

## Assignment 2: Multinomial Choices

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### Exercise 1 Data Description

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## [1] "Average and dispersion in product characteristics (price):"

##          hhid          choice          PPk_Stk          PBB_Stk
## Min.    :2100016  Min.    : 1.000  Min.    :0.1900  Min.    :0.1900
## 1st Qu.:2114017  1st Qu.: 1.000  1st Qu.:0.5000  1st Qu.:0.5000
## Median :2125864  Median : 2.000  Median :0.5800  Median :0.5800
## Mean    :2125756  Mean    : 3.243  Mean    :0.5184  Mean    :0.5432
## 3rd Qu.:2136937  3rd Qu.: 5.000  3rd Qu.:0.6200  3rd Qu.:0.6100
## Max.    :2157248  Max.    :10.000  Max.    :0.6700  Max.    :1.0100
##          PFl_Stk          PHse_Stk          PGen_Stk          PImp_Stk
## Min.    :0.950  Min.    :0.1900  Min.    :0.2500  Min.    :0.3300
## 1st Qu.:0.990  1st Qu.:0.2900  1st Qu.:0.3300  1st Qu.:0.7200
## Median :0.990  Median :0.4500  Median :0.3300  Median :0.7500
## Mean    :1.015  Mean    :0.4371  Mean    :0.3453  Mean    :0.7808
## 3rd Qu.:1.080  3rd Qu.:0.5700  3rd Qu.:0.3600  3rd Qu.:0.8800
## Max.    :1.160  Max.    :0.6400  Max.    :0.5500  Max.    :2.3000
##          PSS_Tub          PPk_Tub          PFl_Tub          PHse_Tub
## Min.    :0.5000  Min.    :0.980  Min.    :0.690  Min.    :0.3300
## 1st Qu.:0.8000  1st Qu.:1.070  1st Qu.:1.190  1st Qu.:0.5600
## Median :0.8500  Median :1.090  Median :1.190  Median :0.5900
## Mean    :0.8251  Mean    :1.077  Mean    :1.189  Mean    :0.5687
## 3rd Qu.:0.8500  3rd Qu.:1.090  3rd Qu.:1.190  3rd Qu.:0.5900
## Max.    :0.9800  Max.    :1.240  Max.    :1.470  Max.    :1.2700
##          PPk_Stk  PBB_Stk  PFl_Stk  PHse_Stk  PGen_Stk  PImp_Stk  PSS_Tub
## avg 0.5184362 0.5432103 1.01502013 0.4371477 0.34528188 0.7807785 0.82508949
## sd  0.1505174 0.1203319 0.04289519 0.1188312 0.03516605 0.1146461 0.06121159
##          PPk_Tub  PFl_Tub  PHse_Tub
## avg 1.07740940 1.18937584 0.5686734
## sd  0.02972613 0.01405451 0.0724550

## [1] "Market share (choice frequency):"

##
##      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9     10
## 1766  699  243  593  315   74  319  203  225   33

## [1] "Market share by product characteristics:"

##          PPk_Stk  PBB_Stk  PFl_Stk  PHse_Stk  PGen_Stk  PImp_Stk  PSS_Tub  PPk_Tub
## above avg    3015    2868    1169    2917    1285    1244    3345    2629
## below avg    1455    1602    3301    1553    3185    3226    1125    1841
##          PFl_Tub  PHse_Tub
## above avg    4133    3210
## below avg     337    1260
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## [1] "Mapping between observed attributes and choices:"

##      Income Fs3_4  Fs5.  Fam_Size college whtcollar retired
## PPk_Stk 26.713 0.511 0.137   3.175   0.318    0.570   0.199
## PBB_Stk 26.066 0.515 0.112   3.102   0.313    0.544   0.240
## PFl_Stk 30.710 0.255 0.082   2.481   0.453    0.543   0.531
## PHse_Stk 27.643 0.503 0.199   3.470   0.293    0.592   0.153
## PGen_Stk 26.444 0.594 0.200   3.692   0.273    0.714   0.146
## PImp_Stk 39.155 0.243 0.311   3.176   0.432    0.568   0.378
## PSS_Tub 25.321 0.492 0.063   2.890   0.323    0.577   0.147
## PPk_Tub 34.249 0.601 0.054   3.094   0.256    0.571   0.099
## PFl_Tub 31.900 0.302 0.049   2.387   0.276    0.578   0.360
## PHse_Tub 29.470 0.364 0.545   4.424   0.455    0.939   0.121

##      PPk_Stk PBB_Stk PFl_Stk PHse_Stk PGen_Stk PImp_Stk PSS_Tub PPk_Tub
## college      0.397   0.155   0.078   0.123   0.061   0.023   0.073   0.037
## whtcollar     0.388   0.146   0.051   0.135   0.087   0.016   0.071   0.045
## retired       0.364   0.174   0.134   0.094   0.048   0.029   0.049   0.021
##      PFl_Tub PHse_Tub
## college      0.044   0.011
## whtcollar     0.050   0.012
## retired       0.084   0.004
```

From the above statistics (distribution of choice by demo), we know that: on average

A) By choice:

- 1) Except for PFl\_Stk, younger and lower educated people are the dominant buyer;
- 2) People with higher income (above 30) tend to buy PImp\_Stk, PPk\_Tub PFl\_Tub and PFl\_Stk;
- 3) larger family size buyers dominate the choice PHse\_Tub.

B) By demo:

- 4) among higher educated people, PPk\_Stk is the most preferred choice and PHse\_Tub is the least preferred choice (only 1.1% would buy);
- 5) among the white collars, PPk\_Stk is also the most preferred choice and PHse\_Tub is also the least preferred choice (only 1.2% would buy);
- 6) among the retired, PPk\_Stk is also the most preferred choice and PHse\_Tub is also the least preferred choice (only 0.4% would buy).

## Exercise 2 First Model

In order to characterize the relationship between price and demand, we need to use the conditional logit model. This is because we do not need the variation of individual characteristics.

```
## initial value 11230.437489
## final value 9402.409352
## converged

## [1] "The coefficients for the first model:"

##      cons      price
## [1,] 0.9219114 -2.43062
```

In this model, the coefficient on price is same among all choices. -2.43 means that higher price will decrease the utility of choosing any of the choices.

### Exercise 3 Second Model

Since family income is an individual related variable, it is alternative-invariant. Therefore, we use multinomial logit model to characterize the effect of family income on demand.

```
## initial value 45137.457045
## iter 10 value 33739.354362
## iter 20 value 27741.315723
## iter 30 value 19803.188830
## iter 40 value 13695.326771
## iter 50 value 12316.929006
## iter 60 value 10365.887686
## iter 70 value 9528.392223
## iter 80 value 8987.429964
## iter 90 value 8753.739239
## iter 100 value 8641.814613
## final value 8641.814613
## stopped after 100 iterations

## [1] "The coefficients for the second model:"

##           cons      Income  Fam_Size      college  whtcollar   retired
## PPk_Stk    2.5852239 -3.936913 0.64416069 0.6603363255 0.06257552 0.2755391
## PBB_Stk    2.1127311 -3.940036 0.54660462 0.5918770369 -0.06108287 0.1418831
## PFl_Stk   -1.4554080 -3.912397 0.41646352 1.3614134402 1.32331625 2.8887220
## PHse_Stk   0.6483031 -3.930779 0.87329620 0.3919796344 -0.11906653 0.2301030
## PGen_Stk  -0.8517499 -3.945087 1.00176657 0.1261172750 1.00172956 1.0894824
## PImp_Stk   0.5800658 -4.617164 0.05158610 -0.0664694070 0.22995982 0.1614845
## PSS_Tub    1.8573550 -3.938778 0.38420379 0.6561485249 -0.11947142 -0.3769179
## PPk_Tub    1.0542478 -3.910859 0.30637327 0.0003944446 -0.36228994 -0.6607740
## PFl_Tub    0.8589052 -3.906556 0.02187428 0.1274802121 0.66613847 0.9698717
## PHse_Tub  -2.7880233 -3.974347 0.96038557 0.8630973858 1.42441335 1.1077531
```

The coefficients of family income is in the second column. We can know that higher family income could increase each choice's utility.

### Exercise 4 Marginal Effects

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## [1] "marginal effect of model1"

## [1] "parameter 1"

##           PPk_Stk    PBB_Stk    PFl_Stk    PHse_Stk    PGen_Stk
## PPk_Stk    0.12143903 -0.02212937 -0.01615454 -0.02355517 -0.02479417
## PBB_Stk   -0.02212937  0.11997161 -0.01591584 -0.02320711 -0.02442781
## PFl_Stk   -0.01615454 -0.01591584  0.09187703 -0.01694130 -0.01783241
## PHse_Stk  -0.02355517 -0.02320711 -0.01694130  0.12620617 -0.02600170
## PGen_Stk  -0.02479417 -0.02442781 -0.01783241 -0.02600170  0.13147692
## PImp_Stk  -0.01901902 -0.01873799 -0.01367882 -0.01994528 -0.02099440
## PSS_Tub   -0.01845900 -0.01818624 -0.01327604 -0.01935798 -0.02037621
## PPk_Tub   -0.01543545 -0.01520737 -0.01110145 -0.01618719 -0.01703863
## PFl_Tub   -0.01419634 -0.01398657 -0.01021026 -0.01488773 -0.01567082
## PHse_Tub  -0.02178929 -0.02146732 -0.01567125 -0.02285047 -0.02405240
##           PImp_Stk    PSS_Tub    PPk_Tub    PFl_Tub    PHse_Tub
## PPk_Stk  -0.01901902 -0.01845900 -0.01543545 -0.01419633 -0.02178929
## PBB_Stk  -0.01873799 -0.01818624 -0.01520737 -0.01398657 -0.02146732
## PFl_Stk  -0.01367882 -0.01327604 -0.01110145 -0.01021026 -0.01567125
## PHse_Stk -0.01994528 -0.01935798 -0.01618718 -0.01488772 -0.02285047
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```
## PGen_Stk -0.02099440 -0.02037621 -0.017038633 -0.015670822 -0.02405240
## PImp_Stk 0.10574290 -0.01563011 -0.013069928 -0.012020714 -0.01845002
## PSS_Tub -0.01563011 0.10308950 -0.012685080 -0.011666760 -0.01790676
## PPk_Tub -0.01306993 -0.01268508 0.088281446 -0.009755769 -0.01497367
## PFl_Tub -0.01202071 -0.01166676 -0.009755769 0.081977640 -0.01377163
## PHse_Tub -0.01845002 -0.01790676 -0.014973667 -0.013771626 0.11845780
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## [1] "parameter 2"
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```
##          PPk_Stk      PBB_Stk      PFl_Stk      PHse_Stk      PGen_Stk
## PPk_Stk -0.32017414 0.05834411 0.04259147 0.06210323 0.06536986
## PBB_Stk 0.05834411 -0.31630529 0.04196213 0.06118558 0.06440394
## PFl_Stk 0.04259147 0.04196213 -0.24223390 0.04466576 0.04701517
## PHse_Stk 0.06210323 0.06118558 0.04466576 -0.33274269 0.06855350
## PGen_Stk 0.06536986 0.06440394 0.04701517 0.06855350 -0.34663904
## PImp_Stk 0.05014366 0.04940273 0.03606422 0.05258575 0.05535176
## PSS_Tub 0.04866716 0.04794805 0.03500229 0.05103735 0.05372191
## PPk_Tub 0.04069558 0.04009426 0.02926899 0.04267754 0.04492237
## PFl_Tub 0.03742866 0.03687561 0.02691937 0.03925151 0.04131614
## PHse_Tub 0.05744748 0.05659863 0.04131726 0.06024528 0.06341419
##          PImp_Stk      PSS_Tub      PPk_Tub      PFl_Tub      PHse_Tub
## PPk_Stk 0.05014366 0.04866716 0.04069558 0.03742866 0.05744748
## PBB_Stk 0.04940273 0.04794805 0.04009426 0.03687561 0.05659863
## PFl_Stk 0.03606422 0.03500229 0.02926899 0.02691937 0.04131726
## PHse_Stk 0.05258575 0.05103735 0.04267754 0.03925151 0.06024528
## PGen_Stk 0.05535176 0.05372191 0.04492237 0.04131614 0.06341419
## PImp_Stk -0.27879127 0.04120879 0.03445888 0.03169262 0.04864351
## PSS_Tub 0.04120879 -0.27179558 0.03344423 0.03075943 0.04721118
## PPk_Tub 0.03445888 0.03344423 -0.23275413 0.02572110 0.03947809
## PFl_Tub 0.03169262 0.03075943 0.02572110 -0.21613414 0.03630891
## PHse_Tub 0.04864351 0.04721118 0.03947809 0.03630891 -0.31231413
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## [1] "marginal effect of model2"
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```
##          cons      Income      Fam_Size      college      whtcollar
## PPk_Stk 1.773701e-45 -2.701084e-45 4.419534e-46 4.530513e-46 4.293255e-47
## PBB_Stk 5.395339e-46 -1.006178e-45 1.395879e-46 1.511492e-46 -1.559890e-47
## PFl_Stk -7.721405e-47 -2.075652e-46 2.209472e-47 7.222734e-47 7.020616e-47
## PHse_Stk 1.278923e-46 -7.754339e-46 1.722772e-46 7.732673e-47 -2.348853e-47
## PGen_Stk -8.028537e-47 -3.718612e-46 9.442584e-47 1.188773e-47 9.442235e-47
## PImp_Stk 4.765811e-56 -3.793454e-55 4.238305e-57 -5.461115e-57 1.889346e-56
## PSS_Tub 2.012416e-46 -4.267607e-46 4.162791e-47 7.109271e-47 -1.294455e-47
## PPk_Tub 5.754596e-47 -2.134737e-46 1.672334e-47 2.153070e-50 -1.977554e-47
## PFl_Tub 4.776835e-47 -2.172646e-46 1.216547e-48 7.089862e-48 3.704755e-47
## PHse_Tub -2.400347e-47 -3.421711e-47 8.268433e-48 7.430831e-48 1.226348e-47
##          retired
## PPk_Stk 1.890451e-46
## PBB_Stk 3.623306e-47
## PFl_Stk 1.532559e-46
## PHse_Stk 4.539295e-47
## PGen_Stk 1.026939e-46
## PImp_Stk 1.326754e-56
## PSS_Tub -4.083849e-47
## PPk_Tub -3.606825e-47
## PFl_Tub 5.393980e-47
## PHse_Tub 9.537193e-48
```

## Exercise 5 IIA

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## [1] "Estimated coefficients for mixed logit model"
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```
##           cons      Income    Fam_Size    college    whtcollar    retired
## PPk_Stk    0.56429017    2.9722324    0.99475662    0.80555584    0.52436949    0.56925366
## PBB_Stk   -0.29965659    2.9699422    0.97039136    0.82489214    0.47450956    0.79593336
## PFl_Stk   -0.81946634   -18.8507170   -2.75353389    0.31680626    0.11356037    0.02925765
## PHse_Stk  -1.75744335    2.9737315    1.15945160    0.55814138    0.59471055    0.52004069
## PGen_Stk  -3.64323679    2.9648081    1.28471962    0.41002595    1.22164746    0.88755444
## PImp_Stk  -0.04117762    1.1187555    0.44312814    0.08450822    0.57160553    0.68662047
## PSS_Tub    2.07703547    2.9668990    0.72880049    0.83934126    0.43001153   -0.08122946
## PPk_Tub    2.73383993    3.0008974    0.73520514    0.34714357    0.07800989   -0.31625857
## PFl_Tub    3.95365111    3.0040252    0.29518016    0.48206651    0.82066425    1.30965157
## PHse_Tub   0.48808757    0.4508178    0.04320738    0.04471320    0.64158681    0.76434032
##           price
## PPk_Stk   -7.14027
## PBB_Stk   -7.14027
## PFl_Stk   -7.14027
## PHse_Stk  -7.14027
## PGen_Stk  -7.14027
## PImp_Stk  -7.14027
## PSS_Tub   -7.14027
## PPk_Tub   -7.14027
## PFl_Tub   -7.14027
## PHse_Tub  -7.14027
```

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## [1] "Estimated coefficients for the second mixed logit model"
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```
##           cons      Income    Fam_Size    college    whtcollar
## PPk_Stk    44.390915   1292.951016   142.267354   14.71182413   27.4518283
## PBB_Stk    12.498433    184.089742    32.944212    3.03201022    7.2274607
## PFl_Stk    -3.456644    -5.839029    -6.980301    0.07340074   -1.2849441
## PHse_Stk   17.809710    540.888106    68.118503    5.78581374   11.6275459
## PGen_Stk    3.330967    32.432134     8.920396    1.19857197    1.5894625
## PImp_Stk  -80.560278  -2167.733891  -261.382444  -24.60367875  -47.4737347
## PSS_Tub     4.969103     58.775689    11.587204    2.39225026    2.5971240
## PPk_Tub     2.695812     36.604902     5.383885    0.41116728    1.1217390
## PFl_Tub     3.541112     33.229504     4.631714    0.75410977    0.9440687
##           retired    price
## PPk_Stk     8.4030055  -27.25613
## PBB_Stk     3.6646725  -27.25613
## PFl_Stk     0.7869891  -27.25613
## PHse_Stk     1.9295075  -27.25613
## PGen_Stk     1.1799801  -27.25613
## PImp_Stk   -15.9535454  -27.25613
## PSS_Tub      2.4176099  -27.25613
## PPk_Tub      0.6074413  -27.25613
## PFl_Tub      2.5526433  -27.25613
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```
## [1] "At 95% statistical level, the critical value is 38.9580265267851 and the MTT is -54020.40986309"
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## [1] "Therefore, the model satisfies IIA assumption."
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