

Homework 4 - Results

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Likelihood Function

$$l_i^1 = \int [\Pi_t \frac{1}{\sigma_{1t}} \phi(\frac{y_{it1} - X_{it1}\beta_1 - \theta_i}{\sigma_{1t}})] \Phi(\frac{\sum_t (X_{it1} - X_{it0})\tilde{\beta} - Z_i\delta - \theta_i\gamma}{\sigma_w}) d\theta_i \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_\theta} \exp(-(\frac{\theta_i}{\sqrt{2}\sigma_\theta})^2) d\theta \quad (2)$$

- Use Gauss-Hermite to approximate integral. Change of variables necessary.

Test on fake data first

β_0	stde		TRUE
	0.65	0.86	1.00
	2.08	0.18	2.00
	-0.02	0.01	-0.02
	0.52	0.02	0.50

β_1	stde		TRUE
	1.51	0.54	0.85
	3.23	0.20	3.50
	0.00	0.02	-0.03
	1.02	0.04	1.00

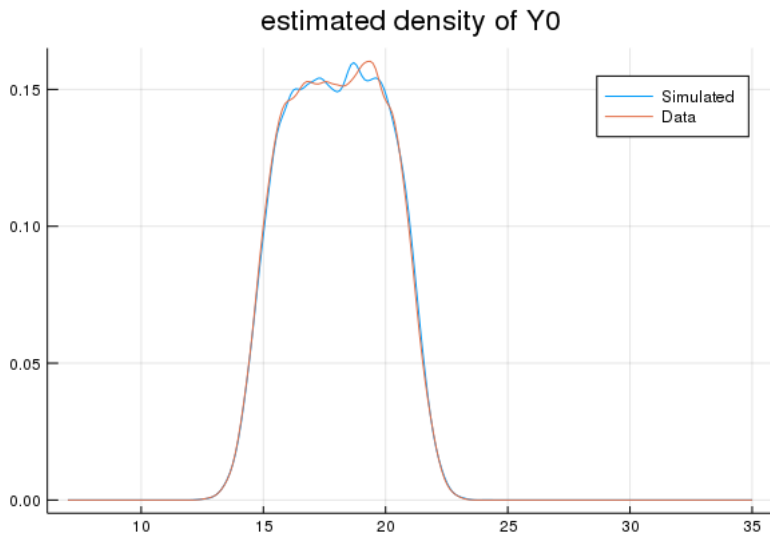
σ	stde		TRUE
	0.53	0.24	0.50
	0.50	0.31	0.50
	0.49	0.25	0.50
	0.50	0.05	0.50
	0.70	0.03	0.71
	0.73	0.04	0.71
	0.69	0.04	0.71
	0.70	0.04	0.71
	0.97	0.05	1.00
	0.64	0.05	0.63

δz	stde		TRUE
	4.95	0.05	5.00
	2.94	0.05	3.00

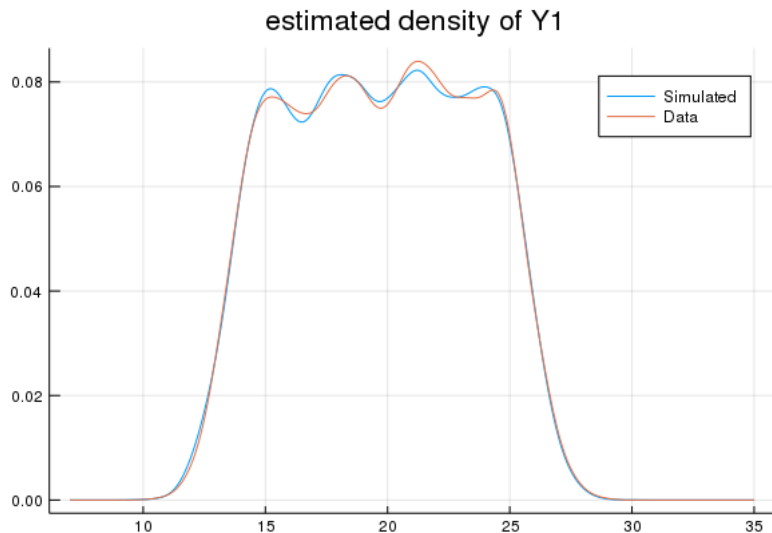
δt	stde		TRUE
	0.71	0.12	0.50

ρ	stde		TRUE
	0.76	0.05	0.80

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- ▶ Mean school choice: Data = 0.367; Simulated = 0.366

Summary stats of zb

Mean: 0.020392
Minimum: -2.929359
1st Quartile: -0.628405
Median: 0.002442
3rd Quartile: 0.619182
Maximum: 2.957066

Test on fake data first

- ▶ New Mean school choice: 0.217

Estimates in log-units

- ▶ $ATE = 11.49$
- ▶ $ATT = 8.12$
- ▶ $LATE = 8.46$

NLSY data

- ▶ X = experience, experience2 and family income
- ▶ Z = tuition, family income, numsibs, scores, mother and father education

Likelihood Function

$$\Phi\left(\frac{Xs_{1i}\tilde{\beta} + (exp_{s=1,i} - exp_{s=0,i})\tilde{\beta} + (exp_{s=1,i}^2 - exp_{s=0,i}^2)\tilde{\beta} + Xs_i^4\tilde{\beta} - Z_i\delta}{\sigma_w}\right) \quad (3)$$

(4)

1.0	22.0	38.0
0.0	38.0	22.0
0.0	38.0	22.0
0.0	38.0	22.0
0.0	38.0	22.0
0.0	38.0	22.0
1.0	22.0	38.0
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NLSY data

- ▶ Initial guesses:
- ▶ OLS on each wage equation, probit on Z_s , standard errors from OLS
- ▶ probit on X_s , Z_s , but experience is a perfect predictor!

What I tried

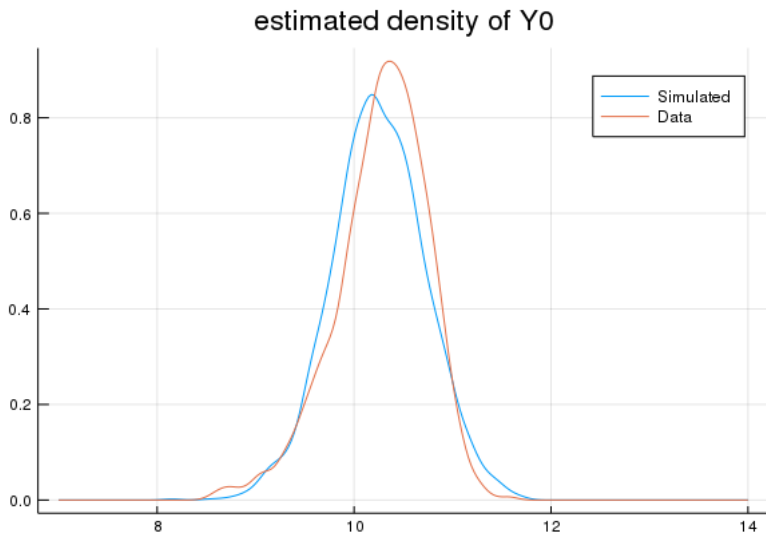
- ▶ X = experience, experience2 and family income
- ▶ Z = tuition, family income, numsibs, scores, mother and father education
- ▶ If I take the $\log(10000 * \text{income})$ and tuition, standard errors blow up to $1e10$ on δ_Z and σ_w , very low variation may be cause
- ▶ If I just multiply family income and tuition by 10^a , $a = 1, 2, 3, 4$, model doesn't converge
- ▶ Same thing happens by removing family income from Z
- ▶ Same thing happens by permutating with numsibs, scores, mother and father educ.

NLSY Estimates

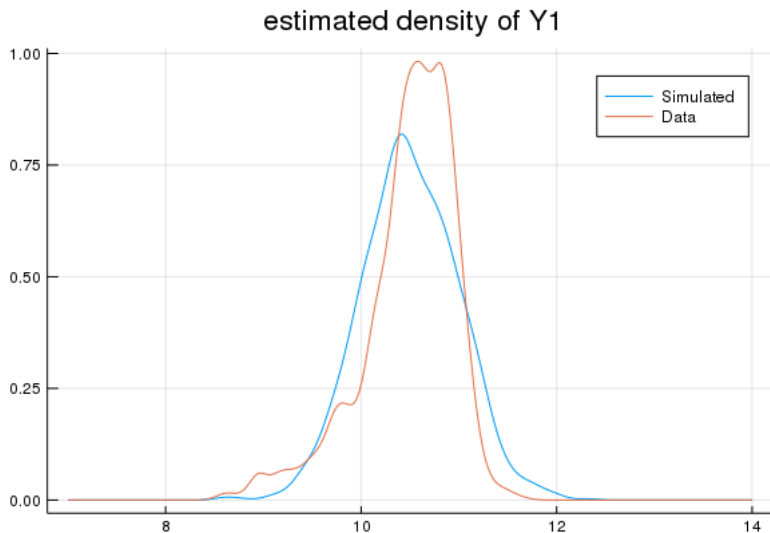
β_0		σ		δz		δt
Constant	9.58	σ_0	0.30	constant	-1.09	-0.57
Exp	0.18	σ_0	0.20	tuition	-0.27	ρ 1.02
Exp^2	-0.01	σ_0	0.19	family inc	-0.27	
Family Inc	0.06	σ_0	0.25	numsibs	-0.005168	
		σ_1	0.34	scores	0.24	
β_1		σ_1	0.22	mother	0.05	
Constant	8.72	σ_1	0.26	father	0.183375	
Exp	0.29	σ_1	0.31			
Exp^2	-0.01	σ_w	0.33			
Family Inc	0.00	σ_t	0.38			

No standard errors :(

NLSY fit



NLSY fit



NLSY fit

- ▶ Mean school choice: Data = 0.372; Simulated = 0.372!

Summary stats of tuition

Mean: 0.214001

Minimum: 0.000000

1st Quartile: 0.159418

Median: 0.207967

3rd Quartile: 0.257659

Maximum: 0.522191

Estimates

- ▶ So, I will zero tuition for those below the mean
- ▶ New mean school choice: 0.372!

Summary stats sim y0

Mean: 31,645.128

Minimum: 4,904.970

1st Quartile: 20,792.095

Median: 28,934.711

3rd Quartile: 39,456.350

Maximum: 155,488.773

Summary stats sim y1

Mean: 29,664.918

Minimum: 3,547.429

1st Quartile: 17,553.850

Median: 25,781.921

3rd Quartile: 37,211.698

Maximum: 152,681.450

Estimates

- ▶ $ATE = -1,980.21$
- ▶ $ATT = 8,623.56$
- ▶ $LATE = ?$