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**Description** Quantile regression in varying-coefficient models (VCM) using one particular nonparametric technique called P-splines. The functions can be applied on three types of VCM; (1) Homoscedastic VCM, (2) Simple heteroscedastic VCM, and (3) General heteroscedastic VCM.

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AHeVT

*AHe V(t)-approach***Description**

The adapted He (1997) approach considering a simple heteroscedastic varying-coefficient model,  $V(t)$ .

$$Y(t) = \sum_{k=0}^p \beta_k(t) X^{(k)}(t) + V(t)\varepsilon(t)$$

**Usage**

AHeVT(VecX, times, subj, X, y, d, tau, kn, degree, lambda, gam)

**Arguments**

VecX	The representative values for each covariate used to estimate the desired conditional quantile curves.
times	The vector of time variable.
subj	The vector of subjects/individuals.
X	The covariate containing 1 as its first component (including intercept in the model)
y	The response vector.
d	The order of differencing operator for each covariate.
tau	The quantiles of interest.
kn	The number of knots for each covariate.
degree	The degree of B-spline basis for each covariate.
lambda	The grid of smoothing parameter to control the trade of between fidelity and penalty term (use a fine grid of lambda).
gam	The power used in estimating the smoothing parameter for each covariate (e.g. gam=1 or gam=0.5).

**Value**

hat_bt50	The median coefficients estimators.
hat_VT	The variability estimator.
C	The estimators of the tau-th quantile of the estimated residuals.
qhat	The conditional quantile curves estimator.

**Note**

Some warning messages are related to the function `rq.fit.sfn` (See <http://www.inside-r.org/packages/cran/quantreg/docs/sfnMessage>).

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**References**

Andriyana, Y., Gijbels, I., and Verhasselt, A. P-splines quantile regression estimation in varying coefficient models. *Test* 23, 1 (2014a),153–194.

Andriyana, Y., Gijbels, I. and Verhasselt, A. (2014b). Quantile regression in varying coefficient models: non-crossingness and heteroscedasticity. *Manuscript*.

He, X. (1997). Quantile curves without crossing. *The American Statistician*, 51, 186–192.

**See Also**

[rq.fit.sfn as.matrix.csr truncSP](#)

**Examples**

```
data(PM10)

PM10 = PM10[order(PM10$day,PM10$hour,decreasing=FALSE),]

y = PM10$PM10[1:200]
times = PM10$hour[1:200]
subj = PM10$day[1:200]
dim = length(y)
x0 = rep(1,200)
x1 = PM10$cars[1:200]
x2 = PM10$wind.speed[1:200]

X = cbind(x0, x1, x2)

VecX = c(1, max(x1), max(x2))

#####
#### Input parameters ####
#####
kn = c(10, 10, 10)
degree = c(3, 3, 3)
taus = seq(0.1,0.9,0.1)
lambdas = c(1,1.5,2)
d = c(1, 1, 1)
gam = 1/2
#####

AHe = AHeVT(VecX=VecX, times=times, subj=subj, X=X, y=y, d=d, tau=taus,
            kn=kn, degree=degree, lambda=lambdas, gam=gam)
hat_bt50 = AHe$hat_bt50
hat_VT = AHe$hat_Vt
C = AHe$C
```

```

qhat = AHe$qhat

qhat1 = qhat[,1]
qhat2 = qhat[,2]
qhat3 = qhat[,3]
qhat4 = qhat[,4]
qhat5 = qhat[,5]
qhat6 = qhat[,6]
qhat7 = qhat[,7]
qhat8 = qhat[,8]
qhat9 = qhat[,9]

hat_bt0 = hat_bt50[seq(1,dim)]
hat_bt1 = hat_bt50[seq((dim+1),(2*dim))]
hat_bt2 = hat_bt50[seq((2*dim+1),(3*dim))]

i = order(times, hat_VT, qhat1, qhat2, qhat3, qhat4, qhat5, qhat6, qhat7,
          qhat8, qhat9, hat_bt0, hat_bt1, hat_bt2);
times = times[i]; hat_VT=hat_VT[i]; qhat1 = qhat1[i]; qhat2=qhat2[i];
qhat3=qhat3[i]; qhat4=qhat4[i]; qhat5=qhat5[i]; qhat6=qhat6[i];
qhat7=qhat7[i]; qhat8=qhat8[i]; qhat9=qhat9[i];
hat_bt0=hat_bt0[i]; hat_bt1=hat_bt1[i]; hat_bt2=hat_bt2[i];

### Plot coefficients

plot(hat_bt0~times, lwd=2, type="l", xlab="hour", ylab="baseline PM10");
plot(hat_bt1~times, lwd=2, type="l", xlab="hour",
      ylab="coefficient of cars");
plot(hat_bt2~times, lwd=2, type="l", xlab="hour",
      ylab="coefficient of wind");

### Plot variability V(t)

plot(hat_VT~times, ylim=c(min(hat_VT), max(hat_VT)), xlab="hour",
      ylab="", type="l", lwd=2);
mtext(expression(hat(V)(t)), side=2, cex=1, line=3)

### Plot conditional quantiles estimators

ylim = c(-4, 6)
plot(qhat1~times, col="magenta", cex=0.2, lty=5, lwd=2, type="l",
      ylim=ylim, xlab="hour", ylab="PM10");
lines(qhat2~times, col="aquamarine4", cex=0.2, lty=4, lwd=2);
lines(qhat3~times, col="blue", cex=0.2, lty=3, lwd=3);
lines(qhat4~times, col="brown", cex=0.2, lty=2, lwd=2);
lines(qhat5~times, col="black", cex=0.2, lty=1, lwd=2);
lines(qhat6~times, col="orange", cex=0.2, lty=2, lwd=2);
lines(qhat7~times, col="darkcyan", cex=0.2, lty=3, lwd=3);
lines(qhat8~times, col="green", cex=0.2, lty=4, lwd=2);
lines(qhat9~times, col="red", cex=0.2, lty=5, lwd=3)

```

```

legend("bottom", c(expression(tau==0.9), expression(tau==0.8),
  expression(tau==0.7), expression(tau==0.6), expression(tau==0.5),
  expression(tau==0.4), expression(tau==0.3), expression(tau==0.2),
  expression(tau==0.1)), ncol=1, col=c("red", "green", "darkcyan",
  "orange", "black", "brown", "blue", "aquamarine4", "magenta"),
  lwd=c(2,2,3,2,2,2,3,2,2), lty=c(5,4,3,2,1,2,3,4,5))

```

AHeVXT

*AHe V(X(t),t)-approach***Description**

The adapted He (1997) approach considering a general heteroscedastic varying-coefficient model,  $V(X(t),t)$ .

$$Y(t) = \sum_{k=0}^p \beta_k(t) X^{(k)}(t) + V(X(t), t) \varepsilon(t)$$

where

$$V(X(t), t) = \sum_{k=0}^p \gamma_k(t) X^{(k)}(t)$$

**Usage**

```
AHeVXT(VecX, times, subj, X, y, d, tau, kn, degree, lambda, gam)
```

**Arguments**

VecX	The representative values for each covariate used to estimate the desired conditional quantile curves.
times	The vector of the time variable.
subj	The vector of subjects/individuals.
X	The covariate matrix containing 1 as its first column (including intercept in the model).
y	The response vector.
d	The order of the differencing operator for each covariate.
tau	The quantiles of interest.
kn	The number of knots for each covariate.
degree	The degree of the B-spline basis function for each covariate.
lambda	The grid for the smoothing parameter to control the trade of between fidelity and penalty term (use a fine grid of lambda).
gam	The power used in estimating the smoothing parameter for each covariate (e.g. gam=1 or gam=0.5).

**Value**

hat_bt50	The median coefficients estimators.
hat_gt50	The median coefficients estimators for the variability function $V(X(t),t)$ .
hat_VXT	The variability estimator.
C	The estimators of the tau-th quantile of the estimated residuals.
qhat	The conditional quantile curves estimator.

**Note**

Some warning messages are related to the function `rq.fit.sfn` (See <http://www.inside-r.org/packages/cran/quantreg/docs/sfnMessage>).

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**References**

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He, X. (1997). Quantile curves without crossing. *The American Statistician*, 51, 186–192.

**See Also**

[rq.fit.sfn as.matrix.csr truncSP](#)

**Examples**

```
data(PM10)

PM10 = PM10[order(PM10$day, PM10$hour, decreasing=FALSE), ]

y = PM10$PM10[1:200]
times = PM10$hour[1:200]
subj = PM10$day[1:200]
dim = length(y)
x0 = rep(1, 200)
x1 = PM10$cars[1:200]
x2 = PM10$wind.speed[1:200]

X = cbind(x0, x1, x2)

VecX = c(1, max(x1), max(x2))

#####
#### Input parameters ####
```

```
#####
kn = c(10, 10, 10)
degree = c(3, 3, 3)
taus = seq(0.1,0.9,0.1)
lambdas = c(1,1.5,2)
d = c(1, 1, 1)
gam = 1/2
#####

AHe = AHeVXT(VecX=VecX, times=times, subj=subj, X=X, y=y, d=d,
             tau=taus, kn=kn, degree=degree, lambda=lambdas, gam=gam)
hat_bt50 = AHe$hat_bt50
hat_gt50 = AHe$hat_gt50
hat_VXT = AHe$hat_VXT
C = AHe$C
qhat = AHe$qhat

qhat1 = qhat[,1]
qhat2 = qhat[,2]
qhat3 = qhat[,3]
qhat4 = qhat[,4]
qhat5 = qhat[,5]
qhat6 = qhat[,6]
qhat7 = qhat[,7]
qhat8 = qhat[,8]
qhat9 = qhat[,9]

hat_bt0 = hat_bt50[seq(1,dim)]
hat_bt1 = hat_bt50[seq((dim+1),(2*dim))]
hat_bt2 = hat_bt50[seq((2*dim+1),(3*dim))]

hat_gt0 = hat_gt50[seq(1,dim)]
hat_gt1 = hat_gt50[seq((dim+1),(2*dim))]
hat_gt2 = hat_gt50[seq((2*dim+1),(3*dim))]

i = order(times, hat_VXT, qhat1, qhat2, qhat3, qhat4, qhat5, qhat6, qhat7,
          qhat8, qhat9,
          hat_bt0, hat_bt1, hat_bt2, hat_gt0, hat_gt1, hat_gt2);
times = times[i]; hat_VXT=hat_VXT[i]; qhat1 = qhat1[i]; qhat2=qhat2[i];
qhat3=qhat3[i]; qhat4=qhat4[i]; qhat5=qhat5[i]; qhat6=qhat6[i];
qhat7=qhat7[i]; qhat8=qhat8[i]; qhat9=qhat9[i];
hat_bt0=hat_bt0[i]; hat_bt1=hat_bt1[i]; hat_bt2=hat_bt2[i];
hat_gt0=hat_gt0[i]; hat_gt1=hat_gt1[i]; hat_gt2=hat_gt2[i];

### Plot coefficients

plot(hat_bt0~times, lwd=2, type="l", xlab="hour", ylab="baseline PM10");
plot(hat_bt1~times, lwd=2, type="l", xlab="hour",
     ylab="coefficient of cars");
plot(hat_bt2~times, lwd=2, type="l", xlab="hour",
     ylab="coefficient of wind");
```

```

###
plot(hat_gt0~times, lwd=2, type="l", xlab="hour", ylab="baseline PM10");
plot(hat_gt1~times, lwd=2, type="l", xlab="hour",
     ylab="coefficient of cars");
plot(hat_gt2~times, lwd=2, type="l", xlab="hour",
     ylab="coefficient of wind");

### Plot variability V(X(t),t)

plot(hat_VXT~times, ylim=c(min(hat_VXT), max(hat_VXT)), xlab="hour", ylab="");
mtext(expression(hat(V)(X(t),t)), side=2, cex=1, line=3)

### Plot conditional quantiles estimators

ylim = range(qhat1, qhat9)
ylim = c(-4, 6)
plot(qhat1~times, col="magenta", cex=0.2, lty=5, lwd=2, type="l", ylim=ylim,
     xlab="hour", ylab="PM10");
lines(qhat2~times, col="aquamarine4", cex=0.2, lty=4, lwd=2);
lines(qhat3~times, col="blue", cex=0.2, lty=3, lwd=3);
lines(qhat4~times, col="brown", cex=0.2, lty=2, lwd=2);
lines(qhat5~times, col="black", cex=0.2, lty=1, lwd=2);
lines(qhat6~times, col="orange", cex=0.2, lty=2, lwd=2);
lines(qhat7~times, col="darkcyan", cex=0.2, lty=3, lwd=3);
lines(qhat8~times, col="green", cex=0.2, lty=4, lwd=2);
lines(qhat9~times, col="red", cex=0.2, lty=5, lwd=3)

legend("bottom", c(expression(tau==0.9), expression(tau==0.8),
  expression(tau==0.7), expression(tau==0.6), expression(tau==0.5),
  expression(tau==0.4), expression(tau==0.3), expression(tau==0.2),
  expression(tau==0.1)), ncol=3, col=c("red","green","darkcyan","orange",
  "black","brown","blue","aquamarine4","magenta"), lwd=c(2,2,3,2,2,2,3,2,2),
  lty=c(5,4,3,2,1,2,3,4,5))

```

**Description**

The estimation of conditional quantile curves using individual quantile objective function.

**Usage**

QRIndiv(VecX, tau, times, subj, X, y, d, kn, degree, lambda, gam)



**Arguments**

VecX	The representative values for each covariate used to estimate the desired conditional quantile curves.
tau	The quantiles of interest.
times	The vector of the time variable.
subj	The vector of subjects/individuals.
X	The covariate matrix containing 1 as its first column (including intercept in the model).
y	The response vector.
d	The order of the differencing operator for each covariate.
kn	The number of knots for each covariate.
degree	The degree of the B-spline basis function for each covariate.
lambda	The grid for the smoothing parameter to control the trade of between fidelity and penalty term (use a fine grid of lambda).
gam	The power used in estimating the smoothing parameter for each covariate (e.g. gam=1 or gam=0.5).

**Value**

alpha	The estimator of the coefficient vector of the basis B-splines.
hat_bt	The varying coefficients estimators.
qhat	The conditional quantile curves estimator.

**Note**

Some warning messages are related to the function `rq.fit.sfn` (See <http://www.inside-r.org/packages/cran/quantreg/docs/sfnMessage>).

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**See Also**

[rq.fit.sfn as.matrix.csr truncSP](#)

**Examples**

```

data(PM10)

PM10 = PM10[order(PM10$day,PM10$hour,decreasing=FALSE),]

y = PM10$PM10[1:200]
times = PM10$hour[1:200]
subj = PM10$day[1:200]
dim = length(y)
x0 = rep(1,200)
x1 = PM10$cars[1:200]
x2 = PM10$wind.speed[1:200]

X = cbind(x0, x1, x2)

VecX = c(1, max(x1), max(x2))

#####
#### Input parameters ####
#####
kn = c(10, 10, 10)
degree = c(3, 3, 3)
taus = seq(0.1,0.9,0.1)
lambdas = c(1,1.5,2)
d = c(1, 1, 1)
gam = 1/2
#####

qhat = QRIndiv(VecX=VecX, tau=taus, times=times, subj=subj, X=X,
y=y, d=d, kn=kn, degree=degree, lambda=lambdas, gam=gam)$qhat

qhat1 = qhat[,1]
qhat2 = qhat[,2]
qhat3 = qhat[,3]
qhat4 = qhat[,4]
qhat5 = qhat[,5]
qhat6 = qhat[,6]
qhat7 = qhat[,7]
qhat8 = qhat[,8]
qhat9 = qhat[,9]

i = order(times, y, qhat1, qhat2, qhat3, qhat4, qhat5, qhat6, qhat7,
qhat8, qhat9);

times = times[i]; y = y[i]; qhat1 = qhat1[i]; qhat2=qhat2[i];
qhat3=qhat3[i]; qhat4=qhat4[i]; qhat5=qhat5[i]; qhat6=qhat6[i];
qhat7=qhat7[i]; qhat8=qhat8[i]; qhat9=qhat9[i];

ylim = range(qhat1, qhat9)

```

```

plot(qhat1~times, col="magenta", cex=0.2, lty=5, lwd=2, type="l",
     ylim=ylim, xlab="hour", ylab="PM10");
lines(qhat2~times, col="aquamarine4", cex=0.2, lty=4, lwd=2);
lines(qhat3~times, col="blue", cex=0.2, lty=3, lwd=3);
lines(qhat4~times, col="brown", cex=0.2, lty=2, lwd=2);
lines(qhat5~times, col="black", cex=0.2, lty=1, lwd=2);
lines(qhat6~times, col="orange", cex=0.2, lty=2, lwd=2);
lines(qhat7~times, col="darkcyan", cex=0.2, lty=3, lwd=3);
lines(qhat8~times, col="green", cex=0.2, lty=4, lwd=2);
lines(qhat9~times, col="red", cex=0.2, lty=5, lwd=3)

legend("bottom", c(expression(tau==0.9), expression(tau==0.8),
                    expression(tau==0.7), expression(tau==0.6), expression(tau==0.5),
                    expression(tau==0.4), expression(tau==0.3), expression(tau==0.2),
                    expression(tau==0.1)), ncol=1, col=c("red", "green", "darkcyan",
                    "orange", "black", "brown", "blue", "aquamarine4", "magenta"),
                    lwd=c(2,2,3,2,2,2,3,2,2), lty=c(5,4,3,2,1,2,3,4,5))

```

QRSimul

*Unweighted simultaneous objective function***Description**

The estimation of conditional quantile curves using unweighted simultaneous objective function involving non-crossing constraints.

**Usage**

```
QRSimul(VecX, tau, times, subj, X, y, d, kn, degree, lambda, gam)
```

**Arguments**

VecX	The representative values for each covariate used to estimate the desired conditional quantile curves.
tau	The quantiles of interest.
times	The vector of the time variable.
subj	The vector of subjects/individuals.
X	The covariate matrix containing 1 as its first column (including intercept in the model).
y	The response vector.
d	The order of the differencing operator for each covariate.
kn	The number of knots for each covariate.
degree	The degree of the B-spline basis function for each covariate.
lambda	The grid for the smoothing parameter to control the trade of between fidelity and penalty term (use a fine grid of lambda).
gam	The power used in estimating the smoothing parameter for each covariate (e.g. gam=1 or gam=0.5).

**Value**

W	The weight for each subject corresponding to the length of its repeated measurement.
alpha	The estimators of the coefficient vector of the basis B-splines.
hat_bt0	The baseline estimators.
hat_btk	The varying coefficient estimators.
qhat_h	The estimators of the $\tau_h$ -th conditional quantile curves.

**Note**

Some warning messages are related to the function `rq.fit.sfn` (See <http://www.inside-r.org/packages/cran/quantreg/docs/sfnMessage>).

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**References**

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**See Also**

[rq.fit.sfn as.matrix.csr truncSP](#)

**Examples**

```
data(PM10)

PM10 = PM10[order(PM10$day, PM10$hour, decreasing=FALSE), ]

y = PM10$PM10[1:200]
times = PM10$hour[1:200]
subj = PM10$day[1:200]
dim = length(y)
x0 = rep(1, 200)
x1 = PM10$cars[1:200]
x2 = PM10$wind.speed[1:200]

X = cbind(x0, x1, x2)

VecX = c(1, max(x1), max(x2))

#####
#### Input parameters ####
```

```
#####
kn = c(10, 10, 10)
degree = c(3, 3, 3)
taus = seq(0.1,0.9,0.1)
lambdas = c(1,1.5,2)
d = c(1, 1, 1)
gam = 1
#####

Simul = QRSimul(VecX=VecX, tau=taus, times=times, subj=subj, X=X, y=y,
               d=d, kn=kn, degree=degree, lambda=lambdas, gam=gam)

hat_bt0 = Simul$hat_bt0
hat_btk = Simul$hat_btk
qhat = Simul$qhat

qhat1 = qhat[,1]
qhat2 = qhat[,2]
qhat3 = qhat[,3]
qhat4 = qhat[,4]
qhat5 = qhat[,5]
qhat6 = qhat[,6]
qhat7 = qhat[,7]
qhat8 = qhat[,8]
qhat9 = qhat[,9]

i = order(times, y, qhat1, qhat2, qhat3, qhat4, qhat5, qhat6, qhat7,
          qhat8, qhat9);

times = times[i]; y = y[i]; qhat1 = qhat1[i]; qhat2=qhat2[i];
qhat3=qhat3[i]; qhat4=qhat4[i]; qhat5=qhat5[i]; qhat6=qhat6[i];
qhat7=qhat7[i]; qhat8=qhat8[i]; qhat9=qhat9[i];

ylim = range(qhat1, qhat9)
ylim = c(-4, 6)
plot(qhat1~times, col="magenta", cex=0.2, lty=5, lwd=2, type="l", ylim=ylim,
     xlab="hour", ylab="PM10");
lines(qhat2~times, col="aquamarine4", cex=0.2, lty=4, lwd=2);
lines(qhat3~times, col="blue", cex=0.2, lty=3, lwd=3);
lines(qhat4~times, col="brown", cex=0.2, lty=2, lwd=2);
lines(qhat5~times, col="black", cex=0.2, lty=1, lwd=2);
lines(qhat6~times, col="orange", cex=0.2, lty=2, lwd=2);
lines(qhat7~times, col="darkcyan", cex=0.2, lty=3, lwd=3);
lines(qhat8~times, col="green", cex=0.2, lty=4, lwd=2);
lines(qhat9~times, col="red", cex=0.2, lty=5, lwd=3)

legend("bottom", c(expression(tau==0.9), expression(tau==0.8),
                    expression(tau==0.7), expression(tau==0.6), expression(tau==0.5),
                    expression(tau==0.4), expression(tau==0.3), expression(tau==0.2),
                    expression(tau==0.1)), ncol=1, col=c("red","green","darkcyan",
                    "orange","black","brown","blue","aquamarine4","magenta"),
```

```
lwd=c(2,2,3,2,2,2,3,2,2), lty=c(5,4,3,2,1,2,3,4,5))
```

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QRStepwise

*Stepwise procedure*


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### Description

The estimation of conditional quantile curves step-by-step involving the non-crossing constraints.

### Usage

```
QRStepwise(VecX, tau, times, subj, X, y, d, kn, degree, lambda, gam)
```

### Arguments

VecX	The representative values for each covariate used to estimate the desired conditional quantile curves.
tau	The quantiles of interest.
times	The vector of the time variable.
subj	The vector of subjects/individuals.
X	The covariate matrix containing 1 as its first column (including intercept in the model).
y	The response vector.
d	The order of the differencing operator for each covariate.
kn	The number of knots for each covariate.
degree	The degree of the B-spline basis function for each covariate.
lambda	The grid for the smoothing parameter to control the trade of between fidelity and penalty term (use a fine grid of lambda).
gam	The power used in estimating the smoothing parameter for each covariate (e.g. gam=1 or gam=0.5).

### Value

alpha	The estimators of the coefficient vector of the basis B-splines.
hat_bt	The varying-coefficient estimators.
w	The weight for each subject corresponding to the length of its repeated measurement
qhat	The conditional quantile curves estimator.

**Note**

Some warning messages are related to the function `rq.fit.sfn` (See <http://www.inside-r.org/packages/cran/quantreg/docs/sfnMessage>).

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**See Also**

[rq.fit.sfn as.matrix.csr truncSP](#)

**Examples**

```
data(PM10)

PM10 = PM10[order(PM10$day, PM10$hour, decreasing=FALSE), ]

y = PM10$PM10[1:200]
time_ub = PM10$hour[1:200]
subj = PM10$day[1:200]
dim = length(y)
x0 = rep(1, 200)
x1 = PM10$cars[1:200]
x2 = PM10$wind.speed[1:200]

X = cbind(x0, x1, x2)

VecX = c(1, max(x1), max(x2))

#####
### Input parameters ###
#####
kn = c(10, 10, 10)
degree = c(3, 3, 3)
taus = seq(0.1, 0.9, 0.1)
lambdas = c(1, 1.5, 2)
d = c(1, 1, 1)
gam = 1
#####
```

```

Step = QRStepwise(VecX=VecX, tau=taus, time_ub, subj, X, y, d, kn, degree,
  lambda=lambdas, gam=gam)

qhat = Step$qhat

qhat1 = qhat[,1]
qhat2 = qhat[,2]
qhat3 = qhat[,3]
qhat4 = qhat[,4]
qhat5 = qhat[,5]
qhat6 = qhat[,6]
qhat7 = qhat[,7]
qhat8 = qhat[,8]
qhat9 = qhat[,9]

i = order(time_ub, y, qhat1, qhat2, qhat3, qhat4, qhat5, qhat6, qhat7,
  qhat8, qhat9);

time_ub = time_ub[i]; y = y[i]; qhat1 = qhat1[i]; qhat2=qhat2[i];
qhat3=qhat3[i]; qhat4=qhat4[i]; qhat5=qhat5[i]; qhat6=qhat6[i];
qhat7=qhat7[i]; qhat8=qhat8[i]; qhat9=qhat9[i];

ylim = range(qhat1, qhat9)
ylim = c(-4, 6)
plot(qhat1~time_ub, col="magenta", cex=0.2, lty=5, lwd=2, type="l", ylim=ylim,
  xlab="hour", ylab="PM10");
lines(qhat2~time_ub, col="aquamarine4", cex=0.2, lty=4, lwd=2);
lines(qhat3~time_ub, col="blue", cex=0.2, lty=3, lwd=3);
lines(qhat4~time_ub, col="brown", cex=0.2, lty=2, lwd=2);
lines(qhat5~time_ub, col="black", cex=0.2, lty=1, lwd=2);
lines(qhat6~time_ub, col="orange", cex=0.2, lty=2, lwd=2)
lines(qhat7~time_ub, col="darkcyan", cex=0.2, lty=3, lwd=3);
lines(qhat8~time_ub, col="green", cex=0.2, lty=4, lwd=2);
lines(qhat9~time_ub, col="red", cex=0.2, lty=5, lwd=3)

legend("bottom", c(expression(tau==0.9), expression(tau==0.8),
  expression(tau==0.7), expression(tau==0.6), expression(tau==0.5),
  expression(tau==0.4), expression(tau==0.3), expression(tau==0.2),
  expression(tau==0.1)), ncol=1, col=c("red","green","darkcyan",
  "orange","black","brown","blue","aquamarine4","magenta"),
  lwd=c(2,2,3,2,2,2,3,2,2), lty=c(5,4,3,2,1,2,3,4,5))

```



**Description**

The estimation of conditional quantile curves using weighted simultaneous objective function involving non-crossing constraints.

**Usage**

```
QRWSimul(VecX, tau, times, subj, X, y, d, kn, degree, lambda, gam)
```

**Arguments**

VecX	The representative values for each covariate used to estimate the desired conditional quantile curves.
tau	The quantiles of interest.
times	The vector of the time variable.
subj	The vector of subjects/individuals.
X	The covariate matrix containing 1 as its first column (including intercept in the model).
y	The response vector.
d	The order of the differencing operator for each covariate.
kn	The number of knots for each covariate.
degree	The degree of the B-spline basis function for each covariate.
lambda	The grid for the smoothing parameter to control the trade of between fidelity and penalty term (use a fine grid of lambda).
gam	The power used in estimating the smoothing parameter for each covariate (e.g. gam=1 or gam=0.5).

**Value**

W	The weight for each subject corresponding to the length of its repeated measurement
alpha	The estimators of the coefficient vector of the basis B-splines.
hat_bt0	The baseline estimators.
hat_btk	The varying coefficient estimators.
qhat_h	The estimators of the $\tau_h$ -th conditional quantile curves.
Wtau	The weight of each order of quantile $\tau_h$ .

**Note**

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## See Also

[rq.fit.sfn as.matrix.csr truncSP](#)

## Examples

```
data(PM10)

PM10 = PM10[order(PM10$day,PM10$hour,decreasing=FALSE),]

y = PM10$PM10[1:200]
times = PM10$hour[1:200]
subj = PM10$day[1:200]
dim = length(y)
x0 = rep(1,200)
x1 = PM10$cars[1:200]
x2 = PM10$wind.speed[1:200]

X = cbind(x0, x1, x2)

VecX = c(1, max(x1), max(x2))

#####
### Input parameters ###
#####
kn = c(10, 10, 10)
degree = c(3, 3, 3)
taus = seq(0.1,0.9,0.1)
lambdas = c(1,1.5,2)
d = c(1, 1, 1)
gam = 1
#####

QRWSimul = QRWSimul(VecX=VecX, tau=taus, times=times, subj=subj, X=X, y=y,
                    d=d, kn=kn, degree=degree, lambda=lambdas, gam=gam)

hat_bt0 = QRWSimul$hat_bt0
hat_btk = QRWSimul$hat_btk
qhat = QRWSimul$qhat
hat_Vt = QRWSimul$hat_Vt
Wtau = QRWSimul$Wtau
```

```

qhat1 = qhat[,1]
qhat2 = qhat[,2]
qhat3 = qhat[,3]
qhat4 = qhat[,4]
qhat5 = qhat[,5]
qhat6 = qhat[,6]
qhat7 = qhat[,7]
qhat8 = qhat[,8]
qhat9 = qhat[,9]

i = order(times, y, qhat1, qhat2, qhat3, qhat4, qhat5, qhat6, qhat7,
          qhat8, qhat9, hat_Vt);

times = times[i]; y = y[i]; qhat1 = qhat1[i]; qhat2=qhat2[i];
qhat3=qhat3[i]; qhat4=qhat4[i]; qhat5=qhat5[i]; qhat6=qhat6[i];
qhat7=qhat7[i]; qhat8=qhat8[i]; qhat9=qhat9[i];
hat_Vt = hat_Vt[i]

#Variability function V(t)

plot(hat_Vt~times, ylim=c(min(hat_Vt), max(hat_Vt)), xlab="hour",
     ylab="", type="l", lwd=2);
mtext(expression(hat(V)(t)), side=2, cex=1, line=3)

# Plot conditional quantiles estimators

ylim = range(qhat1, qhat9)
ylim = c(-4, 6)
plot(qhat1~times, col="magenta", cex=0.2, lty=5, lwd=2, type="l", ylim=ylim,
     xlab="time since infection", ylab="CD4 percentage after infection");
lines(qhat2~times, col="aquamarine4", cex=0.2, lty=4, lwd=2);
lines(qhat3~times, col="blue", cex=0.2, lty=3, lwd=3);
lines(qhat4~times, col="brown", cex=0.2, lty=2, lwd=2);
lines(qhat5~times, col="black", cex=0.2, lty=1, lwd=2);
lines(qhat6~times, col="orange", cex=0.2, lty=2, lwd=2);
lines(qhat7~times, col="darkcyan", cex=0.2, lty=3, lwd=3);
lines(qhat8~times, col="green", cex=0.2, lty=4, lwd=2);
lines(qhat9~times, col="red", cex=0.2, lty=5, lwd=3)

legend("bottom", c(expression(tau==0.9), expression(tau==0.8),
                    expression(tau==0.7), expression(tau==0.6), expression(tau==0.5),
                    expression(tau==0.4), expression(tau==0.3), expression(tau==0.2),
                    expression(tau==0.1)), ncol=1, col=c("red", "green", "darkcyan",
                    "orange", "black", "brown", "blue", "aquamarine4", "magenta"),
      lwd=c(2,2,3,2,2,2,3,2,2), lty=c(5,4,3,2,1,2,3,4,5))

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