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`bgwqs.fit`*Bayesian Grouped WQS Regression*

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**Description**

This function fits a Bayesian grouped weighted quantile sum (BGWQS) regression model.

**Usage**

```
bgwqs.fit(  
  y,  
  x,  
  z,  
  x.s,  
  n.quantiles = 4,  
  working.dir,  
  n.chains = 1,  
  n.iter = 10000,  
  n.burnin = 5000,  
  n.thin = 1,  
  n.adapt = 500,  
  DIC = FALSE  
)
```

**Arguments**

|                          |  |
|--------------------------|--|
| <code>y</code>           | A vector containing outcomes.  |
| <code>x</code>           | A matrix of component data.  |
| <code>z</code>           | A vector or matrix of controlling covariates.                        |
| <code>x.s</code>         | A vector of the number of components in each index.                  |
| <code>n.quantiles</code> | The number of quantiles to apply to the component data.              |
| <code>working.dir</code> | A file path to the directory.  |
| <code>n.chains</code>    | The number of Markov chains; must be a positive integer.             |
| <code>n.iter</code>      | The number of total iterations per chain, including burn in.         |
| <code>n.burnin</code>    | The number of iterations to discard at the beginning.                |
| <code>n.thin</code>      | The thinning rate; must be a positive integer.                       |
| <code>n.adapt</code>     | The number of adaption iterations.                                   |
| <code>DIC</code>         | Logical; whether or not the user desires the function to return DIC. |

**Value**

A list which includes BUGS output, sample chains post-burnin, and convergence test results.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
data("simdata")
group_list <- list(c("pcb_118", "pcb_138", "pcb_153", "pcb_180", "pcb_192"),
                  c("as", "cu", "pb", "sn"),
                  c("carbaryl", "propoxur", "methoxychlor", "diazinon", "chlorpyrifos"))
x.s <- make.x.s(simdata, 3, group_list)
X <- make.X(simdata, 3, group_list)
Y <- simdata$Y
work_dir <- tempdir()
results <- bgwqs.fit(y = Y, x = X, x.s = x.s, n.quantiles=4,
                    working.dir = work_dir,
                    n.chains = 1, n.iter = 10000, n.burnin = 5000, n.thin = 1, n.adapt = 500)

## End(Not run)
```

make.X

*Forms matrix of components***Description**

This function returns a matrix of component variables, X. The user can specify the desired chemicals and order by creating a list of string vectors, each vector containing the variable names of all desired elements of that group.

**Usage**

```
make.X(df, num.groups, groups)
```

**Arguments**

|            |   |
|------------|---|
| df         | A dataframe containing named component variables  |
| num.groups | An integer representing the number of component groups desired                                |
| groups     | A list, each item in the list being a string vector of variable names for one component group |

**Value**

A matrix of component variables

**Examples**

```
data("simdata")
group_list <- list(c("pcb_118", "pcb_138", "pcb_153", "pcb_180", "pcb_192"),
                  c("as", "cu", "pb", "sn"),
                  c("carbaryl", "propoxur", "methoxychlor", "diazinon", "chlorpyrifos"))
X <- make.X(simdata, 3, group_list)
X
```

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| make.x.s | <i>Forms component group ID vector of X</i> |
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**Description**

This function returns a vector which lets WQS.fit know the size and order of groups in X

**Usage**

```
make.x.s(df, num.groups, groups)
```

**Arguments**

|            |   |
|------------|---|
| df         | A dataframe containing named component variables  |
| num.groups | An integer representing the number of component groups desired                                |
| groups     | A list, each item in the list being a string vector of variable names for one component group |

**Value**

A vector of integers, each integer relating how many columns are in each group

**Examples**

```
data("simdata")
group_list <- list(c("pcb_118", "pcb_138", "pcb_153", "pcb_180", "pcb_192"),
                  c("as", "cu", "pb", "sn"),
                  c("carbaryl", "propoxur", "methoxychlor", "diazinon", "chlorpyrifos"))
x.s <- make.x.s(simdata, 3, group_list)
x.s
```

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| simdata | <i>Simulated data of chemical concentrations and one binary outcome variable</i> |
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**Description**

Data were simulated to have 0.7 in-group correlation and 0.3 between-group correlation. There are three groups, with the third being significantly correlated to the outcome variable.

**Usage**

```
simdata
```

**Format**

A data frame with 1000 rows and 15 variables:

**pcb\_118** a numeric vector; part of group 1  
**pcb\_138** a numeric vector; part of group 1  
**pcb\_153** a numeric vector; part of group 1  
**pcb\_180** a numeric vector; part of group 1  
**pcb\_192** a numeric vector; part of group 1  
**as** a numeric vector; part of group 2  
**cu** a numeric vector; part of group 2  
**pb** a numeric vector; part of group 2  
**sn** a numeric vector; part of group 2  
**carbaryl** a numeric vector; part of group 3  
**propoxur** a numeric vector; part of group 3  
**methoxychlor** a numeric vector; part of group 3  
**diazinon** a numeric vector; part of group 3  
**chlorpyrifos** a numeric vector; part of group 3  
**Y** a numeric vector; the outcome variable

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weight.plot

*Generates Plots of weights by group*


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**Description**

This function takes the object created by the bgwqs.fit function and a vector of group names and generates a random forest variable importance plot for each group. The weights in each group are listed in descending order.

**Usage**

```
weight.plot(fit.object, group.names, group.list, x.s)
```

**Arguments**

|                          |   |
|--------------------------|---|
| <code>fit.object</code>  | The object that is returned by the bgwqs.fit function   |
| <code>group.names</code> | A string vector containing the name of each group included in the BGWQS regression. Will be used for plot titles. |
| <code>group.list</code>  | A list, each item in the list being a string vector of variable names for one component group.                    |
| <code>x.s</code>         | A vector of the number of components in each index.   |

**Value**

A plot for each group of the BGWQS regression

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