

11.16 Consider the following supply and demand model

$$\text{Demand: } Q_i = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 P_i + e_{di}, \quad \text{Supply: } Q_i = \beta_1 + \beta_2 P_i + \beta_3 W_i + e_{si}$$

where Q is the quantity, P is the price, and W is the wage rate, which is assumed exogenous. Data on these variables are in Table 11.7.

TABLE 11.7

Data for
Exercise 11.16

Q	P	W
4	2	2
6	4	3
9	3	1
3	5	1
8	8	3

- a. Derive the algebraic form of the reduced-form equations, $Q = \theta_1 + \theta_2 W + v_2$ and $P = \pi_1 + \pi_2 W + v_1$, expressing the reduced-form parameters in terms of the structural parameters.

$$Q = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 P + e_{d1} = \beta_1 + \beta_2 P + \beta_3 W + e_{s1}$$

$$(\alpha_2 - \beta_2) P = (\beta_1 - \alpha_1) + \beta_3 W + e_{s1} - e_{d1}$$

$$P = \frac{\beta_1 - \alpha_1}{\alpha_2 - \beta_2} + \frac{\beta_3}{\alpha_2 - \beta_2} W + \frac{e_{s1} - e_{d1}}{\alpha_2 - \beta_2}$$

$$= \pi_1 + \pi_2 W + v_1$$

$$Q = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 (\pi_1 + \pi_2 W + v_1) + e_{d1} = (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \pi_1) + \alpha_2 \pi_2 W + (\alpha_2 v_1 + e_{d1})$$

$$= (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \frac{\beta_1 \alpha_1}{\alpha_2 - \beta_2}) + \alpha_2 \frac{\beta_3}{\alpha_2 - \beta_2} W + (\alpha_2 \frac{e_{s1} - e_{d1}}{\alpha_2 - \beta_2} + e_{d1})$$

$$= \frac{\alpha_1 \beta_2 + \alpha_2 \beta_1}{\alpha_2 - \beta_2} + \frac{\alpha_2 \beta_3}{\alpha_2 - \beta_2} W + \frac{\alpha_2 e_{s1} - \alpha_2 e_{d1}}{\alpha_2 - \beta_2}$$

$$= \theta_1 + \theta_2 W + v_2$$

- b. Which structural parameters can you solve for from the results in part (a)? Which equation is "identified"?

$$\begin{cases} \theta_1 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \pi_1 \\ \theta_2 = \alpha_2 \pi_2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \text{Solve } \alpha_1, \alpha_2$$

$M = 2 \Rightarrow M-1$ must absent

$\alpha = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 p + e \Rightarrow W$ is absent \Rightarrow Identified.

$\alpha = \beta_1 + \beta_2 P + \beta_3 W + e \Rightarrow$ No one is absent \Rightarrow not identified.

- c. The estimated reduced-form equations are $\hat{Q} = 5 + 0.5W$ and $\hat{P} = 2.4 + 1W$. Solve for the identified structural parameters. This is the method of **indirect least squares**.

$$\hat{Q} = 5 + 0.5 W \quad \hat{P} = 2.4 + 1W$$

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 θ_1 θ_2 π_1 π_2

$$\theta_1 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \pi_1 \Rightarrow \hat{\zeta} = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \times 2.4$$

$$\theta_2 = \alpha_2 \pi_2 \Rightarrow 0.5 = \alpha_2 \times 1 \Rightarrow \hat{\alpha}_2 = 0.5 \Rightarrow \hat{\alpha}_1 = 3.8$$

- d. Obtain the fitted values from the reduced-form equation for P , and apply 2SLS to obtain estimates of the demand equation.

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Q	P	W	\hat{P}_I	$\hat{P}_U - \bar{P}_U$	$Q_U - \bar{Q}_U$
4	2	2	4.4	0	-2
6	4	3	5.4	1	0
9	3	1	3.4	-1	3
3	5	1	3.4	-1	3
8	8	3	5.4	1	2

$$\bar{P} = 4.4$$

$$\hat{P} = 2.4 + 1W$$

$$Q = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \hat{P}_I + e$$

$$\alpha_2 = \frac{\sum (\hat{P}_U - \bar{P}_U)(Q_U - \bar{Q}_U)}{\sum (\hat{P}_U - \bar{P}_U)^2} = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\alpha_1 = \bar{Q} - \alpha_2 \bar{P} = 6 - 0.5 \times 4.4 = 3.8$$

$$\Rightarrow Q = 3.8 + 0.5 \hat{P}$$