1” (3x1 moving average), “s3x3”, (3x3 moving average), “s3x5” (3x5 moving average), “s3x9” (3x9 moving average), “s3x15” (3x15 moving average), “stable” (Stable seasonal filter), “x11default” (3x3 followed by a 3x5), or “msr” (default).<br><br>You can set a different filter for each MA term by entering multiple values for <i>key</i> , separated by commas and surrounded in quotes ( <i>e.g.</i> , <code>filter = "s3x1, s3x3, s3x9"</code> ). | Seasonalma =           |
| <code>fcast</code>             | Append forecasted values to certain output series. See the Census X-13 documentation for a list of available series. This option must be used with the “flen = ” general option.   | appendfcast            |
| <code>bcast</code>             | Pre-pend backcasted values to certain output series. See the Census X-13 documentation for a list of available series. This option must be used with the “blen = ” general option.   | appendbcst             |
| <code>trendma = integer</code> | Length of the Henderson moving average to use. <i>integer</i> may be any odd integer between 1 and 101.  | Trendma =              |
| <code>x11extra = list</code>   | A quoted, space delimited, list of any extra X-11 seasonal adjustment options included as part of X-13.  |                        |

#### SEATS Seasonal Adjustment (@seats spec)

Perform a SEATS based seasonal adjustment. Note that an @seats spec cannot be included at the same time as an @x11 spec. See Section 7.14 of the Census X-13 documentation for more details.

|                                |   | X-13 Equivalent Option     |
|--------------------------------|---|----------------------------|
| <code>fcast</code>             | Append forecasted values to certain output series. See the Census X-13 documentation for a list of available series. This option must be used with the “ <code>flen =</code> ” general option.  | <code>appendfcast</code>   |
| <code>bcast</code>             | Prepend backcasted values to certain output series. See the Census X-13 documentation for a list of available series. This option must be used with the “ <code>blen =</code> ” general option. | <code>appendbcst</code>    |
| <code>hp</code>                | Decompose the trend-cycle component into a long-term component using the Hodrick-Prescott filter.   | <code>Hpcycle = yes</code> |
| <code>nostat</code>            | Do not accept any stationary seasonal ARIMA models, and convert the seasonal part to (0, 1, 1).   | <code>Statseas = no</code> |
| <code>qmax = integer</code>    | Sets a limit for the Ljung-Box Q statistic, which is used to determine if the model provided to SEATS is of acceptable quality.   | <code>Qmax =</code>        |
| <code>seatsextra = list</code> | A quoted, space delimited, list of any extra SEATS seasonal adjustment options included as part of X-13.  |                            |

## Options

### General Options

|                              |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| <code>savespec = name</code> | Save a copy of the X-13 spec file as a text object in the workfile. This can be useful as a template when making your own spec file to use with the “ <code>spec =</code> ” option.   |
| <code>save = list</code>     | Output series to save from the seasonal adjustment routine. <i>list</i> should be space delimited, in quotes, and contain the list of <i>small</i> identifiers from Table 7.46 (if doing X-11) or Table 7.30 (if doing SEATS) of the Census X-13 documentation. If this option is omitted, EViews will save the seasonally adjusted series (D11 for X-11, and S11 for SEATS). |
| <code>errlog = name</code>   | Save a copy of the error log as a text object in the workfile. The error log will only be saved if the X-13 executable created an error message.  |

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|--------------------------|--|
| <code>spec = name</code> | User supplied X-13 spec file. Either a file on disk, or a text object in the workfile. Note that this option overrides all other options apart from “prompt”, “save”, “savespec” and “errlog”. Note you can use the “savespec” option to generate a spec file for editing. If your spec file contains a SERIES specification, EViews will use it. If it does not, EViews will generate one. In general we recommend letting EViews generate the SERIES part of your spec file. |
| <code>prompt</code>      | Force dialog to show in program  |
| <code>p</code>           | Print output from the procedure.   |

### Transformation Options:

Sets options for the transformation of data used. See the Transformation section, 7.18, of the Census X-13 documentation for more details.

|                             |  |
|-----------------------------|--|
| <code>tf = arg</code>       | Employ data transformation: “logit” (logistic), “auto” (choose between log or none), “log” (natural log), or <i>number</i> (where <i>number</i> is a Box-Cox power parameter. for the Box-Cox transformation). |
| <code>tfextra = list</code> | A quoted, space delimited, list of any extra transformation options included as part of X-13. The full set of possible options is provided in Section 7.18 of the X-13 documentation.                          |

### Automatic Outlier Options

Sets options for automatic outlier detection. Note that specific outliers can be included in the optional `@reg` spec. See the Outlier section, 7.11, of the Census X-13 documentation for more details.

|                            |   | X-13 Equivalent Option |
|----------------------------|---|------------------------|
| <code>outcrit = arg</code> | Value to which the absolute values of the outlier <i>t</i> -statistics are compared to detect outliers in automatic outlier detection.                        | Critical =             |
| <code>outls = arg</code>   | Compute <i>t</i> -statistics to test the null hypotheses that each run of 2,..., <i>outls</i> successive level shifts cancel to form a temporary level shift. | Lsrun =                |
| <code>outall</code>        | Sets the outlier detection method to all at once (as opposed to one at a time).   | Method = addall        |

|                              |  |         |
|------------------------------|--|---------|
| <code>outtype = list</code>  | List of types of outliers to include in outlier detection (quoted and space delimited). Members of the list can include “ao” (additive outlier), “ls” (level shift), “tc” (temporary change), “so” (seasonal outliers).<br>You may use the special unquoted keyword “all” to include all types, as in “outtype = all”. | Types = |
| <code>outspan = arg</code>   | Set the dates to search between. <i>arg</i> should be two dates, surrounded in quotes, of the format “YYYY.MON YYYY.MON” (for monthly data) or “YYYY.Q YYYY.Q” (for quarterly), where MON is a three letter month abbreviation, and Q is an integer representing the quarter.  | Span =  |
| <code>outextra = list</code> | A quoted, space delimited, list of any extra outlier options included as part of X-13.   |         |

### Estimation Options

Sets estimation options for the ARIMA/Regression estimation. Only relevant if a `@reg`, `@arima`, `@x11arima`, or a `@tramo` spec are included. See the Estimation section, 7.5, of the Census X-13 documentation for more details.

|                               |   | X-13 Equivalent Option                                 |
|-------------------------------|---|--|
| <code>tol = number</code>     | Set the convergence tolerance   | Tol =  |
| <code>iter = integer</code>   | Set the maximum number of iterations  | Maxiter =  |
| <code>exact = arg</code>      | Specifies the use of an exact or a conditional likelihood for estimation: “arma” (use exact likelihood for both AR and MA terms), “ma” (use conditional likelihood for AR and exact likelihood for MA terms), and “none” (use conditional likelihood for both sets of terms). | Exact =  |
| <code>ari-masmpl = arg</code> | Set the estimation sample. <i>arg</i> should be two dates, surrounded in quotes, of the format “YYYY.MON YYYY.MON” (for monthly data) or “YYYY.Q YYYY.Q” (for quarterly), where MON is a three letter month abbreviation, and Q is an integer representing the quarter.       | Modelspan =<br><br>(in the SERIES spec, section 7.15). |
| <code>estextra = list</code>  | A quoted, space delimited, list of any extra estimation options included as part of X-13.   |  |



### Forecast Options

Sets forecast options for the ARIMA/Regression estimation. Only relevant if a `@reg`, `@arima`, `@x11arima`, or a `@tramo` spec are included. See the Forecast section, 7.7, of the Census X-13 documentation for more details.

|                               |   | X-13 Equivalent Option |
|-------------------------------|---|------------------------|
| <code>flen = integer</code>   | Length of forecast to perform. May be between 0 and 60. Note that if performing SEATS seasonal adjustment, the forecast length will be adjusted upwards to 2 years (24 months or 8 quarters). | Maxlead =              |
| <code>blen = integer</code>   | Length of backcast to perform. May be between 0 and 60.   | Maxback =              |
| <code>forclognorm</code>      | Adjust forecasts to reflect that forecasts are generated from a log-normal distribution.  | Lognormal              |
| <code>forcextra = list</code> | A quoted, space delimited, list of any extra forecast options included as part of X-13.   |                        |

### Examples

As an example of using X-13, we will seasonally adjust some data obtained from FRED. The workfile, “X13 Macro.wf1” contains monthly non-seasonally adjusted US unemployment data from January 2005 to June 2012 in a series called UNRATENSA.

The command:

```
unratensa.x13(save="d12 d10 d13 d11") @x11arima @x11
```

performs X-11 based seasonal adjustment using X-11-ARIMA to automatically select the ARIMA model, using the default set of candidate models. We save the final seasonally adjusted series (D11), the final trend series (D12), the final seasonal factors (D10), and the irregular component (D13) as series in the workfile.

The command:

```
unratensa.x13(save="s12s10s13s11 afd", outtype="all", flen=24)
  @tramo(maxdiff="(2,1)", maxorder="(2,1)")
  @seats(fcast, seatsextra="signifsc=0.5")
```

Performs SEATS based seasonal adjustment, where TRAMO is used to automatically detect the best ARIMA model (with a maximum AR and MA order of 2, a maximum SAR and SMA order of 1, maximum differencing of 2, and a maximum seasonal differencing of 1), automatic outlier detection is included, with all types of outliers detected, and 24 periods of forecasted values are kept. Note that we use the `seatsextra` option to specify the non-included signifsc SEATS option. We save the final seasonally adjusted series (s11), the final trend

series (s12), the final seasonal factors (s10), the irregular component (s13), and the forecasted seasonally adjusted values (afd) as series in the workfile.

## Examples

See “[Census X-13](#)” on page 394 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of the Census X-13 program. The full documentation for the Census program, *X-13ARIMA-SEATS Reference Manual*, can be found in the “docs” subdirectory of your EViews installation directory in the PDF file “X-13 Reference Manual.pdf”.

See also [Series::seas](#) (p. 519), [Series::x11](#) (p. 547), [Series::x12](#) (p. 549), and [Series::tramoseats](#) (p. 537).

## References

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## Sspace

State space object. Estimation and evaluation of state space models using the Kalman filter.

### Sspace Declaration

[sspace](#) .....create sspace object (p. 589).

To declare a sspace object, use the `sspace` keyword, followed by a valid name.

### Sspace Method

[ml](#) .....maximum likelihood estimation or filter initialization (p. 583).

### Sspace Views

[cellipse](#) .....Confidence ellipses for coefficient restrictions (p. 571).

[coefcov](#) .....coefficient covariance matrix (p. 573).

[display](#) .....display table, graph, or spool in object window (p. 573).

[endog](#) .....table or graph of actual signal variables (p. 574).

[grads](#) .....examine the gradients of the log likelihood (p. 576).

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[output](#) .....table of estimation results (p. 584).

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[spec](#) .....text representation of state space specification (p. 588).

[statefinal](#) .....display the final values of the states or state covariance (p. 589).

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[append](#) .....add line to the specification (p. 571).

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[makestates](#) ..... make group containing state series (p. 582).  
[olepush](#) ..... push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 584).  
[setattr](#) ..... set the value of an object attribute (p. 587).  
[updatecoefs](#) ..... update coefficient vector(s) from sspace (p. 592).

## Sspace Data Members

### *Scalar Values*

[@coefcov\(i,j\)](#) ..... covariance of coefficients  $i$  and  $j$ .  
[@coefs\(i\)](#) ..... coefficient  $i$ .  
[@eqregobs\(k\)](#) ..... number of observations in signal equation  $k$ .  
[@linecount](#) ..... scalar containing the number of lines in the Sspace object.  
[@sddep\(k\)](#) ..... standard deviation of the signal variable in equation  $k$ .  
[@ssr\(k\)](#) ..... sum-of-squared standardized one-step ahead residuals for equation  $k$ .  
[@stderrs\(i\)](#) ..... standard error for coefficient  $i$ .  
[@tstats\(t\)](#) .....  $t$ -statistic value for coefficient  $i$ .

### *Scalar Values (system level data)*

[@aic](#) ..... Akaike information criterion for the system.  
[@hq](#) ..... Hannan-Quinn information criterion for the system.  
[@logl](#) ..... value of the log likelihood function.  
[@ncoefs](#) ..... total number of estimated coefficients in the system.  
[@neqns](#) ..... number of equations for observable variables.  
[@regobs](#) ..... number of observations in the system.  
[@sc](#) ..... Schwarz information criterion for the system.  
[@totalobs](#) ..... sum of “[@eqregobs](#)” from each equation.

### *Vectors and Matrices*

[@coefcov](#) ..... covariance matrix for coefficients of equation.  
[@coefs](#) ..... coefficient vector.  
[@residcov](#) ..... (sym) covariance matrix of the residuals.  
[@stderrs](#) ..... vector of standard errors for coefficients.  
[@tstats](#) ..... vector of  $t$ -statistic values for coefficients.

### *State and Signal Results*

The following functions allow you to extract the filter and smoother results for the estimation sample and place them in matrix objects. In some cases, the results overlap those available thorough the sspace procs, while in other cases, the matrix results are the only way to obtain the results.

Note also that since the computations are only for the estimation sample, the one-step-ahead predicted state and state standard error values *will not* match the final values displayed in the estimation output. The latter are the predicted values for the first out-of-estimation sample period.

`@pred_signal` .....matrix or vector of one-step ahead predicted signals.

`@pred_signalcov` ...matrix where every row is the `@vech` of the one-step ahead predicted signal covariance.

`@pred_signalse` .....matrix or vector of the standard errors of the one-step ahead predicted signals.

`@pred_err` .....matrix or vector of one-step ahead prediction errors.

`@pred_errcov` .....matrix where every row is the `@vech` of the one-step ahead prediction error covariance.

`@pred_errcovinv` ...matrix where every row is the `@vech` of the inverse of the one-step ahead prediction error covariance.

`@pred_errse` .....matrix or vector of the standard errors of the one-step ahead prediction errors.

`@pred_errstd` .....matrix or vector of standardized one-step ahead prediction errors.

`@pred_state` .....matrix or vector of one-step ahead predicted states.

`@pred_statecov` .....matrix where each row is the `@vech` of the one-step ahead predicted state covariance.

`@pred_statese` .....matrix or vector of the standard errors of the one-step ahead predicted states.

`@pred_stateerr` .....matrix or vector of one-step ahead predicted state errors.

`@curr_err` .....matrix or vector of filtered error estimates.

`@curr_gain` .....matrix or vector where each row is the `@vec` of the Kalman gain.

`@curr_state` .....matrix or vector of filtered states.

`@curr_statecov` .....matrix where every row is the `@vech` of the filtered state covariance.

`@curr_statese` .....matrix or vector of the standard errors of the filtered state estimates.

`@sm_signal` .....matrix or vector of smoothed signal estimates.

`@sm_signalcov` .....matrix where every row is the `@vech` of the smoothed signal covariance.

`@sm_signalse` .....matrix or vector of the standard errors of the smoothed signals.

`@sm_signalerr` .....matrix or vector of smoothed signal error estimates.

`@sm_signalerrcov` .....matrix where every row is the `@vech` of the smoothed signal error covariance.

`@sm_signalerrse` ...matrix or vector of the standard errors of the smoothed signal error.

`@sm_signalerrstd`..matrix or vector of the standardized smoothed signal errors.

`@sm_state` .....matrix or vector of smoothed states.

**@sm\_statecov** ..... matrix where each row is the **@vech** of the smoothed state covariances.

**@sm\_statese**..... matrix or vector of the standard errors of the smoothed state.

**@sm\_stateerr** ..... matrix or vector of the smoothed state errors.

**@sm\_stateerrcov** .. matrix where each row is the **@vech** of the smoothed state error covariance.

**@sm\_stateerrse** .... matrix or vector of the standard errors of the smoothed state errors.

**@sm\_stateerrstd** ... matrix or vector of the standardized smoothed state errors.

**@sm\_crosserrcov**.. matrix where each row is the **@vec** of the smoothed error cross-covariance.

### String Values

**@attr("arg")** ..... string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.

**@command**..... full command line form of the state space estimation command.  
Note this is a combination of **@method** and **@options**.

**@description** ..... string containing the Sspace object's description (if available).

**@detailedtype** ..... returns a string with the object type: "SSPACE".

**@displayname**..... returns the Sspace object's display name. If the Sspace has no display name set, the name is returned.

**@line(i)** ..... returns a string containing the *i*-th line of the Sspace object.

**@name** ..... returns the Sspace's name.

**@options**..... command line form of sspace estimation options.

**@smpl** ..... sample used for estimation.

**@svector** ..... returns an Svector where each element is a line of the Sspace object.

**@svectornb** ..... same as **@svector**, with blank lines removed.

**@type** ..... returns a string with the object type: "SSPACE".

**@units** ..... string containing the Sspace object's units description (if available).

**@update time** ..... returns a string representation of the time and date at which the Sspace was last updated.

### Sspace Examples

The one-step-ahead state values and variances from SS01 may be saved using:

```
vector ss_state=ss01.@pred_state
matrix ss_statecov=ss01.@pred_statecov
```

## Sspace Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the “[Sspace](#)” object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|               |                              |
|---------------|------------------------------|
| <b>append</b> | <a href="#">Sspace Procs</a> |
|---------------|------------------------------|

Append a specification line to a `sspace`.

### Syntax

```
sspace_name.append text
```

Type the text to be added after the `append` keyword.

### Examples

```
vector(2) svec0=0
sspace1.append @mprior svec0
```

appends a line in the state space object `SSPACE1` instructing EViews to use the zero vector `SVEC0` as initial values for the state vector.

### Cross-references

See “[Specifying a State Space Model in EViews](#)” on page 608 of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of specification syntax.

|                 |                              |
|-----------------|------------------------------|
| <b>cellipse</b> | <a href="#">Sspace Views</a> |
|-----------------|------------------------------|

Confidence ellipses for coefficient restrictions.

The `cellipse` view displays confidence ellipses for pairs of coefficient restrictions for an estimation object.

### Syntax

```
sspace_name.cellipse(options) restrictions
```

Enter the object name, followed by a period, and the keyword `cellipse`. This should be followed by a list of the coefficient restrictions. Joint (multiple) coefficient restrictions should be separated by commas.



## Options

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>ind = arg</code>                                 | Specifies whether and how to draw the individual coefficient intervals. The default is “ind = line” which plots the individual coefficient intervals as dashed lines. “ind = none” does not plot the individual intervals, while “ind = shade” plots the individual intervals as a shaded rectangle.  |
| <code>size = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0.95) | Set the size (level) of the confidence ellipse. You may specify more than one size by specifying a space separated list enclosed in double quotes.  |
| <code>dist = arg</code>                                | Select the distribution to use for the critical value associated with the ellipse size. The default depends on estimation object and method. If the parameter estimates are least-squares based, the $F(2, n - 2)$ distribution is used; if the parameter estimates are likelihood based, the $\chi^2(2)$ distribution will be employed. “dist = f” forces use of the $F$ -distribution, while “dist = c” uses the $\chi^2$ distribution. |
| <code>prompt</code>                                    | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>   | Print the graph.  |

## Examples

The two commands:

```
s1.ellipse c(1), c(2), c(3)
s1.ellipse c(1)=0, c(2)=0, c(3)=0
```

both display a graph showing the 0.95-confidence ellipse for C(1) and C(2), C(1) and C(3), and C(2) and C(3).

```
s1.ellipse(dist=c,size="0.9 0.7 0.5") c(1), c(2)
```

displays multiple confidence ellipses (contours) for C(1) and C(2).

## Cross-references

See [“Confidence Intervals and Confidence Ellipses” on page 140](#) of *User’s Guide II* for discussion.

See also [Sspace::wald \(p. 593\)](#).

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| coefcov | <a href="#">Sspace Views</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Coefficient covariance matrix.

Displays the covariances of the coefficient estimates for an estimated state space object.

Syntax

```
sspace_name.coefcov(options)
```

Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| p | Print the coefficient covariance matrix. |
|---|--|

Examples

```
ss1.coefcov
```

displays the coefficient covariance matrix for state space object SS1 in a window. To store the coefficient covariance matrix as a sym object, use “@coefcov”:

```
sym eqcov = ss1.@coefcov
```

Cross-references

See also [Coef::coef](#) (p. 18) and [Sspace::spec](#) (p. 588).

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| display | <a href="#">Sspace Views</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Display table, graph, or spool output in the sspace object window.

Display the contents of a table, graph, or spool in the window of the sspace object.

Syntax

```
sspace_name.display object_name
```

Examples

```
sspace1.display tabl
```

Display the contents of the table TAB1 in the window of the object SSPACE1.

Cross-references

Most often used in constructing an EViews Add-in. See “[Custom Object Output](#)” on [page 192](#) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|             |                              |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">Sspace Procs</a> |
|-------------|------------------------------|

Display name for state space objects.

Attaches a display name to a state space object which may be used to label output in place of the standard state space object name.

**Syntax**

`sspace_name.displayname display_name`

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain a variety of characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in state space object names.

**Examples**

```
ss1.displayname Hours Worked
ss1.label
```

The first line attaches a display name “Hours Worked” to the state space object SS1, and the second line displays the label view of SS1, including its display name.

**Cross-references**

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names.

See also [Sspace::label \(p. 577\)](#).

|       |                              |
|-------|------------------------------|
| endog | <a href="#">Sspace Views</a> |
|-------|------------------------------|

Displays a spreadsheet or graph view of the endogenous variables.

**Syntax**

`sspace_name.endog(options)`

**Options**

|   |   |
|---|---|
| g | Multiple line graphs of the solved endogenous series. |
| p | Print the table of solved endogenous series.          |

**Examples**

```
ss1.endog(g,p)
```

prints the graphs of the solved endogenous series.

## Cross-references

See also [Sspace::makeendog](#) (p. 578) and [Sspace::sspace](#) (p. 589).

|          |                              |
|----------|------------------------------|
| forecast | <a href="#">Sspace Procs</a> |
|----------|------------------------------|

Computes ( $n$ -period ahead) dynamic forecasts of the signals and states for an estimated state space.

`forecast` computes the forecast for all observations in a specified sample. In some settings, you may instruct `forecast` to compare the forecasted data to actual data, and to compute summary statistics.

## Syntax

```
sspace_name.forecast(options) keyword1 names1 [keyword2 names2] [keyword3
names3] ...
```

You should enter a *type*-keyword followed by a list of names for the target series or a wildcard expression, and if desired, additional *type*-keyword and target pairs. The following are valid keywords: “@STATE”, “@STATESE”, “@SIGNAL”, “@SIGNALSE”. The first two keywords instruct EViews to forecast the state series and the values of the state standard error series. The latter two keywords instruct EViews to forecast the signal series and the values of the signal standard error series.

If a list is used to identify the targets, the number of target series must match the number of names implied by the keyword. Note that wildcard expressions may not be used for forecasting signal variables that contain expressions. In addition, the “\*” wildcard expression may not be used for forecasting signal variables since this would overwrite the original data.

## Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>i = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “o”) | State initialization options: “o” (one-step), “e” (diffuse), “u” (user-specified), “s” (smoothed).                         |
| <code>m = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “d”) | Basic forecasting method: “n” ( $n$ -step ahead forecasting), “s” (smoothed forecasting), “d” (dynamic forecasting).       |
| <code>mprior = vector_name</code>               | Name of state initialization (use if option “ $i = u$ ” is specified).   |
| <code>n = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 1)   | Number of $n$ -step forecast periods (only relevant if $n$ -step forecasting is specified using the <i>method</i> option). |

|                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| <code>vprior = sym_name</code> | Name of state covariance initialization (use if option “ $i = u$ ” is specified). |
| <code>prompt</code>            | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.                                 |
| <code>p</code>                 | Print view.   |

Examples

The following command performs  $n$ -step forecasting of the signals and states from a `sspace` object:

```
ssl.forecast(m=n,n=4) @state * @signal y1f y2f
```

Here, we save the state forecasts in the names specified in the `sspace` object, and we save the two signal forecasts in the series Y1F and Y2F.

Cross-references

State space forecasting is described in [Chapter 19. “State Space Models and the Kalman Filter,” on page 603](#) of *User’s Guide II*. For additional discussion of wildcards, see [Appendix A. “Wildcards,” on page 683](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference*.

See also `Sspace::makemodel` (p. 580).

|       |                              |
|-------|------------------------------|
| grads | <a href="#">Sspace Views</a> |
|-------|------------------------------|

Gradients of the objective function.

Displays the gradients of the objective function (where available) for an estimated `sspace` object.

The (default) summary form shows the value of the gradient vector at the estimated parameter values (if valid estimates exist) or at the current coefficient values. Evaluating the gradients at current coefficient values allows you to examine the behavior of the objective function at starting values. The tabular form shows a spreadsheet view of the gradients for each observation. The graphical form shows this information in a multiple line graph.

Syntax

```
sspace_name.grads(options)
```

Options

|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| g           | Display multiple graph showing the gradients of the objective function with respect to the coefficients evaluated at each observation.            |
| t (default) | Display spreadsheet view of the values of the gradients of the objective function with respect to the coefficients evaluated at each observation. |
| p           | Print results.  |

Examples

To show a summary view of the gradients:

```
ssl.grads
```

To display and print the table view:

```
ssl.grads(t, p)
```

Cross-references

See also [Sspace::makegrads](#) (p. 579).

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| label | <a href="#">Sspace Views</a>   <a href="#">Sspace Procs</a> |
|-------|---|

Display or change the label view of the state space object, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

As a procedure, `label` changes the fields in the state space object `label`.

Syntax

```
sspace_name.label
sspace_name.label(options) [text]
```

Options

The first version of the command displays the label view of the state space object. The second version may be used to modify the label. Specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.        |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> . |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .      |

|   |   |
|---|---|
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of SS1 with “Data from CPS 1988 March File”:

```
ss1.label(r)
ss1.label(r) Data from CPS 1988 March File
```

To append additional remarks to SS1, and then to print the label view:

```
ss1.label(r) Log of hourly wage
ss1.label(p)
```

To clear and then set the units field, use:

```
ss1.label(u) Millions of bushels
```

Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.

See also [Sspace::displayname \(p. 574\)](#).

|           |                              |
|-----------|------------------------------|
| makeendog | <a href="#">Sspace Procs</a> |
|-----------|------------------------------|

Make a group out of the endogenous series.

Syntax

```
sspace_name.makeendog name
```

Following the keyword `makeendog`, you should provide a name for the group to hold the endogenous series. If you do not provide a name, EViews will create an untitled group.

Examples

```
ss1.makeendog grp_v1
```

creates a group named GRP\_V1 that contains the endogenous series in SS1.

Cross-references

See also [Sspace::endog \(p. 574\)](#) and [Model::makegroup \(p. 387\)](#).

**makefilter**[Sspace Procs](#)

Create a “Kalman filter” sspace object.

Creates a new sspace object with all estimated parameter values substituted out of the specification. This procedure allows you to use the structure of the sspace without reference to estimated coefficients or the estimation sample.

**Syntax**

```
sspace_name.makefilter [filter_name]
```

If you provide a name for the sspace object in parentheses after the keyword, EViews will quietly create the named object in the workfile. If you do not provide a name, EViews will open an untitled sspace window if the command is executed from the command line.

**Examples**

```
ss1.makefilter kfilter
```

creates a new sspace object named KFILTER, containing the specification in SS1 with estimated parameter values substituted for coefficient elements.

**Cross-references**

See [Chapter 19. “State Space Models and the Kalman Filter,”](#) on page 603 of *User's Guide II* for details on state space models.

See also [Sspace::makesignals](#) (p. 581) and [Sspace::makestates](#) (p. 582).

**makegrads**[Sspace Procs](#)

Make a group containing individual series which hold the gradients of the objective function.

**Syntax**

```
sspace_name.makegrads(options) [ser1 ser2 ...]
```

The argument specifying the names of the series is also optional. If the argument is not provided, EViews will name the series “GRAD##” where ## is a number such that “GRAD##” is the next available unused name. If the names are provided, the number of names must match the number of target series.

**Options**

|                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| <code>n = arg</code> | Name of group object to contain the series. |
|----------------------|---|



### Examples

```
ssl.grads(n=out)
```

creates a group named OUT containing series named GRAD01, GRAD02, and GRAD03.

```
ssl.grads(n=out) g1 g2 g3
```

creates the same group, but names the series G1, G2 and G3.

### Cross-references

See also [Sspace::grads](#) (p. 576).

|                  |                              |
|------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>makemodel</b> | <a href="#">Sspace Procs</a> |
|------------------|------------------------------|

Make a model from a state space object.

### Syntax

```
sspace_name.makemodel(name) assign_statement
```

If you provide a name for the model in parentheses after the keyword, EViews will create the named model in the workfile. If you do not provide a name, EViews will open an untitled model window if the command is executed from the command line.

### Examples

```
sspace.makemodel(sysmod) @prefix s_
```

makes a model named SYSMOD from the estimated system. SYSMOD includes an assignment statement “ASSIGN @PREFIX S\_”. Use the command “show sysmod” or “sysmod.spec” to open the SYSMOD window.

### Cross-references

See [Chapter 20. “Models,” on page 627](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of specifying and solving models in EViews.

See also [Sspace::append](#) (p. 571), [Sspace::makefilter](#) (p. 579), and [Model::solve](#) (p. 398).

|                   |                              |
|-------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>makeresids</b> | <a href="#">Sspace Procs</a> |
|-------------------|------------------------------|

`makeresids` is no longer supported for the `sspace` object—see [Sspace::makesignals](#) (p. 581) for more general replacement routines.

|                    |                              |
|--------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>makesignals</b> | <a href="#">Sspace Procs</a> |
|--------------------|------------------------------|

Generate signal series or signal standard error series from an estimated sspace object.

Options allow you to choose to generate one-step ahead and smoothed values for the signals and the signal standard errors.

### Syntax

```
name.makesignals(options) [name_spec]
```

Follow the object name with a period and the `makesignal` keyword, options to determine the output type, and a list of names or wildcard expression identifying the series to hold the output. If a list is used to identify the targets, the number of target series must match the number of states implied in the sspace. If any signal variable contain expressions, you may not use wildcard expressions in the destination names.

### Options

`t = output_type`  
(default = “pred”) Defines output type: one-step ahead signal predictions (“pred”), RMSE of the one-step ahead signal predictions (“predse”, “residse”), error in one-step ahead signal predictions (“resid”), standardized one-step ahead prediction residual (“stdresid”), smoothed signals (“smooth”), RMSE of the smoothed signals (“smoothse”), estimate of the disturbances (“disturb”), RMSE of the estimate of the disturbances (“disturbse”), standardized estimate of the disturbances (“stddisturb”).

`n = group_name` Name of group to hold newly created series.

`prompt` Force the dialog to appear from within a program.

### Examples

```
ss1.makesignals(t=smooth) sm*
```

produces smoothed signals in the series with names beginning with “sm”, and ending with the name of the signal dependent variable.

```
ss2.makesignals(t=pred, n=pred_sigs) sig1 sig2 sig3
```

creates a group named PRED\_SIGS which contains the one-step ahead signal predictions in the series SIG1, SIG2, and SIG3.

### Cross-references

See [Chapter 19. “State Space Models and the Kalman Filter,”](#) on page 603 of *User’s Guide II* for details on state space models. For additional discussion of wildcards, see [Appendix A](#).

“Wildcards,” on page 683 of the *Command and Programming Reference*.

See also `Sspace::forecast` (p. 575), `Sspace::makefilter` (p. 579), and `Sspace::makestates` (p. 582).

|            |                              |
|------------|------------------------------|
| makestates | <a href="#">Sspace Procs</a> |
|------------|------------------------------|

Generate state series or state standard error series from an estimated `sospace` object.

Options allow you to generate one-step ahead, filtered, or smoothed values for the states and the state standard errors.

Syntax

`sspace_name.makestates(options) [name_spec]`

Follow the object name with a period and the `makestate` keyword, options to determine the output type, and a list of names or a wildcard expression identifying the series to hold the output. If a list is used to identify the targets, the number of target series must match the number of names implied by the keyword.

Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>t = output_type</code><br>(default = “pred”) | Defines output type: one-step ahead state predictions (“pred”), RMSE of the one-step ahead state predictions (“predse”), error in one-step ahead state predictions (“resid”), RMSE of the one-step ahead state prediction (“residse”), filtered states (“filt”), RMSE of the filtered states (“filtse”), standardized one-step ahead prediction residual (“stdresid”), smoothed states (“smooth”), RMSE of the smoothed states (“smoothse”), estimate of the disturbances (“disturb”), RMSE of the estimate of the disturbances (“disturbse”), standardized estimate of the disturbances (“stddisturb”). |
| <code>n = group_name</code>                        | Name of group to hold newly created series.  |
| <code>prompt</code>                                | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |

Examples

```
ss1.makestates(t=smooth) sm*
```

produces smoothed states in the series with names beginning with “sm”, and ending with the name of the state dependent variable.

```
ss2.makestates(t=pred, n=pred_states) sig1 sig2 sig3
```

creates a group named `PRED_STATES` which contains the one-step ahead state predictions in series `SIG1`, `SIG2`, and `SIG3`.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 19. “State Space Models and the Kalman Filter,”](#) on page 603 of *User’s Guide II* for details on state space models. For additional discussion of wildcards, see [Appendix A. “Wildcards,”](#) on page 683 of the *Command and Programming Reference*.

See also [Sspace::forecast](#) (p. 575), [Sspace::makefilter](#) (p. 579) and [Sspace::makesignals](#) (p. 581).

|    |                               |
|----|-------------------------------|
| ml | <a href="#">Sspace Method</a> |
|----|-------------------------------|

Maximum likelihood estimation of state space models.

## Syntax

`sspace_name.ml(options)`

## Options

|                                   |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| <code>b</code>                    | Use Berndt-Hall-Hall-Hausman (BHHH) algorithm (default is Marquardt).  |
| <code>m = integer</code>          | Set maximum number of iterations.  |
| <code>c = scalar</code>           | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients. |
| <code>showopts / -showopts</code> | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.                   |
| <code>prompt</code>               | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>                    | Print basic estimation results.  |

## Examples

```
bvar.ml
```

estimates the sspace object BVAR by maximum likelihood.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 19. “State Space Models and the Kalman Filter,”](#) on page 603 of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of user specified state space models.

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| olepush | <a href="#">Sspace Procs</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

### Syntax

`sspace_name.olepush`

### Cross-references

See “[Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)](#)” on page 729 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|        |                              |
|--------|------------------------------|
| output | <a href="#">Sspace Views</a> |
|--------|------------------------------|

Display estimation output.

`output` changes the default object view to display the estimation output (equivalent to using [Sspace::results](#) (p. 586)).

### Syntax

`sspace_name.output`

### Options

|                |   |
|----------------|---|
| <code>p</code> | Print estimation output for estimation object |
|----------------|---|

### Examples

The `output` keyword may be used to change the default view of an estimation object. Entering the command:

```
ss1.output
```

displays the estimation output for state space object SS1.

### Cross-references

See [Sspace::results](#) (p. 586).

|          |                              |
|----------|------------------------------|
| residcor | <a href="#">Sspace Views</a> |
|----------|------------------------------|

**Residual correlation matrix.**

Displays the correlations of the residuals from each equation in the sspace object. The sspace object residuals used in the calculation are the standardized, one-step ahead signal forecast errors.

### Syntax

```
sspace_name.residcor(options)
```

### Options

|   |                               |
|---|-------------------------------|
| p | Print the correlation matrix. |
|---|-------------------------------|

### Examples

```
ss1.residcor
```

displays the residual correlation matrix of sspace object SS1.

### Cross-references

See also [Sspace::residcov \(p. 585\)](#) and [Sspace::makeresids \(p. 580\)](#).

|          |                              |
|----------|------------------------------|
| residcov | <a href="#">Sspace Views</a> |
|----------|------------------------------|

**Residual covariance matrix.**

Displays the covariances of the residuals from each equation in the sspace object. The sspace object residuals used in the calculation are the standardized, one-step ahead signal forecast errors.

### Syntax

```
sspace_name.residcov(options)
```

### Options

|   |                              |
|---|------------------------------|
| p | Print the covariance matrix. |
|---|------------------------------|

### Examples

```
ss1.residcov
```

displays the residual covariance matrix of SS1.

Cross-references

See also [Sspace::residcor](#) (p. 585) and [Sspace::makesresids](#) (p. 580).

|        |                              |
|--------|------------------------------|
| resids | <a href="#">Sspace Views</a> |
|--------|------------------------------|

Display residuals.

`resids` allows you to display and actual-fitted-residual graph using the one-step ahead estimates.

Syntax

`sspace_name.resids(options)`

Options

|                |                        |
|----------------|------------------------|
| <code>p</code> | Print the table/graph. |
|----------------|------------------------|

Examples

```
ssl.resids
```

displays a graph of the actual, fitted, and residual series for the `sspace` object `SS1`.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 19. “State Space Models and the Kalman Filter,” on page 603](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of state space models.

See also [Sspace::makesresids](#) (p. 580).

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| results | <a href="#">Sspace Views</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Displays the results view of an estimated state space object.

Syntax

`sspace_name.results(options)`

Options

|                |                 |
|----------------|-----------------|
| <code>p</code> | Print the view. |
|----------------|-----------------|

Examples

```
ssl.results(p)
```

displays and prints the results of the `sspace` object `SS1`.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 19. “State Space Models and the Kalman Filter,”](#) on page 603 of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of state space models.

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| setattr | <a href="#">Sspace Procs</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

## Syntax

```
sspace_name.setattr(attr) attr_value
```

Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the @attr data member.

## Examples

```
a.setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

## Cross-references

See [“Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View”](#) on page 103 and [“Adding Your Own Label Attributes”](#) on page 65 of *User’s Guide I*.

|              |                              |
|--------------|------------------------------|
| signalgraphs | <a href="#">Sspace Views</a> |
|--------------|------------------------------|

Graph signal series.

Display graphs of a set of signal series computed using the Kalman filter.

## Syntax

```
sspace_name.signalgraphs(options)
```



Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>t = output_type</code><br>(default = “pred”) | Defines output type: “pred” (one-step ahead signal predictions), “predse” (RMSE of the one-step ahead signal predictions), “resid” (error in one-step ahead signal predictions), “residse” (RMSE of the one-step ahead signal prediction; same as “predse”), “stdresid” (standardized one-step ahead prediction residual), “smooth” (smoothed signals), “smoothse” (RMSE of the smoothed signals), “disturb” (estimate of the disturbances), “disturbse” (RMSE of the estimate of the disturbances), “stddisturb” (standardized estimate of the disturbances). |
| <code>prompt</code>                                | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |

Examples

```
ssl.signalgraphs(t=smooth)
ssl.signalgraphs(t=smoothse)
```

displays a graph view containing the smoothed signal values, and then displays a graph view containing the root MSE of the smoothed states.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 19. “State Space Models and the Kalman Filter,” on page 603 of \*User’s Guide II\*](#) for a discussion of state space models.

See also [Sspace::stategraphs \(p. 590\)](#), [Sspace::makesignals \(p. 581\)](#) and [Sspace::makestates \(p. 582\)](#).

|                   |                              |
|-------------------|------------------------------|
| <code>spec</code> | <a href="#">Sspace Views</a> |
|-------------------|------------------------------|

Display the text specification view for sspace objects.

Syntax

```
sspace_name.spec(options)
```

Options

|                |                               |
|----------------|-------------------------------|
| <code>p</code> | Print the specification text. |
|----------------|-------------------------------|

Examples

```
ssl.spec
```

displays the specification of the sspace object SS1.

## Cross-references

See also [Sspace::append](#) (p. 571).

See “[Specifying a State Space Model in EViews](#)” on page 608 of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of specification syntax.

|               |                                    |
|---------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>sspace</b> | <a href="#">Sspace Declaration</a> |
|---------------|------------------------------------|

Declare state space object.

## Syntax

`sspace sspace_name`

Follow the `sspace` keyword with a name to be given the `sspace` object.

## Examples

```
sspace stsp1
```

declares a `sspace` object named STSP1.

```
sspace tvp
tvp.append cs = c(1) + sv1*inc
tvp.append @state sv1 = sv1(-1) + [var=c(2)]
tvp.ml
```

declares a `sspace` object named TVP, specifies a time varying coefficient model, and estimates the model by maximum likelihood.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 19. “State Space Models and the Kalman Filter,”](#) on page 603 of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of state space models.

[Sspace::append](#) (p. 571) may be used to add lines to an existing `sspace` object. See also [Sspace::ml](#) (p. 583) for estimation of state space models.

|                   |                              |
|-------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>statefinal</b> | <a href="#">Sspace Views</a> |
|-------------------|------------------------------|

Display final state values.

Show the one-step ahead state predictions or the state prediction covariance matrix at the final values ( $T + 1 | T$ ), where  $T$  is the last observation in the estimation sample. By default, EViews shows the state predictions.

Syntax

```
sspace_name.statefinal(options)
```

Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Display the state prediction covariance matrix. |
| p | Print the view.                                 |

Examples

```
ssl.statefinal(c)
```

displays a view containing the final state covariances (the one-step ahead covariances for the first out-of-(estimation) sample period.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 19. “State Space Models and the Kalman Filter,” on page 603](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of state space models.

See also [Sspace::stateinit](#) (p. 591).

|             |                              |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| stategraphs | <a href="#">Sspace Views</a> |
|-------------|------------------------------|

Display graphs of a set of state series computed using the Kalman filter.

Syntax

```
sspace_name.stategraph(options)
```

Options

|                                       |  |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| t = output_type<br>(default = “pred”) | Defines output type: “pred” (one-step ahead signal predictions), “predse” (RMSE of the one-step ahead signal predictions), “resid” (error in one-step ahead signal predictions), “residse” (RMSE of the one-step ahead signal prediction; same as “predse”), “stdresid” (standardized one-step ahead prediction residual), “smooth” (smoothed signals), “smoothse” (RMSE of the smoothed signals), “disturb” (estimate of the disturbances), “disturbse” (RMSE of the estimate of the disturbances), “stddisturb” (standardized estimate of the disturbances). |
| prompt                                | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |

Other options

|   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| p | Print the view. |
|---|-----------------|

Examples

```
ssl.stategraphs(t=filt)
```

displays a graph view containing the filtered state values.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 19. “State Space Models and the Kalman Filter,” on page 603](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of state space models.

See also [Sspace::signalgraphs \(p. 587\)](#), [Sspace::makesignals \(p. 581\)](#) and [Sspace::makestates \(p. 582\)](#).

|           |                              |
|-----------|------------------------------|
| stateinit | <a href="#">Sspace Views</a> |
|-----------|------------------------------|

Display initial state values.

Show the state initial values or the state covariance initial values used to initialize the Kalman Filter. By default, EViews shows the state values.

Syntax

```
sspace_name.stateinit(options)
```

Options

|   |                                |
|---|--------------------------------|
| c | Display the covariance matrix. |
| p | Print the view.                |

Examples

```
ssl.stateinit
```

displays a view containing the initial state values (the one-step ahead predictions for the first period).

Cross-references

See [Chapter 19. “State Space Models and the Kalman Filter,” on page 603](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of state space models.

See also [Sspace::statefinal \(p. 589\)](#).

|           |                              |
|-----------|------------------------------|
| structure | <a href="#">Sspace Views</a> |
|-----------|------------------------------|

Display summary of sspace specification.

Show view which summarizes the system transition matrices or the covariance structure of the state space specification. EViews can display either the formulae (default) or the values of the system transition matrices or covariance.

Syntax

sspace\_name.structure(*options*) [*argument*]

If you choose to display the values for a time-varying system using the “v” option, you should use the optional [*argument*] to specify a single date at which to evaluate the matrices. If none is provided, EViews will use the first date in the current sample.

Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| v | Display the values of the system transition or covariance matrices. |
| c | Display the system covariance matrix.                               |
| p | Print the view.   |

Examples

```
ssl.structure
```

displays a system transition matrices.

```
ssl.structure 1993q4
```

displays the transition matrices evaluated at 1993Q4.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 19. “State Space Models and the Kalman Filter,”](#) on page 603 of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of state space models.

|             |                              |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| updatecoefs | <a href="#">Sspace Procs</a> |
|-------------|------------------------------|

Update coefficient object values from state space object.

Copies coefficients from the sspace object into the appropriate coefficient vector or vectors in the workfile.

## Syntax

```
sspace_name.updatecoefs
```

Follow the name of the sspace object by a period and the keyword `updatecoefs`.

## Examples

```
ss1.updatecoefs
```

places the values of the estimated coefficients from SS1 in the coefficient vector in the work-file.

## Cross-references

See also [Coef::coef](#) (p. 18).

|      |                              |
|------|------------------------------|
| wald | <a href="#">Sspace Views</a> |
|------|------------------------------|

**Wald coefficient restriction test.**

The `wald` view carries out a Wald test of coefficient restrictions for a state space object.

## Syntax

```
sspace_name.wald restrictions
```

Enter the sspace name, followed by a period, and the keyword. You must provide a list of the coefficient restrictions, with joint (multiple) coefficient restrictions separated by commas.

## Options

|                |                         |
|----------------|-------------------------|
| <code>p</code> | Print the test results. |
|----------------|-------------------------|

## Examples

```
ss1.wald c(2)=0, c(3)=0
```

tests the null hypothesis that the second and third coefficients in equation SS1 are jointly zero.

```
ss1.wald c(2)=c(3)*c(4)
```

tests the non-linear restriction that the second coefficient is equal to the product of the third and fourth coefficients.

## Cross-references

See “[Wald Test \(Coefficient Restrictions\)](#)” on page 146 of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of Wald tests.

See also [Sspace::cellipse](#) (p. 571).







## Spool

Spool object. Container for output objects.

### Spool Declaration

**spool** ..... create spool object (p. 611).

To declare a spool object, use the keyword `spool`, followed by the object name:

```
spool myspool
```

In addition, you may create a new spool by redirecting print jobs to the spool

```
output(s) mynewspool  
tbl.print
```

### Spool Views

**display** ..... display the contents of the spool (p. 599).

### Spool Procs

**append** ..... append objects to a spool (p. 598).

**comment** ..... assign a comment to an object in a spool (p. 598).

**displayname** ..... assign a display name to an object in a spool (p. 599).

**extract** ..... extract a copy of an object in a spool (p. 600).

**flatten** ..... remove tree hierarchy from the spool or specified embedded spool (p. 600).

**graphmode** ..... set the display mode for graphs in the spool (p. 601).

**horizindent** ..... sets the horizontal indentation for the spool (p. 602).

**insert** ..... insert objects into a spool (p. 602).

**label** ..... label information for the spool object (p. 604).

**leftmargin** ..... sets the left margin of the spool or a specified embedded spool (p. 602).

**move** ..... move an object in the spool (p. 605).

**name** ..... rename an object in a spool (p. 607).

**olepush** ..... push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 607).

**options** ..... set display options for a spool (p. 607).

**print** ..... print an object in a spool (p. 608).

**remove** ..... remove objects from a spool (p. 609).

**save** ..... save spool object to disk as an a tab-delimited ASCII text, CSV or RTF file (p. 609).

**setattr** ..... set the value of an object attribute (p. 611).

**tablemode** ..... set the display mode for tables and text objects in the spool (p. 612).

- topmargin** .....sets the top margin of the spool or a specified embedded spool (p. 612).
- vertindent** .....sets the vertical indentation for the spool (p. 613).
- vertspacing**.....sets the amount of vertical spacing between objects in the spool (p. 614).
- width**.....change or reset the width of an object in the spool (p. 614).

## Spool Data Members

### *String Values*

- @attr("arg")**.....string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.
- @description**.....string containing the Spool's description (if available).
- @detailedtype** .....string with the object type: "SPOOL".
- @displayname** .....string containing the Spool's display name. If the Spool has no display name set, the name is returned.
- @name** .....string containing the Spool's name.
- @objname(i)**.....string containing name of the *i*-th object in the spool.
- @objtype(i)** .....string containing type of the *i*-th object in the spool ("graph", "table", "text", "spool").
- @remarks** .....string containing the Spool's remarks (if available).
- @source**.....string containing the Spool's source (if available).
- @type**.....string with the object type: "SPOOL".
- @update time** .....string representation of the time and date at which the Spool was last updated.

### *Scalar Values*

- @count**.....number of base objects in the spool.
- @totalcount** .....number of objects in a flattened version of the spool.

## Spool Examples

```
spool myspool
myspool.append ser1.line
myspool.insert(offset=first) ser2.line
myspool.displayname untitled01 "Unemployment Rate"
myspool.options displaynames
```

## Spool Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the "Spool" object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|        |                             |
|--------|-----------------------------|
| append | <a href="#">Spool Procs</a> |
|--------|-----------------------------|

Append objects to a spool.

**Syntax**

`spool_name.append object_list`

where *object\_list* is a list of one or more objects to be appended to the spool. You may specify a view for each object, otherwise the default view will be used.

**Examples**

To insert a line graph view of series SER1 and a bar graph view of SER2 as the last objects in SPOOL01:

```
spool01.append ser1.line ser2.bar
```

**Cross-references**

For additional discussion of spools see [Chapter 17. “Spool Objects,” on page 703](#) in *User’s Guide I*. See also [Spool::insert \(p. 602\)](#) and [Spool::remove \(p. 609\)](#).

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| comment | <a href="#">Spool Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Assign a comment to an object in the spool.

**Syntax**

`spool_name.comment object_arg new_comment`

where *new\_comment* specifies the comment for the object specified in *object\_arg*, where *object\_arg* is the name or position of the object. Surround *object\_name* with quotation marks for multiple word comments.

**Examples**

```
spool01.comment state/tab1 "The state population of Alabama as
found\nfrom http://www.census.gov/popest/states/NST-ann-
est.html."
```

assigns the following comment to object TAB1 embedded in the STATE object:

```
"The state population of Alabama as found
from http://www.census.gov/popest/states/NST-ann-est.html."
```

The “\n” is used to indicate the start of a new line in the comment.

Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names.

See also [`Spool::label`](#) (p. 604).

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| display | <a href="#">Spool Views</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Display contents of a spool object.

Syntax

```
spool_name.display
```

`display` is the default view for a spool.

Examples

```
spool01.display
```

displays the contents of SPOOL01.

Cross-references

For additional discussion of spools see [Chapter 17. “Spool Objects,” on page 703](#) in *User’s Guide I*.

|             |                             |
|-------------|-----------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">Spool Procs</a> |
|-------------|-----------------------------|

Assign a display name to an object in the spool.

Syntax

```
spool_name.displayname object_arg new_name
```

where *new\_name* specifies the display name for the object in *object\_arg*, where *object\_arg* is the name or position of the object. Surround *object\_arg* with quotation marks for multiple word display names. Note that the case will be preserved in *new\_name*.

Examples

```
spool01.displayname state/tab1 "Unemployment Rate"
```

assigns the “Unemployment Rate” displayname to the object TAB1, which is a child of the STATE spool.

Cross-references

See “Labeling Objects” on page 102 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names. See also `Spool::label` (p. 604).

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| extract | <a href="#">Spool Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Extracts a copy of the specified object in a spool.

Syntax

`spool_name.extract(name) object_name`

where *object\_name* is the object to be extracted from the spool, and *object\_name* is the optional name of the new object.

Options

|      |  |
|------|--|
| name | Optional name of the new object to be created. An untitled copy will be created if a name is not provided. |
|------|--|

Examples

```
spool01.extract(tab1_copy) tab1
```

creates a copy of table TAB1 and names the copy TAB1\_COPY.

Cross-references

For additional discussion of spools see [Chapter 17. “Spool Objects,” on page 703](#) in *User’s Guide I*. See also `Spool::print` (p. 608), `Spool::insert` (p. 602) and `Spool::remove` (p. 609).

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| flatten | <a href="#">Spool Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Removes tree hierarchy from the spool or specified embedded spool.

Syntax

`spool_name.flatten [object_list]`

where *object\_list* is an optional list of one or more embedded spools to be flattened. If an *object\_list* is not provided, the entire spool will be flattened.

Examples

```
spool01.flatten
```

flattens the entire spool SPOOL01.

```
spool01.flatten myspool1
```

flattens only the embedded spool MYSPPOOL1.

Cross-references

For additional discussion of spools see [Chapter 17. “Spool Objects,” on page 703](#) in *User’s Guide I*.

|           |                             |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| graphmode | <a href="#">Spool Procs</a> |
|-----------|-----------------------------|

Set display mode for graphs in the spool.

Syntax

```
spool_name.graphmode(options) [size_arg]
```

where *size\_arg* is an optional size argument (in virtual inches) used for the “fixed” and “variablelimit” modes, and the options are used to specify the mode. If *size\_arg* is not provided, the default setting will be used.

Options

```
type = arg
(default = “fixed”)
```

where *arg* is “fixed”, “variable”, or “variablelimit”.

The “fixed” mode specifies the width of all graph objects in the spool, while “variable” allows graphs to be displayed at their native sizes. The “variablelimit” mode allows graphs to be displayed at native sizes unless their widths exceed a specified limit value.

Examples

```
spool01.graphmode(type=fixed) 5
```

sets all graphs to be displayed at a fixed size of 5 virtual inches, while

```
spool01.graphmode(type=variable)
```

displays graphs at their native sizes.

```
spool01.graphmode(type=variablelimit)
```

allows graphs to be displayed at their native sizes unless they exceed the specified variable limit. Note that native sizes for graphs are a function of the default table font.

Cross-references

For additional discussion of spools see [Chapter 17. “Spool Objects,” on page 703](#) in *User’s Guide I*. See also [Spool::tablemode \(p. 612\)](#).

|             |                             |
|-------------|-----------------------------|
| horizindent | <a href="#">Spool Procs</a> |
|-------------|-----------------------------|

Change the horizontal indentation size for objects in the spool.

**Syntax**

```
spool_name.horizindent object_arg size_arg
```

where *object\_arg* is the name or the position of a specific object to which you wish to apply indenting, and *size\_arg* is an new indentation in virtual inches.

**Examples**

```
spool01.horizindent 1 0.02
spool01.horizindent tab1 0.02
```

changes the indentation for both the first object in the spool and for TAB1 to 0.02 virtual inches.

To refer to a child object of a spool, you must specify the object’s path. For instance, given a spool SPOOL01 containing the spool SP1 which in turn contains the graph G2:

```
spool01.horizindent sp1/g2 0.03
```

also changes the horizontal indentation of G2 in the embedded spool SP1 to 0.03 virtual inches, while

```
spool01.horizindent sp1 0.03
```

sets the indentation for the object SP1 to 0.03.

**Cross-references**

For additional discussion of spools see [Chapter 17. “Spool Objects,” on page 703](#) in *User’s Guide I*. See also [Spool::leftmargin \(p. 605\)](#), [Spool::topmargin \(p. 612\)](#), [Spool::vertspacing \(p. 614\)](#).

|        |                             |
|--------|-----------------------------|
| insert | <a href="#">Spool Procs</a> |
|--------|-----------------------------|

Insert objects into a spool.

**Syntax**

```
spool_name.insert(options) object_list
```

where *object\_list* is a list of one or more objects to be inserted into the spool at the position specified in the *options*. If you do not specify a view for an object in the list, the default view will be used.

If neither a location nor an offset are specified in the *options*, the object will be inserted at the end of the spool.

## Options

`loc = arg`      *arg* may be an integer position in the spool or the name of an existing object in the spool. The inserted object will be placed before or after *arg*, as specified by the offset option below. An object name must include its path if it is a child of another spool. For example, use “spool1/gr1” to specify a graph GR1 in spool SPOOL1.

`offset = arg,`  
*(default =*  
*“before”)*      *arg* indicates that the object should be inserted relative to the object specified in the “loc = ” option above. *arg* may be “before” or “after” (*default = “before”*).

In addition, if the location specified by the “loc = ” option corresponds to a spool object, *arg* may be “first” or “last”, where the object will be inserted as the first or last object in the spool object specified (*default = “last”*).

If neither a location nor an offset are specified, the object will be inserted at the end of the spool. If an offset is provided without a location, the object will be inserted relative to the main spool. Providing a location without an offset instructs EViews to insert the object at the location specified, pushing all objects proceeding and including *object\_name* down the list of objects.

## Examples

To insert a line graph view of the series SER1 as the last object in SPOOL01:

```
spool01.insert ser1.line
```

To insert TAB1 as the first object in SPOOL01:

```
spool01.insert(offset=first) tab1
```

Given a graph GR1,

```
spool01.insert(loc=gr1) tab1 tab2
```

inserts TAB1 in the current location of GR1 and TAB2 immediately following. All objects from GR1 onward are pushed down the list of objects.

Alternately, if SP1 is a spool object,

```
spool01.insert(loc=sp1,offset=last) ser1.line ser1.bar
```

inserts a line graph and bar graph view of series SER1 as the last objects in SP1. If “offset = last” is omitted, the objects will be inserted before SP1.

To refer to a child object of a spool, you must specify the object’s path. For instance, given a spool SPOOL01 containing the spool SP1, which in turn contains a graph G2:



```
spool01.insert(loc=sp1/g2) tab1
```

inserts TAB1 before graph G2 in spool SP1, and moves the remaining objects down.

Cross-references

For additional discussion of spools see [Chapter 17. “Spool Objects,” on page 703](#) in *User’s Guide I*. See also [Spool::append \(p. 598\)](#) and [Spool::remove \(p. 609\)](#).

|       |                             |
|-------|-----------------------------|
| label | <a href="#">Spool Procs</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------|

Display or change the label view of a spool object, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

Syntax

```
spool_name.label(options) [text]
```

Options

When used with options or the text argument, `label` displays the current spool label. The second version may be used to modify the label. Specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of SP1 with “Data from CPS 1988 March File”:

```
sp1.label(r)
sp1.label(r) Data from CPS 1988 March File
```

To append additional remarks to SP1, and then to print the label view:

```
sp1.label(r) Log of hourly wage
sp1.label(p)
```

To clear and then set the units field, use:

```
sp1.label(u) Millions of bushels
```

## Cross-references

See “Labeling Objects” on page 102 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels. See also [Spool::displayname](#) (p. 599).

|            |                             |
|------------|-----------------------------|
| leftmargin | <a href="#">Spool Procs</a> |
|------------|-----------------------------|

Changes the left margin size of the spool or of a specified embedded spool.

## Syntax

```
spool_name.leftmargin(options) size_arg
```

where *size\_arg* is the new margin value specified in virtual inches.

## Options

`obj = arg`      where *arg* is the name or position of the embedded spool for which you wish to set a margin.

## Examples

```
spool01.leftmargin 0.01
```

sets the left margin for SPOOL01 to 0.01 virtual inch,

```
spool01.topmargin(obj=sp1) 0.02
```

changes the left margin in the embedded spool SP1 to 0.02 virtual inches.

## Cross-references

For additional discussion of spools see [Chapter 17. “Spool Objects,”](#) on page 703 in *User’s Guide I*. See also [Spool::horizindent](#) (p. 602), [Spool::topmargin](#) (p. 612), and [Spool::vertindent](#) (p. 613).

|      |                             |
|------|-----------------------------|
| move | <a href="#">Spool Procs</a> |
|------|-----------------------------|

Move an object in a spool.

## Syntax

```
spool_name.move(options) object_arg
```

where *object\_arg* is the object to be moved specified as an integer position in the spool or the name of an existing object in the spool. The *options* specify the destination position. If neither a location nor offset are specified in the *options*, the object will be moved to the end of the spool.

## Options

|                           |   |
|---------------------------|---|
| <code>loc = arg</code>    | <i>arg</i> may be an integer position in the spool or the name of an existing object in the spool. The object will be moved before or after <i>arg</i> , as specified by the <code>offset</code> option below. An object name must include its path if it is a child of another spool. For example, use “spool1/gr1” to specify a graph GR1 in spool SPOOL1.  |
| <code>offset = arg</code> | <i>arg</i> indicates that the object should be inserted relative to the object specified in the “ <code>loc =</code> ” option above. <i>arg</i> may be “before” or “after” ( <i>default</i> = “before”).<br><br>In addition, if the location specified by the “ <code>loc =</code> ” option corresponds to a spool object, <i>arg</i> may be “first” or “last”, where the object will be inserted as the first or last object in the spool object specified ( <i>default</i> = “last”). |

## Examples

To move the first object in SPOOL01 to the end of the spool:

```
spool01.move 1
```

To move TAB1 to the beginning of SPOOL01:

```
spool01.move(offset=first) tab1
```

Given objects GR1 and TAB1,

```
spool01.move(loc=gr1) tab1
```

moves TAB1 to the current location of GR1. All objects from GR1 onward are pushed down the list of objects.

Alternately, if SP1 is an embedded spool.

```
spool01.move(loc=sp1, offset=last) 3
```

moves the third object to the end of SP1. If “`offset = last`” is omitted, the object will be moved to just before SP1.

To refer to a child object of a spool, you must specify the object’s path. For instance, given a spool SPOOL01 containing the spool SP1 which in turn contains the graph G2:

```
spool01.move(loc=sp1/g2) tab1
```

moves TAB1 before graph G2 in spool SP1, and moves the remaining objects down.

## Cross-references

For additional discussion of spools see [Chapter 17. “Spool Objects,” on page 703](#) in *User’s Guide I*.

See also [Spool::insert](#) (p. 602).

|      |                             |
|------|-----------------------------|
| name | <a href="#">Spool Procs</a> |
|------|-----------------------------|

Rename an object in a spool.

**Syntax**

```
spool_name.name object_arg new_name
```

where *object\_arg* is the name or the position of the object to be renamed, and *new\_name* specifies the new name. *new\_name* should follow EViews’ standard naming conventions. Note that the case will be discarded; for case-sensitive names, use the [Spool::displayname](#) (p. 599) command.

**Examples**

```
spool01.name untitled01 tab1
```

renames the object UNTITLED01 to TAB1.

**Cross-references**

For additional discussion of spools see [Chapter 17. “Spool Objects,”](#) on page 703 in *User’s Guide I*.

See also [Spool::displayname](#) (p. 599).

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| olepush | <a href="#">Spool Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

**Syntax**

```
spool_name.olepush
```

**Cross-references**

See [“Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)”](#) on page 729 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| options | <a href="#">Spool Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Set the display options for the spool object.

**Syntax**

```
spool_name.options option_list
```

where *option\_list* contains one or more of the options listed below.

Options

|                                 |   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| tree / -tree                    | [Display / Hide] the tree window.                         |
| borders /<br>-borders           | [Display / Hide] borders around the child objects.        |
| titles / -titles                | [Display / Hide] the titles or names of child objects.    |
| comments /<br>-comments         | [Display / Hide] the comments of child objects.           |
| displaynames /<br>-displaynames | Show the [display names / unique names] of child objects. |
| margins /<br>-margins           | [Apply / Don't apply] spool margins to the child objects. |

Each option may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

Examples

```
spool01.options -tree margins titles displaynames
```

removes the tree pane from the window, uses the global spool margins, turns on titles, and uses the display name for the title.

Cross-references

For additional discussion of spools see [Chapter 17. “Spool Objects,” on page 703](#) in *User’s Guide I*. See also [Spool::name \(p. 607\)](#), [Spool::displayname \(p. 599\)](#) and [Spool::label \(p. 604\)](#).

|       |                             |
|-------|-----------------------------|
| print | <a href="#">Spool Procs</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------|

Print an object in a spool.

The object will be printed to the location specified by the current printer settings.

Syntax

```
spool_name.print object_arg
```

where *object\_arg* is the name or the position of the object to be printed.

Examples

```
spool01.print tab1
```

prints the object TAB1 found in SPOOL01.

Cross-references

For additional discussion of spools see [Chapter 17. “Spool Objects,” on page 703](#) in *User’s Guide I*.

See also [print](#) (p. 414) and [Spool::extract](#) (p. 600).

|        |                             |
|--------|-----------------------------|
| remove | <a href="#">Spool Procs</a> |
|--------|-----------------------------|

Remove objects from a spool.

Syntax

```
spool_name.remove object_list
```

where object\_list is a list of objects to be removed from the spool.

Examples

```
spool01.remove tab1 state/city
```

removes table object TAB1 from SPOOL01. Also removes the CITY object from the STATE spool, which is a child of SPOOL01. Note that a path is required for child objects. For instance, if TAB1 is a child of another object such as STATE, nothing will be removed.

Cross-references

For additional discussion of spools see [Chapter 17. “Spool Objects,” on page 703](#) in *User’s Guide I*. See also [Spool::append](#) (p. 598) and [Spool::insert](#) (p. 602).

|      |                             |
|------|-----------------------------|
| save | <a href="#">Spool Procs</a> |
|------|-----------------------------|

Save spool object to disk as a tab-delimited ASCII text, RTF, CSV, or PDF file.

Syntax

```
spool_name.save(options) [path]\file_name
```

Follow the keyword with a name for the file. file\_name may include the file type extension, or the file type may be specified using the “t = ” option.

If an explicit path is not specified, the file will be stored in the default directory, as set in the **File Locations** global options.

## Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>t = file_type</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “txt”) | Specifies the file type, where <i>file_type</i> may be: “rtf” (Rich-text format), “txt” (tab-delimited text), “csv” (comma-separated values (CSV) format), or “pdf” (Portable Document Format (PDF) file).<br><br>Files will be saved with the “.rtf”, “.txt”, “.csv”, or “.pdf” extensions, respectively.<br><br>If you specify a text or CSV file, graphs in the spool will not be written to the file. |
| <code>title</code>                                      | Include object titles.  |
| <code>comment</code>                                    | Include object comments.  |
| <code>prompt</code>                                     | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |

### PDF Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>mode = arg</code>                                      | Multiple object handling: “i” (each object on individual page), “c” (continuous), or “f” (fit to page) |
| <code>landscape</code>                                       | Save in landscape mode (the default is to save in portrait mode).                                      |
| <code>size = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “letter”)      | Page size: “letter”, “legal”, “a4”, and “custom”.  |
| <code>width = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 8.5)       | Page width in inches if “size = custom”.   |
| <code>height = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 11)       | Page height in inches if “size = custom”.  |
| <code>leftmargin = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0.5)  | Left margin width in inches.   |
| <code>rightmargin = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0.5) | Right margin width in inches.  |
| <code>topmargin = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 1)     | Top margin width in inches.  |
| <code>bottommargin = number</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 1)  | Bottom margin width in inches.   |

## Examples

```
spool01.save(t=rtf, title) c:\temp\spool01
```

saves SPOOL01 to an RTF file named “spool01.rtf” in the “C:\TEMP” directory, and precedes each object in the spool with its title.

```
spool01.save(comment) spool01.txt
```

saves SPOOL01 to a text file named “spool01.txt” in the current directory, and precedes each object in the spool with its associated comment if one exists.

## Cross-references

For additional discussion see [“Saving a Spool,” on page 722](#) in *User’s Guide I*.

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| setattr | <a href="#">Spool Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

## Syntax

```
spool_name setattr(attr) attr_value
```

Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the @attr data member.

## Examples

```
a setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

## Cross-references

See [“Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View” on page 103](#) and [“Adding Your Own Label Attributes” on page 65](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

|       |                                   |
|-------|-----------------------------------|
| spool | <a href="#">Spool Declaration</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------------|

Declare a spool object.

## Syntax

```
spool spool_name
```

where spool\_name is the name to be given the new object.

## Examples

```
spool myspool
```

## Cross-references

For additional discussion of spools see [Chapter 17. “Spool Objects,” on page 703](#) in *User’s Guide I*.





Examples

```
spool01.topmargin 0.01
```

sets the top margin for SPOOL01 to 0.01 virtual inch,

```
spool01.topmargin(obj=sp1) 0.02
```

changes the top margin in the embedded spool SP1 to 0.02 virtual inches.

Cross-references

For additional discussion of spools see [Chapter 17. “Spool Objects,” on page 703](#) in *User’s Guide I*. See also [Spool::vertindent \(p. 613\)](#), [Spool::vertspacing \(p. 614\)](#), and [Spool::horizindent \(p. 602\)](#).

|            |                             |
|------------|-----------------------------|
| vertindent | <a href="#">Spool Procs</a> |
|------------|-----------------------------|

Change the vertical indentation size for objects in the spool.

Syntax

```
spool_name.vertindent object_arg size_arg
```

where *object\_arg* is the name or the position of a specific object to which you wish to apply indenting, and *size\_arg* is an new indentation in virtual inches.

Examples

```
spool01.vertindent 1 0.02
spool01.vertindent tab1 0.02
```

change the indentation for the first object and for TAB1 to 0.02 virtual inches.

To refer to a child object of a spool, you must specify the object’s path. For instance, given a spool SPOOL01 containing the spool SP1 which in turn contains the graph G2:

```
spool01.vertindent sp1/g 0.03
```

also changes the vertical indentation of G2 in the embedded spool SP1 to 0.03 virtual inches, while

```
spool01.vertindent sp1 0.03
```

sets the indentation for SP1 to 0.03.

Cross-references

For additional discussion of spools see [Chapter 17. “Spool Objects,” on page 703](#) in *User’s Guide I*. See also [Spool::topmargin \(p. 612\)](#), [Spool::vertspacing \(p. 614\)](#), and [Spool::horizindent \(p. 602\)](#).

|             |                             |
|-------------|-----------------------------|
| vertspacing | <a href="#">Spool Procs</a> |
|-------------|-----------------------------|

Changes the amount of vertical spacing for objects in the spool or in a specified embedded spool.

**Syntax**

`spool_name.vertspacing(options) size_arg`

where *size\_arg* is an new spacing in virtual inches. By default, spacing will be set for all objects in the spool.

**Options**

`obj = object_arg`    where *object\_arg* is the name or the position of a specific embedded spool for which you wish to set spacing.

**Examples**

```
spool01.vertspacing 0.05
```

specifies the vertical spacing for all objects in the spool at 0.05 vertical inches.

```
spool01.vertspacing(obj=sp1) 0.05
```

sets the vertical spacing at 0.05 only for the objects in the embedded spool SP1.

**Cross-references**

For additional discussion of spools see [Chapter 17. “Spool Objects,” on page 703](#) in *User’s Guide I*. See also [Spool::vertindent \(p. 613\)](#), and [Spool::topmargin \(p. 612\)](#).

|       |                             |
|-------|-----------------------------|
| width | <a href="#">Spool Procs</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------|

Changes the width (and height) of objects in the spool.

**Syntax**

`spool_name.width(options) [size_arg]`

where *size\_arg* is an optional size in virtual inches. By default, widths will be set for all objects in the spool, if possible (*i.e.*, the graph object is not specified as fixed width, and the width is within limits defined by the current display mode; see [Spool::graphmode \(p. 601\)](#) and [Spool::tablemode \(p. 612\)](#), for details).

Heights are set proportional to the width to maintain the original aspect ratio.

If *size\_arg* is not provided, the objects will be set to their default sizes.

## Options

|                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| <code>obj = arg</code>  | where <i>arg</i> is the name or the position of a specific object or embedded spool to which you wish to apply sizing. |
| <code>type = arg</code> | where <i>arg</i> specifies a restricted subset of objects to be resized: “graph”, “table”, “text”.                     |

If the specified object is an embedded spool, all of its objects will be sized accordingly.

## Examples

```
spool01.width 1
```

resizes all objects in the spool to 1 virtual inch, while

```
spool01.width(obj=1) 2
spool01.width(obj=tab1) 2
```

changes the widths of the first object and TAB1 to 2 virtual inches. The heights of the objects will change proportionately.

```
spool01.width(obj=1)
spool01.width(obj=tab1)
```

resets the sizes of the objects to their defaults.

To refer to a child object of a spool, you must specify the object’s path. For instance, given a spool SPOOL01 containing the spool SP1 which in turn contains the graph G2:

```
spool01.width(obj=sp1/g2) 2
```

also changes the width of G2 in the embedded spool SP1 to 2 virtual inches, while

```
spool01.width(obj=sp1) 3
```

sets the width for all of the objects in SP1 to 3 virtual inches.

```
spool01.width(type=graph) 2
```

sets the widths of graphs to 2 virtual inches.

## Cross-references

For additional discussion of spools see [Chapter 17. “Spool Objects,” on page 703](#) in *User’s Guide I*.



## String

String object. String objects may be used in standard EViews expressions in place of string literals.

### String Declaration

**string** .....declare string object (p. 621).

To declare a string object, use the keyword `string`, followed by a name, an “=” sign and a text string.

### String Views

**display** .....display table, graph, or spool in object window (p. 618).

**label** .....label view (p. 619).

**sheet** .....spreadsheet view of the scalar (p. 620).

### String Procs

**displayname** .....set display name (p. 618).

**olepush** .....push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 620).

**setattr** .....set the value of an object attribute (p. 620).

### String Data Members

#### *String values*

**@attr(“arg”)** .....string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.

**@description** .....string containing the String object’s description (if available).

**@detailedtype** .....string with the object type: “STRING”.

**@displayname** .....string containing the String object’s display name. If the String has no display name set, the name is returned.

**@name** .....string containing the String object’s name.

**@remarks** .....string containing the String object’s remarks (if available).

**@source** .....string containing the String object’s source (if available).

**@type** .....string with the object type: “STRING”.

**@units** .....string containing the String object’s units description (if available).

**@update time** .....string representation of the time and date at which the String was last updated.

### String Examples

You can declare a string and examine its contents:

```
string st="Hello world"
show st
```

# String Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the “String” object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| display | <a href="#">String Views</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Display table, graph, or spool output in the string object window.

Display the contents of a table, graph, or spool in the window of the string object.

## Syntax

`string_name.display object_name`

## Examples

```
string1.display tab1
```

Display the contents of the table TAB1 in the window of the object STRING1.

## Cross-references

Most often used in constructing an EViews Add-in. See [“Custom Object Output” on page 192](#) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|             |                              |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">String Views</a> |
|-------------|------------------------------|

Display name for the string objects.

Attaches a display name to a string object which may be used to label output in place of the standard object name.

## Syntax

`string_name.displayname display_name`

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain a variety of characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in matrix object names.

## Examples

```
str1.displayname Patagonian Toothfish Name
str1.label
```

The first line attaches a display name “Patagonian Toothfish Name” to the string object STR1, and the second line displays the label view of STR1, including its display name.

## Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names.

See also [String::label](#) (p. 619).

|       |                              |
|-------|------------------------------|
| label | <a href="#">String Views</a> |
|-------|------------------------------|

Display or change the label view of the string object, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

## Syntax

```
string_name.label
string_name.label(options) text
```

## Options

To modify the label, you should specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared:

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

## Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of the string S1 with “Name of Dependent Variable from EQ3”:

```
s1.label(r)
s1.label(r) Name of Dependent Variable EQ3
```

## Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.



|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| olepush | <a href="#">String Procs</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

**Syntax**

`string_name.olepush`

**Cross-references**

See “[Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)](#)” on page 729 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| setattr | <a href="#">String Procs</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

**Syntax**

`string_name setattr(attr) attr_value`

Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the `@attr` data member.

**Examples**

```
a.setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

**Cross-references**

See “[Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View](#)” on page 103 and “[Adding Your Own Label Attributes](#)” on page 65 of *User’s Guide I*.

|       |                              |
|-------|------------------------------|
| sheet | <a href="#">String Views</a> |
|-------|------------------------------|

Spreadsheet view of a string object.

**Syntax**

`string_name.sheet(options)`

## Options

`p` Print the spreadsheet view.

## Examples

```
s01.sheet
```

displays the spreadsheet view of S01.

|               |                                    |
|---------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>string</b> | <a href="#">String Declaration</a> |
|---------------|------------------------------------|

Declare a string object.

The `string` command declares a string object and optionally assigns text.

## Syntax

```
string string_name[ = assignment]
```

The `string` keyword should be followed by a valid name, and optionally, by an assignment. If there is no explicit assignment, the scalar will be initialized with a value of null.

## Examples

```
string alpha
```

declares a string object named ALPHA containing no text.

You may also create a string that includes quotes:

```
string lunch = "Apple Tuna Cookie"
string dinner = ""Chicken Marsala"" ""Beef Stew"" Hamburger"
```

creates the string objects LUNCH and DINNER, each containing the corresponding string literal. We have used the double quote character in the DINNER string as an escape character for double quotes.

## Cross-references

See [“Strings” on page 65](#) and [“String Objects” on page 80](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference* for a discussion of strings and string objects.

## Svector

String vector object.

### Svector Declaration

**svector** ..... declare svector object (p. 626).

To declare an svector object, use the keyword `svector`, followed by a name.

### Svector Views

**display** ..... display table, graph, or spool in object window (p. 623).

**label** ..... label view (p. 624).

**sheet** ..... spreadsheet view of the scalar (p. 625).

### Svector Procs

**displayname** ..... set display name (p. 623).

**olepush** ..... push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 624).

**setattr** ..... set the value of an object attribute (p. 625).

### Svector Data Members

#### *String values*

**@attr("arg")** ..... string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.

**@description** ..... string containing the Svector object's description (if available).

**@detailedtype** ..... string with the object type: "SVECTOR".

**@displayname** ..... string containing the Svector object's display name. If the Svector has no display name set, the name is returned.

**@name** ..... string containing the Svector object's name.

**@remarks** ..... string containing the Svector object's remarks (if available).

**@source** ..... string containing the Svector object's source (if available).

**@type** ..... string with the object type: "SVECTOR".

**@units** ..... string containing the Svector object's units description (if available).

**@updatetime** ..... string representation of the time and date at which the Svector was last updated.

## Svector Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the "Svector" object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|         |                               |
|---------|-------------------------------|
| display | <a href="#">Svector Views</a> |
|---------|-------------------------------|

Display table, graph, or spool output in the svector object window.

Display the contents of a table, graph, or spool in the window of the svector object.

### Syntax

```
svector_name.display object_name
```

### Examples

```
svector1.display tab1
```

Display the contents of the table TAB1 in the window of the object SVECTOR1.

### Cross-references

Most often used in constructing an EViews Add-in. See [“Custom Object Output” on page 192](#) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|             |                               |
|-------------|-------------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">Svector Views</a> |
|-------------|-------------------------------|

Display name for the svector objects.

Attaches a display name to an svector object which may be used to label output in place of the standard object name.

### Syntax

```
svector_name.displayname display_name
```

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain a variety of characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in matrix object names.

### Examples

```
svec1.displayname List of Names
svec1.label
```

The first line attaches a display name “List of Names” to the svector object SVEC1, and the second line displays the label view of SVEC1, including its display name.

### Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names.

See also [Svector::label \(p. 624\)](#).

|       |                               |
|-------|-------------------------------|
| label | <a href="#">Svector Views</a> |
|-------|-------------------------------|

Display or change the label view of the string vector object, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

Syntax

```
svector_name.label
svector_name.label(options) text
```

Options

To modify the label, you should specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared:

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of the string S1 with “Name of Dependent Variable from EQ3”:

```
s1.label(r)
s1.label(r) Name of Dependent Variable EQ3
```

Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.

|         |                               |
|---------|-------------------------------|
| olepush | <a href="#">Svector Procs</a> |
|---------|-------------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

Syntax

```
svector_name.olepush
```

Cross-references

See [“Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)” on page 729](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|         |                               |
|---------|-------------------------------|
| setattr | <a href="#">Svector Procs</a> |
|---------|-------------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

Syntax

```
svector_name.setattr(attr) attr_value
```

Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the @attr data member.

Examples

```
a.setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

Cross-references

See [“Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View” on page 103](#) and [“Adding Your Own Label Attributes” on page 65](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

|       |                               |
|-------|-------------------------------|
| sheet | <a href="#">Svector Views</a> |
|-------|-------------------------------|

Spreadsheet view of a string vector object.

Syntax

```
svector_name.sheet(options)
```

Options

|   |                             |
|---|-----------------------------|
| p | Print the spreadsheet view. |
|---|-----------------------------|

Examples

```
s01.sheet
```

displays the spreadsheet view of S01.

|                |                                     |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>svector</b> | <a href="#">Svector Declaration</a> |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|

Declare a string vector object.

The `svector` command declares a string vector object.

**Syntax**

`svector`(*n*) *stringvector\_name*

The `svector` keyword should be followed by a valid name. *n* is an optional length for the vector. If *n* is not provided, the resulting `svector` will be one element long.

**Examples**

```
svector alphavec
```

declares a string vector object named ALPHAVEC containing no text.

```
svector(20) alphavec
```

declares a 20 element `svector`.

**Cross-references**

See [“Strings” on page 65](#) and [“String Vectors” on page 80](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference* for a discussion of strings and string vectors.

## Sym

Symmetric matrix (symmetric two-dimensional array).

### Sym Declaration

**sym** .....declare sym object (p. 648).

Declare by providing a name after the `sym` keyword, with the optionally specified dimension in parentheses:

```
sym(10) symmatrix
```

You may optionally assign a scalar, a square matrix or another sym in the declaration. If the square matrix is not symmetric, the sym will contain the lower triangle. The sym will be sized and initialized accordingly.

### Sym Views

**cor** .....correlation matrix by columns (p. 629).  
**cov** .....covariance matrix by columns (p. 632).  
**eigen** .....eigenvalues calculation for a symmetric matrix (p. 637).  
**label** .....label information for the symmetric matrix (p. 640).  
**sheet** .....spreadsheet view of the symmetric matrix (p. 647).  
**stats** .....descriptive statistics by column (p. 647).

### Sym Graph Views

Graph creation views are discussed in detail in “Graph Creation Command Summary” on page 799.

**area** .....area graph of the columns of the matrix (p. 801).  
**band** .....area band graph (p. 804).  
**bar** .....bar graph of each column against the row index (p. 807).  
**boxplot** .....boxplot graph (p. 811).  
**distplot** .....distribution graph (p. 813).  
**dot** .....dot plot graph (p. 820).  
**errbar** .....error bar graph view (p. 824).  
**hilo** .....high-low(-open-close) chart (p. 826).  
**line** .....line graph of each column against the row index (p. 828).  
**pie** .....pie chart view (p. 831).  
**qqplot** .....quantile-quantile graph (p. 834).  
**scat** .....scatter diagrams of the columns of the sym (p. 838).  
**scatmat** .....matrix of all pairwise scatter plots (p. 843).  
**scatpair** .....scatterplot pairs graph (p. 845).  
**seasplot** .....seasonal line graph (p. 849).



**spike** ..... spike graph (p. 850).  
**xyarea** ..... XY area graph (p. 854).  
**xybar** ..... XY bar graph (p. 857).  
**xyline** ..... XY line graph (p. 859).  
**xypair** ..... XY pairs graph (p. 863).

## Sym Procs

**displayname** ..... set display name (p. 636).  
**fill** ..... fill the elements of the matrix (p. 639).  
**olepush** ..... push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 641).  
**read** ..... import data from disk (p. 641).  
**setattr** ..... set the value of an object attribute (p. 643).  
**setformat** ..... set the display format for the sym spreadsheet (p. 644).  
**setindent** ..... set the indentation for the sym spreadsheet (p. 645).  
**setjust** ..... set the justification for the sym spreadsheet (p. 646).  
**setwidth** ..... set the column width in the sym spreadsheet (p. 646).  
**write** ..... export data to disk (p. 649).

## Sym Data Members

### *String values*

**@attr("arg")** ..... string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.  
**@description** ..... string containing the Sym object's description (if available).  
**@detailedtype** ..... string with the object type: "SCALAR".  
**@displayname** ..... string containing the Sym object's display name. If the Sym has no display name set, the name is returned.  
**@name** ..... string containing the Sym object's name.  
**@remarks** ..... string containing the Sym object's remarks (if available).  
**@source** ..... string containing the Sym object's source (if available).  
**@type** ..... string with the object type: "SCALAR".  
**@units** ..... string containing the Sym object's units description (if available).  
**@update time** ..... string representation of the time and date at which the Sym was last updated.

### *Scalar values*

**(i,j)** ..... (*i,j*)-th element of the **sym**. Simply append "(i,j)" to the **sym** name (without a ".").

## Sym Examples

The declaration:

```
sym results(10)
results=3
```

creates the  $10 \times 10$  matrix RESULTS and initializes each value to be 3. The following assignment statements also create and initialize sym objects:

```
sym copymat=results
sym covmat1=eq1.@coefcov
sym(3,3) count
count.fill 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10
```

Graphs, covariances, and statistics may be generated for the columns of the matrix:

```
copymat.line
copymat.cov
copymat.stats
```

You can use explicit indices to refer to matrix elements:

```
scalar diagsum=cov1(1,1)+cov1(2,2)+cov(3,3)
```

## Sym Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the “Sym” object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|     |                           |
|-----|---------------------------|
| cor | <a href="#">Sym Views</a> |
|-----|---------------------------|

**Compute covariances, correlations, and other measures of association for the columns in a matrix.**

You may compute measures related to Pearson product-moment (ordinary) covariances and correlations, Spearman rank covariances, or Kendall’s tau along with test statistics for evaluating whether the correlations are equal to zero.

### Syntax

```
matrix_name.cor(options) [keywords [@partial z1 z2 z3...]]
```

You should specify keywords indicating the statistics you wish to display from the list below, optionally followed by the keyword @partial and a list of conditioning series or groups (for the group view), or the name of a conditioning matrix (for the matrix view). In the matrix view setting, the columns of the matrix should contain the conditioning information, and the number or rows should match the original matrix.

You may specify keywords from one of the four sets (Pearson correlation, Spearman correlation, Kendall's tau, Uncentered Pearson) corresponding the computational method you wish to employ. (*You may not select keywords from more than one set.*)

If you do not specify *keywords*, EViews will assume “corr” and compute the Pearson correlation matrix. Note that `Sym: :cor` is equivalent to the `Sym: :cov` (p. 632) command with a different default setting.

#### *Pearson Correlation*

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| cov   | Product moment covariance.  |
| corr  | Product moment correlation.   |
| sscp  | Sums-of-squared cross-products.   |
| stat  | Test statistic ( <i>t</i> -statistic) for evaluating whether the correlation is zero. |
| prob  | Probability under the null for the test statistic.                                    |
| cases | Number of cases.  |
| obs   | Number of observations.   |
| wgts  | Sum of the weights.   |

#### *Spearman Rank Correlation*

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| rcov  | Spearman's rank covariance.   |
| rcorr | Spearman's rank correlation.  |
| rsscp | Sums-of-squared cross-products.   |
| rstat | Test statistic ( <i>t</i> -statistic) for evaluating whether the correlation is zero. |
| rprob | Probability under the null for the test statistic.                                    |
| cases | Number of cases.  |
| obs   | Number of observations.   |
| wgts  | Sum of the weights.   |

#### *Kendall's tau*

|         |   |
|---------|---|
| taub    | Kendall's tau-b.  |
| taua    | Kendall's tau-a.  |
| taucd   | Kendall's concordances and discordances.  |
| taustat | Kendall's score statistic for evaluating whether the Kendall's tau-b measure is zero. |

|                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| <code>tauprob</code> | Probability under the null for the score statistic. |
| <code>cases</code>   | Number of cases.                                    |
| <code>obs</code>     | Number of observations.                             |
| <code>wgts</code>    | Sum of the weights.                                 |

### *Uncentered Pearson*

|                    |   |
|--------------------|---|
| <code>ucov</code>  | Product moment covariance.  |
| <code>ucorr</code> | Product moment correlation.   |
| <code>usscp</code> | Sums-of-squared cross-products.   |
| <code>ustat</code> | Test statistic ( <i>t</i> -statistic) for evaluating whether the correlation is zero. |
| <code>uprob</code> | Probability under the null for the test statistic.                                    |
| <code>cases</code> | Number of cases.  |
| <code>obs</code>   | Number of observations.   |
| <code>wgts</code>  | Sum of the weights.   |

Note that `cases`, `obs`, and `wgts` are available for each of the methods.

## Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>wgt = name</code><br>( <i>optional</i> )                  | Name of vector containing weights. The number of rows of the weight vector should match the number of rows in the original matrix.   |
| <code>wgtmethod = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> =<br>"sstdev") | Weighting method (when weights are specified using "weight ="): frequency ("freq"), inverse of variances ("var"), inverse of standard deviation ("stdev"), scaled inverse of variances ("svar"), scaled inverse of standard deviations ("sstdev").<br><br>Only applicable for ordinary (Pearson) calculations. Weights specified by "wgt =" are frequency weights for rank correlation and Kendall's tau calculations. |
| <code>pairwise</code>   | Compute using pairwise deletion of observations with missing cases (pairwise samples).   |
| <code>df</code>   | Compute covariances with a degree-of-freedom correction to account for estimated means (for centered specifications), and any partial conditioning variables.  |
| <code>multi = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = "none")          | Adjustment to <i>p</i> -values for multiple comparisons: none ("none"), Bonferroni ("bonferroni"), Dunn-Sidak ("dunn").  |

|   |   |
|---|---|
| outfmt = <i>arg</i><br>(default = "single") | Output format: single table ("single"), multiple table ("mult"), list ("list"), spreadsheet ("sheet"). Note that "outfmt = sheet" is only applicable if you specify a single statistic keyword.   |
| out = <i>name</i>                           | Basename for saving output. All results will be saved in Sym matrices named using keys ("COV", "CORR", "SSCP", "TAUA", "TAUB", "CONC" (Kendall's concurrences), "DISC" (Kendall's discordances), "CASES", "OBS", "WGTS") appended to the basename ( <i>e.g.</i> , the covariance specified by "out = my" is saved in the Sym matrix "MYCOV"). |
| prompt                                      | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| p   | Print the result.   |

Examples

```
sym1.cor
```

displays a 3 × 3 Pearson correlation matrix for the columns series in MAT1.

```
sym1.cor corr stat prob
```

displays a table containing the Pearson correlation, *t*-statistic for testing for zero correlation, and associated *p*-value, for the columns in MAT1.

```
sym1.cor(pairwise) taub taustat tauprob
```

computes the Kendall's tau-b, score statistic, and *p*-value for the score statistic, using samples with pairwise missing value exclusion.

Cross-references

See also [Sym::cov \(p. 632\)](#). For simple forms of the calculation, see [@cor \(p. 616\)](#), and [@cov \(p. 616\)](#) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|     |                           |
|-----|---------------------------|
| COV | <a href="#">Sym Views</a> |
|-----|---------------------------|

Compute covariances, correlations, and other measures of association for the columns in a matrix.

You may compute measures related to Pearson product-moment (ordinary) covariances and correlations, Spearman rank covariances, or Kendall's tau along with test statistics for evaluating whether the correlations are equal to zero.

Syntax

```
matrix_name.cov(options) [keywords [@partial z1 z2 z3...]]
```

You should specify keywords indicating the statistics you wish to display from the list below, optionally followed by the keyword `@partial` and a list of conditioning series or groups (for the group view), or the name of a conditioning matrix (for the matrix view). In the matrix view setting, the columns of the matrix should contain the conditioning information, and the number of rows should match the original matrix.

You may specify keywords from one of the four sets (Pearson correlation, Spearman rank correlation, Kendall's tau, Uncentered Pearson) corresponding the computational method you wish to employ. (*You may not select keywords from more than one set.*)

If you do not specify *keywords*, EViews will assume “cov” and compute the Pearson covariance matrix. Note that `Sym::cov` is equivalent to the `Sym::cor` (p. 629) command with a different default setting.

#### *Pearson Correlation*

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| cov   | Product moment covariance.  |
| corr  | Product moment correlation.   |
| sscp  | Sums-of-squared cross-products.   |
| stat  | Test statistic ( <i>t</i> -statistic) for evaluating whether the correlation is zero. |
| prob  | Probability under the null for the test statistic.                                    |
| cases | Number of cases.  |
| obs   | Number of observations.   |
| wgts  | Sum of the weights.   |

#### *Spearman Rank Correlation*

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| rcov  | Spearman's rank covariance.   |
| rcorr | Spearman's rank correlation.  |
| rsscp | Sums-of-squared cross-products.   |
| rstat | Test statistic ( <i>t</i> -statistic) for evaluating whether the correlation is zero. |
| rprob | Probability under the null for the test statistic.                                    |
| cases | Number of cases.  |
| obs   | Number of observations.   |
| wgts  | Sum of the weights.   |

*Kendall's tau*

|                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| <code>taub</code>    | Kendall's tau-b.  |
| <code>taua</code>    | Kendall's tau-a.  |
| <code>taucd</code>   | Kendall's concordances and discordances.  |
| <code>taustat</code> | Kendall's score statistic for evaluating whether the Kendall's tau-b measure is zero. |
| <code>tauprob</code> | Probability under the null for the score statistic.                                   |
| <code>cases</code>   | Number of cases.  |
| <code>obs</code>     | Number of observations.   |
| <code>wgts</code>    | Sum of the weights.   |

*Uncentered Pearson*

|                    |   |
|--------------------|---|
| <code>ucov</code>  | Product moment covariance.  |
| <code>ucorr</code> | Product moment correlation.   |
| <code>usscp</code> | Sums-of-squared cross-products.   |
| <code>ustat</code> | Test statistic ( <i>t</i> -statistic) for evaluating whether the correlation is zero. |
| <code>uprob</code> | Probability under the null for the test statistic.                                    |
| <code>cases</code> | Number of cases.  |
| <code>obs</code>   | Number of observations.   |
| <code>wgts</code>  | Sum of the weights.   |

Note that `cases`, `obs`, and `wgts` are available for each of the methods.

**Options**

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>wgt = name</code><br>( <i>optional</i> )                  | Name of vector containing weights. The number of rows of the weight vector should match the number of rows in the original matrix.  |
| <code>wgtmethod = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> =<br>"sstdev") | Weighting method (when weights are specified using "weight = "): frequency ("freq"), inverse of variances ("var"), inverse of standard deviation ("stdev"), scaled inverse of variances ("svar"), scaled inverse of standard deviations ("sstdev").<br><br>Only applicable for ordinary (Pearson) calculations. Weights specified by "wgt =" are frequency weights for rank correlation and Kendall's tau calculations. |

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>pairwise</code>                                     | Compute using pairwise deletion of observations with missing cases (pairwise samples).  |
| <code>df</code>   | Compute covariances with a degree-of-freedom correction to account for estimated means (for centered specifications), and any partial conditioning variables.   |
| <code>multi = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “none”)    | Adjustment to <i>p</i> -values for multiple comparisons: none (“none”), Bonferroni (“bonferroni”), Dunn-Sidak (“dunn”).   |
| <code>outfmt = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “single”) | Output format: single table (“single”), multiple table (“mult”), list (“list”), spreadsheet (“sheet”). Note that “outfmt = sheet” is only applicable if you specify a single statistic keyword.   |
| <code>out = name</code>                                   | Basename for saving output. All results will be saved in Sym matrices named using keys (“COV”, “CORR”, “SSCP”, “TAUA”, “TAUB”, “CONC” (Kendall’s concurrences), “DISC” (Kendall’s discordances), “CASES”, “OBS”, “WGTS”) appended to the basename ( <i>e.g.</i> , the covariance specified by “out = my” is saved in the Sym matrix “MYCOV”). |
| <code>prompt</code>                                       | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>  | Print the result.   |

## Examples

```
sym1.cov
```

displays a  $3 \times 3$  Pearson covariance matrix for the columns series in MAT1.

```
sym1.cov corr stat prob
```

displays a table containing the Pearson covariance, *t*-statistic for testing for zero correlation, and associated *p*-value, for the columns in MAT1.

```
sym1.cov(pairwise) taub taustat tauprob
```

computes the Kendall’s tau-b, score statistic, and *p*-value for the score statistic, using samples with pairwise missing value exclusion.

## Cross-references

See also [Sym::cor](#) (p. 629). For simple forms of the calculation, see [@cor](#) (p. 616), and [@cov](#) (p. 616) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.



|         |                           |
|---------|---------------------------|
| display | <a href="#">Sym Views</a> |
|---------|---------------------------|

Display table, graph, or spool output in the sym object window.

Display the contents of a table, graph, or spool in the window of the sym object.

**Syntax**

`sym_name.display object_name`

**Examples**

```
sym1.display tabl
```

Display the contents of the table TAB1 in the window of the object SYM1.

**Cross-references**

Most often used in constructing an EViews Add-in. See [“Custom Object Output” on page 192](#) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|             |                           |
|-------------|---------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">Sym Procs</a> |
|-------------|---------------------------|

Display name for symmetric matrix objects.

Attaches a display name to a symmetric matrix object which may be used to label output in place of the standard matrix object name.

**Syntax**

`matrix_name.displayname display_name`

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain a variety of characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in matrix object names.

**Examples**

```
s1.displayname Hours Worked
s1.label
```

The first line attaches a display name “Hours Worked” to the symmetric matrix object S1, and the second line displays the label view of S1, including its display name.

**Cross-references**

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names.

See also [Sym::label \(p. 640\)](#).

|       |                           |
|-------|---------------------------|
| eigen | <a href="#">Sym Views</a> |
|-------|---------------------------|

Eigenvalues calculation for a symmetric matrix.

### Syntax

There are two forms of the `eigen` command.

The first form, which applies when displaying eigenvalue table output or graphs of the ordered eigenvalues, has only options and no command argument.

`sym_name.eigen(options)`

The second form, which applies to the graphs of component loadings (specified with the option “out = loadings”) uses an optional argument to determine which components to plot. In this form:

`sym_name.eigen(options) [graph_list]`

where the *graph\_list* is an optional list of integers and/or vectors containing integers identifying the components to plot. Multiple pairs are handled using the method specified in the “mult = ” option.

If the list of component indices omitted, EViews will plot only first and second components. Note that the order of elements in the list matters; reversing the order of two indices reverses the axis on which each component is displayed.

## Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>out = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = "table") | <p>Output: table of eigenvalue and eigenvector results ("out = table"), graphs of ordered eigenvalues ("graph"), graph of the eigenvectors ("loadings").</p> <p>Note: when specifying the eigenvalue graph ("out = graph"), the option keywords "scree" (scree graph), "diff" (difference in successive eigenvalues), and "cproport" (cumulative proportion of total variance) may be included to control the output. By default, EViews will display the scree graph.</p> <p>If you specify one or more of the keywords, EViews will construct the graph using only the specified types (<i>i.e.</i>, if you specify "cproport", a scree plot will not be provided unless requested).</p> |
| <code>n = integer</code>                              | <p>Maximum number of components to retain when presenting table ("out = table") or eigenvalue graph ("out = graph") results.</p> <p>The default is to set <i>n</i> to the number of variables.</p> <p>EViews will retain the minimum number satisfying any of: "n = ", "mineig = " or "cproport = ".</p>   |
| <code>mineig = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0)    | <p>Minimum eigenvalue threshold value: we retain components with eigenvalues that are greater than or equal to the threshold.</p> <p>EViews will retain the minimum number satisfying any of: "n = ", "mineig = " or "cproport = ".</p>  |
| <code>cproport = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 1)  | <p>Cumulative proportion threshold value: we retain <i>k</i>, the number of components required for the sum of the first <i>k</i> eigenvalues exceeds the specified value for the cumulative variance explained proportion.</p> <p>EViews will retain the minimum number satisfying any of: "n = ", "mineig = " or "cproport = ".</p>  |
| <code>eigval = vec_name</code>                        | Specify name of vector to hold the saved the eigenvalues in workfile.  |
| <code>eigvec = mat_name</code>                        | Specify name of matrix to hold the save the eigenvectors in workfile.  |
| <code>prompt</code>                                   | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>  | Print results.   |

### Graph Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>scale = arg,</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “normload”) | Diagonal matrix scaling of the loadings: normalize loadings (“normload”), normalize scores (“normscores”), symmetric weighting (“symmetric”), user-specified power ( <i>arg = number</i> ). |
| <code>mult = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “first”)      | Multiple series handling: plot first against remainder (“first”), plot as x-y pairs (“pair”), lower-triangular plot (“lt”).   |
| <code>nocenter</code>                                       | Do not center graphs around the origin.   |

### Examples

```
sym s1 = @cov(g1)
freeze(tab1) s1.eigen(method=cor, eigval=v1, eigvec=m1)
```

The first line creates a group named G1 containing the four series X1, X2, X3, X4. The second line computes the correlation matrix S1 from the series in G1. The final line stores the table view of the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of S1 in a table object named TAB1, the eigenvalues in a vector named V1, and the eigenvectors in a matrix named M1.

### Cross-references

See [“Principal Components” on page 504](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of principal components analysis on a group of series, which describes a superset of the tools for eigenvalue calculations offered by the sym matrix.

|             |                           |
|-------------|---------------------------|
| <b>fill</b> | <a href="#">Sym Procs</a> |
|-------------|---------------------------|

Fill a symmetric matrix object with specified values.

### Syntax

```
matrix_name.fill(options) n1[, n2, n3 ...]
```

Follow the keyword with a list of values to place in the specified object. *Each value should be separated by a comma.*

Running out of values before the object is completely filled is not an error; the remaining cells or observations will be unaffected, unless the “1” option is specified. If, however, you list more values than the object can hold, EViews will not modify any observations and will return an error message.

Options

|                              |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| l                            | Loop repeatedly over the list of values as many times as it takes to fill the object. |
| o = integer<br>(default = 1) | Fill the object from the specified element. Default is the first element.             |

Examples

The commands,

```
sym(2) m1
m1.fill 0, 1, 2
```

create the symmetric matrix:

$$m1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(1.3)

Cross-references

See [Chapter 11. “Matrix Language,” on page 239](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference* for a detailed discussion of vector and matrix manipulation in EViews.

|       |                                       |
|-------|---------------------------------------|
| label | <a href="#">Sym Views   Sym Procs</a> |
|-------|---------------------------------------|

Display or change the label view of the symmetric matrix object, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

As a procedure, `label` changes the fields in the symmetric matrix object label.

Syntax

```
sym_name.label
sym_name.label(options) [text]
```

Options

The first version of the command displays the label view of the symmetric matrix. The second version may be used to modify the label. Specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.        |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> . |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .      |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .       |

|   |   |
|---|---|
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

## Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of SYM1 with “Data from CPS 1988 March File”:

```
sym1.label(r)
sym1.label(r) Data from CPS 1988 March File
```

To append additional remarks to SYM1, and then to print the label view:

```
sym1.label(r) Log of hourly wage
sym1.label(p)
```

To clear and then set the units field, use:

```
sym1.label(u) Millions of bushels
```

## Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.

See also [Sym::displayname](#) (p. 636).

|         |                           |
|---------|---------------------------|
| olepush | <a href="#">Sym Procs</a> |
|---------|---------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

## Syntax

```
sym_name.olepush
```

## Cross-references

See [“Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)” on page 729](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|      |                           |
|------|---------------------------|
| read | <a href="#">Sym Procs</a> |
|------|---------------------------|

Import data from a foreign disk file into a symmetric matrix.

May be used to import data into an existing workfile from a text, Excel, or Lotus file on disk.

## Syntax

```
matrix_name.read(options) [path\]file_name
```

You must supply the name of the source file. If you do not include the optional path specification, EViews will look for the file in the default directory. Path specifications may point to local or network drives. If the path specification contains a space, you may enclose the entire expression in double quotation marks.

Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
|--------|---|

*File type options*

|              |                           |
|--------------|---------------------------|
| t = dat, txt | ASCII (plain text) files. |
| t = wk1, wk3 | Lotus spreadsheet files.  |
| t = xls      | Excel spreadsheet files.  |

If you do not specify the “t” option, EViews uses the file name extension to determine the file type. If you specify the “t” option, the file name extension will not be used to determine the file type.

*Options for ASCII text files*

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| t                       | Read data organized by column (transposed). Default is to read by row.  |
| na = text               | Specify text for NAs. Default is “NA”.  |
| d = t                   | Treat tab as delimiter (note: you may specify multiple delimiter options). The <i>default</i> is “d = c” only.                                  |
| d = c                   | Treat comma as delimiter.   |
| d = s                   | Treat space as delimiter.   |
| d = a                   | Treat alpha numeric characters as delimiter.  |
| custom = symbol         | Specify symbol/character to treat as delimiter.   |
| mult                    | Treat multiple delimiters as one.   |
| rect (default) / norect | [Treat / Do not treat] file layout as rectangular.  |
| skipcol = integer       | Number of columns to skip. Must be used with the “rect” option.   |
| skiprow = integer       | Number of rows to skip. Must be used with the “rect” option.  |
| comment = symbol        | Specify character/symbol to treat as comment sign. Everything to the right of the comment sign is ignored. Must be used with the “rect” option. |

|                          |  |
|--------------------------|--|
| <code>singlequote</code> | Strings are in single quotes, not double quotes.   |
| <code>dropstrings</code> | Do not treat strings as NA; simply drop them.  |
| <code>negparen</code>    | Treat numbers in parentheses as negative numbers.  |
| <code>allowcomma</code>  | Allow commas in numbers (note that using commas as a delimiter takes precedence over this option). |

#### *Options for spreadsheet (Lotus, Excel) files*

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>t</code>                                 | Read data organized by column (transposed). Default is to read by row. |
| <code>letter_number</code><br>(default = "b2") | Coordinate of the upper-left cell containing data.                     |
| <code>s = sheet_name</code>                    | Sheet name for Excel 5–8 Workbooks.                                    |

### Examples

```
m1.read(t=dat,na=.) a:\mydat.raw
```

reads data into matrix M1 from an ASCII file MYDAT.RAW in the A: drive. The data in the file are listed by row, and the missing value NA is coded as a "." (dot or period).

```
m1.read(t,a2,s=sheet3) cps88.xls
```

reads data into matrix M1 from an Excel file CPS88 in the default directory. The data are organized by column (transposed), the upper left data cell is A2, and the data is read from a sheet named SHEET3.

```
m2.read(a2, s=sheet2) "\\network\dr 1\cps91.xls"
```

reads the Excel file CPS91 into matrix M2 from the network drive specified in the path.

### Cross-references

See [“Importing Data” on page 129](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion and examples of importing data from external files.

See also [Sym::write](#) (p. 649).

|                |                           |
|----------------|---------------------------|
| <b>setattr</b> | <a href="#">Sym Procs</a> |
|----------------|---------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

### Syntax

```
sym_name.setattr(attr) attr_value
```



Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the `@attr` data member.

Examples

```
a.setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

Cross-references

See [“Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View” on page 103](#) and [“Adding Your Own Label Attributes” on page 65 of \*User’s Guide I\*](#).

|           |                           |
|-----------|---------------------------|
| setformat | <a href="#">Sym Procs</a> |
|-----------|---------------------------|

Set the display format for cells in a symmetric matrix object spreadsheet view.

Syntax

```
matrix_name.setformat format_arg
```

where *format\_arg* is a set of arguments used to specify format settings. If necessary, you should enclose the *format\_arg* in double quotes.

For symmetric matrices, `setformat` operates on all of the cells in the matrix.

To format numeric values, you should use one of the following format specifications:

|                      |                      |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| <i>g[.precision]</i> | significant digits   |
| <i>f[.precision]</i> | fixed decimal places |
| <i>c[.precision]</i> | fixed characters     |
| <i>e[.precision]</i> | scientific/float     |
| <i>p[.precision]</i> | percentage           |
| <i>r[.precision]</i> | fraction             |

To specify a format that groups digits into thousands using a comma separator, place a “t” after the format character. For example, to obtain a fixed number of decimal places with commas used to separate thousands, use “ft[.precision]”.

To use the period character to separate thousands and commas to denote decimal places, use “..” (two periods) when specifying the precision. For example, to obtain a fixed number of characters with a period used to separate thousands, use “ct[.precision]”.

If you wish to display negative numbers surrounded by parentheses (*i.e.*, display the number -37.2 as “(37.2)”), you should enclose the format string in “()” (*e.g.*, “f(.8)”).

Examples

To set the format for all cells in the symmetric matrix to fixed 5-digit precision, simply provide the format specification:

```
m1.setformat f.5
```

Other format specifications include:

```
m1.setformat f(.7)
m1.setformat e.5
```

Cross-references

See [Sym::setWidth \(p. 646\)](#), [Sym::setindent \(p. 645\)](#) and [Sym::setjust \(p. 646\)](#) for details on setting spreadsheet widths, indentation and justification.

|           |                           |
|-----------|---------------------------|
| setindent | <a href="#">Sym Procs</a> |
|-----------|---------------------------|

Set the display indentation for cells in a symmetric matrix object spreadsheet view.

Syntax

```
matrix_name.setindent indent_arg
```

where *indent\_arg* is an indent value specified in 1/5 of a width unit. The width unit is computed from representative characters in the default font for the current spreadsheet (the EViews spreadsheet default font at the time the spreadsheet was created), and corresponds roughly to a single character. Indentation is only relevant for non-center justified cells.

The default indentation settings are taken from the Global Defaults for spreadsheet views (“[Spreadsheet Data Display](#)” on page 768 of *User’s Guide I*) at the time the spreadsheet was created.

For symmetric matrices, `setindent` operates on all of the cells in the matrix.

Examples

To set the indentation for all the cells in a symmetric matrix object:

```
m1.setindent 2
```

Cross-references

See [Sym::setWidth \(p. 646\)](#) and [Sym::setjust \(p. 646\)](#) for details on setting spreadsheet widths and justification.

|         |                           |
|---------|---------------------------|
| setjust | <a href="#">Sym Procs</a> |
|---------|---------------------------|

Set the display justification for cells in a symmetric matrix object spreadsheet view.

**Syntax**

```
matrix_name.setjust format_arg
```

where *format\_arg* is a set of arguments used to specify format settings. You should enclose the *format\_arg* in double quotes if it contains any spaces or delimiters.

For symmetric matrices, `setjust` operates on all of the cells in the matrix.

The *format\_arg* may be formed using the following:

|                                   |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| top / middle /<br>bottom]         | Vertical justification setting.  |
| auto / left / cen-<br>ter / right | Horizontal justification setting. “Auto” uses left justification for strings, and right for numbers. |

You may enter one or both of the justification settings. The default justification settings are taken from the Global Defaults for spreadsheet views (“[Spreadsheet Data Display](#)” on [page 768](#) of *User’s Guide I*) at the time the spreadsheet was created.

**Examples**

```
m1.setjust middle
```

sets the vertical justification to the middle.

```
m1.setjust top left
```

sets the vertical justification to top and the horizontal justification to left.

**Cross-references**

See [Sym::setWidth](#) (p. 646) and [Sym::setindent](#) (p. 645) for details on setting spreadsheet widths and indentation.

|          |                           |
|----------|---------------------------|
| setWidth | <a href="#">Sym Procs</a> |
|----------|---------------------------|

Set the column width for all columns in a symmetric matrix object spreadsheet.

**Syntax**

```
matrix_name.setWidth width_arg
```

where *width\_arg* specifies the width unit value. The width unit is computed from representative characters in the default font for the current spreadsheet (the EViews spreadsheet default font at the time the spreadsheet was created), and corresponds roughly to a single character. *width\_arg* values may be non-integer values with resolution up to 1/10 of a width unit.

### Examples

```
mat1.setwidth 12
```

sets the width of all columns in symmetric matrix MAT1 to 12 width units.

### Cross-references

See [Sym::setindent](#) (p. 645) and [Sym::setjust](#) (p. 646) for details on setting spreadsheet indentation and justification.

|       |                           |
|-------|---------------------------|
| sheet | <a href="#">Sym Views</a> |
|-------|---------------------------|

Spreadsheet view of a symmetric matrix object.

### Syntax

```
matrix_name.sheet(options)
```

### Options

p                      Print the spreadsheet view.

### Examples

```
m1.sheet(p)
```

displays and prints the spreadsheet view of symmetric matrix M1.

|       |                           |
|-------|---------------------------|
| stats | <a href="#">Sym Views</a> |
|-------|---------------------------|

Descriptive statistics.

Computes and displays a table of means, medians, maximum and minimum values, standard deviations, and other descriptive statistics of each column in the symmetric matrix.

### Syntax

```
matrix_name.stats(options)
```

### Options

p                      Print the stats table.

### Examples

```
mat1.stats
```

displays the descriptive statistics view of symmetric matrix MAT1.

### Cross-references

See [“Descriptive Statistics & Tests” on page 358](#) and [“Descriptive Statistics” on page 486](#) of the *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of the descriptive statistics views.

|     |                                 |
|-----|---------------------------------|
| sym | <a href="#">Sym Declaration</a> |
|-----|---------------------------------|

Declare a symmetric matrix object.

The `sym` command declares and optionally initializes a matrix object.

### Syntax

```
sym(n) sym_name[ = assignment]
```

`sym` takes an optional argument *n* specifying the row and column dimension of the matrix and is followed by the name you wish to give the matrix.

You may also include an assignment in the `sym` command. The `sym` will be resized, if necessary. Once declared, symmetric matrices may be resized by repeating the `sym` command for a given matrix name.

### Examples

```
sym mom
```

declares a symmetric matrix named MOM with one zero element.

```
sym y=@inner(x)
```

declares a symmetric matrix Y and assigns to it the inner product of the matrix X.

### Cross-references

See [“Matrix Language” on page 239](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference* for a discussion of matrix objects in EViews.

See also [Matrix::matrix \(p. 354\)](#).

|       |                           |
|-------|---------------------------|
| write | <a href="#">Sym Procs</a> |
|-------|---------------------------|

Write EViews data to a text (ASCII), Excel, or Lotus file on disk.

Creates a foreign format disk file containing EViews data. May be used to export EViews data to another program.

### Syntax

`matrix_name.write(options) [path\filename]`

Follow the name of the matrix object by a period, the keyword, and the name for the output file. The optional path name may be on the local machine, or may point to a network drive. If the path name contains spaces, enclose the entire expression in double quotation marks. The entire matrix will be exported.

Note that EViews cannot, at present, write into an existing file. The file that you select will, if it exists, be replaced.

### Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
|--------|---|

Other options are used to specify the format of the output file.

#### *File type*

|              |                           |
|--------------|---------------------------|
| t = dat, txt | ASCII (plain text) files. |
| t = wk1, wk3 | Lotus spreadsheet files.  |
| t = xls      | Excel spreadsheet files.  |

If you omit the “*t* = ” option, EViews will determine the type based on the file extension. Unrecognized extensions will be treated as ASCII files. For Lotus and Excel spreadsheet files specified without the “*t* = ” option, EViews will automatically append the appropriate extension if it is not otherwise specified.

#### *ASCII text files*

|                    |   |
|--------------------|---|
| na = <i>string</i> | Specify text string for NAs. Default is “NA”.                         |
| d = <i>arg</i>     | Specify delimiter ( <i>default</i> is tab): “s” (space), “c” (comma). |
| t                  | Write by column (transpose the data). Default is to write by row.     |

*Spreadsheet (Lotus, Excel) files*

|                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| <i>letter_number</i> | Coordinate of the upper-left cell containing data.                |
| <i>t</i>             | Write by column (transpose the data). Default is to write by row. |

**Examples**

```
m1.write(t=txt,na=.) a:\dat1.csv
```

writes the symmetric matrix M1 into an ASCII file named DAT1.CSV on the A: drive. NAs are coded as “.” (dot).

```
m1.write(t=txt,na=.) dat1.csv
```

writes the same file in the default directory.

```
m1.write(t=xls) "\\network\drive a\results"
```

saves the contents of M1 in an Excel file “Results.xls” in the specified directory.

**Cross-references**

See [“Exporting to a Spreadsheet or Text File” on page 144](#) of the *User’s Guide I* for a discussion.

See also [Sym::read \(p. 641\)](#).

## System

System of equations for estimation.

### System Declaration

**system** .....declare system object (p. 682).

Declare a system object by entering the keyword `system`, followed by a name:

```
system mysys
```

To fill a system, open the system and edit the specification view, or use `append`. Note that systems are not used for simulation. See “[Model](#)” (p. 370).

### System Methods

**3sls** .....three-stage least squares (p. 654).

**arch** .....estimate generalized autoregressive conditional heteroskedasticity (GARCH) models (p. 656).

**fiml** .....full information maximum likelihood (p. 665).

**gmm** .....generalized method of moments (p. 667).

**ls** .....ordinary least squares (p. 671).

**sur** .....seemingly unrelated regression (p. 680).

**tsls** .....two-stage least squares (p. 682).

**wls** .....weighted least squares (p. 685).

**wtsls** .....weighted two-stage least squares (p. 686).

### System Views

**cellipse** .....confidence ellipses for coefficient restrictions (p. 660).

**coefcov** .....coefficient covariance matrix (p. 661).

**correl** .....display graphs or tables of residual autocorrelations and cross-correlations (p. 661).

**derivs** .....derivatives of the system equations (p. 662).

**display** .....display table, graph, or spool in object window (p. 663).

**endog** .....table or graph of endogenous variables (p. 664).

**garch** .....conditional variance/covariance of (G)ARCH estimation (p. 666).

**grads** .....examine the gradients of the objective function (p. 668).

**jbera** .....multivariate residual normality test (p. 669).

**label** .....label information for the system object (p. 670).

**output** .....table of estimation results (p. 676).

**qstats** .....multivariate residual autocorrelation Portmanteau tests (p. 677).

**residcor** .....residual correlation matrix (p. 677).

**residcov** .....residual covariance matrix (p. 678).



**resids** ..... residual graphs (p. 678).  
**results** ..... table of estimation results (p. 679).  
**spec** ..... text representation of system specification (p. 680).  
**wald** ..... Wald coefficient restriction test (p. 684).

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**append** ..... add a line of text to the system specification (p. 655).  
**displayname** ..... set display name (p. 664).  
**makeendog** ..... make group of endogenous series (p. 672).  
**makegarch** ..... generate conditional variance series (p. 673).  
**makeloglike** ..... create and save log likelihood contribution from system (ARCH estimation) (p. 674).  
**makemodel** ..... create a model from the estimated system (p. 674).  
**makeresids** ..... make series containing residuals from system (p. 675).  
**olepush** ..... push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 676).  
**setattr** ..... set the value of an object attribute (p. 679).  
**updatecoefs** ..... update coefficient vector(s) from system (p. 683).

## System Data Members

### *Scalar Values (individual equation data)*

**@coefcov(i, j)** ..... covariance of coefficients  $i$  and  $j$ .  
**@coefs(i)** ..... coefficient  $i$ .  
**@dw(k)** ..... Durbin-Watson statistic for equation  $k$ .  
**@eqncoef(k)** ..... number of estimated coefficients in equation  $k$ .  
**@eqregobs(k)** ..... number of observations in equation  $k$ .  
**@meandep(k)** ..... mean of the dependent variable in equation  $k$ .  
**@r2(k)** ..... R-squared statistic for equation  $k$ .  
**@rbar2(k)** ..... adjusted R-squared statistic for equation  $k$ .  
**@sddep(k)** ..... standard deviation of dependent variable in equation  $k$ .  
**@se(k)** ..... standard error of the regression in equation  $k$ .  
**@ssr(k)** ..... sum of squared residuals in equation  $k$ .  
**@stderrs(i)** ..... standard error for coefficient  $i$ .  
**@tstats(i)** .....  $t$ -statistic or  $z$ -statistic for coefficient  $i$ .  
**c(i)** .....  $i$ -th element of default coefficient vector for system (if applicable).

### *Scalar Values (system level data)*

**@aic** ..... Akaike information criterion for the system (if applicable).  
**@detresid** ..... determinant of the residual covariance matrix.  
**@hq** ..... Hannan-Quinn information criterion for the system (if applicable).

**@jstat** ..... *J*-statistic — value of the GMM objective function (for GMM estimation).

**@linecount** ..... scalar containing the number of lines in the System object.

**@logl** ..... value of the log likelihood function for the system (if applicable).

**@ncoefs** ..... total number of estimated coefficients in system.

**@neqn** ..... number of equations.

**@regobs** ..... number of observations in the sample range used for estimation (“@regobs” will differ from “@eqregobs” if the unbalanced sample is non-overlapping).

**@schwarz** ..... Schwarz information criterion for the system (if applicable).

**@totalobs** ..... sum of “@eqregobs” from each equation.

### Vectors and Matrices

**@coefcov** ..... covariance matrix for coefficients of equation.

**@coefs** ..... coefficient vector.

**@residcov** ..... (sym) covariance matrix of the residuals.

**@stderrs** ..... vector of standard errors for coefficients.

**@tstats** ..... vector of *t*-statistic or *z*-statistic values for coefficients.

### String values

**@attr(“arg”)** ..... string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.

**@command** ..... full command line form of the estimation command. Note this is a combination of @method and @options.

**@description** ..... string containing the System object’s description (if available).

**@detailedtype** ..... returns a string with the object type: “SYSTEM”.

**@displayname** ..... returns the System’s display name. If the System has no display name set, the name is returned.

**@line(i)** ..... returns a string containing the *i*-th line of the System object.

**@method** ..... command line form of estimation method type (“ARCH”, “LS”, *etc.*...).

**@name** ..... returns the System’s name.

**@options** ..... command line form of estimation options.

**@smpl** ..... sample used for estimation.

**@svector** ..... returns an Svector where each element is a line of the System object.

**@svectornb** ..... same as @svector, with blank lines removed.

**@type** ..... returns a string with the object type: “SYSTEM”.

**@units** ..... string containing the System object’s units description (if available).

`@updatetime.....` returns a string representation of the time and date at which the System was last updated.

System Examples

To estimate a system using GMM and to create residual series for the estimated system:

```
sys1.gmm(i,m=7,c=.01,b=v)
sys1.makeresids consres increas saveres
```

To test coefficients using a Wald test:

```
sys1.wald c(1)=c(4)
```

To save the coefficient covariance matrix:

```
sym covs=sys1.@coefcov
```

System Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the “System” object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|      |                                |
|------|--------------------------------|
| 3sls | <a href="#">System Methods</a> |
|------|--------------------------------|

Estimate a system of equations by three-stage least squares.

Syntax

```
system_name.3sls(options)
```

Options

|                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| i                    | Iterate simultaneously over the weighting matrix and coefficient vector.                        |
| s                    | Iterate sequentially over the weighting matrix and coefficient vector.                          |
| o ( <i>default</i> ) | Iterate the coefficient vector to convergence following one-iteration of the weighting matrix.  |
| c                    | One step (iteration) of the coefficient vector following one-iteration of the weighting matrix. |
| m = <i>integer</i>   | Maximum number of iterations.   |

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>c = number</code>                           | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2.   |
| <code>l = number</code>                           | Set maximum number of iterations on the first-stage coefficient estimation to get the one-step weighting matrix.   |
| <code>showopts /</code><br><code>-showopts</code> | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.   |
| <code>deriv = keyword</code>                      | Set derivative methods. The argument <i>keyword</i> should be a one- or two-letter string. The first letter should either be “f” or “a” corresponding to fast or accurate numeric derivatives (if used). The second letter should be either “n” (always use numeric) or “a” (use analytic if possible). If omitted, EViews will use the global defaults. |
| <code>prompt</code>                               | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>                                    | Print estimation results.  |

Examples

```
sys1.3sls(i)
```

Estimates SYS1 by the 3SLS method, iterating simultaneously on the weighting matrix and the coefficient vector.

```
nlsys.3sls(showopts,m=500)
```

Estimates NLSYS by 3SLS with up to 500 iterations. The “showopts” option displays the starting values and other estimation options.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 17. “System Estimation,” on page 513](#) of *User’s Guide II* for discussion of system estimation.

|        |                              |
|--------|------------------------------|
| append | <a href="#">System Procs</a> |
|--------|------------------------------|

Append a specification line to a system.

Syntax

```
system_name.append text
```

Type the text to be added after the `append` keyword.

Examples

```
system macro1
```

```
macro1.append cons=c(1)+c(2)*gdp+c(3)*cons(-1)
macro1.append inv=c(4)+c(5)*tb3+c(6)*d(gdp)
macro1.append gdp=cons+inv+gov
macro1.append inst tb3 gov cons(-1) gdp(-1)
macro1.gmm
show macro1.results
```

The first line declares a system. The next three lines append the specification of each endogenous variable in the system. The fifth line appends the list of instruments to be used in estimation. The last two lines estimate the model by GMM and display the estimation results.

Cross-references

For details, see [“How to Create and Specify a System” on page 516](#) of *User’s Guide II*.

|      |                                |
|------|--------------------------------|
| arch | <a href="#">System Methods</a> |
|------|--------------------------------|

Estimate generalized autoregressive conditional heteroskedasticity (GARCH) models.

Syntax

For a Diagonal Vech model:

```
system_name.arch(options) @diagvech c(arg) [arch(n, arg)] [tarch(n, arg)]
[arch(n, arg)] [exog(series, arg)]
```

Indicate a Diagonal Vech model by using the **@diagvech** keyword. Follow the keyword with the constant term, **c**, and other optional terms to include in the variance equation: **arch**, **garch**, **tarch**, or **exog** (exogenous variable).

*n* indicates the order of the term, and *arg* indicates the type of coefficient for the term. For the exogenous variable, *series* indicates a series name.

Diagonal Vech Argument Options

|                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| <b>c</b> (arg)                 | where <i>arg</i> may be “scalar”, “diag” (diagonal), “rank1” (rank one), “fullrank”, “indef” (indefinite - default), or “vt” (variance target).                       |
| <b>arch</b> ( <i>n</i> , arg)  | where <i>n</i> indicates the order of the term, and <i>arg</i> may be “scalar”, “diag” (diagonal), “rank1” (rank one), “fullrank”, or “indef” (indefinite - default). |
| <b>garch</b> ( <i>n</i> , arg) | where <i>n</i> indicates the order of the term, and <i>arg</i> may be “scalar”, “diag” (diagonal), “rank1” (rank one), “fullrank”, or “indef” (indefinite - default). |

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <b>tarch</b> ( <i>n</i> , <i>arg</i> )     | where <i>n</i> indicates the order of the term, and <i>arg</i> may be “scalar”, “diag” (diagonal), “rank1” (rank one), “fullrank”, or “indef” (indefinite - default). |
| <b>exog</b> ( <i>series</i> , <i>arg</i> ) | where <i>series</i> indicates a series name, and <i>arg</i> may be “scalar”, “diag” (diagonal), “rank1” (rank one), “fullrank”, or “indef” (indefinite - default).    |

For example, “c(indef)” instructs EViews to use an indefinite matrix for the constant term, while “ARCH(1, fullrank)” includes a first order ARCH with a full rank matrix coefficient type.

*For a Constant Conditional Correlation model:*

```
system_name.arch(options) @ccc c(arg) [arch(n[, arg])] [tarch(n[, arg])] [garch(n[, arg])] [exog(series, arg)]
```

Indicate a Constant Conditional Correlation model by using the **@ccc** keyword. Follow the keyword with the constant term, **c**, and other optional terms to include in the variance equation: **arch**, **garch**, **tarch**, or **exog** (exogenous variable).

*n* indicates the order of the term, and *arg* indicates the type of coefficient for the term. For the exogenous variable, *series* indicates a series name.

*Constant Conditional Correlation Argument Options*

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <b>c</b> ( <i>arg</i> )                    | where <i>arg</i> may be “scalar” (default) or “vt” (variance target).  |
| <b>arch</b> ( <i>n</i> [, <i>arg</i> ])    | where <i>n</i> indicates the order of the term, and the optional <i>arg</i> may be “scalar” (default).         |
| <b>garch</b> ( <i>n</i> [, <i>arg</i> ])   | where <i>n</i> indicates the order of the term, and the optional <i>arg</i> may be “scalar” (default).         |
| <b>tarch</b> ( <i>n</i> [, <i>arg</i> ])   | where <i>n</i> indicates the order of the term, and the optional <i>arg</i> may be “scalar” (default).         |
| <b>exog</b> ( <i>series</i> , <i>arg</i> ) | where <i>series</i> indicates a series name, and <i>arg</i> may be “indiv” (individual - default) or “common”. |

*For a Diagonal BEKK model:*

```
system_name.arch(options) @diagbekk c(arg) [arch(n[, arg])] [tarch(n[, arg])] [garch(n[, arg])] [exog(series, arg)]
```

Indicate a Diagonal BEKK model by using the **@diagbekk** keyword. Follow the keyword with the constant term, **c**, and other optional terms to include in the variance equation: **arch**, **garch**, **tarch**, or **exog** (exogenous variable).

*n* indicates the order of the term, and *arg* indicates the type of coefficient for the term. For the exogenous variable, *series* indicates a series name.

*Diagonal BEKK Argument Options*

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <b>c</b> ( <i>arg</i> )                    | where <i>arg</i> may be “scalar”, “diag” (diagonal), “rank1” (rank one), “fullrank”, “indef” (indefinite - default), or “vt” (variance target).                    |
| <b>arch</b> ( <i>n</i> [, <i>arg</i> ])    | where <i>n</i> indicates the order of the term, and the optional <i>arg</i> may be “diag” (diagonal - default).  |
| <b>garch</b> ( <i>n</i> [, <i>arg</i> ])   | where <i>n</i> indicates the order of the term, and the optional <i>arg</i> may be “diag” (diagonal - default).  |
| <b>tarch</b> ( <i>n</i> [, <i>arg</i> ])   | where <i>n</i> indicates the order of the term, and the optional <i>arg</i> may be “diag” (diagonal - default).  |
| <b>exog</b> ( <i>series</i> , <i>arg</i> ) | where <i>series</i> indicates a series name, and <i>arg</i> may be “scalar”, “diag” (diagonal), “rank1” (rank one), “fullrank”, or “indef” (indefinite - default). |

**Options***General Options*

|                                    |   |
|------------------------------------|---|
| <b>tdist</b>                       | Estimate the model assuming that the residuals follow a conditional Student’s <i>t</i> -distribution (the default is the conditional normal distribution).  |
| <b>h</b>                           | Bollerslev-Wooldridge robust standard errors.   |
| <b>b</b>                           | Use Berndt-Hall-Hall-Hausman (BHHH) as maximization algorithm. The default is Marquardt.  |
| <b>m</b> = <i>integer</i>          | Set maximum number of iterations.   |
| <b>c</b> = <i>scalar</i>           | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients.  |
| <b>s</b>                           | Use the current coefficient values in “C” as starting values (see also <a href="#">param (p. 413)</a> of the <i>Command and Programming Reference</i> ).  |
| <b>showopts</b> / <b>-showopts</b> | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.  |
| <b>deriv</b> = <i>keyword</i>      | Set derivative method. The argument <i>keyword</i> should be a one or two-letter string. The first letter should be either “f” (fast numeric derivatives) or “a” (accurate numeric derivatives), if used. The second letter should be either “n” (always use numeric) or “a” (use analytic if possible). If omitted, EViews will use the global defaults. |

|                           |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| <code>coef = arg</code>   | Specify the name of the coefficient vector of a system's variance component; the default behavior is to use the "C" coefficient vector.  |
| <code>backcast = n</code> | Backcast weight to calculate value used as the presample conditional variance. Weight needs to be greater than 0 and less than or equal to 1; the default value is 0.7. Note that a weight of 1 is equivalent to no backcasting, i.e. using the unconditional residual variance as the presample conditional variance. |
| <code>prompt</code>       | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>            | Print estimation results.  |

## Examples

```
system sys01
sys01.append dlog(jy)=c(1)
sys01.append dlog(bp)=c(2)
sys01.arch @diagvech c(indef) arch(1,indef) garch(1,rank1)
```

creates a system SYS01, appends two equations, and estimates the system using maximum likelihood with ARCH. A Diagonal Vech model is used with the constant and order 1 ARCH coefficient matrix indefinite and order 1 GARCH coefficient rank 1 matrix.

```
sys01.arch @diagbekk c(fullrank) arch(1) garch(1)
```

estimates SYS01 using a Diagonal BEKK model of order (1,1), with constant coefficient a full rank matrix.

```
sys01.arch(backcast=1) @ccc c arch(1) garch(1) exog(x1,indiv)
exog(x2,common)
```

estimates a CCC model, with each variance equation GARCH(1,1) and two exogenous variables X1 and X2. The influence of X1 on each variance equation can be varying, while X2's coefficient is the same across all variance equations. Presample uses the unconditional variance since the backcast parameter is set to one.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 7. "ARCH and GARCH Estimation," on page 207](#) of *User's Guide II* for a discussion of ARCH models. See also [System::makegarch \(p. 673\)](#) and [Equation::arch \(p. 39\)](#).



|          |                              |
|----------|------------------------------|
| cellipse | <a href="#">System Views</a> |
|----------|------------------------------|

Confidence ellipses for coefficient restrictions.

The `cellipse` view displays confidence ellipses for pairs of coefficient restrictions for an estimation object.

Syntax

`system_name.cellipse(options) restrictions`

Enter the object name, followed by a period, and the keyword `cellipse`. This should be followed by a list of the coefficient restrictions. Joint (multiple) coefficient restrictions should be separated by commas.

Options

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>ind = arg</code>                         | Specifies whether and how to draw the individual coefficient intervals. The default is “ind = line” which plots the individual coefficient intervals as dashed lines. “ind = none” does not plot the individual intervals, while “ind = shade” plots the individual intervals as a shaded rectangle.  |
| <code>size = number</code><br>(default = 0.95) | Set the size (level) of the confidence ellipse. You may specify more than one size by specifying a space separated list enclosed in double quotes.  |
| <code>dist = arg</code>                        | Select the distribution to use for the critical value associated with the ellipse size. The default depends on estimation object and method. If the parameter estimates are least-squares based, the $F(2, n - 2)$ distribution is used; if the parameter estimates are likelihood based, the $\chi^2(2)$ distribution will be employed. “dist = f” forces use of the $F$ -distribution, while “dist = c” uses the $\chi^2$ distribution. |
| <code>prompt</code>                            | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>                                 | Print the graph.  |

Examples

The two commands:

```
sys1.cellipse c(1), c(2), c(3)
sys1.cellipse c(1)=0, c(2)=0, c(3)=0
```

both display a graph showing the 0.95-confidence ellipse for C(1) and C(2), C(1) and C(3), and C(2) and C(3).

```
sys1.cellipse(dist=c,size="0.9 0.7 0.5") c(1), c(2)
```

displays multiple confidence ellipses (contours) for C(1) and C(2).

Cross-references

See [“Confidence Intervals and Confidence Ellipses” on page 140](#) of *User’s Guide II* for discussion.

See also [System::wald](#) (p. 684).

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| coefcov | <a href="#">System Views</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Coefficient covariance matrix.

Displays the covariances of the coefficient estimates for an estimated system.

Syntax

```
system_name.coefcov(options)
```

Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| p | Print the coefficient covariance matrix. |
|---|--|

Examples

```
sys1.coefcov
```

displays the coefficient covariance matrix for system SYS1 in a window. To store the coefficient covariance matrix as a sym object, use “@coefcov”:

```
sym eqcov = sys1.@coefcov
```

Cross-references

See also [Coef::coef](#) (p. 18) and [System::spec](#) (p. 680).

|        |                              |
|--------|------------------------------|
| correl | <a href="#">System Views</a> |
|--------|------------------------------|

Display graphs or tables of residual autocorrelations and cross-correlations.

Displays the auto and cross-correlation functions of the estimated system residuals.

Syntax

```
system_name.correl(n, options)
```

You must specify the largest lag *n* to use in the computations. The default is to display a graphical view of the auto and cross-correlations.

Options

|                          |   |
|--------------------------|---|
| graph ( <i>default</i> ) | Display correlograms (graphs).  |
| bylag                    | Display table of results grouped by lag.  |
| bser                     | Display table of results grouped by series.   |
| factor = chol            | Factorization by the inverse of the Cholesky factor of the residual covariance matrix (if estimated by ARCH).                 |
| factor = cor             | Factorization by the inverse square root of the residual correlation matrix (if estimated by ARCH; Doornik and Hansen, 1994). |
| factor = cov             | Factorization by the inverse square root of the residual covariance matrix (if estimated by ARCH; Urzua, 1997).               |
| name = <i>arg</i>        | Save matrix of results.   |
| prompt                   | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| p                        | Print the correlograms.   |

Examples

```
sys.correl(24)
```

Displays the correlograms of the SER1 series for up to 24 lags.

Cross-references

See [“Correlogram” on page 377](#) and [“Cross Correlations and Correlograms” on page 517](#) of *User’s Guide I* for related discussion of autocorrelation and cross-correlation functions, respectively. See also [“Residual Tests” on page 557](#) for related testing in a VAR context.

|        |                              |
|--------|------------------------------|
| derivs | <a href="#">System Views</a> |
|--------|------------------------------|

Examine derivatives of the system equation specification.

Display information about the derivatives of the equation specification in tabular, graphical, or summary form.

The (default) summary form shows information about how the derivative of the equation specification was computed, and will display the analytic expression for the derivative, or a note indicating that the derivative was computed numerically. The tabular form shows a spreadsheet view of the derivatives of the regression specification with respect to each coefficient (for each observation). The graphical form of the view shows this information in a multiple line graph.

Syntax

```
system_name.derivs(options)
```

Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| g | Display multiple graph showing the derivatives of the equation specification with respect to the coefficients, evaluated at each observation. |
| t | Display spreadsheet view of the values of the derivatives with respect to the coefficients evaluated at each observation.                     |
| p | Print results.  |

Note that the “g” and “t” options may not be used at the same time.

Examples

To show a table view of the derivatives:

```
sys1.derivs(t)
```

To display and print the summary view:

```
sys1.derivs(p)
```

Cross-references

See [“Derivative Computation Options” on page 918](#) of *User’s Guide II* for details on the computation of derivatives.

See also [Equation::makederivs \(p. 109\)](#) for additional routines for examining derivatives, and [System::grads \(p. 668\)](#), and [Equation::makegrads \(p. 111\)](#) for corresponding routines for gradients.

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| display | <a href="#">System Views</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Display table, graph, or spool output in the system object window.

Display the contents of a table, graph, or spool in the window of the system object.

Syntax

```
system_name.display object_name
```

Examples

```
system1.display tabl
```

Display the contents of the table TAB1 in the window of the object SYSTEM1.

### Cross-references

Most often used in constructing an EViews Add-in. See [“Custom Object Output” on page 192](#) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|             |                              |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">System Procs</a> |
|-------------|------------------------------|

Display name for system objects.

Attaches a display name to a system object which may be used to label output in place of the standard system object name.

### Syntax

```
system_name.displayname display_name
```

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain a variety of characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in system object names.

### Examples

```
hrs.displayname Hours Worked
hrs.label
```

The first line attaches a display name “Hours Worked” to the system object HRS, and the second line displays the label view of HRS, including its display name.

### Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names.

See also [System::label \(p. 670\)](#).

|       |                              |
|-------|------------------------------|
| endog | <a href="#">System Views</a> |
|-------|------------------------------|

Displays a spreadsheet or graph view of the endogenous variables.

### Syntax

```
system_name.endog(options)
```

### Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| g | Multiple line graphs of the solved endogenous series. |
| p | Print the table of solved endogenous series.          |

## Examples

```
sys1.endog(g,p)
```

prints the graphs of the solved endogenous series.

## Cross-references

See also [System::makeendog](#) (p. 672), [System::system](#) (p. 682).

|      |                                |
|------|--------------------------------|
| fiml | <a href="#">System Methods</a> |
|------|--------------------------------|

## Estimation by full information maximum likelihood.

`fiml` estimates a system of equations by full information maximum likelihood (assuming a multivariate normal distribution).

## Syntax

```
system_name.fiml(options)
```

## Options

|                                   |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| <code>i</code>                    | Iterate simultaneously over the covariance matrix and coefficient vector.  |
| <code>s</code> ( <i>default</i> ) | Iterate sequentially over the covariance matrix and coefficient vector.  |
| <code>m = integer</code>          | Maximum number of iterations.  |
| <code>c = number</code>           | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2.   |
| <code>b</code>                    | Use Berndt-Hall-Hall-Hausman (BHHH) algorithm. Default method is Marquardt.  |
| <code>showopts / -showopts</code> | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.   |
| <code>deriv = keyword</code>      | Set derivative methods. The argument <i>keyword</i> should be a one- or two-letter string. The first letter should either be “ <i>f</i> ” or “ <i>a</i> ” corresponding to fast or accurate numeric derivatives (if used). The second letter should be either “ <i>n</i> ” (always use numeric) or “ <i>a</i> ” (use analytic if possible). If omitted, EViews will use the global defaults. |
| <code>prompt</code>               | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>                    | Print estimation results.  |

Examples

```
sys1.fiml
```

estimates SYS1 by FIML using the default settings. The command:

```
sys1.fiml(d, s)
```

sequentially iterates over the coefficients and the covariance matrix.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 17. “System Estimation,” on page 513](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of systems in EViews.

|       |                              |
|-------|------------------------------|
| garch | <a href="#">System Views</a> |
|-------|------------------------------|

Conditional variance/covariance of (G)ARCH estimation.

Displays the conditional variance, covariance or correlation of a system estimated by ARCH.

Syntax

```
system_name.garch(options) [arg1, arg2, ...]
```

The optional arguments following the keyword indicate which endogenous variable to include. If no argument is provided, all variables in the system will be included.

Options

|                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| cor             | Display correlation.                                    |
| cov (default)   | Display covariance.                                     |
| var             | Display only variance.                                  |
| sd              | Display only standard deviation.                        |
| graph (default) | Display data in graph.                                  |
| mat             | Display data in matrix format.                          |
| list            | Display data in list format.                            |
| smpl = arg      | Date to return conditional covariance value.            |
| pre             | Include presample data (used with the mat option only). |
| prompt          | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.       |
| p               | Print the graph   |

Examples

```
sys1.garch(cor)
```

displays the conditional correlation graph of SYS1.

## Cross-references

ARCH estimation is described in [Chapter 7. “ARCH and GARCH Estimation,”](#) on page 207 of *User’s Guide II*.

|     |                                |
|-----|--------------------------------|
| gmm | <a href="#">System Methods</a> |
|-----|--------------------------------|

Estimation by generalized method of moments (GMM).

The system object must be specified with a list of instruments.

## Syntax

`system_name.gmm(options)`

## Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>m = integer</code>                  | Maximum number of iterations.  |
| <code>c = number</code>                   | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2.   |
| <code>l = number</code>                   | Set maximum number of iterations on the first-stage iteration to get the one-step weighting matrix.  |
| <code>showopts /<br/>-showopts</code>     | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.   |
| <code>deriv = keyword</code>              | Set derivative methods. The argument <i>keyword</i> should be a one- or two-letter string. The first letter should either be “f” or “a” corresponding to fast or accurate numeric derivatives (if used). The second letter should be either “n” (always use numeric) or “a” (use analytic if possible). If omitted, EViews will use the global defaults. |
| <code>w</code>                            | Use White’s diagonal weighting matrix (for cross section data).  |
| <code>b = arg<br/>(default = “nw”)</code> | Specify the bandwidth: “nw” (Newey-West fixed bandwidth based on the number of observations), <i>number</i> (user specified bandwidth), “v” (Newey-West automatic variable bandwidth selection), “a” (Andrews automatic selection).  |
| <code>q</code>                            | Use the quadratic kernel. Default is to use the Bartlett kernel.   |
| <code>n</code>                            | Prewhitened by a first order VAR before estimation.  |



|             |  |
|-------------|--|
| i           | Iterate simultaneously over the weighting matrix and the coefficient vector.               |
| s           | Iterate sequentially over the weighting matrix and coefficient vector.                     |
| o (default) | Iterate only on the coefficient vector with one step of the weighting matrix.              |
| c           | One step (iteration) of the coefficient vector following one step of the weighting matrix. |
| e           | TOLS estimates with GMM standard errors.   |
| prompt      | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| p           | Print results.   |

Note that some options are only available for a subset of specifications.

Examples

For system estimation, the command:

```
sys1.gmm (b=a, q, i)
```

estimates the system SYS1 by GMM with a quadratic kernel, Andrews automatic bandwidth selection, and iterates simultaneously over the weight and coefficient vectors until convergence.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 2. “Additional Regression Tools,” on page 23](#) and [Chapter 17. “System Estimation,” on page 513](#) of *User’s Guide II* for discussion of the various GMM estimation techniques.

|       |                              |
|-------|------------------------------|
| grads | <a href="#">System Views</a> |
|-------|------------------------------|

Gradients of the objective function.

Displays the gradients of the objective function (where available) for an estimated system object.

The (default) summary form shows the value of the gradient vector at the estimated parameter values (if valid estimates exist) or at the current coefficient values. Evaluating the gradients at current coefficient values allows you to examine the behavior of the objective function at starting values. The tabular form shows a spreadsheet view of the gradients for each observation. The graphical form shows this information in a multiple line graph.

## Syntax

```
system_name.grads(options)
```

## Options

|   |                |
|---|----------------|
| p | Print results. |
|---|----------------|

## Examples

To show a summary view of the gradients:

```
sys1.grads
```

To print the table view:

```
sys1.grads(p)
```

## Cross-references

See also [System::derivs](#) (p. 662).

|       |                              |
|-------|------------------------------|
| jbera | <a href="#">System Views</a> |
|-------|------------------------------|

Multivariate residual normality test.

## Syntax

```
var_name.jbera(options)
```

You must specify a factorization method using the “*factor*=” option.

## Options

|                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| factor = chol     | Factorization by the inverse of the Cholesky factor of the residual covariance matrix.   |
| factor = cor      | Factorization by the inverse square root of the residual correlation matrix (Doornik and Hansen, 1994).                          |
| factor = cov      | Factorization by the inverse square root of the residual covariance matrix (Urzua, 1997).  |
| name = <i>arg</i> | Save the test statistics in a named matrix object. See below for a description of the statistics contained in the stored matrix. |
| prompt            | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| p                 | Print the test results.  |

The “*name*=” option stores the following matrix. Let the VAR have  $k$  endogenous variables. Then the stored matrix will have dimension  $(k + 1) \times 4$ . The first  $k$  rows contain

statistics for each orthogonal component, where the first column contains the third moments, the second column contains the  $\chi^2_1$  statistics for the third moments, the third column contains the fourth moments, and the fourth column holds the  $\chi^2_1$  statistics for the fourth moments. The sum of the second and fourth columns are the Jarque-Bera statistics reported in the last output table.

The last row contains statistics for the joint test. The second and fourth column of the  $(k + 1)$  row is simply the sum of all the rows above in the corresponding column and are the  $\chi^2_k$  statistics for the joint skewness and kurtosis tests, respectively. These joint skewness and kurtosis statistics add up to the joint Jarque-Bera statistic reported in the output table, except for the “*factor=cov*” option. When this option is set, the joint Jarque-Bera statistic includes all cross moments (in addition to the pure third and fourth moments). The overall Jarque-Bera statistic for this statistic is stored in the first column of the  $(k + 1)$  row (which will be a missing value for all other options).

Examples

```
sys01.jbera(factor=cor,name=jb)
```

carries out the residual multivariate normality test using the inverse square root of the residual correlation matrix as the factorization matrix and stores the results in a matrix named JB.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 18. “Vector Autoregression and Error Correction Models,” on page 553](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of the test in the context of VAR diagnostics.

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| label | <a href="#">System Views   System Procs</a> |
|-------|---|

Display or change the label view of the system object, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

As a procedure, `label` changes the fields in the system object label.

Syntax

```
system_name.label
system_name.label(options) [text]
```

Options

The first version of the command displays the label view of the system. The second version may be used to modify the label. Specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of system S1 with “Data from CPS 1988 March File”:

```
s1.label(r)
s1.label(r) Data from CPS 1988 March File
```

To append additional remarks to S1, and then to print the label view:

```
s1.label(r) Log of hourly wage
s1.label(p)
```

To clear and then set the units field, use:

```
s1.label(u) Millions of bushels
```

Cross-references

See “[Labeling Objects](#)” on page 102 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.

See also [System::displayname](#) (p. 664).

|    |                                |
|----|--------------------------------|
| ls | <a href="#">System Methods</a> |
|----|--------------------------------|

Estimation by linear or nonlinear least squares regression.

Syntax

```
system_name.ls(options)
```

Options

General options

|                    |  |
|--------------------|--|
| m = <i>integer</i> | Set maximum number of iterations.  |
| c = <i>scalar</i>  | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2. |

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| s                       | Use the current coefficient values in “C” as starting values for equations with AR or MA terms (see also <a href="#">param</a> (p. 413)).   |
| showopts /<br>-showopts | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.  |
| deriv = <i>keyword</i>  | Set derivative methods. The argument <i>keyword</i> should be a one or two letter string. The first letter should either be “f” or “a” corresponding to fast or accurate numeric derivatives (if used). The second letter should be either “n” (always use numeric) or “a” (use analytic if possible). If omitted, EViews will use the global defaults. |
| prompt                  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| p                       | Print basic estimation results.   |

Examples

```
sys1.ls(m=100)
```

estimates SYS1 using least squares, with the maximum number of iterations set at 100.

Cross-references

[Chapter 1. “Basic Regression Analysis,” on page 5](#) and [Chapter 2. “Additional Regression Tools,” on page 23](#) of *User’s Guide II* discuss the various regression methods in greater depth.

See [Chapter 16. “Special Expression Reference,” on page 557](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference* for special terms that may be used in system `ls` specifications.

|           |                              |
|-----------|------------------------------|
| makeendog | <a href="#">System Procs</a> |
|-----------|------------------------------|

Make a group out of the endogenous series.

Syntax

```
system_name.makeendog name
```

Following the keyword `makeendog`, you should provide a name for the group to hold the endogenous series. If you do not provide a name, EViews will create an untitled group.

Examples

```
sys1.makeendog grp_v1
```

creates a group named GRP\_V1 that contains the endogenous series in SYS1.

## Cross-references

See also [System::endog](#) (p. 664) and [Model::makegroup](#) (p. 387).

|           |                              |
|-----------|------------------------------|
| makegarch | <a href="#">System Procs</a> |
|-----------|------------------------------|

Generate conditional variance series.

Saves the estimated conditional variance (from a system estimated using ARCH) as a named series. You may also save the conditional covariance or correlation.

## Syntax

```
system_name.makegarch(options) [series1_name series2_name]
```

The optional series name arguments following the `makegarch` keyword indicate which endogenous variables to include. If no argument is given, all variables in the system will be included.

## Options

|                                     |   |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| <code>cor</code>                    | Generate conditional correlation.   |
| <code>cov</code> ( <i>default</i> ) | Generate conditional variance and covariance.   |
| <code>var</code>                    | Generate conditional variance.  |
| <code>mat</code>                    | Output as a matrix (default is to output as a series).                                    |
| <code>name = arg</code>             | Base name or matrix name of the data to be saved.   |
| <code>date = arg</code>             | Date to return conditional covariance value (used only with the <code>mat</code> option). |
| <code>pre</code>                    | Include presample data (used only with the <code>mat</code> option).                      |
| <code>prompt</code>                 | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |

## Examples

```
sys01.makegarch
```

creates conditional variances and conditional covariance series using the default names GARCH\_01, GARCH\_02, etc. for the conditional variance and GARCH\_01\_02, GARCH\_01\_03, etc. for the conditional covariance.

```
sys01.makegarch(mat, cor, date=12/11/2000, name=cov_mat)
```

creates a matrix named COV\_MAT that contains the conditional correlation for the date 12/11/2000.

### Cross-references

See [Chapter 7. “ARCH and GARCH Estimation,” on page 207](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of GARCH models.

See also [System::arch \(p. 656\)](#), [System::arch \(p. 656\)](#), [Equation::archtest \(p. 42\)](#), and [System::garch \(p. 666\)](#).

|                    |                              |
|--------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>makeloglike</b> | <a href="#">System Procs</a> |
|--------------------|------------------------------|

Create and save log likelihood contribution from system (ARCH estimation).

### Syntax

```
system_name.makeloglike [ser1]
```

After the keyword, provide an optional name to save the log likelihood contribution. If you do not provide a name, EViews will name the series using the next available name of the form “LOGLIKE##”. (If LOGLIKE01 already exists, it will be named LOGLIKE02, and so on.)

### Examples

```
sys1.makeloglike logl
```

creates a series of log likelihood contribution for the system and saves it in the series LOG1.

|                  |                              |
|------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>makemodel</b> | <a href="#">System Procs</a> |
|------------------|------------------------------|

Make a model from a system of equations.

### Syntax

```
system_name.makemodel(name) assign_statement
```

If you provide a name for the model in parentheses after the keyword, EViews will create the named model in the workfile. If you do not provide a name, EViews will open an untitled model window if the command is executed from the command line.

### Examples

```
sys3.makemodel(sysmod) @prefix s_
```

makes a model named SYSMOD from the estimated system. SYSMOD includes an assignment statement “ASSIGN @PREFIX S\_”. Use the command “show sysmod” or “sysmod.spec” to open the SYSMOD window.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 20. “Models,” on page 627](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of specifying and solving models in EViews.

See also [System::append \(p. 655\)](#), [Model::merge \(p. 389\)](#) and [Model::solve \(p. 398\)](#).

|             |                              |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| makesresids | <a href="#">System Procs</a> |
|-------------|------------------------------|

Create residual series.

Creates and saves residuals in the workfile from an estimated system object.

Syntax

```
system_name.makesresids(options) [residual_names]
```

Follow the system name with a period and the `makesresids` keyword, then provide a list of names to be given to the stored residuals. You should provide as many names as there are equations. If there are fewer names than equations, EViews creates the extra residual series with names RESID01, RESID02, and so on. If you do not provide any names, EViews will also name the residuals RESID01, RESID02, and so on.

Options

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| n = arg  | Create group object to hold the residual series.   |
| chol     | Standardized residuals factorized using the inverse of Cholesky factor of the (conditional) covariance matrix (for system ARCH). |
| cor      | Standardized residuals factorized using the inverse square root of the (conditional) correlation matrix (for system ARCH).       |
| cov      | Standardized residuals factorized using the inverse square root of the (conditional) covariance matrix (for system ARCH).        |
| bn = arg | Base name used to generate the name of the residual series.  |
| prompt   | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |

Examples

```
sys1.makesresids res_sys1
```

creates a set of series containing the residuals from the system using RES\_SYS1 to name the first equation residual, and RESID01, RESID02, *etc.*, to name the remaining residuals.



Cross-references

See [System::resids](#) (p. 678).

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| olepush | <a href="#">System Procs</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

Syntax

system\_name.olepush

Cross-references

See “[Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)](#)” on page 729 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|        |                              |
|--------|------------------------------|
| output | <a href="#">System Views</a> |
|--------|------------------------------|

Display estimation output.

`output` changes the default object view to display the estimation output (equivalent to using [System::results](#) (p. 679)).

Syntax

system\_name.output

Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| p | Print estimation output for estimation object |
|---|---|

Examples

The `output` keyword may be used to change the default view of an estimation object. Entering the command:

```
sys1.output
```

displays the estimation output for system SYS1.

Cross-references

See [System::results](#) (p. 679).

|               |                              |
|---------------|------------------------------|
| <b>qstats</b> | <a href="#">System Views</a> |
|---------------|------------------------------|

Multivariate residual autocorrelation Portmanteau tests.

### Syntax

```
system_name.qstats(h, options)
```

You must specify the highest order of lag  $h$  to test for serial correlation.

### Options

|                     |  |
|---------------------|--|
| maxlag = <i>arg</i> | Maximum lag in system specification (default = 0).   |
| chol                | Standardized residuals factorized using the inverse of Cholesky factor of the (conditional) covariance matrix (for system ARCH). |
| cor                 | Standardized residuals factorized using the inverse square root of the (conditional) correlation matrix (for system ARCH).       |
| cov                 | Standardized residuals factorized using the inverse square root of the (conditional) covariance matrix (for system ARCH).        |
| prompt              | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| p                   | Print the Portmanteau test results.  |

### Examples

```
show sys1.qstats(10)
```

displays the portmanteau tests for lags up to 10.

### Cross-references

See [“Diagnostic Views” on page 556](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of the Portmanteau tests and other VAR diagnostics.

See [Var::arlm \(p. 747\)](#) for a related multivariate residual serial correlation LM test.

|                 |                              |
|-----------------|------------------------------|
| <b>residcor</b> | <a href="#">System Views</a> |
|-----------------|------------------------------|

Residual correlation matrix.

Displays the correlations of the residuals from each equation in the system.

Syntax

`system_name.residcor(options)`

Options

|   |                               |
|---|-------------------------------|
| p | Print the correlation matrix. |
|---|-------------------------------|

Examples

```
sys1.residcor
```

displays the residual correlation matrix of SYS1.

Cross-references

See also [System::residcov](#) (p. 678) and [System::makeresids](#) (p. 675).

|          |                              |
|----------|------------------------------|
| residcov | <a href="#">System Views</a> |
|----------|------------------------------|

**Residual covariance matrix.**

Displays the covariances of the residuals from each equation in the system.

Syntax

`system_name.residcov(options)`

Options

|   |                              |
|---|------------------------------|
| p | Print the covariance matrix. |
|---|------------------------------|

Examples

```
sys1.residcov
```

displays the residual covariance matrix of SYS1.

Cross-references

See also [System::residcor](#) (p. 677) and [System::makeresids](#) (p. 675).

|        |                              |
|--------|------------------------------|
| resids | <a href="#">System Views</a> |
|--------|------------------------------|

**Display residuals.**

`resids` displays multiple graphs of the residuals. Each graph will contain the residuals for each equation in the system.

Syntax

`system_name.resids(options)`

Options

|                          |                                |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <code>g (default)</code> | Display graph(s) of residuals. |
| <code>p</code>           | Print the table/graph.         |

Examples

```
sys1.resids(g)
```

displays a graph of the residual series in system SYS1.

Cross-references

See also [System::makeresids](#) (p. 675).

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| results | <a href="#">System Views</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Displays the results view of an estimated system.

Syntax

`system_name.results(options)`

Options

|                |                 |
|----------------|-----------------|
| <code>p</code> | Print the view. |
|----------------|-----------------|

Examples

```
sys1.results(p)
```

displays and prints the results of SYS1.

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| setattr | <a href="#">System Procs</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

Syntax

`system_name.setattr(attr) attr_value`

Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the `@attr` data member.

Examples

```
a.setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

Cross-references

See [“Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View” on page 103](#) and [“Adding Your Own Label Attributes” on page 65 of \*User’s Guide I\*](#).

|      |                              |
|------|------------------------------|
| spec | <a href="#">System Views</a> |
|------|------------------------------|

Display the text specification view for system objects.

Syntax

```
system_name.spec(options)
```

Options

|   |                               |
|---|-------------------------------|
| p | Print the specification text. |
|---|-------------------------------|

Examples

```
sys1.spec
```

displays the specification of the system object SYS1.

Cross-references

See also [System::append \(p. 655\)](#).

|     |                                |
|-----|--------------------------------|
| sur | <a href="#">System Methods</a> |
|-----|--------------------------------|

Estimate a system object using seemingly unrelated regression (SUR).

*Note that the EViews procedure is more general than textbook versions of SUR since the system of equations may contain cross-equation restrictions on parameters.*

Syntax

```
system_name.sur(options)
```

## Options

|                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| i                       | Iterate on the weighting matrix and coefficient vector simultaneously.   |
| s                       | Iterate on the weighting matrix and coefficient vector sequentially.   |
| o ( <i>default</i> )    | Iterate only on the coefficient vector with one step of the weighting matrix.  |
| c                       | One step iteration on the coefficient vector after one step of the weighting matrix.   |
| m = <i>integer</i>      | Maximum number of iterations.  |
| c = <i>number</i>       | Set convergence criterion. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2.   |
| l = <i>number</i>       | Set maximum number of iterations on the first-stage iteration to get one-step weighting matrix.  |
| showopts /<br>-showopts | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.   |
| deriv = <i>keyword</i>  | Set derivative methods. The argument <i>keyword</i> should be a one- or two-letter string. The first letter should either be “f” or “a” corresponding to fast or accurate numeric derivatives (if used). The second letter should be either “n” (always use numeric) or “a” (use analytic if possible). If omitted, EViews will use the global defaults. |
| prompt                  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| p                       | Print estimation results.  |

## Examples

```
sys1.sur(i)
```

estimates SYS1 by SUR, iterating simultaneously on the weighting matrix and coefficient vector.

```
nlsys.sur(showopts,m=500)
```

estimates NLSYS by SUR with up to 500 iterations. The “*showopts*” option displays the starting values.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 17. “System Estimation,” on page 513](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of system estimation.

|        |                                    |
|--------|------------------------------------|
| system | <a href="#">System Declaration</a> |
|--------|------------------------------------|

Declare system of equations.

Syntax

`system system_name`

Follow the `system` keyword by a name for the system. If you do not provide a name, EViews will open an untitled system object (if in interactive mode).

Examples

`system mysys`

creates a system named MYSYS.

Cross-references

[Chapter 17. “System Estimation,” on page 513](#) of *User’s Guide II* provides a full discussion of system objects.

See [System::append \(p. 655\)](#) for adding specification lines to an existing system.

|      |                                |
|------|--------------------------------|
| tsls | <a href="#">System Methods</a> |
|------|--------------------------------|

Two-stage least squares.

Syntax

`system_name.tsls(options)`

There must be at least as many instrumental variables as there are independent variables. All exogenous variables included in the regressor list should also be included in the instrument list. A constant is included in the list of instrumental variables even if not explicitly specified.

Options

*General options*

|                          |  |
|--------------------------|--|
| <code>m = integer</code> | Set maximum number of iterations.  |
| <code>c = number</code>  | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2. |

|                                   |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| <code>deriv = keyword</code>      | Set derivative methods. The argument <i>keyword</i> should be a one- or two-letter string. The first letter should either be “f” or “a” corresponding to fast or accurate numeric derivatives (if used). The second letter should be either “n” (always use numeric) or “a” (use analytic if possible). If omitted, EViews will use the global defaults. |
| <code>showopts / -showopts</code> | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.   |
| <code>i</code>                    | Iterate on the weighting matrix and coefficient vector simultaneously.   |
| <code>s</code>                    | Iterate on the weighting matrix and coefficient vector sequentially.   |
| <code>o (default)</code>          | Iterate only on the coefficient vector with one step of the weighting matrix.  |
| <code>c</code>                    | One step iteration of the coefficient vector after one step of the weighting matrix.   |
| <code>l = number</code>           | Set maximum number of iterations on the first-stage iteration to get one-step weighting matrix.  |
| <code>prompt</code>               | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>                    | Print estimation results.  |

## Examples

```
sys1.ts1s
```

estimates the system object using TSLS.

## Cross-references

See [“Two-Stage Least Squares” on page 515](#) of *User’s Guide II* for details on two-stage least squares estimation in systems.

See also [System::ls \(p. 671\)](#). For estimation of weighted TSLS in systems, see [System::wtsls \(p. 686\)](#).

|             |                              |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| updatecoefs | <a href="#">System Procs</a> |
|-------------|------------------------------|

Update coefficient object values from system object.

Copies coefficients from the system into the appropriate coefficient vector or vectors.

## Syntax

```
system_name.updatecoefs
```



Follow the name of the system object by a period and the keyword `updatecoefs`.

Examples

```
SYS1.updatecoefs
```

places the coefficients from SYS1 in the coefficient vectors used in the system.

Cross-references

See also [Coef::coef](#) (p. 18).

|      |                              |
|------|------------------------------|
| wald | <a href="#">System Views</a> |
|------|------------------------------|

Wald coefficient restriction test.

The `wald` view carries out a Wald test of coefficient restrictions for a system object.

Syntax

```
system_name.wald restrictions
```

Enter the system name, followed by a period, and the keyword. You must provide a list of the coefficient restrictions, with joint (multiple) coefficient restrictions separated by commas.

Options

|   |                         |
|---|-------------------------|
| p | Print the test results. |
|---|-------------------------|

Examples

```
sys1.wald c(2)=c(3)*c(4)
```

tests the non-linear restriction that the second coefficient is equal to the product of the third and fourth coefficients in SYS1.

Cross-references

See [“Wald Test \(Coefficient Restrictions\)” on page 146](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of Wald tests.

See also [System::cellipse](#) (p. 660), [testdrop](#) (p. 451), [testadd](#) (p. 450).

|     |                |
|-----|----------------|
| wls | System Methods |
|-----|----------------|

Estimates a system of equations using weighted least squares.

### Syntax

`system_name.wls(options)`

### Options

|                                   |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| <code>i</code>                    | Iterate simultaneously over the weighting matrix and coefficient vector.   |
| <code>s</code>                    | Iterate sequentially over the computation of the weighting matrix and the estimation of the coefficient vector.  |
| <code>o (default)</code>          | Iterate the estimate of the coefficient vector to convergence following one-iteration of the weighting matrix.   |
| <code>c</code>                    | One step (iteration) of the coefficient vector estimates following one iteration of the weighting matrix.  |
| <code>m = integer</code>          | Maximum number of iterations.  |
| <code>c = number</code>           | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2.   |
| <code>l = number</code>           | Set maximum number of iterations on the first-stage coefficient estimation to get one-step weighting matrix.   |
| <code>showopts / -showopts</code> | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.   |
| <code>deriv = keyword</code>      | Set derivative methods. The argument <i>keyword</i> should be a one- or two-letter string. The first letter should either be “ <i>f</i> ” or “ <i>a</i> ” corresponding to fast or accurate numeric derivatives (if used). The second letter should be either “ <i>n</i> ” (always use numeric) or “ <i>a</i> ” (use analytic if possible). If omitted, EViews will use the global defaults. |
| <code>prompt</code>               | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>                    | Print the estimation results.  |

### Examples

```
sys1.wls
```

estimates the system of equations in SYS1 by weighted least squares.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 17. “System Estimation,” on page 513](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of system estimation.

See also the available options for weighted least squares in [System:ls \(p. 671\)](#).

|       |                                |
|-------|--------------------------------|
| wtsls | <a href="#">System Methods</a> |
|-------|--------------------------------|

Perform weighted two-stage least squares estimation of a system of equations.

Syntax

`system_name.wtls(options)`

Options

|                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| i                       | Iterate simultaneously over the weighting matrix and coefficient vector.   |
| s                       | Iterate sequentially over the computation of the weighting matrix and the estimation of the coefficient vector.  |
| o ( <i>default</i> )    | Iterate the coefficient vector to convergence following one-iteration of the weighting matrix.   |
| c                       | One step (iteration) of the coefficient vector following one iteration of the weighting matrix.  |
| m = <i>integer</i>      | Maximum number of iterations.  |
| c = <i>number</i>       | Set convergence criterion. The criterion is based upon the maximum of the percentage changes in the scaled coefficients. The criterion will be set to the nearest value between 1e-24 and 0.2.   |
| l = <i>number</i>       | Set maximum number of iterations on the first-stage iteration to get the one-step weighting matrix.  |
| showopts /<br>-showopts | [Do / do not] display the starting coefficient values and estimation options in the estimation output.   |
| deriv = <i>keyword</i>  | Set derivative methods. The argument <i>keyword</i> should be a one- or two-letter string. The first letter should either be “f” or “a” corresponding to fast or accurate numeric derivatives (if used). The second letter should be either “n” (always use numeric) or “a” (use analytic if possible). If omitted, EVIEWS will use the global defaults. |
| prompt                  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| p                       | Print estimation results.  |

## Examples

```
sys1.wtsls
```

estimates the system of equations in SYS1 by weighted two-stage least squares.

## Cross-references

See [“Weighted Two-Stage Least Squares” on page 515](#) of *User’s Guide II* for further discussion.

See also [System::tsls \(p. 682\)](#) for both unweighted and weighted single equation 2SLS.

## Table

Table object. Formatted two-dimensional table for output display.

### Table Declaration

**freeze** ..... freeze tabular view of object (p. 339).  
**table** ..... create table object (p. 716).

To declare a table object, use the keyword `table`, followed by an optional row and column dimension, and then the object name:

```
table onelement  
table(10,5) outtable
```

If no dimension is provided, the table will contain a single element.

Alternatively, you may declare a table using an assignment statement. The new table will be sized and initialized, accordingly:

```
table newtable=outtable
```

Lastly, you may use the `freeze` command to create tables from tabular views of other objects:

```
freeze(newtab) ser1.freq
```

### Table Views

**display** ..... display table, graph, or spool in object window (p. 694).  
**label** ..... label information for the table object (p. 696).  
**sheet** ..... view the table (p. 715).  
**table** ..... view the table (p. 716).

### Table Procs

**comment** ..... adds or removes a comment in a table cell (p. 690).  
**copyrange** ..... copies a portion of the table to another table (p. 691).  
**copytable** ..... copies the entire table to another table (p. 692).  
**deletecol** ..... Remove columns from a table (p. 693).  
**deleterow** ..... Remove rows from a table (p. 693).  
**displayname** ..... set display name (p. 694).  
**insertcol** ..... insert additional columns into a table (p. 695).  
**insertrow** ..... insert additional rows into a table (p. 696).  
**olepush** ..... push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 697).  
**save** ..... save table as CSV, tab-delimited ASCII text, RTF, HTML, Enhanced Metafile, or PDF file on disk (p. 698).  
**setattr** ..... set the value of an object attribute (p. 700).  
**setfillcolor** ..... set the fill (background) color of a set of table cells (p. 700).

**setfont**.....set the font for the text in a set of table cells (p. 702).  
**setformat**.....set the display format of a set of table cells (p. 703).  
**setheight**.....set the row height in a set of table cells (p. 707).  
**setindent**.....set the indentation for a set of table cells (p. 708).  
**setjust**.....set the justification for a set of table cells (p. 709).  
**setlines** .....set the line characteristics and borders for a set of table cells  
 (p. 710).  
**setmerge** .....merge or unmerge a set of table cells (p. 711).  
**setprefix**.....set the cell prefix string for the specified table cells (p. 712).  
**setsuffix** .....set the cell suffix string for the specified table cells (p. 713).  
**settextcolor** .....set the text color in a set of table cells (p. 714).  
**setWidth**.....set the column width for a set of table cells (p. 715).  
**title**.....assign or change the title of a table (p. 717).

## Table Data Members

### *String values*

**@attr("arg")**.....string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument  
 is specified as a quoted string.  
**@description**.....string containing the Table object's description (if available).  
**@detailedtype** .....string with the object type: "TABLE".  
**@displayname** .....string containing the Table object's display name. If the Table has  
 no display name set, the name is returned.  
**@name**.....string containing the Table object's name.  
**@remarks** .....string containing the Table object's remarks (if available).  
**@source**.....string containing the Table object's source (if available).  
**@type**.....string with the object type: "TABLE".  
**@units**.....string containing the Table object's units description (if available).  
**@updatetime** .....string representation of the time and date at which the Table was  
 last updated.

### *Scalar values*

**(i,j)**.....the  $(i,j)$ -th element of the table, formatted as a string.  
**@cols** .....number of columns in the table.  
**@rows** .....number of rows in the table.

## Table Commands

**setcell** .....format and fill in a table cell (p. 429).  
**setcolwidth** .....set width of a table column (p. 431).  
**setline**.....place a horizontal line in table (p. 432).  
**tabplace** .....insert a table into another table (p. 449).

All of these commands are in the *Command and Programming Reference*. Note that with the exception of `tabplace`, these commands are supported primarily for backward compatibility. There is a more extensive set of table procs for working with and customizing tables. See “[Table Procs](#),” on page 688.

Table Examples

```
table(5,5) mytable
%strval = mytable(2,3)
mytable(4,4) = "R2"
mytable(4,5) = @str(eql.@r2)
```

Table Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the “[Table](#)” object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| comment | <a href="#">Table Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Adds or removes a comment in a table cell.

Syntax

```
table_name.comment(cell_arg) [comment_arg]
```

where *cell\_arg*, which identifies the cell, can take one of the following forms:

|                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| <i>cell</i>       | Cell identifier. You can reference cells using either the column letter and row number (e.g., “A1”), or by using “R” followed by the row number followed by “C” and the column <i>number</i> (e.g., “R1C2”). |
| <i>row[, col]</i> | Row number, followed by column letter or number (e.g., “2,C”, or “2,3”), separated by “,”.   |

and where *comment\_arg* is a string expression enclosed in double quotes. If *command\_arg* is omitted, a previously defined comment will be removed.

Examples

To add a comment, “hello world”, to the cell in the second row, fourth column, you may use one of the following:

```
tab1.comment(d2) "hello world"
tab1.comment(r2c4) "hello world"
tab1.comment(2,d) "hello world"
```

```
tab1.comment(2,4) "hello world"
```

To remove a comment, simply omit the *comment\_arg*:

```
tab1.comment(d2)
```

clears the comment (if present) from the second row, fourth column.

Cross-references

For additional discussion of table commands see [Chapter 3. “Working with Tables and Spreadsheets”](#) in the *Command and Programming Reference*. See also [Table::setlines](#) (p. 710) and [Table::setmerge](#) (p. 711).

|           |                             |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| copyrange | <a href="#">Table Procs</a> |
|-----------|-----------------------------|

Copies a portion of the table to the specified location in another table.

Syntax

```
table_name.copyrange s1 s2 destname d1
table_name.copyrange sr1 sc1 sr2 sc2 destname dr1 dc1
```

The copyrange command can be specified either using coordinates where columns are signified with a letter, and rows by a number (for example “A3” represents the first column, third row), or by row number and column number.

The first syntax represents coordinate form, where *s1* specifies the upper-left coordinate portion of the section of the source table to be copied, *s2* specifies the bottom-right coordinate, *destname* specifies the name of the table to copy to, and *d1* specifies the upper-left coordinate of the destination table.

The second syntax represents the row/column number form, where *sr1* specifies the source table upper row number, *sc1* specifies the source table left most column number, *sr2* specifies the source table bottom row number, *sc2* specifies the source table right most column number. *destname* specifies the name of the table to copy to, and *dr1* and *dr2* specify the upper and left most row and column of the destination table, respectively.

Examples

```
table1.copyrange B2 D4 table2 A1
```

places a copy of the data from cell range B2 to D4 in TABLE1 to TABLE2 at cell A1

```
table1.copyrange 1 1 1 5 table2 1 3
```

copies 5 rows of data in the first column of data in table1 to the top of the 3rd column of TABLE2.



Cross-references

See also [Table::copytable](#) (p. 692).

For additional discussion of table commands see [Chapter 3. “Working with Tables and Spreadsheets,”](#) on page 45 of the *Command and Programming Reference*.

See also [Chapter 16. “Table and Text Objects,”](#) on page 691 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion and examples of table formatting in EViews.

|           |                             |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| copytable | <a href="#">Table Procs</a> |
|-----------|-----------------------------|

Copies the entire table to the specified location in another table.

Syntax

```
table_name.copytable destname d1
table_name.copytable destname dr1 dc1
```

The copytable command can be specified either using coordinates where columns are signified with a letter, and rows by a number (for example “A3” represents the first column, third row), or by row number and column number.

The first syntax represents coordinate form, where *destname* specifies the name of the table to copy to, and *d1* specifies the upper-left coordinate of the destination table.

The second syntax represents the row/column number form, where *destname* specifies the name of the table to copy to, and *dr1* and *dc1* specify the upper and left most row and column of the destination table, respectively.

Examples

```
table1.copytable table2 A10
```

copies all of the data in TABLE1 to the 1st column and 10th row of TABLE2.

```
table1.copytable table2 1 5
```

copies all of the data in TABLE1 to the 5th column and first row of TABLE2.

Cross-references

See also [Table::copyrange](#) (p. 691).

For additional discussion of table commands see [Chapter 3. “Working with Tables and Spreadsheets,”](#) on page 45 of the *Command and Programming Reference*.

See also [Chapter 16. “Table and Text Objects,”](#) on page 691 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion and examples of table formatting in EViews.

|           |                             |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| deletecol | <a href="#">Table Procs</a> |
|-----------|-----------------------------|

Removes columns from a table.

### Syntax

```
table_name.deletecol(col_loc) [num_cols]
```

where *col\_loc* specifies the first column to be removed. The *col\_loc* may either be the integer column number (e.g. “3”) or the column letter (e.g. “C”).

The *num\_cols* specifies the number of columns to remove from the table. If *num\_cols* is not provided, the default is one.

### Examples

```
tab1.removecol(d) 2
```

removes two columns beginning at the “d” or fourth column.

### Cross-references

For other row and columns operations, see [Table::deleterow \(p. 693\)](#), [Table::insert-col \(p. 695\)](#), and [Table::insertrow \(p. 696\)](#).

For additional discussion of table commands see [Chapter 3. “Working with Tables and Spreadsheets,” on page 45](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference*.

See also [Chapter 16. “Table and Text Objects,” on page 691](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion and examples of table formatting in EViews.

|           |                             |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| deleterow | <a href="#">Table Procs</a> |
|-----------|-----------------------------|

Removes rows from a table.

### Syntax

```
table_name.deleterow(row_loc) [num_rows]
```

where *row\_loc* is an integer which specifies the first row to remove, and *num\_rows* specifies the number of rows to remove from the table. If *num\_rows* is not provided, the default is one.

### Examples

```
tab1.deleterow(2) 5
```

removes five rows beginning with the second row.

### Cross-references

For other row and columns operations, see [Table::deletecol](#) (p. 693), [Table::insert-col](#) (p. 695), and [Table::insertrow](#) (p. 696).

For additional discussion of table commands see [Chapter 3. “Working with Tables and Spreadsheets,”](#) on page 45 of the *Command and Programming Reference*.

See also [Chapter 16. “Table and Text Objects,”](#) on page 691 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion and examples of table formatting in EViews.

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| display | <a href="#">Table Views</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Display table, graph, or spool output in the table object window.

Display the contents of a table, graph, or spool in the window of the table object.

### Syntax

```
table_name.display object_name
```

### Examples

```
table1.display tabl
```

Display the contents of the table TAB1 in the window of the object TABLE1.

### Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects”](#) on page 102 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names. See also [Table::label](#) (p. 696).

|             |                             |
|-------------|-----------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">Table Procs</a> |
|-------------|-----------------------------|

Display name for table objects.

Attaches a display name to a table object which may be used to label output in place of the standard table object name.

### Syntax

```
table_name.displayname display_name
```

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain a variety of characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in table object names.

### Examples

```
hrs.displayname Hours Worked
```

```
hrs.label
```

The first line attaches a display name “Hours Worked” to the table object HRS, and the second line displays the label view of HRS, including its display name.

Cross-references

See “[Labeling Objects](#)” on page 102 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names.

See also [Table::label](#) (p. 696).

|           |                             |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| insertcol | <a href="#">Table Procs</a> |
|-----------|-----------------------------|

Insert additional columns in a table.

Syntax

```
table_name.insertcol(col_loc) [num_cols]
```

where *col\_loc* specifies the column location to insert the new columns. The *col\_loc* may either be the integer column number (e.g. “3”) or the column letter (e.g. “C”).

The *num\_cols* specifies the number of columns to insert into the table. If *num\_cols* is not provided, the default is one.

Examples

```
tab1.insertcol(d) 2
```

inserts two new columns beginning at the “d” or fourth column.

Cross-references

For other row and columns operations, see [Table::deleterow](#) (p. 693), [Table::deletecol](#) (p. 693), and [Table::insertrow](#) (p. 696).

For additional discussion of table commands see [Chapter 3. “Working with Tables and Spreadsheets,”](#) on page 45 of the *Command and Programming Reference*.

See also [Chapter 16. “Table and Text Objects,”](#) on page 691 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion and examples of table formatting in EViews.

|           |                             |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| insertrow | <a href="#">Table Procs</a> |
|-----------|-----------------------------|

Insert additional rows in a table.

**Syntax**

`table_name.insertrow(row_loc) [num_rows]`

where *row\_loc* is an integer which specifies the row location to insert the new rows, and *num\_rows* specifies the number of rows to insert. If *num\_rows* is not provided, the default is one.

**Examples**

`tab1.insertrow(2) 5`

inserts five new rows beginning at the second row.

**Cross-references**

For other row and columns operations, see [Table::deleterow \(p. 693\)](#), [Table::delete-col \(p. 693\)](#), and [Table::insertcol \(p. 695\)](#).

For additional discussion of table commands see [Chapter 3. “Working with Tables and Spreadsheets,” on page 45](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference*.

See also [Chapter 16. “Table and Text Objects,” on page 691](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion and examples of table formatting in EViews.

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| label | <a href="#">Table Views   Table Procs</a> |
|-------|---|

Display or change the label view of the table object, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

As a procedure, `label` changes the fields in the table label.

**Syntax**

`table_name.label`  
`table_name.label(options) [text]`

**Options**

The first version of the command displays the label view of the table. The second version may be used to modify the label. Specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of the table TAB1 with “Data from CPS 1988 March File”:

```
tab1.label(r)
tab1.label(r) Data from CPS 1988 March File
```

To append additional remarks to TAB1, and then to print the label view:

```
tab1.label(r) Log of hourly wage
tab1.label(p)
```

To clear and then set the units field, use:

```
tab1.label(u) Millions of bushels
```

Cross-references

See “[Labeling Objects](#)” on page 102 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.

See also [Table::displayname](#) (p. 694).

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| olepush | <a href="#">Table Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

Syntax

```
table_name.olepush
```

Cross-references

See “[Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)](#)” on page 729 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|      |                             |
|------|-----------------------------|
| save | <a href="#">Table Procs</a> |
|------|-----------------------------|

Save table to disk as a CSV, tab-delimited ASCII text, RTF, HTML, Enhanced Metafile, or PDF file.

Syntax

```
table_name.save(options) [path\]file_name
```

Follow the keyword with a name for the file. *file\_name* may include the file type extension, or the file type may be specified using the “t = ” option.

If an explicit path is not specified, the file will be stored in the default directory, as set in the **File Locations** global options.

Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| t = <i>file_type</i><br>(default = “csv”) | Specifies the file type, where <i>file_type</i> may be one of: “csv” (CSV - comma-separated), “rtf” (Rich-text format), “txt” (tab-delimited text), “html” (HTML - Hypertext Markup Language), “emf” (Enhanced Metafile), or “pdf” (PDF - Portable Document Format).<br>Files will be saved with the “.csv”, “.rtf”, “.txt”, “.htm”, “.emf”, and “.pdf” extensions, respectively. |
| s = <i>arg</i>                            | Scale size, where <i>arg</i> is from 5 to 200, representing the percentage of the original table size (only valid for HTML or RTF files).   |
| r = <i>cell_range</i>                     | Range of table cells to be saved. See <a href="#">Table::setfillcolor (p. 700)</a> for the <i>cell_range</i> syntax. If a range is not provided, the entire table will be saved.  |
| n = <i>string</i>                         | Replace all cells that contain NA values with the specified string. “NA” is the default.  |
| f / -f                                    | [Use full precision values/ Do not use full precision] when saving values to the table (only applicable to numeric cells). By default, the values will be saved as they appear in the currently formatted table.  |
| prompt                                    | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |

*PDF Options*

|  |   |
|--|---|
| landscape                                      | Save in landscape mode (the default is to save in portrait mode). |
| size = <i>arg</i><br>(default = “letter”)      | Page size: “letter”, “legal”, “a4”, and “custom”.                 |
| width = <i>number</i><br>(default = 8.5)       | Page width in inches if “size = custom”.                          |
| height = <i>number</i><br>(default = 11)       | Page height in inches if “size = custom”.                         |
| leftmargin = <i>number</i><br>(default = 0.5)  | Left margin width in inches.                                      |
| rightmargin = <i>number</i><br>(default = 0.5) | Right margin width in inches.                                     |
| topmargin = <i>number</i><br>(default = 1)     | Top margin width in inches.                                       |
| bottommargin =<br><i>number</i> (default = 1)  | Bottom margin width in inches.                                    |

**Examples**

The command:

```
tab1.save mytable
```

saves TAB1 to a CSV file named “MYTABLE.CSV” in the default directory.

```
tab1.save(t=csv, n="NAN") mytable
```

saves TAB1 to a CSV (comma separated value) file named MYTABLE.CSV and writes all NA values as “NAN”.

```
tab1.save(r=B2:C10, t=html, s=.5) mytable
```

saves from data from the second row, second column, to the tenth row, third column of TAB1 to a HTML file named MYTABLE.HTM at half of the original size.

```
tab1.save(f, n=".", r=B) mytable
```

saves the data in the second column in full precision to a CSV file named “MYTABLE.CSV”, and writes all NA values as “.”.

**Cross-references**

For additional discussion of table commands see [Chapter 3. “Working with Tables and Spreadsheets,” on page 45](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference*.



See [Chapter 16. “Table and Text Objects,” beginning on page 691](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of tables.

|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| setattr | <a href="#">Table Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

Syntax

```
table_name.setattr(attr) attr_value
```

Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the @attr data member.

Examples

```
a.setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

Cross-references

See [“Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View” on page 103](#) and [“Adding Your Own Label Attributes” on page 65](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

|              |                             |
|--------------|-----------------------------|
| setfillcolor | <a href="#">Table Procs</a> |
|--------------|-----------------------------|

Set the fill (background) color of the specified table cells.

Syntax

```
table_name.setfillcolor(cell_range) color_arg
```

where *cell\_range* can take one of the following forms:

|            |  |
|------------|--|
| @all       | Apply to all cells in the table.   |
| cell       | Cell identifier. You can identify cells using either the column letter and row number (e.g., “A1”), or by using “R” followed by the row number followed by “C” and the column number (e.g., “R1C2”). |
| row[,] col | Row number, followed by column letter or number (e.g., “2,C”, or “2,3”), separated by “,”. Apply to cell.  |
| row        | Row number (e.g., “2”). Apply to all cells in the row.   |
| col        | Column letter (e.g., “B”). Apply to all cells in the column.   |

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <i>first_cell[:]</i> <i>last_cell</i> ,<br><i>first_cell[,]</i> <i>last_cell</i>                           | Top left cell of the selection range (specified in “ <i>cell</i> ” format), followed by bottom right cell of the selection range (specified in “ <i>cell</i> ” format), separated by a “.” or “,” (e.g., “A2:C10”, “A2,C10”, or “R2C1:R10C3”, “R2C1,R10C3”). Apply to all cells in the rectangular region defined by the first cell and last cell. |
| <i>first_cell_row</i> [,]<br><i>first_cell_col</i> [,]<br><i>last_cell_row</i> [,]<br><i>last_cell_col</i> | Top left cell of the selection range (specified in “ <i>row</i> [,] <i>col</i> ” format), followed by bottom right cell of the selection range (specified in “ <i>row</i> [,] <i>col</i> ” format), separated by a “,” (e.g., “2,A,10,C” or “2,1,10,3”). Apply to all cells in the rectangular region defined by the first cell and last cell.     |

The *color\_arg* specifies the color to be applied to the text in the cells. The color may be specified using predefined color names, or by specifying the individual red-green-blue (RGB) components using the special “@RGB” function. The latter method is obviously more difficult, but allows you to use custom colors.

The predefined colors are given by the keywords (with their RGB equivalents):

|        |                     |
|--------|---------------------|
| blue   | @rgb(0, 0, 255)     |
| red    | @rgb(255, 0, 0)     |
| green  | @rgb(0, 128, 0)     |
| black  | @rgb(0, 0, 0)       |
| white  | @rgb(255, 255, 255) |
| purple | @rgb(128, 0, 128)   |
| orange | @rgb(255, 128, 0)   |
| yellow | @rgb(255, 255, 0)   |
| gray   | @rgb(128, 128, 128) |
| ltgray | @rgb(192, 192, 192) |

Examples

To set a purple background color for the cell in the second row and third column of TAB1, you may use any of the following:

```
tab1.setfillcolor(C2) @rgb(128, 0, 128)
tab1.setfillcolor(2,C) @RGB(128, 0, 128)
tab1.setfillcolor(2,3) purple
tab1.setfillcolor(r2c3) purple
```

You may also specify a yellow color for the background of an entire column, or an entire row,

```
tab1.setfillcolor(C) @RGB(255, 255, 0)
```

```
tbl.setFillcolor(2) yellow
```

or for the background of the cells in a rectangular region:

```
tbl.setFillcolor(R2C3:R3C6) ltgray
tbl.setFillcolor(2,C,3,F) @rgb(192, 192, 192)
tbl.setFillcolor(2,3,3,6) @rgb(192, 192, 192)
```

Cross-references

See [Table::setTextcolor \(p. 714\)](#) and [Table::setFont \(p. 702\)](#) for details on changing text color and font, and [Table::setlines \(p. 710\)](#) for drawing lines between and through cells.

For additional discussion of table commands see [Chapter 3. “Working with Tables and Spreadsheets,” on page 45](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference*.

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|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| setFont | <a href="#">Table Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Set the font for text in the specified table cells.

Syntax

```
table_name.setFont(cell_range) font_args
```

The *font\_args* may include one or more of the following:

- type*([*face*], [*pt*], [*+/- b*], [*+/- i*], [*+/- u*], [*+/- s*]) Set characteristics of the font for the graph element *type*. The font name (*face*), size (*pt*), and characteristics are all optional. *face* should be a valid font name, enclosed in double quotes. *pt* should be the font size in points. The remaining options specify whether to turn on/off boldface (*b*), italic (*i*), underline (*u*), and strikeout (*s*) styles.

and *type* is one of “all”, “axes”, “legend”, “text”, “obs”, where “axes” refers to the axes labels, “legend” refers to the graph legend, “text” refers to the text objects, “obs” refers to the observation scale, and “all” refers to all of the elements.

Examples

```
tbl.setFont(B3:D10) "Times New Roman" +i
```

sets the font to Times New Roman Italic for the cells defined by the rectangle from B3 (row 3, column 2) to D10 (row 10, column 4).

```
tbl.setFont(3,B,10,D) 8pt
```

changes all of text in the region to 8 point.

```
tabl.setfont(4,B) +b -i
```

removes the italic, and adds boldface to the B4 cell (row 4, column 2).

The commands:

```
tabl.setfont(b) -s +u 14pt
tabl.setfont(2) "Batang" 14pt +u
```

modify the fonts for the column B, and row 2, respectively. The first command changes the point size to 14, removes strikethrough and adds underscoring. The second changes the typeface to Batang, and adds underscoring,

## Cross-references

See [Table::settextcolor](#) (p. 714) and [Table::setfillcolor](#) (p. 700) for details on changing text color and font, and [Table::setlines](#) (p. 710) for drawing lines between and through cells.

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|           |                             |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| setformat | <a href="#">Table Procs</a> |
|-----------|-----------------------------|

Set the display format for cells in a table view.

## Syntax

```
table_name.setformat(cell_range) format_arg
```

where *format\_arg* is a set of arguments used to specify format settings. If necessary, you should enclose the *format\_arg* in double quotes.

The *cell\_range* option is used to describe the cells to be modified. It may take one of the following forms:

|            |   |
|------------|---|
| @all       | Apply to all cells in the table.  |
| cell       | Cell identifier. You can identify cells using either the column letter and row number (e.g., “A1”), or by using “R” followed by the row number followed by “C” and the column <i>number</i> (e.g., “R1C2”). |
| row[,] col | Row number, followed by column letter or number (e.g., “2,C”, or “2,3”), separated by “,”. Apply to cell.   |

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <i>row</i>  | Row number (e.g., “2”). Apply to all cells in the row.   |
| <i>col</i>  | Column <i>letter</i> (e.g., “B”). Apply to all cells in the column.  |
| <i>first_cell[:]</i> <i>last_cell</i> ,<br><i>first_cell[,]</i> <i>last_cell</i>                        | Top left cell of the selection range (specified in “ <i>cell</i> ” format), followed by bottom right cell of the selection range (specified in “ <i>cell</i> ” format), separated by a “:” or “,” (e.g., “A2:C10”, “A2,C10”, or “R2C1:R10C3”, “R2C1,R10C3”). Apply to all cells in the rectangular region defined by the first cell and last cell. |
| <i>first_cell_row[,]</i><br><i>first_cell_col[,]</i><br><i>last_cell_row[,]</i><br><i>last_cell_col</i> | Top left cell of the selection range (specified in “ <i>row</i> [,] <i>col</i> ” format), followed by bottom right cell of the selection range (specified in “ <i>row</i> [,] <i>col</i> ” format), separated by a “,” (e.g., “2,A,10,C” or “2,1,10,3”). Apply to all cells in the rectangular region defined by the first cell and last cell.     |

To format numeric values, you should use one of the following format specifications:

|                      |                      |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| <i>g[.precision]</i> | significant digits   |
| <i>f[.precision]</i> | fixed decimal places |
| <i>c[.precision]</i> | fixed characters     |
| <i>e[.precision]</i> | scientific/float     |
| <i>p[.precision]</i> | percentage           |
| <i>r[.precision]</i> | fraction             |

To specify a format that groups digits into thousands using a comma separator, place a “t” after the format character. For example, to obtain a fixed number of decimal places with commas used to separate thousands, use “ft[.precision]”.

To use the period character to separate thousands and commas to denote decimal places, use “.” (two periods) when specifying the precision. For example, to obtain a fixed number of characters with a period used to separate thousands, use “ct[.precision]”.

If you wish to display negative numbers surrounded by parentheses (*i.e.*, display the number -37.2 as “(37.2)”), you should enclose the format string in “( )” (e.g., “f(.8)”).

To format numeric values using date and time formats, you may use a subset of the possible date format strings (see [“Date Formats” on page 85](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference*). The possible format arguments, along with an example of the date number 730856.944793113 (January 7, 2002 10:40:30.125 p.m) formatted using the argument are given by:

|    |   |
|----|---|
| WF | (uses current EViews workfile<br>period display format) |
|----|---|

|                         |                           |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| YYYY                    | “2002”                    |
| YYYY-Mon                | “2002-Jan”                |
| YYYYMon                 | “2002 Jan”                |
| YYYY[M]MM               | “2002[M]01”               |
| YYYY:MM                 | “2002:01”                 |
| YYYY[Q]Q                | “2002[Q]1”                |
| YYYY:Q                  | “2002:Q                   |
| YYYY[S]S                | “2002[S]1” (semi-annual)  |
| YYYY:S                  | “2002:1”                  |
| YYYY-MM-DD              | “2002-01-07”              |
| YYYY Mon dd             | “2002 Jan 7”              |
| YYYY Month dd           | “2002 January 7”          |
| YYYY-MM-DD HH:MI        | “2002-01-07 22:40”        |
| YYYY-MM-DD HH:MI:SS     | “2002-01-07 22:40:30”     |
| YYYY-MM-DD HH:MI:SS.SSS | “2002-01-07 22:40:30.125” |
| Mon-YYYY                | “Jan-2002”                |
| Mon dd YYYY             | “Jan 7 2002”              |
| Mon dd, YYYY            | “Jan 7, 2002”             |
| Month dd YYYY           | “January 7 2002”          |
| Month dd, YYYY          | “January 7, 2002”         |
| MM/DD/YYYY              | “01/07/2002”              |
| mm/DD/YYYY              | “1/07/2002”               |
| mm/DD/YYYY HH:MI        | “1/07/2002 22:40”         |
| mm/DD/YYYY HH:MI:SS     | “1/07/2002 22:40:30”      |
| mm/DD/YYYY HH:MI:SS.SSS | “1/07/2002 22:40:30.125”  |
| mm/dd/YYYY              | “1/7/2002”                |
| mm/dd/YYYY HH:MI        | “1/7/2002 22:40”          |
| mm/dd/YYYY HH:MI:SS     | “1/7/2002 22:40:30”       |
| mm/dd/YYYY HH:MI:SS.SSS | “1/7/2002 22:40:30.125”   |
| dd/MM/YYYY              | “7/01/2002”               |
| dd/mm/YYYY              | “7/1/2002”                |
| DD/MM/YYYY              | “07/01/2002”              |
| dd Mon YYYY             | “7 Jan 2002”              |
| dd Mon, YYYY            | “7 Jan, 2002”             |
| dd Month YYYY           | “7 January 2002”          |

|                         |                          |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| dd Month, YYYY          | "7 January, 2002"        |
| dd/MM/YYYY HH:MI        | "7/01/2002 22:40"        |
| dd/MM/YYYY HH:MI:SS     | "7/01/2002 22:40:30"     |
| dd/MM/YYYY HH:MI:SS.SSS | "7/01/2002 22:40:30.125" |
| dd/mm/YYYY hh:MI        | "7/1/2002 22:40"         |
| dd/mm/YYYY hh:MI:SS     | "7/1/2002 22:40:30"      |
| dd/mm/YYYY hh:MI:SS.SSS | "7/1/2002 22:40:30.125"  |
| hm:MI am                | "10:40 pm"               |
| hm:MI:SS am             | "10:40:30 pm"            |
| hm:MI:SS.SSS am         | "10:40:30.125 pm"        |
| HH:MI                   | "22:40"                  |
| HH:MI:SS                | "22:40:30"               |
| HH:MI:SS.SSS            | "22:40:30.125"           |
| hh:MI                   | "22:40"                  |
| hh:MI:SS                | "22:40:30"               |
| hh:MI:SS.SSS            | "22:40:30.125"           |

Note that the “hh” formats display 24-hour time without leading zeros. In our examples above, there is no difference between the “HH” and “hh” formats for 10 p.m.

Also note that all of the “YYYY” formats above may be displayed using two-digit year “YY” format.

Examples

To set the format of a cell to fixed 5-digit precision, provide the format specification and a valid cell specification:

```
tab1.setformat(A2) f.5
```

You may use any of the date formats given above:

```
tab1.setformat(A3) YYYYMon
tab1.setformat(B1) "YYYY-MM-DD HH:MI:SS.SSS"
```

The cell specification may be described in a variety of ways:

```
tab1.setformat(B2) hh:MI:SS.SSS
tab1.setformat(2,B,10,D) g(.3)
tab1.setformat(R2C2:R4C4) "dd/MM/YY HH:MI:SS.SSS"
```

## Cross-references

See [Table::settextcolor](#) (p. 714) and [Table::setfillcolor](#) (p. 700) for details on changing text color, and [Table::setlines](#) (p. 710) for drawing lines between and through cells. To set other cell properties, see [Table::setheight](#) (p. 707), [Table::setindent](#) (p. 708), [Table::setjust](#) (p. 709), and [Table::setwidth](#) (p. 715).

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|           |                             |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| setheight | <a href="#">Table Procs</a> |
|-----------|-----------------------------|

Set the row height of rows in a table.

## Syntax

```
table_name.setheight(row_range) height_arg
```

where *row\_range* is either a single row number (e.g., “5”), a colon delimited range of rows (from low to high, e.g., “3:5”), or the “@ALL” keyword, and *height\_arg* specifies the height unit value, where height units are specified in character heights. The character height is given by the font-specific sum of the units above and below the baseline and the leading, where the font is given by the default font for the current table (the EViews table default font at the time the table was created). *height\_arg* values may be non-integer values with resolution up to 1/10 of a height unit.

## Examples

```
tab1.setheight(2) 1
```

sets the height of row 2 to match the table font character height, while:

```
tab1.setheight(2) 1.5
```

increases the row height to 1-1/2 character heights.

Similarly, the command:

```
tab1.setheight(2:4) 1
```

sets the heights for rows 2 through 4.

## Cross-references

See [Table::setwidth](#) (p. 715), [Table::setindent](#) (p. 708) and [Table::setjust](#) (p. 709) for details on setting table widths, indentation and justification.



For additional discussion of table commands see [Chapter 3. “Working with Tables and Spreadsheets,” on page 45](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference*.

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|           |                             |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| setindent | <a href="#">Table Procs</a> |
|-----------|-----------------------------|

Set the display indentation for a table view.

**Syntax**

`table_name.setindent(cell_range) indent_arg`

where *indent\_arg* is an indent value specified in 1/5 of a width unit. The width unit is computed from representative characters in the default font for the current table (the EViews table default font at the time the table was created), and corresponds roughly to a single character. Indentation is only relevant for non-center justified cells.

The default values are taken from the settings at the time the table is created.

The *cell\_range* defines the cells to be modified. See [Table::setformat \(p. 703\)](#) for the syntax for *cell\_range* specifications.

**Examples**

To set the justification, provide a valid cell specification:

```
tab1.setindent(@all) 2
tab1.setindent(2,B,10,D) 4
tab1.setindent(R2C2:R4C4) 2
```

**Cross-references**

See [Table::setWidth \(p. 715\)](#), [Table::setheight \(p. 707\)](#) and [Table::setjust \(p. 709\)](#) for details on setting table widths, height, and justification.

For additional discussion of table commands see [Chapter 3. “Working with Tables and Spreadsheets,” on page 45](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference*.

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|         |                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| setjust | <a href="#">Table Procs</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------|

Set the display justification for cells in table views.

### Syntax

```
table_name.setjust(cell_range) format_arg
```

where *format\_arg* is a set of arguments used to specify format settings. You should enclose the *format\_arg* in double quotes if it contains any spaces or delimiters.

The *cell\_range* defines the cells to be modified. See [Table::setformat \(p. 703\)](#) for the syntax for *cell\_range* specifications.

The *format\_arg* may be formed using the following:

|                              |  |
|------------------------------|--|
| top / middle / bottom        | Vertical justification setting.  |
| auto / left / center / right | Horizontal justification setting. “Auto” uses left justification for strings, and right for numbers. |

You may enter one or both of the justification settings. The default settings are taken from the original view when created by freezing a view, or as “middle bottom” for newly created tables.

### Examples

To set the justification, you must provide a valid cell specification:

```
tab1.setjust(@all) top
tab1.setjust(2,B,10,D) left bottom
tab1.setjust(R2C2:R4C4) right top
```

### Cross-references

See [Table::setWidth \(p. 715\)](#), [Table::setheight \(p. 707\)](#), and [Table::setindent \(p. 708\)](#) for details on setting table widths, height and justification.

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|          |                             |
|----------|-----------------------------|
| setlines | <a href="#">Table Procs</a> |
|----------|-----------------------------|

Sets line characteristics and borders for a set of table cells.

Syntax

`table_name.setlines(cell_range) line_args`

where *cell\_range* describes the table cells to be modified, and *line\_args* is a set of arguments used to modify the existing line settings. See [Table::setfillcolor \(p. 700\)](#) for the syntax for *cell\_range*.

The *line\_args* may contain one or more of the following:

|                       |                                    |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|
| <code>+ t / -t</code> | Top border [on/off].               |
| <code>+ b / -b</code> | Bottom border [on/off].            |
| <code>+ l / -l</code> | Left border [on/off].              |
| <code>+ r / -r</code> | Right border [on/off].             |
| <code>+ i / -i</code> | Inner borders [on/off].            |
| <code>+ o / -o</code> | Outer borders [on/off].            |
| <code>+ v / -v</code> | Vertical inner borders [on/off].   |
| <code>+ h / -h</code> | Horizontal inner borders [on/off]. |
| <code>+ a / -a</code> | All borders [on/off].              |
| <code>+ d / -d</code> | Double middle lines [on/off].      |

Examples

```
tab1.setlines(b2:d6) +o
```

draws borders around the outside of the rectangle defined by B2 and D6. Note that this command is equivalent to:

```
tab1.setlines(b2:d6) +a -h -v
```

which adds borders to all of the cells in the rectangle defined by B2 and D6, then removes the inner horizontal and vertical borders.

```
tab1.setlines(2,b) +o
```

puts a border around all four sides of the B2 cell.

```
tab1.setlines(2,b) -l -r +i
```

then removes both the left and the right border from the cell. In this example, “+ i” option has no effect; since the specification involves a single cell, there are no inner borders.

```
tbl.setlines(@all) -a
```

removes all borders from the table.

Cross-references

See [Table::settextcolor](#) (p. 714), [Table::setfillcolor](#) (p. 700), and [Table::setfont](#) (p. 702) for details on changing text color and font.

For additional discussion of table commands see [Chapter 3. “Working with Tables and Spreadsheets,”](#) on page 45 of the *Command and Programming Reference*.

See also “[Table Objects](#)” on page 691 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion and examples of table formatting in EViews.

|          |                             |
|----------|-----------------------------|
| setmerge | <a href="#">Table Procs</a> |
|----------|-----------------------------|

Merges/unmerges one or more table cells.

Syntax

```
table_name.setmerge(cell_range)
```

where *cell\_range* describes the table cells (in a single row) to be merged. The *cell\_range* specifications are given by:

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <i>first_cell[:last_cell,</i><br><i>first_cell[,last_cell</i>                             | Left (right) cell of the selection range (specified in “ <i>cell</i> ” format), followed by right (left) cell of the selection range (specified in “ <i>cell</i> ” format), separated by a “:” or “,” (e.g., “A2:C2”, “A2,C2”, or “R2C1:R2C3”, “R2C1,R2C3”). Merge all cells in the region defined by the first column and last column for the specified row. |
| <i>cell_row[,</i><br><i>first_cell_col[,</i><br><i>cell_row[,</i><br><i>last_cell_col</i> | Left (right) cell of the selection range (specified in “ <i>row[, col</i> ” format), followed by right (left) cell of the selection range (specified in “ <i>row[, col</i> ” format, with a fixed <i>row</i> ), separated by a “,” (e.g., “2,A,2,C” or “2,1,2,3”). Merge all cells in the row defined by the first column and last column identifier.         |

If the first specified column is less than the last specified column (left specified before right), the cells in the row will be merged left to right, otherwise, the cells will be merged from right to left. The contents of the merged cell will be taken from the first non-empty cell in the merged region. If merging from left to right, the left-most cell contents will be used; if merging from right to left, the right-most cell contents will be displayed.

If you specify a merge involving previously merged cells, EViews will unmerge all cells within the specified range.

Examples

```
tab1.setmerge(a2:d2)
tab1.setmerge(2,1,2,4)
```

merges the cells in row 2, columns 1 to 4, from left to right.

```
tab2.setmerge(r2c5:r2c2)
```

merges the cells in row 2, columns 2 to 5, from right to left. We may then unmerge cells by issuing the command using any of the previously merged cells:

```
tab2.setmerge(r2c4:r2c4)
```

unmerges the previously merged cells.

Note that in all cases, the `setmerge` command must be specified using cells in a single row. The command:

```
tab3.setmerge(r2c1:r3c5)
```

generates an error since the cell specification involves rows 2 and 3.

Cross-references

See [Table::setWidth \(p. 715\)](#), [Table::setheight \(p. 707\)](#) and [Table::setjust \(p. 709\)](#) for details on setting table widths, height, and justification.

For additional discussion of table commands see [Chapter 3. “Working with Tables and Spreadsheets,” on page 45](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference*.

See also [“Table Objects” on page 691](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion and examples of table formatting in EViews.

|           |                             |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| setprefix | <a href="#">Table Procs</a> |
|-----------|-----------------------------|

Set the cell prefix string for the specified table cells.

Syntax

```
table_name.setprefix(cell_range) prefix
```

where *prefix* is the prefix you wish to assign to the cells. To remove a prefix from a cell, leave *prefix* empty.

The *cell\_range* defines the cells to be modified. See [Table::setformat \(p. 703\)](#) for the syntax for *cell\_range* specifications.

Examples

```
tab1.setprefix(A1) $
```

prepends the dollar sign (\$) to the cell A1.

```
tbl.setprefix(A1)
```

removes the prefix from cell A1.

Cross-references

See [Table::setWidth \(p. 715\)](#), [Table::setindent \(p. 708\)](#) and [Table::setjust \(p. 709\)](#) for details on setting table widths, indentation and justification.

For additional discussion of table commands see [Chapter 3. “Working with Tables and Spreadsheets,” on page 45](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference*.

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|           |                             |
|-----------|-----------------------------|
| setsuffix | <a href="#">Table Procs</a> |
|-----------|-----------------------------|

Set the cell suffix string for the specified table cells.

Syntax

```
table_name.setsuffix(cell_range) suffix
```

where *suffix* is the suffix you wish to assign to the cells. To remove a suffix from a cell, leave *suffix* empty.

The *cell\_range* defines the cells to be modified. See [Table::setformat \(p. 703\)](#) for the syntax for *cell\_range* specifications.

Examples

```
tbl.setsuffix(A1) $
```

appends the dollar sign (\$) to the cell A1.

```
tbl.setsuffix(A1)
```

removes the suffix from cell A1.

Cross-references

See [Table::setWidth \(p. 715\)](#), [Table::setindent \(p. 708\)](#) and [Table::setjust \(p. 709\)](#) for details on setting table widths, indentation and justification.

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|              |                             |
|--------------|-----------------------------|
| settextcolor | <a href="#">Table Procs</a> |
|--------------|-----------------------------|

Changes the text color of the specified table cells.

**Syntax**

```
table_name.settextcolor(cell_range) color_arg
```

where *cell\_range* describes the table cells to be modified, and *color\_arg* specifies the color to be applied to the text in the cells. See [Table::setfillcolor \(p. 700\)](#) for the syntax for *cell\_range* and *color\_arg*.

**Examples**

To set an orange text color for the cell in the second row and sixth column of TAB1, you may use:

```
tab1.settextcolor(f2) @rgb(255, 128, 0)
tab1.settextcolor(2,f) @RGB(255, 128, 0)
tab1.settextcolor(2,6) orange
tab1.settextcolor(r2c6) orange
```

You may also specify a blue color for the text in an entire column, or an entire row,

```
tab1.settextcolor(C) @RGB(0, 0, 255)
tab1.settextcolor(2) blue
```

or a green color for the text in cells in a rectangular region:

```
tab1.settextcolor(R2C3:R3C6) green
tab1.settextcolor(r2c3,r3c6) green
tab1.settextcolor(2,C,3,F) @rgb(0, 255, 0)
tab1.settextcolor(2,3,3,6) @rgb(0, 255, 0)
```

**Cross-references**

See [Table::setFont \(p. 702\)](#) and [Table::setfillcolor \(p. 700\)](#) for details on changing the text font and cell background color.

For additional discussion of table commands see [Chapter 3. “Working with Tables and Spreadsheets,” on page 45](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference*.

See also [Chapter 16. “Table and Text Objects,” on page 691](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion and examples of table formatting in EViews.

|          |                             |
|----------|-----------------------------|
| setwidth | <a href="#">Table Procs</a> |
|----------|-----------------------------|

Set the column width for selected columns in a table.

### Syntax

```
table_name.setwidth(col_range) width_arg
```

where *col\_range* is either a single column number or letter (e.g., “5”, “E”), a colon delimited range of columns (from low to high, e.g., “3:5”, “C:E”), or the keyword “@ALL”, and *width\_arg* specifies the width unit value. The width unit is computed from representative characters in the default font for the current table (the EViews table default font at the time the table was created), and corresponds roughly to a single character. *width\_arg* values may be non-integer values with resolution up to 1/10 of a width unit.

### Examples

```
tab1.setwidth(2) 12
```

sets the width of column 2 to 12 width units.

```
tab1.setwidth(2:10) 20
```

sets the widths for columns 2 through 10 to 20 width units.

### Cross-references

See [Table::setheight](#) (p. 707), [Table::setindent](#) (p. 708) and [Table::setjust](#) (p. 709) for details on setting table height, indentation and justification.

For additional discussion of table commands see [Chapter 3. “Working with Tables and Spreadsheets,”](#) on page 45 of the *Command and Programming Reference*.

See also [Chapter 16. “Table and Text Objects,”](#) on page 691 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion and examples of table formatting in EViews.

|       |                             |
|-------|-----------------------------|
| sheet | <a href="#">Table Views</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------|

Display a table object.

### Syntax

```
table_name.sheet(options)
```

### Options

|   |                             |
|---|-----------------------------|
| p | Print the spreadsheet view. |
|---|-----------------------------|



Examples

```
tbl.sheet(p)
```

displays and prints table TAB1.

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| table | <a href="#">Table Declaration</a>   <a href="#">Table Views</a> |
|-------|---|

Declare a table object.

The `table` command declares and optionally sizes a table object. When used as a table view, `table` displays the contents of the table.

Syntax

```
table(rows, cols) table_name
table_name.table(options)
```

The `table` command takes two optional arguments specifying the row and column dimension of the table, and is followed by the name you wish to give the matrix. If no sizing information is provided, the table will contain a single cell.

You may also include an assignment in the `sym` command. The symmetric matrix will be resized, if necessary. Once declared, symmetric matrices may be resized by repeating the `sym` command with new dimensions.

The `table` view displays the contents of the table. It is a synonym for [sheet \(p. 715\)](#).

Examples

```
table onelement
```

declares a one element table

```
table(10,5) outtable
```

creates a table OUTTABLE with 10 rows and 5 columns.

Cross-references

See also [freeze \(p. 339\)](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference* and [Table::sheet \(p. 715\)](#).

For additional discussion of table commands see [Chapter 3. “Working with Tables and Spreadsheets,” on page 45](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference*.

See [Chapter 16. “Table and Text Objects,” on page 691](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a general discussion and examples of table formatting in EViews.

|       |                             |
|-------|-----------------------------|
| title | <a href="#">Table Procs</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------|

Assign or change the title of a table.

### Syntax

```
table_name.title title_arg
```

where *title\_arg* is a case sensitive string which may contain spaces.

### Examples

```
tab1.title Estimated Models
```

sets the TAB1 title to “Estimated Models.”

```
tab1.title
```

clears the TAB1 title.

### Cross-references

See also [Table::displayname](#) (p. 694) and [Table::label](#) (p. 696).

## Text

Text object.

Object for holding arbitrary text information.

### Text Declaration

**text** ..... declare text object (p. 724).

To declare a text object, use the keyword `text`, followed by the object name:

```
text mytext
```

### Text Views

**label** ..... label information for the text object (p. 721).

**text** ..... view contents of text object (p. 724).

### Text Procs

**append** ..... appends text to the end of a text object (p. 719).

**clear** ..... clear a text object (p. 720).

**displayname** ..... changes the display name for the text object (p. 720).

**olepush** ..... push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 722).

**save** ..... save text object to disk as an ASCII text, RTF, or HTML file (p. 722).

**setattr** ..... set the value of an object attribute (p. 723).

**svector** ..... make svector out of the contents of the text object (p. 723).

### Text Data Members

#### *Scalar Values*

**@linecount** ..... scalar containing the number of lines in a Text object.

#### *String values*

**@attr("arg")** ..... string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.

**@description** ..... string containing the Text object's description (if available).

**@detailedtype** ..... string with the object type: "TEXT".

**@displayname** ..... string containing the Text object's display name. If the object has no display name set, the name is returned.

**@line(i)** ..... returns a string containing the Text on *i*-th line of the Text object.

**@name** ..... string containing the Text object's name.

**@remarks** ..... string containing the Text object's remarks (if available).

**@source** ..... string containing the Text object's source (if available).

**@svector** ..... returns an Svector where each element is a line of the Text object.

**@svectornb** ..... same as **@svector**, with blank lines removed.

**@type**.....string with the object type: “TEXT”.

**@updatetime** .....string representation of the time and date at which the Text object was last updated.

## Text Examples

```
text mytext
[add text to the object]
mytext.text
```

## Text Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the “Text” object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|        |                            |
|--------|----------------------------|
| append | <a href="#">Text Procs</a> |
|--------|----------------------------|

Appends text or a text file to the end of a text object.

There are different forms of the command, with the syntax depending on whether you are appending a line of text or the contents of a text file to the end of the text object.

### Syntax

```
text_name.append “text to append”
text_name.append(file) [path/]file_name
```

Specify the literal text or file name after the `append` keyword.

### Examples

```
ttl.append “Add this to the end”
```

appends the text “Add this to the end” at the end of the text object TT1.

To include quotes in the string, use the quote escape sequence, or double quotes:

```
ttl.append """This is a quoted string"""
```

appends “This is a quoted string”.

You may also use curly braces with a string object:

```
string s = """This is a quoted string"""
ttl.append {s}
```

appends “This is a quoted string”.

```
ttl.append(file) c:\myfile\file.txt
```

appends the contents of the text file “File.TXT” to the text object.

Cross-references

See also [Text::clear](#) (p. 720).

|       |                            |
|-------|----------------------------|
| clear | <a href="#">Text Procs</a> |
|-------|----------------------------|

Clear a text object.

Syntax

`text_name.clear`

Examples

The following command clears all text from the text object TT1:

```
ttl.clear
```

Cross-references

See also [Text::append](#) (p. 719).

|             |                            |
|-------------|----------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">Text Procs</a> |
|-------------|----------------------------|

Display name for text objects.

Attaches a display name to a text object which may be used in place of the standard text object name.

Syntax

`text_name.displayname display_name`

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain a variety of characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in text object names.

Examples

```
hrs.displayname Hours Worked
hrs.label
```

The first line attaches a display name “Hours Worked” to the text object HRS, and the second line displays the label view of HRS, including its display name.

Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names.

See also [Text::label](#) (p. 721).

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| label | <a href="#">Text Views</a>   <a href="#">Text Procs</a> |
|-------|---|

Display or change the label view of the text object, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

As a procedure, `label` changes the fields in the text object label.

### Syntax

```
text_name.label
text_name.label(options) [text]
```

### Options

The first version of the command displays the label view of the text object. The second version may be used to modify the label. Specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

### Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of the text object LWAGE with “Data from CPS 1988 March File”:

```
lwage.label(r)
lwage.label(r) Data from CPS 1988 March File
```

To append additional remarks to LWAGE, and then to print the label view:

```
lwage.label(r) Log of hourly wage
lwage.label(p)
```

To clear and then set the units field, use:

```
lwage.label(u) Millions of bushels
```

### Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.

See also [Text::displayname](#) (p. 720).

|         |                            |
|---------|----------------------------|
| olepush | <a href="#">Text Procs</a> |
|---------|----------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

**Syntax**

`text_name.olepush`

**Cross-references**

See “[Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)](#)” on [page 729](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|      |                            |
|------|----------------------------|
| save | <a href="#">Text Procs</a> |
|------|----------------------------|

Save text object to disk as an ASCII text, RTF, or HTML file.

**Syntax**

`text_name.save(options) [path\]file_name`

Follow the keyword with a name for the file. *file\_name* may include the file type extension, or the file type may be specified using the “t= ” option.

If an explicit path is not specified, the file will be stored in the default directory, as set in the **File Locations** global options.

**Options**

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>t = file_type</code><br>(default = “txt”) | Specifies the file type, where <i>file_type</i> may be one of: “rtf” (Rich-text format), “txt” (ASCII text), or “html” (HTML - Hypertext Markup Language). |
|---|--|

**Examples**

The command:

```
text1.save mytext
```

saves TEXT1 to an ASCII text file named “MYTEXT.TXT” in the default directory.

```
text1.save mytext.bat
```

saves TEXT1 to an ASCII text file using the explicitly provided name “MYTEXT.BAT”.

```
text1.save(t=rtf) mytext
```

saves TEXT1 to the RTF file “MYTEXT.RTF”.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 16. “Table and Text Objects,” beginning on page 691](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of tables.

|         |                            |
|---------|----------------------------|
| setattr | <a href="#">Text Procs</a> |
|---------|----------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

### Syntax

```
text_name.setattr(attr) attr_value
```

Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the @attr data member.

### Examples

```
a.setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

## Cross-references

See [“Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View” on page 103](#) and [“Adding Your Own Label Attributes” on page 65](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

|         |                            |
|---------|----------------------------|
| svector | <a href="#">Text Procs</a> |
|---------|----------------------------|

Make an svector out of the contents of the text object.

### Syntax

```
text_name.svector name
```

Makes an svector called name, where each row of the svector is equal to a line of the text object.

### Examples

```
text01.svector svec
```

makes an svector named SVEC.



Cross-references

See [“String Vectors” on page 80](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference* for a discussion of strings and string vector. See also [“Svector” on page 622](#).

|      |  |
|------|--|
| text | <a href="#">Text Declaration    Text Views</a> |
|------|--|

Declare a text object when used as a command, or display text representation of the text object.

Syntax

```
text object_name
text_name.text(options)
```

When used as a command to declare a table object, follow the keyword with a name of the text object.

Options

|   |                                     |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| p | Print the model text specification. |
|---|-------------------------------------|

Examples

```
text notes1
```

declares a text object named NOTES1.

Cross-references

See [“Text Objects” on page 700](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of text objects in EViews.



## Userobj

Userobj (user-defined object).

### User Object Declaration

**userobj** ..... declare an empty, unregistered user object (p. 733).

A simple, non-registered, user object is created by simply using the `userobj` command followed by the name of the user object:

```
userobj myuserobject
```

### User Object Views

Although a registered user object may have user-defined views available, all user objects have the following built-in views.

**display** ..... display table, graph, or spool output in the user object window (p. 729).

**label** ..... display or change the label view of a user object (p. 731).

**members** ..... display a list of the members of a user object (p. 732).

### User Object Procs

Although a registered user object may have user-defined procs available, all user objects have the following built-in procs.

**add** ..... add a data or object member to the user object (p. 727).

**clear** ..... remove all members from the user object (p. 728).

**displayname** ..... attach a display name to the user object (p. 729).

**drop** ..... drop a data or object member from the user object (p. 730).

**extract** ..... display or copy a data member from the user object (p. 730).

**label** ..... display or change the label view of a user object (p. 731).

**olepush** ..... push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 732).

**setattr** ..... set the value of an object attribute (p. 732).

### User Object Data Members

Although user objects can have user-defined data members, the following built-in data members also exist for all user objects.

#### *String values*

**@attr("arg")** ..... string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.

**@description** ..... string containing the user object's description (if available).

**@detailedtype** ..... string with the object type: "USEROBJ".

**@displayname** ..... string containing the user object's display name. If the user object has no display name set, the name is returned.

- @members**.....space delimited list of all the user-defined members currently stored inside the user object.
- @name** .....string containing the user object’s name.
- @remarks** .....string containing the user object’s remarks (if available).
- @source**.....string containing the user object’s source (if available).
- @type**.....string with the object type: “USEROBJ”.
- @units**.....string containing the user object’s units description (if available).
- @updatetime** .....string representation of the time and date at which the user object was last updated.

Scalar values

- @hasmember(name)** ..... returns a 1 or a 0 depending on whether the user object has a data member called *name*.

User Object Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the “Userobj” object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|     |                   |
|-----|-------------------|
| add | User Object Procs |
|-----|-------------------|

Add a data or object member to the user object.

Adds a new data or object member to the user object. You may either create a new string or scalar member directly, or copy an existing object from the current workfile page. Note that only view objects (tables, graphs, text objects or spools) or matrix objects can be copied to a user object as members.

Syntax

```
userobject_name.add(options) member arg
userobject_name.add(options) [member] objname
```

If creating a new member inside the user object, you should specify the name of the member with *member*, and then specify its value with *arg*. If *arg* is a number, the new member will be created as a scalar, if *arg* is a string, the new member will be a string.

If copying the member from the current workfile page, you should use *objname* to specify the name of the object in the workfile you wish to copy. If you would like to give the member a different name inside the user object, you can specify that name with *member*.

Options

|   |  |
|---|--|
| r | Replace an existing member. If this option is not used, and a member with the same name already exists, EViews will error. |
| d | When copying an object from the workfile page as the data member, delete the object from the workfile after copying.       |

Examples

```
myobj.add mymember 3
```

Creates a new member inside the user object MYOBJ called MYMEMBER, and sets its value equal to 3.

```
myobj.add(r) mymember "hello"
```

Replaces the member MYMEMBER with a string value of “hello”.

```
myobj.add matv
```

Creates a new member called MATV by copying the existing workfile object MATV into the user object.

```
myobj.add(d) mymat matm
```

Creates a new member called MATM by copying the workfile object MYMAT into the user object. MYMAT is deleted from the workfile.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 9. “User Objects,” on page 195](#) for discussion of user objects. See also [Userobj::clear \(p. 728\)](#), [Userobj::drop \(p. 730\)](#), and [Userobj::members \(p. 732\)](#).

|       |                                   |
|-------|-----------------------------------|
| clear | <a href="#">User Object Procs</a> |
|-------|-----------------------------------|

Removes all members from the user object.

Syntax

```
userobject_name.clear
```

Examples

```
myuserobj.clear
```

Deletes all members from the user object MYUSEROBJ.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 9. “User Objects,” on page 195](#) for discussion of user objects. See also [Userobj::add \(p. 727\)](#) and [Userobj::drop \(p. 730\)](#).

|         |                                   |
|---------|-----------------------------------|
| display | <a href="#">User Object Views</a> |
|---------|-----------------------------------|

Display table, graph, or spool output in the user object window.

Display the contents of a table, graph, or spool in the window of the user object.

### Syntax

```
userobject_name.display object_name
```

### Examples

```
uol.display tab1
```

Display the contents of the table TAB1 in the window of the object UO1.

### Cross-references

See [“Custom Object Output” on page 192](#).

|             |                                   |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">User Object Procs</a> |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|

Display name for user objects.

Attaches a display name to a user object.

### Syntax

```
userobject_name.displayname display_name
```

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain a variety of characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in user object object names.

### Examples

```
hrs.displayname Hours Worked  
hrs.label
```

The first line attaches a display name “Hours Worked” to the user object HRS, and the second line displays the label view of HRS, including its display name.

### Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names.

|      |                   |
|------|-------------------|
| drop | User Object Procs |
|------|-------------------|

Removes a member from the user object.

Syntax

`userobject_name.drop member`

Removes the member *member* from the user object.

Examples

`myuserobj.drop mymember`

Deletes the member MYMEMBER from the user object MYUSEROBJ.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 9. “User Objects,” on page 195](#) for discussion of user objects. See also [Userobj::add \(p. 727\)](#), [Userobj::clear \(p. 728\)](#), and [Userobj::members \(p. 732\)](#).

|         |                   |
|---------|-------------------|
| extract | User Object Procs |
|---------|-------------------|

Displays or copies a member from the user object.

Syntax

`userobject_name.extract member [wfname]`

Copies the data member specified by *member* into the current workfile page. If *wfname* is not specified, a new untitled object will be created, allowing you to quickly inspect the contents of the data member. If *wfname* is given, a new object in the workfile will be created with a name equal to *wfname*..

Examples

`myuserobj.extract mymember`

copies the data member MYMEMBER as a new untitled object in the workfile.

`myuserobj.extract mymember xx`

copies the data member MYMEMBER as a new object in the workfile called XX.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 9. “User Objects,” on page 195](#) for discussion of user objects. See also [Userobj::add \(p. 727\)](#) and [Userobj::members \(p. 732\)](#).

|       |                                       |
|-------|---------------------------------------|
| label | User Object Views   User Object Procs |
|-------|---------------------------------------|

Display or change the label view of a user object, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

As a procedure, `label` changes the fields in the user object label.

### Syntax

```
userobject_name.label
userobject_name.label(options) [text]
```

### Options

The first version of the command displays the label view of the user object. The second version may be used to modify the label. Specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

### Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of user object UO1 with “Data from CPS 1988 March File”:

```
UO1.label(r)
UO1.label(r) Data from CPS 1988 March File
```

To append additional remarks to UO1, and then to print the label view:

```
u01.label(r) Log of hourly wage
u01.label(p)
```

To clear and then set the units field, use:

```
u01.label(u) Millions of bushels
```

### Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.



|         |                   |
|---------|-------------------|
| members | User Object Views |
|---------|-------------------|

Displays a list of all members currently stored inside the user object.

Syntax

`userobject_name.members(options)`

Options

|   |                             |
|---|-----------------------------|
| p | Print the spreadsheet view. |
|---|-----------------------------|

Examples

`myuserobj.members(p)`

displays and prints the members view of user object MYUSEROBJ.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 9. “User Objects,” on page 195](#) for discussion of user objects. See also [Userobj::add \(p. 727\)](#) and [Userobj::drop \(p. 730\)](#).

|         |                   |
|---------|-------------------|
| olepush | User Object Procs |
|---------|-------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

Syntax

`userobj_name.olepush`

Cross-references

See [“Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)” on page 729](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|         |                   |
|---------|-------------------|
| setattr | User Object Procs |
|---------|-------------------|

Set the object attribute.

Syntax

`userobject_name setattr(attr) attr_value`

Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the `@attr` data member.

## Examples

```
a.setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

## Cross-references

See [“Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View” on page 103](#) and [“Adding Your Own Label Attributes” on page 65](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

|         |   |
|---------|---|
| userobj | <a href="#">User Object Declaration</a> |
|---------|---|

Declare an unregistered, empty user object.

The `userobj` command declares a new empty user object.

## Syntax

```
userobj userobject_name
```

## Examples

```
userobj uo1
```

creates a new empty user object called UO1.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 9. “User Objects,” on page 195](#) for discussion of user objects.



## Valmap

Valmap (value map).

### Valmap Declaration

**valmap**.....declare valmap object (p. 740).

To declare a valmap use the keyword `valmap`, followed by a name

```
valmap mymap
```

### Valmap Views

**label** .....label information for the valmap object (p. 737).

**sheet**.....view table of map definitions (p. 739).

**stats**.....summary of map definitions (p. 739).

**usage** .....list of series and alphas which use the map (p. 740).

### Valmap Procs

**append**.....append a definition to a valmap (p. 736).

**displayname**.....set display name (p. 736).

**olepush**.....push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 738).

**setattr** .....set the value of an object attribute (p. 738).

### Valmap Data Members

#### *String values*

**@attr("arg")** .....string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.

**@description** .....string containing the Valmap object's description (if available).

**@detailedtype** .....string with the object type: "VALMAP".

**@displayname** .....string containing the Valmap object's display name. If the matrix has no display name set, the name is returned.

**@name** .....string containing the Valmap object's name.

**@remarks** .....string containing the Valmap object's remarks (if available).

**@source** .....string containing the Valmap object's source (if available).

**@type** .....string with the object type: "VALMAP".

**@units** .....string containing the Valmap object's units description (if available).

**@updatetime** .....string representation of the time and date at which the Valmap was last updated.

### Valmap Examples

```
valmap b
b.append 0 no
```

```
b.append 1 yes
```

declares a valmap B, and adds two map definitions, mapping 0 to “no” and 1 to “yes”.

```
valmap txtmap
txtmap append "NM" "New Mexico"
txtmap append CA California
txtmap append "RI" "Rhode Island"
```

declares the valmap TXTMAP and adds three definitions.

### Valmap Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the “Valmap” object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|        |                              |
|--------|------------------------------|
| append | <a href="#">Valmap Procs</a> |
|--------|------------------------------|

Append a specification line to a valmap.

#### Syntax

```
valmap_name.append text
```

Type the text to be added after the `append` keyword.

#### Examples

```
valmap b
b.append 0 no
b.append 1 yes
```

The first line declares a valmap object. The following lines set the specification for that valmap - 0’s are mapped to “no” and 1’s are mapped to “yes”.

#### Cross-references

For details, see “[Value Maps](#)” on page 205 of *User’s Guide I*.

|             |                              |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">Valmap Procs</a> |
|-------------|------------------------------|

Display name for a valmap objects.

Attaches a display name to a valmap which may be used to label output in place of the standard valmap object name.

## Syntax

```
valmap_name.displayname display_name
```

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain a variety of characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in valmap object names.

## Examples

```
hrs.displayname Valmap for Hours Worked
hrs.label
```

The first line attaches a display name “Valmap for Hours Worked” to the valmap object HRS, and the second line displays the label view of HRS, including its display name.

## Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names.

See also [valmap::label](#) (p. 737).

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| label | <a href="#">Valmap Views   Valmap Procs</a> |
|-------|---|

Display or change the label view of a valmap, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

As a procedure, `label` changes the fields in the valmap label.

## Syntax

```
valmap_name.label
valmap_name.label(options) [text]
```

## Options

The first version of the command displays the label view of the valmap. The second version may be used to modify the label. Specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

### Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of VMAP with “Data from CPS 1988 March File”:

```
vmmap.label(r)
vmmap.label(r) Data from CPS 1988 March File
```

To append additional remarks to VMAP, and then to print the label view:

```
vmmap.label(r) Log of hourly wage
vmmap.label(p)
```

To clear and then set the units field, use:

```
vmmap.label(u) Millions of bushels
```

### Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.

See also `Valmap::displayname` (p. 736).

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| olepush | <a href="#">Valmap Procs</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

### Syntax

```
valmap_name.olepush
```

### Cross-references

See [“Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)” on page 729](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| setattr | <a href="#">Valmap Procs</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

### Syntax

```
valmap_name.setattr(attr) attr_value
```

Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the `@attr` data member.

### Examples

```
a.setattr(revised) never
```

```
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

## Cross-references

See [“Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View” on page 103](#) and [“Adding Your Own Label Attributes” on page 65](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

|       |                              |
|-------|------------------------------|
| sheet | <a href="#">Valmap Views</a> |
|-------|------------------------------|

Spreadsheet view of a valmap object.

## Syntax

```
valmap_name.sheet(options)
```

## Options

|   |                             |
|---|-----------------------------|
| p | Print the spreadsheet view. |
|---|-----------------------------|

## Examples

```
vm1.sheet
```

displays the spreadsheet view of the valmap object VM1.

|       |                              |
|-------|------------------------------|
| stats | <a href="#">Valmap Views</a> |
|-------|------------------------------|

Statistics for valmap usage.

Displays a description of the composition of a valmap.

## Syntax

```
valmap_name.stats(options)
```

## Options

|   |                  |
|---|------------------|
| p | Print the table. |
|---|------------------|

## Examples

```
map1.stats
```

displays the summary descriptive view of the definitions in the valmap MAP1.



### Cross-references

See [“Value Maps” on page 205](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of value maps.

|       |                              |
|-------|------------------------------|
| usage | <a href="#">Valmap Views</a> |
|-------|------------------------------|

Find series and alphas which use the valmap.

Display list of series and alpha objects which use the valmap.

### Syntax

```
valmap_name.stats(options)
```

### Options

|   |                        |
|---|------------------------|
| p | Print the usage table. |
|---|------------------------|

### Examples

```
map1.usage
```

displays a list of series and alphas which use the valmap MAP1.

### Cross-references

For additional details, see [“Value Maps” on page 205](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

See also [Series::map \(p. 511\)](#) and [Alpha::map \(p. 12\)](#).

|        |                                    |
|--------|------------------------------------|
| valmap | <a href="#">Valmap Declaration</a> |
|--------|------------------------------------|

Declare a value map object.

### Syntax

```
valmap valmap_name
```

Follow the `valmap` keyword with a name for the object.

### Examples

The commands:

```
valmap mymap
mymap.append 3 three
mymap.append 99 "not in universe"
```

declare the valmap MYMAP and add two lines mapping the values 3 and 99 to the strings “three” and “not in universe”.

## Cross-references

For additional details, see “[Value Maps](#)” on [page 205](#) of *User's Guide I*.

See also [Series::map](#) (p. 511) and [Alpha::map](#) (p. 12).



## Var

Vector autoregression and error correction object.

### Var Declaration

**var** .....declare var estimation object (p. 776).

To declare a var use the keyword `var`, followed by a name and, optionally, by an estimation specification:

```
var finvar
var empvar.ls 1 4 payroll hhold gdp
var finec.ec(e,2) 1 6 cp div r
```

### Var Methods

**bvar** .....estimate a Bayesian VAR specification (p. 748).

**ec** .....estimate a vector error correction model (p. 756).

**ls** .....estimate an unrestricted VAR (p. 764).

### Var Views

**arlm** .....serial correlation LM test (p. 747).

**arroots** .....inverse roots of the AR polynomial (p. 747).

**coint** .....Johansen cointegration test (p. 751).

**correl** .....residual autocorrelations (p. 753).

**display** .....display table, graph, or spool in object window (p. 755).

**decomp** .....variance decomposition (p. 753).

**endog** .....table or graph of endogenous variables (p. 758).

**impulse** .....impulse response functions (p. 758).

**jbera** .....residual normality test (p. 761).

**label** .....label information for the var object (p. 762).

**laglen** .....lag order selection criteria (p. 763).

**output** .....table of estimation results (p. 768).

**qstats** .....residual portmanteau tests (p. 769).

**representations** .....text describing var specification (p. 770).

**residcor** .....residual correlation matrix (p. 770).

**residcov** .....residual covariance matrix (p. 770).

**resids** .....residual graphs (p. 771).

**results** .....table of estimation results (p. 772).

**testexog** .....exogeneity (Granger causality) tests (p. 774).

**testlags** .....lag exclusion tests (p. 775).

**white** .....White heteroskedasticity test (p. 777).

## Var Procs

**append** ..... append restriction text (p. 746).  
**cleartext** ..... clear restriction text (p. 750).  
**displayname** ..... set display name (p. 755).  
**makecoint** ..... make group of cointegrating relations (p. 765).  
**makeendog** ..... make group of endogenous series (p. 766).  
**makemodel** ..... make model from the estimated var (p. 766).  
**makeresids** ..... make residual series (p. 767).  
**makesystem** ..... make system from var (p. 767).  
**olepush** ..... push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 768).  
**setattr** ..... set the value of an object attribute (p. 772).  
**svar** ..... estimate structural factorization (p. 773).

## Var Data Members

### *Scalar Values (individual level data)*

**@eqlogl(k)** ..... log likelihood for equation  $k$ .  
**@eqncoef(k)** ..... number of estimated coefficients in equation  $k$ .  
**@eqregobs(k)** ..... number of observations in equation  $k$ .  
**@meandep(k)** ..... mean of the dependent variable in equation  $k$ .  
**@r2(k)** ..... R-squared statistic for equation  $k$ .  
**@rbar2(k)** ..... adjusted R-squared statistic for equation  $k$ .  
**@sddep(k)** ..... std. dev. of dependent variable in equation  $k$ .  
**@se(k)** ..... standard error of the regression in equation  $k$ .  
**@ssr(k)** ..... sum of squared residuals in equation  $k$ .  
**a(i,j)** ..... adjustment coefficient for the  $j$ -th cointegrating equation in the  $i$ -th equation of the VEC (where applicable).  
**b(i,j)** ..... coefficient of the  $j$ -th variable in the  $i$ -th cointegrating equation (where applicable).  
**c(i,j)** ..... coefficient of the  $j$ -th regressor in the  $i$ -th equation of the var, or the coefficient of the  $j$ -th first-difference regressor in the  $i$ -th equation of the VEC.

### *Scalar Values (system level data)*

**@aic** ..... Akaike information criterion for the system.  
**@detresid** ..... determinant of the residual covariance matrix.  
**@hq** ..... Hannan-Quinn information criterion for the system.  
**@logl** ..... log likelihood for system.  
**@ncoefs** ..... total number of estimated coefficients in the var.  
**@neqn** ..... number of equations.  
**@regobs** ..... number of observations in the var.

- @sc** ..... Schwarz information criterion for the system.
- @svarcvctype** ..... Returns an integer indicating the convergence type of the structural decomposition estimation: 0 (convergence achieved), 2 (failure to improve), 3 (maximum iterations reached), 4 (no convergence—structural decomposition not estimated).
- @svarovertid** ..... over-identification LR statistic from structural factorization.
- @totalobs** ..... sum of @eqregobs from each equation (“@regobs\*@neqn”).

### *Vectors and Matrices*

- @coefmat** ..... coefficient matrix (as displayed in output table).
- @coefse** ..... matrix of coefficient standard errors (corresponding to the output table).
- @cointse** ..... standard errors of cointegrating vectors.
- @cointvec** ..... cointegrating vectors.
- @impfact** ..... factorization matrix used in last impulse response view.
- @lrrsp** ..... accumulated long-run responses from last impulse response view.
- @lrrspse** ..... standard errors of accumulated long-run responses.
- @residcov** ..... (sym) covariance matrix of the residuals.
- @svaramat** ..... estimated A matrix for structural factorization.
- @svarbmat** ..... estimated B matrix for structural factorization.
- @svarcovab** ..... covariance matrix of stacked A and B matrix for structural factorization.
- @svarrcov** ..... restricted residual covariance matrix from structural factorization.

### *String values*

- @attr(“arg”)** ..... string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.
- @command** ..... full command line form of the estimation command. Note this is a combination of @method and @options.
- @description** ..... string containing the VAR object’s description (if available).
- @detailedtype** ..... returns a string with the object type: “VAR”.
- @displayname** ..... returns the VAR’s display name. If the VAR has no display name set, the VAR’s name is returned.
- @name** ..... returns the VAR’s name.
- @options** ..... command line form of estimation options.
- @smpl** ..... sample used for estimation.
- @type** ..... returns a string with the object type: “VAR”.
- @updatetime** ..... returns a string representation of the time and date at which the VAR was last updated.

### Var Examples

To declare a var estimate a VEC specification and make a residual series:

```
var finec.ec(e,2) 1 6 cp div r
finec.makeresids
```

To estimate an ordinary var, to create series containing residuals, and to form a model based upon the estimated var:

```
var empvar.ls 1 4 payroll hhold gdp
empvar.makeresids payres hholdres gdpres
empvar.makemodel(inmdl) cp fcp div fdiv r fr
```

To save coefficients in a scalar:

```
scalar coef1=empvar.b(1,2)
```

### Var Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the “Var” object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|        |                           |
|--------|---------------------------|
| append | <a href="#">Var Procs</a> |
|--------|---------------------------|

Append a specification line to a var.

#### Syntax

```
var_name.append(options) text
```

Type the text to be added after the append keyword. *You must specify the restrictions type option.*

#### Options

One of the following options is required when using append as a var proc:

|       |  |
|-------|--|
| svar  | Text for identifying restrictions for structural VAR.                                |
| coint | Text for restrictions on the cointegration relations and/or adjustment coefficients. |

#### Examples

```
var v
v.append(coint) b(1,1)=1
v.ec(restrict) 1 4 x y
```

First a VEC,  $V$ , is declared, then a restriction is appended to  $V$ , finally  $V$  is estimated with that restriction imposed.

## Cross-references

See also [Var::cleartext](#) (p. 750).

|      |                           |
|------|---------------------------|
| arlm | <a href="#">Var Views</a> |
|------|---------------------------|

Perform multivariate residual serial correlation LM test using an estimated Var.

## Syntax

```
var_name.arlm(h, options)
```

You must specify the highest order of lag,  $h$ , for which to test.

## Options

|                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| name = <i>arg</i> | Save LM statistics in named matrix object. The matrix has $h$ rows and one column. |
| prompt            | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.                                  |
| p                 | Print test output.   |

## Examples

```
var var1.ls 1 6 lgdp lm1 lcpi
show var1.arlm(12,name=lmout)
```

The first line declares and estimates a VAR with 6 lags. The second line displays the serial correlation LM tests for lags up to 12 and stores the statistics in a matrix named LMOUT.

## Cross-references

See “Diagnostic Views” on page 556 of *User’s Guide II* for other VAR diagnostics. See also [Var::qstats](#) (p. 769) for related multivariate residual autocorrelation Portmanteau tests.

|         |                           |
|---------|---------------------------|
| arroots | <a href="#">Var Views</a> |
|---------|---------------------------|

Inverse roots of the characteristic AR polynomial.

## Syntax

```
var_name.arroots(options)
```



Options

|                   |   |
|-------------------|---|
| name = <i>arg</i> | Save roots in named matrix object. Each root is saved in a row of the matrix, with the first column containing the real, and the second column containing the imaginary part of the root. |
| graph             | Plots the roots together with a unit circle. The VAR is stable if all of the roots are inside the unit circle.  |
| p                 | Print table of AR roots.  |

Examples

```
var var1.ls 1 6 lgdp lml lcpi
var1.arroots(graph)
```

The first line declares and estimates a VAR with 6 lags. The second line plots the AR roots of the estimated VAR.

```
var var1.ls 1 6 lgdp lml lcpi
store roots
freeze(tab1) var1.arroots(name=roots)
```

The first line declares and estimates a VAR with 6 lags. The second line stores the roots in a matrix named ROOTS, and the table view as a table named TAB1.

Cross-references

See [“Diagnostic Views” on page 556](#) of *User’s Guide II* for other VAR diagnostics.

|      |                             |
|------|-----------------------------|
| bvar | <a href="#">Var Methods</a> |
|------|-----------------------------|

Estimate a Bayesian VAR specification.

Syntax:

```
var_name.bvar(options) lag_pairs endog_list [@ exog_list]
```

`bvar` estimates an Baysian VAR. You must specify the order of the VAR (using one or more pairs of lag intervals), and then provide a list of series or groups to be used as endogenous variables. You may include exogenous variables such as trends and seasonal dummies in the VAR by including an “@-sign” followed by a list of series or groups. A constant is automatically added to the list of exogenous variables; to estimate a specification without a constant, you should use the option “noconst”.

## Options

### General options

|                                |  |
|--------------------------------|--|
| <code>noconst</code>           | Do not include a constant in exogenous regressors list.  |
| <code>prompt</code>            | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>                 | Print basic estimation results.  |
| <code>prior = keyword</code>   | Set the files as follows for prior types: “lit” (Litterman/Minnesota prior), “sznw” (Sims-Zha Normal-Wishart prior), “nw” (Normal-Wishart prior), “sznf” (Sims-Zha Normal-flat prior). |
| <code>initcov = keyword</code> | Set the files as follows for initial residual covariance options: “full” (Full VAR estimate), “uni” (Univariate AR estimate), “diag” (Diagonal VAR estimate).                          |
| <code>nodf</code>              | Degrees of freedom correction for initial residual covariance.   |
| <code>l0 = arg</code>          | Set the residual covariance tightness hyper-parameter.   |
| <code>l1 = arg</code>          | Set the overall tightness hyper-parameter.   |
| <code>l2 = arg</code>          | Set the relative cross-variable weight hyper-parameter.  |
| <code>l3 = arg</code>          | Set the lag decay hyper-parameter.   |
| <code>mu1 = arg</code>         | Set the AR(1) coefficient dummies hyper-parameter.   |
| <code>mu5 = arg</code>         | Set the sum of coefficient dummies hyper-parameter.  |
| <code>mu6 = arg</code>         | Set the initial observation dummies hyper-parameter.   |
| <code>coefs = name</code>      | Set the user-specified prior coefficient mean.   |
| <code>coefcov = name</code>    | Set the user-specified prior coefficient covariance for Litterman prior.   |
| <code>hmat = name</code>       | Set the user-specified prior precision matrix.   |
| <code>rescov = name</code>     | Set the user-specified prior scale matrix.   |

## Examples

```
var mvar.bvar 1 3 ml gdp
```

declares and estimates an unrestricted VAR named MVAR with two endogenous variables (M1 and GDP), a constant and 3 lags (lags 1 through 3).

```
mvar.bvar(noconst) 1 3 ml gdp
```

estimates the same VAR, but with no constant.

```
var mvar.bvar(prior=nw) 1 3 ml gdp
```

chooses the normal Wishart prior (the default prior was Litterman/Minnesota prior).

```
var mvar.bvar(prior=nw, mu1=0.2, l1=0.2) 1 3 m1 gdp
```

chooses the normal Wishart hyper-prior values are specified as  $\mu_1 = 0.2$ ,  $\lambda_1 = 0.2$ .

Note that depending on your prior selection the available hyper-prior values or options could be different.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 18. “Vector Autoregression and Error Correction Models,” on page 553](#) of *User’s Guide II* for details.

See also [Var::ls \(p. 764\)](#) and [Var::ec \(p. 756\)](#) for estimation of ordinary VARs and error correction models.

|           |                           |
|-----------|---------------------------|
| cleartext | <a href="#">Var Procs</a> |
|-----------|---------------------------|

Clear restriction text from a var object.

Syntax

```
var_name.cleartext(arg)
```

You must specify the text type you wish to clear using one of the following arguments:

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| svar  | Clear text of identifying restrictions for a structural VAR.                              |
| coint | Clear text of restrictions on the cointegration relations and/or adjustment coefficients. |

Examples

```
var1.cleartext(svar)
var1.append(svar) @lr2(@u1) = 0
```

The first line clears the structural VAR identifying restrictions in VAR1. The next line specifies a new long-run restriction for a structural factorization.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 18. “Vector Autoregression and Error Correction Models,” on page 553](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of VARs.

See also [Var::append \(p. 746\)](#).

|       |                           |
|-------|---------------------------|
| coint | <a href="#">Var Views</a> |
|-------|---------------------------|

Johansen’s cointegration test.

Syntax

```
var_name.coint(test_option,n,option) [@ x1 x2 x3 ...]
```

The `coint` command tests for cointegration among the series in the `var`. By default, if the `var` object contains exogenous variables, the cointegration test will use those exogenous variables; however, if you explicitly list the exogenous variables with an “@”-sign, then only the listed variables will be used in the test.

The output for cointegration tests displays *p*-values for the rank test statistics. These *p*-values are computed using the response surface coefficients as estimated in MacKinnon, Haug, and Michelis (1999). The 0.05 critical values are also based on the response surface coefficients from MacKinnon-Haug-Michelis. *Note: the reported critical values assume no exogenous variables other than an intercept and trend.*

Options

You must specify the test option followed by the number of lags *n*. You must choose one of the following six test options:

|   |  |
|---|--|
| a | No deterministic trend in the data, and no intercept or trend in the cointegrating equation.     |
| b | No deterministic trend in the data, and an intercept but no trend in the cointegrating equation. |
| c | Linear trend in the data, and an intercept but no trend in the cointegrating equation.           |
| d | Linear trend in the data, and both an intercept and a trend in the cointegrating equation.       |
| e | Quadratic trend in the data, and both an intercept and a trend in the cointegrating equation.    |
| s | Summarize the results of all 5 options (a-e).  |

Other Options:

|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| restrict    | Impose restrictions as specified by the <code>append (coint)</code> proc.   |
| m = integer | Maximum number of iterations for restricted estimation (only valid if you choose the <code>restrict</code> option). |

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>c scalar</code>                                 | Convergence criterion for restricted estimation. (only valid if you choose the restrict option).  |
| <code>save = mat_name</code>                          | Stores test statistics as a named matrix object. The <code>save =</code> option stores a $(k + 1) \times 4$ matrix, where $k$ is the number of endogenous variables in the VAR. The first column contains the eigenvalues, the second column contains the maximum eigenvalue statistics, the third column contains the trace statistics, and the fourth column contains the log likelihood values. The $i$ -th row of columns 2 and 3 are the test statistics for rank $i - 1$ . The last row is filled with NAs, except the last column which contains the log likelihood value of the unrestricted (full rank) model. |
| <code>cvtype = ol</code>                              | Display 0.05 and 0.01 critical values from Osterwald-Lenum (1992).<br><br>This option reproduces the output from version 4. The default is to display critical values based on the response surface coefficients from MacKinnon-Haug-Michelis (1999). Note that the argument on the right side of the equals sign are letters, not numbers 0-1).  |
| <code>cvsize = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = 0.05) | Specify the size of MacKinnon-Haug-Michelis (1999) critical values to be displayed. The size must be between 0.0001 and 0.9999; values outside this range will be reset to the default value of 0.05. This option is ignored if you set “ <code>cvtype = ol</code> ”.   |
| <code>prompt</code>                                   | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>  | Print output of the test.   |

### Examples

```
var1.coint(c,12) @
```

carries out the Johansen test for the series in the var object named VAR1. The “@”-sign without a list of exogenous variables ensures that the test does not include any exogenous variables in VAR1.

### Cross-references

See [“Johansen Cointegration Test” on page 849](#) of *User’s Guide II* for details on the Johansen test.

See also `Var::ec` (p. 756).

|               |                           |
|---------------|---------------------------|
| <b>correl</b> | <a href="#">Var Views</a> |
|---------------|---------------------------|

Display autocorrelation and partial correlations.

Displays the autocorrelation and partial correlation functions in the specified form, together with the  $Q$ -statistics and  $p$ -values associated with each lag.

### Syntax

```
var_name.correl(n, options)
```

You must specify the largest lag  $n$  to use when computing the autocorrelations.

### Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>graph</code><br>( <i>default</i> ) | Display correlograms (graphs).                       |
| <code>byser</code>                       | Display autocorrelations in tabular form, by series. |
| <code>bylag</code>                       | Display autocorrelations in tabular form, by lag.    |
| <code>name = arg</code>                  | Save matrix of results.                              |
| <code>prompt</code>                      | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.    |
| <code>p</code>                           | Print the correlograms.                              |

### Examples

```
v1.correl(24, byser)
```

Displays the correlograms of V1 in tabular form by series, for up to 24 lags.

### Cross-references

See [“Autocorrelations \(AC\)” on page 377](#) and [“Partial Autocorrelations \(PAC\)” on page 378](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of autocorrelation and partial correlation functions, respectively.

|               |                           |
|---------------|---------------------------|
| <b>decomp</b> | <a href="#">Var Views</a> |
|---------------|---------------------------|

Variance decomposition in VARs.

### Syntax

```
var_name.decomp(n, options) series_list [@ @ ordering]
```

List the series names in the VAR whose variance decomposition you would like to compute. You may optionally specify the ordering for the factorization after two “@”-signs.

You must specify the number of periods  $n$  over which to compute the variance decompositions.

## Options

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>g</code> ( <i>default</i> )                    | Display combined graphs, with the decompositions for each variable shown in a graph.   |
| <code>m</code>                                       | Display multiple graphs, with each response-shock pair shown in a separate graph.  |
| <code>t</code>                                       | Show numerical results in table.   |
| <code>imp = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “chol”) | Type of factorization for the decomposition: “chol” (Cholesky with d.f. correction), “mlechol” (Cholesky without d.f. correction), “struct” (structural).<br>The structural factorization is based on the estimated structural VAR. To use this option, you must first estimate the structural decomposition; see <a href="#">Var::svar</a> (p. 773).<br>The option “ <i>imp = mlechol</i> ” is provided for backward compatibility with EViews 3.x and earlier. |
| <code>se = mc</code>                                 | Monte Carlo standard errors. You must specify the number of replications with the “ <i>rep =</i> ” option.<br>Currently available only when you have specified the Cholesky factorization (using the “ <i>imp = chol</i> ” option).  |
| <code>rep = integer</code>                           | Number of Monte Carlo replications to be used in computing the standard errors. Must be used with the “ <i>se = mc</i> ” option.   |
| <code>matbys = name</code>                           | Save responses by shocks (impulses) in named matrix. The first column is the response of the first variable to the first shock, the second column is the response of the second variable to the first shock, and so on.  |
| <code>matbyr = name</code>                           | Save responses by response series in named matrix. The first column is the response of the first variable to the first shock, the second column is the response of the first variable to the second shock, and so on.  |
| <code>prompt</code>                                  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>                                       | Print results.   |

If you use the “*matbys =*” or “*matbyr =*” options to store the results in a matrix, two matrices will be returned. The matrix with the specified name contains the variance decompositions, while the matrix with “\_FSE” appended to the name contains the forecast standard errors for each response variable. If you have requested Monte Carlo standard errors, there

will be a third matrix with “\_SE” appended to the name which contains the variance decomposition standard errors.

Examples

```
var var1.ls 1 4 m1 gdp cpi
var1.decomp(10,t) gdp
```

The first line declares and estimates a VAR with three variables and lags from 1 to 4. The second line tabulates the variance decompositions of GDP up to 10 periods using the ordering as specified in VAR1.

```
var1.decomp(10,t) gdp @ @ cpi gdp m1
```

performs the same variance decomposition as above using a different ordering.

Cross-references

See [“Variance Decomposition” on page 564](#) of *User’s Guide II* for additional details.

See also [Var::impulse](#) (p. 758).

|         |                           |
|---------|---------------------------|
| display | <a href="#">Var Views</a> |
|---------|---------------------------|

Display table, graph, or spool output in the VAR object window.

Display the contents of a table, graph, or spool in the window of the VAR object.

Syntax

```
var_name.display object_name
```

Examples

```
var1.display tab1
```

Display the contents of the table TAB1 in the window of the object VAR1.

Cross-references

Most often used in constructing an EViews Add-in. See [“Custom Object Output” on page 192](#) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|             |                           |
|-------------|---------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">Var Procs</a> |
|-------------|---------------------------|

Display name for a var object.

Attaches a display name to a var object which may be used to label output in place of the standard var object name.



Syntax

```
var_name.displayname display_name
```

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain a variety of characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in var object names.

Examples

```
hrs.displayname Hours Worked
hrs.label
```

The first line attaches a display name “Hours Worked” to the var object HRS, and the second line displays the label view of HRS, including its display name.

Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names.

See also [Var::label](#) (p. 762).

|    |                             |
|----|-----------------------------|
| ec | <a href="#">Var Methods</a> |
|----|-----------------------------|

Estimate a vector error correction model (VEC).

Syntax

```
var_name.ec(trend, n) lag_pairs endog_list [@ exog_list]
```

Specify the order of the VEC by entering one or more pairs of lag intervals, then list the series or groups to be used as endogenous variables. *Note that the lag orders are those of the first differences, not the levels.* If you are comparing results to another software program, you should be certain that the specifications for the lag orders are comparable.

You may include exogenous variables, such as seasonal dummies, in the VEC by including an “@”-sign followed by the list of series or groups. *Do not include an intercept or trend* in the VEC specification, these terms should be specified using options, as described below.

You should specify the trend option and the number of cointegrating equations *n* to use in parentheses, separated by a comma (the default is *n* = 1). You must choose the trend from the following five alternatives:

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| a | No deterministic trend in the data, and no intercept or trend in the cointegrating equation.     |
| b | No deterministic trend in the data, and an intercept but no trend in the cointegrating equation. |

|                    |   |
|--------------------|---|
| c (default)        | Linear trend in the data, and an intercept but no trend in the cointegrating equation.                  |
| d                  | Linear trend in the data, and both an intercept and a trend in the cointegrating equation.              |
| e                  | Quadratic trend in the data, and both an intercept and a trend in the cointegrating equation.           |
| restrict           | Impose restrictions. See <a href="#">Var::append (p. 746)</a> and <a href="#">Var::coint (p. 751)</a> . |
| m = <i>integer</i> | Maximum number of iterations for restricted estimation (only valid if you choose the restrict option).  |
| c = <i>scalar</i>  | Convergence criterion for restricted estimation. (only valid if you choose the restrict option).        |

### Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
| p      | Print the results view.                           |

### Examples

```
var macro1.ec 1 4 m1 gdp tb3
```

declares a var object MACRO1 and estimates a VEC with four lagged first differences, three endogenous variables and one cointegrating equation using the default trend option “c”.

```
var term.ec(b,2) 1 2 4 4 tb1 tb3 tb6 @ d2 d3 d4
```

declares a var object TERM and estimates a VEC with lagged first differences of order 1, 2, 4, three endogenous variables, three exogenous variables, and two cointegrating equations using trend option “b”.

### Cross-references

See [“Vector Error Correction \(VEC\) Models” on page 572](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of VECs.

See [Var::ls \(p. 764\)](#) and [Var::bvar \(p. 748\)](#) for estimation of ordinary VARs and Bayesian VAR models. See also, [Var::coint \(p. 751\)](#) and [Var::append \(p. 746\)](#).

|       |                           |
|-------|---------------------------|
| endog | <a href="#">Var Views</a> |
|-------|---------------------------|

Displays a spreadsheet or graph view of the endogenous variables.

**Syntax**

`var_name.endog(options)`

**Options**

|   |   |
|---|---|
| g | Multiple line graphs of the solved endogenous series. |
| p | Print the table of solved endogenous series.          |

**Examples**

`var1.endog(g,p)`

prints the graphs of the solved endogenous series.

**Cross-references**

See also [Var::makeendog](#) (p. 766) and [Var::var](#) (p. 776).

|         |                           |
|---------|---------------------------|
| impulse | <a href="#">Var Views</a> |
|---------|---------------------------|

Display impulse response functions of var object with an estimated VAR or VEC.

**Syntax**

`var_name.impulse(n, options) ser1 [ser2 ser3 ...] [@ shock_series [@ ordering_series]]`

You must specify the number of periods *n* for which you wish to compute the impulse responses.

List the series names in the var whose responses you would like to compute. You may optionally specify the sources of shocks. To specify the shocks, list the series after an “@”. By default, EViews computes the responses to all possible sources of shocks using the ordering in the Var.

If you are using impulses from the Cholesky factor, you may change the Cholesky ordering by listing the order of the series after a second “@”.

## Options

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>g</code> ( <i>default</i> )                    | Display combined graphs, with impulse responses of one variable to all shocks shown in one graph. If you choose this option, standard error bands will not be displayed.  |
| <code>m</code>                                       | Display multiple graphs, with impulse response to each shock shown in separate graphs.  |
| <code>t</code>                                       | Tabulate the impulse responses.   |
| <code>a</code>                                       | Accumulate the impulse responses.   |
| <code>imp = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> = “chol”) | <p>Type of factorization for the decomposition: unit impulses, ignoring correlations among the residuals (“<i>imp = unit</i>”), non-orthogonal, ignoring correlations among the residuals (“<i>imp = nonort</i>”), Cholesky with d.f. correction (“<i>imp = chol</i>”), Cholesky without d.f. correction (“<i>imp = mlechol</i>”), Generalized (“<i>imp = gen</i>”), structural (“<i>imp = struct</i>”), or user specified (“<i>imp = user</i>”).</p> <p>The structural factorization is based on the estimated structural VAR. To use this option, you must first estimate the structural decomposition; see <a href="#">Var::svar</a> (p. 773).</p> <p>For user-specified impulses, you must specify the name of the vector/matrix containing the impulses using the “<i>fname</i> = ” option.</p> <p>The option “<i>imp = mlechol</i>” is provided for backward compatibility with EViews 3.x and earlier.</p> |
| <code>fname = name</code>                            | <p>Specify name of vector/matrix containing the impulses. The vector/matrix must have <math>k</math> rows and 1 or <math>k</math> columns, where <math>k</math> is the number of endogenous variables.</p>  |
| <code>se = arg</code>                                | <p>Standard error calculations: “<i>se = a</i>” (analytic), “<i>se = mc</i>” (Monte Carlo).</p> <p>If selecting Monte Carlo, you must specify the number of replications with the “<i>rep</i> = ” option.</p> <p>Note the following:</p> <p>(1) Analytic standard errors are currently not available for (a) VECs and (b) structural decompositions identified by long-run restrictions. The “<i>se = a</i>” option will be ignored for these cases.</p> <p>(2) Monte Carlo standard errors are currently not available for (a) VECs and (b) structural decompositions. The “<i>se = mc</i>” option will be ignored for these cases.</p>  |
| <code>rep = integer</code>                           | Number of Monte Carlo replications to be used in computing the standard errors. Must be used with the “ <i>se = mc</i> ” option.  |

|                            |   |
|----------------------------|---|
| <code>matbys = name</code> | Save responses ordered by shocks (impulses) in a named matrix. The first column is the response of the first variable to the first shock, the second column is the response of the second variable to the first shock, and so on. <i>The response and shock orderings correspond to the ordering of variables in the VAR.</i> |
| <code>matbyr = name</code> | Save responses ordered by response series in a named matrix. The first column is the response of the first variable to the first shock, the second column is the response of the first variable to the second shock, and so on. <i>The response and shock orderings correspond to the ordering of variables in the VAR.</i>   |
| <code>smat = name</code>   | Save responses ordered by shocks (impulses) in a named matrix (akin to the “ <code>matbys =</code> ” option). The shocks and responses are ordered according to the user-specified order given by the “ <code>@ shock_series</code> ” and “ <code>@ ordering_series</code> ” specifications.                                  |
| <code>rmat = name</code>   | Save responses ordered by response series in a named matrix (akin to the “ <code>matbyr =</code> ” option). The shocks and responses are ordered according to the user-specified order given by the “ <code>@ shock_series</code> ” and “ <code>@ ordering_series</code> ” specifications.                                    |
| <code>prompt</code>        | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>             | Print the results.  |

## Examples

```
var var1.ls 1 4 m1 gdp cpi
var1.impulse(10,m) gdp @ m1 gdp cpi
```

The first line declares and estimates a VAR with three variables. The second line displays multiple graphs of the impulse responses of GDP to shocks to the three series in the VAR using the ordering as specified in VAR1.

```
var1.impulse(10,m) gdp @ m1 @ cpi gdp m1
```

displays the impulse response of GDP to a one standard deviation shock in M1 using a different ordering.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 18. “Vector Autoregression and Error Correction Models,” on page 553](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of variance decompositions in VARs.

See also `Var::decomp` (p. 753).

|       |                           |
|-------|---------------------------|
| jbera | <a href="#">Var Views</a> |
|-------|---------------------------|

Multivariate residual normality test.

### Syntax

```
var_name.jbera(options)
```

You must specify a factorization method using the “*factor* = ” option.

### Options

|                            |  |
|----------------------------|--|
| <code>factor = chol</code> | Factorization by the inverse of the Cholesky factor of the residual covariance matrix.   |
| <code>factor = cor</code>  | Factorization by the inverse square root of the residual correlation matrix (Doornik and Hansen, 1994).  |
| <code>factor = cov</code>  | Factorization by the inverse square root of the residual covariance matrix (Urzua, 1997).  |
| <code>factor = svar</code> | Factorization matrix from structural VAR. You must first estimate the structural factorization to use this option; see <a href="#">Var::svar</a> (p. 773). |
| <code>name = arg</code>    | Save the test statistics in a named matrix object. See below for a description of the statistics contained in the stored matrix.                           |
| <code>prompt</code>        | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| <code>p</code>             | Print the test results.  |

The “*name* = ” option stores the following matrix. Let the VAR have  $k$  endogenous variables. Then the stored matrix will have dimension  $(k + 1) \times 4$ . The first  $k$  rows contain statistics for each orthogonal component, where the first column contains the third moments, the second column contains the  $\chi_1^2$  statistics for the third moments, the third column contains the fourth moments, and the fourth column holds the  $\chi_1^2$  statistics for the fourth moments. The sum of the second and fourth columns are the Jarque-Bera statistics reported in the last output table.

The last row contains statistics for the joint test. The second and fourth column of the  $(k + 1)$  row is simply the sum of all the rows above in the corresponding column and are the  $\chi_k^2$  statistics for the joint skewness and kurtosis tests, respectively. These joint skewness and kurtosis statistics add up to the joint Jarque-Bera statistic reported in the output table, except for the “*factor* = *cov*” option. When this option is set, the joint Jarque-Bera statistic includes all cross moments (in addition to the pure third and fourth moments). The overall

Jarque-Bera statistic for this statistic is stored in the first column of the  $(k + 1)$  row (which will be a missing value for all other options).

Examples

```
var var1.ls 1 6 lgdp lml lcpil
show var1.jbera(factor=cor,name=jb)
```

The first line declares and estimates a VAR. The second line carries out the residual multivariate normality test using the inverse square root of the residual correlation matrix as the factorization matrix and stores the results in a matrix named JB.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 18. “Vector Autoregression and Error Correction Models,” on page 553](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of the test and other VAR diagnostics.

|       |                                       |
|-------|---------------------------------------|
| label | <a href="#">Var Views   Var Procs</a> |
|-------|---------------------------------------|

Display or change the label view of a var object, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

As a procedure, `label` changes the fields in the var object label.

Syntax

```
var_name.label
var_name.label(options) [text]
```

Options

The first version of the command displays the label view of the var object. The second version may be used to modify the label. Specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

## Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of VAR1 with “Data from CPS 1988 March File”:

```
var1.label(r)
var1.label(r) Data from CPS 1988 March File
```

To append additional remarks to VAR1, and then to print the label view:

```
var1.label(r) Log of hourly wage
var1.label(p)
```

To clear and then set the units field, use:

```
var1.label(u) Millions of bushels
```

## Cross-references

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels.

See also [Var::displayname \(p. 755\)](#).

|        |                           |
|--------|---------------------------|
| laglen | <a href="#">Var Views</a> |
|--------|---------------------------|

VAR lag order selection criteria.

## Syntax

```
var_name.laglen(m, options)
```

You must specify the maximum lag order  $m$  for which you wish to test.

## Options

|                    |   |
|--------------------|---|
| vname = <i>arg</i> | Save selected lag orders in named vector. See below for a description of the stored vector. |
| mname = <i>arg</i> | Save lag order criteria in named matrix. See below for a description of the stored matrix.  |
| prompt             | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| p                  | Print table of lag order criteria.  |

The “vname =” option stores a vector with 5 rows containing the selected lags from the following criteria: sequential modified LR test (row 1), final prediction error (row 2), Akaike information criterion (row 3), Schwarz information criterion (row 4), Hannan-Quinn information criterion (row 5).



The “mname=” option stores a  $q \times 6$  matrix, where  $q = m + 1$  if there are no exogenous variables in the VAR; otherwise  $q = m + 2$ . The first  $(q - 1)$  rows contain the information displayed in the table view, following the same order. The saved matrix has an additional row which contains the lag order selected from each column criterion. The first column (corresponding to the log likelihood values) of the last row is always an NA.

Examples

```
var var1.ls 1 6 lgdp lml lcp1
show var1.laglen(12,vname=v1)
```

The first line declares and estimates a VAR. The second line computes the lag length criteria up to a maximum of 12 lags and stores the selected lag orders in a vector named V1.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 18. “Vector Autoregression and Error Correction Models,” on page 553](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of the various criteria and other VAR diagnostics.

See also [Var::testlags \(p. 775\)](#).

|    |                             |
|----|-----------------------------|
| ls | <a href="#">Var Methods</a> |
|----|-----------------------------|

Estimate VAR specification.

Syntax

```
var_name.ls(options) lag_pairs endog_list [@ exog_list]
```

ls estimates an unrestricted VAR using equation-by-equation OLS. You must specify the order of the VAR (using one or more pairs of lag intervals), and then provide a list of series or groups to be used as endogenous variables. You may include exogenous variables such as trends and seasonal dummies in the VAR by including an “@-sign” followed by a list of series or groups. A constant is automatically added to the list of exogenous variables; to estimate a specification without a constant, you should use the option “noconst”.

Options

General options

|         |  |
|---------|--|
| noconst | Do not include a constant in exogenous regressors list for VARs. |
| prompt  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.                |
| p       | Print basic estimation results.                                  |

Examples

```
var mvar.ls 1 3 m1 gdp
```

declares and estimates an unrestricted VAR named MVAR with two endogenous variables (M1 and GDP), a constant and 3 lags (lags 1 through 3).

```
mvar.ls(noconst) 1 3 ml gdp
```

estimates the same VAR, but with no constant.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 18. “Vector Autoregression and Error Correction Models,”](#) on page 553 of *User’s Guide II* for details.

See also [Var::ec](#) (p. 756) and [Var::bvar](#) (p. 748) for estimation of error correction models and Bayesian VAR estimation.

|           |                           |
|-----------|---------------------------|
| makecoint | <a href="#">Var Procs</a> |
|-----------|---------------------------|

Create group containing the estimated cointegrating relations from a VEC.

## Syntax

```
var_name.makecoint [group_name]
```

The series contained in the group are given names of the form “COINTEQ##”, where ## are numbers such that “COINTEQ##” is the next available unused name.

If you provide a name for the group in parentheses after the keyword, EViews will quietly create the named group in the workfile. If you do not provide a name, EViews will open an untitled group window if the command is executed from the command line, otherwise no group will be created.

This proc will return an error message unless you have estimated an error correction model using the var object.

## Examples

```
var vec1.ec(b,2) 1 4 y1 y2 y3
vec1.makecoint gcount
```

The first line estimates a VEC with 2 cointegrating relations. The second line creates a group named GCOINT which contains the two estimated cointegrating relations. The two cointegrating relations will be stored as series named COINTEQ01 and COINTEQ02 (if these names have not yet been used in the workfile).

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 18. “Vector Autoregression and Error Correction Models,”](#) on page 553 of *User’s Guide II* for details.

See also [Var::coint](#) (p. 751).

|                  |                           |
|------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>makeendog</b> | <a href="#">Var Procs</a> |
|------------------|---------------------------|

Make a group out of the endogenous series.

### Syntax

```
var_name.makeendog name
```

Following the keyword `makeendog`, you should provide a name for the group to hold the endogenous series. If you do not provide a name, EViews will create an untitled group.

### Examples

```
var1.makeendog grp_v1
```

creates a group named GRP\_V1 that contains the endogenous series in VAR1.

### Cross-references

See also [Var::endog](#) (p. 758) and [Model::makegroup](#) (p. 387).

|                  |                           |
|------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>makemodel</b> | <a href="#">Var Procs</a> |
|------------------|---------------------------|

Make a model from a var object.

### Syntax

```
var_name.makemodel(name) assign_statement
```

If you provide a name for the model in parentheses after the keyword, EViews will create the named model in the workfile. If you do not provide a name, EViews will open an untitled model window if the command is executed from the command line.

### Examples

```
var var3.ls 1 4 m1 gdp tb3
var3.makemodel(varmod) @prefix s_
```

estimates a VAR and makes a model named VARMOD from the estimated var object. VARMOD includes an assignment statement “ASSIGN @PREFIX S\_”. Use the command “show varmod” or “varmod.spec” to open the VARMOD window.

### Cross-references

See [Chapter 20. “Models,” on page 627](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of specifying and solving models in EViews.

See also [Var::append](#) (p. 746), [Model::merge](#) (p. 389) and [Model::solve](#) (p. 398).

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|--------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>makesresids</b> | <a href="#">Var Procs</a> |
|--------------------|---------------------------|

Create residual series.

Creates and saves residuals in the workfile from an estimated VAR.

### Syntax

```
var_name.makesresids[res1 res2 res3]
```

Follow the VAR name with a period and the `makesresids` keyword, then provide a list of names to be given to the stored residuals. You should provide as many names as there are equations. If there are fewer names than equations, EViews creates the extra residual series with names RESID01, RESID02, and so on. If you do not provide any names, EViews will also name the residuals RESID01, RESID02, and so on.

### Options

`n = arg` Create group object to hold the residual series.

### Examples

```
var macro_var.ls 1 4 y m1 r
macro_var.makesresids resay res_m1 riser
```

estimates an unrestricted VAR with four lags and endogenous variables Y, M1, and R, and stores the residuals as RES\_Y, RES\_M1, RES\_R.

### Cross-references

See “[Views and Procs of a VAR](#)” on page 556 of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of views and procedures of a VAR.

|                   |                           |
|-------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>makesystem</b> | <a href="#">Var Procs</a> |
|-------------------|---------------------------|

Create system from a var.

### Syntax

```
var_name.makesystem(options)
```

You may order the equations by series (*default*) or by lags.

### Options

|                       |  |
|-----------------------|--|
| <code>bylag</code>    | Specify system by lags (default is to order by variables). |
| <code>n = name</code> | Specify name for the object.                               |

Examples

```
var1.makesystem(n=sys1)
```

creates a system named SYS1 from the var object VAR1

Cross-references

See [Chapter 17. “System Estimation,” on page 513](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of system objects in EViews.

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|----------------|---------------------------|
| <b>olepush</b> | <a href="#">Var Procs</a> |
|----------------|---------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

Syntax

```
var_name.olepush
```

Cross-references

See [“Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)” on page 729](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|               |                           |
|---------------|---------------------------|
| <b>output</b> | <a href="#">Var Views</a> |
|---------------|---------------------------|

Display estimation output.

`output` changes the default object view to display the estimation output (equivalent to using [Var::results \(p. 772\)](#)).

Syntax

```
var_name.output
```

Options

|                |   |
|----------------|---|
| <code>p</code> | Print estimation output for estimation object |
|----------------|---|

Examples

The `output` keyword may be used to change the default view of an estimation object. Entering the command:

```
var1.output
```

displays the estimation output for VAR1.

## Cross-references

See [Var::results](#) (p. 772).

|        |                           |
|--------|---------------------------|
| qstats | <a href="#">Var Views</a> |
|--------|---------------------------|

Multivariate residual autocorrelation Portmanteau tests.

## Syntax

```
var_name.qstats(h, options)
```

You must specify the highest order of lag  $h$  to test for serial correlation.  $h$  must be larger than the VAR lag order.

## Options

|                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| name = <i>arg</i> | Save $Q$ -statistics in the named matrix object. The matrix has two columns: the first column contains the unmodified $Q$ -statistic; the second column contains the modified $Q$ -statistics. |
| prompt            | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.  |
| p                 | Print the Portmanteau test results.  |

## Examples

```
var var1.ls 1 6 lgdp lm1 lcpi
show var1.qstats(10, name=q)
```

The first line declares and estimates a VAR. The second line displays the portmanteau tests for lags up to 10, and stores the  $Q$ -statistics in a matrix named Q.

## Cross-references

See “Diagnostic Views” on page 556 of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of the Portmanteau tests and other VAR diagnostics.

See [Var::arlm](#) (p. 747) for a related multivariate residual serial correlation LM test.

|                 |                           |
|-----------------|---------------------------|
| representations | <a href="#">Var Views</a> |
|-----------------|---------------------------|

Display text of specification for var objects.

Syntax

```
var_name.representation(options)
```

Options

|   |                                |
|---|--------------------------------|
| p | Print the representation text. |
|---|--------------------------------|

Examples

```
var1.representations
```

displays the specifications of the estimation object VAR1.

|          |                           |
|----------|---------------------------|
| residcor | <a href="#">Var Views</a> |
|----------|---------------------------|

Residual correlation matrix.

Displays the correlations of the residuals from each equation in the var object.

Syntax

```
var_name.residcor(options)
```

Options

|   |                               |
|---|-------------------------------|
| p | Print the correlation matrix. |
|---|-------------------------------|

Examples

```
var1.residcor
```

displays the residual correlation matrix of VAR1.

Cross-references

See also [Var::residcov \(p. 770\)](#) and [Var::makeresids \(p. 767\)](#).

|          |                           |
|----------|---------------------------|
| residcov | <a href="#">Var Views</a> |
|----------|---------------------------|

Residual covariance matrix.

Displays the covariances of the residuals from each equation in the var object.

### Syntax

```
var_name.residcov(options)
```

### Options

|   |                              |
|---|------------------------------|
| p | Print the covariance matrix. |
|---|------------------------------|

### Examples

```
var1.residcov
```

displays the residual covariance matrix of VAR1.

### Cross-references

See also [Var::residcor](#) (p. 770) and [Var::makeresids](#) (p. 767).

|        |                           |
|--------|---------------------------|
| resids | <a href="#">Var Views</a> |
|--------|---------------------------|

### Display residuals.

`resids` displays multiple graphs of the residuals. Each graph will contain the residuals for an equation in the VAR.

### Syntax

```
var_name.resids(options)
```

### Options

|   |                        |
|---|------------------------|
| p | Print the table/graph. |
|---|------------------------|

### Examples

```
var var1.ls 1 3 m1 c
var1.resids
```

calculates a VAR with three lags, two endogenous variables and a constant term, and then displays a graph of the residuals.

### Cross-references

See also [Var::makeresids](#) (p. 767).



|         |                           |
|---------|---------------------------|
| results | <a href="#">Var Views</a> |
|---------|---------------------------|

Displays the results view of an estimated VAR.

**Syntax**

```
var_name.results(options)
```

**Options**

|   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| p | Print the view. |
|---|-----------------|

**Examples**

```
var mvar.ls 1 4 8 8 m1 gdp tb3 @ @trend(70.4)
mvar.results(p)
```

prints the estimation results from the estimated VAR.

|         |                           |
|---------|---------------------------|
| setattr | <a href="#">Var Procs</a> |
|---------|---------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

**Syntax**

```
var_name setattr(attr) attr_value
```

Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the @attr data member.

**Examples**

```
a setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

**Cross-references**

See [“Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View” on page 103](#) and [“Adding Your Own Label Attributes” on page 65](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

|      |                           |
|------|---------------------------|
| svar | <a href="#">Var Procs</a> |
|------|---------------------------|

Estimate factorization matrix for structural innovations.

Syntax

```
var_name.svar(options)
```

The var object must previously have been estimated in unrestricted form.

You must specify the identifying restrictions either in text form by the `append` proc or by a pattern matrix option. See [“Specifying the Identifying Restrictions” on page 566](#) of *User’s Guide II* for details on specifying restrictions.

Options

You must specify one of the following restriction type:

|                            |   |
|----------------------------|---|
| <code>rtype = text</code>  | Text form restrictions. The restrictions must be specified by the <code>append</code> command to use this option.   |
| <code>rtype = patsr</code> | Short-run pattern restrictions. You must provide the names of the patterned matrices by the “ <code>namea =</code> ” and “ <code>nameb =</code> ” options as described below. |
| <code>rtype = patlr</code> | Long-run pattern restrictions. You must provide the name of the patterned matrix by the “ <code>namelr =</code> ” option as described below.                                  |

Other Options:

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>namea = arg,</code><br><code>nameb = arg</code> | Names of the pattern matrices for A and B matrices. Must be used with “ <code>rtype = patsr</code> ”.   |
| <code>namelr = arg</code>                             | Name of the pattern matrix for long-run impulse responses. Must be used with “ <code>rtype = patlr</code> ”.  |
| <code>fsign</code>                                    | Do not apply the sign normalization rule. Default is to apply the sign normalization rule whenever applicable. See <a href="#">&lt; Link Table &gt; “Sign Indeterminacy” on page 570</a> of <i>User’s Guide II</i> for a discussion of the sign normalization rule.   |
| <code>f0 = arg</code><br><code>(default = 0.1)</code> | Starting values for the free parameters: <i>scalar</i> (specify fixed value for starting values), “s” (user specified starting values are taken from the C coefficient vector), “u” (draw starting values for free parameters from a uniform distribution on [0,1]), “n” (draw starting values for free parameters from standard normal). |

|                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| <code>maxiter = integer</code> | Maximum number of iterations. Default is taken from global option setting.  |
| <code>conv = number</code>     | Convergence criterion. Default is taken from global option setting.   |
| <code>trace = integer</code>   | Trace iterations process every <i>integer</i> iterations (displays an untitled text object containing summary information). |
| <code>nostop</code>            | Suppress “Near Singular Matrix” error message even if Hessian is singular at final parameter estimates.                     |
| <code>prompt</code>            | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |

Examples

```
var var1.ls 1 4 ml gdp cpi
matrix(3,3) pata
'fill matrix in row major order
pata.fill(by=r) 1,0,0, na,1,0, na,na,1
matrix(3,3) patb
pata.fill(by=r) na,0,0, 0,na,0, 0,0,na
var1.svar(rtype=patsr,namea=pata,nameb=patb)
```

The first line declares and estimates a VAR with three variables. Then we create the short-run pattern matrices and estimate the factorization matrix.

```
var var1.ls 1 8 dy u @
var1.append(svar) @lrl(@u1)=0
freeze(out1) var1.svar(rtype=text)
```

The first line declares and estimates a VAR with two variables without a constant. The next two lines specify a long-run restriction in text form and stores the estimation output in a table object named OUT1.

Cross-references

See [“Structural \(Identified\) VARs” on page 565](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of structural VARs.

|                       |                           |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| <code>testexog</code> | <a href="#">Var Views</a> |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|

Perform exogeneity (Granger causality) tests on a VAR.

Syntax

```
var_name.testexog(options)
```

Options

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| <code>name = arg</code> | Save the Wald test statistics in named matrix object. See below for a description of the statistics stored in the matrix. |
| <code>p</code>          | Print output from the test.   |

The `name=` option stores the results in a  $(k + 1) \times k$  matrix, where  $k$  is the number of endogenous variables in the VAR. In the first  $k$  rows, the  $i$ -th row,  $j$ -th column contains the Wald statistic for the joint significance of lags of the  $i$ -th endogenous variable in the  $j$ -th equation (note that the entries in the main diagonal are not reported in the table view). The degrees of freedom of the Wald statistics is the number of lags included in the VAR.

In the last row, the  $j$ -th column contains the Wald statistic for the joint significance of all lagged endogenous variables (excluding lags of the dependent variable) in the  $j$ -th equation. The degrees of freedom of the Wald statistics in the last row is  $(k - 1)$  times the number of lags included in the VAR.

Examples

```
var var1.ls 1 6 lgdp lm1 lcp1
freeze(tab1) var1.testexog(name=exog)
```

The first line declares and estimates a VAR. The second line stores the exclusion test results in a named table TAB1, and stores the Wald statistics in a matrix named EXOG.

Cross-references

See [“Diagnostic Views” on page 556](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of other VAR diagnostics.

See also [Var::testlags \(p. 775\)](#).

|          |                           |
|----------|---------------------------|
| testlags | <a href="#">Var Views</a> |
|----------|---------------------------|

Perform lag exclusion (Wald) tests on a VAR.

Syntax

```
var_name.testlags(options)
```

Options

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| <code>name = arg</code> | Save the Wald test statistics in named matrix object. See below for a description of the statistics contained in the stored matrix. |
| <code>p</code>          | Print the result of the test.   |

The “*name*=” option stores results in an  $m \times (k + 1)$  matrix, where  $m$  is the number of lagged terms and  $k$  is the number of endogenous variables in the VAR. In the first  $k$  columns, the  $i$ -th row,  $j$ -th column entry is the Wald statistic for the joint significance of all  $i$ -th lagged endogenous variables in the  $j$ -th equation. These Wald statistics have a  $\chi^2$  distribution with  $k$  degrees of freedom under the exclusion null.

In the last column, the  $i$ -th row contains the system Wald statistic for testing the joint significance of all  $i$ -th lagged endogenous variables in the VAR system. The system Wald statistics has a chi-square distribution with  $k^2$  degrees of freedom under the exclusion null.

Examples

```
var var1.ls 1 6 lgdp lml lcpi
freeze(tab1) var1.testlags(name=lags)
```

The first line declares and estimates a VAR. The second line stores the lag exclusion test results in a table named TAB1, and stores the Wald statistics in a matrix named LAGS.

Cross-references

See “Diagnostic Views” on page 556 of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion other VAR diagnostics.

See also `Var::laglen` (p. 763) and `Var::testexog` (p. 774).

|     |                                 |
|-----|---------------------------------|
| var | <a href="#">Var Declaration</a> |
|-----|---------------------------------|

Declare a var (Vector Autoregression) object.

Syntax

```
var var_name
var var_name.ls(options) lag_pairs endog_list [@ exog_list]
var var_name.ec(trend, n) lag_pairs endog_list [@ exog_list]
```

Declare the var as a name, or a name followed by an estimation method and specification.

The `Var::ls` (p. 764) method estimates an unrestricted VAR using equation-by-equation OLS. You must specify the order of the VAR (using one or more pairs of lag intervals), and then provide a list of series or groups to be used as endogenous variables. You may include exogenous variables such as trends and seasonal dummies in the VAR by including an “@-sign” followed by a list of series or groups. A constant is automatically added to the list of exogenous variables; to estimate a specification without a constant, you should use the option “noconst”.

See `Var::ec` (p. 756) for the error correction specification of a VAR.

Options

|         |   |
|---------|---|
| noconst | Do not include a constant in the VAR specification (when combining declaration with <a href="#">Var::ls</a> (p. 764) method). |
| prompt  | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| p       | Print the estimation result if the estimation procedure is specified.   |

Examples

```
var mvar.ls 1 4 8 8 m1 gdp tb3 @ @trend
```

declares and estimates an unrestricted VAR named MVAR with three endogenous variables (M1, GDP, TB3), five lagged terms (lags 1 through 4, and 8), a constant, and a linear trend.

```
var jvar.ec(c,2) 1 4 m1 gdp tb3
```

declares and estimates an error correction model named JVAR with three endogenous variables (M1, GDP, TB3), four lagged terms (lags 1 through 4), two cointegrating relations. The “c” option assumes a linear trend in data but only a constant in the cointegrating relations.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 18. “Vector Autoregression and Error Correction Models,”](#) on page 553 of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of vector autoregressions.

See [Var::ls](#) (p. 764) for standard VAR estimation, and [Var::ec](#) (p. 756) for estimation of error correction models.

|       |                           |
|-------|---------------------------|
| white | <a href="#">Var Views</a> |
|-------|---------------------------|

**Performs White’s test for heteroskedasticity of residuals.**

Carries out White’s multivariate test for heteroskedasticity of the residuals of the specified Var object. By default, the test is computed without the cross-product terms (using only the terms involving the original variables and squares of the original variables). You may elect to compute the original form of the White test that includes the cross-products.

Syntax

```
var_name.white(options)
```

Options

|                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| c                 | Include all possible nonredundant cross-product terms in the test regression.                                    |
| name = <i>arg</i> | Save test statistics in named matrix object. See below for a description of the statistics stored in the matrix. |
| p                 | Print the test results.  |

The “*name* = ” option stores the results in a  $(r + 1) \times 5$  matrix, where  $r$  is the number of unique residual cross-product terms. For a VAR with  $k$  endogenous variables,  $r = k(k + 1)/2$ . The first  $r$  rows contain statistics for each individual test equation, where the first column is the regression R-squared, the second column is the  $F$ -statistic, the third column is the  $p$ -value of  $F$ -statistic, the 4th column is the  $T \times R^2 \chi^2$  statistic, and the fifth column is the  $p$ -value of the  $\chi^2$  statistic.

The numerator and denominator degrees of freedom of the  $F$ -statistic are stored in the third and fourth columns, respectively, of the  $(r + 1)$ -st row, while the  $\chi^2$  degrees of freedom is stored in the fifth column of the  $(r + 1)$ -st row.

In the  $(r + 1)$ -st row and first column contains the joint (system) LM chi-square statistic and the second column contains the degrees of freedom of this  $\chi^2$  statistic.

Examples

```
var1.white
```

carries out the White test of heteroskedasticity.

Cross-references

See [“White’s Heteroskedasticity Test” on page 163](#) of *User’s Guide II* for a discussion of White’s test. For the multivariate version of this test, see [“White Heteroskedasticity Test” on page 560](#) of *User’s Guide II*.

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## Vector

Vector. (One dimensional array of numbers).

### Vector Declaration

**vector** .....declare vector object (p. 796).

There are several ways to create a vector object. Enter the `vector` keyword (with an optional dimension) followed by a name:

```
vector scalarmat
vector(10) results
```

Alternatively, you may declare a vector using an assignment statement. The vector will be sized and initialized, accordingly:

```
vector(10) myvec = 3.14159
vector results = vec1
```

### Vector Views

**cov** .....compute variance measures for the data in the vector (p. 783).

**label** .....label information for the vector object (p. 788).

**sheet**.....spreadsheet view of the vector (p. 795).

**stats**.....descriptive statistics (p. 795).

### Vector Graph Views

Graph creation views are discussed in detail in “Graph Creation Command Summary” on page 799.

**area** .....area graph of the vector (p. 801).

**bar**.....bar graph of data against the row index (p. 807).

**boxplot** .....boxplot graph (p. 811).

**distplot** .....distribution graph (p. 813).

**dot**.....dot plot graph (p. 820).

**line**.....line graph of the data against the row index (p. 828).

**qqplot**.....quantile-quantile graph (p. 834).

**seasplot**.....seasonal line graph (p. 849).

**spike**.....spike graph (p. 850).

### Vector Procs

**displayname**.....set display name (p. 786).

**fill**.....fill elements of the vector (p. 786).

**getglobalc** .....copy the contents of the workfile C coefficient vector into the vector object (p. 787).

**olepush**.....push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications (p. 789).

**read** ..... import data from disk (p. 789).  
**setattr** ..... set the value of an object attribute (p. 791).  
**setformat** ..... set the display format for the vector spreadsheet (p. 791).  
**setglobalc** ..... copy the contents of the vector object into the workfile C coefficient vector (p. 792).  
**setindent** ..... set the indentation for the vector spreadsheet (p. 793).  
**setjust** ..... set the justification for the vector spreadsheet (p. 793).  
**setwidth** ..... set the column width for the vector spreadsheet (p. 794).  
**write** ..... export data to disk (p. 796).

## Vector Data Members

### *String values*

**@attr("arg")** ..... string containing the value of the *arg* attribute, where the argument is specified as a quoted string.  
**@description** ..... string containing the Vector object's description (if available).  
**@detailedtype** ..... string with the object type: "VECTOR".  
**@displayname** ..... string containing the Vector object's display name. If the Vector has no display name set, the name is returned.  
**@name** ..... string containing the Vector object's name.  
**@remarks** ..... string containing the Vector object's remarks (if available).  
**@source** ..... string containing the Vector object's source (if available).  
**@type** ..... string with the object type: "VECTOR".  
**@units** ..... string containing the Vector object's units description (if available).  
**@updatetime** ..... string representation of the time and date at which the Vector was last updated.

### *Scalar values*

**(i)** ..... *i*-th element of the vector. Simply append "(i)" to the vector name (without a ".").  
**@rows** ..... number of rows in the matrix.

### *Vector values*

**@droprow(i)** ..... Returns the vector with the *i*-th row removed. *i* may be a vector of integers, in which case multiple rows are removed.

## Vector Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the commands associated with the "Vector" object. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and provides examples and cross references.

|     |              |
|-----|--------------|
| COV | Vector Views |
|-----|--------------|

Compute variance measures for the vector. You may compute measures related to Pearson product-moment (ordinary) variance, rank variance, or Kendall's tau.

Syntax

```
vector_name.cov(options) [keywords [@partial z1 z2 z3...]]
```

You should specify keywords indicating the statistics you wish to display from the list below, optionally followed by the keyword `@partial` and the name of a conditioning matrix. In the matrix view setting, the columns of the matrix should contain the conditioning information, and the number or rows should match the original matrix.

You may specify keywords from one of the four sets (Pearson correlation, Spearman correlation, Kendall's tau, Uncentered Pearson) corresponding the computational method you wish to employ. (You may not select keywords from more than one set.) Note that the Kendall's tau measures are not particularly interesting since they generally will be equal, or nearly equal, to 1.

If you do not specify *keywords*, EViews will assume “cov” and compute the Pearson variance.

Pearson Correlation

|       |                                 |
|-------|---------------------------------|
| cov   | Product moment covariance.      |
| corr  | Product moment correlation.     |
| sscp  | Sums-of-squared cross-products. |
| cases | Number of cases.                |
| obs   | Number of observations.         |
| wgts  | Sum of the weights.             |

Spearman Rank Correlation

|       |                                 |
|-------|---------------------------------|
| rcov  | Spearman's rank covariance.     |
| rcorr | Spearman's rank correlation.    |
| rsscp | Sums-of-squared cross-products. |
| cases | Number of cases.                |
| obs   | Number of observations.         |
| wgts  | Sum of the weights.             |

*Kendall's tau*

|       |                         |
|-------|-------------------------|
| taub  | Kendall's tau-b.        |
| taua  | Kendall's tau-a.        |
| cases | Number of cases.        |
| obs   | Number of observations. |
| wgts  | Sum of the weights.     |

*Uncentered Pearson*

|       |                                 |
|-------|---------------------------------|
| ucov  | Product moment covariance.      |
| ucorr | Product moment correlation.     |
| usscp | Sums-of-squared cross-products. |
| cases | Number of cases.                |
| obs   | Number of observations.         |
| wgts  | Sum of the weights.             |

Note that `cases`, `obs`, and `wgts` are available for each of the methods.

**Options**

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>wgt = name</code><br>(optional)                           | Name of series containing weights.   |
| <code>wgtmethod = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> =<br>"sstdev") | Weighting method (when weights are specified using "weight = "): frequency ("freq"), inverse of variances ("var"), inverse of standard deviation ("stdev"), scaled inverse of variances ("svar"), scaled inverse of standard deviations ("sstdev").<br><br>Only applicable for ordinary (Pearson) calculations. Weights specified by "wgt = " are frequency weights for rank correlation and Kendall's tau calculations. |
| <code>df</code>   | Compute covariances with a degree-of-freedom correction for the mean (for centered specifications), and any partial conditioning variables.  |
| <code>outfmt = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> =<br>"single")    | Output format: single table ("single"), multiple table ("mult"), list ("list"), spreadsheet ("sheet"). Note that "outfmt = sheet" is only applicable if you specify a single statistic keyword.  |

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| <code>out = name</code> | Basename for saving output. All results will be saved in Sym matrices named using keys (“COV”, “CORR”, “SSCP”, “TAUA”, “TAUB”, “CONC” (Kendall’s concurrences), “DISC” (Kendall’s discordances), “CASES”, “OBS”, “WGTS”) appended to the basename ( <i>e.g.</i> , the covariance specified by “out = my” is saved in the Sym matrix “MYCOV”). |
| <code>prompt</code>     | Force the dialog to appear from within a program.   |
| <code>p</code>          | Print the result.   |

## Examples

```
vec1.cov corr stat prob
```

displays a table containing the Pearson correlation,  $t$ -statistic for testing for zero correlation, and associated  $p$ -value, for the vector VEC1.

```
vec1.cov taub taustat tauprob
```

computes the Kendall’s tau-b, score statistic, and  $p$ -value for the score statistic.

## Cross-references

For simple forms of the calculation see [@cov \(p. 616\)](#) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|                |                              |
|----------------|------------------------------|
| <b>display</b> | <a href="#">Vector Views</a> |
|----------------|------------------------------|

Display table, graph, or spool output in the vector object window.

Display the contents of a table, graph, or spool in the window of the vector object.

## Syntax

```
vector_name.display object_name
```

## Examples

```
vector1.display tabl
```

Display the contents of the table TAB1 in the window of the object VECTOR1.

## Cross-references

Most often used in constructing an EViews Add-in. See [“Custom Object Output” on page 192](#) in the *Command and Programming Reference*.

|             |                              |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| displayname | <a href="#">Vector Procs</a> |
|-------------|------------------------------|

Set display name for vector.

Attaches a display name to a vector which may be used to label output in tables and graphs in place of the standard vector name.

**Syntax**

```
vector_name.displayname display_name
```

Display names are case-sensitive, and may contain a variety of characters, such as spaces, that are not allowed in object names.

**Examples**

```
v1.displayname Coef Results
v1.label
```

The first line attaches a display name “Coef Results” to the vector V1, and the second line displays the label view of V1, including its display name.

```
v1.displayname Means by State
plot v1
```

The first line attaches a display name “Means by State” to the vector V1. The line graph view of V1 will use the display name as the legend.

**Cross-references**

See [“Labeling Objects” on page 102](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels and display names.

See also [Vector::label \(p. 788\)](#) and [Graph::legend \(p. 229\)](#).

|      |                              |
|------|------------------------------|
| fill | <a href="#">Vector Procs</a> |
|------|------------------------------|

Fill a vector with the specified values.

**Syntax**

```
vector_name.fill(options) n1[, n2, n3 ...]
```

Follow the keyword with a list of values to place in the specified object. *Each value should be separated by a comma.*

Running out of values before the object is completely filled is not an error; the remaining cells or observations will be unaffected, unless the “l” (loop) option is specified. If, however,

you list more values than the vector can hold, EViews will not modify any observations and will return an error message.

Options

|                              |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| l                            | Loop repeatedly over the list of values as many times as it takes to fill the vector. |
| o = integer<br>(default = 1) | Fill the vector from the specified element. Default is the first element.             |

Examples

The following example declares a four element vector MC, initially filled with zeros. The second line fills MC with the specified values and the third line replaces from row 3 to the last row with -1.

```
vector(4) mc
mc.fill 0.1, 0.2, 0.5, 0.5
mc.fill(o=3, 1) -1
```

Cross-references

See [Chapter 11. “Matrix Language,” on page 239](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference* for a detailed discussion of vector and matrix manipulation in EViews.

|            |                              |
|------------|------------------------------|
| getglobalc | <a href="#">Vector Procs</a> |
|------------|------------------------------|

Copy the contents of the workfile C coefficient vector into the vector object.

Syntax

```
vector_name.getglobalc
```

This function only applies to vectors, rowvectors and coef objects. The contents of the vector will be replaced with the first N elements of the workfile C coefficient vector, where N is the length of the vector object. This may be useful for storing starting values used in estimation.

Examples

```
vector(5) vec1
vec1.getglobalc
```

Creates a vector object with 5 rows, and then copies the first 5 elements of the C vector into it.



Cross-references

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| label | <a href="#">Vector Views   Vector Procs</a> |
|-------|---|

Display or change the label view of the vector, including the last modified date and display name (if any).

Used as a procedure, `label` changes the fields in the vector label.

Syntax

```
vector_name.label
vector_name.label(options) [text]
```

Options

The first version of the command displays the label view of the vector. The second version may be used to modify the label. Specify one of the following options along with optional text. If there is no text provided, the specified field will be cleared.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| c | Clears all text fields in the label.                            |
| d | Sets the description field to <i>text</i> .                     |
| s | Sets the source field to <i>text</i> .                          |
| u | Sets the units field to <i>text</i> .                           |
| r | Appends <i>text</i> to the remarks field as an additional line. |
| p | Print the label view.   |

Examples

The following lines replace the remarks field of `LWAGE` with “Data from CPS 1988 March File”:

```
lwage.label(r)
lwage.label(r) Data from CPS 1988 March File
```

To append additional remarks to `LWAGE`, and then to print the label view:

```
lwage.label(r) Log of hourly wage
lwage.label(p)
```

To clear and then set the units field, use:

```
lwage.label(u) Millions of bushels
```

## Cross-references

See “[Labeling Objects](#)” on page 102 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of labels. See also [Vector::displayname](#) (p. 786).

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| olepush | <a href="#">Vector Procs</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Push updates to OLE linked objects in open applications.

## Syntax

`vector_name.olepush`

## Cross-references

See “[Object Linking and Embedding \(OLE\)](#)” on page 729 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of using OLE with EViews.

|      |                              |
|------|------------------------------|
| read | <a href="#">Vector Procs</a> |
|------|------------------------------|

Import data from a foreign disk file into a vector.

May be used to import data into an existing workfile from a text, Excel, or Lotus file on disk.

## Syntax

`vector_name.read(options) [path\]file_name`

You must supply the name of the source file. If you do not include the optional path specification, EViews will look for the file in the default directory. Path specifications may point to local or network drives. If the path specification contains a space, you may enclose the entire expression in double quotation marks.

## Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
|--------|---|

### File type options

|              |                           |
|--------------|---------------------------|
| t = dat, txt | ASCII (plain text) files. |
| t = wk1, wk3 | Lotus spreadsheet files.  |
| t = xls      | Excel spreadsheet files.  |

If you do not specify the “*t*” option, EViews uses the file name extension to determine the file type. If you specify the “*t*” option, the file name extension will not be used to determine the file type.

*Options for ASCII text files*

|                                      |   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| <code>na = text</code>               | Specify text for NAs. Default is “NA”.  |
| <code>d = t</code>                   | Treat tab as delimiter (note: you may specify multiple delimiter options). The <i>default</i> is “d = c” only.                                  |
| <code>d = c</code>                   | Treat comma as delimiter.   |
| <code>d = s</code>                   | Treat space as delimiter.   |
| <code>d = a</code>                   | Treat alpha numeric characters as delimiter.  |
| <code>custom = symbol</code>         | Specify symbol/character to treat as delimiter.   |
| <code>mult</code>                    | Treat multiple delimiters as one.   |
| <code>rect (default) / norect</code> | [Treat / Do not treat] file layout as rectangular.  |
| <code>skipcol = integer</code>       | Number of columns to skip. Must be used with the “rect” option.   |
| <code>skiprow = integer</code>       | Number of rows to skip. Must be used with the “rect” option.  |
| <code>comment = symbol</code>        | Specify character/symbol to treat as comment sign. Everything to the right of the comment sign is ignored. Must be used with the “rect” option. |
| <code>singlequote</code>             | Strings are in single quotes, not double quotes.  |
| <code>dropstrings</code>             | Do not treat strings as NA; simply drop them.   |
| <code>negparen</code>                | Treat numbers in parentheses as negative numbers.   |
| <code>allowcomma</code>              | Allow commas in numbers (note that using commas as a delimiter takes precedence over this option).  |

*Options for spreadsheet (Lotus, Excel) files*

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>letter_number (default = “b2”)</code> | Coordinate of the upper-left cell containing data. |
| <code>s = sheet_name</code>                 | Sheet name for Excel 5–8 Workbooks.                |

**Examples**

```
v1.read(t=dat,na=.) a:\mydat.raw
```

reads data into vector V1 from an ASCII file MYDAT.RAW in the A: drive. The missing value NA is coded as a “.” (dot or period).

```
v1.read(s=sheet2) "\\network\dr 1\cps91.xls"
```

reads the Excel file CPS91 into vector V1 from the network drive specified in the path.

## Cross-references

See [“Importing Data” on page 129](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion and examples of importing data from external files.

See also [Vector::write](#) (p. 796).

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| setattr | <a href="#">Vector Procs</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Set the object attribute.

## Syntax

```
vector_name.setattr(attr) attr_value
```

Sets the attribute *attr* to *attr\_value*. Note that quoting the arguments may be required. Once added to an object, the attribute may be extracted using the @attr data member.

## Examples

```
a.setattr(revised) never
string s = a.@attr(revised)
```

sets the “revised” attribute in the object A to the string “never”, and extracts the attribute into the string object S.

## Cross-references

See [“Adding Custom Attributes in the Label View” on page 103](#) and [“Adding Your Own Label Attributes” on page 65](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

|           |                              |
|-----------|------------------------------|
| setformat | <a href="#">Vector Procs</a> |
|-----------|------------------------------|

Set the display format for cells in a vector spreadsheet view.

## Syntax

```
vector_name.setformat format_arg
```

where *format\_arg* is a set of arguments used to specify format settings. If necessary, you should enclose the *format\_arg* in double quotes.

For vectors, `setformat` operates on all of the cells in the vector.

You should use one of the following format specifications:

|                            |                      |
|----------------------------|----------------------|
| <code>g[.precision]</code> | significant digits   |
| <code>f[.precision]</code> | fixed decimal places |

|                            |                  |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| <code>c[.precision]</code> | fixed characters |
| <code>e[.precision]</code> | scientific/float |
| <code>p[.precision]</code> | percentage       |
| <code>r[.precision]</code> | fraction         |

To specify a format that groups digits into thousands using a comma separator, place a “t” after the format character. For example, to obtain a fixed number of decimal places with commas used to separate thousands, use “ft[.precision]”.

To use the period character to separate thousands and commas to denote decimal places, use “.” (two periods) when specifying the precision. For example, to obtain a fixed number of characters with a period used to separate thousands, use “ct[.precision]”.

If you wish to display negative numbers surrounded by parentheses (*i.e.*, display the number -37.2 as “(37.2)”), you should enclose the format string in “()” (*e.g.*, “f(.8)”).

Examples

To set the format for all cells in the vector to fixed 5-digit precision, simply provide the format specification:

```
v1.setformat f.5
```

Other format specifications include:

```
v1.setformat f(.7)
v1.setformat e.5
```

Cross-references

See [Vector::setwidth \(p. 794\)](#), [Vector::setindent \(p. 793\)](#) and [Vector::setjust \(p. 793\)](#) for details on setting spreadsheet widths, indentation and justification.

|            |                              |
|------------|------------------------------|
| setglobalc | <a href="#">Vector Procs</a> |
|------------|------------------------------|

Copy the contents of the vector object into the workfile C coefficient vector.

Syntax

```
vector_name.setglobalc
```

This function only applies to vectors, rowvectors and coef objects. The contents of the vector will be copied into the first N elements of the workfile C coefficient vector, where N is the length of the vector object. This may be useful for re-specifying starting values for estimation.

### Examples

```
vec1.setglobalc
```

Copies the contents of VEC1 into the workfile C vector.

### Cross-references

|           |                              |
|-----------|------------------------------|
| setindent | <a href="#">Vector Procs</a> |
|-----------|------------------------------|

Set the display indentation for cells in vector spreadsheet views.

### Syntax

```
view_name.setindent indent_arg
```

where *indent\_arg* is an indent value specified in 1/5 of a width unit. The width unit is computed from representative characters in the default font for the current spreadsheet (the EViews spreadsheet default font at the time the spreadsheet was created), and corresponds roughly to a single character. Indentation is only relevant for non-center justified cells.

The default indentation settings are taken from the Global Defaults for spreadsheet views (“[Spreadsheet Data Display](#)” on page 768 of *User’s Guide I*) at the time the spreadsheet was created.

### Examples

```
v1.setindent 2
```

sets the indentation for the vector spreadsheet view to 2.

### Cross-references

See [Vector::setWidth \(p. 794\)](#) and [Vector::setjust \(p. 793\)](#) for details on setting spreadsheet widths and justification.

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| setjust | <a href="#">Vector Procs</a> |
|---------|------------------------------|

Set the display justification for cells in a vector spreadsheet view.

### Syntax

```
vector_name.setjust format_arg
```

where *format\_arg* is a set of arguments used to specify format settings. You should enclose the *format\_arg* in double quotes if it contains any spaces or delimiters.

The *format\_arg* may be formed using the following:

|                              |  |
|------------------------------|--|
| top / middle / bottom]       | Vertical justification setting.  |
| auto / left / center / right | Horizontal justification setting. “Auto” uses left justification for strings, and right for numbers. |

You may enter one or both of the justification settings. The default justification settings are taken from the Global Defaults for spreadsheet views ([“Spreadsheet Data Display” on page 768 of User’s Guide I](#)) at the time the spreadsheet was created.

Examples

```
v1.setjust middle
```

sets the vertical justification to the middle.

```
v1.setjust top left
```

sets the vertical justification to top and the horizontal justification to left.

Cross-references

See [Vector::setwidth \(p. 794\)](#) and [Vector::setindent \(p. 793\)](#) for details on setting spreadsheet widths and indentation.

|          |                              |
|----------|------------------------------|
| setwidth | <a href="#">Vector Procs</a> |
|----------|------------------------------|

Set the column width in a vector spreadsheet view.

Syntax

```
vector_name.setwidth width_arg
```

where *width\_arg* specifies the width unit value. The width unit is computed from representative characters in the default font for the current spreadsheet (the EViews spreadsheet default font at the time the spreadsheet was created), and corresponds roughly to a single character. *width\_arg* values may be non-integer values with resolution up to 1/10 of a width unit.

Examples

```
v1.setwidth 12
```

sets the width of the vector to 12 width units.

Cross-references

See [Vector::setindent \(p. 793\)](#) and [Vector::setjust \(p. 793\)](#) for details on setting spreadsheet indentation and justification.

|       |                              |
|-------|------------------------------|
| sheet | <a href="#">Vector Views</a> |
|-------|------------------------------|

Spreadsheet view of vector object.

### Syntax

```
vector_name.sheet(options)
```

### Options

|   |                             |
|---|-----------------------------|
| p | Print the spreadsheet view. |
|---|-----------------------------|

### Examples

```
v1.sheet(p)
```

displays and prints the spreadsheet view of vector V1.

|       |                              |
|-------|------------------------------|
| stats | <a href="#">Vector Views</a> |
|-------|------------------------------|

Descriptive statistics for the vector.

Computes and displays a table of means, medians, maximum and minimum values, standard deviations, and other descriptive statistics for the data in the vector object.

### Syntax

```
vector_name.stats(options)
```

### Options

|   |                        |
|---|------------------------|
| p | Print the stats table. |
|---|------------------------|

### Examples

```
v1.stats(p)
```

displays and prints the descriptive statistics view of the vector V1.

### Cross-references

See [“Descriptive Statistics & Tests” on page 358](#) and [“Descriptive Statistics” on page 486](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of the descriptive statistics views of series and groups.



|        |                                    |
|--------|------------------------------------|
| vector | <a href="#">Vector Declaration</a> |
|--------|------------------------------------|

Declare a vector object.

The `vector` command declares and optionally initializes a (column) vector object.

**Syntax**

`vector(size) vector_name [= assignment]`

The keyword `vector` should be followed by the name you wish to give the vector. You may also provide an optional argument specifying the size of the vector. If you do not provide a size, EViews will create a single element vector. Once declared, vectors may be resized by repeating the command with a new size.

You may combine vector declaration and assignment. If there is no assignment statement, the vector will initially be filled with zeros.

**Examples**

```
vector vec1
vector(10) col3 = 3
rowvector(10) row3 = 3
vector vec3 = row3
```

VEC1 is declared as a single element vector initialized to 0. COL3 is a 10 element column vector containing the value 3. ROW3 is declared as a row vector of size 10 containing the value 3. Although declared as a column vector, VEC3 is reassigned as a row vector of size 10 with all elements equal to 3.

**Cross-references**

See [Chapter 11. “Matrix Language,” on page 239](#) of the *Command and Programming Reference* for a discussion of matrices and vectors in EViews.

See also [Coef::coef \(p. 18\)](#) and [Rowvector::rowvector \(p. 458\)](#).

|       |                              |
|-------|------------------------------|
| write | <a href="#">Vector Procs</a> |
|-------|------------------------------|

Write EViews data to a text (ASCII), Excel, or Lotus file on disk.

Creates a foreign format disk file containing data in a vector object. May be used to export EViews data to another program.

## Syntax

```
vector_name.write(options) [path\filename]
```

Follow the name of the vector object by a period, the keyword, and the name for the output file. The optional path name may be on the local machine, or may point to a network drive. If the path name contains spaces, enclose the entire expression in double quotation marks. The entire vector will be exported.

Note that EViews cannot, at present, write into an existing file. The file that you select will, if it exists, be replaced.

## Options

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| prompt | Force the dialog to appear from within a program. |
|--------|---|

### File type

|              |                           |
|--------------|---------------------------|
| t = dat, txt | ASCII (plain text) files. |
| t = wk1, wk3 | Lotus spreadsheet files.  |
| t = xls      | Excel spreadsheet files.  |

If you omit the “t = ” option, EViews will determine the type based on the file extension. Unrecognized extensions will be treated as ASCII files. For Lotus and Excel spreadsheet files specified without the “t = ” option, EViews will automatically append the appropriate extension if it is not otherwise specified.

### ASCII text files

|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| na = string | Specify text string for NAs. Default is “NA”.                         |
| d = arg     | Specify delimiter ( <i>default</i> is tab): “s” (space), “c” (comma). |

### Spreadsheet (Lotus, Excel) files

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| letter_number | Coordinate of the upper-left cell containing data. |
|---------------|--|

## Examples

```
v1.write(t=txt,na=.) a:\dat1.csv
```

Writes the vector V1 into an ASCII file named DAT1.CSV on the A: drive. NAs are coded as “.” (dot).

```
v1.write(t=txt,na=.) dat1.csv
```

writes the same file in the default directory.

```
v1.write(t=xls) "\\network\drive a\results"
```

saves the contents of V1 in an Excel file “Results.xls” in the specified directory.

### Cross-references

See [“Exporting to a Spreadsheet or Text File” on page 144](#) of *User's Guide I* for a discussion.

See also `Vector::read` (p. 789).

## Appendix A. Graph Creation Commands

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This chapter contains reference material for commands that display graph views of various EViews data objects. The chapter differs in structure from the earlier object reference ([Chapter 1. “Object View and Procedure Reference,” on page 2](#)) in that instead of focusing on specific objects, it describes the ways in which the graph commands may be used with multiple objects. For details on commands to customize existing graphs, see the graph object reference: [“Graph” on page 208](#).

The remainder of the chapter consists of alphabetical listings of the graph view commands in three distinct formats:

- the first listing provides a basic summary of the available graph commands, with a reference to the detailed description for that command.
- the second listing repeats the summary of graph commands, pairing each entry with a list of the EViews objects with which it may be used.
- the third listing, which constitutes the main portion of this chapter, consists of a detailed description of each graph command, including basic syntax and options, as well as examples and cross-references.

### Graph Creation Command Summary

The following view commands may be used to display graphs of various EViews data objects:

[area](#) .....area graph ([p. 801](#)).  
[band](#) .....area band graph ([p. 804](#)).  
[bar](#) .....bar graph ([p. 807](#)).  
[boxplot](#) .....boxplot graph ([p. 811](#)).  
[distplot](#) .....distribution graph ([p. 813](#)).  
[dot](#) .....dot plot graph ([p. 820](#)).  
[errbar](#) .....error bar graph ([p. 824](#)).  
[hilo](#) .....high-low(-open-close) graph ([p. 826](#)).  
[line](#) .....line-symbol graph ([p. 828](#)).  
[pie](#) .....pie chart ([p. 831](#)).  
[qqplot](#) .....quantile-quantile graph ([p. 834](#)).  
[scat](#) .....scatterplot ([p. 838](#)).  
[scatmat](#) .....matrix of scatterplots ([p. 843](#)).  
[scatpair](#) .....scatterplot pairs graph ([p. 845](#)).  
[seasplot](#) .....seasonal line graph ([p. 849](#)).  
[spike](#) .....spike graph ([p. 850](#)).

**xyarea** ..... XY area graph (p. 854).  
**xybar** ..... XY bar graph (p. 857).  
**xyline** ..... XY line graph (p. 859).  
**xypair** ..... XY line pairs graph (p. 863).

## Graph Creation Object Summary

The graph creation commands may be used with the following EViews data objects:

**area** ..... coef (p. 16), group (p. 254), matrix (p. 340), series (p. 478), sym (p. 627), vector (p. 781).  
**band** ..... group (p. 254), matrix (p. 340), sym (p. 627).  
**bar** ..... coef (p. 16), group (p. 254), matrix (p. 340), rowvector (p. 451), series (p. 478), sym (p. 627), vector (p. 781).  
**boxplot** ..... coef (p. 16), group (p. 254), matrix (p. 340), rowvector (p. 451), series (p. 478), sym (p. 627), vector (p. 781).  
**distplot** ..... coef (p. 16), group (p. 254), matrix (p. 340), rowvector (p. 451), series (p. 478), sym (p. 627), vector (p. 781).  
**dot** ..... coef (p. 16), group (p. 254), matrix (p. 340), rowvector (p. 451), series (p. 478), sym (p. 627), vector (p. 781).  
**errbar** ..... group (p. 254), matrix (p. 340), rowvector (p. 451), sym (p. 627).  
**hilo** ..... group (p. 254), matrix (p. 340), sym (p. 627).  
**line** ..... coef (p. 16), group (p. 254), matrix (p. 340), series (p. 478), sym (p. 627), vector (p. 781).  
**pie** ..... group (p. 254), matrix (p. 340), rowvector (p. 451), sym (p. 627).  
**qqplot** ..... coef (p. 16), group (p. 254), matrix (p. 340), rowvector (p. 451), series (p. 478), sym (p. 627), vector (p. 781).  
**scat** ..... group (p. 254), matrix (p. 340), rowvector (p. 451), sym (p. 627).  
**scatmat** ..... group (p. 254), matrix (p. 340), rowvector (p. 451), sym (p. 627).  
**scatpair** ..... group (p. 254), matrix (p. 340), rowvector (p. 451), sym (p. 627).  
**seasplot** ..... coef (p. 16), group (p. 254), matrix (p. 340), rowvector (p. 451), series (p. 478), sym (p. 627), vector (p. 781).  
**spike** ..... coef (p. 16), group (p. 254), matrix (p. 340), rowvector (p. 451), series (p. 478), sym (p. 627), vector (p. 781).  
**xyarea** ..... group (p. 254), matrix (p. 340), sym (p. 627).  
**xybar** ..... group (p. 254), matrix (p. 340), rowvector (p. 451), sym (p. 627).  
**xyline** ..... group (p. 254), matrix (p. 340), sym (p. 627).  
**xypair** ..... group (p. 254), matrix (p. 340), rowvector (p. 451), sym (p. 627).

## Graph Creation Entries

The following section provides an alphabetical listing of the graph creation commands. Each entry outlines the command syntax and associated options, and includes examples and cross references.

|      |   |
|------|---|
| area | <a href="#">Command</a>   <a href="#">Coef View</a>   <a href="#">Graph Command</a>   <a href="#">Group View</a>   <a href="#">Matrix View</a>   <a href="#">Series View</a>   <a href="#">Sym View</a>   <a href="#">Vector View</a> |
|------|---|

Display an area graph view.

### Syntax

```
area(options) o1 [o2 o3 ... ]
```

```
object_name.area(options) [categorical_spec(arg)]
```

where *o1*, *o2*, ..., are series or group objects. Following the `area` keyword, you may specify general graph characteristics using *options*. Available options include multiple graph handling, dual scaling, template application, data contraction, adding axis extensions, and rotation.

The optional *categorical\_spec* allows you to specify a categorical graph (see [“Categorical Spec,” on page 866](#)).

### Options

#### Scale options

|                                   |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| <code>a</code> ( <i>default</i> ) | Automatic single scale.  |
| <code>d</code>                    | Dual scaling with no crossing. The first series or column is scaled on the left and all other series or columns are scaled on the right.   |
| <code>x</code>                    | Dual scaling with possible crossing. See the “d” option.   |
| <code>n</code>                    | Normalized scale (zero mean and unit standard deviation). May not be used with the “s” option.   |
| <code>rotate</code>               | Rotate the graph so the observation axis is on the left.   |
| <code>ab = type</code>            | Add axis border along data scale, where <i>type</i> may be “hist” or “h” (histogram), “boxplot” or “b”, “kernel” or “k”.<br>(Note: axis borders are not available for panel graphs with “panel = ” options that involve summaries: mean, median, etc.) |

*Multiple series options (categorical graph settings will override these options)*

|   |   |
|---|---|
| m | Plot areas in multiple graphs (will override the “s” option).   |
| s | Stacked area graph. Each area represents the cumulative total of the series listed. The difference between areas corresponds to the value of a series. May not be used with the “l” option. |
| l | Area graph for the first series or column listed and a line graph for all subsequent series or columns. May not be used with the “s” option.  |

*Template and printing options*

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| o = <i>template</i>   | Use appearance options from the specified template. <i>template</i> may be a predefined template keyword (“default” - current global defaults, “classic”, “modern”, “reverse”, “midnight”, “spartan”, “monochrome”) or a graph in the workfile. |
| t = <i>graph_name</i> | Use appearance options and copy text and shading from the specified graph.  |
| b / -b                | [Apply / Remove] bold modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |
| w / -w                | [Apply / Remove] wide modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |
| reset                 | Resets all graph options to the global defaults. May be used to remove existing customization of the graph.   |
| p                     | Print the graph.  |

The options which support the “-” may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

*Graph data options*

The following option is available in non-panel or categorical graph settings:

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| contract = <i>key</i> | Contract the data as specified by <i>key</i> , where <i>key</i> may be: “mean”, “median”, “max”, “min”, “sum”, “var” - variance, “sd” - standard deviation, “sumsq” - sum of the squared values, “skew” - skewness, “kurt” - kurtosis, “nas” - number of missing values, “obs” - number of observations, “unique” - error if the series is not identical for all observations in a given group, “first” - first observation in category using workfile order, “last” - last observation in category using workfile order, “quant( <i>quantile</i> )” - where <i>quantile</i> is a number between 0 and 1. |
|-----------------------|---|

### Panel options

The following option applies when graphing panel structured data:

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>panel = arg</code><br>(default taken from global settings) | Panel data display: “stack” (stack the cross-sections), “individual” or “i” (separate graph for each cross-section), “combine” or “c” (combine cross-section graphs in a single frame), “mean” (plot means across cross-sections), “median” (plot median across cross-sections).<br><br>(Note: more general versions of these panel graphs may be constructed as categorical graphs.) |
|--|---|

### Categorical graph options

These options only apply to categorical graphs (“[Categorical Spec](#),” on page 866) where the graph has one or more **within** factors and a contraction method other than raw data (see the **contract** option above).

|                               |   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| <code>favorlegend</code>      | Favor the use of legends over axis labels to describe categories.   |
| <code>elemcommon = int</code> | Specifies the number of within factors for which the graph uses common area colors. For example, with multiple within dimensions, if “elemcommon = 1”, then only categories defined by the first within factor will have common colors. If “elemcommon = 2”, then categories defined by the first two within factors will have common colors. If “elemcommon = 0”, all areas will have different colors. The default is one less than the number of within factors. |

## Examples

### Basic examples

```
area ser1 ser2 ser3
```

displays area graphs of SER1, SER2, and SER3.

```
group g1 ser1 ser2 ser3
g1.area(s)
```

defines a group G1 containing the three series SER1, SER2 and SER3, then plots a stacked area graph of the series in the group.

```
area(l, o=gra1) s1 gdp cons
```

creates an area graph of series S1, together with line graphs of GDP and CONS. The graph uses options from graph GRA1 as a template.

```
g1.area(o=midnight, b, w)
```



creates an area graph of the group G1, using the settings of the predefined template “mid-night,” applying the *bold* and *wide* modifiers.

*Panel examples*

```
ser1.area(panel=individual)
```

displays area graphs with a separate graph for each cross-section, while,

```
ser1.area(panel=mean)
```

displays an area graph of the means for each period computed across cross-sections.

*Categorical spec examples*

```
ser1.area across(firm, dispname)
```

displays a categorical area graph of SER1 using distinct values of FIRM to define the categories. The graphs in multiple frames with the display names used as labels.

```
ser1.area across(firm, dispname, iscale)
```

shows the same graph with individual scaling for each of the frames.

```
ser1.area within(firm, inctot)
```

displays a graph with the same categorization (along with a category for the total), but with all of the graphs in a single frame.

**Cross-references**

See [Chapter 13. “Graphing Data,” on page 531](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a detailed discussion of graphs in EViews, and [“Templates” on page 678](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph templates. See [Graph::graph \(p. 226\)](#) for graph declaration and other graph types.

|      |   |
|------|---|
| band | <a href="#">Command</a>   <a href="#">Graph Command</a>   <a href="#">Group View</a>   <a href="#">Matrix View</a>   <a href="#">Sym View</a> |
|------|---|

Display an area band graph view (if possible).

An area band graph fills the area between pairs of series or columns of a matrix.

**Syntax**

```
band(options) o1 [o2 o3 ... ]  
object_name.band(options)
```

where *o1*, *o2*, ..., are series or group objects. Following the `band` keyword, you may specify general graph characteristics using *options*. Available options include axis settings and template application.

## Options

### Scale options

|                    |  |
|--------------------|--|
| <i>a</i> (default) | Automatic single scale.  |
| <i>d</i>           | Dual scaling with no crossing. The first series or column is scaled on the left and all other series or columns are scaled on the right. |
| <i>x</i>           | Dual scaling with possible crossing. See the “ <i>d</i> ” option.  |
| <i>n</i>           | Normalized scale (zero mean and unit standard deviation).  |
| <i>rotate</i>      | Rotate the graph so the observation axis is on the left.   |

### Multiple series pair options

By default, EViews displays band graphs for series or columns in *object\_name* taken in pairs, with the remainder series or column (if any) displayed as a line graph. You may modify this behavior using the “*l*” option:

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| <i>l</i> | Display band graph for the first pair of series or columns and a line graph for all subsequent series or columns. |
|----------|---|

### Template and printing options

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| <i>o = template</i>   | Use appearance options from the specified template. <i>template</i> may be a predefined template keyword (“default” - current global defaults, “classic”, “modern”, “reverse”, “midnight”, “spartan”, “monochrome”) or a graph in the workfile. |
| <i>t = graph_name</i> | Use appearance options and copy text and shading from the specified graph.  |
| <i>b / -b</i>         | [Apply / Remove] bold modifiers of the base template style specified using the “ <i>o =</i> ” option above.   |
| <i>w / -w</i>         | [Apply / Remove] wide modifiers of the base template style specified using the “ <i>o =</i> ” option above.   |
| <i>reset</i>          | Resets all graph options to the global defaults. May be used to remove existing customization of the graph.   |
| <i>p</i>              | Print the graph.  |

The options which support the “-” may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

### Panel options

The following option applies when graphing panel structured data:

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>panel = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> taken<br>from global set-<br>tings) | Panel data display: “stack” (stack the cross-sections), “individual” or “i” (separate graph for each cross-section), “combine” or “c” (combine cross-section graphs in a single frame), “mean” (plot means across cross-sections), “median” (plot median across cross-sections).<br><br>(Note: more general versions of these panel graphs may be constructed as categorical graphs.) |
|--|---|

## Examples

### *Basic examples*

```
band upper1 lower1
```

displays a band graph using UPPER1 and LOWER1.

```
group g1 upper1 lower1 upper2 lower2  
g1.band
```

plots a band graph with the UPPER1 and LOWER1 defining one band, and UPPER2 and LOWER2 defining as second band, both displayed in the same frame.

```
g1.band(o=midnight, 1)
```

plots the band graph defined by UPPER1 and LOWER1 along with line graphs for UPPER2 and LOWER2, using the settings of the predefined template “midnight.”

### *Panel examples*

```
g1.band
```

shows the band graph for the stacked data in a panel workfile.

```
g1.band(panel=individual)
```

displays band graphs for each cross-section in separate frames, while,

```
g1.band(panel=mean)
```

constructs a band graph using the means for each period computed across cross-sections.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 13. “Graphing Data,” on page 531](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a detailed discussion of graphs in EViews, and [“Templates” on page 678](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph templates. See [Graph::graph \(p. 226\)](#) for graph declaration and other graph types.

|     |  |
|-----|--|
| bar | <a href="#">Command</a>   <a href="#">Coef View</a>   <a href="#">Graph Command</a>   <a href="#">Group View</a>   <a href="#">Matrix View</a>   <a href="#">Rowvector View</a>   <a href="#">Series View</a>   <a href="#">Sym View</a>   <a href="#">Vector View</a> |
|-----|--|

Display a bar graph.

(Note: when the individual bars in a bar graph become too thin to be distinguished, the graph will automatically be converted into an area graph; see [area](#) (p. 801).)

Syntax

```
bar(options) o1 [o2 o3 ... ]
object_name.bar(options) [categorical_spec(arg)]
```

where *o1*, *o2*, ..., are series or group objects. Following the `bar` keyword, you may specify general graph characteristics using *options*. Available options include multiple graph handling, dual scaling, template application, data contraction, adding axis extensions, and rotation.

The optional *categorical\_spec* allows you to specify a categorical graph (see “[Categorical Spec,](#)” on page 866).

Options

Scale options

|             |  |
|-------------|--|
| a (default) | Automatic single scale.  |
| d           | Dual scaling with no crossing. The first series or column is scaled on the left and all other series or columns are scaled on the right.   |
| x           | Dual scaling with possible crossing. See the “d” option.   |
| n           | Normalized scale (zero mean and unit standard deviation). May not be used with the “s” option.   |
| rotate      | Rotate the graph so the observation axis is on the left.   |
| ab = type   | Add axis border along data scale, where <i>type</i> may be “hist” or “h” (histogram), “boxplot” or “b”, “kernel” or “k”.<br><br>(Note: axis borders are not available for panel graphs with “panel = ” options that involve summaries: mean, median, etc.) |

*Multiple series options (categorical graph settings will override these options)*

|   |   |
|---|---|
| m | Plot bars in multiple graphs (will override the “s” option).  |
| s | Stacked bar graph. Each bar represents the cumulative total of the series or columns listed. The difference between bars corresponds to the value of a series or column. May not be used with the “l” option. |
| l | Bar graph for the first series or column and a line graph for all subsequent series or columns. May not be used with the “s” option.  |

*Template and printing options*

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| o = <i>template</i>   | Use appearance options from the specified template. <i>template</i> may be a predefined template keyword (“default” - current global defaults, “classic”, “modern”, “reverse”, “midnight”, “spartan”, “monochrome”) or a graph in the workfile. |
| t = <i>graph_name</i> | Use appearance options and copy text and shading from the specified graph.  |
| b / -b                | [Apply / Remove] bold modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |
| w / -w                | [Apply / Remove] wide modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |
| reset                 | Resets all graph options to the global defaults. May be used to remove existing customization of the graph.   |
| p                     | Print the graph.  |

The options which support the “-” may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

*Graph data options*

The following option is available in non-panel or categorical graph settings:

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| contract = <i>key</i> | Contract the data as specified by <i>key</i> , where <i>key</i> may be: “mean”, “median”, “max”, “min”, “sum”, “var” - variance, “sd” - standard deviation, “sumsq” - sum of the squared values, “skew” - skewness, “kurt” - kurtosis, “nas” - number of missing values, “obs” - number of observations, “unique” - error if the series is not identical for all observations in a given group, “first” - first observation in category using workfile order, “last” - last observation in category using workfile order, “quant( <i>quantile</i> )” - where <i>quantile</i> is a number between 0 and 1. |
|-----------------------|---|

### Panel options

The following option applies when graphing panel structured data:

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <code>panel = arg</code><br><i>(default taken from global settings)</i> | Panel data display: “stack” (stack the cross-sections), “individual” or “i” (separate graph for each cross-section), “combine” or “c” (combine cross-section graphs in a single frame), “mean” (plot means across cross-sections), “median” (plot median across cross-sections).<br><br>(Note: more general versions of these panel graphs may be constructed as categorical graphs.) |
|---|---|

### Categorical graph options

These options only apply to categorical graphs (“[Categorical Spec](#),” on page 866) where the graph has one or more **within** factors and a contraction method other than raw data (see the **contract** option above).

|                               |   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| <code>favorlegend</code>      | Favor the use of legends over axis labels to describe categories.   |
| <code>elemcommon = int</code> | Specifies the number of within factors for which the graph uses common area colors. For example, with multiple within dimensions, if “elemcommon = 1”, then only categories defined by the first within factor will have common colors. If “elemcommon = 2”, then categories defined by the first two within factors will have common colors. If “elemcommon = 0”, all areas will have different colors. The default is one less than the number of within factors. |

## Examples

### Basic examples

```
bar(p, rotate) oldsales newsales
```

displays and prints a rotated bar graph of the series OLDSALES and NEWSALES.

```
pop.bar
```

displays a bar graph of the series POP.

```
group mygrp oldsales newsales
mygrp.bar(s)
```

displays a stacked bar graph view of the series in the group MYGRP.

```
mygrp.bar(1, x, o=mybar1)
```

plots a bar graph of OLDSALES together with a line graph of NEWSALES. The bar graph is scaled on the left, while the line graph is scaled on the right. The graph uses options from graph MYBAR1 as a template.

```
mygrp.bar(o=midnight, b)
```

creates a bar graph of MYGRP, using the settings of the predefined template “midnight,” applying the *bold* modifier.

```
mygrp.bar(rotate, contract=mean)
```

displays a rotated bar graph of the means of OLDSALES and NEWSALES.

#### *Panel examples*

```
ser1.bar(panel=individual)
```

displays bar graphs for each cross-section in a separate frame, while,

```
ser1.bar(panel=median)
```

displays a bar graph of the medians of SER1 computed for each period across cross-sections.

#### *Categorical spec examples*

```
ser1.bar across(firm, dispname)
```

displays a categorical bar graph of SER1 using distinct values of FIRM to define the categories, and displaying the resulting graphs in multiple frames.

```
ser1.bar across(firm, dispname, iscale)
```

shows the same graph with individual scaling for each of the frames.

```
ser1.bar within(contract=mean, firm, inctot, label=value)
```

displays a graph of mean values of SER1 categorized by firm (along with an added category for the total), with all of the graphs in a single frame and the FIRM category value used as labels.

```
ser1.bar(contract=sum) across(firm, dispname) within(income,  
    bintype=quant, bincount=4)
```

constructs a categorical bar graph of the sum of SER1 values within a category. Different firms are displayed in different graph frames, using the display name as labels, with each frame containing bars depicting the sum of SER1 for each income quartiles.

```
ser1.bar(contract=mean, elemcommon=1) within(sex) within(union)
```

creates a bar graph of mean values of within categories based on both SEX and UNION. Categories for the distinct elements of UNION will be depicted using different bar colors, with the color assignment repeated for different values of SEX.

```
group mygrp oldsales newsales
```

```
mygrp.bar(contract=min) within(@series) within(age)
```

displays bar graphs of the minimum values for categories defined by distinct values of AGE (and the two series). All of the bars will be displayed in a single frame with the bars for OLDSALES grouped together followed by the bars for NEWSALES.

```
mygrp.bar(contract=median, elemcommon=2) across(firm)
  across(@series) across(age)
```

also adds an additional categorization using the FIRM identifiers. The observations for a given firm are grouped together. Within a firm, the bars for the OLDSALES and NEWSALES, which will be depicted using different colors, will be grouped within each age category. The color assignment to OLDSALES and NEWSALES will be repeated across firms and ages (note that @SERIES is treated as the last across factor).

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 13. “Graphing Data,” on page 531](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a detailed discussion of graphs in EViews, and [“Templates” on page 678](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph templates. See [Graph::graph \(p. 226\)](#) for graph declaration and other graph types.

You may assign labels to the bars in (frozen) graph objects using the [Graph::options \(p. 233\)](#) command.

|                |  |
|----------------|--|
| <b>boxplot</b> | <a href="#">Command</a>   <a href="#">Coef View</a>   <a href="#">Graph Command</a>   <a href="#">Group View</a>   <a href="#">Matrix View</a>   <a href="#">Rowvector View</a>   <a href="#">Series View</a>   <a href="#">Sym View</a>   <a href="#">Vector View</a> |
|----------------|--|

Display boxplots for each series or column.

## Syntax

```
boxplot(options) o1 [o2 o3 ... ]
object_name.boxplot(options) [categorical_spec(arg)]
```

where *o1*, *o2*, ..., are series or group objects. You may specify general options after the boxplot keyword.

The optional *categorical\_spec* allows you to specify a categorical graph (see [“Categorical Spec,” on page 866](#)).

## Options

|                |   |
|----------------|---|
| q = <i>arg</i> | Set the quantile method, where <i>arg</i> can be: “r” - Rankit-Cleveland, “o” - Ordinary, “v” - van der Waerden, “b” - Blom, “t” - Tukey, “g” - Gumbel. |
| rotate         | Rotate the graph so the observation axis is on the left.  |

*Multiple series options (categorical graph settings will override these options)*

|   |                                   |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| m | Plot boxplots in multiple graphs. |
|---|-----------------------------------|

## Panel options

The following option applies when graphing panel structured data:



|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>panel = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> taken<br>from global set-<br>tings) | Panel data display: “stack” (stack the cross-sections), “individual” or “i” (separate graph for each cross-section), “combine” or “c” (compute cross-section graphs in a single frame).<br><br>(Note: more general versions of these panel graphs may be constructed as categorical graphs.) |
|--|--|

## Examples

### *Basic examples*

```
wage.boxplot
```

displays boxplots for the series WAGE.

```
group g1 wage sex race  
g1.boxplot
```

displays boxplots for WAGES, SEX and RACE in a single graph frame.

```
g1.boxplot(m, rotate)
```

places the rotated boxplots for each series in a separate frame.

### *Panel examples*

```
ser1.boxplot(panel=individual)
```

displays boxplots for each cross-section in a separate frame, while,

```
ser1.boxplot(panel=stack)
```

displays a single boxplot computed from the stacked panel data.

```
ser1.boxplot(panel=combined, rotate)
```

shows rotated boxplots computed for each period (across cross-sections) in a single frame.

### *Categorical spec examples*

```
ser1.boxplot across(firm, dispname)
```

displays a categorical boxplot graph of SER1 using distinct values of FIRM to define the categories, and displaying the resulting graphs in multiple frames with common scaling. Each frame is labeled using the FIRM display name.

```
ser1.boxplot across(firm, dispname, iscale)
```

constructs the same graph with individual scaling.

```
ser1.boxplot within(firm, label=value)
```

constructs a boxplot for each value of FIRM and displays the results in a single frame. The individual boxplots are labeled using the value of FIRM associated with the category.

```
ser1.boxplot across(firm) within(income, bintype=quant,
                                bincount=4)
```

constructs a categorical boxplot with FIRM defining the across dimension, and INCOME defining the within dimension. Boxplots for each INCOME quartile of a given firm will be contained in a single frame, with different firms displayed in different frames.

```
grp1.boxplot within(sex) within(union)
```

creates an boxplot for within categories based on both SEX and UNION. Since we have not specified behavior for the implicit @SERIES in GRP1, each series in the group will be displayed in a separate frame, with individual scaling.

## Cross-referencesC

See “Boxplot” on page 607 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of boxplots. See [Chapter 13. “Graphing Data,”](#) on page 531 of *User’s Guide I* for a detailed discussion of graphs in EViews, and “Templates” on page 678 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph templates.

See [Graph::graph](#) (p. 226) for graph declaration and other graph types, and [Graph::set-bpelem](#) (p. 240) for a discussion of boxplot customization.

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| distplot | <a href="#">Command</a>   <a href="#">Coef View</a>   <a href="#">Graph Command</a>   <a href="#">Group View</a>   <a href="#">Matrix View</a>   <a href="#">Rowvector View</a>   <a href="#">Series View</a>   <a href="#">Sym View</a>   <a href="#">Vector View</a> |
|----------|--|

Display a distribution graph.

## Syntax

```
distplot(options) o1 [o2 o3 ... ]
```

```
object_name.distplot(options) analytical_spec(arg) [categorical_spec(arg)]
```

where *o1*, *o2*, ..., are series or group objects.

When used as a command, `distplot` only allows you to display the default histogram view.

When used as an object view, you must specify the type of distribution graph you wish to create in the *analytical\_spec*. You may select from: histogram, histogram polygon, histogram edge polygon, average shifted histogram, kernel density, theoretical distribution, empirical CDF, empirical survivor, empirical log survivor, or empirical quantile (see “[Analytical Spec,](#)” on page 835).

The optional *categorical\_spec* allows you to specify a categorical graph (see “[Categorical Spec,](#)” on page 866)

## Options

### *Multiple series options*

|   |   |
|---|---|
| s | Plot in a single graph. (Categorical graph settings will override this option.) |
|---|---|

### *Template and printing options*

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| o = <i>template</i>   | Use appearance options from the specified template. <i>template</i> may be a predefined template keyword (“default” - current global defaults, “classic”, “modern”, “reverse”, “midnight”, “spartan”, “monochrome”) or a graph in the workflow. |
| t = <i>graph_name</i> | Use appearance options and copy text and shading from the specified graph.  |
| b / -b                | [Apply / Remove] bold modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |
| w / -w                | [Apply / Remove] wide modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |
| reset                 | Resets all graph options to the global defaults. May be used to remove existing customization of the graph.   |
| p                     | Print the graph.  |

The options which support the “-” may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

### *Panel options*

The following option applies when graphing panel structured data.

|  |   |
|--|---|
| panel = <i>arg</i><br>( <i>default</i> taken<br>from global set-<br>tings) | Panel data display: “stack” (stack the cross-sections), “individual” or “i” (separate graph for each cross-section).<br><br>(Note: more general versions of these panel graphs may be constructed as categorical graphs.) |
|--|---|

## Analytical Spec

Specify the distribution graph you wish to create in the analytical spec. For a description of distribution graphs, see [“Analytical Graph Types,” on page 591](#) of *User’s Guide I*. The analytical spec contains components of the form:

*dist\_type(dist\_options)*

where *dist\_type* may be one of the following keywords:

|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| hist        | Histogram.                                  |
| freqpoly    | Histogram Polygon.                          |
| edgfreqpoly | Histogram Edge Polygon.                     |
| ash         | Average Shifted Histogram.                  |
| kernel      | Kernel Density                              |
| theory      | Theoretical Distribution.                   |
| cdf         | Empirical cumulative distribution function. |
| survivor    | Empirical survivor function.                |
| logsurvivor | Empirical log survivor function.            |
| quantile    | Empirical quantile function.                |

**hist**, **freqpoly**, **edgfreqpoly**, **ash**, **kernel**, and **theory** graphs may be combined in a single graph frame by providing multiple components.

Each distribution type has its own set of options, to be entered in *dist\_options*:

*Histogram, Histogram Polygon, Histogram Edge Polygon, and Avg. Shifted Histogram Options*

|  |  |
|--|--|
| scale = <i>arg</i>                             | <i>arg</i> specifies the scaling size, and may be “dens”, “freq”, or “relfreq”.<br><br>(Note that the scaling setting is overridden if the histogram is displayed alongside a density, <i>e.g.</i> , kernel density or theoretical distribution, plot.)  |
| binw = <i>arg</i>                              | <i>arg</i> specifies the bin width, and may be “eviews” ( <i>default</i> ), “sigma” (normal reference rule with $\hat{\sigma}$ as the measure of dispersion), “iqr” (normal reference rule based on the interquartile range), “silverman” (normal reference rule with Silverman’s robust measure of dispersion), “freedman” (Freedman-Diaconis). |
| anchor = <i>arg</i>                            | <i>arg</i> specifies the anchor position.  |
| rightclosed                                    | Right-closed bin intervals.  |
| nshifts = <i>int</i><br>( <i>default</i> = 25) | Specifies the number of shift evaluations. (Only applies to average shifted histograms.)   |
| fill   | Fill the graph. (Does not apply to the <b>hist</b> type.)  |
| nofill   | Don’t fill the graph. (Does not apply to the <b>hist</b> type.)  |
| leg = <i>arg</i>                               | Specify the legend display settings, where <i>arg</i> can be: “def” - default, “n” - none, “s” - short, “det”- detailed.   |

*Histogram, Histogram Polygon, Histogram Edge Polygon, and Avg. Shifted Histogram Examples*

```
inf.distplot hist
```

displays the default histogram view of the frequencies in each bin.

```
inf.distplot hist(scale=dens, anchor=100, binw=sigma)
```

constructs a density histogram computed using anchor position 100 and binwidth determined by the normal reference rule using  $\hat{\sigma}$  as the measure of dispersion.

```
group g1 inf unemp
g1.distplot hist(scale=relfreq)
```

displays a relative frequency histogram for the series in INF and UNEMP, each in their own graph frame, while:

```
g1.distplot(s) histpoly
```

displays the two frequency histograms in the same graph frame.

```
g1.distplot freqpoly(fill)
```

constructs filled frequency polygons for the series in G1, displayed in individual frames.

```
inf.distplot edgefreqpoly(leg=detailed)
```

shows the edge frequency polygon for INF with detailed legend entries.

```
g1.distplot ash(scale=dens, rightclosed, nshifts=100)
```

constructs average shifted density histograms using 100 shifts, with right-closed bins.

*Kernel Options*

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>k = arg</code><br>(default = "e")         | Kernel type: "e" (Epanechnikov), "r" (Triangular), "u" (Uniform), "n" (Normal-Gaussian), "b" (Biweight-Quartic), "t" (Triweight), "c" (Cosinus). |
| <code>b = number</code>                         | Specify a number for the bandwidth.  |
| <code>b</code>                                  | Bracket bandwidth.   |
| <code>ngrid = integer</code><br>(default = 100) | Number of grid points to evaluate.   |
| <code>x</code>                                  | Exact evaluation.  |
| <code>fill</code>                               | Fill the area.   |
| <code>nofill</code>                             | Don't fill the area.   |
| <code>leg = arg</code>                          | Specify the legend display settings, where <i>arg</i> can be: "def" - default, "n" - none, "s" - short, "det" - detailed.                        |

*Kernel Examples*

```
group gg weight height
```

```
gg.distplot kernel(ngrid=200, fill)
```

constructs kernel density estimates of HEIGHT and WEIGHT using 200 grid points and linear binning, and displays filled graphs in individual graph frames.

```
gg.displot(s) kernel(k=u, x)
```

computes the estimates using a uniform kernel with exact evaluation at each of the grid points, and displays the graphs in the same frame.

```
gg.displot kernel(leg=det)
```

displays the kernel plots along with detailed legend information.

### Theory Options

|                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| <code>dist = arg</code> | <code>arg</code> can be: “normal”, “exp” - exponential, “logit” - logistic, “uniform” - uniform, “xman” - extreme max, “xmin” - extreme min, “chisq” - chi-squared, “pareto” - Pareto, “weibull” - Weibull, “gamma” - gamma, “tdist” - Student’s <i>t</i> -distribution. |
| <code>p1 = int</code>   | Set first parameter.   |
| <code>p2 = int</code>   | Set second parameter.  |
| <code>p3 = int</code>   | Set third parameter.   |
| <code>fill</code>       | Fill the area.   |
| <code>nofill</code>     | Don’t fill the area.   |
| <code>leg = arg</code>  | Specify the legend display settings, where <code>arg</code> can be: “def” - default, “n” - none, “s” - short, “det” - detailed.  |
| <code>m = int</code>    | Set the iterations maximum. (Applies to logistic, extreme max, extreme min, chi-squared, Weibull, gamma or <i>t</i> -distributions.)   |
| <code>c = int</code>    | Sets the convergence criterion. (Applies to logistic, extreme max, extreme min, chi-squared, Weibull, gamma or <i>t</i> -distributions.)   |
| <code>s</code>          | Use user-specified starting values supplied in the C coefficient vector in the workfile (default uses EViews supplied starting values). (Applies to logistic, extreme max, extreme min, chi-squared, Weibull, gamma, or <i>t</i> -distributions.)                        |

### Theory Examples

```
gdp50.distplot theory(leg=det)
```

displays a normal density plot fitted to the data in GDP50 with detailed legend information.

```
gdp50.distplot theory(p1=0)
```

fits a normal density using GDP50, restricting the mean of the distribution to be zero.

```
group gro1 weight height
gro1.distplot theory(dist=exp, fill)
```

constructs filled plots of the exponential densities fitted to the data in WEIGHT and HEIGHT, and displays them in separate frames.

```
gro1.distplot(s) theory(dist=weibull, p1=5, c=1e-5)
```

fits weibull densities to the data in the series setting the first parameter to 5 and estimating the second with a convergence tolerance of 1e-5. The graphs are displayed in a single frame.

#### *Empirical CDF, Survivor, Log Survivor, and Quantile Options*

|                                 |   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| q = arg                         | Set the quantile method, where <i>arg</i> can be: “r” - Rankit-Cleveland, “o” - Ordinary, “v” - van der Waerden, “b” - Blom, “t” - Tukey, “g” - Gumbel. |
| n or noci                       | Do not include confidence intervals.  |
| ci = number<br>(default = 0.95) | Set confidence interval levels.   |
| leg = arg                       | Specify the legend display settings, where <i>arg</i> can be: “def” - default, “n” - none, “s” - short, “det” - detailed.                               |

#### *Empirical CDF, Survivor, Log Survivor, and Quantile Examples*

```
gdp50.distplot cdf
```

shows the cumulative distribution plot for GDP50, along with the default 95% confidence intervals.

```
gdp50.distplot survivor(noci)
```

displays the survivor plot for GDP50 without displaying confidence intervals.

```
group gro1 weight height
gro1.distplot logsurvivor(ci=0.9, leg=det)
```

displays the log-survivor plots for WEIGHT and HEIGHT along with 90% confidence intervals, and a detailed legend. The plots will be displayed in individual graph frames.

```
gro1.distplot(s) quantile
```

shows the quantile plots for WEIGHT and HEIGHT in the same graph frame.

## Examples

### *Basic examples*

```
distplot height weight length
```

displays default histograms for the three series.

```
group g1 age height weight length
g1.distplot hist(scale=dens, binw=sigma, leg=short) kernel theory
```

displays distribution plots for AGE, HEIGHT, WEIGHT, and LENGTH in separate frames, along with a short legend identifying each distribution plot. Each frame contains a histogram constructed using the  $\hat{\sigma}$ -normal reference rule, a kernel density plot, and a plot of the theoretical normal distribution fitted to the data. (Note that the “scale = dens” option in the **hist** specification is redundant since combining a histogram with either the **kernel** or **theory** plot automatically sets the scaling.)

```
height.distplot theory theory(dist=weibull)
```

plots theoretical normal and weibull densities fit to the data in HEIGHT.

```
height.distplot quantile
```

displays a plot of the quantiles of height along with the confidence intervals.

```
g1.displot(s) cdf
```

plots the empirical CDF of the AGE, HEIGHT, WEIGHT, and LENGTH, and displays them in a single frame.

### *Panel examples*

```
height.distplot(panel=individual) hist
```

displays histograms for each cross-section in separate frames while,

```
weight.distplot kern ash
```

displays a kernel density graph and average shifted histogram using the panel stacked WEIGHT data.

### *Categorical spec examples*

```
height.distplot hist across(firm, dispname)
```

displays a categorical histogram graph of SER1 using distinct values of FIRM to define the categories, and displaying the resulting graphs in multiple frames.

```
height.distplot hist across(firm, dispname, iscale)
```

shows the same graph with individual scaling for each of the frames.

```
weight.distplot kernel ash within(firm, inctot, label=value)
```

displays kernel and average shifted histograms categorized by firm (with an added category for the total), with all of the graphs in a single frame and the category value used as labels.

```
length.distplot cdf across(firm, dispname) within(income,
  bintype=quant, bincount=4)
```



constructs a categorical cdf graph with FIRM defining the across dimension, and INCOME defining the within dimension. Observations will be classified in the within dimension using the quartiles of INCOME.

Cross-references

For a description of distribution graphs, see “Analytical Graph Types,” on page 591 of *User’s Guide I*.

See Chapter 13. “Graphing Data,” on page 531 of *User’s Guide I* for a detailed discussion of graphs in EViews, and “Templates” on page 678 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph templates. See `Graph::graph` (p. 226) for graph declaration and other graph types.

To save the data from a distribution plot, see `Series::distdata` (p. 492) and `Group::distdata` (p. 282).

|     |  |
|-----|--|
| dot | <a href="#">Command</a>   <a href="#">Coef View</a>   <a href="#">Graph Command</a>   <a href="#">Group View</a>   <a href="#">Matrix View</a>   <a href="#">Rowvector View</a>   <a href="#">Series View</a>   <a href="#">Sym View</a>   <a href="#">Vector View</a> |
|-----|--|

Display a dot plot graph view.

A dot plot is a symbol only version of the line and symbol graph that uses circles to represent the value of each observation.

Syntax

```
dot(options) o1 [o2 o3 ... ]
object_name.dot(options) [categorical_spec(arg)]
```

where *o1*, *o2*, ..., are series or group objects.

Following the `dot` keyword, you may specify general graph characteristics using *options*. Available options include multiple graph handling, dual scaling, template application, data contraction, adding axis extensions, and rotation.

The optional *categorical\_spec* allows you to specify a categorical graph (see “Categorical Spec,” on page 866).

Options

Scale options

|             |  |
|-------------|--|
| a (default) | Automatic single scale.  |
| d           | Dual scaling with no crossing. The first series or column is scaled on the left and all other series or columns are scaled on the right. |
| x           | Dual scaling with possible crossing. See the “d” option.   |

|                  |  |
|------------------|--|
| n                | Normalized scale (zero mean and unit standard deviation). May not be used with the “s” option.   |
| rotate           | Rotate the graph so the observation axis is on the left.   |
| ab = <i>type</i> | Add axis border along data scale, where <i>type</i> may be “hist” or “h” (histogram), “boxplot” or “b”, “kernel” or “k”.<br>(Note: axis borders are not available for panel graphs with “panel = ” options that involve summaries: mean, median, etc.) |

*Multiple series options (categorical graph settings will override these options)*

|   |   |
|---|---|
| m | Plot dot plots in multiple graphs (will override the “s” option).   |
| s | Stacked dot plot. Each dot represents the cumulative total of the series or columns listed. The difference between dots corresponds to the value of a series or column. |

*Template and printing options*

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| o = <i>template</i>   | Use appearance options from the specified template. <i>template</i> may be a predefined template keyword (“default” - current global defaults, “classic”, “modern”, “reverse”, “midnight”, “spartan”, “monochrome”) or a graph in the workfile. |
| t = <i>graph_name</i> | Use appearance options and copy text and shading from the specified graph.  |
| b / -b                | [Apply / Remove] bold modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |
| w / -w                | [Apply / Remove] wide modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |
| reset                 | Resets all graph options to the global defaults. May be used to remove existing customization of the graph.   |
| p                     | Print the graph.  |

The options which support the “-” may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

*Graph data options*

The following option is available in non-panel or categorical graph settings:

|                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <code>contract = key</code> | Contract the data as specified by <i>key</i> , where <i>key</i> may be: “mean”, “median”, “max”, “min”, “sum”, “var” - variance, “sd” - standard deviation, “sumsq” - sum of the squared values, “skew” - skewness, “kurt” - kurtosis, “nas” - number of missing values, “obs” - number of observations, “unique” - error if the series is not identical for all observations in a given group, “first” - first observation in category using workfile order, “last” - last observation in category using workfile order, “quant( <i>quantile</i> )” - where <i>quantile</i> is a number between 0 and 1. |
|-----------------------------|---|

*Panel options*

The following option applies when graphing panel structured data:

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>panel = arg</code><br>(default taken from global settings) | Panel data display: “stack” (stack the cross-sections), “individual” or “i” (separate graph for each cross-section), “combine” or “c” (combine cross-section graphs in a single frame), “mean” (plot means across cross-sections), “median” (plot median across cross-sections).<br><br>(Note: more general versions of these panel graphs may be constructed as categorical graphs.) |
|--|---|

*Categorical graph options*

These options only apply to categorical graphs (“[Categorical Spec,](#)” on page 866) where the graph has one or more **within** factors and a contraction method other than raw data (see the “contract” option above).

|                               |  |
|-------------------------------|--|
| <code>favorlegend</code>      | Favor the use of legends over axis labels to describe categories.  |
| <code>elemcommon = int</code> | Specifies the number of within factors for which the graph uses common area colors. For example, with multiple within dimensions, if “elemcommon = 1”, then only categories defined by the first within factor will have common colors. If “elemcommon = 2”, then categories defined by the first two within factors will have common colors. If “elemcommon = 0”, all areas will have different colors.<br><br>The default is one less than the number of within factors. |

**Examples**

*Basic examples*

```
dot(rotate) oldsales newsales
```

displays rotated dotplots of OLDSALES and NEWSALES.

```
pop.dot
```

displays a dotplot graph of the series POP.

```
group mygrp oldsales newsales
mygrp.dot(m)
```

displays dotplots of each series in MYGRP, each in its own frame.

```
mygrp.dot(o=midnight, b)
```

creates a bar graph of MYGRP, using the settings of the predefined template “midnight”, applying the *bold* modifier.

```
mygrp.dot(rotate, contract=median)
```

displays a rotated dotplot of the medians of OLDSALES and NEWSALES.

### *Panel examples*

```
ser1.dot(panel=individual)
```

displays dotplots for each cross-section in a separate frame, while,

```
ser1.dot(panel=mean)
```

displays a dotplot of the means for each period computed across cross-sections.

```
ser1.dot(panel=combine)
```

shows the dotplots for each cross-section in the same graph frame, with different symbols and colors for each cross-section.

### *Categorical spec examples*

```
ser1.dot across(firm, dispname)
```

displays a categorical dotplot graph of SER1 using distinct values of FIRM to define the categories, and displaying the resulting graphs in multiple frames.

```
ser1.dot across(firm, dispname, iscale)
```

shows the same graph with individual scaling for each of the frames.

```
ser1.dot within(firm, inctot, label=value)
```

displays a graph categorized by firm (with an added category for the total), with all of the graphs in a single frame and the category value used as labels.

```
ser1.dot across(firm, dispname) within(income, bintype=quant,
bincount=4)
```

constructs a categorical dotplot graph with FIRM defining the across dimension, and INCOME defining the within dimension. Observations will be classified in the within dimension using the quartiles of INCOME.

```
ser1.dot(contract=mean, elemcommon=1) within(sex) within(union)
```

creates a dotplot of mean values of within categories based on both SEX and UNION. Categories within the more slowly varying SEX factor will be drawn using the same symbol and color, while the distinct elements of UNION will employ different symbols and colors.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 13. “Graphing Data,” on page 531](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a detailed discussion of graphs in EViews, and [“Templates” on page 678](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph templates. See [Graph::graph](#) (p. 226) for graph declaration and other graph types.

|        |  |
|--------|--|
| errbar | <a href="#">Command</a>   <a href="#">Graph Command</a>   <a href="#">Group View</a>   <a href="#">Matrix View</a>   <a href="#">Rowvector View</a>   <a href="#">Sym View</a> |
|--------|--|

Display an error bar graph view (if possible).

If there are two series or columns, the error bar will show the high and low values in the bar. The optional third series or column will be plotted as a symbol.

Syntax

```
errbar(options) o1 o2 [o3 ...]  
object_name.errbar(options)
```

where *o1*, *o2*, ..., are series or group objects.

Options

|        |  |
|--------|--|
| rotate | Rotate the graph so the observation axis is on the left. |
|--------|--|

Template and printing options

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| <i>o = template</i>   | Use appearance options from the specified template. <i>template</i> may be a predefined template keyword (“default” - current global defaults, “classic”, “modern”, “reverse”, “midnight”, “spartan”, “monochrome”) or a graph in the workfile. |
| <i>t = graph_name</i> | Use appearance options and copy text and shading from the specified graph.  |
| <i>b / -b</i>         | [Apply / Remove] bold modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |
| <i>w / -w</i>         | [Apply / Remove] wide modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |
| reset                 | Resets all graph options to the global defaults. May be used to remove existing customization of the graph.   |
| p                     | Print the graph.  |

The options which support the “-” may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

### Panel options

The following option applies when graphing panel structured data:

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>panel = arg</code><br>(default taken from global settings) | Panel data display: “stack” (stack the cross-sections), “individual” or “i” (separate graph for each cross-section), “combine” or “c” (combine cross-section graphs in a single frame), “mean” (plot means across cross-sections), “median” (plot median across cross-sections).<br>(Note: more general versions of these panel graphs may be constructed as categorical graphs.) |
|--|---|

## Examples

### Basic examples

```
errbar xlow xhigh xval
```

displays an error bar graph using the series XLOW, XHIGH, and XVAL.

```
group g1 xlow xhigh xval
g1.errbar
```

creates an error bar graph view of the three series in G1.

```
g1.errbar(o=midnight, w)
```

displays an errbar bar graph using the settings of the predefined template “midnight”, applying the *wide* modifier.

### Panel examples

```
g1.errbar(panel=individual)
```

displays error bars for each cross-section in a separate frame, while,

```
g1.errbar(panel=mean)
```

displays error bars formed by computing the means for the series across cross-sections.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 13. “Graphing Data,” on page 531](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a detailed discussion of graphs in EViews, and [“Templates” on page 678](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph templates. See [Graph::graph \(p. 226\)](#) for graph declaration and other graph types.

|      |   |
|------|---|
| hilo | <a href="#">Command</a>   <a href="#">Graph Command</a>   <a href="#">Group View</a>   <a href="#">Matrix View</a>   <a href="#">Sym View</a> |
|------|---|

Display a high-low[-open-close] graph view (if possible).

Syntax

```
hilo(options) o1 o2 [o3 ...]  
object_name.hilo(options)
```

where *o1*, *o2*, ..., are series or group objects. For a high-low[-open-close] graph, EViews uses the first series or column as the high series, the second series or column as the low series, and an optional third series or column as the close series. If four series or columns are provided, EViews will use them in the following order: high-low-open-close.

Note that if you wish to display a high-low-open graph, you should use an “NA”-series for the close values.

Options

|        |  |
|--------|--|
| rotate | Rotate the graph so the observation axis is on the left. |
|--------|--|

Template and printing options

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| o = <i>template</i>   | Use appearance options from the specified template. <i>template</i> may be a predefined template keyword (“default” - current global defaults, “classic”, “modern”, “reverse”, “midnight”, “spartan”, “monochrome”) or a graph in the workfile. |
| t = <i>graph_name</i> | Use appearance options and copy text and shading from the specified graph.  |
| b / -b                | [Apply / Remove] bold modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |
| w / -w                | [Apply / Remove] wide modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |
| reset                 | Resets all graph options to the global defaults. May be used to remove existing customization of the graph.   |
| p                     | Print the graph.  |

The options which support the “-” may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

Panel options

The following option applies when graphing panel structured data:

`panel = arg`  
(*default* taken  
from global set-  
tings)

Panel data display: “stack” (stack the cross-sections), “individual” or “i” (separate graph for each cross-section), “combine” or “c” (combine cross-section graphs in a single frame), “mean” (plot means across cross-sections), “median” (plot median across cross-sections).  
(Note: more general versions of these panel graphs may be constructed as categorical graphs.)

## Examples

### *Basic examples*

```
hilo mshigh mslow msclose
```

displays a high-low-close graph using the series MSHIGH, MSLOW, and MSCLOSE.

```
group stockprice mshigh mslow msclose  
stockprice.hilo(t=templt1)
```

displays a high-low-close graph of the series in STOCKPRICE, using the settings of the graph object TEMPLT1 as a template.

```
group g1 mshigh mslow msopen msclose  
g1.hilo(p)
```

plots and prints the high-low-open-close graph of the four series in G1.

### *Panel examples*

```
stockprice.hilo
```

displays the high-low-close graph for the stacked panel data.

```
stockprice.hilo(panel=individual)
```

displays high-low-close graphs for each cross-section in separate frames.

```
g1.hilo(panel=mean)
```

plots the high-low-open-close graph using the means for the series in every period computed across cross-sections.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 13. “Graphing Data,”](#) on page 531 of *User’s Guide I* for a detailed discussion of graphs in EViews, and [“Templates”](#) on page 678 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph templates. See [Graph::graph](#) (p. 226) for graph declaration and other graph types.



|      |   |
|------|---|
| line | <a href="#">Command</a>   <a href="#">Coef View</a>   <a href="#">Graph Command</a>   <a href="#">Group View</a>   <a href="#">Matrix View</a>   <a href="#">Series View</a>   <a href="#">Sym View</a>   <a href="#">Vector View</a> |
|------|---|

Display a line graph view.

Syntax

```
line(options) o1 [o2 o3 ... ]  
object_name.line(options) [categorical_spec(arg)]
```

where *o1*, *o2*, ..., are series or group objects. Following the `line` keyword, you may specify general graph characteristics using *options*. Available options include multiple graph handling, dual scaling, template application, data contraction, adding axis extensions, and rotation.

The optional *categorical\_spec* allows you to specify a categorical graph (see “[Categorical Spec](#),” on page 866).

Options

Scale options

|             |  |
|-------------|--|
| a (default) | Automatic single scale.  |
| d           | Dual scaling with no crossing. The first series or column is scaled on the left and all other series or columns are scaled on the right.   |
| x           | Dual scaling with possible crossing. See the “d” option.   |
| n           | Normalized scale (zero mean and unit standard deviation). May not be used with the “s” option.   |
| rotate      | Rotate the graph so the observation axis is on the left.   |
| ab = type   | Add axis border along data scale, where <i>type</i> may be “hist” or “h” (histogram), “boxplot” or “b”, “kernel” or “k”.<br>(Note: axis borders are not available for panel graphs with “panel = ” options that involve summaries: mean, median, etc.) |
| wf          | Use workfile frequency for linked series.  |

*Multiple series options (categorical graph settings will override these options)*

|   |   |
|---|---|
| m | Plot lines in multiple graphs (will override the “s” option).   |
| s | Stacked line graph. Each line represents the cumulative total of the series or columns listed. The difference between lines corresponds to the value of a series or column. |

*Template and printing options*

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| o = <i>template</i>   | Use appearance options from the specified template. <i>template</i> may be a predefined template keyword (“default” - current global defaults, “classic”, “modern”, “reverse”, “midnight”, “spartan”, “monochrome”) or a graph in the workfile. |
| t = <i>graph_name</i> | Use appearance options and copy text and shading from the specified graph.  |
| b / -b                | [Apply / Remove] bold modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |
| w / -w                | [Apply / Remove] wide modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |
| reset                 | Resets all graph options to the global defaults. May be used to remove existing customization of the graph.   |
| p                     | Print the graph.  |

The options which support the “-” may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

*Graph data options*

The following option is available in non-panel or categorical graph settings:

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| contract = <i>key</i> | Contract the data as specified by <i>key</i> , where <i>key</i> may be: “mean”, “median”, “max”, “min”, “sum”, “var” - variance, “sd” - standard deviation, “sumsq” - sum of the squared values, “skew” - skewness, “kurt” - kurtosis, “nas” - number of missing values, “obs” - number of observations, “unique” - error if the series is not identical for all observations in a given group, “first” - first observation in category using workfile order, “last” - last observation in category using workfile order, “quant( <i>quantile</i> )” - where <i>quantile</i> is a number between 0 and 1. |
|-----------------------|---|

*Panel options*

The following option applies when graphing panel structured data:

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <code>panel = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> taken from global settings) | Panel data display: “stack” (stack the cross-sections), “individual” or “i” (separate graph for each cross-section), “combine” or “c” (combine cross-section graphs in a single frame), “mean” (plot means across cross-sections), “mean1se” (plot mean and +/- 1 standard deviation summaries), “mean2sd” (plot mean and +/- 2 s.d. summaries), “mean3sd” (plot mean and +/- 3 s.d. summaries), “median” (plot median across cross-sections), “med25” (plot median and +/- 0.25 quantiles), “med10” (plot median and +/- 0.10 quantiles), “med05” (plot median +/- 0.05 quantiles), “med025” (plot median +/- 0.025 quantiles), “med005” (plot median +/- 0.005 quantiles), “med-mxmn” (plot median, max and min).<br><br>(Note: more flexible versions of the non-s.d. and on-quantile graphs may be constructed as categorical graphs.) |
|--|--|

*Categorical graph options*

These options only apply to categorical graphs (“[Categorical Spec](#),” on page 866) where the graph has one or more **within** factors and a contraction method other than raw data (see the **contract** option above).

|                               |   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| <code>favorlegend</code>      | Favor the use of legends over axis labels to describe categories.   |
| <code>elemcommon = int</code> | Specifies the number of within factors for which the graph uses common area colors. For example, with multiple within dimensions, if “elemcommon = 1”, then only categories defined by the first within factor will have common colors. If “elemcommon = 2”, then categories defined by the first two within factors will have common colors. If “elemcommon = 0”, all areas will have different colors. The default is one less than the number of within factors. |

**Examples**

*Basic examples*

```
line gdp cons m1
```

displays line graphs of the series GDP, CONST, and M1.

```
group g1 gdp cons m1
g1.line(d)
```

plots line graphs of the three series in group G1 with dual scaling (no crossing). The latter two series will share the same scale.

```
g1.line(m)
```

plots line graphs of the three series in group G1, with each plotted separately.

```
g1.line(o=midnight, b, w)
```

creates a line graph of the group G1, using the settings of the predefined template “midnight”, applying the *bold* and *wide* modifiers.

```
gdp.line(ab=boxplot)
```

displays the line graph with a boxplot displayed along the data dimension.

#### Panel examples

```
ser1.line(panel=individual)
```

displays area graphs with a separate graph for each cross-section, while,

```
ser1.line(panel=mean)
```

displays a line graph of the means for each period computed across cross-sections.

#### Categorical spec examples

```
ser1.line across(firm, dispname)
```

displays a categorical line graph of SER1 using distinct values of FIRM to define the categories, and displaying the resulting graphs in multiple frames using the display name in the labels.

```
ser1.line across(firm, dispname, iscale)
```

shows the same graph with individual scaling for each of the frames.

### Cross-references

See [Chapter 13. “Graphing Data,” on page 531](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a detailed discussion of graphs in EViews, and [“Templates” on page 678](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph templates. See [Graph::graph \(p. 226\)](#) for graph declaration and other graph types.

|     |  |
|-----|--|
| pie | <a href="#">Command</a>   <a href="#">Graph Command</a>   <a href="#">Group View</a>   <a href="#">Matrix View</a>   <a href="#">Rowvector View</a>   <a href="#">Sym View</a> |
|-----|--|

#### Display a pie chart view.

In the default setting, there will be one pie for each date or observation number. Each series or column of data is shown as a wedge in a different color/pattern, where the width of the wedge equals the percentage contribution of the series or column to the total of all listed series or columns. Negative and missing values are treated as zeros.

#### Syntax

```
pie(options) o1 o2 [o3 ... ]
```

```
object_name.pie(options) [categorical_spec(arg)]
```

where *o1*, *o2*, ..., are series or group objects. You may specify general graph characteristics by including *options* following the `pie` keyword.

The optional *categorical\_spec* allows you to specify a categorical graph (see [“Categorical Spec,” on page 866](#)).

## Options

### Template and printing options

|                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <code>o = template</code>   | Use appearance options from the specified template. <i>template</i> may be a predefined template keyword (“default” - current global defaults, “classic”, “modern”, “reverse”, “midnight”, “spartan”, “monochrome”) or a graph in the workfile. |
| <code>t = graph_name</code> | Use appearance options and copy text and shading from the specified graph.  |
| <code>b / -b</code>         | [Apply / Remove] bold modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |
| <code>w / -w</code>         | [Apply / Remove] wide modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |
| <code>reset</code>          | Resets all graph options to the global defaults. May be used to remove existing customization of the graph.   |
| <code>p</code>              | Print the graph.  |

The options which support the “-” may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

### Graph data options

The following option is available in non-panel or categorical graph settings:

|                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <code>contract = key</code> | Contract the data as specified by <i>key</i> , where <i>key</i> may be: “mean”, “median”, “max”, “min”, “sum”, “var” - variance, “sd” - standard deviation, “sumsq” - sum of the squared values, “skew” - skewness, “kurt” - kurtosis, “nas” - number of missing values, “obs” - number of observations, “unique” - error if the series is not identical for all observations in a given group, “first” - first observation in category using workfile order, “last” - last observation in category using workfile order, “quant( <i>quantile</i> )” - where <i>quantile</i> is a number between 0 and 1. |
|-----------------------------|---|

### Panel options

The following option applies when graphing panel structured data.

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>panel = arg</code><br>(default taken<br>from global set-<br>tings) | Panel data display: “stack” (stack the cross-sections), “individual” or “i” (separate graph for each cross-section), “combine” or “c” (combine cross-section graphs in a single frame), “mean” (plot means across cross-sections), “median” (plot median across cross-sections).<br><br>(Note: more general versions of these panel graphs may be constructed as categorical graphs.) |
|--|---|

## Examples

### Basic examples

```
pie const inv gov
```

displays pie charts for each period, each showing the relative sizes of CONS, INV, and GOV.

```
group g1 cons inv gov
g1.pie
```

displays the equivalent pie graph of the data in G1.

```
g1.pie(o=midnight, b, w)
```

displays the pie graph using the settings of the predefined template “midnight”, applying the *bold* and *wide* modifiers.

```
g1.pie(contract=mean)
```

displays a single pie graph with slices depicting the mean values for each series.

### Panel examples

```
g1.pie(panel=individual)
```

displays pie graphs using the series in G1 with each cross-section displayed in a separate frame, while,

```
g1.pie(panel=mean)
```

displays a single pie graph showing, for each period, the pie graph formed using the means of the series computed across cross-sections.

### Categorical examples

```
g1.pie(contract=mean) within(id)
```

constructs three pie graphs, one each for CONS, INV, and GOV, where the slices are determined by the relative sizes of the means of the respective series for each value of ID. There will be 10 slices for each pie.

```
g1.pie(contract=sum) within(id) within(@series)
```

displays a single pie graph with slices formed by the relative sizes of the sums of the series for each ID. If there are 10 distinct values of ID, the pie will have 30 slices.

for each value of ID using the sums of values of the series in the group G1 to determine the size of the pie slices. Each pie graph will be displayed in a separate frame. Alternately,

```
gl.pie(contract=mean) across(id) within(@series)
```

constructs one pie graph for each cross-section, where the slices are given by the mean values of CONS, INV, and GOV for the cross-section.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 13. “Graphing Data,” on page 531](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a detailed discussion of graphs in EViews, and [“Templates” on page 678](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph templates. See [Graph::graph \(p. 226\)](#) for graph declaration and other graph types.

|        |  |
|--------|--|
| qqplot | <a href="#">Command</a>   <a href="#">Coef View</a>   <a href="#">Graph Command</a>   <a href="#">Group View</a>   <a href="#">Matrix View</a>   <a href="#">Rowvector View</a>   <a href="#">Series View</a>   <a href="#">Sym View</a>   <a href="#">Vector View</a> |
|--------|--|

Display a quantile-quantile graph.

Plots the (empirical) quantiles of a series or matrix column against either the quantiles of a theoretical distribution or the empirical quantiles of other series or columns in the group or matrix. You may specify the theoretical distribution and/or the method used to compute the empirical quantiles as options.

Syntax

```
qqplot(options) o1 [o2 o3 ... ]  
object_name.qqplot(options) analytical_spec(arg) [categorical_spec(arg)]
```

where *o1*, *o2*, ..., are series or group objects.

When used as a command, `qqplot` displays the theoretical qq-plot against a fitted normal distribution.

When used to display the view of an object, you must specify a theoretical or empirical quantile graph in the *analytical\_spec* (see [“Analytical Spec,” on page 835](#)).

The optional *categorical\_spec* allows you to specify a categorical graph (see [“Categorical Spec,” on page 866](#)).

## Options

*Multiple series pair options (categorical graph settings will override these options)*

|                              |  |
|------------------------------|--|
| <code>s</code>               | Plot in a single graph (applies only to theoretical Q-Q graphs).   |
| <code>mult = mat_type</code> | Multiple series or column handling: where <i>mat_type</i> may be: “pairs” or “p” - pairs, “mat” or “m” - scatterplot matrix, “lower” or “l” - lower triangular matrix. |

### *Template and printing options*

|                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <code>o = template</code>   | Use appearance options from the specified template. <i>template</i> may be a predefined template keyword (“default” - current global defaults, “classic”, “modern”, “reverse”, “midnight”, “spartan”, “monochrome”) or a graph in the workfile. |
| <code>t = graph_name</code> | Use appearance options and copy text and shading from the specified graph.  |
| <code>b / -b</code>         | [Apply / Remove] bold modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |
| <code>w / -w</code>         | [Apply / Remove] wide modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |
| <code>reset</code>          | Resets all graph options to the global defaults. May be used to remove existing customization of the graph.   |
| <code>p</code>              | Print the graph.  |

The options which support the “-” may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

### *Panel options*

The following option applies when graphing panel structured data.

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>panel = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> taken from global settings) | Panel data display: “stack” (stack the cross-sections), “individual” or “i” (separate graph for each cross-section).<br>(Note: more general versions of these panel graphs may be constructed as categorical graphs.) |
|--|---|

## Analytical Spec

Specify the type of quantile-quantile graph you wish to create in the analytical spec. For a description of quantile-quantile graphs, see [“Analytical Graph Types,” on page 591](#) of *User’s Guide I*. The analytical spec should be in the form:

*qq\_type(type\_options)*



where *qq\_type* may be one of the following keywords:

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| theory    | Theoretical quantile-quantile plot.  |
| empirical | Empirical quantile-quantile plot (requires at least two series or columns of a matrix) |

You may provide multiple theoretical qq-plot elements, but may not have more than one empirical qq-plot, nor may you mix the two.

Each type has its own set of options, to be entered in *type\_options*:

#### *Theoretical Options*

|                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| <i>dist = arg</i> | <i>arg</i> can be: “normal”, “exp” - exponential, “logit” - logistic, “uniform” - uniform, “xman” - extreme max, “xmin” - extreme min, “chisq” - chi-squared, “pareto” - Pareto, “weibull” - Weibull, “gamma” - gamma, “tdist” - Student’s <i>t</i> -distribution. |
| <i>p1 = int</i>   | Set first parameter.   |
| <i>p2 = int</i>   | Set second parameter.  |
| <i>p3 = int</i>   | Set third parameter.   |
| <i>q = arg</i>    | Set the quantile method, where <i>arg</i> can be: “r” - Rankit-Cleveland, “o” - Ordinary, “v” - van der Waerden, “b” - Blom, “t” - Tukey, “g” - Gumbel.  |
| <i>noline</i>     | Don’t display a fit line.  |
| <i>m = int</i>    | Set the iterations maximum. (Applies to logistic, extreme max, extreme min, chi-squared, Weibull, gamma, or <i>t</i> -distributions.)  |
| <i>c = int</i>    | Sets the convergence criterion. (Applies to logistic, extreme max, extreme min, chi-squared, Weibull, gamma, or <i>t</i> -distributions.)  |
| <i>s</i>          | Use user-specified starting values, supplied in the C coefficient vector in the workfile (default uses EViews supplied starting values). (Applies to logistic, extreme max, extreme min, chi-squared, Weibull, gamma, or <i>t</i> -distributions.)                 |
| <i>leg = arg</i>  | Specify the legend display settings, where <i>arg</i> can be: “def” - default, “n” - none, “s” - short, “det” - detailed.  |

*Empirical Options*

|                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| <code>q = arg</code>   | Set the quantile method, where <i>arg</i> can be: “r” - Rankit-Cleveland, “o” - Ordinary, “v” - van der Waerden, “b” - Blom, “t” - Tukey, “g” - Gumbel. |
| <code>noline</code>    | Don’t display a regression line.  |
| <code>leg = arg</code> | Specify the legend display settings, where <i>arg</i> can be: “def” - default, “n” - none, “s” - short, “det” - detailed.                               |

**Examples***Theoretical examples*

```
qqplot(s) inf unemp
```

displays theoretical qq-plots for INF and UNEMP against fitted normal distributions in a single frame.

```
group g1 inf unemp
g1.qqplot theory
```

displays theoretical qqplots of INF and UNEMP compared with normal distributions fitted to the data in each series. The graphs include fit lines and are displayed in separate frames.

```
g1.qqplot(s) theory(dist=exp)
```

compares INF and UNEMP with fitted exponential distributions, and displays the graphs in a single frame.

```
g1.qqplot(s) theory(dist=exp, p1=5)
```

plots the series against the quantiles of an exponential distribution with parameter 5 in a single frame.

*Empirical Examples*

```
group g2 ser1 ser2 ser3 ser4
g2.qqplot empirical
```

displays empirical qqplots for pairs of series in G2. The default behavior is to plot the first series in the group (SER1) against the remaining series (SER2, SER3, and SER4). The graphs include fit lines and are displayed in separate graph frames.

```
g1.qqplot(mult=pair) empirical(noline)
```

displays qqplots of SER1 versus SER2 and SER3 versus SER4 in separate graph frames, without a regression line.

*Categorical examples*

```
g1.qqplot theory within(age)
```

displays theoretical qq-plots with the series in G1 treated as the within factor and @SERIES treated as the across factor. The qq-plots for each series in G1 will be displayed in separate frames, with multiple qq-plots for each AGE category shown in each frame.

```
gl.qqplot(mult=p) empirical across(age)
```

displays empirical qq-plots for categories of AGE in separate graph frames.

Cross-references

For a description of quantile-quantile graphs, see [“Analytical Graph Types,” on page 591](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

See [Chapter 13. “Graphing Data,” on page 531](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a detailed discussion of graphs in EViews, and [“Templates” on page 678](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph templates. See [Graph::graph \(p. 226\)](#) for graph declaration and other graph types.

|      |  |
|------|--|
| scat | <a href="#">Command</a>   <a href="#">Graph Command</a>   <a href="#">Group View</a>   <a href="#">Matrix View</a>   <a href="#">Rowvector View</a>   <a href="#">Sym View</a> |
|------|--|

Display a scatterplot (if possible).

A scatterplot graph plots the values of one series or column against another using symbols.

There must be at least two series or columns to create a scatterplot. By default, the first series or column will be located along the horizontal axis, and the remaining data on the vertical axis. You may optionally choose to plot the data in pairs, where the first two series or columns are plotted against each other, the second two series or columns are plotted against each other, and so forth, or to construct graphs using all possible pairs (or the lower triangular set of pairs).

Scatterplots are simply XY-line plots with symbols turned on and lines turned off (see [Graph::setelem \(p. 241\)](#)).

Syntax

```
scat(options) o1 o2 [o3 ... ]  
object_name.scats(options) [auxiliary_spec(arg)] [categorical_spec(arg)]
```

where o1, o2, ..., are series or group objects.

Following the scat keyword, you may specify general graph characteristics using options. Available options include plotting the data in pairs or in multiple graphs, template application, and adding axis extensions.

The optional auxiliary\_spec allows you to add fit lines to the scatterplot (regression lines, kernel fit, nearest neighbor fit, orthogonal regression, and confidence ellipses; see [“Auxiliary Spec,” on page 869](#)).

The optional *categorical\_spec* allows you to specify a categorical graph (see “[Categorical Spec](#),” on page 866).

## Options

### Scale options

|                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| a ( <i>default</i> ) | Automatic single scale.   |
| b                    | Plot series or columns in pairs (the first two against each other, the second two against each other, and so forth).  |
| d                    | Dual scaling with no crossing.  |
| x                    | Dual scaling with possible crossing.  |
| n                    | Normalized scale (zero mean and unit standard deviation). May not be used with the “s” option.  |
| ab = <i>type</i>     | Add axis border along data scales, where <i>type</i> may be “hist” or “h” (histogram), “boxplot” or “b”, “kernel” or “k”.<br><br>(Note: axis borders are not available for panel graphs with “panel = ” options that involve summaries: mean, median, etc.) |

### Multiple series pair options (*categorical graph settings will override these options*)

|                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| m                      | Place scatterplots in multiple graphs.  |
| mult = <i>mat_type</i> | Multiple series or column handling: where <i>mat_type</i> may be: “pairs” or “p” - pairs, “mat” or “m” - scatterplot matrix, “lower” or “l” - lower triangular matrix. (Using the “mat” or “lower” options is the same as using the <a href="#">scatmat</a> (p. 843) command; using the “pairs” option is the same as using <a href="#">scatpair</a> (p. 845).) |
| s                      | Stacked scatterplot graph. Each symbol represents the cumulative total of the series or columns listed. The difference between symbols corresponds to the value of a series or column.  |

### Template and printing options

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| o = <i>template</i>   | Use appearance options from the specified template. <i>template</i> may be a predefined template keyword (“default” - current global defaults, “classic”, “modern”, “reverse”, “midnight”, “spartan”, “monochrome”) or a graph in the workfile. |
| t = <i>graph_name</i> | Use appearance options and copy text and shading from the specified graph.  |

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| b / -b | [Apply / Remove] bold modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.         |
| w / -w | [Apply / Remove] wide modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.         |
| reset  | Resets all graph options to the global defaults. May be used to remove existing customization of the graph. |
| p      | Print the graph.  |

The options which support the “-” may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

*Note that use of the template option will override the symbol setting.*

*Graph data options*

The following option is available in categorical graph settings:

|                |   |
|----------------|---|
| contract = key | Contract the data as specified by <i>key</i> , where <i>key</i> may be: “mean”, “median”, “max”, “min”, “sum”, “var” - variance, “sd” - standard deviation, “sumsq” - sum of the squared values, “skew” - skewness, “kurt” - kurtosis, “nas” - number of missing values, “obs” - number of observations, “unique” - error if the series is not identical for all observations in a given group, “first” - first observation in category using workfile order, “last” - last observation in category using workfile order, “quant( <i>quantile</i> )” - where <i>quantile</i> is a number between 0 and 1. |
|----------------|---|

*Panel options*

The following option applies when graphing panel structured data.

|  |  |
|--|--|
| panel = <i>arg</i><br>( <i>default</i> taken from global settings) | Panel data display: “stack” (stack the cross-sections), “individual” or “i” (separate graph for each cross-section), “combine” or “c” (combine cross-section graphs in a single frame), “mean” (plot means across cross-sections), “median” (plot median across cross-sections). |
|--|--|

*Categorical graph options*

These options only apply to categorical graphs (“[Categorical Spec,](#)” on page 866) where the graph has one or more **within** factors and a contraction method other than raw data (see the **contract** option above).

|                                   |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| <code>favorlegend</code>          | Favor the use of legends over axis labels to describe categories.  |
| <code>elemcommon =<br/>int</code> | Specifies the number of within factors for which the graph uses common area colors. For example, with multiple within dimensions, if “ <code>elemcommon = 1</code> ”, then only categories defined by the first within factor will have common colors. If “ <code>elemcommon = 2</code> ”, then categories defined by the first two within factors will have common colors. If “ <code>elemcommon = 0</code> ”, all areas will have different colors. The default is one less than the number of within factors. |

## Examples

### *Basic examples*

```
scat(m) age height weight length
```

displays scatterplots with AGE on the horizontal and HEIGHT, WEIGHT and LENGTH on the vertical axis in multiple frames.

```
group g1 age height weight length
g1.scat
```

displays the same scatterplots in a single frame.

```
g1.scat(m, ab=hist)
```

displays the same information in multiple frames with histograms along the data axes.

```
g1.scat(mult=pairs) linefit
```

plots AGE against HEIGHT and WEIGHT against LENGTH (along with a regression fit line) in a single graph frame.

```
g1.scat(s, t=scat2)
```

displays a stacked scatterplot, using the graph object SCAT2 as a template.

```
g1.scat(d, ab=kernel)
```

shows a scatterplot with dual scales and no crossing, with kernel density plots along the borders.

### *Panel examples*

```
g1.scat(panel=combined)
```

displays a scatterplot for the series in G1 in a single frame with observations for different cross-sections identified using different symbols and colors.

```
g1.scat(panel=individual)
```

draws each cross-section scatter in a different graph frame.

```
g1.scat(panel=stacked)
```

displays the same plot, but with observations drawn with common color and symbol.

```
g1.scat(panel=stacked, contract=mean) linefit kernfit
```

constructs a scatterplot using the mean values computed across cross-sections (for a given period) and displays it in a single graph frame, along with regression and kernel regression fits. The “panel = -stacked” option instructs EViews to display the observations using a single symbol type and color, and to fit lines using all of the data depicted in the graph.

### *Categorical examples*

```
group cgrp income consumption
cgrp.scat within(sex)
```

displays a scatterplot categorized by values of sex, with both categories displayed in the same graph frame using different symbol types and colors.

```
cgrp.scat within(sex) kernfit linefit
```

displays the same graph along with linear and kernel regression fits for each category.

```
cgrp.scat(contract=mean) nnfit within(state)
```

computes mean values for the series in CGRP for each STATE category, and displays the results in a single graph frame along with a line depicting the linear regression fit to the mean values.

```
cgrp.scat across(state) within(sex) nnfit
```

displays scatterplots for data with each STATE value in different frames. Within each frame, the data for each value of SEX are depicted using different symbol types and colors, and a nearest neighbor regression is fit to observations in each category.

### **Cross-references**

See [Chapter 13. “Graphing Data,” on page 531](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a detailed discussion of graphs in EViews, and [“Templates” on page 678](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph templates. See [Graph::graph \(p. 226\)](#) for graph declaration and other graph types.

For a description of the available fit lines, see [“Auxiliary Graph Types,” on page 610](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

See [xyline \(p. 859\)](#) for a description of XY graphs.

|         |   |
|---------|---|
| scatmat | <a href="#">Command</a>   <a href="#">Graph Command</a>   <a href="#">Group View</a>   <a href="#">Matrix View</a>   <a href="#">Rowvector View</a><br><a href="#">  Sym View</a> |
|---------|---|

Display a matrix of scatterplots.

The `scatmat` view forms pairs using all possible pairwise combinations for the series or columns and constructs a plot for each pair, using specialized positioning and axis labeling.

Scatterplots are simply XY-line plots with symbols turned on and lines turned off (see [Graph::setelem \(p. 241\)](#)). The `scatmat` graph type is equivalent to using `scat` ([p. 838](#)) with the “mult = mat” or “mult = lower” option indicating that the data should be graphed using the full or lower-triangular matrix of pairs.

## Syntax

```
scatmat(options) o1 o2 [o3 ... ]
object_name.scatmat(options) [auxiliary_spec(arg)]
```

where *o1*, *o2*, ..., are series or group objects.

Following the `scatmat` keyword, you may specify general graph characteristics using *options*. Available options include template application and adding axis extensions.

The optional *auxiliary\_spec* allows you to add fit lines to the scatterplot (regression lines, kernel fit, nearest neighbor fit, orthogonal regression, and confidence ellipses; see [“Auxiliary Spec,” on page 869](#)).

## Options

### Scale options

|                                   |   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| <code>a</code> ( <i>default</i> ) | Automatic single scale.   |
| <code>d</code>                    | Dual scaling with no crossing.  |
| <code>x</code>                    | Dual scaling with possible crossing.  |
| <code>n</code>                    | Normalized scale (zero mean and unit standard deviation).   |
| <code>ab = type</code>            | Add axis border along data scales, where <i>type</i> may be “hist” or “h” (histogram), “boxplot” or “b”, “kernel” or “k”.<br><br>(Note: axis borders are not available for panel graphs with “panel = ” options that involve summaries: mean, median, etc.) |

### Multiple graph options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| 1 | Plot lower triangular scatterplot matrix. |
|---|---|



*Template and printing options*

|                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <code>o = template</code>   | Use appearance options from the specified template. <i>template</i> may be a predefined template keyword (“default” - current global defaults, “classic”, “modern”, “reverse”, “midnight”, “spartan”, “monochrome”) or a graph in the workfile. |
| <code>t = graph_name</code> | Use appearance options and copy text and shading from the specified graph.  |
| <code>b / -b</code>         | [Apply / Remove] bold modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |
| <code>w / -w</code>         | [Apply / Remove] wide modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |
| <code>reset</code>          | Resets all graph options to the global defaults. May be used to remove existing customization of the graph.   |
| <code>p</code>              | Print the graph.  |

The options which support the “-” may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

*Note that use of the template option will override the symbol setting.*

*Panel options*

The following option applies when graphing panel structured data.

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>panel = arg</code><br>(default taken from global settings) | Panel data display: “stack” (stack the cross-sections), “individual” or “i” (separate graph for each cross-section), “combine” or “c” (combine cross-section graphs in a single frame), “mean” (plot means across cross-sections), “median” (plot median across cross-sections).<br><br>(Note: more general versions of these panel graphs may be constructed as categorical graphs.) |
|--|---|

**Examples***Basic examples*

```
scatmat weight height age
```

displays a  $3 \times 3$  matrix of scatter plots for all pairs of the three series

```
group g1 weight height age
g1.scatmat
```

displays the same graph using the named group G1.

```
g1.scatmat(1)
```

shows the portion of the matrix below the diagonal.

```
g1.scatmat(l, ab=hist, o=midnight)
```

displays the lower triangular matrix with histograms along the borders using the graph settings in the pre-defined template “midnight.”

#### Panel examples

```
g1.scatmat(panel=combined)
```

displays a scatterplot matrix using the series in G1 with observations for different cross-sections identified using different symbols and colors.

```
g1.scatmat(panel=stacked)
```

displays the same matrix, but with a common color and symbol.

```
g1.scatmat(panel=individual, l) linefit
```

displays a lower-triangular scatterplot matrix with regression fit for each cross-section, each in an individual frame.

#### Cross-references

See [Chapter 13. “Graphing Data,” on page 531](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a detailed discussion of graphs in EViews, and [“Templates” on page 678](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph templates. See [Graph::graph \(p. 226\)](#) for graph declaration and other graph types.

For a description of the available fit lines, see [“Auxiliary Graph Types,” on page 610](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

See [xyline \(p. 859\)](#) for XY graphs.

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| scatpair | Command   Graph Command   Group View   Matrix View   Rowvector View<br>  Sym View |
|----------|---|

Display a scatterplot pairs graph (if possible).

The data will be plotted in pairs, where the first two series or columns are plotted against each other, the second two series or columns are plotted against each other, and so forth. If the number of series or columns is odd, the last one will be ignored.

Scatterplots are simply XY plots with symbols turned on and lines turned off (see [Graph::setelem \(p. 241\)](#)). The `scatpair` graph type is equivalent to using [scat \(p. 838\)](#) with the “mult = pairs” option indicating that the data should be graphed in pairs.

#### Syntax

```
scatpair(options) o1 o2 [o3 ... ]
```

```
object_name.scatpair(options) [auxiliary_spec(arg)]
```

where *o1*, *o2*, ..., are series or group objects.

Following the `scatpair` keyword, you may specify general graph characteristics using *options*. Available options include plotting the data in multiple graphs, template application, and adding axis extensions.

The optional *auxiliary\_spec* allows you to add fit lines to the scatterplot (regression lines, kernel fit, nearest neighbor fit, orthogonal regression, and confidence ellipses; see [“Auxiliary Spec,” on page 869](#)).

Options

*Scale options*

|                    |   |
|--------------------|---|
| <i>a (default)</i> | Automatic single scale.   |
| <i>d</i>           | Dual scaling with no crossing.  |
| <i>x</i>           | Dual scaling with possible crossing.  |
| <i>n</i>           | Normalized scale (zero mean and unit standard deviation).   |
| <i>ab = type</i>   | Add axis border along data scales, where <i>type</i> may be “hist” or “h” (histogram), “boxplot” or “b”, “kernel” or “k”.<br><br>(Note: axis borders are not available for panel graphs with “panel = ” options that involve summaries: mean, median, etc.) |

*Multiple series pair options*

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| <i>m</i> | Place scatterplots in multiple graphs. |
|----------|--|

*Template and printing options*

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| <i>o = template</i>   | Use appearance options from the specified template. <i>template</i> may be a predefined template keyword (“default” - current global defaults, “classic”, “modern”, “reverse”, “midnight”, “spartan”, “monochrome”) or a graph in the workfile. |
| <i>t = graph_name</i> | Use appearance options and copy text and shading from the specified graph.  |
| <i>b / -b</i>         | [Apply / Remove] bold modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |
| <i>w / -w</i>         | [Apply / Remove] wide modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| reset | Resets all graph options to the global defaults. May be used to remove existing customization of the graph. |
| p     | Print the graph.  |

The options which support the “-” may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

*Note that use of the template option will override the symbol setting.*

### Graph data options

The following option is available in categorical graph settings:

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| contract = <i>key</i> | Contract the data as specified by <i>key</i> , where <i>key</i> may be: “mean”, “median”, “max”, “min”, “sum”, “var” - variance, “sd” - standard deviation, “sumsq” - sum of the squared values, “skew” - skewness, “kurt” - kurtosis, “nas” - number of missing values, “obs” - number of observations, “unique” - error if the series is not identical for all observations in a given group, “first” - first observation in category using workfile order, “last” - last observation in category using workfile order, “quant( <i>quantile</i> )” - where <i>quantile</i> is a number between 0 and 1. |
|-----------------------|---|

### Panel options

The following option applies when graphing panel structured data.

|  |   |
|--|---|
| panel = <i>arg</i><br>( <i>default</i> taken from global settings) | Panel data display: “stack” (stack the cross-sections), “individual” or “i” (separate graph for each cross-section), “combine” or “c” (combine cross-section graphs in a single frame), “mean” (plot means across cross-sections), “median” (plot median across cross-sections).<br>(Note: more general versions of these panel graphs may be constructed as categorical graphs.) |
|--|---|

## Examples

### Basic examples

```
scatpair weight height age length
```

displays a combined scatterplot with AGE on the horizontal and HEIGHT on the vertical axis, and with WEIGHT on the horizontal and LENGTH on the vertical axis.

```
group g1 weight height age length
g1.scatpair
```

displays the same graph using the named group G1.

```
g1.scatpair(m, ab=kern)
```

displays each scatterplot in a separate frame with kernel density plots along the borders.

```
gl.scatpair(t=scat2)
```

displays the pairwise scatterplots, using the graph object SCAT2 as a template.

```
gl.scatpair(d)
```

shows a scatterplot for the pairs with dual scales and no crossing.

#### *Panel examples*

```
gl.scatpair kernfit
```

shows the scatterplot of the stacked panel data for pairs of series in G1. The scatterplot will be drawn with a common symbol type and color for all observations, and the kernel fit will use all of the observations.

```
gl.scatpair(panel=individual) linefit
```

displays, in individual frames, scatterplot pairs with fitted regression lines for each of the cross-sections.

```
gl.scatpair(panel=combined) linefit
```

displays the cross-section scatterplots and regression lines in a single graph frame. Different symbols and colors will be used for each cross-section series pair in the graph.

```
gl.scatpair(panel=stacked, contract=mean) nnfit kernfit
```

displays a scatterplot matrix of the mean values for each period (computed across cross-sections) in a single graph frame, along with nearest neighbor and kernel regression fits for the means.

#### *Categorical examples*

```
group cgrp income consumption interest savings
```

```
cgrp.scatpair(d) within(sex)
```

displays a scatterplot pair graph (CONSUMPTION versus INCOME; and SAVINGS and INTEREST) categorized by values of sex, with observations displayed in the same graph frame using different symbols and colors to denote cross-sections, and dual scaling.

```
cgrp.scatpair(d) within(sex) kernfit linefit
```

displays the same scatterplot but with linear regression and kernel regression fits for the observations in each category for each pair of series.

```
cgrp.scatpair(d) across(state) within(sex) nnfit
```

displays scatterplots for observations in each STATE in different frames. Within each frame, observations are depicted using different symbols and colors to denote SEX, and a nearest neighbor regression is fit to observations in each category.

```
cgrp.scatpair(d, contract=mean) nnfit within(state)
```

computes mean values for the series in CGRP for each STATE, and displays paired scatter-plots of the means, along with a line depicting the nearest neighbor regression fit to the means, in a single graph frame.

## Cross-references

See [Chapter 13. “Graphing Data,” on page 531](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a detailed discussion of graphs in EViews, and [“Templates” on page 678](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph templates. See [Graph::graph \(p. 226\)](#) for graph declaration and other graph types.

For a description of the available fit lines, see [“Auxiliary Graph Types,” on page 610](#) of *User’s Guide I*.

See [xyline \(p. 859\)](#) for a description of XY graphs.

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| seasplot | <a href="#">Command</a>   <a href="#">Coef View</a>   <a href="#">Graph Command</a>   <a href="#">Group View</a>   <a href="#">Matrix View</a>   <a href="#">Rowvector View</a>   <a href="#">Series View</a>   <a href="#">Sym View</a>   <a href="#">Vector View</a> |
|----------|--|

Display a seasonal line graph view.

`seasplot` displays a paneled line graph view of a series or column ordered by season. This view is only available for workfiles with quarterly, monthly, or semi-annual frequencies.

## Syntax

```
seasplot(options) o1 [o2 o3 ... ]
object_name.seasplot(options)
```

where *o1*, *o2*, ..., are series or group objects.

## Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| m | Plot seasons using multiple overlaid lines. |
|---|---|

### Template and printing options

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| o = <i>template</i>   | Use appearance options from the specified template. <i>template</i> may be a predefined template keyword (“default” - current global defaults, “classic”, “modern”, “reverse”, “midnight”, “spartan”, “monochrome”) or a graph in the workfile. |
| t = <i>graph_name</i> | Use appearance options and copy text and shading from the specified graph.  |
| b / -b                | [Apply / Remove] bold modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| w / -w | [Apply / Remove] wide modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.         |
| reset  | Resets all graph options to the global defaults. May be used to remove existing customization of the graph. |
| p      | Print the bar graph.  |

The options which support the “-” may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

Examples

```
seasplot ipnsa ipnsb
```

displays a paneled seasonal plot of the series IPNSA and IPNSB.

```
freeze(gra_ip) ipnsa.seasplot
```

creates a graph object named GAR\_IP that contains the paneled seasonal line graph view of the series IPNSA.

```
freeze(gra_ip2) ipnsa.seasplot(m)
```

creates GRA\_IP2 containing the multiple line seasonal graph view of the series.

Cross-references

See [“Seasonal Graphs” on page 590](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a brief discussion of seasonal line graphs.

See [Chapter 13. “Graphing Data,” on page 531](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a detailed discussion of graphs in EViews, and [“Templates” on page 678](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph templates. See [Graph::graph \(p. 226\)](#) for graph declaration and other graph types.

See also [Series::seas \(p. 519\)](#), [Series::x11 \(p. 547\)](#) and [Series::x12 \(p. 549\)](#).

|       |  |
|-------|--|
| spike | <a href="#">Command</a>   <a href="#">Coef View</a>   <a href="#">Graph Command</a>   <a href="#">Group View</a>   <a href="#">Matrix View</a>   <a href="#">Rowvector View</a>   <a href="#">Series View</a>   <a href="#">Sym View</a>   <a href="#">Vector View</a> |
|-------|--|

Display a spike graph view.

Syntax

```
spike(options) o1 [o2 o3 ... ]  
object_name.spike(options) [categorical_spec(arg)]
```

where o1, o2, ..., are series or group objects.

Following the `spike` keyword, you may specify general graph characteristics using *options*. Available options include multiple graph handling, dual scaling, template application, data contraction, adding axis extensions, and rotation.

The optional *categorical\_spec* allows you to specify a categorical graph (see [“Categorical Spec,” on page 866](#)).

## Options

### Scale options

|                          |  |
|--------------------------|--|
| <code>a (default)</code> | Automatic single scale.  |
| <code>d</code>           | Dual scaling with no crossing. The first series or column is scaled on the left and all other series or columns are scaled on the right.   |
| <code>x</code>           | Dual scaling with possible crossing. See the “d” option.   |
| <code>n</code>           | Normalized scale (zero mean and unit standard deviation).  |
| <code>rotate</code>      | Rotate the graph so the observation axis is on the left.   |
| <code>ab = type</code>   | Add axis border along data scale, where <i>type</i> may be “hist” or “h” (histogram), “boxplot” or “b”, “kernel” or “k”.<br>(Note: axis borders are not available for panel graphs with “panel = ” options that involve summaries: mean, median, etc.) |

### Multiple series options (categorical graph settings will override these options)

|                |  |
|----------------|--|
| <code>m</code> | Plot spikes in multiple graphs.  |
| <code>l</code> | Spike graph for the first series or column listed and a line graph for all subsequent series or columns. |

### Template and printing options

|                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <code>o = template</code>   | Use appearance options from the specified template. <i>template</i> may be a predefined template keyword (“default” - current global defaults, “classic”, “modern”, “reverse”, “midnight”, “spartan”, “monochrome”) or a graph in the workflow. |
| <code>t = graph_name</code> | Use appearance options and copy text and shading from the specified graph.  |
| <code>b / -b</code>         | [Apply / Remove] bold modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |
| <code>w / -w</code>         | [Apply / Remove] wide modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |



|       |   |
|-------|---|
| reset | Resets all graph options to the global defaults. May be used to remove existing customization of the graph. |
| p     | Print the spike graph.  |

The options which support the “-” may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

*Graph data options*

The following option is available in non-panel or categorical graph settings:

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| contract = <i>key</i> | Contract the data as specified by <i>key</i> , where <i>key</i> may be: “mean”, “median”, “max”, “min”, “sum”, “var” - variance, “sd” - standard deviation, “sumsq” - sum of the squared values, “skew” - skewness, “kurt” - kurtosis, “nas” - number of missing values, “obs” - number of observations, “unique” - error if the series is not identical for all observations in a given group, “first” - first observation in category using workfile order, “last” - last observation in category using workfile order, “quant( <i>quantile</i> )” - where <i>quantile</i> is a number between 0 and 1. |
|-----------------------|---|

*Panel options*

The following option applies when graphing panel structured data:

|  |   |
|--|---|
| panel = <i>arg</i><br>( <i>default</i> taken<br>from global set-<br>tings) | Panel data display: “stack” (stack the cross-sections), “individual” or “i” (separate graph for each cross-section), “combine” or “c” (combine cross-section graphs in a single frame), “mean” (plot means across cross-sections), “median” (plot median across cross-sections).<br><br>(Note: more general versions of these panel graphs may be constructed as categorical graphs.) |
|--|---|

*Categorical graph options*

These options only apply to categorical graphs, which are described below and specified by the **within** and **across** categorical spec. The graph must have one or more **within** factors and a contraction method other than raw data (see the `contract` option above).

|                               |  |
|-------------------------------|--|
| <code>favorlegend</code>      | Favor the use of legends over axis labels to describe categories.  |
| <code>elemcommon = int</code> | Specifies the number of within factors for which the graph uses common area colors. For example, with multiple within dimensions, if “ <code>elemcommon = 1</code> ”, then only categories defined by the first within factor will have common colors. If “ <code>elemcommon = 2</code> ”, then categories defined by the first two within factors will have common colors. If “ <code>elemcommon = 0</code> ”, all areas will have different colors. The default is one less than the number of within factors. |

## Examples

### Basic examples

```
spike(rotate, m) pop oldsales newsales
```

displays a rotated spike graph of the series POP, OLDSALES, and NEWSALES, with each series in a separate frame.

```
pop.spike
```

displays a spike graph of the series POP.

```
group mygrp oldsales newsales
mygrp.spike(1, x, o=mytpt)
```

plot a spike graph of OLDSALES together with a line graphs of NEWSALES. The spike graph is scaled on the left, while the line graph is scaled on the right. The graph uses options from the graph MYTPT as a template.

```
mygrp.spike(o=midnight, b)
```

creates a spike graph of MYGRP, using the settings of the predefined template “midnight.”

```
mygrp.spike(rotate, contract=mean)
```

displays a rotated spike graph of the means of the series in MYGRP.

### Panel examples

```
ser1.spike(panel=individual)
```

displays spike graphs for each cross-section in a separate frame, while,

```
ser1.spike(panel=median)
```

displays a spike graph of the medians for each period computed across cross-sections.

### Categorical spec examples

```
ser1.spike across(firm, dispname)
```

displays a categorical spike graph of SER1 using distinct values of FIRM to define the categories, and displaying the resulting graphs in multiple frames.

```
ser1.spike across(firm, dispname, iscale)
```

shows the same graph with individual scaling for each of the frames.

```
ser1.spike within(contract=mean, firm, inctot, label=value)
```

displays a spike graph of mean values of SER1 categorized by firm (along with an added category for the total), with all of the graphs in a single frame and the FIRM category value used as labels.

```
ser1.spike(contract=sum) across(firm, dispname) within(income,
    bintype=quant, bincount=4)
```

constructs a categorical spike graph of the sum of SER1 values within a category. Different firms are displayed in different graph frames, using the display name as labels, with each frame containing spikes depicting the sum of SER1 for each income quartiles.

```
group mygrp oldsales newsales
mygrp.spike(contract=min) within(@series) within(age)
```

displays spike graphs of the minimum values for categories defined by distinct values of AGE (and the two series). All of the spike will be displayed in a single frame with the spikes for OLDSALES grouped together followed by the spikes for NEWSALES.

```
gl.spike(o=midnight, b, w)
```

creates a spike graph of the group G1, using the settings of the predefined template “midnight”, applying the *bold* and *wide* modifiers.

Cross-references

See [Chapter 13. “Graphing Data,” on page 531](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a detailed discussion of graphs in EViews, and [“Templates” on page 678](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph templates. See [Graph::graph \(p. 226\)](#) for graph declaration and other graph types.

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| xyarea | <a href="#">Command</a>   <a href="#">Graph Command</a>   <a href="#">Group View</a>   <a href="#">Matrix View</a>   <a href="#">Sym View</a> |
|--------|---|

Display an XY area graph view (if possible).

An XY area graph plots the values of one series or column against another. It is similar to a XY line, but with the region between the line and the zero horizontal axis filled.

(Note that XY area graphs are typically employed only when data along the horizontal axis are ordered.)

There must be at least two series or columns to create an XY area graph. By default, the first series or column will be located along the horizontal axis, with the remaining data on the

vertical axis. You may optionally choose to plot the data in pairs, where the first two series or columns are plotted against each other, the second two series or columns are plotted against each other, and so forth, or to construct graphs using all possible pairs (or the lower triangular set of pairs).

## Syntax

```
xyarea(options) o1 o2 [o3 ... ]
object_name.xyarea(options)
```

where *o1*, *o2*, ..., are series or group objects.

## Options

### Scale options

|                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <i>a</i> ( <i>default</i> ) | Automatic single scale.   |
| <i>b</i>                    | Plot series or columns in pairs (the first two against each other, the second two against each other, and so forth).  |
| <i>d</i>                    | Dual scaling with no crossing.  |
| <i>x</i>                    | Dual scaling with possible crossing.  |
| <i>n</i>                    | Normalized scale (zero mean and unit standard deviation).   |
| <i>ab = type</i>            | Add axis border along data scales, where <i>type</i> may be “hist” or “h” (histogram), “boxplot” or “b”, “kernel” or “k”.<br><br>(Note: axis borders are not available for panel graphs with “panel = ” options that involve summaries: mean, median, <i>etc.</i> ) |

### Multiple series pair options (*categorical graph settings will override these options*)

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| <i>m</i> | Plot areas in multiple graphs.   |
| <i>s</i> | Stacked graph. Each line represents the cumulative total of the series or columns listed. The difference between lines corresponds to the value of a series or column. |

### Template and printing options

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| <i>o = template</i>   | Use appearance options from the specified template. <i>template</i> may be a predefined template keyword (“default” - current global defaults, “classic”, “modern”, “reverse”, “midnight”, “spartan”, “monochrome”) or a graph in the workfile. |
| <i>t = graph_name</i> | Use appearance options and copy text and shading from the specified graph.  |

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| <code>b / -b</code> | [Apply / Remove] bold modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.         |
| <code>w / -w</code> | [Apply / Remove] wide modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.         |
| <code>reset</code>  | Resets all graph options to the global defaults. May be used to remove existing customization of the graph. |
| <code>p</code>      | Print the graph.  |

The options which support the “-” may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

### *Panel options*

The following option applies when graphing panel structured data:

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>panel = arg</code><br>( <i>default</i> taken from global settings) | Panel data display: “stack” (stack the cross-sections), “individual” or “i” (separate graph for each cross-section), “combine” or “c” (combine cross-section graphs in a single frame), “mean” (plot means across cross-sections), “median” (plot median across cross-sections).<br>(Note: more general versions of these panel graphs may be constructed as categorical graphs.) |
|--|---|

## Examples

### *Basic examples*

```
xyarea income sales
```

displays an XY-area graph with INCOME on the horizontal and SALES on the vertical axis.

```
group g1 income sales  
g1.xyarea
```

plots the same graph using the named object G1.

```
g1.xyarea(ab=boxplot, t=g1)
```

displays the graph with boxplots along the axes, using the template settings from the graph GR1.

### *Panel examples*

```
g1.xyarea
```

displays an XY-area graph for the stacked panel data.

```
g1.xyarea(panel=individual)
```

displays XY-area graphs for each cross-section in separate graph frames.

```
g1.xyarea(panel=mean)
```

computes means for each period across cross-sections, then displays the XY-area graph for the mean data in a single graph frame. Note that only in a very narrow set of circumstances is this latter command likely to yield a sensible graph.

## Cross-references

[scat](#) (p. 838) and [xyline](#) (p. 859) are specialized forms of XY graphs.

See [Chapter 13. “Graphing Data,”](#) on page 531 of *User’s Guide I* for a detailed discussion of graphs in EViews, and [“Templates”](#) on page 678 of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph templates. See [Graph::graph](#) (p. 226) for graph declaration and other graph types.

|       |  |
|-------|--|
| xybar | <a href="#">Command</a>   <a href="#">Graph Command</a>   <a href="#">Group View</a>   <a href="#">Matrix View</a>   <a href="#">Rowvector View</a>   <a href="#">Sym View</a> |
|-------|--|

Display an XY bar graph view (if possible).

An XY bar graph displays the data in sets of three series or columns as a vertical bar. For a given observation, the values in the first two series or columns define a region along the horizontal axis, while the value in the third series or column defines the vertical height of the bar.

XY bar graphs may, for example, be used to construct variable width histograms.

## Syntax

```
xybar(options) o1 o2 [o3 ... ]
object_name.xybar(options)
```

where *o1*, *o2*, ..., are series or group objects.

## Options

|   |   |
|---|---|
| n | Normalized scale (zero mean and unit standard deviation). |
|---|---|

### Template and printing options

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| o = <i>template</i>   | Use appearance options from the specified template. <i>template</i> may be a predefined template keyword (“default” - current global defaults, “classic”, “modern”, “reverse”, “midnight”, “spartan”, “monochrome”) or a graph in the workfile. |
| t = <i>graph_name</i> | Use appearance options and copy text and shading from the specified graph.  |

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| b / -b | [Apply / Remove] bold modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.         |
| w / -w | [Apply / Remove] wide modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.         |
| reset  | Resets all graph options to the global defaults. May be used to remove existing customization of the graph. |
| p      | Print the graph.  |

The options which support the “-” may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

### *Panel options*

The following option applies when graphing panel structured data:

|  |   |
|--|---|
| panel = <i>arg</i><br>( <i>default</i> taken<br>from global set-<br>tings) | Panel data display: “stack” (stack the cross-sections), “individual” or “i” (separate graph for each cross-section), “combine” or “c” (combine cross-section graphs in a single frame in single graph frame), “mean” (plot means across cross-sections), “median” (plot median across cross-sections).<br><br>(Note: more general versions of these panel graphs may be constructed as categorical graphs.) |
|--|---|

## Examples

### *Basic examples*

```
xybar lowbin highbin height
```

plots an XY-bar graph using LOWBIN and HIGHBIN to define the bin ranges and HEIGHT to draw the corresponding bar height.

```
group g1 lowbin highbin height  
g1.xybar
```

plots the same graph using the named object G1.

```
g1.xybar (t=t1)
```

displays the graph using the template settings from the graph object T1.

### *Panel examples*

```
g1.xybar (panel=individual)
```

displays an XY-bar graph for each cross-section in an individual graph frame.

```
g1.xybar (panel=mean)
```

displays an XY-bar graph for the data formed by taking means across cross-sections for each period. Note that only in a very narrow set of circumstances is this latter command likely to yield a sensible graph.

Cross-references

[scat](#) (p. 838), [xyarea](#) (p. 854), [xyline](#) (p. 859), and [xypair](#) (p. 863) are specialized forms of XY graphs.

See [Chapter 13. “Graphing Data,” on page 531](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a detailed discussion of graphs in EViews, and [“Templates” on page 678](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph templates. See [Graph::graph](#) (p. 226) for graph declaration and other graph types.

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| xyline | <a href="#">Command</a>   <a href="#">Graph Command</a>   <a href="#">Group View</a>   <a href="#">Matrix View</a>   <a href="#">Sym View</a> |
|--------|---|

Display an XY line graph view (if possible).

There must be at least two series or columns to create an XY line graph. By default, the first series or column will be located along the horizontal axis, with the remaining data on the vertical axis. You may optionally choose to plot the data in pairs, where the first two series or columns are plotted against each other, the second two series or columns are plotted against each other, and so forth, or to construct graphs using all possible pairs (or the lower triangular set of pairs).

XY line graphs are simply XY plots with lines turned on and symbols turned off (see [Graph::setelem](#) (p. 241)).

Syntax

```
xyline(options) o1 o2 [o3 ... ]  
object_name.xyline(options) [auxiliary_spec(arg)] [categorical_spec(arg)]
```

where *o1*, *o2*, ..., are series or group objects.

Following the `xyline` keyword, you may specify general graph characteristics using *options*. Available options include plotting the data in pairs or in multiple graphs, template application, and adding axis extensions.

The optional *auxiliary\_spec* allows you to add fit lines to the scatterplot (regression lines, kernel fit, nearest neighbor fit, orthogonal regression, and confidence ellipses; see [“Auxiliary Spec,” on page 869](#)).

The optional *categorical\_spec* allows you to specify a categorical graph (see [“Categorical Spec,” on page 866](#)).



# Options

## Scale options

|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| a (default) | Automatic single scale.   |
| b           | Plot series or columns in pairs (the first two against each other, the second two against each other, and so forth).  |
| d           | Dual scaling with no crossing.  |
| x           | Dual scaling with possible crossing.  |
| n           | Normalized scale (zero mean and unit standard deviation). May not be used with the “s” option.  |
| ab = type   | Add axis border along data scales, where <i>type</i> may be “hist” or “h” (histogram), “boxplot” or “b”, “kernel” or “k”.<br><br>(Note: axis borders are not available for panel graphs with “panel = ” options that involve summaries: mean, median, etc.) |

## Multiple series pair options (categorical graph settings will override these options)

|                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| m               | Plot XY lines in multiple graphs.  |
| mult = mat_type | Multiple series or column handling: where <i>mat_type</i> may be: “pairs” or “p” - pairs, “mat” or “m” - scatterplot matrix, “lower” or “l” - lower triangular matrix. (Using the “pairs” options is the same as using the <a href="#">xypair (p. 863)</a> command.) |
| s               | Stacked XY line graph. Each line represents the cumulative total of the series or columns listed. The difference between lines corresponds to the value of a series or column.   |

## Template and printing options

|                |   |
|----------------|---|
| o = template   | Use appearance options from the specified template. <i>template</i> may be a predefined template keyword (“default” - current global defaults, “classic”, “modern”, “reverse”, “midnight”, “spartan”, “monochrome”) or a graph in the workfile. |
| t = graph_name | Use appearance options and copy text and shading from the specified graph.  |
| b / -b         | [Apply / Remove] bold modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| w / -w | [Apply / Remove] wide modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.         |
| reset  | Resets all graph options to the global defaults. May be used to remove existing customization of the graph. |
| p      | Print the graph.  |

The options which support the “-” may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

*Note that use of the template option will override the lines setting.*

### Graph data options

The following option is available in categorical graph settings:

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| contract = <i>key</i> | Contract the data as specified by <i>key</i> , where <i>key</i> may be: “mean”, “median”, “max”, “min”, “sum”, “var” - variance, “sd” - standard deviation, “sumsq” - sum of the squared values, “skew” - skewness, “kurt” - kurtosis, “nas” - number of missing values, “obs” - number of observations, “unique” - error if the series is not identical for all observations in a given group, “first” - first observation in category using workfile order, “last” - last observation in category using workfile order, “quant( <i>quantile</i> )” - where <i>quantile</i> is a number between 0 and 1. |
|-----------------------|---|

### Panel options

The following option applies when graphing panel structured data.

|  |   |
|--|---|
| panel = <i>arg</i><br>( <i>default</i> taken from global settings) | Panel data display: “stack” (stack the cross-sections), “individual” or “i” (separate graph for each cross-section), “combine” or “c” (combine cross-section graphs in a single frame), “mean” (plot means across cross-sections), “median” (plot median across cross-sections).<br><br>(Note: more general versions of these panel graphs may be constructed as categorical graphs.) |
|--|---|

## Examples

### Basic examples

```
xyline age height weight length
```

displays XY-line plots with AGE on the horizontal and HEIGHT, WEIGHT and LENGTH on the vertical axis.

```
group g1 age height weight length
g1.xyline
```

displays the same graph using the named object G1.

```
gl.xyline(m, ab=hist)
```

displays the same information in multiple frames with histograms along the borders.

```
gl.xyline(s, t=scat2)
```

displays a stacked XY-line graph, using the graph object SCAT2 as a template.

```
gl.xyline(d)
```

shows XY-line plots with dual scales and no crossing.

### *Panel examples*

```
gl.xyline(panel=combined)
```

displays XY-line for series in G1 in a single frame with lines for different cross-sections for a given pair identified using different symbols and colors.

```
gl.xyline(panel=individual)
```

displays the graphs for each of the cross-sections in a different frame.

```
gl.xyline(panel=stacked)
```

displays the same plot, but with lines drawn from the beginning of the stacked panel to the end.

### *Categorical examples*

```
group cgrp income consumption  
cgrp.xyline within(sex)
```

displays a scatterplot categorized by values of sex, with both categories displayed in the same graph frame using different symbols and colors.

```
cgrp.xyline(contract=mean) within(state)
```

computes mean values for the series in CGRP for each STATE category, and displays the results in a single graph frame using a single line to connect the mean values.

```
cgrp.xyline across(state) within(sex)
```

displays line plots for data with each STATE value in different frames. Within each frame, the data for each value of SEX are drawn as a separate line.

### **Cross-references**

[scat](#) (p. 838) is a specialized form of an XY graph.

See [Chapter 13. “Graphing Data,” on page 531](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a detailed discussion of graphs in EViews, and [“Templates” on page 678](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph templates. See [Graph::graph](#) (p. 226) for graph declaration and other graph types.

|        |  |
|--------|--|
| xypair | <a href="#">Command</a>   <a href="#">Graph Command</a>   <a href="#">Group View</a>   <a href="#">Matrix View</a>   <a href="#">Rowvector View</a>   <a href="#">Sym View</a> |
|--------|--|

Display an XY pairs graph (if possible).

The data will be plotted in pairs, where the first two series or columns are plotted against each other, the second two series or columns are plotted against each other, and so forth. If the number of series or columns is odd, the last one will be ignored.

XY line graphs are simply XY plots with lines turned on and symbols turned off (see [Graph::setelem \(p. 241\)](#)). The `xypair` graph type is equivalent to using `xyline` ([p. 859](#)) with the “mult = pairs” option indicating that the data should be graphed in pairs.

Syntax

```
xypair(options) o1 o2 [o3 ... ]
object_name.xypair(options) [auxiliary_spec(arg)]
```

Following the `xypair` keyword, you may specify general graph characteristics using *options*. Available options include plotting the data in multiple graphs, template application, and adding axis extensions.

The optional *auxiliary\_spec* allows you to add fit lines to the scatterplot (regression lines, kernel fit, nearest neighbor fit, orthogonal regression, and confidence ellipses; see [“Auxiliary Spec,” on page 869](#)).

Options

Scale options

|                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| a ( <i>default</i> ) | Automatic single scale.   |
| d                    | Dual scaling with no crossing.  |
| x                    | Dual scaling with possible crossing.  |
| n                    | Normalized scale (zero mean and unit standard deviation).   |
| ab = <i>type</i>     | Add axis border along data scales, where <i>type</i> may be “hist” or “h” (histogram), “boxplot” or “b”, “kernel” or “k”.<br><br>(Note: axis borders are not available for panel graphs with “panel = ” options that involve summaries: mean, median, etc.) |

Multiple series pair options

|   |                                   |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| m | Plot XY lines in multiple graphs. |
|---|-----------------------------------|

*Template and printing options*

|                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <code>o = template</code>   | Use appearance options from the specified template. <i>template</i> may be a predefined template keyword (“default” - current global defaults, “classic”, “modern”, “reverse”, “midnight”, “spartan”, “monochrome”) or a graph in the workfile. |
| <code>t = graph_name</code> | Use appearance options and copy text and shading from the specified graph.  |
| <code>b / -b</code>         | [Apply / Remove] bold modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |
| <code>w / -w</code>         | [Apply / Remove] wide modifiers of the base template style specified using the “o = ” option above.   |
| <code>reset</code>          | Resets all graph options to the global defaults. May be used to remove existing customization of the graph.   |
| <code>p</code>              | Print the graph.  |

The options which support the “-” may be preceded by a “+” or “-” indicating whether to turn on or off the option. The “+” is optional.

*Note that use of the template option will override the pair and line settings.*

*Graph data options*

The following option is available in categorical graph settings:

|                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <code>contract = key</code> | Contract the data as specified by <i>key</i> , where <i>key</i> may be: “mean”, “median”, “max”, “min”, “sum”, “var” - variance, “sd” - standard deviation, “sumsq” - sum of the squared values, “skew” - skewness, “kurt” - kurtosis, “nas” - number of missing values, “obs” - number of observations, “unique” - error if the series is not identical for all observations in a given group, “first” - first observation in category using workfile order, “last” - last observation in category using workfile order, “quant( <i>quantile</i> )” - where <i>quantile</i> is a number between 0 and 1. |
|-----------------------------|---|

*Panel options*

The following option applies when graphing panel structured data.

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <code>panel = arg</code><br>(default taken<br>from global set-<br>tings) | Panel data display: “stack” (stack the cross-sections), “individual” or “i” (separate graph for each cross-section), “combine” or “c” (combine cross-section graphs in a single frame), “mean” (plot means across cross-sections), “median” (plot median across cross-sections).<br>(Note: more general versions of these panel graphs may be constructed as categorical graphs.) |
|--|---|

### *Basic examples*

```
xypair age height weight length
```

displays XY-line plots with AGE on the horizontal and HEIGHT on the vertical axis, and WEIGHT on the horizontal and LENGTH on the vertical axis.

```
group g1 age height weight length
g1.xypair
```

plots the same graph using the named object G1.

```
g1.xypair(m, ab=boxplot)
```

displays the same information in multiple frames with boxplots along the axes.

```
g1.xypair(t=scat2)
```

displays the XY-line pair graphs, using the graph object SCAT2 as a template.

```
g1.xypair(d, ab=hist)
```

shows the paired XY-line plots with dual scales and no crossing, and histograms along the borders.

### *Panel examples*

```
g1.xypair(panel=combined)
```

displays XY-line graphs in a single frame, with different lines types and colors for different cross-sections pairs.

```
g1.xypair(panel=individual)
```

displays the graphs for each of each cross-section in a different frame.

```
g1.xypair(panel=stacked)
```

constructs a single frame graph with lines drawn from the beginning of the stacked panel to the end.

```
g1.xypair(panel=mean)
```

constructs line graphs for pairs of series using the mean values computed across cross-sections (for a given period), and displays them in a single frame.

### *Categorical examples*

```
group cgrp income consumption sales revenue  
cgrp.xypair within(sex)
```

displays a paired data line graphs categorized by values of sex, with both categories displayed in the same graph frame using different line types and colors.

```
cgrp.xypair(contract=mean) within(state)
```

computes mean values for the series in CGRP for each STATE category, and displays the results in a single graph frame.

```
cgrp.xypair across(state) within(sex)
```

displays line plots for data with each STATE value in different frames. Within each frame, the data for each value of SEX are drawn as a separate line.

### Cross-references

[scat](#) (p. 838) and [xyline](#) (p. 859) are specialized forms of XY graphs.

See [Chapter 13. “Graphing Data,” on page 531](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a detailed discussion of graphs in EViews, and [“Templates” on page 678](#) of *User’s Guide I* for a discussion of graph templates. See [Graph::graph](#) (p. 226) for graph declaration and other graph types.

## Optional Graph Components

The following sections describe optional components that may be used as part of a graph specification:

- A categorical spec may be added to most graph commands to create a categorical graph.
- An auxiliary spec may be added to an XY graph command ([scat](#) (p. 838), [scatmat](#) (p. 843), [scatpair](#) (p. 845), [xyarea](#) (p. 854), [xybar](#) (p. 857), [xyline](#) (p. 859), [xypair](#) (p. 863)) to add fit lines (or confidence ellipses) to the graph.

### Categorical Spec

Adding a categorical spec to a graph commands produces a categorical graph. For example, adding a categorical spec to a bar graph generates a categorical bar graph using the factors defined by the spec; adding a categorical spec to an XY-line graph creates a categorical XY-line graph.

The categorical spec is used to specify the factors used in categorization. It may include one or more **within** and **across** factors of the following form:

```
within(factor_name[, factor_options])
```

or

```
across(factor_name[, factor_options])
```

where *factor\_name* is the name of a series used to define a category along with the *factor\_options*. Multiple factors of a given type should be listed in order from most slowly to fastest varying.

Categorical graphs are not supported for matrix object views. Note also that use of a categorical specification will override any panel options.

#### *Factor options*

|                               |   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| <code>incna</code>            | include NA category   |
| <code>inctot</code>           | include total category  |
| <code>iscale, cscale</code>   | individual/common scale for this factor.<br>The default is individual for the “@series” factor, and common for all others.                |
| <code>iscalex, cscalex</code> | individual/common X axis scale for this factor.<br>The default is individual for the “@series” factor, and common for all others.         |
| <code>iscaley, cscaley</code> | individual/common Y axis scale for this factor.<br>The default is individual for the “@series” factor, and common for all others.         |
| <code>bintype = type</code>   | bin type, where <i>type</i> can be: “auto” (default), “quant” - quantile binning, “value” - value binning, “none” - forces no binning.    |
| <code>bincount = int</code>   | <i>int</i> is the number of quantile bins or maximum number of value bins.  |
| <code>dispname</code>         | use display name in labels  |
| <code>label = key</code>      | <i>key</i> can be: “auto” (default), “value” - factor value only, “both” - factor name and value.   |
| <code>ncase = key</code>      | sets the capitalization for factor names in labels, where <i>key</i> can be: “upper”, “lower”, “title”. The default is to preserve case.  |
| <code>vcase = key</code>      | sets the capitalization for factor values in labels, where <i>key</i> can be: “upper”, “lower”, “title”. The default is to preserve case. |

#### *Categorical spec examples*

```
profit.boxplot across(firm)
```



displays a categorical boxplot graph of PROFITS using distinct values of FIRM to define the categories, and displaying the graphs in multiple frames.

```
profit.boxplot across(firm, dispname, iscale)
```

shows the same graph with individual scaling for each of the frames, using the displayname in labels.

```
profit.boxplot within(firm, inctot, label=value)
```

displays a boxplot graph categorized by firm (with an added category for the total), with all of the graphs in a single frame and the category value used as labels.

```
ser1.bar(contract=sum) across(firm, dispname) within(income,  
    bintype=quant, bincount=4)
```

constructs a categorical bar graph of the sum of SER1 values within a category. Different firms are displayed in different graph frames, using the display name as labels, with each frame containing bars depicting the sum of SER1 for each income quartiles.

```
ser1.bar(contract=mean, elemcommon=1) within(sex) within(union)
```

creates a bar graph of mean values of within categories based on both SEX and UNION. Categories for the distinct elements of UNION will be depicted using different bar colors, with the color assignment repeated for different values of SEX.

By default, the multiple series in a group are treated as the first (most slowly varying) across factor. To control the treatment of this implicit factor, you may use the “@series” keyword in a `within` or `across` specification; if the factor is not the first one of its type listed, it will be treated as the last factor. Thus:

```
g1.boxplot within(sex) within(union)
```

creates an boxplot for within categories based on both SEX and UNION. Since we have not specified behavior for the implicit series factor in GRP1, the series in the group will be treated as the first across factor and will be displayed in a separate frame.

```
g1.qqplot theory within(age)
```

displays theoretical qq-plots with the series in G1 treated as the within factor and @SERIES treated as the across factor. The qq-plots for each series in G1 will be displayed in separate frames, with multiple qq-plots for each AGE category shown in each frame.

```
g1.distplot hist kernel across(sex) across(@series) across(age)
```

displays histograms and kernel density plots where the implicit factor is the last across factor.

```
group mygrp oldsales newsales  
mygrp.bar(contract=min) within(@series) within(age)
```

displays bar graphs of the minimum values for categories defined by distinct values of AGE (and the two series). All of the bars will be displayed in a single frame with the bars for OLDSALES grouped together followed by the bars for NEWSALES.

```
mygrp.bar(contract=median, elemcommon=2) across(firm)
      across(@series) across(age)
```

also adds an additional categorization using the FIRM identifiers. The observations for a given firm are grouped together. Within a firm, the bars for the OLDSALES and NEWSALES, which will be depicted using different colors, will be grouped within each age category. The color assignment to OLDSALES and NEWSALES will be repeated across firms and ages (note that @SERIES is treated as the last across factor).

### Auxiliary Spec

You may add one or more fit lines or confidence ellipses to your XY graph using an auxiliary spec. (Note that auxiliary specs are not allowed with stacked XY graphs.)

For a description of the available fit line types, see “Auxiliary Graph Types,” on page 610 of *User’s Guide I*.

The auxiliary spec should be in the form:

*fitline\_type(type\_options)*

where *fitline\_type* is one of the following keywords:

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| linefit  | Add a regression line.                   |
| kernfit  | Add a kernel fit line.                   |
| nnfit    | Add a nearest neighbor (local) fit line. |
| orthreg  | Add an orthogonal regression line.       |
| cellipse | Add a confidence ellipse.                |
| user     | Add a user-specified line.               |

Each fit line type has its own set of options, to be entered in *type\_options*:

To save the data from selected auxiliary graph types in the workfile, see `Group::distdata` (p. 282).

#### Linefit Options

|                    |   |
|--------------------|---|
| yl                 | Take the natural log of first series or column, <i>y</i> .                |
| yi                 | Take the inverse of <i>y</i> .  |
| yp = <i>number</i> | Take <i>y</i> to the power of the specified number.                       |
| yb = <i>number</i> | Take the Box-Cox transformation of <i>y</i> with the specified parameter. |

|                           |   |
|---------------------------|---|
| <code>xl</code>           | Take the natural log of $x$ .   |
| <code>xi</code>           | Take the inverse of $x$ .   |
| <code>xp = number</code>  | Take $x$ to the power of the specified number.  |
| <code>xb = number</code>  | Take the Box-Cox transformation of $x$ with the specified parameter.  |
| <code>xd = integer</code> | Fit a polynomial of $x$ up to the specified power.  |
| <code>m = integer</code>  | Set number of robustness iterations.  |
| <code>leg = arg</code>    | Specify the legend display settings, where <i>arg</i> can be: “def” - default, “n” - none, “s” - short, “det” - detailed. |

If the polynomial degree of  $x$  leads to singularities in the regression, EViews will automatically drop high order terms to avoid collinearity.

#### *Linefit Examples*

```
group g1 x y z w
g1.scatpair linefit(y1,x1)
```

displays a scatterplot of Y against X and W against Z, together with the fitted values from a regression of log Y on log X and log W on log Z.

```
g1.scat linefit linefit(yb=0.5,m=10)
```

shows scatterplots of Y, Z, and W along the vertical axis and X along the horizontal axis, and superimposes both a simple linear regression fit and a fit of the Box-Cox transformation of the vertical axis variable against X, with 10 iterations of bisquare weights,.

#### *Kernfit Options*

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <code>k = arg</code><br>(default = “e”)         | Kernel type: “e” (Epanechnikov), “r” (Triangular), “u” (Uniform), “n” (Normal-Gaussian), “b” (Biweight-Quartic), “t” (Triweight), “c” (Cosinus). |
| <code>b = number</code>                         | Specify a number for the bandwidth.  |
| <code>b</code>                                  | Bracket bandwidth.   |
| <code>ngrid = integer</code><br>(default = 100) | Number of grid points to evaluate.   |
| <code>x</code>                                  | Exact evaluation of the polynomial fit.  |
| <code>d = integer</code><br>(default = 1)       | Degree of polynomial to fit. Set “d = 0” for Nadaraya-Watson regression.   |
| <code>leg = arg</code>                          | Specify the legend display settings, where <i>arg</i> can be: “def” - default, “n” - none, “s” - short, “det” - detailed.                        |

*Kernfit Examples*

```
group gg weight height length volume
gg.scats kernfit kernfit(d=2, b)
```

displays scatterplots with HEIGHT, LENGTH, and VOLUME on the vertical axis and WEIGHT on the horizontal axis, along with the default kernel regression fit, and a second-degree polynomial fit with bracketed bandwidths.

```
gg.scatsmat kernfit(ngrid=200)
```

displays a scatterplot matrix of the series in GG and fits a kernel regression of the Y-axis variable on the X-axis variable using 200 grid points.

*Nnfit Options*

|                                    |  |
|------------------------------------|--|
| d = integer<br>(default = 1)       | Degree of polynomial to fit.   |
| b = fraction<br>(default = 0.3)    | Bandwidth as a fraction of the total sample. The larger the fraction, the smoother the fit.                              |
| b                                  | Bracket bandwidth span.  |
| s                                  | Symmetric neighbors. Default is nearest neighbors.   |
| u                                  | No local weighting. Default is local weighting using tricube weights.  |
| m = integer                        | Set number of robustness iterations.   |
| x                                  | Exact (full) sampling. Default is Cleveland subsampling.   |
| neval = integer<br>(default = 100) | Approximate number of data points at which to compute the fit (if performing Cleveland subsampling).                     |
| leg = arg                          | Specify the legend display settings, where <i>arg</i> can be: “def” - default, “n” - none, “s” - short, “det”- detailed. |

*Nnfit Examples*

```
group gr1 gdp90 cons90 gdp70 cons70
gr1.scatspair nnfit(x,m=3)
```

displays the nearest neighbor fit of CONS90 on GDP90 and of CONS70 on GDP70 with exact (full) sampling and 3 robustness iterations. Each local regression fits the default linear regression, with tricube weighting and a bandwidth of span 0.3.

```
gr1.scatspair nnfit nnfit(neval=50,d=2,m=3)
```

computes both the default nearest neighbor fit and a custom fit that fits a quadratic at 50 data points, using tricube robustness weights with 3 robustness iterations.

### *Orthreg Options*

|                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| <code>leg = arg</code> | Specify the legend display settings, where <i>arg</i> can be: “def” - default, “n” - none, “s” - short, “det” - detailed. |
|------------------------|---|

### *Orthreg Examples*

```
group gg weight height length volume
gro1.scatmat(1) orthreg
```

displays the orthogonal regression fit for each pair in the lower-triangle scatterplot matrix.

### *Cellipse Options*

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| <code>size = arg</code> | Specify the confidence levels.  |
| <code>c</code>          | Use $\chi^2$ distribution to compute the confidence ellipses. The default is to use the <i>F</i> -distribution.           |
| <code>leg = arg</code>  | Specify the legend display settings, where <i>arg</i> can be: “def” - default, “n” - none, “s” - short, “det” - detailed. |

### *Cellipse Examples*

```
group gro1 age income cons taxes
gro1.scat cellipse
```

displays the 95% confidence ellipse around the means of the plots of INCOME, CONS, and TAXES against AGE.

```
gro1.scat cellipse(size=0.95 0.85 0.75)
```

displays the 95%, 85%, and 75% confidence ellipses, computed using the chi-square distribution

```
vector(3) sizes
sizes.fill 0.95, 0.85, 0.75
gro1.scat cellipse(size=sizes)
```

displays the same graph.

### *User Options*

A user specified line can be specified either using a pair of data points (where you specify the X and Y values for each point, or using a simple line specification with a Y-intercept, slope and, optionally, transformation value. Entering data point values overrides and simple line options.

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| <code>x1 = arg</code> | Set the X (horizontal) value for the first data point.  |
| <code>y1 = arg</code> | Set the Y (vertical) value for the first data point.    |
| <code>x2 = arg</code> | Set the X (horizontal) value for the second data point. |

|                          |   |
|--------------------------|---|
| <code>y2 = arg</code>    | Set the Y (vertical) value for the second data point.                       |
| <code>icept = arg</code> | Set simple line Y-intercept of value. Default is 0                          |
| <code>slope = arg</code> | Set simple line slope. Default is 0.  |
| <code>xl</code>          | Use a logarithmic transformation on the X series.                           |
| <code>yl</code>          | Use a logarithmic transformation on the Y series.                           |
| <code>xi</code>          | Use an inverse transformation on the X series.                              |
| <code>yi</code>          | Use an inverse transformation on the Y series.                              |
| <code>xp = arg</code>    | Use a power transformation, with power equal to <i>arg</i> on the X series. |
| <code>yp = arg</code>    | Use a power transformation, with power equal to <i>arg</i> on the Y series. |
| <code>xb = arg</code>    | Use a Box-Cox transformation of order <i>arg</i> on the X series.           |
| <code>yb = arg</code>    | Use a Box-Cox transformation of order <i>arg</i> on the Y series.           |
| <code>xd = arg</code>    | Use a polynomial transformation of order <i>arg</i> on the X series.        |

#### User Examples

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group grol age income
grol.scats user(x1=3, y1=4, x2=10, y2=15)
```

Draws a user specified straight line joining the two points (4,3) and (15,10).

```
grol.scats user(icept=5, slope=0.5, xp=2)
```

Draws a user specified line with an intercept of 5, a slope of 0.5 and a power transformation on the X series.



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This chapter contains an alphabetical listing of the object commands, pairing each entry with a list of the EViews objects with which it may be used.

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