

# Package ‘tvReg’

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bw *Bandwidth Selection by Cross-Validation*

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## Description

Calculate bandwidth(s) by cross-validation for functions tvSURE, tvVAR and tvLM.

## Usage

```
bw(x, ...)

## Default S3 method:
bw(x, y, z = NULL, est = c("lc", "ll"),
   tkernel = c("Epa", "Gaussian"), singular.ok = TRUE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'list'
bw(x, y, z = NULL, est = c("lc", "ll"), tkernel = c("Epa",
   "Gaussian"), singular.ok = TRUE, ...)
```

## Arguments

x	an object used to select a method.
...	Other parameters passed to specific methods.
y	A matrix or vector with the dependent variable(s).
z	A vector with the variable over which coefficients are smooth over.
est	The nonparametric estimation method, one of "lc" (default) for linear constant or "ll" for local linear.

tkernel	The type of kernel used in the coefficients estimation method, one of Epanchnikov ("Epa") or "Gaussian".
singular.ok	Logical. If FALSE, a singular model is an error.

### Value

bw returns a vector or a scalar with the bandwidth to estimate the mean or the covariance residuals, fitted values.

A scalar or a vector of scalars.

### Examples

```
##Generate data
tau <- seq(1:200)/200
beta <- data.frame(beta1 = sin(2*pi*tau), beta2 = 2*tau)
X <- data.frame(X1 = rnorm(200), X2 = rchisq(200, df = 4))
error <- rt(200, df = 10)
y <- apply(X*beta, 1, sum) + error

##Select bandwidth by cross-validation
bw <- bw(X, y, est = "ll", tkernel = "Gaussian")

data( Kmenta, package = "systemfit" )

## x is a list of matrices containing the regressors, one matrix for each equation
x <- list()
x[[1]] <- Kmenta[, c("price", "income")]
x[[2]] <- Kmenta[, c("price", "farmPrice", "trend")]

## 'y' is a matrix with one column for each equation
y <- cbind(Kmenta$consump, Kmenta$consump)

## Select bandwidth by cross-validation
bw <- bw(x = x, y = y)

##One bandwidth per equation
print(bw)
```

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bwCov

*Covariance Bandwidth Calculation by Cross-Validation* bwCov calculates a single bandwidth to estimate the time-varying variance-covariance matrix.

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### Description

Covariance Bandwidth Calculation by Cross-Validation *bwCov* calculates a single bandwidth to estimate the time-varying variance-covariance matrix.

**Usage**

```
bwCov(x, est = c("lc", "ll"), tkernel = c("Epa", "Gaussian"))
```

**Arguments**

<b>x</b>	A matrix or a data frame.
<b>est</b>	The nonparametric estimation method, one of "lc" (default) for linear constant or "ll" for local linear.
<b>tkernel</b>	The type of kernel used in the coefficients estimation method, one of Epanesnikov ("Epa") or "Gaussian".

**Value**

A scalar.

**Examples**

```
data(CEES)
## Using a shorter set for a quick example
mydata <- tail (CEES, 50)
bw.cov <- bwCov(mydata)
Sigma.hat <- tvCov(mydata, bw = bw.cov)
```

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CEES

*Standardised rates from a currency portfolio.*

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**Description**

Aslanidis and Casas (2013) consider a portfolio of daily US dollar exchange rates of the Australian dollar (AUS), Swiss franc (CHF), euro (EUR), British pound (GBP), South African rand (RAND), Brazilian real (REALB), and Japanese yen (YEN) over the period from January 1, 1999 until May 7, 2010 (T = 2856 observations). This dataset contains the standardised rates after "devolatilisation", i.e. standardising the rates using a GARCH(1,1) estimate of the volatility.

**Format**

A data frame with 2856 rows and 7 variables. Below the standardised rates of daily US dollar exchange rates of

**AUS** Australian dollar

**CHF** Swiss franc

**EUR** Euro

**GBP** British pound

**RAND** South African rand

**REALB** Brazilian real

**YEN** Japanese yen

## References

Aslanidis, N. and Casas, I. (2013) Nonparametric correlation models for portfolio allocation, *Journal of Banking & Finance*, 37, 2268 - 2283.

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CI	<i>Deprecated function(s) in the tvReg package</i>
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## Description

These functions are provided for compatibility with older version of the tvReg package. They may eventually be completely removed.

## Usage

```
CI(object, ...)

## Default S3 method:
CI(object, level = 0, runs = 0, tboot = NULL, ...)

## S3 method for class 'tvirf'
CI(object, level = 0, runs = 0, tboot = NULL, ...)
```

## Arguments

object	Object of class tvsure, class tvvar or class tvirf.
...	Other parameters passed to specific methods.
level	Numeric, the confidence level required (between 0 and 1).
runs	(optional) Number of bootstrap replications.
tboot	Type of wild bootstrap, choices 'wild' (default), 'wild2'. Option 'wild' uses the distribution suggested by Mammen (1993) in the wild resampling, while 'wild2' uses the standard normal.

## Details

CI now a synonym for [confint](#)

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coef.tvlm	<i>Coefficients and residuals of functions in tvReg</i>
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## Description

Return coefficients and residuals for objects with class attribute tvlm, tvar, tvvar, tvirf, tvsure.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'tvlm'
coef(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	An object used to select a method.
...	Other parameters passed to specific methods.

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 confint.tvlm

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*Confidence Intervals for Model Parameters of Objects in tvReg*


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**Description**

confint is used to estimate the bootstrap confidence intervals for objects with class attribute tvlm, tvar, tvirf, tvsure.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'tvlm'
confint(object, parm, level = 0, runs = 0, tboot = NULL,
  ...)

## S3 method for class 'tvsure'
confint(object, parm, level = 0, runs = 0, tboot = NULL,
  ...)

## S3 method for class 'tvirf'
confint(object, parm, level = 0, runs = 0, tboot = NULL,
  ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	Object of class tvsure, class tvar or class tvirf.
parm	A specification of which parameters are to be given confidence intervals, either a vector of numbers or a vector of names. If missing, all parameters are considered.
level	Numeric, the confidence level required (between 0 and 1).
runs	(optional) Number of bootstrap replications.
tboot	Type of wild bootstrap, choices 'wild' (default), 'wild2'. Option 'wild' uses the distribution suggested by Mammen (1993) in the wild resampling, while 'wild2' uses the standard normal.
...	Other parameters passed to specific methods.

**Value**

an object of class `tvSURE` with `BOOT`, `Lower` and `Upper` different from `NULL`.

**References**

Chen, X. B., Gao, J., Li, D., and Silvapulle, P (2017) Nonparametric estimation and forecasting for time-varying coefficient realized volatility models, *Journal of Business & Economic Statistics*, online, 1-13.

Mammen, E (1993) Bootstrap and wild bootstrap for high dimensional linear models, *Annals of Statistics*, 21, 255-285.

**See Also**

[tvLM](#), [tvAR](#), [tvVAR](#), [tvSURE](#)

**Examples**

```
##Calculation of confidence intervals for a tvLM model
tau <- seq(1:500)/500
beta <- data.frame(beta1 = sin(2*pi*tau), beta2= 2*tau)
X1 <- rnorm(500)
X2 <- rchisq(500, df = 4)
error <- rt(500, df = 10)
y <- apply(cbind(X1, X2)*beta, 1, sum) + error
data <- data.frame(y = y, X1 = X1, X2 = X2)
model.tvlm <- tvLM(y ~ 0 + X1 + X2, data = data, bw = 0.1)
tvci <- confint(model.tvlm, level = 0.95, runs = 30)
plot(tvci)

##The second time is much faster when the level is changed
##if the user uses the previous information
tvci.80 <- confint(tvci, level = 0.8)
```

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FF5F

*Fama and French portfolio daily returns and factors for international markets.*

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**Description**

A dataset containing the returns of four portfolios ordered by size and book-to-market. The four portfolios are SMALL/LoBM, SMALL/HiBM, BIG/LoBM and BIG/HiBM in four international markets: North America (NA), Japan (JP), Asia Pacific (AP) and Europe (EU). It also contains the Fama/French 5 factors for each of the markets.

**Format**

A data frame with 314 rows and 41 variables.

**Date** Date, months from July 1990 until August 2016

**NA.SMALL.LoBM** Monthly returns of portfolio SMALL/LoBM in North American market

**NA.SMALL.HiBM** Monthly returns of portfolio SMALL/HiBM in North American market

**NA.BIG.LoBM** Monthly returns of portfolio BIG/LoBM in North American market

**NA.BIG.HiBM** Monthly returns of portfolio BIG/HiBM in North American market

**NA.Mkt.RF** North American market excess returns, i.e return of the market - market risk free rate

**NA.SMB** SMB (Small Minus Big) for the North American market

**NA.HML** HML (High Minus Low) for the North American market

**NA.RMW** RMW (Robust Minus Weak) for the North American market

**NA.CMA** CMA (Conservative Minus Aggressive) for the North American market

**NA.RF** North American risk free rate

**JP.SMALL.LoBM** Monthly returns of portfolio SMALL/LoBM in Japanese market

**JP.SMALL.HiBM** Monthly returns of portfolio SMALL/HiBM in Japanese market

**JP.BIG.LoBM** Monthly returns of portfolio BIG/LoBM in Japanese market

**JP.BIG.HiBM** Monthly returns of portfolio BIG/HiBM in Japanese market

**JP.Mkt.RF** Japanese market excess returns, i.e return of the market - market risk free rate

**JP.SMB** SMB (Small Minus Big) for the Japanese market

**JP.HML** HML (High Minus Low) for the Japanese market

**JP.RMW** RMW (Robust Minus Weak) for the Japanese market

**JP.CMA** CMA (Conservative Minus Aggressive) for the Japanese market

**JP.RF** Japanese risk free rate

**AP.SMALL.LoBM** Monthly returns of portfolio SMALL/LoBM in Asia Pacific market

**AP.SMALL.HiBM** Monthly returns of portfolio SMALL/HiBM in Asia Pacific market

**AP.BIG.LoBM** Monthly returns of portfolio BIG/LoBM in Asia Pacific market

**AP.BIG.HiBM** Monthly returns of portfolio BIG/HiBM in Asia Pacific market

**AP.Mkt.RF** Asia Pacific market excess returns, i.e return of the market - market risk free rate

**AP.SMB** SMB (Small Minus Big) for the Asia Pacific market

**AP.HML** HML (High Minus Low) for the Asia Pacific market

**AP.RMW** RMW (Robust Minus Weak) for the Asia Pacific market

**AP.CMA** CMA (Conservative Minus Aggressive) for the Asia Pacific market

**AP.RF** Asia Pacific risk free rate

**EU.SMALL.LoBM** Excess return of portfolio SMALL/LoBM in European market

**EU.SMALL.HiBM** Excess return of portfolio SMALL/HiBM in European market

**EU.BIG.LoBM** Excess return of portfolio BIG/LoBM in European market

**EU.BIG.HiBM** Excess return of portfolio BIG/HiBM in European market



**EU.Mkt.RF** European market excess returns, i.e returns of the market - market risk free rate  
**EU.SMB** SMB (Small Minus Big) for the European market  
**EU.HML** HML (High Minus Low) for the European market  
**EU.RMW** RMW (Robust Minus Weak) for the European market  
**EU.CMA** CMA (Conservative Minus Aggressive) for the European market  
**EU.RF** European risk free rate

### Source

[http://mba.tuck.dartmouth.edu/pages/faculty/ken.french/data\\_library.html](http://mba.tuck.dartmouth.edu/pages/faculty/ken.french/data_library.html)

### References

Kennet R. French - Data Library (2017) [http://mba.tuck.dartmouth.edu/pages/faculty/ken.french/data\\_library.html#International](http://mba.tuck.dartmouth.edu/pages/faculty/ken.french/data_library.html#International)  
 Fama, E. and French, K. R (1993) Common risk factors in the returns on stocks and bonds, *Journal of Financial Economics*, 3-56.  
 Fama, E. F. and French, K. R (2015) A five-factor asset pricing model, *Journal of Financial Economics*, 116, 1-22.

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plot.tvsure	<i>Plot Methods for objects in tvReg</i>
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### Description

Plot methods for objects with class attribute tvlm, tvar, tvvar, tvirf, tvsure.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'tvsure'
plot(x, eqs = NULL, vars = NULL,
     plot.type = c("multiple", "single"), ...)

## S3 method for class 'tvlm'
plot(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'tvvar'
plot(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'tvirf'
plot(x, obs.index = NULL, impulse = NULL, response = NULL,
     plot.type = c("multiple", "single"), ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	An x used to select a method.
eqs	A vector of integers. Equation(s) number(s) of the coefficients to be plotted.
vars	A vector of integers. Variable number(s) of the coefficients to be plotted.
plot.type	Character, if multiple all plots are drawn in a single device, otherwise the plots are shown consecutively.
...	Other parameters passed to specific methods.
obs.index	Scalar (optional), the time at which the impulse response is plotted. If left NULL, the mean over the whole period is plotted (this values should be similar to the estimation using a non time-varying VAR method).
impulse	Character vector (optional) of the impulses, default is all variables.
response	Character vector (optional) of the responses, default is all variables.

**See Also**

[tvLM](#), [tvAR](#), [tvVAR](#), [tvSURE](#)

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print.tvlm                      *Print results of functions in tvReg*

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**Description**

Print some results for objects with class attribute tvlm, tvar, tvvar, tvirf, tvsure.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'tvlm'
print(x, digits = max(3, getOption("digits") - 3), ...)

## S3 method for class 'tvsure'
print(x, digits = max(3, getOption("digits") - 3), ...)

## S3 method for class 'tvvar'
print(x, digits = max(3, getOption("digits") - 3), ...)

## S3 method for class 'tvirf'
print(x, digits = max(3, getOption("digits") - 3), ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	An x used to select a method.
digits	An integer, indicating the minimal number of significant digits.
...	Other parameters passed to specific methods.

**Details**

These functions print a few results from the time-varying estimated coefficients

**See Also**

[plot.tvlm](#), [plot.tvvar](#), [plot.tvvar](#), [plot.tvirf](#), [plot.tvsure](#)

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 RV

*Daily realized variance*


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**Description**

A dataset containing the daily realized variance, and some of its lags, obtained from 1-minute close prices of the S&P 500. Similar data has been used in the HAR model in Corsi (2009), the HARQ and SHARQ models in Bollerslev et al (2016) and the tvHARQ and tvSHARQ models in Casas et al (2018). The time period runs from Jan 1990 until Dec 2007 as in Bollerslev et al (2009).

**Format**

A data frame with 4530 rows and 9 variables.

**Date** Daily data from Jan 2, 1990 until Dec 19, 2007 - without weekends and days off

**RVt** Daily realized variance at time t

**RVt\_1\_pos** Positive daily realized variance at time t-1

**RVt\_1\_neg** Negative daily realized variance at time t-1

**RVt\_1\_5** Weekly realized variance at time t-1

**RVt\_1\_22** Monthly realized variance at time t-1

**RQt\_1\_sqrt** Daily squared root of the realized quarticity at time t-1

**References**

Bollerslev, T., Patton, A. J. and Quaedvlieg, R. (2016) Exploiting the errors: A simple approach for improved volatility forecasting. *Journal of Econometrics*, 192, 1-18.

Bollerslev, T., Tauchen, G. and Zhou, H. (2009) Expected stock returns and variance risk premia. *The Review of Financial Studies*, 22, 44-63.

Casas, I., Mao, X. and Vega, H. (2018) Reexamining financial and economic predictability with new estimators of realized variance and variance risk premium. Url= [http://pure.au.dk/portal/files/123066669/rp18\\_10.pdf](http://pure.au.dk/portal/files/123066669/rp18_10.pdf)

Corsi, F. (2009) A simple approximate long-memory model of realized volatility. *Journal of Financial Econometrics*, 7, 174-196.

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summary.tvlm	<i>Print results of functions in tvReg</i>
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### Description

Print some results for objects with class attribute tvlm, tvar, tvvar, tvirf, tvsure.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'tvlm'
summary(object, digits = max(3, getOption("digits") - 3), ...)

## S3 method for class 'tvsure'
summary(object, digits = max(3, getOption("digits") - 3),
        ...)

## S3 method for class 'tvvar'
summary(object, digits = max(3, getOption("digits") - 3), ...)

## S3 method for class 'tvirf'
summary(object, digits = max(3, getOption("digits") - 3), ...)
```

### Arguments

object	An object used to select a method.
digits	Integer, indicating the minimal number of significant digits.
...	Other parameters passed to specific methods.

### Details

These functions print a few results from the time-varying estimated coefficients

### See Also

[plot.tvlm](#), [plot.tvvar](#), [plot.tvvar](#), [plot.tvirf](#), [plot.tvsure](#)

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tvAcoef	<i>Time-Varying Coefficient Arrays of the Lagged Endogenous Variables of a tv-VAR (no intercept).</i>
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### Description

Returns the estimated coefficients of the lagged endogenous variables as an array. Given an estimated time varying VAR of the form:

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}}_t = \hat{A}_{1t}\mathbf{y}_{t-1} + \dots + \hat{A}_{pt}\mathbf{y}_{t-p} + \hat{C}_t D_t$$

the function returns a list for each equation with  $\hat{A}_{1t} | \dots | \hat{A}_{pt} | \hat{C}_t$  set of arrays

**Usage**

```
tvAcoef(x)

## S3 method for class 'tvvar'
tvAcoef(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                    An object of class tvvar generated by [tvVAR](#).

**Value**

A list object with coefficient arrays for the lagged endogenous variables.

**Examples**

```
data(Canada, package="vars")
var.2p <- vars::VAR(Canada, p = 2, type = "const")
tvvar.2p <- tvVAR(Canada, p = 2, type = "const")
A <- vars::Acoef(var.2p)
tvA <- tvAcoef(tvvar.2p)
```

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tvAR

*Time-Varying Autoregressive Model*


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**Description**

tvAR is used to fit an autorregressive model with time varying coefficients.

**Usage**

```
tvAR(y, p = 1, z = NULL, bw = NULL, type = c("const", "none"),
     exogen = NULL, fixed = NULL, est = c("lc", "ll"), tkernel = c("Epa",
     "Gaussian"), singular.ok = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

y                    A vector with the dependent variable.

p                    A scalar indicating the number of lags in the model.

z                    A vector with the smoothing variable.

bw                   An optional scalar or vector of length the number of equations. It represents the bandwidth in the estimation of coefficients. If NULL, it is selected by cross validation.

type                A character 'const' if the model contains an intercept and 'none' otherwise.

exogen              A matrix or data.frame with the exogenous variables (optional)

fixed	(optional) numeric vector of the same length as the total number of parameters. If supplied, only NA entries in fixed will be varied.
est	The nonparametric estimation method, one of "lc" (default) for linear constant or "ll" for local linear.
tkernel	The type of kernel used in the coefficients estimation method, one of Epanchnikov ("Epa") or "Gaussian".
singular.ok	Logical. If FALSE, a singular model is an error.

### Details

It is a special case of linear model in which the regressors are lags of the dependent variable. If any variable is included in the xreg term, these are added to the regressors matrix. A time-varying coefficients linear regression (with an intercept if type = "const") is fitted.

### Value

An object of class 'tvar' The object of class tvar have the following components:

tvcoef	A vector of dimension obs (obs = number of observations - number lags), with the time-varying coefficients estimates.
fitted	The fitted values.
residuals	Estimation residuals.
x	A matrix of model data, with lagged y and exogenous variables.
y	A vector with the dependent data used in the model.
z	A vector with the smoothing variable in the model.
bw	Bandwidth of mean estimation.
type	Whether the model has a constant or not.
exogen	A matrix or data.frame with other exogenous variables.
p	Number of lags
obs	Number of observations in estimation.
totobs	Number of observations in the original set.
level	Confidence interval range.
runs	Number of bootstrap replications.
tboot	Type of bootstrap.
BOOT	List with all bootstrap replications of tvcoef, if done.
call	Matched call.

### References

- Cai, Z. (2007) Trending time-varying coefficient time series with serially correlated errors, *Journal of Econometrics*, 136, pp. 163-188.
- Chen, X. B., Gao, J., Li, D., and Silvapulle, P (2017) Nonparametric estimation and forecasting for time-varying coefficient realized volatility models, *Journal of Business & Economic Statistics*, online, 1-13.
- Corsi, F. (2009) A simple approximate long-memory model of realized volatility. *Journal of Financial Econometrics*, 7, 174-196.

**See Also**

[bw](#), [tvLM](#), [confint](#), [plot](#), [print](#) and [summary](#)

**Examples**

```
## Simulate an tvAR(2) process
## Not run:
tt <- (1:1000)/1000
beta <- cbind( 0.5 * cos (2 * pi * tt), (tt - 0.5)^2)
y <- numeric(1000)
y[1] <- 0.5
y[2] <- -0.2

## y(t) = beta1(t) y(t-1) + beta2(t) y(t-2) + ut

for (t in 3:1000)
{
  y[t] <- y[(t-1):(t-2)] %*% beta[t,] + rnorm(1)
}
Y <- tail (y, 600)

## Estimate coefficients of Y with ar.ols and tvAR

tvAR.2p <- tvAR(Y, p = 2, type = "none", est = "ll")
AR.2p <- ar.ols(Y, aic = FALSE, order = 2,
intercept = FALSE, demean = FALSE )

##Compare methodologies in a plot
ylim <- range(tvAR.2p$tvcoef[, 1], tail(beta[, 1], 600))
plot(tail(beta[, 1], 600), ylim = ylim, xlab = "", ylab = "", cex = 0.5)
abline(h = AR.2p$ar[1], col = 2)
lines(tvAR.2p$tvcoef[, 1], col = 4)
legend("topleft", c(expression(beta[1]), "AR", "tvAR"), col = c(1, 2, 4),
lty = 1, bty = "n")

## Estimate only coefficient from odd lags and the intercept
tvAR.6p <- tvAR(Y, p = 6, type = "const",
fixed = c(NA, 0, NA, 0, NA, 0, NA), est = "ll")

## Generation of model with coefficients depending
## on a random variable
z <- arima.sim(n = 1000, list(ma = c(-0.2279, 0.2488)))
beta <- (z - 0.5)^2
y <- numeric(1000)
y[1] <- -1

##y(t) = beta1(z(t)) y(t-1) + ut

for (t in 3:1000)
{
  y[t] <- y[(t-1)] %*% beta[t] + rnorm(1)
}
```

```

Y <- tail(y, 600)
Z <- tail(z, 600)

## Estimate coefficients of process Y with ar.ols and tvAR

tvAR.2p.z <- tvAR(Y, z = Z, p = 1, type = "none", est = "ll")
AR.2p <- ar.ols(Y, aic = FALSE, order = 1, intercept = FALSE,
               demean = FALSE)

#' ## Estimate coefficients of different realized variance models
data("RV")
Date <- tail(as.Date(RV$Date), 2000)
RVt <- tail(RV$RVt, 2000)
RV_week <- tail(RV$RVt_1_5, 2000)
RV_month <- tail(RV$RVt_1_22, 2000)
RQ <- 1/tail(RV$RQt_1_sqrt, 2000)
##Corsi (2009) HAR model
HAR <- arima(RVt, order = c(1, 0, 0), xreg = cbind(RV_week, RV_month))
summary(HAR)

##Chen et al (2017) TVC-HAR model
TVCHAR <- tvAR(RVt, p = 1, exogen = cbind(RV_week, RV_month), bw = 1.83)
plot(TVCHAR)
summary(TVCHAR)

## End(Not run)

```

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tvBcoef

*Coefficient Array of an Estimated tvVAR*


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## Description

Returns the system estimated coefficients as an array.

## Usage

```
tvBcoef(x)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'tvvar'
tvBcoef(x)
```

## Arguments

x An object of class 'tvvar', generated by [tvVAR](#).



**Details**

Given an estimated time varying VAR of the form:

$$\hat{y}_t = \hat{A}_{1t}y_{t-1} + \dots + \hat{A}_{pt}y_{t-p} + \hat{C}_t D_t$$

the function returns a list for each equation with  $(\hat{A}_{1t} | \dots | \hat{A}_{pt} | \hat{C}_t)$  set of arrays .

**Value**

A list object with coefficient arrays for the lagged endogenous variables without including the intercept.

**Examples**

```
data(Canada, package="vars")
var.2p <- vars::VAR(Canada, p = 2, type = "const")
tvvar.2p <- tvVAR(Canada, p=2, type= "const")
B <- vars::Bcoef(var.2p)
tvB <- tvBcoef(tvvar.2p)
```

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 tvCov

*Time-varying Variance-Covariance Estimation*


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**Description**

Estimation of a time-varying variance-covariance matrix using the local constant or the local linear kernel smoothing methodologies.

**Usage**

```
tvCov(x, bw, est = c("lc", "ll"), tkernel = c("Epa", "Gaussian"))
```

**Arguments**

x	A matrix.
bw	A scalar.
est	A character, either "lc" or "ll" for local constant or local linear.
tkernel	A character, either "Gaussian" or "Epa" kernel types.

**Value**

A matrix of dimension obs x neq x neq.

**References**

Aslanidis, N. and Casas, I (2013) Nonparametric correlation models for portfolio allocation. *Journal of Banking & Finance*, 37, 2268-2283

**See Also**[bwCov](#)**Examples**

```
##Generate two independent (uncorrelated series)
y <- cbind(rnorm(100, sd = 4), rnorm(100, sd = 1))

##Estimation variance-variance matrix. If the bandwidth is unknown, it can
##calculated with function bwCov()
Sigma.hat <- tvCov(y, bw = 1.4)

##The first time estimate
print(Sigma.hat[,1])
##The mean over time of all estimates
print(apply(Sigma.hat, 1:2, mean))
##Generate two dependent variables
y <- MASS::mvrnorm(n = 100, mu = c(0,0), Sigma = cbind(c(1, -0.5), c(-0.5, 4)))

##Estimation variance-variance matrix
Sigma.hat <- tvCov(y, bw = 3.2)
##The first time estimate
print(Sigma.hat[,1])
```

tvGLS

*Time-varying Generalised Least Squares***Description**

tvGLS estimates time-varying coefficients of SURE using the kernel smoothing GLS.

tvGLS is used to estimate time-varying coefficients SURE using the kernel smoothing generalised least square.

tvGLS is used to estimate time-varying coefficients SURE using the kernel smoothing GLS

**Usage**

```
tvGLS(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'list'
tvGLS(x, y, z = NULL, bw, Sigma = NULL, R = NULL,
      r = NULL, est = c("lc", "ll"), tkernel = c("Epa", "Gaussian"), ...)

## S3 method for class 'tvsure'
tvGLS(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'matrix'
tvGLS(x, y, z = NULL, bw, Sigma = NULL, R = NULL,
      r = NULL, est = c("lc", "ll"), tkernel = c("Epa", "Gaussian"), ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	an object used to select a method.
...	Other parameters passed to specific methods.
y	A matrix.
z	A vector with the smoothing variable.
bw	A numeric vector.
Sigma	An array.
R	A matrix.
r	A numeric vector.
est	Either "Ic" or "II".
tkernel	Either "Gaussian" or "Epa".

**Details**

The classical GLS estimator must be modified to generate a set of coefficients changing over time. The tvGLS finds a GLS estimate at a given point in time  $t$  using the data near by. The size of the data window used is given by the bandwidth. The closest a point is to  $t$ , the larger is its effect on the estimation which is given by the kernel. In this programme, the two possible kernels are the Epanechnikov and Gaussian. As in the classical GLS, the covariance matrix is involved in the estimation formula. If this matrix is NULL or the identity, then the programme returns the OLS estimates for time-varying coefficients.

Note, that unless with the tvSURE, the tvGLS may run with one common bandwidth for all equations or with a different bandwidths for each equation.

**Value**

tvGLS returns a list containing:

tvcoef	An array of dimension obs x nvar x neq (obs = number of observations, nvar = number of variables in each equation, neq = number of equations in the system) with the time-varying coefficients estimates.
fitted	A matrix of dimension obs x neq with the fitted values from the estimation.
residuals	A matrix of dimension obs x neq with the residuals from the estimation.

**Examples**

```
data(FF5F)
x <- list()
## SMALL/LoBM porfolios time-varying three factor model
x[[1]] <- cbind(rep(1, 314), FF5F[, c("NA.Mkt.RF", "NA.SMB", "NA.HML", "NA.RMW", "NA.CMA")])
x[[2]] <- cbind(rep(1, 314), FF5F[, c("JP.Mkt.RF", "JP.SMB", "JP.HML", "JP.RMW", "JP.CMA")])
x[[3]] <- cbind(rep(1, 314), FF5F[, c("AP.Mkt.RF", "AP.SMB", "AP.HML", "AP.RMW", "AP.CMA")])
x[[4]] <- cbind(rep(1, 314), FF5F[, c("EU.Mkt.RF", "EU.SMB", "EU.HML", "EU.RMW", "EU.CMA")])
##Returns
y <- cbind(FF5F$NA.SMALL.LoBM, FF5F$JP.SMALL.LoBM, FF5F$AP.SMALL.LoBM,
FF5F$EU.SMALL.LoBM)
```

```
##Excess returns
y <- y - cbind(FF5F$NA.RF, FF5F$JP.RF, FF5F$AP.RF, FF5F$EU.RF)
##I fit the data with one bandwidth for each equation
ff5f.fit <- tvGLS(x = x, y = y, bw = c(1.03, 0.44, 0.69, 0.31))
```

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tvIRF

*Time-Varying Impulse Response Function*


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## Description

Computes the time-varying impulse response coefficients of an object of class `tvvar`, obtained with function `tvVAR` for `n.ahead` steps.

## Usage

```
tvIRF(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'tvvar'
tvIRF(x, impulse = NULL, response = NULL, n.ahead = 10,
      ortho = TRUE, ortho.cov = c("tv", "const"), bw.cov = NULL,
      cumulative = FALSE, ...)
```

## Arguments

<code>x</code>	An object of class <code>tvvar</code> .
<code>...</code>	Other parameters passed to specific methods.
<code>impulse</code>	A character vector of the impulses, default is all variables.
<code>response</code>	A character vector of the responses, default is all variables.
<code>n.ahead</code>	Integer specifying the steps.
<code>ortho</code>	Logical, if TRUE (the default) the orthogonalised IRF is computed.
<code>ortho.cov</code>	A character indicating if the covariance matrix for the orthogonal tvIRF should be estimated as a constant or time varying. Either 'const' or 'tv' (default). This parameter is used only when <code>ortho = TRUE</code> .
<code>bw.cov</code>	A scalar (optional) with the bandwidth to estimate the errors variance-covariance matrix. If left NULL, it is estimated.
<code>cumulative</code>	Logical, if TRUE the cumulated impulse response coefficients are computed. Default is FALSE.

## Value

tvIRF returns an object of class `tvirf` with the following components:

<code>irf</code>	A list of length the number of impulse variable(s). Each element of the list is an array of <code>dim = c(obs x number of response variables x n.ahead)</code> .
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Lower	A list of length the number of impulse variable(s), containing the lower confidence line, if calculated.
Upper	A list of length the number of impulse variable(s), containing the upper confidence line, if calculated.
response	A character, a number of a vector with the names or positions of the response(s) variable(s).
impulse	A character, a number of a vector with the names or positions of the impulse(s) variable(s).
x	A object of class tvvar
.	
n.ahead	Number of ahead impulse response functions.
ortho	Logical, orthogonal or not impuluse response function.
ortho.cov	Character, either 'const' or 'tv' (default). This parameter is used when the orthogonal tv-IRF is calculated. The default is using an error time-varying variance-covariance.
bw.cov	A scalar with the bandwidth to estimate the errors variance-covariance matrix. If NULL, it is calculated by cross-validation.
cumulative	Logical, if TRUE the cumulated impulse response coefficients are computed. Default is FALSE.
level	Numeric, confidence interval range. The default is zero.
runs	Number of bootstrap replications.
tboot	Type of bootstrap.
BOOT	List with all bootstrap replications of tvirf, if done.

### See Also

[bw](#), [tvVAR](#), [confint](#), [plot](#), [print](#) and [summary](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:
##Inflation rate, unemployment rate and treasury bill
##interest rate for the US as in Primiceri (2005).
data(usmacro, package = "bvarsv")
model.tvVAR <- tvVAR(usmacro, p = 4, type = "const")

##Estimate a the tvIRF with time-varying covariance function
model.tvIRF <- tvIRF(model.tvVAR)

##Cumulative impulse response function
model.tvIRF2 <- tvIRF(model.tvVAR, cumulative = TRUE)

## End(Not run)
```

tvLM

*Time-Varying Coefficients Linear Models***Description**

tvLM is used to fit a time-varying coefficients linear model

**Usage**

```
tvLM(formula, z = NULL, data, bw = NULL, est = c("lc", "ll"),
      tkernel = c("Epa", "Gaussian"), singular.ok = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

formula	An object of class formula.
z	A vector with the smoothing variable.
data	An optional data frame or matrix.
bw	An optional scalar. It represents the bandwidth in the estimation of trend coefficients. If NULL, it is selected by cross validation.
est	The nonparametric estimation method, one of "lc" (default) for linear constant or "ll" for local linear.
tkernel	The type of kernel used in the coefficients estimation method, one of Epanchnikov ("Epa") or "Gaussian".
singular.ok	Logical. If FALSE, a singular model is an error.

**Details**

Models for tvLM are specified symbolically using the same formula format than function lm. A typical model has the form *response ~ terms* where response is the (numeric) response vector and terms is a series of terms which specifies a linear predictor for response. A terms specification of the form first + second indicates all the terms in first together with all the terms in second with duplicates removed. A specification of the form first:second indicates the set of terms obtained by taking the interactions of all terms in first with all terms in second. The specification first\*second indicates the cross of first and second. This is the same as first + second + first:second.

A formula has an implied intercept term. To remove this use either  $y \sim x - 1$  or  $y \sim 0 + x$ .

**Value**

An object of class tvlm The object of class tvlm have the following components:

tvcoef	A matrix of dimensions
fitted	The fitted values.
residuals	Estimation residuals.
x	A matrix with the regressors data.

y	A vector with the dependent variable data.
z	A vector with the smoothing variable.
bw	Bandwidth of mean estimation.
est	Nonparametric estimation methodology.
tkernel	Kernel used in estimation.
level	Confidence interval range.
runs	Number of bootstrap replications.
tboot	Type of bootstrap.
BOOT	List with all bootstrap replications of tvcoef, if done.
call	Matched call.

## References

Bollerslev, T., Patton, A. J. and Quaedvlieg, R. (2016) Exploiting the errors: A simple approach for improved volatility forecasting. *Journal of Econometrics*, 192, 1-18.

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## See Also

[bw](#), [tvAR](#), [confint](#), [plot](#), [print](#) and [summary](#)

## Examples

```
## Simulate a linear process with time-varying coefficient
## as functions of scaled time.

tau <- seq(0, 1, length.out = 200)
beta <- data.frame(beta1 = sin(2 * pi * tau), beta2 = 2 * tau)
X1 <- rnorm(200)
X2 <- rchisq(200, df = 4)
error <- rt(200, df = 10)
y <- apply(cbind(X1, X2) * beta, 1, sum) + error
data <- data.frame(y = y, X1 = X1, X2 = X2)

## Estimate coefficients with lm and tvLM for comparison

coef.lm <- stats::lm(y ~ 0 + X1 + X2, data = data)$coef
model.tvlm <- tvLM(y ~ 0 + X1 + X2, data = data, bw = 0.2)

## Estimate coefficients of different realized variance models
data("RV")
##Bollerslev et al. (2016) SHARQ model
SHARQ <- lm (RVt ~ RVt_1_pos + RVt_1_neg + I(RVt_1_pos * RQt_1_sqrt) +
I(RVt_1_neg * RQt_1_sqrt) + RVt_1_5 + RVt_1_22, data = tail(RV, 2000))

#Casas et al. (2018) tvSHARQ model
tvSHARQ <- tvLM (RVt ~ RVt_1_pos + RVt_1_neg + RVt_1_5 + RVt_1_22,
```

```

z = tail(RV$RQt_1_sqrt, 2000), data = tail(RV, 2000), bw = 0.002)

boxplot(data.frame(tvSHARQ = tvSHARQ$tvcoef[,2],
SHARQ = SHARQ$coef[2]+ SHARQ$coef[4] * tail(RV$RQt_1_sqrt, 2000)),
main = expression (RV[t-1]^{"+"}), outline = FALSE)
boxplot(data.frame(tvSHARQ = tvSHARQ$tvcoef[,3],
SHARQ = SHARQ$coef[3]+ SHARQ$coef[5] * tail(RV$RQt_1_sqrt, 2000)),
main = expression (RV[t-1]^{"-"}), outline = FALSE)

```

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tvOLS

*Time-Varying Ordinary Least Squares*


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### Description

tvOLS is used to fit univariate linear models with time-varying coefficients.

### Usage

```

tvOLS(x, y, z = NULL, bw, est = c("lc", "ll"), tkernel = c("Epa",
"Gaussian"), singular.ok = singular.ok)

```

### Arguments

x	A matrix with all regressors.
y	A vector with dependent variable.
z	A vector with the variable over which coefficients are smooth over.
bw	A numeric vector.
est	The nonparametric estimation method, one of "lc" (default) for linear constant or "ll" for local linear.
tkernel	The type of kernel used in the coefficients estimation method, one of Epanesnikov ("Epa") or "Gaussian".
singular.ok	Logical. If FALSE, a singular model is an error.

### Value

A list with the estimates, fitted and residuals values.

### See Also

[bw](#) for bandwidth selection and [tvLM](#)



**Examples**

```

tau <- seq(1:500)/500
beta <- data.frame(beta1 = sin(2*pi*tau), beta2= 2*tau)
X <- data.frame(X1 = rnorm(500), X2 = rchisq(500, df = 4))
error <- rt(500, df = 10)
y <- apply(X*beta, 1, sum) + error
coef.lm <- stats::lm(y~0+X1+X2, data = X)$coef
coef.tvlm <- tvOLS(x = X, y = y, bw = 0.1)$tvcoef
plot(tau,beta[, 1], type="l", main="", ylab = expression(beta[1]), xlab = expression(tau),
ylim = range(beta[,1], coef.tvlm[, 1]))
abline(h = coef.lm[1], col = 2)
lines(tau, coef.tvlm[, 1], col = 4)
legend("topright", c(expression(beta[1]), "lm", "tvlm"), col = c(1, 2, 4), bty="n", lty = 1)

```

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tvPhi

*Time-Varying Coefficient Arrays of the MA Representation*


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**Description**

Returns the estimated time-varying coefficient arrays of the moving average representation of a stable tvvar object obtained with function tvVAR.

**Usage**

```

tvPhi(x, nstep = 10, ...)

## S3 method for class 'tvvar'
tvPhi(x, nstep = 10, ...)

```

**Arguments**

x	An object of class tvvar.
nstep	An integer specifying the number of moving error coefficient matrices to be calculated.
...	Other parameters passed to specific methods.

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tvPsi

*Time-Varying Coefficient Arrays of the Orthogonalised MA Representation*


---

**Description**

Returns the estimated orthogonalised time-varying coefficient arrays of the moving average representation of a stable tvvar object obtained with function tvVAR.

**Usage**

```
tvPsi(x, nstep = 10, ...)

## S3 method for class 'tvvar'
tvPsi(x, nstep = 10, ortho.cov = "const", bw.cov = NULL,
      ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	An object of class <code>tvvar</code> , generated by <code>tvVAR()</code> .
nstep	An integer specifying the number of orthogonalised moving error coefficient matrices to be calculated for each time <code>t</code> .
...	Other parameters passed to specific methods.
ortho.cov	A character either <code>'const'</code> if the error cov matrix must be estimated by a constant or <code>'tv'</code> if it is estimated as a time-varying matrix. Default is <code>'const'</code> .
bw.cov	A scalar (optional) with the bandwidth to estimate the errors variance-covariance matrix.

**Value**

A list with an array of dimensions (obs x neq x neq nstep + 1) holding the estimated time varying coefficients of the moving average representation, and the bandwidth used to estimate the covariance matrix (optional).

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 tvSURE

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*Time-Varying Seemingly Unrelated Regression Equations Model*


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**Description**

Fits a set of balanced linear structural equations using Time-varying Ordinary Least Squares (tvOLS), Time-varying Seemingly Unrelated Regression (tvGLS), when the error variance-covariance matrix is known, or Time-varying Feasible Seemingly Unrelated Regression (tvFGLS), when the error variance-covariance matrix is unknown.

**Usage**

```
tvSURE(formula, z = NULL, bw = NULL, data, method = c("tvOLS", "tvFGLS",
  "tvGLS"), Sigma = NULL, est = c("lc", "ll"), tkernel = c("Epa",
  "Gaussian"), bw.cov = NULL, singular.ok = TRUE, R = NULL, r = NULL,
  control = tvsure.control(...), ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>formula</code>	A list of formulas, one for each equation.
<code>z</code>	A vector containing the smoothing variable.
<code>bw</code>	An optional scalar or vector of length the number of equations. It represents the bandwidth in the estimation of trend coefficients. If NULL, it is selected by cross validation.
<code>data</code>	A matrix or data frame containing variables in the formula.
<code>method</code>	A character, a matrix of dimensions $neq \times neq$ or an array of dimensions $obs \times neq \times neq$ , where $obs$ is the number of observations and $neq$ is the number of equations. If <code>method = identity</code> or <code>tvOLS</code> (default) then the method used is a time-varying OLS. If <code>method</code> is a matrix (constant over time) or an array, then the <code>tvGLS</code> is called. If <code>method = tvFGLS</code> , then the covariance matrix is estimated nonparametrically and the estimation of the system is done as a whole.
<code>Sigma</code>	A matrix of dimensions $neq \times neq$ or an array of dimensions $neq \times neq \times obs$ ( $neq$ = number of equations, $obs$ = number of observations). It represents the covariance matrix of the error term. Only necessary for method <code>tvGLS</code> .
<code>est</code>	The nonparametric estimation method, one of "lc" (default) for linear constant or "ll" for local linear.
<code>tkernel</code>	The type of kernel used in the coefficients estimation method, one of Epanchnikov ("Epa") or "Gaussian".
<code>bw.cov</code>	An optional scalar. It represents the bandwidth in the "lc" nonparametric estimation of the time-varying covariance matrix. If NULL, it is selected by cross validation.
<code>singular.ok</code>	Logical. If FALSE, a singular model is an error.
<code>R</code>	An optional $nrest \times nvar \times neq$ ( $nrest$ = number of restrictions, $nvar$ = number of variables in each equation, $neq$ = number of equations).
<code>r</code>	An optional vector of length the number of restrictions. By default it contains zeros.
<code>control</code>	list of control parameters. The default is constructed by the function <code>tvsure.control</code> . See the documentation of <code>tvsure.control</code> for details.
<code>...</code>	Other parameters passed to specific methods.

**Details**

This function wraps up the kernel smoothing "tvOLS" and "tvGLS" estimators. The former is used when equations are considered independent while the later assumes that the error term is correlated amongst equations. This relation is given in matrix "Sigma" which is used in the estimation. When "Sigma" is known, the estimates are calculated via the "tvGLS", and via the "tvFGLS" when "Sigma" is unknown and must be estimated.

Bandwidth selection is of great importance in kernel smoothing methodologies and it is done automatically by cross-validation. One important aspect in the current packages is that the bandwidth is selected independently for each equation and then the average is taken to use the same bandwidth for each equation. It has been shown in Casas et al. (2017) that using different bandwidths for each

equation is in general a bad practice, even for uncorrelated equations. Even though, the user may be able to use different bandwidths calling functions `bw` and `tvGLS` separately.

A system consists of "neq" number of equations with "obs" number of observations each and a number of variables not necessarily equal for all equations. The matrix notation is:

$$Y_t = X_t\beta_t + u_t$$

where  $Y_t = (y_{1t}, y_{2t}, \dots, y_{neqt})'$ ,  $X_t = \text{diag}(x_{1t}, x_{2t}, \dots, x_{neqt})$  and  $\beta_t = (\beta'_{1t}, \dots, \beta'_{neqt})'$  is a vector of order the total number of variables in the system. The error vector  $u_t = (u_{1t}, u_{2t}, \dots, u_{neqt})'$  has zero mean and covariance matrix  $E(u_t u_t') = \Sigma_t$ .

### Value

tvSURE returns a list of the class `tvsure` containing the results of the whole system, results of the estimation and confidence intervals if chosen. The object of class `tvsure` have the following components:

<code>tvcoef</code>	An array of dimension <code>obs x nvar x neq</code> ( <code>obs</code> = number of observations, <code>nvar</code> = number of variables in each equation, <code>neq</code> = number of equations in the system) with the time-varying coefficients estimates.
<code>Lower</code>	If <code>level</code> non equal zero, an array of dimension <code>obs x nvar x neq</code> containing the confidence interval lower band.
<code>Upper</code>	If <code>level</code> non equal zero, an array of dimension <code>obs x nvar x neq</code> containing the confidence interval upper band.
<code>Sigma</code>	An array of dimension <code>obs x neq x neq</code> with the estimates of the errors covariance matrix.
<code>fitted</code>	The fitted values.
<code>residuals</code>	Estimation residuals.
<code>x</code>	A list with the regressors data.
<code>y</code>	A matrix with the dependent variable data.
<code>z</code>	A vector with the smoothing variable.
<code>bw</code>	Bandwidth of mean estimation.
<code>obs</code>	Integer specifying the number of observations in each equation (balanced sample).
<code>neq</code>	Integer specifying the number of equations.
<code>nvar</code>	Vector of integers specifying the number of variables in each equation.
<code>method</code>	Estimation method.
<code>est</code>	Nonparametric estimation methodology.
<code>tkernel</code>	Kernel type.
<code>bw.cov</code>	Bandwidht of Sigma estimation.
<code>level</code>	Confidence interval range.
<code>runs</code>	Number of bootstrap replications.
<code>tboot</code>	Type of bootstrap.

BOOT	List with all bootstrap replications of tvcoef, if done.
R	Restrictions matrix.
r	Restrictions vector.
formula	Initial formula.
call	Matched call.

## References

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## See Also

[bw](#), [tvCov](#), [tvVAR](#), [confint](#), [plot](#), [print](#) and [summary](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:
data("Kmenta", package = "systemfit")
eqDemand <- consump ~ price + income
eqSupply <- consump ~ price + farmPrice + trend
system <- list(demand = eqDemand, supply = eqSupply)

##OLS estimation of a system
ols.fit <- systemfit::systemfit(system, method = "OLS", data = Kmenta)
##tvOLS estimation of a system with the local linear estimator
tvols.fit <- tvSURE(system, data = Kmenta, est = "ll")

##SUR estimation
fgls1.fit <- systemfit::systemfit(system, data = Kmenta, method = "SUR")
##tvSURE estimation
tvfgls1.fit <- tvSURE(system, data = Kmenta, method = "tvFGLS")

## End(Not run)
```

tvVAR

*Time-varying Vector Autoregressive Models***Description**

Fits a time-varying coefficients vector autorregressive model with p lags.

**Usage**

```
tvVAR(y, p = 1, z = NULL, bw = NULL, type = c("const", "none"),
      exogen = NULL, est = c("lc", "ll"), tkernel = c("Epa", "Gaussian"),
      singular.ok = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

y	A matrix with dimation obs x neq (obs = number of observations and neq = number of equations)
p	A scalar indicating the number of lags in the model
z	A vector containing the smoothing variable.
bw	An opcional scalar or vector of length the number of equations. It represents the bandwidth in the estimation of trend coefficients. If NULL, it is selected by cross validation.
type	A character 'const' if the model contains an intercept and 'none' otherwise.
exogen	A matrix or data.frame with the exogenous variables (optional)
est	The nonparametric estimation method, one of "lc" (default) for linear constant or "ll" for local linear.
tkernel	The type of kernel used in the coefficients estimation method, one of Epanesnikov ("Epa") or "Gaussian".
singular.ok	Logical. If FALSE, a singular model is an error.

**Value**

An object of class 'tvvar' The object of class tvvar have the following components:

tvcoef	An array of dimension obs x neq (obs = number of observations, neq = number of equations in the system) with the time-varying coefficients estimates.
fitted	The fitted values.
residuals	Estimation residuals.
x	A list with the regressors data and the dependent variable.
y	A matrix with the dependent variable data.
bw	Bandwidth of mean estimation.
type	Whether the model has a constant or not.
exogen	A matrix or data.frame with other exogenous variables.

p	Number of lags
neq	Number of equations
obs	Number of observations in estimation.
totobs	Number of observations in the original set.
call	Matched call.

## References

Casas, I., Ferreira, E., and Orbe, S. (2017) Time-Varying Coefficient Estimation in SURE Models: Application to Portfolio Management. Available at SSRN: <https://ssrn.com/abstract=3043137>

Primiceri, G.E. (2005) Time varying structural vector autoregressions and monetary policy. *Review of Economic Studies*, 72, 821-852.

## See Also

[bw](#), [tvIRF](#), [plot](#), [print](#) and [summary](#)

## Examples

```
##Inflation rate, unemployment rate and treasury bill interest rate for
##the US, as used in Primiceri (2005).
data(usmacro, package = "bvarsv")
model.VAR <- vars::VAR(usmacro, p = 6, type = "const")
model.tvVAR <- tvVAR(usmacro, p = 6, type = "const", bw = c(1.8, 20, 20))
plot(model.tvVAR)
```

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update.tvsure                      *Update and Re-fit the Models of package tvReg*

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## Description

Update and Re-fit the Models of package tvReg

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'tvsure'
update(object, y = NULL, ...)

## S3 method for class 'tvlm'
update(object, y = NULL, ...)

## S3 method for class 'tvar'
update(object, y = NULL, ...)

## S3 method for class 'tvvar'
update(object, y = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	An object used to select a method.
y	The dependent variable to update the model.
...	Other parameters passed to specific methods.

**Value**

An object of class `tvsure`.

An object of class `tv1m`.

An object of class `tvar`.

An object of class `tvvar`.



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