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# **ABSTRACT OF THE DISSERTATION**

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The chapters of this dissertation explore different aspects in Economics.

# Chapter 1

## Title of Chapter One

This chapter explores the aspect of firm competitions. Sed feugiat. Cum sociis natoque penatibus et magnis dis parturient montes, nascetur ridiculus mus. Ut pellentesque augue sed urna. Vestibulum diam eros, fringilla et, consectetur eu, nonummy id, sapien. Nullam at lectus. In sagittis ultrices mauris. Curabitur malesuada erat sit amet massa. Fusce blandit. Aliquam erat volutpat. Aliquam euismod. Aenean vel lectus. Nunc imperdiet justo nec dolor.

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### 1.1 Introduction

The **competition** can be illustrated with the following graph with the implementation is presented in Listing 1.1:

Figure 1.1: This is a graph



*Note:* some notes. The graph should be self-contained. Nunc sed pede. Praesent vitae lectus. Praesent neque justo, vehicula eget, interdum id, facilisis et, nibh. Phasellus at purus et libero lacinia dictum. Fusce aliquet. Nulla eu ante placerat leo semper dictum. Mauris metus. Curabitur lobortis. Curabitur sollicitudin hendrerit nunc. Donec ultrices lacus id ipsum.

## 1.2 Model

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**Theorem 1** (Envelope Theorem). *Only the direct effects of a change in an exogenous variable need be considered, even though the exogenous variable may enter the maximum value function indirectly as part of the solution to the endogenous choice variables.*

## 1.3 Comparative Statics

This is also demonstrated in Figure 1.1.

Listing 1.1: Long short-term memory

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```
1 class network_LSTM(nn.Module):
2     def __init__(self, input_size=1, hidden_size=256, output_size=1):
3         super().__init__()
4         self.hidden_size = hidden_size
5         self.lstm = nn.LSTM(input_size, hidden_size)
6
7         # fully-connected
8         self.linear = nn.Linear(hidden_size, output_size)
9
10        self.hidden = (
11            torch.zeros(1, 1, self.hidden_size),
12            torch.zeros(1, 1, self.hidden_size)
13        )
14
15    def forward(self, vec):
16        lstm_output, self.hidden = self.lstm(vec.view(len(vec), 1, -1), self.hidden)
17        prediction = self.linear(lstm_output.view(len(vec), -1))
18        return prediction[-1]
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## 1.4 Conclusion

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## Chapter 2

# Title of Chapter Two

This chapter explores two-side markets. Sed mattis, erat sit amet gravida malesuada, elit augue egestas diam, tempus scelerisque nunc nisl vitae libero. Sed consequat feugiat massa. Nunc porta, eros in eleifend varius, erat leo rutrum dui, non convallis lectus orci ut nibh. Sed lorem massa, nonummy quis, egestas id, condimentum at, nisl. Maecenas at nibh. Aliquam et augue at nunc pellentesque ullamcorper. Duis nisl nibh, laoreet suscipit, convallis ut, rutrum id, enim. Phasellus odio. Nulla nulla elit, molestie non, scelerisque at, vestibulum eu, nulla. Ut odio nisl, facilisis id, mollis et, scelerisque nec, enim. Aenean sem leo, pellentesque sit amet, scelerisque sit amet, vehicula pellentesque, sapien.

### 2.1 Introduction

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### 2.2 Model

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## 2.3 Identification

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## 2.4 Empirical Results

The results are presented in Appendix [B.1b](#). Download this template at the [Github repository](#).

## 2.5 Conclusion

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<sup>1</sup>More information about the evidence lower bound (ELBO) can be found on the [Wikipedia](#).

## Chapter 3

# Title of Chapter Three

This chapter estimates the treatment effects. Pellentesque interdum sapien sed nulla. Proin tincidunt. Aliquam volutpat est vel massa. Sed dolor lacus, imperdiet non, ornare non, commodo eu, neque. Integer pretium semper justo. Proin risus. Nullam id quam. Nam neque. Duis vitae wisi ullamcorper diam congue ultricies. Quisque ligula. Mauris vehicula. The simplex is depicted in Appendix [C.2](#).

### 3.1 Introduction

Many previous research has has studied this problem ([Lee, 2018](#), [Dong and Shen, 2018](#)). Download this template at the [Github repository](#).

### 3.2 Algorithm

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**Algorithm 1:** Euclid’s algorithm for finding the greatest common divisor of two nonnegative integers

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**function** Euclid ( $a, b$ );

**Input** : Two nonnegative integers  $a$  and  $b$

**Output** :  $\text{gcd}(a, b)$

**if**  $b = 0$  **then**

    | return  $a$ ;

**else**

    | return Euclid( $b, a \bmod b$ );

**end**

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### 3.3 Results

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Table 3.1: Summary Statistics

	Cohort		
	2006	2007	2008
<b>Students registered</b>	1535	1584	1767
<b>Gender (%)</b>			
Male	61.1	64.5	57.7
Female	38.9	35.5	42.3
<b>Race (%)</b>			
White	43.3	43.4	40.6
Black	29.8	33.4	34.8

*Note:* Source: UCT Institutional Planning Department

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### 3.4 Conclusion

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# Appendix A

## Supplementary material for Chapter 1

### A.1 Proof of Theorem

*Proof.* Given  $y, x, \Delta, \nu, \eta, \mathcal{L} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $\Pi = \begin{vmatrix} A & B & C \\ D & E & F \end{vmatrix}$ , if

$$\begin{cases} \text{trade,} & p(\text{trade}) = \frac{y}{v} \\ \text{no trade,} & p(\text{no trade}) = 1 - \frac{y}{v} \end{cases}$$

then we have

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \mathbb{E}_{\pi}(\beta x + \epsilon) \\ &\neq \sum_i \beta_i (\underbrace{\alpha + \xi}_{\text{variables}}) + \epsilon \end{aligned} \tag{A.1}$$

$$\implies \int_0^{10} r \left( \frac{r}{50} \right) dr \xlongequal{\text{text here}} \frac{r^3}{150} \bigg|_0^{10}, \forall x \in (a, b) \tag{A.2}$$

So from  $\widehat{ABCD}$ ,  $\widetilde{ABCD}$ ,  $\widehat{ABCD}$ ,  $\overrightarrow{ABCD}$ , and  $\overline{ABCD}$ , we get the desire result. ■

Consider  $g(x) = f(x) - x$ , since  $f(x)$  and  $x$  are continuous, then  $g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous. Then

$$g(a) = f(a) - a > 0, \quad g(b) = f(b) - b < 0$$

By IVT:  $\exists c \in (a, b)$  s.t.  $g(c) = 0 \implies \exists c \in (a, b)$  s.t.  $f(c) - c = 0 \implies f(c) = c$ .

# Appendix B

## Supplementary material for Chapter 2

### B.1 Descriptive Statistics

The data can be summarized by the tables below:

Table B.1a: First Table

Category	Total	Shares (%)	Female	Male	Asian	Black/AA	His./Latino	White/Cau.	Zeros (%)
child care	19.39	0.08	12.32	20.12	23.14	63.78	20.24	19.00	0.07
eating	30.35	6.12	35.97	6.23	24.61	21.58	38.18	2.02	0.00
education	9.91	0.04	9.94	90.54	9.69	7.99	10.64	10.14	0.90
entertainment (not TV)	26.05	0.10	29.19	26.60	33.36	26.13	4.43	25.15	0.45

*Note:* This is the first table.

Table B.1b: Second Table

Category	Total	Shares (%)	Female	Male	Asian	Black/AA	His./Latino	White/Cau.	Zeros (%)
child care	19.39	0.08	39.32	40.12	23.14	18.78	20.24	19.00	0.07
personal care	13.92	0.06	24.00	23.14	16.12	1.76	15.15	13.66	0.00
sports/exercise	20.44	0.08	20.38	31.00	24.99	25.48	20.71	20.07	0.53
TV	28.61	0.12	48.47	9.93	2.35	63.70	29.22	80.20	0.46

*Note:* This is the second table.

# Appendix C

## Supplementary material for Chapter 3

### C.1 More Discussions

We graph with `tikz` in  $\text{\LaTeX}$ . Vivamus adipiscing. Curabitur imperdiet tempus turpis. Vivamus sapien dolor, congue venenatis, euismod eget, porta rhoncus, magna. Proin condimentum pretium enim. Fusce fringilla, libero et venenatis facilisis, eros enim cursus arcu, vitae facilisis odio augue vitae orci. Aliquam varius nibh ut odio. Sed condimentum condimentum nunc. Pellentesque eget massa. Pellentesque quis mauris. Donec ut ligula ac pede pulvinar lobortis. Pellentesque euismod. Class aptent taciti sociosqu ad litora torquent per conubia nostra, per inceptos hymenaeos. Praesent elit. Ut laoreet ornare est. Phasellus gravida vulputate nulla. Donec sit amet arcu ut sem tempor malesuada. Praesent hendrerit augue in urna. Proin enim ante, ornare vel, consequat ut, blandit in, justo. Donec felis elit, dignissim sed, sagittis ut, ullamcorper a, nulla. Aenean pharetra vulputate odio.

### C.2 Graphical Representations

