Exercises Week 12

Econometrics

1. Exercises 9.14 in ETM: Suppose that $g_n(\beta) = y_t - x_t \beta$. Show that, in this special case, the estimating equations (or first order conditions for GMM) given by

$$G'_n(\hat{\beta})W_ng_n(\hat{\beta})=0,$$

yield the generalized IV estimator.

Note that for the linear case, the symmetric and definite positive matrix of instruments W_n is given by the projection matrix P_W .

2. **Exercise 9.3 in ETM**: Consider the quadratic form x'Ax, where x is a $p \times 1$ vector and A is a $p \times p$ matrix, which may or may not be symmetric. Show that there exists a symmetric $p \times p$ matrix B such that x'Bx = x'Ax for all $p \times 1$ vectors x, and give the explicit form of a suitable B.

Hint: Note that x'Ax is a scalar, and hence symmetric.

3. Follow the Illustrative Example on Estimating Intertemporal Asset Pricing Models on the file on Moodle and replicate Table 5.4

Note: The data for the exercise is available in the *Ecdat* package under the name *Pricing*.