

# Package: nixtlar (via r-universe)

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**Title** A Software Development Kit for 'Nixtla's 'TimeGPT'

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**Description** A Software Development Kit for working with 'Nixtla's 'TimeGPT', a foundation model for time series forecasting. 'API' is an acronym for 'application programming interface'; this package allows users to interact with 'TimeGPT' via the 'API'. You can set and validate 'API' keys and generate forecasts via 'API' calls. It is compatible with 'tsibble' and base R. For more details visit <<https://docs.nixtla.io/>>.

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electricity	<i>Electricity dataset</i>
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### Description

Contains prices of different electricity markets.

### Usage

```
electricity
```

### Format

`electricity`:

A data frame with 8400 rows and 3 columns:

**unique\_id** Unique identifiers of the electricity markets.

**ds** Date in format YYYY:MM:DD hh:mm:ss.

**y** Price for the given market and date.

### Source

<https://raw.githubusercontent.com/Nixtla/transfer-learning-time-series/main/datasets/electricity-short.csv>

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electricity\_exo\_vars *Electricity dataset with exogenous variables*

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### Description

Contains prices of different electricity markets with exogenous variables.

### Usage

```
electricity_exo_vars
```

### Format

electricity\_exo\_vars:

A data frame with 8400 rows and 12 columns:

**unique\_id** Unique identifiers of the electricity markets.

**ds** Date in format YYYY:MM:DD hh:mm:ss.

**y** Price for the given market and date.

**Exogenous1** An external factor influencing prices. For all markets, some form of day-ahead load forecast.

**Exogenous2** An external factor influencing prices. For "BE" and "FR" markets, the day-ahead generation forecast. For "NP", the day-ahead wind generation forecast. For "PJM", the day-ahead load forecast in a specific zone. For "DE", the aggregated day-ahead wind and solar generation forecasts.

**day\_0** Binary variable indicating weekday.

**day\_1** Binary variable indicating weekday.

**day\_2** Binary variable indicating weekday.

**day\_3** Binary variable indicating weekday.

**day\_4** Binary variable indicating weekday.

**day\_5** Binary variable indicating weekday.

**day\_6** Binary variable indicating weekday.

### Source

<https://raw.githubusercontent.com/Nixtla/transfer-learning-time-series/main/datasets/electricity-short.csv>

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electricity\_future\_exo\_vars

*Future values for the electricity dataset with exogenous variables*

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### Description

Contains the future values of the exogenous variables of the electricity dataset (24 steps-ahead). To be used with `electricity_exo_vars`.

### Usage

```
electricity_future_exo_vars
```

### Format

`electricity_future_exo_vars`:

A data frame with 120 rows and 11 columns:

**unique\_id** Unique identifiers of the electricity markets.

**ds** Date in format YYYY:MM:DD hh:mm:ss.

**Exogenous1** An external factor influencing prices. For all markets, some form of day-ahead load forecast.

**Exogenous2** An external factor influencing prices. For "BE" and "FR" markets, the day-ahead generation forecast. For "NP", the day-ahead wind generation forecast. For "PJM", the day-ahead load forecast in a specific zone. For "DE", the aggregated day-ahead wind and solar generation forecasts.

**day\_0** Binary variable indicating weekday.

**day\_1** Binary variable indicating weekday.

**day\_2** Binary variable indicating weekday.

**day\_3** Binary variable indicating weekday.

**day\_4** Binary variable indicating weekday.

**day\_5** Binary variable indicating weekday.

**day\_6** Binary variable indicating weekday.

### Source

<https://raw.githubusercontent.com/Nixtla/transfer-learning-time-series/main/datasets/electricity-short-future-ex-vars.csv>

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infer_frequency	<i>Infer frequency of a data frame.</i>
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**Description**

Infer frequency of a data frame.

**Usage**

```
infer_frequency(df, freq)
```

**Arguments**

df	A data frame with time series data.
freq	The frequency of the data as specified by the user; NULL otherwise.

**Value**

The inferred frequency.

**Examples**

```
df <- nixtlar::electricity
freq <- NULL
infer_frequency(df, freq)
```

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nixtla_client_historic	<i>Sequential version of 'nixtla_client_historic' This is a private function of 'nixtlar'</i>
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**Description**

Sequential version of 'nixtla\_client\_historic' This is a private function of 'nixtlar'

**Usage**

```
nixtla_client_historic(
  df,
  freq = NULL,
  id_col = NULL,
  time_col = "ds",
  target_col = "y",
  level = NULL,
  quantiles = NULL,
```

```

  finetune_steps = 0,
  finetune_loss = "default",
  clean_ex_first = TRUE,
  model = "timegpt-1"
)

```

### Arguments

df	A tibble or a data frame with time series data.
freq	Frequency of the data.
id_col	Column that identifies each series.
time_col	Column that identifies each timestep.
target_col	Column that contains the target variable.
level	The confidence levels (0-100) for the prediction intervals.
quantiles	Quantiles to forecast. Should be between 0 and 1.
finetune_steps	Number of steps used to finetune 'TimeGPT' in the new data.
finetune_loss	Loss function to use for finetuning. Options are: "default", "mae", "mse", "rmse", "mape", and "smape".
clean_ex_first	Clean exogenous signal before making the forecasts using 'TimeGPT'.
model	Model to use, either "timegpt-1" or "timegpt-1-long-horizon". Use "timegpt-1-long-horizon" if you want to forecast more than one seasonal period given the frequency of the data.

### Value

'TimeGPT's forecast for the in-sample period.

### Examples

```

## Not run:
nixtlar::nixtla_set_api_key("YOUR_API_KEY")
df <- nixtlar::electricity
fcst <- nixtlar::nixtla_client_historic(df, id_col="unique_id", level=c(80,95))

## End(Not run)

```

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nixtla\_client\_plot *Plot the output of the following nixtla\_client functions: forecast, historic, anomaly\_detection, and cross\_validation.*

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### Description

Plot the output of the following nixtla\_client functions: forecast, historic, anomaly\_detection, and cross\_validation.

**Usage**

```
nixtla_client_plot(  
  df,  
  fcst = NULL,  
  h = NULL,  
  id_col = "unique_id",  
  time_col = "ds",  
  target_col = "y",  
  unique_ids = NULL,  
  max_insample_length = NULL,  
  plot_anomalies = FALSE  
)
```

**Arguments**

df	A tibble or a data frame with time series data (insample values).
fcst	A tibble or a data frame with the 'TimeGPT' point forecast and the prediction intervals (if available).
h	Forecast horizon.
id_col	Column that identifies each series.
time_col	Column that identifies each timestep.
target_col	Column that contains the target variable.
unique_ids	Time series to plot. If NULL (default), selection will be random.
max_insample_length	Max number of insample observations to be plotted.
plot_anomalies	Whether or not to plot anomalies.

**Value**

Plot with historical data and 'TimeGPT's output (if available).

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
nixtlar::nixtla_set_api_key("YOUR_API_KEY")  
df <- nixtlar::electricity  
fcst <- nixtlar::nixtla_client_forecast(df, h=8, id_col="unique_id", level=c(80,95))  
nixtlar::timegpt_plot(df, fcst, h=8, id_col="unique_id")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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nixtla\_client\_setup    *Set base 'URL' and 'API' key in global environment*

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**Description**

Set base 'URL' and 'API' key in global environment

**Usage**

```
nixtla_client_setup(base_url = NULL, api_key = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

base\_url            Custom base 'URL'. If NULL, defaults to "https://api.nixtla.io".  
api\_key             The user's 'API' key. Get yours here: <https://dashboard.nixtla.io/>

**Value**

A message indicating the configuration status.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
nixtlar::nixtla_client_setup(  
  base_url = "Base URL",  
  api_key = "Your API key"  
)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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nixtla\_set\_api\_key    *Set 'API' key in global environment*

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**Description**

This function will be deprecated in future versions. Please use `nixtla_client_setup` instead.

**Usage**

```
nixtla_set_api_key(api_key)
```

**Arguments**

api\_key             The user's 'API' key. Get yours here: <https://dashboard.nixtla.io/>

**Value**

A message indicating the 'API' key has been set in the global environment.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
  nixtlar::nixtla_set_api_key("Your API key")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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```
nixtla_validate_api_key  
  Validate 'API' key
```

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**Description**

Validate 'API' key

**Usage**

```
nixtla_validate_api_key()
```

**Value**

TRUE if the API key is valid, FALSE otherwise.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
  nixtlar::nixtla_client_setup(api_key = "Your API key")  
  nixtlar::nixtla_validate_api_key()  
  
## End(Not run)
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