Proof-Based Math Readings Session: Bayesian Statistics

2024 Winter

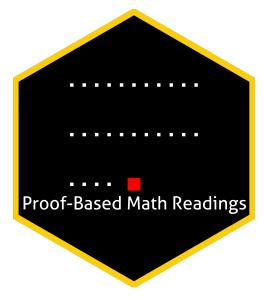
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0 Motivation

- Proof-Based Math Readings is a free, independent online reading group where we study the mathematics required for economics master's and PhD programs through an intuitive approach. Active since May 2023.
- This session of the reading group is on Bayesian Statistics.

1 Prerequisites

- Proof Techniques and Statistics resources below.
- Please use the Application Form to join our reading group; you will receive a response within a week.

2 Format

- This session takes 12 weeks. We do not have face-to-face/online meetings due to the size of the group.
- Members read the main book and discuss the topics/exercises in the Proof-Based Math Readings Discord 🖾.

3 Resources

3.1 Main Book and Main Book's Playlist

Bayesian Econometrics - Gary Koop (2003) is our main book for this session because it is well-written and well-structured.

Gary Koop's playlist is our main playlist because his narrative is great.

- Bayesian Econometrics Gary Koop (2003)
- Bayesian Econometrics Gary Koop (2003, Errata)
- Bayesian Econometrics Gary Koop (2003, Playlist)

3.2 Supplementary

3.2.1 Bayesian Statistics

- Bayes Rules! Alicia A. Johnson, Miles Q. Ott, Mine Dogucu (2021)
- Bayesian Statistics: A Comprehensive Course Ben Lambert (2014)
- ► A Student's Guide to Bayesian Statistics Ben Lambert (2020)
- Bayesian Data Analysis A. Gelman, J. Carlin, H. Stern, D. Dunson, A. Vehtari, D. Rubin (3rd Ed., 2025)
- Bayesian Data Analysis A. Gelman, J. Carlin, H. Stern, D. Dunson, A. Vehtari, D. Rubin (3rd Ed., 2025, Playlist)
- Explaining the Gibbs Sampler George Casella, Edward I. George (1992)
- Understanding the Metropolis-Hastings Algorithm Siddhartha Chib, Edward Greenberg (1995)

3.2.2 Proof Techniques

- Book of Proof Richard Hammack (3.4 Edition, 2025)
- Book of Proof Richard Hammack (3.4 Edition, 2025, Playlist by Jeremy Teitelbaum)
- Book of Proof Richard Hammack (3.4 Edition, 2025, Playlist by Michael Penn)

3.2.3 Statistics

- Introduction to Probability Dimitri Bertsekas, John Tsitsiklis (2nd Edition, 2008, Summary Material)
- Introduction to Probability Dimitri Bertsekas, John Tsitsiklis (2nd Edition, 2008, Playlist)
- 🗏 Introduction to Probability Dimitri Bertsekas, John Tsitsiklis (2nd Edition, 2008, Solutions & Errata)

4 Reading Schedule

• BE is the abbreviation of Bayesian Econometrics - Gary Koop (2003).

BE Week 01 Appendix A Introduction to Matrix Algebra Appendix B Introduction to Probability and Statistics 1 An Overview of Bayesian Econometrics **B**E Week 02 = 2 The Normal Linear Regression Model with Natural Conjugate Prior and a Single Explanatory Variable **B**E Week 03-04 3 The Normal Linear Regression Model with Natural Conjugate Prior and Many Explanatory Variables \blacksquare BE Week 05-06 4 The Normal Linear Regression Model with Other Priors \blacksquare BE Week 07-08 5 The Nonlinear Regression Model Week 09-10 **= B**E 6 The Linear Regression Model with General Error Covariance Matrix **B**E Week 11-12 7 The Linear Regression Model with Panel Data

5 Further Readings (Optional)

Bayesian Econometric Methods - Joshua Chan, Gary Koop, Dale Poirier, Justin Tobias (2nd Edition, 2019)
 Bayesian Econometric Methods - Joshua Chan, Gary Koop, Dale Poirier, Justin Tobias (2nd Edition, 2019, Errata)