Problem Set 1

Analysis of Labor Outcomes with PSID

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Itinerary

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Background of PSID

- The PSID is a longitudinal study of household and individual income dynamics
- Grants users an in depth look at long term labor and wealth outcomes
- Maintained by University of Michigan



Research Question

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Subquestions

How do these outcomes when stratifying by wealth, educational, and labor characteristics?

Data

2009 Sample Size

Sample by Category:

25-30 31-35 36-40 41-45 46-50 51-55 56-60 Number of Individuals

1999 2011

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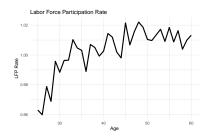
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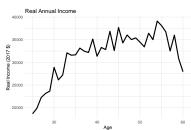
Age Profile Generation

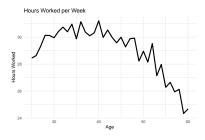
$$Y_{it} = \gamma \cdot Age_{it} + \alpha \cdot Year_{it} + \epsilon_{it}$$
 (1)

In which Y_{it} is the outcome variable for individual i at time t, Age_{it} is the age of individual i at time t, $Year_{it}$ is a set of year fixed effects, and ϵ_{it} is the error term.

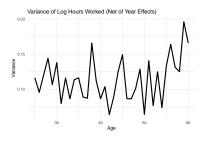
Main Results - Overall

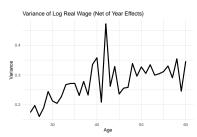










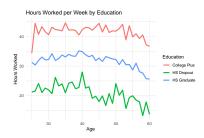


Results - Stratified by Education

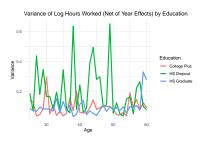


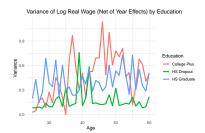
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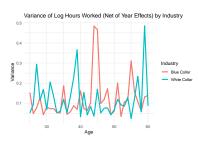
Results - Stratified by Industry













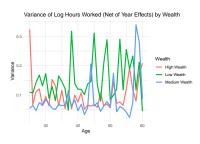
Results - Stratified by Wealth













Conclusion

- We see much of what we would expect in the data
- Hourly wage is not what I would expect
- Variance is massive, especially in wages

