

Advanced features of xts

CASE STUDY: ANALYZING CITY TIME SERIES DATA IN R



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Finding endpoints

- `endpoints()` indexes last observation per interval

```
years <- endpoints(unemployment, on = "years")
unemployment[years]
```

```
      US      ma
Dec 1976 7.650000 8.200000
Dec 1977 6.400000 6.200000
Dec 1978 6.000000 5.700000
Dec 1979 6.000000 4.900000
Dec 1980 7.200000 5.100000
```

Apply by period

- `period.apply()` extends apply functions to time

```
period.apply(unemployment,  
             INDEX = years,  
             FUN = mean)
```

```
      US      ma  
Dec 1976 7.654167 9.633333  
Dec 1977 7.016667 7.804167  
Dec 1978 6.066667 6.220833  
Dec 1979 5.945833 5.516667  
Dec 1980 7.200000 5.629167
```

Sports data

- Boston sports games, 2010 through 2015



Let's practice!

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Indexing commands in xts

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Extracting the index

- `.index()` extracts raw time index

```
.index(unemployment)
```

```
[1] 189302400 191980800 194486400 197164800  
[5] 199756800 202435200 205027200 207705600  
[9] 210384000 212976000 215654400 218246400  
[13] 220924800 223603200 226022400 228700800  
[17] 231292800 233971200 236563200 239241600
```

Weekday observations

- `.indexweekday()` gives the weekday of each observation

```
.indexweekday(sports)
```

```
[1] 0 2 3 5 6 0 1 3 4 5 6 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 0 1 2 3 5 6  
[25] 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 0 1 2 3 5 6 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 0 1 2 3  
[49] 4 5 6 0 2 3 4 5 6 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 ...
```

- Select only Sunday games

```
sunday_games <- which(.indexweekday(sports) == 0)
```


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Congratulations

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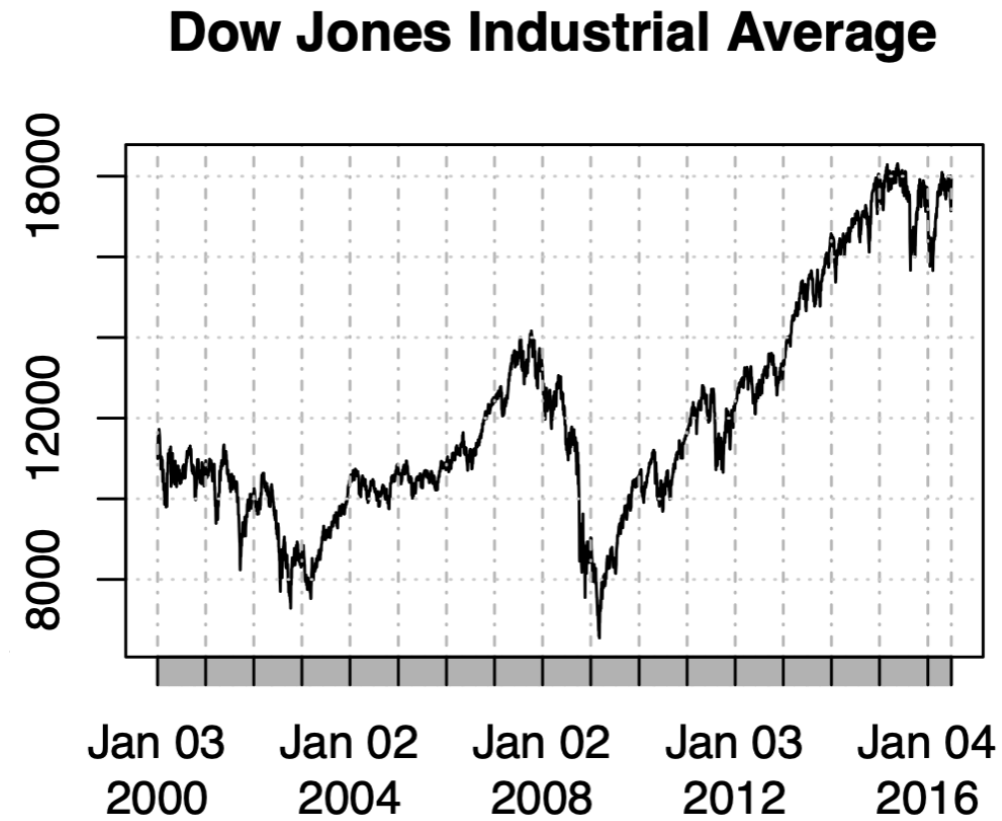


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Time series data

- Flight data
- Weather patterns
- Economic data
- Sports scores
- Portfolio returns
- Commodity prices
- User data



Congratulations!

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