

Where $\bar{\mathbf{B}}$ is the vector of mean consumer preferences and Π maps demeaned consumer demographic characteristics such as income and house prices ($D_{ict} - \bar{D}$) to individual consumer preferences. For example, higher-income borrowers can have different price sensitivities than lower-income borrowers, and their preferences over mortgage size can differ. Σ scales normal i.i.d. shocks $\nu_i \sim N(0, I)$. Thus, even borrowers with the same observable characteristics, such as income, can differ in their price elasticity or ideal mortgage size. The demand parameters to be estimated are then $\theta_d = (\bar{\mathbf{B}}, \Pi, \Sigma)$.¹²

Consumers choose the mortgage that maximizes their utility by choosing between offered mortgages, subject to an LTV constraint. If they do not choose a mortgage, they choose an outside good with a fixed utility, u_{i0} . In other words, given product characteristics for each mortgage offered in the market $jctg$ (including interest rate, mortgage type, lender type, statutory size limits, and service quality), and demand parameters θ_d , the set of borrower characteristics (including product-borrower match utilities ϵ_{ijctg}), such that borrowers with these characteristics in market ct choose a mortgage of type g from lender j is:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{jctg}(r_{ct}, g_{ct}, \bar{F}_{ct}, q_{ct}, \xi_{ct}; \theta_d) \\ = \{(D_i, \epsilon_{i0ctg}, \dots, \epsilon_{ijctg}) \mid u_{ijctg} \geq u_{ikctl}, \forall k, l\} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{D.4})$$

$A_{jctg}(\cdot)$ denotes the set of demographic characteristics D_i and idiosyncratic shocks $\epsilon_{i.ctg}$ such that given loan characteristics $(r_{ct}, g_{ct}, \bar{F}_{ct}, q_{ct}, \xi_{ct})$ and parameters θ_d , consumers with those demographics and preference shocks obtain more utility from choosing the loan from lender j of type g , u_{ijctg} , than from all other lenders and loan types, u_{ikctl} among loans satisfying the borrower-specific LTV constraint. Integrating over demographics and shocks yields the market share of mortgage lender j offering product g in market ct :

$$s_{jctg}(r_{ct}, g_{ct}, \bar{F}_{ct}, q_{ct}, \xi_{ct}; \theta_d) = \int_{A_{jctg}} \frac{\exp(u_{ijctg}(B_i))}{\sum_{k,l} \exp(u_{ikctl}(B_i))} dB(B_i) \quad (\text{D.5})$$

Note that the size of mortgages a consumer chooses is implicitly captured in expression D.4. If a consumer prefers a jumbo-sized mortgage and chooses a jumbo mortgage, she does so at the ideal size or at the LTV constraint. If instead this consumer chooses a conforming mortgage, she will choose the largest conforming mortgage possible subject to the LTV constraint, which implies bunching at the conforming loan limit.

IV.B Mortgage Supply

There are N_{bct} banks, N_{nct} non-fintech shadow banks, and N_{fct} fintech shadow banks in market ct . Lenders choose simultaneously which mortgages to originate across all markets and how to finance them. A lender j who originates m_{jctg} dollars of mortgage type g in market ct has to decide how many

¹² We directly draw $\log F_i$, log house prices and log income from normal distributions. In consequence, the distribution of $\log F_i$ is normal, so F_i is lognormal.