

# Bayesian Sensitivity Analysis for Set-identified Structural Models

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# Motivation

- **Set-identified structural models are ubiquitous.**
  - \* E.g., DSGE models are widely used:
    - \*\* U.S. Fed, Bank of Canada, Sveriges Riksbank, IMF etc.
    - \*\* They are also super relevant for policy-making.
- **Analysis of these models is challenging because of ‘identification’:**
  - \* DSGE models are micro-founded, rich with parameters.
  - \* Multiple parameter combinations may yield same data generating process.
  - \* Standard Bayesian methods can be sensitive to prior choices.

## Motivation - Estimation

A monetary policy model (Cochrane 2011, JPE). In its AR(1) form

$$\pi_t = \rho\pi_{t-1} + \frac{1}{\phi_\pi - \rho}\epsilon_t, \quad \phi_\pi > 1, |\rho| < 1, \epsilon_t \sim N(0, \sigma_\epsilon^2)$$

parameter vector  $(\phi_\pi, \sigma_\epsilon, \rho)$ , Taylor rule parameter  $\phi_\pi$ , monetary policy disturbance coefficient  $\rho$ , its standard error  $\sigma_\epsilon$ . Inflation rate  $\pi_t$  is observed.

## Motivation - Estimation

Table: Prior and Posterior Distribution of Structural Parameters

	True value	Prior distribution			Posterior distribution			
		Distr.	Mean	St. Dev.	Mode	Mean	5 percent	95 percent
$\sigma_\epsilon$	1	Uniform	4	2.02	5.82	4.43	1.94	2.02
$\phi_\pi$	1.8	Uniform	4	1.73	6.49	4.91	2.78	7.00
$\rho$	0.8	Uniform	0.75	0.09	0.82	0.81	0.74	0.87

# Likelihood

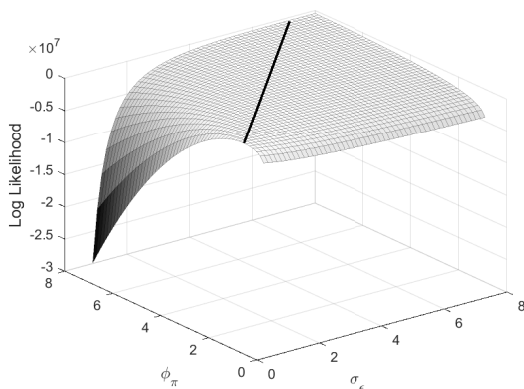
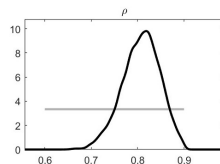
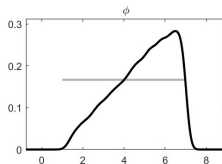
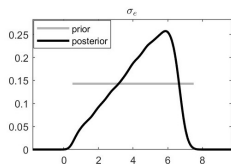


Figure: Likelihood function while fix  $\rho = 0.8$ ,  $T = 1,000,000$

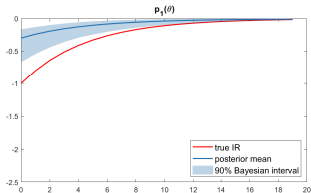
- Maxima along the  $\sigma_\epsilon = \phi_\pi - 0.8$  line

## Prior Sensitivity

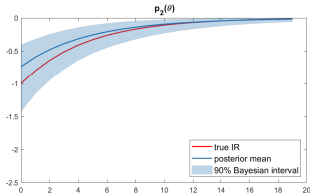


- The posterior of  $\sigma_\epsilon$  and  $\phi_\pi$  are extremely informative even if only  $\frac{\sigma_\epsilon}{\phi_\pi - 0.8}$  is identified.
- Why? Joint likelihood density more concentrated on areas with higher values of  $\phi_\pi$  and  $\sigma_\epsilon$ .

## Motivation - Estimation



(a) Impulse responses using prior setup 1



(b) Impulse responses using prior setup 2

- 1-unit monetary policy disturbance shock on inflation.
- Impulse response with two different priors (that has the same distribution over  $(\rho, \frac{\sigma_{\epsilon}}{\phi - \rho})$ ).

## Motivation - Policy Analysis

Suppose a central bank using the following small-sized model

$$y_t = \mathbb{E}_t [y_{t+1}] - \frac{1}{\sigma} (i_t - \mathbb{E}_t [\pi_{t+1}]) + g_t - \mathbb{E}_t [g_{t+1}]$$

$$\pi_t = \beta \mathbb{E}_t [\pi_{t+1}] + \kappa (y_t - g_t) + u_t$$

$$i_t = \rho_R i_{t-1} + (1 - \rho_R) \psi_\pi \pi_t + (1 - \rho_R) \psi_y (y_t - g_t) + \varepsilon_{R,t}$$

$$u_t = \rho_u u_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{u,t}, \quad g_t = \rho_g g_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{g,t}.$$

is trying to use the estimated parameter (history)

$(\sigma, \beta, \kappa, \psi_\pi, \psi_y, \rho_R, \rho_g, \rho_u, \sigma_R, \sigma_g, \sigma_u)$ , to choose a policy rule

$$i_t^* = \psi_\pi \pi_t + \psi_y (y_t - g_t)$$

that minimize welfare loss in the form of  $\pi_t^2 + \alpha_x y_t^2$ .



## Motivation - Policy Analysis

- Now consider two policies  $(\psi_\pi, \psi_y) = (1.5, 0)$ , and  $(1.5, 0.125)$

**Table:** Policy Comparison under Different Distributions and Weights

	$\frac{1}{\alpha_x} = 1$		$\frac{1}{\alpha_x} = 3$		$\frac{1}{\alpha_x} = 10$	
$(\psi_\pi, \psi_y)$	post 1	post 2	post 1	post 2	post 1	post 2
$(1.5, 0)$			✓		✓	✓
$(1.5, 0.125)$	✓	✓		✓		

- Policy choices are sensitive to prior choices as well.

## Research Question

- Set-identification for parameters of interest.
  - \* sensitivity analysis: What's the identified set of parameters? How much can the posterior mean change as I change the prior?
- Given, for example, a DSGE model and observed data,
  - \* policy implications: Is it always possible to support a policy rule robust of priors?

## Literature and Contributions

- **Robust Bayesian analysis:** Berger et al. (1994), Berger, Insua, and Ruggeri (2000), Gustafson (2015), *Giacomini and Kitagawa (2021)*, Ke, Montiel Olea, and Nesbit (2022), Giacomini, Kitagawa, and Read (2022)
- **Identification in DSGE models:** Canova and Sala (2009), Iskrev (2010), Komunjer and Ng (2011), Qu and Tkachenko (2012), Qu and Tkachenko (2017), Kociecki and Kolasa (2018), *Kocięcki and Kolasa (2023)*

## Literature and Contributions

- **Frequentist inference for set-identified models:** Horowitz and Manski (2000), Manski (2003), Imbens and Manski (2004), Chernozhukov, Hong, and Tamer (2007), Stoye (2009), Romano and Shaikh (2010), Kaido, Molinari, and Stoye (2019)
- **Bayesian inference for set-identified models:** Baumeister and Hamilton (2015), Kline and Tamer (2016), Chen, Christensen, and Tamer (2018)
- **My contribution:**
  - A new Bayesian algorithm that can be applied to general structural models for estimation and inference.
  - I work on “global” identification rather than identification at certain point (KK23).
  - Method applied to DSGE models, whereas GK21’s method only applicable to SVAR.

# Estimate a Linearized DSGE model

## Standard procedure

- S 1. Summarize a macro model with equilibrium conditions, measurement equations, etc.
- S 2. Log-linearization the equations around steady state, represent the model by a *linear rational expectation model* (LRM) with deep parameters  $\theta$ .

$$\Gamma_0(\theta) \begin{bmatrix} S_t \\ P_t \end{bmatrix} = \Gamma_1(\theta) \mathbb{E}_t \begin{bmatrix} S_{t+1} \\ P_{t+1} \end{bmatrix} + \Gamma_2(\theta) S_{t-1} + \Gamma_3(\theta) \varepsilon_t$$

$S_t$  state variables,  $P_t$  policy variables.

## Estimate a Linearized DSGE model

### Standard procedure

- S 3. Solve the LREM, combine with measurement equations and attain a *state-space representation*.

$$S_t = A(\theta)S_{t-1} + B(\theta)\varepsilon_t$$

$$Y_t = C(\theta)S_{t-1} + D(\theta)\varepsilon_t$$

- S 4. Use a generic filter to compute the likelihood  $p(y | \theta)$  through the state-space model.
- S 5. Start from a prior distribtuion  $\pi_\theta$ , update by MCMC methods using the likelihood and obtain the posterior distribution of  $\theta$ ,  $\pi_{\theta|y}$ .

## Setup

### Assumption (1)

*Linearized DSGE model with Gaussian shocks.*

- Linear State-space representation

### Assumption (2)

*Solution to the LREM is unique, i.e. no indeterminacy.*

- Coefficient of SS uniquely determined by solution.

### Assumption (3)

*Deep parameters enter LREM in an algebraic expression way.*

- e.g. NKPC in Gali (2015):  $\pi_t = \beta E_t \{ \pi_{t+1} \} + \lambda \left( \sigma + \frac{\varphi + \alpha}{1 - \alpha} \right) \tilde{y}_t$

## Definitions

### Definition (OE)

Parameter  $\bar{\theta}$  is observationally equivalent to  $\theta$  if they yield the same data generating process.

- A property independent of data

### Definition (Identification)

$\theta$  is identified if it has no observationally equivalent parameters.

- Define the equivalence mapping  $K : \Theta \rightarrow 2^\Theta$ , that is,  $p(y | \theta) = p(y | \bar{\theta})$  for all  $y$ , if and only if  $K(\theta) = K(\bar{\theta})$ .



# Algorithm

- S.1 Run standard Bayesian estimation, get posterior draws of  $\theta$  from a given prior  $\pi_\theta$ .
- S.2\* Optimize over the observationally equivalent set of parameters of this draw, find the lower and upper bounds of parameters of interest.
- Finding the OE set of a given parameter involves solving a polynomial system.
- S.3 Average the lower/upper bounds for means and quantiles.

# OE characterization

## Assumptions

Define  $N = APC' + B\Sigma D'$ , where  $P = E(S_t S_t')$ ,

### Assumption (Stability)

For every  $\theta \in \Theta$  and for any  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\det(zI_{n_S} - A) = 0$  implies  $|z| < 1$ .

### Assumption (Stochastic Minimality)

For every  $\theta \in \Theta$ , matrices  $\mathcal{O}$  have full column rank and  $\mathcal{C}$  have full row rank, i.e.  $\text{rank}(\mathcal{O}) = \text{rank}(\mathcal{C}) = n_S$ . Where  $\mathcal{O} \equiv (C' \quad A'C' \quad \dots \quad A'^{n_S-1}C')$ ,  $\mathcal{C} \equiv (N \quad AN \quad \dots \quad A'^{n_S-1}N)$ .

## OE characterization

### Theorem (KK23)

*Let stability and stochastic minimality assumptions hold. Then  $\theta \sim \bar{\theta}$  if and only if*

$$1) \bar{A} = TAT^{-1},$$

$$2) \bar{C} = CT^{-1},$$

$$3) AQA' - Q = T^{-1}\bar{B}\bar{\Sigma}\bar{B}'T'^{-1} - B\Sigma B',$$

$$4) CQC' = \bar{D}\bar{\Sigma}\bar{D}' - D\Sigma D',$$

$$5) AQC' = T^{-1}\bar{B}\bar{\Sigma}\bar{D}' - B\Sigma D',$$

*for some nonsingular  $n_\epsilon \times n_\epsilon$  matrix  $T$  and symmetric  $n_\epsilon \times n_\epsilon$  matrix  $Q$ . In addition, if  $\theta \sim \bar{\theta}$  then both  $T$  and  $Q$  are unique.*

## OE characterization

### Brief

- In order to use KK23, given a parameter  $\bar{\theta}$ , we need to link it to the solutions.
- Attain the solution,  $S_t = \bar{A}(\theta)S_{t-1} + \bar{B}(\theta)\varepsilon_t$  and  $P_t = \bar{F}(\theta)S_{t-1} + \bar{G}(\theta)\varepsilon_t$ , plug in LRM, equate coefficients on both sides in terms of  $S_{t-1}$ , and  $\varepsilon_t$ .

$$\bar{\Gamma}_0^s \bar{A} + \bar{\Gamma}_0^p \bar{F} - \bar{\Gamma}_1^s (\bar{A})^2 - \bar{\Gamma}_1^p \bar{F} \bar{A} = \bar{\Gamma}_2$$

$$\bar{\Gamma}_1^s \bar{A} \bar{B} + \bar{\Gamma}_1^p \bar{F} \bar{B} - \bar{\Gamma}_0^s \bar{B} + \bar{\Gamma}_3 = \bar{\Gamma}_0^p \bar{G}$$

# OE characterization

## Brief

Therefore, we can solve for observationally equivalent  $\bar{\theta}$  following the procedure

- S.1 Given  $\theta$ , solve for state-space coefficients.
- S.2 Characterize  $\bar{\theta}$  by KK23 and the previous equations, unknowns include (not limit to)  $\bar{\theta}$ ,  $\bar{B}$ ,  $\bar{G}$ .
- S.3 Reduce a polynomial system to its reduced Grobner basis.

## Gröbner Basis

A reduced Gröbner basis is a set of *multivariate polynomials* enjoying certain properties that allow simple algorithmic solutions. For example, the equations:

$$x^3 - 2xy, \quad x^2 - 2y^2 + x.$$

has a reduced Gröbner basis

$$x^2, \quad xy, \quad y^2 - \frac{x}{2}.$$

- Any zero of a Gröbner basis is also a zero of the original system.
- Reduced Gröbner bases are unique for any given set of polynomials and any monomial ordering.

## Additional Assumptions

### Assumption (Measurability)

*The equivalence mapping  $K$  is Effros measurable, that is,*  
 $K^-(F) \equiv \{\theta : K(\theta) \cap F \neq \emptyset\} \in \mathcal{A}$  for each  $F \in \mathcal{F}$ .

### Assumption (Continuity)

- (1)  $K$  is a continuous correspondence at  $\theta_0$ .
- (2) Parameters of interest  $\eta : \Theta \rightarrow \eta(\Theta)$  is continuous.

### Assumption (Regularity)

*Let the prior of deep parameters  $\theta$ ,  $\pi_\theta$ , be absolutely continuous with respect to a  $\sigma$ -finite measure on  $(\Theta, \mathcal{A})$ , and  $\pi_\theta(\Theta) = 1$ .*

## Multiple priors

- Define the class of all priors that the marginal distribution for  $K$  coincides with the given  $\pi_K$ , i.e.,

$$\Pi_\theta(\pi_K) = \{\pi_\theta : \pi_\theta(\{\theta : K(\theta) \in B\}) = \pi_K(B), \text{ for } B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{F})\}$$

- \* The class of priors induce the same prior predictive distribution  $p(y) = \int p(y | \theta) d\pi_\theta$ .
- \* The class of priors have the same push-forward measure  $\pi_K$ .



## Robust Distributions

### Theorem (Posterior Mean)

*For a given  $\pi_\theta$ , let measurability and regularity assumptions hold, that is, given a prior  $\pi_\theta$  absolutely continuous with respect to a  $\sigma$ -finite measure, we have a push-forward measure  $\pi_K$  of  $\pi_\theta$  under  $K$  that is also absolutely continuous. Define*

$$\bar{\eta}^*(\theta) = \sup_{\theta' \in K(\theta)} \eta(\theta'), \quad \underline{\eta}^*(\theta) = \inf_{\theta' \in K(\theta)} \eta(\theta')$$

*Then, the set of posterior means is characterized by*

$$\sup_{\pi_{\theta|Y} \in \Pi_{\theta|Y}} \mathbb{E}_{\theta|Y} [\eta(\theta)] = \mathbb{E}_{\theta|Y} [\bar{\eta}^*(\theta)], \quad \inf_{\pi_{\theta|Y} \in \Pi_{\theta|Y}} \mathbb{E}_{\theta|Y} [\eta(\theta)] = \mathbb{E}_{\theta|Y} [\underline{\eta}^*(\theta)]$$

*where  $\Pi_{\theta|Y}$  collects the posteriors of  $\Pi_\theta(\pi_K)$  for a given  $\pi_K$ .*

# Robust Distributions

## Definitions for the proof

In random set theory (Molchanov and Molinari (2018)),

### Definition (Selection)

Let  $X : \Phi \rightrightarrows \mathcal{H}$  be a closed random set defined on the probability space  $(\Phi, \mathcal{B}, \pi_{\phi|Y})$ , and  $\xi(\phi) : \Phi \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  be its measurable selection, i.e.,  $\xi(\phi) \in X(\phi)$ ,  $\pi_{\phi|Y}$ -a.s. Let  $S^1(X)$  be the class of integrable measurable selections,  $S^1(X) = \{\xi : \xi(\phi) \in X(\phi), \pi_{\phi|Y}$ -a.s.,  $E_{\phi|Y}(\|\xi\|) < \infty\}$ .

### Definition (Aumann expectation)

The Aumann expectation of  $X$  is defined as  $E_{\phi|Y}^A(X) \equiv \{E_{\phi|Y}(\xi) : \xi \in S^1(X)\}$

# Robust Distributions

## Proof

- First show that  $\sup_{\pi_{\theta|Y} \in \Pi_{\theta|Y}} \mathbb{E}_{\theta|Y} [\eta(\theta)] = \mathbb{E}_{K|Y} \left[ \sup_{\{\theta \in \Theta: \theta \in K\}} \eta(\theta) \right]$
- Note that

$$\{\mathbb{E}_{\theta|K} [\eta(\theta)] : \pi_{\theta|K}(K(\theta)) = 1\} = \text{co}(\{\eta(\theta), \theta \in K\})$$

- A selection  $\pi_{\theta|K}$  can be viewed as a selection from  $\text{co}(\{\eta(\theta), \theta \in K\})$ .
- The set  $\{E_{\theta|Y}(\eta(\theta)) = E_{K|Y} [E_{\theta|K}(\eta(\theta))] : \pi_{\theta|K} \in \Pi_{\theta|K}\}$  agrees with  $E_{K|Y}^A [\text{co}(\{\eta(\theta), \theta \in K\})]$  by the definition of the Aumann integral.
- Let the selection be  $\sup_{\{\theta \in \Theta: \theta \in K\}} \eta(\theta)$  then its done.

## Robust Distributions

### Proof

- Then, show that  $\mathbb{E}_{K|Y} \left[ \sup_{\{\theta \in \Theta: \theta \in K\}} \eta(\theta) \right] = \mathbb{E}_{\theta|Y} [\bar{\eta}^*(\theta)]$
- Write out the expectation to integration, we have LHS equals

$$\int_{2^\Theta} \sup_{\{\theta \in \Theta: \theta \in K\}} \eta(\theta) d\pi_{K|Y} = \int_{\Theta} \sup_{\{\theta' \in \Theta: \theta' \in K(\theta)\}} \eta(\theta') d\pi_{\theta|Y},$$

where the second equality follows from a change of variable.

- RHS is

$$\mathbb{E}_{\theta|Y} [\bar{\eta}^*(\theta)] = \int_{\Theta} \bar{\eta}^*(\theta) d\pi_{\theta|Y},$$

which equals to LHS because by definition,

$$\bar{\eta}^*(\theta) = \sup_{\theta' \in K(\theta)} \eta(\theta')$$

## Robust Distributions

### Theorem (Consistency)

*Let, in addition continuity assumption hold, assume further that induced prior  $\pi_K$  leads to a consistent posterior, and  $\Theta \subset \mathbb{R}^p$ ,  $H \subset \mathbb{R}^q$  for some  $p, q < \infty$  are compact spaces. Then the Hausdorff distance between the set of posterior means and the convex hull of true identified set goes to zero almost surely as  $T$  increases, i.e.,*

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} d_H \left( E_{\theta|Y^T} \left[ \left( \underline{\eta}^*(\theta), \bar{\eta}^*(\theta) \right) \right], \left( \underline{\eta}^*(\theta_0), \bar{\eta}^*(\theta_0) \right) \right) \rightarrow 0, \quad p(Y^\infty | \theta_0) \text{-a.s.}$$

## Inference

### Assumption (Convergence)

(i) Let  $\hat{\theta}$  denote an element of the set of maximum likelihood estimators,

$$\sqrt{T} \begin{pmatrix} \underline{\eta}^*(\theta) - \underline{\eta}^*(\hat{\theta}) \\ \bar{\eta}^*(\theta) - \bar{\eta}^*(\hat{\theta}) \end{pmatrix} | Y^T \Rightarrow \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma), \text{ as } T \rightarrow \infty, p(Y^\infty | \theta_0) \text{-a.s.} \quad (1)$$

$$\sqrt{T} \begin{pmatrix} \underline{\eta}^*(\hat{\theta}) - \underline{\eta}^*(\theta_0) \\ \bar{\eta}^*(\hat{\theta}) - \bar{\eta}^*(\theta_0) \end{pmatrix} | \theta_0 \Rightarrow \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma), \text{ as } T \rightarrow \infty. \quad (2)$$

(ii) For the robust credible region  $[\underline{q}_{\alpha/2}^*, \bar{q}_{1-\alpha/2}^*]$ ,

$$\hat{c}_T \equiv \sqrt{T} \begin{pmatrix} \underline{q}_{\alpha/2}^* - \underline{\eta}^*(\hat{\theta}) \\ \bar{q}_{1-\alpha/2}^* - \bar{\eta}^*(\hat{\theta}) \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{p} c \quad (3)$$

for some constant  $c$  as  $T \rightarrow \infty$ .

# Inference

## Theorem (Coverage)

*Under some regularity assumptions and Assumption Convergence,*

$$\liminf_{T \rightarrow \infty} P_{Y^T | \theta_0} \left( \eta(K(\theta_0)) \subset \left[ \underline{q}_{-\alpha/2}^*, \bar{q}_{1-\alpha/2}^* \right] \right) \geq 1 - \alpha. \quad (4)$$

## Example 1: Cochrane Model

Consider the full model

$$x_t = \rho x_{t-1} + \epsilon_t, \quad |\rho| < 1, \epsilon_t \sim N(0, \sigma_\epsilon)$$

$$\dot{i}_t = r + E_t \pi_{t+1}$$

$$i_t = r + \psi \pi_t + x_t, \quad \psi > 1$$

Structural parameters are  $\theta = (\rho, \psi, \sigma_\epsilon)$ . The solution is equivalent to a AR(1) setting

$$\pi_t = \rho \pi_{t-1} + \frac{1}{\psi - \rho} \epsilon_t, \quad \epsilon_t \sim N(0, \sigma_\epsilon^2)$$

with  $\phi = (\rho, \frac{\sigma_\epsilon}{\psi - \rho})$



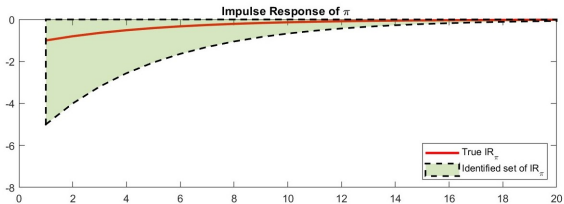
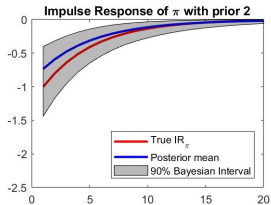
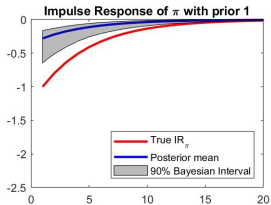
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Table: Estimated Identified Set

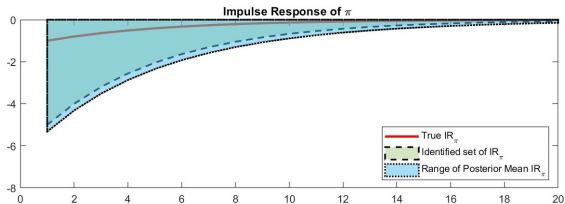
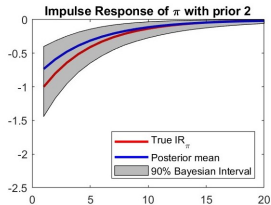
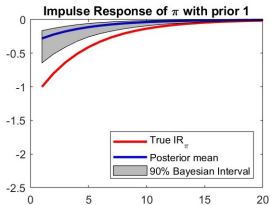
	True value	Identified set	Range of posterior mean
$\sigma_e$	1	$(0.2, \infty)$	$(0.21, \infty)$
$\phi_\pi$	1.8	$(1, \infty)$	$(1.00, \infty)$
$\rho$	0.8	0.8	0.80

- Estimation of range of posterior means approximates the identified set well.

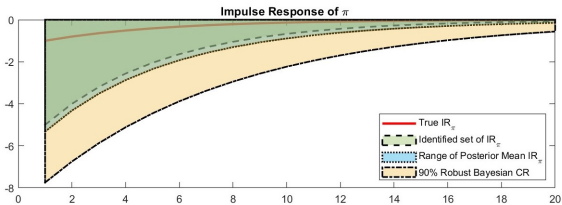
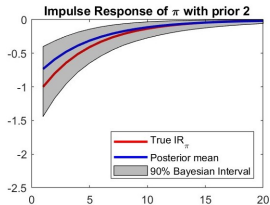
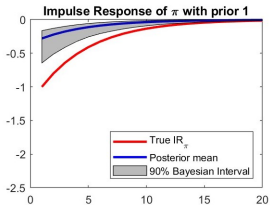
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## Example 2: Three-equation New Keynesian

Consider the following model,

$$y_t = \mathbb{E}_t y_{t+1} - \frac{1}{\sigma} (i_t - \mathbb{E}_t \pi_{t+1}) + \varepsilon_{yt}$$

$$\pi_t = \beta \mathbb{E}_t \pi_{t+1} + \kappa y_t + \varepsilon_{\pi t}$$

$$i_t = \rho i_{t-1} + (1 - \rho) (\phi_\pi \pi_t + \phi_y y_t) + \varepsilon_{Rt}$$

$$\varepsilon_{jt} \sim N(0, 1); \quad j = y, \pi, R$$

where  $\pi_t$  inflation,  $y_t$  the output gap,  $i_t$  the nominal interest rate.

$\kappa = \frac{(1-\tau)(1-\beta\tau)}{\tau}(\sigma + \psi)$  is the slope of the Philips curve. Since  $(\psi, \tau)$  only enter the equation system via  $\kappa$ ,  $\psi$  can be jointly unidentified with  $\tau$ . The identification problem here is purely mathematical and is almost trivial.

## Example 2: An and Shorfheide (2007)

$$y_t = \mathbb{E}_t [y_{t+1}] - \frac{1}{\sigma} (i_t - \mathbb{E}_t [\pi_{t+1}] + \mathbb{E}_t [z_{t+1}]) + g_t - \mathbb{E}_t [g_{t+1}]$$

$$\pi_t = \beta \mathbb{E}_t [\pi_{t+1}] + \kappa (y_t - g_t)$$

$$i_t = \rho_R i_{t-1} + (1 - \rho_R) \psi_\pi \pi_t + (1 - \rho_R) \psi_y (y_t - g_t) + \varepsilon_{R,t}$$

$$z_t = \rho_z z_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{z,t}, \quad g_t = \rho_g g_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{g,t}.$$

- $(\psi_\pi, \psi_y, \rho_R, \sigma_R)$  are not identified.
- All the shocks, either has no effect on  $\pi_t$  or  $y_t$ , or affect  $\pi_t$  and  $y_t$  in the same direction.

## Example 2: A Cost-push Shock Model

To generate meaningful trade-off between output gap and inflation,

$$y_t = \mathbb{E}_t [y_{t+1}] - \frac{1}{\sigma} (i_t - \mathbb{E}_t [\pi_{t+1}]) + g_t - \mathbb{E}_t [g_{t+1}]$$

$$\pi_t = \beta \mathbb{E}_t [\pi_{t+1}] + \kappa (y_t - g_t) + u_t$$

$$i_t = \rho_R i_{t-1} + (1 - \rho_R) \psi_\pi \pi_t + (1 - \rho_R) \psi_y (y_t - g_t) + \varepsilon_{R,t}$$

$$u_t = \rho_u u_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{u,t}, \quad g_t = \rho_g g_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{g,t}.$$

- Positive cost-push shock  $u \rightarrow y \downarrow, \pi \uparrow$
- Positive monetary policy shock  $\varepsilon_R \rightarrow y \downarrow, \pi \downarrow$

## Example 2: Policy

**Table:** Policy Comparison under Different Distributions and Weights

$(\psi_\pi, \psi_Y)$	$\frac{1}{\nu_K} = 1$		$\frac{1}{\nu_K} = 3$		$\frac{1}{\nu_K} = 10$	
	post 1	post 2	post 1	post 2	post 1	post 2
(1.5, 0)			✓		✓	✓
(1.5, 0.125)	✓	✓		✓		
(1.5, 1)	✓	✓				
(5, 0)			✓	✓	✓	✓



## Smets and Wouters 2007

	True value	Posterior mean	(Robust) Bayesian CR
$\alpha_1 = \frac{(\gamma-1+\delta)\alpha}{\beta^{-1}\gamma\sigma_c-1+\delta}$	0.17	0.17	[0.16,0.18]
$\alpha_2 = \frac{\lambda\gamma^{-1}}{1+\lambda\gamma^{-1}}$	0.41	0.41	[0.41,0.42]
$\alpha_3 = \frac{(1-\alpha)(\sigma_c-1)}{\phi_w\sigma_c(1+\lambda\gamma^{-1})(1-\alpha_1-g_y)}$	0.13	0.13	[0.12,0.14]
$\alpha_4 = \frac{1-\lambda\gamma^{-1}}{(1+\lambda\gamma^{-1})\sigma_c}$	0.12	0.13	[0.13,0.13]
$\alpha_5 = \frac{1}{1+\beta\gamma^{1-\sigma_c}}$	0.50	0.50	[0.50,0.50]
$\alpha_6 = \frac{1}{(1+\beta\gamma^{1-\sigma_c})\varphi\gamma^2}$	0.09	0.09	[0.08,0.10]
$\alpha_7 = \beta\gamma^{-\sigma_c}(1-\delta)$	0.97	0.97	[0.97,0.97]
$\alpha_8 = (1-\delta)\gamma^{-1}$	0.97	0.97	[0.97,0.97]
$\alpha_9 = (1-\alpha_8)(1+\beta\gamma^{1-\sigma_c})\varphi\gamma^2$	0.29	0.31	[0.28,0.34]
$\alpha_{10} = \frac{\iota_p}{1+\beta\gamma^{1-\sigma_c}\iota_p}$	0.19	0.16	[0.14,0.19]
$\alpha_{11} = \frac{\beta\gamma^{1-\sigma_c}}{1+\beta\gamma^{1-\sigma_c}\iota_p}$	0.80	0.83	[0.81,0.86]
$\alpha_{12} = \frac{(1-\beta\gamma^{1-\sigma_c}\xi_p)(1-\xi_p)}{(1+\beta\gamma^{1-\sigma_c}\iota_p)\xi_p[(\phi_p-1)\varepsilon_p+1]}$	0.02	0.02	[0.02,0.02]
$\alpha_{13} = \frac{1}{1-\lambda\gamma^{-1}}$	3.41	3.37	[3.29,3.44]
$\alpha_{14} = \frac{\iota_w}{1+\beta\gamma^{1-\sigma_c}}$	0.29	0.29	[0.27,0.31]
$\alpha_{15} = \frac{1+\beta\gamma^{1-\sigma_c}\iota_w}{1+\beta\gamma^{1-\delta c}}$	0.79	0.79	[0.77,0.81]
$\alpha_{16} = \frac{(1-\beta\gamma^{1-\sigma_c}\xi_w)(1-\xi_w)}{(1+\beta\gamma^{1-\sigma_c})\xi_w[(\phi_w-1)\varepsilon_w+1]}$	0.00	0.01	[0.01,0.01]

- Same setup as kk23. Same identification results, but "globally".

## Conclusion

In this paper, I address the following issues:

- Estimation of highly structural set-identified models can be challenging.  
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  - \* An Bayesian algorithm that is generally applicable is proposed.
- Estimation results of set-identified DSGE models are sensitive to choice of priors (Identification)
  - \* Use a robust Bayesian algorithm, I can pick any 'reasonable' prior and obtain robust results.
  - \* I also prove it asymptotically finds the frequentist identified set.
- Researchers are silent about non-identified DSGE models (Policy-implication)
  - \* The collection of posterior means of parameters of interest is given.
  - \* One may still have nontrivial conclusions even when the model suffers identification problems.