

# Help File for Dolo

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## 1 The YAML file: describe the model

## 2 The matlab file

Assuming that your model's matlab file is called `baseline-model.m`.

By running the command:

```
» model=baseline-model.m
```

you will get a structure which contains all the information about your model describe in your yaml file. The model is given as:

$$s_{+1} = G(s, x, \varepsilon) \quad (\text{Transition})$$

$$\mathbb{E}_t[F(s, x, \varepsilon, s_{+1}, x_{+1})] = 0 \quad (\text{Arbitrage})$$

This structure is organized as follows:

- `model.s_ss`: Steady-state value of state variables.
- `model.x_ss`: Steady-state value of control variables.
- `model.params`: Value of parameters in an array. The order is the same as in the declaration of parameters in the associated yaml file.

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- **model.X**: Perturbation method decision rule. One can find the value of the control variable around the steady-state using the following formula:

$$x_t = x_{ss} + X(s_t - s_{ss})$$

- **model.f**: Matlab function which give you the function  $F$  used in (Arbitrage). The function could be call with the following syntax:

$f(s, x, s_{+1}, x_{+1}, p)$  where  $p$  stand for the parameters of the model.

One will get the value of the function and the value of the derivative. The output is given as

$$[F, F_s, F_x, F_{s_{+1}}, F_{x_{+1}}] = f(s, x, s_{+1}, x_{+1}, p)$$

where  $F_s, F_x, F_{s_{+1}}, F_{x_{+1}}$  are the derivatives with respect to the states, the controls, the next period states and the next period controls respectively.

- **model.g**: Matlab function which give you the function  $G$  used in (Transition). The function could be call with the following syntax:

$g(s, x, e, p)$  where  $p$  stand for the parameters of the model.

One will get the value of the function and the value of the derivative. The output is given as

$$[G, G_s, G_x] = g(s, x, p)$$

where  $G_s, G_x$  are the derivatives with respect to the states and the controls respectively.