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Description

`bayes: dsgenl` fits a Bayesian nonlinear dynamic stochastic general equilibrium (DSGE) model to continuous multivariate time series; see [BAYES] **bayes** and [DSGE] **dsgenl** for details.

Quick start

Nonlinear DSGE model in which observed variable *y* depends on unobserved state *z*

```
bayes, prior({rho}, uniform(0,1)) prior({alpha}, beta(5,5)): ///
    dsgenl (y = z^{alpha}) (ln(F.z) = {rho}*ln(z)),    ///
    exostate(z) observed(y)
```

Save simulation results to `bdsgenlsim.dta`, and use a random-number seed for reproducibility

```
bayes, prior({rho}, uniform(0,1)) prior({alpha}, beta(5,5)): ///
    rseed(17) saving(bdsgenlsim):                                ///
    dsgenl (y = z^{alpha}) (ln(F.z) = {rho}*ln(z)),    ///
    exostate(z) observed(y)
```

Specify 20,000 Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) samples, and set length of burn-in period to 5,000

```
bayes, prior({rho}, uniform(0,1)) prior({alpha}, beta(5,5)): ///
    mcmcsize(20000) burnin(5000):                           ///
    dsgenl (y = z^{alpha}) (ln(F.z) = {rho}*ln(z)),    ///
    exostate(z) observed(y)
```

Estimate parameters of a four-equation production model. Priors for *{alpha}*, *{beta}*, and *{rho}* are given by beta distributions with means 0.3, 0.9, and 0.5, respectively

```
bayes, prior({alpha}, beta(3,7))                                ///
    prior({beta}, beta(9,1))                                ///
    prior({rho}, beta(7,7)):                                ///
    dsgenl (1/c = {alpha}*{beta}*(1/F.c)*(F.y/F.k))   ///
    (y = z*k^{alpha}) (F.k = y - c)                      ///
    (ln(F.z) = {rho}*ln(z)),                            ///
    exostate(z) endostate(k) observed(y) unobserved(c)
```

In the above, request that a 90% highest posterior density (HPD) credible interval be displayed instead of the default 95% equal-tailed credible interval.

```
bayes, clevel(90) hpd
```

Also see [Quick start](#) in [BAYES] **bayes**.

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Syntax

`bayes, prior(userparams, ...) [bayesopts] : dsgenl (eqn_list) [if] [in] [, options]`

| <i>options</i> | Description |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Model | |
| * <code>observed(string)</code> | list observed control variables |
| <code>unobserved(string)</code> | list unobserved control variables |
| * <code>exostate(string)</code> | list exogenous state variables |
| <code>endostate(string)</code> | list endogenous state variables |
| <code>linearapprox</code> | take a linear, rather than log-linear, approximation |
| <code>level(#)</code> | set credible level; default is <code>level(95)</code> |
| <code>noidencheck</code> | do not check for parameter identification; implied |
| <code>solve</code> | return model solution at initial values; implied |

*`observed()` and `exostate()` are required.

`bayes: dsgenl, level()` is equivalent to `bayes, clevel(): dsgenl`.

For a detailed description of *options*, see [Options](#) in [\[DSGE\] dsgenl](#).

Options `level()`, `noidencheck`, and `stable` do not appear on the dialog box.

| <i>bayesopts</i> | Description |
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| Priors | |
| * <code>igammaprior(# #)</code> | specify shape and scale of default inverse-gamma prior for standard deviations of shocks; default is <code>igammaprior(0.01 0.01)</code> |
| <code>prior(<i>priorspec</i>)</code> | prior for model parameters; this option may be repeated and is required for all user-defined parameters <i>userparams</i> |
| <code>dryrun</code> | show model summary without estimation |
| Simulation | |
| <code>nchains(#)</code> | number of chains; default is to simulate one chain |
| <code>mcmcsize(#)</code> | MCMC sample size; default is <code>mcmcsize(10000)</code> |
| <code>burnin(#)</code> | burn-in period; default is <code>burnin(2500)</code> |
| <code>thinning(#)</code> | thinning interval; default is <code>thinning(1)</code> |
| <code>rseed(#)</code> | random-number seed |
| <code>exclude(<i>paramref</i>)</code> | specify model parameters to be excluded from the simulation results |
| Blocking | |
| <code>block(<i>paramref</i> [, <i>blockopts</i>])</code> | specify a block of model parameters; this option may be repeated |
| <code>blocksummary</code> | display block summary |
| Initialization | |
| <code>initial(<i>initspec</i>)</code> | specify initial values for model parameters with a single chain |
| <code>init#(<i>initspec</i>)</code> | specify initial values for #th chain; requires <code>nchains()</code> |
| <code>initall(<i>initspec</i>)</code> | specify initial values for all chains; requires <code>nchains()</code> |
| <code>nomleinitial</code> | suppress the use of maximum likelihood estimates as starting values |
| <code>initrandom</code> | specify random initial values |
| <code>initsummary</code> | display initial values used for simulation |
| * <code>noisily</code> | display output from the estimation command during initialization |

Reporting

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| <code>clevel(#)</code> | set credible interval level; default is <code>clevel(95)</code> |
| <code>hpd</code> | display HPD credible intervals instead of the default equal-tailed credible intervals |
| <code>batch(#)</code> | specify length of block for batch-means calculations; default is <code>batch(0)</code> |
| <code>saving(filename[, replace])</code> | save simulation results to <code>filename.dta</code> |
| <code>nomodelsummary</code> | suppress model summary |
| <code>chainsdetail</code> | display detailed simulation summary for each chain |
| <code>[no]dots</code> | suppress dots or display dots every 100 iterations and iteration numbers every 1,000 iterations; default is <code>nodots</code> |
| <code>dots(#[, every(#)])</code> | display dots as simulation is performed |
| <code>[no]show(paramref)</code> | specify model parameters to be excluded from or included in the output |
| <code>notable</code> | suppress estimation table |
| <code>noheader</code> | suppress output header |
| <code>title(string)</code> | display <code>string</code> as title above the table of parameter estimates |
| <code>display_options</code> | control spacing, line width, and base and empty cells |

Advanced

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| <code>search(search_options)</code> | control the search for feasible initial values |
| <code>corrlag(#)</code> | specify maximum autocorrelation lag; default varies |
| <code>corrtole(#)</code> | specify autocorrelation tolerance; default is <code>corrtole(0.01)</code> |

* Starred options are specific to the `bayes` prefix; other options are common between `bayes` and `bayesmh`.

`priorspec` and `paramref` are defined in [BAYES] `bayesmh`.

`paramref` may contain factor variables; see [U] 11.4.3 Factor variables.

`collect` is allowed; see [U] 11.1.10 Prefix commands.

See [U] 20 Estimation and postestimation commands for more capabilities of estimation commands.

Model parameters are user-defined parameters `userparams` and standard deviations of shocks `{sd(e.exogstate)}`. Use the `dryrun` option to see the definitions of model parameters prior to estimation.

For a detailed description of `bayesopts`, see Options in [BAYES] `bayes`.

`nomleinitial` is assumed. Default parameter values are set to means of priors.

Remarks and examples

For a general introduction to Bayesian analysis, see [BAYES] `Intro`. For a general introduction to Bayesian estimation using an adaptive Metropolis–Hastings algorithm, see [BAYES] `bayesmh`. For remarks and examples specific to the `bayes` prefix, see [BAYES] `bayes`. For details about the estimation command, see [DSGE] `dsgenl`.

For a simple example of the `bayes` prefix, see Introductory example in [BAYES] `bayes`. For an introduction to and examples of Bayesian DSGEs, see [DSGE] `Intro 9` and [DSGE] `Intro 9b`.

Stored results

See `Stored results` in [BAYES] `bayes`. Also see `Stored results` in [DSGE] `dsgenl`.

Methods and formulas

See *Methods and formulas* in [DSGE] **dsge** and [DSGE] **Intro 9**. See *Methods and formulas* in [BAYES] **bayesmh**.

Also see

[BAYES] **bayes: dsge postestimation** — Postestimation tools for bayes: dsge and bayes: dsgenl

[BAYES] **bayes** — Bayesian regression models using the bayes prefix

[DSGE] **dsgenl** — Nonlinear dynamic stochastic general equilibrium models

[BAYES] **Bayesian postestimation** — Postestimation tools after Bayesian estimation

[BAYES] **Bayesian estimation** — Bayesian estimation commands

[BAYES] **Bayesian commands** — Introduction to commands for Bayesian analysis

[BAYES] **Intro** — Introduction to Bayesian analysis

[BAYES] **Glossary**

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