

# Package ‘smoother’

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**Description** A collection of methods for smoothing numerical data, commencing with a port of the Matlab gaussian window smoothing function. In addition, several functions typically used in smoothing of financial data are included.

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*Smooth Data in R*


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### Description

smoother Package for the Smoothing of Numerical Data

### Details

smoother is presently limited to a port of the Matlab 'Gaussian Window' Function, as well as a limited number of moving averages (sma, ema, dema and 'wma'). Code for the gaussian window function has been written locally within this package, however, the moving averages are called from the **TTR** package (<http://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/TTR/index.html>) and are included as a matter of convenience.

For further information (and examples) with regards to utilizing the primary helper function, please refer to the [smth](#) function help file

### References

The Gaussian Smoothing component of the smoother package has been loosely adapted from the following works: <http://goo.gl/NK79bJ>.

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 smth

*Smooth Numerical Data*


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### Description

Helper function to smooth numerical data using methods specified by the user.

### Usage

```
smth(x = stop("Numeric Vector 'x' is Required"),
     method = getOption("smoother.method"), ...)
```

### Arguments

x	numeric vector of values to smooth
method	one of 'gaussian', 'sma', 'ema', 'dema' or 'wma'.
...	any other arguments to be passed to each specific smoothing methodology.

### Details

At this moment in time, the only method is the 'gaussian' window function (similar to the Matlab Gaussian Window Smoothing Function) and a number of moving averages 'sma', 'ema', 'dema' or 'wma'. These are functions that allows the user to smooth an input vector, returning vector of the same length as the input. This can also be achieved using the specific [smth.gaussian](#) function.

**Value**

a numeric vector of same length as input 'x' vector

**References**

If the 'method' argument is equal to 'gaussian', then this function is a port of the function described here: <http://goo.gl/HGM47U>, very loosely based of code which has also been ported to c++ here: <http://goo.gl/NK79bJ>

**See Also**

Refer to specific man files: [smth.gaussian](#), [SMA](#), [EMA](#), [DEMA](#) or [WMA](#)

**Examples**

```
#Prepare Data
n = 1000
x = seq(-pi,pi,length.out=n)
y = sin(x) + (runif(length(x))*0.1) #NOISY DATA
ys = smth(y>window = 0.1,method = "gaussian") #SMOOTHING
plot(x,y,type="l",col="red")
lines(x,ys,col="black",lwd=3)
title("Example Smoothing of Noisy Data")
```

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smth.gaussian	<i>Smooth Using Gaussian Window</i>
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**Description**

The specific function for smoothing using the gaussian window function

**Usage**

```
smth.gaussian(x = stop("Numeric Vector 'x' is Required"),
  window = getOption("smoother.window"),
  alpha = getOption("smoother.gaussianwindow.alpha"), ...,
  tails = getOption("smoother.tails"))
```

**Arguments**

x	numeric vector of values to smooth, error will be thrown if not provided.
window	the length of the smoothing window, if an integer, represents number of items, else, if a value between 0 and 1, represents the proportion of the input vector
alpha	parameter to determine the breadth of the gaussian window, yielding more or less sensitive smoothing characteristics
...	not used
tails	Logical value as to whether the tail regions should be included or not.

**Examples**

```
y = runif(100)
ys = smth.gaussian(y)
```

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smth.options

*Smoother Options*


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**Description**

Several Global Options have been declared, as described in this help file.

**Details**

The following global options can be modified, to alter the default calculation behaviour.

<b>NAME</b>	<b>VALUE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
smoother.gaussianwindow.alpha	2.5	Alpha Value in Calculating Window
smoother.window	0.1	Width of Window
smoother.method	'gaussian'	Default Smoothing Method
smoother.tails	FALSE	Include tails in final vector
smoother.verbose	FALSE	Verbose Reporting

**Examples**

```
#Tighten the alpha term for this session.
options('smoother.gaussianwindow.alpha' = 1)
```

```
#Include the Tails in Final Calculation
options('smoother.tails' = TRUE)
```

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