

# Econ 675 Assignment 3

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## 1 Question 1: Many Instruments Asymptotics

## 2 Question 2: Weak Instruments Simulations

### Results for $n\gamma^2 = 0$

| reg_type | variable  | mean    | st.dev    | quant .1 | quant .5 | quant .9 |
|----------|-----------|---------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| ols      | estimate  | 1.00    | 0.01      | 0.99     | 1.00     | 1.01     |
| ols      | std.error | 0.01    | 0.00      | 0.01     | 0.01     | 0.01     |
| ols      | rej       | 1.00    | 0.00      | 1.00     | 1.00     | 1.00     |
| 2sls     | estimate  | 0.66    | 20.76     | 0.68     | 1.00     | 1.32     |
| 2sls     | std.error | 3248.34 | 182231.00 | 0.07     | 0.22     | 4.95     |
| 2sls     | rej       | 0.69    | 0.46      | 0.00     | 1.00     | 1.00     |
| 2sls     | f_stat    | 1.00    | 1.39      | 0.01     | 0.44     | 2.65     |

### Results for $n\gamma^2 = 0.25$

| reg_type | variable  | mean    | st.dev   | quant .1 | quant .5 | quant .9 |
|----------|-----------|---------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| ols      | estimate  | 1.00    | 0.01     | 0.99     | 1.00     | 1.01     |
| ols      | std.error | 0.01    | 0.00     | 0.01     | 0.01     | 0.01     |
| ols      | rej       | 1.00    | 0.00     | 1.00     | 1.00     | 1.00     |
| 2sls     | estimate  | 0.28    | 31.08    | -0.97    | 0.65     | 2.64     |
| 2sls     | std.error | 1630.89 | 91246.48 | 0.15     | 0.89     | 23.65    |
| 2sls     | rej       | 0.32    | 0.47     | 0.00     | 0.00     | 1.00     |
| 2sls     | f_stat    | 1.26    | 1.81     | 0.02     | 0.57     | 3.44     |

### Results for $n\gamma^2 = 9$

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| reg_type | variable  | mean  | st.dev | quant .1 | quant .5 | quant .9 |
|----------|-----------|-------|--------|----------|----------|----------|
| ols      | estimate  | 0.96  | 0.02   | 0.94     | 0.96     | 0.98     |
| ols      | std.error | 0.02  | 0.00   | 0.01     | 0.02     | 0.02     |
| ols      | rej       | 1.00  | 0.00   | 1.00     | 1.00     | 1.00     |
| 2sls     | estimate  | -0.31 | 6.73   | -0.77    | -0.01    | 0.29     |
| 2sls     | std.error | 15.57 | 713.82 | 0.17     | 0.34     | 1.06     |
| 2sls     | rej       | 0.08  | 0.27   | 0.00     | 0.00     | 0.00     |
| 2sls     | f_stat    | 9.99  | 6.34   | 2.83     | 8.88     | 18.34    |

**Results for  $n\gamma^2 = 99$**

| reg_type | variable  | mean   | st.dev | quant .1 | quant .5 | quant .9 |
|----------|-----------|--------|--------|----------|----------|----------|
| ols      | estimate  | 0.67   | 0.03   | 0.62     | 0.67     | 0.71     |
| ols      | std.error | 0.03   | 0.00   | 0.03     | 0.03     | 0.04     |
| ols      | rej       | 1.00   | 0.00   | 1.00     | 1.00     | 1.00     |
| 2sls     | estimate  | -0.01  | 0.11   | -0.15    | -0.00    | 0.11     |
| 2sls     | std.error | 0.10   | 0.02   | 0.08     | 0.10     | 0.14     |
| 2sls     | rej       | 0.05   | 0.21   | 0.00     | 0.00     | 0.00     |
| 2sls     | f_stat    | 100.93 | 24.69  | 71.05    | 99.09    | 133.35   |

### 3 Question 3: Weak Instrument - Empirical Study

Table 1

|            | <i>Dependent variable:</i> |
|------------|----------------------------|
|            | l_w_wage                   |
| educ       | 0.063***<br>(0.0003)       |
| non_white  | −0.257***<br>(0.004)       |
| married    | 0.248***<br>(0.003)        |
| SMSA       | −0.176***<br>(0.003)       |
| ENOCENT    | 0.016***<br>(0.004)        |
| ESOCENT    | −0.164***<br>(0.005)       |
| MIDATL     | −0.053***<br>(0.004)       |
| MT         | −0.092***<br>(0.006)       |
| NEWENG     | −0.113***<br>(0.006)       |
| SOATL      | −0.139***<br>(0.004)       |
| WNOCENT    | −0.108***<br>(0.005)       |
| WSOCENT    | −0.103***<br>(0.005)       |
| d_YOB_ld_0 | 0.008*<br>(0.005)          |
| d_YOB_ld_7 | −0.015***<br>(0.005)       |
| d_YOB_ld_5 | −0.012**<br>(0.005)        |
| d_YOB_ld_8 | −0.014***<br>(0.005)       |
| d_YOB_ld_9 | −0.022***                  |