

- 10.2 The labor supply of married women has been a subject of a great deal of economic research. Consider the following supply equation specification

$$HOURS = \beta_1 + \beta_2 WAGE + \beta_3 EDUC + \beta_4 AGE + \beta_5 KIDSL6 + \beta_6 NWIFEINC + e$$

where *HOURS* is the supply of labor, *WAGE* is hourly wage, *EDUC* is years of education, *KIDSL6* is the number of children in the household who are less than 6 years old, and *NWIFEINC* is household income from sources other than the wife's employment.

- Discuss the signs you expect for each of the coefficients.
- Explain why this supply equation cannot be consistently estimated by OLS regression.
- Suppose we consider the woman's labor market experience *EXPER* and its square, *EXPER*², to be instruments for *WAGE*. Explain how these variables satisfy the logic of instrumental variables.
- Is the supply equation identified? Explain.
- Describe the steps [not a computer command] you would take to obtain IV/2SLS estimates.

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a. β_1 : not sure
 β_2 : +, more wage attracts more people to work
 β_3 : -, when the education level increase, it might be more efficient, cause the need of labor decrease
 β_4 : -, As the age increase, the energy decrease, which may cause to supply of labors decrease.
 β_5 : -, with more children at home, women may choose to look after them
 β_6 : -, when women can get more from other sources, they may choose to work less.

b. There is a feedback relationship between wage and hour, $cov(wage, e) \neq 0$.
 It's Endogeneous.

c. *EXPER*, *EXPER*²
 IV:
 ① no direct effect on hour
 ② not correlated with the regression error
 ③ correlated with wage.
 More *EXPER* tends to have a higher wage

d. Yes, it contains IV to deal with endogeneous issue.

e. run the regression $Wage = r_1 + r_2 educ + r_3 age + r_4 kidsl6 + r_5 nwifinc + r_6 exper + r_7 exper^2 + e$

10.3 In the regression model $y = \beta_1 + \beta_2 x + e$, assume x is endogenous and that z is a valid instrument. In Section 10.3.5, we saw that $\beta_2 = \text{cov}(z, y) / \text{cov}(z, x)$.

- Divide the denominator of $\beta_2 = \text{cov}(z, y) / \text{cov}(z, x)$ by $\text{var}(z)$. Show that $\text{cov}(z, x) / \text{var}(z)$ is the coefficient of the simple regression with dependent variable x and explanatory variable z , $x = \gamma_1 + \theta_1 z + v$. [Hint: See Section 10.2.1.] Note that this is the first-stage equation in two-stage least squares.
- Divide the numerator of $\beta_2 = \text{cov}(z, y) / \text{cov}(z, x)$ by $\text{var}(z)$. Show that $\text{cov}(z, y) / \text{var}(z)$ is the coefficient of a simple regression with dependent variable y and explanatory variable z , $y = \pi_0 + \pi_1 z + u$. [Hint: See Section 10.2.1.]
- In the model $y = \beta_1 + \beta_2 x + e$, substitute for x using $x = \gamma_1 + \theta_1 z + v$ and simplify to obtain $y = \pi_0 + \pi_1 z + u$. What are π_0 , π_1 , and u in terms of the regression model parameters and error and the first-stage parameters and error? The regression you have obtained is a **reduced-form** equation.
- Show that $\beta_2 = \pi_1 / \theta_1$.
- If $\hat{\pi}_1$ and $\hat{\theta}_1$ are the OLS estimators of π_1 and θ_1 , show that $\hat{\beta}_2 = \hat{\pi}_1 / \hat{\theta}_1$ is a consistent estimator of $\beta_2 = \pi_1 / \theta_1$. The estimator $\hat{\beta}_2 = \hat{\pi}_1 / \hat{\theta}_1$ is an **indirect least squares** estimator.

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a. $x = \gamma_1 + \theta_1 z + v$
 $E(x) = \gamma_1 + \theta_1 E(z)$
 $(x - E(x)) = \theta_1 (z - E(z)) + v$
 $(z - E(z))(x - E(x)) = \theta_1 (z - E(z))^2 + v(z - E(z))$
 $E \Rightarrow \text{cov}(z, x) = \theta_1 \text{var}(z) +$
 $\theta_1 = \frac{\text{cov}(z, x)}{\text{var}(z)}$

b. $y = \pi_0 + \pi_1 z + u$
 $E(y) = \pi_0 + \pi_1 E(z)$
 $y - E(y) = \pi_1 (z - E(z)) + u$
 $(z - E(z))(y - E(y)) = \pi_1 (z - E(z))^2 + u(z - E(z))$
 $E \Rightarrow \text{cov}(z, y) = \pi_1 \text{var}(z)$
 $\pi_1 = \frac{\text{cov}(z, y)}{\text{var}(z)}$

c. $y = \beta_1 + \beta_2 (\gamma_1 + \theta_1 z + v) + e$
 $= (\beta_1 + \beta_2 \gamma_1) + \beta_2 \theta_1 z + (\beta_2 v + e)$
 $= \pi_0 + \pi_1 z + u$
 $\pi_0 = \beta_1 + \beta_2 \gamma_1$
 $\pi_1 = \beta_2 \theta_1$
 $u = \beta_2 v + e$
d. $\pi_1 = \beta_2 \theta_1$, $\beta_2 = \frac{\pi_1}{\theta_1}$

e. $\hat{\theta}_1 = \frac{\text{cov}(\hat{z}, x)}{\text{var}(\hat{z})}$, $\hat{\pi}_1 = \frac{\text{cov}(\hat{z}, y)}{\text{var}(\hat{z})}$
 $\hat{\beta}_2 = \frac{\hat{\pi}_1}{\hat{\theta}_1} = \frac{\text{cov}(\hat{z}, y)}{\text{cov}(\hat{z}, x)} \xrightarrow{P} \frac{\text{cov}(z, y)}{\text{cov}(z, x)} = \beta_2$