

## XSMLE - A Command to Estimate Spatial Panel Models in Stata

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A general specification for Spatial Panel models:

$$y_{it} = \alpha + \tau y_{it-1} + \rho \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij} y_{jt} + \sum_{k=1}^K x_{itk} \beta_k + \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij} x_{jtk} \theta_k + \mu_i + \gamma_t + \nu_{it} \quad (1)$$

$$\nu_{it} = \lambda \sum_{j=1}^n m_{ij} \nu_{jt} + \epsilon_{it} \quad i = 1, \dots, n \quad t = 1, \dots, T \quad (2)$$

### Static Models ( $\tau = 0$ ) and Dynamic Models ( $\tau \neq 0, ?$ )

- if  $\theta = 0$  and  $\tau \neq 0 \rightarrow$  Spatial Autoregressive Model with Auto Regressive disturbances (SAC)
- if  $\lambda = 0 \rightarrow$  Spatial Durbin Model (SDM)
- if  $\lambda = 0$  and  $\theta = 0 \rightarrow$  Spatial Autoregressive Model (SAR)
- if  $\rho = 0$  and  $\theta = 0 \rightarrow$  Spatial Error Model (SEM)
- if  $\rho = 0, \theta = 0,$  and  $\mu_i = \phi \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij} \mu_j + \eta_i \rightarrow$  Generalised Spatial Panel Random Effects model (GSPRE)

A number of spatial-related routines have been written by users and available through SSC. A non-comprehensive list includes:

### Data management and visualization

- `shp2dta` by K. Crow
- `spmat` by D.M. Drukker *et al*
- `spwmatrix` by P.W. Jeanty
- `spmap` by M. Pisati
- `geocode3` by S. Bernhard

### Cross sectional data

- `spreg`: SAR, SEM, SAC *via* ML or GS2SLS by D. M. Drukker *et al*
- `spivreg`: SAC *via* GS2SLS by D. M. Drukker *et al*
- `spmlreg`: SAR, SEM, SDM, SAC *via* ML by P.W. Jeanty
- `spatreg`: SAR, SEM *via* ML by M. Pisati
- `spautoreg`: SAR, SEM, SDM, SAC *via* ML or GS2SLS by E.A. Shehata

### Panel data

- `spreg*xt` suite SAR, SEM, SDM, SAC *via* LS, GLS, GMM or GS2SLS by E.A. Shehata (?)

## DGP - 250 replications

$$y_{it} = \rho \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij} y_{jt} + 0.3x_{1it} + 0.7x_{2it} + \mu_i + \gamma_t + \epsilon_{it} \quad n = 1, \dots, 188 \quad t = 1, \dots, 5$$

where the nuisance parameters  $\mu_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ) are drawn from an iid standard Gaussian random variable. To allow for dependence between the unit-specific effects and the regressors, we generate the latter as follows

$$x_{kit} = 0.4\mu_i + (1 - 0.4^2)^{1/2} z_{kit},$$

where  $k = 1, 2$  and the  $z_{kit}$  is an iid standard Gaussian random variable.

|           | $\rho = 0.3$ |        | $\rho = 0.5$ |        | $\rho = 0.7$ |        |
|-----------|--------------|--------|--------------|--------|--------------|--------|
|           | bias         | MSE    | bias         | MSE    | bias         | MSE    |
| xsmle     | -0.0013      | 0.0020 | -0.0016      | 0.0014 | -0.0016      | 0.0007 |
| spregfext | 0.1473       | 0.0255 | 0.1972       | 0.0408 | 0.1859       | 0.0352 |
| xtivreg2  | 0.0174       | 0.0091 | 0.0153       | 0.0063 | 0.0112       | 0.0033 |

`xsmle` fits (balanced) Spatial Panel data models *via* maximum likelihood (ML)

Requirements:

- (At least) Stata Version 10
- The  $n \times n$  matrix of spatial weights. `xsmle` will deal with the longitudinal dimension automatically
- Data must be `tsset` or `xtset`

The basic `xsmle` syntax is the following

```
xsmle depvar [indepvars] [if] [in] [weight] [, options]
```

- The default model is the random-effects SAR model
- Only `aweight` are allowed but the declared `weight` variable must be constant within each panel unit
- The `mi` prefix is allowed
- Factor variables are allowed

## Options common to all spatial models

- `model(name)` specifies the spatial model to be estimated. May be `sar` for the Spatial-AutoRegressive model, `sdm` for the Spatial Durbin Model, `sem` for the Spatial-Error Model, `sac` for the Spatial-Autoregressive with Spatially Autocorrelated Errors Model, `gspre` for the Generalised Spatial Random Effects Model.
- `re` use the random effects estimator; the default. This option cannot be specified when `model(sac)`.
- `fe` use the fixed effects estimator. This option cannot be specified when `model(gspre)`.
- `type(type_options [, leeyu])` specifies fixed-effects type; only for `fe` estimators. May be `ind` for spatial fixed effects, `time` for time fixed effects or `both` for both spatial and time fixed effects. Suboption `leeyu` allows to transform the data according to Lee and Yu (2010) approach and can be used only when `type(ind)`.



- `noconstant` suppresses the constant term in the model. Only for re-estimators.
- `noeffects` suppresses the computation of direct, indirect and total effects.
- `nsim(#)` sets the number of simulations for the LeSage and Pace (2009) procedure to compute the standard errors of the direct, indirect and total effects.
- `constraints(constraints_list)` applies specified linear constraints.
- `from(init_specs)` specifies initial values for the coefficients.
- `level(#)` sets confidence level for confidence intervals; default is `level(95)`.
- `postscore` save observation-by-observation scores in the estimation results list.
- `posthessian` save the Hessian corresponding to the full set of coefficients in the estimation results list.
- `hausman` performs the Hausman test.

## Variance estimation

This section describes the arguments of the `vce(vcetype)` option.

- *oim* observed information matrix.
- *opg* outer product of the gradient vectors.
- *robust* clustered sandwich estimator where *clustvar* is the *panelvar*.
- *cluster clustvar* clustered sandwich estimator.
- *dkraay(#)* Driscoll-Kraay robust estimator. Where *#* is the maximum lag used in the calculation.

In `xsmle` the spatial weighting matrix can be

- a Stata matrix
- a `spmat` object

In both cases the matrix can be standardized or not.

*e.g.*

- a Stata matrix can be created using `matrix define`, imported from Mata using `st_matrix("string scalar name", real matrix)` or imported from GIS softwares like GeoDa using

```
spwmatrix gal using path_to_gal_file, wname(name_of_the_matrix)
```

- `spmat` objects are created by `spmat`

```
spmat import name_of_the_object using path_to_file
```

## SAR model

- `wmatrix(name)` specifies the weight matrix for the spatial-autoregressive term.
- `dlag` includes (time) lagged dependent variable in the model.

## SDM model

- `wmatrix(name)` specifies the weight matrix for the spatial-autoregressive term.
- `dmatrix(name)` specifies the weight matrix for the spatially lagged regressors; default is to use the matrix specified in `wmat(name)`.
- `durbin(dvarlist)` specifies the regressors that have to be spatially lagged; default is to lag all independent variables specified in `varlist`.
- `dlag` includes (time) lagged dependent variable in the model.

## SEM model

- `ematrix(name)` specifies the weight matrix for the spatial-autocorrelated error term.

## SAC model

- `wmatrix(name)` specifies the weight matrix for the spatial-autoregressive term.
- `ematrix(name)` specifies the weight matrix for the spatial-autocorrelated error term.

## GSPRE model

- `wmatrix(name)` specifies the weight matrix for the spatial-autocorrelated random-effects.
- `ematrix(name)` specifies the weight matrix for the spatial-autocorrelated error term.
- `error(#)` defines the structure of the model. `#` is equal to 1 when  $\lambda \neq \phi \neq 0$ , `#` is equal to 2 when  $\lambda = 0$ , `#` is equal to 3 when  $\phi = 0$ , `#` is equal to 4 when  $\lambda = \phi$ .

Postestimation command allows to post-estimate spatial fixed or random effects. The methods implemented in this command are the panel data extensions of those available in Drukker, Prucha, and Raciborski (2011)

```
predict [type] newvar [if] [in] [, statistic]
```

where `statistic` includes:

- `rform` the default, calculates predicted values from the reduced-form equation:  $y_{it} = (I_n - \rho W)^{-1}(x_{it}\beta + \alpha_i)$
- `limited` predicted values based on the limited information set. This option is available only when `model(sac)`.
- `naive` predicted values based on the observed values of  $y_{it} = \rho W y_{it} + x_{it}\beta + \alpha_i$
- `xb` calculates the linear prediction including the fixed or random effect  $x_{it}\beta + \alpha_i$ .
- `a` estimates  $\alpha_i$ , the fixed or random-effect. In the case of fixed-effects models, this statistic is allowed only when `type(ind)`

## DGP - Fixed effects SDM

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_{it} &= 0.3 \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij} y_{jt} + 0.5x_{1it} - 0.3x_{2it} - 0.2x_{3it} + 0.3 \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij} x_{1it} + \\
 &+ 0.6 \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij} x_{2it} + 0.9 \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij} x_{3it} + \mu_i + \gamma_t + \epsilon_{it} \quad n = 1, \dots, 188 \quad t = 1, \dots, 5
 \end{aligned}$$

where the nuisance parameters  $\mu_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ) are drawn from an iid standard Gaussian random variable. To allow for dependence between the unit-specific effects and the regressors, we generate the latter as follows

$$x_{kit} = 0.4\mu_i + (1 - 0.4^2)^{1/2} z_{kit},$$

where  $k = 1, 2, 3$ ,  $z_{1it}$  is standard Gaussian,  $z_{2it}$  is  $N(0, 1.5^2)$  and  $z_{3it}$  is  $N(0, 2^2)$ .

```
.. *** load a dta dataset containing the spatial contiguity matrix
. use ASL_contiguity_mat_ns.dta, clear

. *** get an spmat objects from dta
. spmat dta W W*, replace

. *** Summarize the spmat obj
. spmat summarize W, links
```

Summary of spatial-weighting object W

| Matrix     | Description |
|------------|-------------|
| Dimensions | 188 x 188   |
| Stored as  | 188 x 188   |
| Links      |             |
| total      | 906         |
| min        | 1           |
| mean       | 4.819149    |
| max        | 13          |



```
. ** Fixed-effects Durbin model (correctly specified, row normalized W)
. xsmle y x1 x2 x3, wmat(W) model(sdm) fe type(ind) nsim(500) nolog
Warning: All regressors will be spatially lagged
```

SDM with spatial fixed-effects Number of obs = 940

Group variable: id Number of groups = 188

Time variable: t Panel length = 5

R-sq: within = 0.5727  
between = 0.3663  
overall = 0.4554

Mean of fixed-effects = -0.0137

Log-likelihood = -1230.7734

|             | y        | Coef.     | Std. Err. | z      | P> z  | [95% Conf. Interval] |           |
|-------------|----------|-----------|-----------|--------|-------|----------------------|-----------|
| -----+----- |          |           |           |        |       |                      |           |
| Main        |          |           |           |        |       |                      |           |
|             | x1       | .5186041  | .0364303  | 14.24  | 0.000 | .4472019             | .5900062  |
|             | x2       | -.2946314 | .0236541  | -12.46 | 0.000 | -.3409925            | -.2482702 |
|             | x3       | -.1923373 | .0192912  | -9.97  | 0.000 | -.2301474            | -.1545272 |
| -----+----- |          |           |           |        |       |                      |           |
| Wx          |          |           |           |        |       |                      |           |
|             | x1       | .3772047  | .075502   | 5.00   | 0.000 | .2292235             | .5251859  |
|             | x2       | .5765484  | .0449332  | 12.83  | 0.000 | .4884809             | .6646159  |
|             | x3       | .8692021  | .0372769  | 23.32  | 0.000 | .7961408             | .9422634  |
| -----+----- |          |           |           |        |       |                      |           |
| Spatial     |          |           |           |        |       |                      |           |
|             | rho      | .2519025  | .0374278  | 6.73   | 0.000 | .1785454             | .3252596  |
| -----+----- |          |           |           |        |       |                      |           |
| Variance    |          |           |           |        |       |                      |           |
|             | sigma2_e | .7915998  | .0366863  | 21.58  | 0.000 | .7196959             | .8635037  |
| -----+----- |          |           |           |        |       |                      |           |

[CONTINUES]

In a spatial setting, the effect of an explanatory variable change in a particular unit affects not only that unit but also its neighbors (LeSage and Pace, 2009).

$$\left[ \frac{\partial Y}{\partial x_{nk}} \right] = (I - \rho W)^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \beta_k & w_{12}\theta_k & \cdot & w_{1n}\theta_k \\ w_{21}\theta_k & \beta_k & \cdot & w_{2n}\theta_k \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ w_{n1}\theta_k & w_{n2}\theta_k & \cdot & \beta_k \end{bmatrix}$$

If we have only 2 units and 1 regressor:

- SAR and SAC  $\rightarrow (I - \rho W)^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \beta_1 \end{bmatrix}$
- SEM  $\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \beta_1 \end{bmatrix}$
- SDM  $\rightarrow (I - \rho W)^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1 & w_{12}\theta_1 \\ w_{21}\theta_1 & \beta_1 \end{bmatrix}$

[CONTINUES]

| -----    |    |  |           |          |        |       |           |           |
|----------|----|--|-----------|----------|--------|-------|-----------|-----------|
| Direct   |    |  |           |          |        |       |           |           |
|          | x1 |  | .5481382  | .0362326 | 15.13  | 0.000 | .4771237  | .6191527  |
|          | x2 |  | -.2642811 | .0231199 | -11.43 | 0.000 | -.3095953 | -.2189669 |
|          | x3 |  | -.1422518 | .0176968 | -8.04  | 0.000 | -.1769369 | -.1075668 |
| -----    |    |  |           |          |        |       |           |           |
| Indirect |    |  |           |          |        |       |           |           |
|          | x1 |  | .6480929  | .090572  | 7.16   | 0.000 | .470575   | .8256108  |
|          | x2 |  | .6450951  | .0599307 | 10.76  | 0.000 | .5276331  | .7625571  |
|          | x3 |  | 1.050599  | .058257  | 18.03  | 0.000 | .9364176  | 1.164781  |
| -----    |    |  |           |          |        |       |           |           |
| Total    |    |  |           |          |        |       |           |           |
|          | x1 |  | 1.196231  | .1038425 | 11.52  | 0.000 | .9927034  | 1.399759  |
|          | x2 |  | .380814   | .0677252 | 5.62   | 0.000 | .2480751  | .513553   |
|          | x3 |  | .9083474  | .0660288 | 13.76  | 0.000 | .7789334  | 1.037761  |
| -----    |    |  |           |          |        |       |           |           |

. estimates store sdm\_fe

```
** Fixed-effects Durbin model (correctly specified, row normalized W)
. xsmle y x1 x2 x3, wmat(W) model(sdm) re type(ind) nsim(500) nolog noeff
Warning: Option type(ind) will be ignored
Warning: All regressors will be spatially lagged
```

```
SDM with random-effects                Number of obs =      940

Group variable: id                      Number of groups =     188
Time variable: t                        Panel length =        5

R-sq:  within = 0.5666
       between = 0.4543
       overall = 0.4936
```

Log-likelihood = -1513.7006

|             | y         | Coef.     | Std. Err. | z     | P> z  | [95% Conf. Interval] |
|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------|-------|----------------------|
| -----+----- |           |           |           |       |       |                      |
| Main        |           |           |           |       |       |                      |
|             | x1        | .6230976  | .0408605  | 15.25 | 0.000 | .5430126 .7031826    |
|             | x2        | -.2439834 | .0264129  | -9.24 | 0.000 | -.2957518 -.192215   |
|             | x3        | -.1688081 | .0211584  | -7.98 | 0.000 | -.2102778 -.1273385  |
|             | _cons     | -.0169191 | .0811545  | -0.21 | 0.835 | -.1759791 .1421409   |
| -----+----- |           |           |           |       |       |                      |
| Wx          |           |           |           |       |       |                      |
|             | x1        | .3706183  | .0824133  | 4.50  | 0.000 | .2090911 .5321454    |
|             | x2        | .557779   | .0493092  | 11.31 | 0.000 | .4611347 .6544234    |
|             | x3        | .8845199  | .0411496  | 21.50 | 0.000 | .8038681 .9651717    |
| -----+----- |           |           |           |       |       |                      |
| Spatial     |           |           |           |       |       |                      |
|             | rho       | .2472432  | .0376366  | 6.57  | 0.000 | .1734769 .3210096    |
| -----+----- |           |           |           |       |       |                      |
| Variance    |           |           |           |       |       |                      |
|             | lgt_theta | -.3920581 | .1040247  | -3.77 | 0.000 | -.5959428 -.1881735  |
|             | sigma_e   | 1.005536  | .0528831  | 19.01 | 0.000 | .9018867 1.109185    |
| -----+----- |           |           |           |       |       |                      |

```
hausman sdm_fe sdm_re, eq(1:1 2:2 3:3)
```

|             |     | ---- Coefficients ---- |           |            |                     |
|-------------|-----|------------------------|-----------|------------|---------------------|
|             |     | (b)                    | (B)       | (b-B)      | sqrt(diag(V_b-V_B)) |
|             |     | sdm_fe                 | sdm_re    | Difference | S.E.                |
| -----+----- |     |                        |           |            |                     |
| comp1       |     |                        |           |            |                     |
|             | x1  | .5186041               | .6230976  | -.1044935  | .                   |
|             | x2  | -.2946314              | -.2439834 | -.050648   | .                   |
|             | x3  | -.1923373              | -.1688081 | -.0235292  | .                   |
| -----+----- |     |                        |           |            |                     |
| comp2       |     |                        |           |            |                     |
|             | x1  | .3772047               | .3706183  | .0065864   | .                   |
|             | x2  | .5765484               | .557779   | .0187694   | .                   |
|             | x3  | .8692021               | .8845199  | -.0153178  | .                   |
| -----+----- |     |                        |           |            |                     |
| comp3       |     |                        |           |            |                     |
|             | rho | .2519025               | .2472432  | .0046593   | .                   |
| -----+----- |     |                        |           |            |                     |

b = consistent under Ho and Ha; obtained from xsmle  
 B = inconsistent under Ha, efficient under Ho; obtained from xsmle

Test: Ho: difference in coefficients not systematic  
 $\chi^2(7) = (b-B)'[(V_b-V_B)^{-1}](b-B)$   
 = -47.08  $\chi^2 < 0 \implies$  model fitted on these  
 data fails to meet the asymptotic  
 assumptions of the Hausman test;  
 see suest for a generalized test

```
. ** Fixed-effects Durbin model (correctly specified, row normalized W)
. xsmle y x1 x2 x3, wmat(W) model(sdm) fe type(ind) hausman noeff nolog
Warning: All regressors will be spatially lagged
... estimating random-effects model to perform Hausman test
SDM with spatial fixed-effects          Number of obs =      940

Group variable: id                      Number of groups =     188
Time variable: t                        Panel length =        5

R-sq:  within = 0.5727
       between = 0.3663
       overall = 0.4554

Mean of fixed-effects = -0.0137

Log-likelihood = -1230.7734
-----+-----
      y |      Coef.   Std. Err.      z    P>|z|    [95% Conf. Interval]
-----+-----
Main   |
      x1 |   .5186041   .0364303    14.24   0.000   .4472019   .5900062
      x2 |  -.2946314   .0236541   -12.46   0.000  -.3409925  -.2482702
      x3 |  -.1923373   .0192912    -9.97   0.000  -.2301474  -.1545272
-----+-----
Wx     |
      x1 |   .3772047   .075502    5.00   0.000   .2292235   .5251859
      x2 |   .5765484   .0449332   12.83   0.000   .4884809   .6646159
      x3 |   .8692021   .0372769   23.32   0.000   .7961408   .9422634
-----+-----
Spatial |
      rho |   .2519025   .0374278    6.73   0.000   .1785454   .3252596
-----+-----
Variance |
      sigma2_e |   .7915998   .0366863   21.58   0.000   .7196959   .8635037
-----+-----
Ho: difference in coeffs not systematic chi2(7) = 89.58   Prob>=chi2 = 0.0000
-----+-----
```

```
. estat ic
```

| Model | Obs | ll(null) | ll(model) | df | AIC      | BIC      |
|-------|-----|----------|-----------|----|----------|----------|
| .     | 940 | .        | -1230.773 | 8  | 2477.547 | 2516.314 |

Note: N=Obs used in calculating BIC; see [R] BIC note

```
. estimates store sdm
```

```
. ***** Postestimation
. predict yhat, rform

. predict yhat1, naive

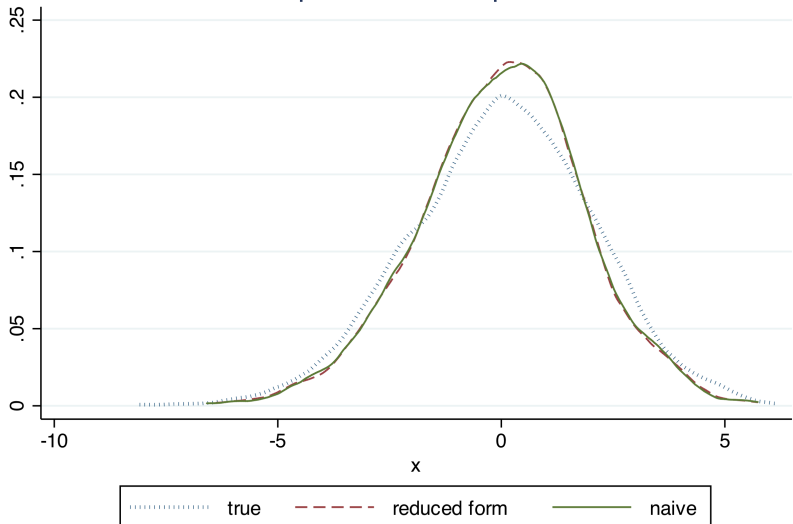
. predict alphahat, a

. sum alpha alphahat
```

| Variable | Obs | Mean     | Std. Dev. | Min       | Max      |
|----------|-----|----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| alpha    | 940 | .037577  | 1.058726  | -2.261747 | 3.343453 |
| alphahat | 940 | -.013692 | 1.182919  | -2.688471 | 4.028156 |



## xsmle postestimation prediction



Using matrix notation the SDM ( $\lambda = 0$ ) may be derived from a SEM model

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{y} &= \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathbf{u} \\ \mathbf{u} &= \lambda \mathbf{W}\mathbf{u} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \end{cases}$$

hence

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u}(1 - \lambda \mathbf{W}) &= \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \\ \mathbf{y}(1 - \lambda \mathbf{W}) &= \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}(1 - \lambda \mathbf{W}) + \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \\ \mathbf{y} &= \lambda \mathbf{W}\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} - \lambda \mathbf{W}\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \\ \mathbf{y} &= \lambda \mathbf{W}\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\theta}\mathbf{W}\mathbf{X} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \end{aligned}$$

and test the following constraints

- ①  $\boldsymbol{\theta} = 0$  and  $\lambda \neq 0 \Rightarrow$  the model is a SAR
- ②  $\boldsymbol{\theta} = -\boldsymbol{\beta}\lambda \Rightarrow$  the model is a SDM.

```

** Test for SAR
. test [Wx]x1 = [Wx]x2 = [Wx]x3 = 0

( 1) [Wx]x1 - [Wx]x2 = 0
( 2) [Wx]x1 - [Wx]x3 = 0
( 3) [Wx]x1 = 0

      chi2( 3) =    740.80
    Prob > chi2 =    0.0000

.
. ** Test for SEM
. testnl ([Wx]x1 = -[Spatial]rho*[Main]x1) ([Wx]x2 = -[Spatial]rho*[Main]x2) ([
> [Wx]x3 = -[Spatial]rho*[Main]x3)

(1) [Wx]x1 = -[Spatial]rho*[Main]x1
(2) [Wx]x2 = -[Spatial]rho*[Main]x2
(3) [Wx]x3 = -[Spatial]rho*[Main]x3

      chi2(3) =    545.31
    Prob > chi2 =    0.0000
  
```

```

** Test for SAC
. xsmle y x1 x2 x3, wmat(W) emat(W) model(sac) fe type(ind) noeff nolog

SAC with spatial fixed-effects                Number of obs =      940

Group variable: id                            Number of groups =    188
Time variable: t                             Panel length =       5

R-sq:    within = 0.2652
         between = 0.0011
         overall = 0.0912

Mean of fixed-effects = -0.0117

Log-likelihood = -1386.0860
-----+-----
           y |      Coef.   Std. Err.      z    P>|z|    [95% Conf. Interval]
-----+-----
Main      |
      x1 |   .3212791   .0341734     9.40   0.000   .2543005   .3882577
      x2 |  -.3135993   .0232111    -13.51  0.000  -.3590923  -.2681064
      x3 |  -.2997975   .0178884    -16.76  0.000  -.334858  -.2647369
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Spatial   |
      rho |  -.6676721   .0542468    -12.31  0.000  -.7739939  -.5613504
      lambda |  .8426981   .0209346     40.25  0.000   .801667   .8837293
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Variance  |
      sigma2_e |  1.001782   .0440957    22.72  0.000   .9153562   1.088208
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```

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. estat ic
```

| Model | Obs | ll(null) | ll(model) | df | AIC      | BIC      |
|-------|-----|----------|-----------|----|----------|----------|
| .     | 940 | .        | -1386.086 | 6  | 2784.172 | 2813.247 |

Note: N=Obs used in calculating BIC; see [R] BIC note

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.
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## DGP - Fixed effects SDM with missing values

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_{it} = & 0.5 \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij} y_{jt} - 1.5x_{1it} - 0.7x_{2it} - 0.3x_{3it} - 0.9x_{4it} + \\
 & + 0.75 \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij} x_{1it} + 0.35 \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij} x_{2it} + .15 \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij} x_{3it} + \\
 & + .45 \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij} x_{4it} + \mu_i + \gamma_t + \epsilon_{it} \quad n = 1, \dots, 188 \quad t = 1, \dots, 5
 \end{aligned}$$

where the nuisance parameters  $\mu_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ) are drawn from an iid standard Gaussian random variable. To allow for dependence between the unit-specific effects and the regressors, we generate the latter as follows

$$x_{kit} = 0.4\mu_i + (1 - 0.4^2)^{1/2} z_{kit},$$

where  $k = 1, 2, 3, 4$ ,  $z_{1it}$  and  $z_{3it}$  are  $N(0, 1.5^2)$  and  $z_{2it}$  and  $z_{4it}$  are standard Gaussian. 5% missing values are randomly assigned to  $x_{1it}$  and  $x_{3it}$  to generate  $xm_{1it}$  and  $xm_{3it}$ .

```
. sum y x1 x1m x2 x3 x3m x4
```

| Variable | Obs | Mean      | Std. Dev. | Min       | Max      |
|----------|-----|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| y        | 940 | .0392334  | 2.649594  | -7.947968 | 7.694182 |
| x1       | 940 | .0447793  | 1.456754  | -5.412737 | 4.76092  |
| x1m      | 901 | .039974   | 1.452938  | -5.412737 | 4.76092  |
| x2       | 940 | .0209358  | 1.03554   | -3.141913 | 3.0158   |
| x3       | 940 | -.0236917 | 1.426842  | -4.23553  | 4.351037 |
| x3m      | 884 | -.0292849 | 1.433476  | -4.23553  | 4.351037 |
| x4       | 940 | -.0297022 | 1.020829  | -3.721222 | 3.210468 |

```
. ** Fixed-effects SDM model (correctly specified)
. xsmle y x1 x2 x3 x4, wmat(W) model(sdm) fe type(ind) nolog noeff
Warning: All regressors will be spatially lagged
```

[OUTPUT OMITTED]

```
. estimates store sdm_nomissing
```

```
mi set wide
. mi register imputed x1m x3m
. mi impute mvn x1m x3m = x2 x4, add(50) rseed(12345)
```

Performing EM optimization:

```
note: 7 observations omitted from EM estimation because of all imputation
      variables missing
      observed log likelihood = -1518.1423 at iteration 5
```

Performing MCMC data augmentation ...

```
Multivariate imputation           Imputations =      50
Multivariate normal regression           added =      50
Imputed: m=1 through m=50              updated =       0
```

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Prior: uniform                     Iterations =     5000
                                      burn-in =      100
                                      between =      100
```

| Variable | Observations per m |            |         | total |
|----------|--------------------|------------|---------|-------|
|          | complete           | incomplete | imputed |       |
| x1m      | 901                | 39         | 39      | 940   |
| x3m      | 884                | 56         | 56      | 940   |

(complete + incomplete = total; imputed is the minimum across m of the number of filled in observations.)



```
. ***** SDM estimates using multiple imputed data
. mi estimate (coeff1: [Wx]x1m + [Spatial]rho*[Main]x1m) ///
> (coeff2: [Wx]x2 + [Spatial]rho*[Main]x2) ///
> (coeff3: [Wx]x3m + [Spatial]rho*[Main]x3m) ///
> (coeff4: [Wx]x4 + [Spatial]rho*[Main]x4), ///
> dots post saving(sdm_imputed, replace): ///
> xsmle y x1m x2 x3m x4, wmat(w) model(sdm) ///
> fe type(ind) nolog noeff
```

Imputations (50):

.....10.....20.....30.....40.....50 done

```
Multiple-imputation estimates      Imputations      =      50
SDM with spatial fixed-effects     Number of obs    =     940
                                   Average RVI      =     0.3120
DF adjustment:  Large sample       DF:  min        =     168.38
                                   avg          =    1679.48
                                   max          =    4655.10
Model F test:      Equal FMI       F( 10, 8545.3) =     332.30
Within VCE type:  OIM              Prob > F        =     0.0000
```

|             | y   | Coef.     | Std. Err. | t      | P> t  | [95% Conf. Interval] |           |
|-------------|-----|-----------|-----------|--------|-------|----------------------|-----------|
| -----+----- |     |           |           |        |       |                      |           |
| Main        |     |           |           |        |       |                      |           |
|             | x1m | -1.430412 | .0337574  | -42.37 | 0.000 | -1.496734            | -1.36409  |
|             | x2  | -.7335296 | .0466659  | -15.72 | 0.000 | -.825132             | -.6419272 |
|             | x3m | -.274662  | .0313065  | -8.77  | 0.000 | -.3361047            | -.2132194 |
|             | x4  | -.9359276 | .044795   | -20.89 | 0.000 | -1.023766            | -.8480894 |
| -----+----- |     |           |           |        |       |                      |           |
| Wx          |     |           |           |        |       |                      |           |
|             | x1m | .5188195  | .0864699  | 6.00   | 0.000 | .3491775             | .6884615  |
|             | x2  | .1321088  | .0904967  | 1.46   | 0.144 | -.0453216            | .3095391  |
|             | x3m | .0546988  | .0643793  | 0.85   | 0.396 | -.0716161            | .1810137  |
|             | x4  | .3360411  | .1018539  | 3.30   | 0.001 | .1363592             | .535723   |
| -----+----- |     |           |           |        |       |                      |           |

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Spatial      |
      rho    |   .3869484   .0429191   9.02   0.000   .3027466   .4711502
-----+-----
Variance     |
      sigma2_e |   1.068042   .0737025   14.49   0.000   .9225424   1.213542
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```

```
Transformations
DF adjustment:  Large sample
Average RVI    =      0.1161
DF:            min    =     1606.62
              avg    =     7184.40
              max    =    12514.96
Within VCE type:      OIM
```

```
coeff1: [Wx]x1m + [Spatial]rho*[Main]x1m
coeff2: [Wx]x2 + [Spatial]rho*[Main]x2
coeff3: [Wx]x3m + [Spatial]rho*[Main]x3m
coeff4: [Wx]x4 + [Spatial]rho*[Main]x4
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-----+-----
      y      |      Coef.   Std. Err.   t   P>|t|   [95%\% Conf. Interval]
-----+-----
coeff1      |   -.0347924   .0575259   -0.60   0.545   -.147552   .0779673
coeff2      |   -.1516852   .0829808   -1.83   0.068   -.314351   .0109806
coeff3      |   -.0516019   .0636324   -0.81   0.418   -.1764131   .0732093
coeff4      |   -.0261852   .0942367   -0.28   0.781   -.210917   .1585465
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```

```
. estimates store sdm_imputed
```

```
. ** Test for SAR
. mi test [Wx]x1m [Wx]x2 [Wx]x3m [Wx]x4
note: assuming equal fractions of missing information
```

- ( 1) [Wx]x1m = 0
- ( 2) [Wx]x2 = 0
- ( 3) [Wx]x3m = 0
- ( 4) [Wx]x4 = 0

```
F( 4,8383.2) = 10.09
Prob > F = 0.0000
```

```
. ** Test for SEM
. mi testtr coeff1 coeff2 coeff3 coeff4
note: assuming equal fractions of missing information
```

```
coeff1: [Wx]x1m + [Spatial]rho*[Main]x1m
coeff2: [Wx]x2 + [Spatial]rho*[Main]x2
coeff3: [Wx]x3m + [Spatial]rho*[Main]x3m
coeff4: [Wx]x4 + [Spatial]rho*[Main]x4
```

- ( 1) coeff1 = 0
- ( 2) coeff2 = 0
- ( 3) coeff3 = 0
- ( 4) coeff4 = 0

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F( 4,17424.6) = 1.13
Prob > F = 0.3395
```

```
. estout sdm_nomissing sdm_imputed, c(b se) ren(x1m x1 x3m x3)
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|          | sdm_nomiss <sup>g</sup><br>b/se | sdm_imputed<br>b/se   |
|----------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| -----    |                                 |                       |
| Main     |                                 |                       |
| x1       | -1.49692<br>.023471             | -1.430412<br>.0337574 |
| x2       | -.7440764<br>.0340518           | -.7335296<br>.0466659 |
| x3       | -.297554<br>.0233121            | -.274662<br>.0313065  |
| x4       | -.9451319<br>.0349799           | -.9359276<br>.044795  |
| -----    |                                 |                       |
| Wx       |                                 |                       |
| x1       | .6416344<br>.070266             | .5188195<br>.0864699  |
| x2       | .1982546<br>.0729333            | .1321088<br>.0904967  |
| x3       | .057889<br>.0494267             | .0546988<br>.0643793  |
| x4       | .4091564<br>.0829535            | .3360411<br>.1018539  |
| -----    |                                 |                       |
| Spatial  |                                 |                       |
| rho      | .4530939<br>.0356911            | .3869484<br>.0429191  |
| -----    |                                 |                       |
| Variance |                                 |                       |
| sigma2_e | .7564478<br>.0355401            | 1.068042<br>.0737025  |
| -----    |                                 |                       |

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