Advanced Microeconomics

Problem Set 2: Random Utility Model (RUM)

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Replication of Kitamura-Stoye (KS) algorithm to test Random Utility Model (RUM)

I replicated table IV (p.28) from KS, for three goods and a budget length of six for years 93-99. I used Matlab code provided from original KS replication package and the github repo from Bart Smeulders. I use CPLEX optimizer from IBM. The replication code and the results can be found in my github we page.

Years	\mathcal{J}_N	р
92-98 93-99	5.28451371643549e-13 5.16504555822790e-13	$\begin{array}{c} 0.9990000000000000\\ 0.9880000000000000\end{array}$

According to KS, $\mathcal{J}_N=0$ if the estimated choice probabilities are stochastically rationalizable. That is, their null hypothesis is that a repeated cross section of demand data have been generated by a population of rational consumers. In this case, we accept the null for both periods.