

# ECON 600: Merger Homework

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All code is in Python.

## 3: Generating Data

(1) See code.

(2)

(a) (i) We first note that in the parameter specification,

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{\beta^{(2)}} &= 4 \\ \overline{\beta^{(3)}} &= 4\end{aligned}$$

Hence, defining,  $\sigma^{(2)} = \sigma^{(3)} = 1$ , we have that

$$\begin{aligned}\beta_{it}^{(2)} &= \overline{\beta^{(2)}} + \sigma^{(2)} v_{it}^{(2)} \\ \beta_{it}^{(3)} &= \overline{\beta^{(3)}} + \sigma^{(3)} v_{it}^{(3)}\end{aligned}$$

where  $v_i^{(2)}$  and  $v_i^{(3)}$  are i.i.d standard normal.

Define

$$\begin{aligned}\delta_{jt} &= x_{jt} + \overline{\beta^{(2)}} \text{satellite}_j + \overline{\beta^{(3)}} \text{wired}_j + \alpha p_{jt} + \xi_{jt} \\ \mu_{ijt} &= \sigma^{(2)} \text{satellite}_j v_{it}^{(2)} + \sigma^{(3)} \text{wired}_j v_{it}^{(3)}\end{aligned}$$

The multinomial logit choice probabilities are, conditional on all realized coefficients,

$$\begin{aligned}s_{0t} &= \int \frac{1}{Z} d\Phi(v) \\ s_{jt} &= \int \frac{\exp(\delta_{jt} + \mu_{ijt})}{Z} d\Phi(v)\end{aligned}$$

for  $j > 0$ . Where

$$Z = 1 + \sum_{j=1}^J \exp(\delta_{jt} + \mu_{ijt})$$

Then the derivatives are

$$\frac{\partial s_{jt}}{\partial p_j} = \int \frac{\alpha \exp(\delta_{jt} + \mu_{ijt}) Z - \exp(\delta_{jt} + \mu_{ijt}) (\alpha \exp(\delta_{jt} + \mu_{ijt}))}{Z^2} d\Phi(v)$$

$$\frac{\partial s_{jt}}{\partial p_k} = \int -\frac{\exp(\delta_{jt} + \mu_{ijt}) (\alpha \exp(\delta_{kt} + \mu_{ikt}))}{Z^2} d\Phi(v)$$

(ii) See code.

(iii) See code. We were happy with the precision provided by using 3000 draws.

(b) Ok.

(c) See code.

(3) See code.

(4) I am pretty happy with the variation provided by these simulated values.

## 4: Misspecified Models

(5) See code.

(6) See code.

(7)

(8) We analytically compute the derivatives in the nested logit model. Let

$$\delta_{jt} = \beta^{(1)} x_{jt} + \overline{\beta^{(2)}} \text{satellite}_j + \overline{\beta^{(3)}} \text{wired}_j + \alpha p_{jt}$$

Then

$$s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g) = \frac{\exp(\delta_{jt}/(1 - \sigma_g))}{\sum_{i \in \mathcal{J}_g} \exp(\delta_{it}/(1 - \sigma_g))}$$

The own-price derivative is:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial}{\partial p_j} s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g) &= \frac{\left( \sum_{i \in \mathcal{J}_g} \exp(\delta_{it}/(1-\sigma_g)) \right) \frac{\alpha}{1-\sigma_g} \exp(\delta_{jt}/(1-\sigma_g)) - \frac{\alpha}{1-\sigma_g} (\exp(\delta_{jt}/(1-\sigma_g)))^2}{\left( \sum_{i \in \mathcal{J}_g} \exp(\delta_{it}/(1-\sigma_g)) \right)^2} \\ &= \frac{\alpha}{1-\sigma_g} s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g) \frac{\left( \sum_{i \in \mathcal{J}_g} \exp(\delta_{it}/(1-\sigma_g)) \right) - (\exp(\delta_{jt}/(1-\sigma_g)))}{\left( \sum_{i \in \mathcal{J}_g} \exp(\delta_{it}/(1-\sigma_g)) \right)} = \frac{\alpha}{1-\sigma_g} s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g) (1 - s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g))\end{aligned}$$

The within-group price derivative is:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial}{\partial p_k} s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g) &= -\frac{\alpha}{1-\sigma_g} \frac{\exp(\delta_{jt}/(1-\sigma_g)) \exp(\delta_{kt}/(1-\sigma_g))}{\left( \sum_{i \in \mathcal{J}_g} \exp(\delta_{it}/(1-\sigma_g)) \right)^2} \\ &= -\frac{\alpha}{1-\sigma_g} s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g) s_{k/g}(\delta_{kt}, \sigma_g)\end{aligned}$$

The outside-group price derivative of the within-group share is 0. Let  $\delta_t$  denote the vector of  $\delta_{jt}$  for all  $j$ , and let  $\sigma$  denote the vector of  $\sigma_g$  for all  $g$ . The group shares are given by

$$s_g(\delta_t, \sigma) = \frac{\left( \sum_{i \in \mathcal{J}_g} \exp(\delta_{it}/(1-\sigma_g)) \right)^{1-\sigma_g}}{1 + \sum_{g'} \left( \sum_{i \in \mathcal{J}_{g'}} \exp(\delta_{it}/(1-\sigma_{g'})) \right)^{1-\sigma_{g'}}}$$

The within-group price derivative is given by:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial}{\partial p_j} s_g(\delta_t, \sigma) &= \frac{(1-\sigma_g) \left( \sum_{i \in \mathcal{J}_g} \exp(\delta_{it}/(1-\sigma_g)) \right)^{-\sigma_g} \frac{\alpha}{1-\sigma_g} \exp(\delta_{jt}/(1-\sigma_g))}{1 + \sum_{g'} \left( \sum_{i \in \mathcal{J}_{g'}} \exp(\delta_{it}/(1-\sigma_{g'})) \right)^{1-\sigma_{g'}}} \\ &= \frac{\left( \sum_{i \in \mathcal{J}_g} \exp(\delta_{it}/(1-\sigma_g)) \right)^{1-\sigma_g} (1-\sigma_g) \left( \sum_{i \in \mathcal{J}_g} \exp(\delta_{it}/(1-\sigma_g)) \right)^{-\sigma_g} \frac{\alpha}{1-\sigma_g} \exp(\delta_{jt}/(1-\sigma_g))}{\left( 1 + \sum_{g'} \left( \sum_{i \in \mathcal{J}_{g'}} \exp(\delta_{it}/(1-\sigma_{g'})) \right)^{1-\sigma_{g'}} \right)^2} \\ &= \frac{\alpha \left( \sum_{i \in \mathcal{J}_g} \exp(\delta_{it}/(1-\sigma_g)) \right)^{-\sigma_g} \exp(\delta_{jt}/(1-\sigma_g))}{1 + \sum_{g'} \left( \sum_{i \in \mathcal{J}_{g'}} \exp(\delta_{it}/(1-\sigma_{g'})) \right)^{1-\sigma_{g'}}} (1 - s_g(\delta_t, \sigma)) \\ &= \frac{\alpha s_g(\delta_t, \sigma) \exp(\delta_{jt}/(1-\sigma_g))}{\sum_{i \in \mathcal{J}_g} \exp(\delta_{it}/(1-\sigma_g))} (1 - s_g(\delta_t, \sigma)) \\ &= \alpha s_g(\delta_t, \sigma) s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g) (1 - s_g(\delta_t, \sigma)) \\ &= \alpha s_j(\delta_t, \sigma) (1 - s_g(\delta_t, \sigma))\end{aligned}$$

The outside-group price derivative

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial}{\partial p_k} s_g(\delta_t, \sigma) &= -s_g(\delta_t, \sigma) \frac{\alpha \left( \sum_{i \in \mathcal{J}_{g_k}} \exp(\delta_{it} / (1 - \sigma_{g_k})) \right)^{-\sigma_{g_k}} \exp(\delta_{kt} / (1 - \sigma_{g_k}))}{1 + \sum_{g'} \left( \sum_{i \in \mathcal{J}_{g'}} \exp(\delta_{it} / (1 - \sigma_{g'})) \right)^{1 - \sigma_{g'}}} \\
&= -s_g(\delta_t, \sigma) \frac{\alpha s_{g_k}(\delta_t, \sigma) \exp(\delta_{kt} / (1 - \sigma_{g_k}))}{\sum_{i \in \mathcal{J}_{g_k}} \exp(\delta_{it} / (1 - \sigma_{g_k}))} \\
&= -\alpha s_g(\delta_t, \sigma) s_{g_k}(\delta_t, \sigma) s_{k/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g) \\
&= -\alpha s_g(\delta_t, \sigma) s_k(\delta_t, \sigma)
\end{aligned}$$

The market share function is then given by

$$\begin{aligned}
s_j(\delta_t, \sigma) &= s_g(\delta_t, \sigma) s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g) \\
\frac{\partial}{\partial p} s_j(\delta_t, \sigma) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial p} s_g(\delta_t, \sigma) s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g) + s_g(\delta_t, \sigma) \frac{\partial}{\partial p} s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g)
\end{aligned}$$

The own-price derivative is then:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial}{\partial p_j} s_j(\delta_t, \sigma) &= \alpha s_j(\delta_t, \sigma) (1 - s_g(\delta_t, \sigma)) s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g) + s_g(\delta_t, \sigma) \frac{\alpha}{1 - \sigma_g} s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g) (1 - s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g)) \\
&= \alpha s_j(\delta_t, \sigma) (1 - s_g(\delta_t, \sigma)) s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g) + s_j(\delta_t, \sigma) \frac{\alpha}{1 - \sigma_g} (1 - s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g)) \\
&= \alpha s_j(\delta_t, \sigma) \left( (1 - s_g(\delta_t, \sigma)) s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g) + \frac{1}{1 - \sigma_g} (1 - s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g)) \right) \\
&= \frac{\alpha s_j(\delta_t, \sigma)}{1 - \sigma_g} \left( (1 - \sigma_g) s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g) - (1 - \sigma_g) s_j(\delta_t, \sigma) + 1 - s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g) \right) \\
&= \frac{\alpha s_j(\delta_t, \sigma)}{1 - \sigma_g} \left( 1 - \sigma_g s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g) - (1 - \sigma_g) s_j(\delta_t, \sigma) \right)
\end{aligned}$$

The within-group price derivative is

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial}{\partial p_k} s_j(\delta_t, \sigma) &= \alpha s_k(\delta_t, \sigma) (1 - s_g(\delta_t, \sigma)) s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g) - s_g(\delta_t, \sigma) \frac{\alpha}{1 - \sigma_g} s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g) s_{k/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g) \\
&= \frac{\alpha}{1 - \sigma_g} s_k(\delta_t, \sigma) \left( (1 - \sigma_g) s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g) - (1 - \sigma_g) s_j(\delta_t, \sigma) - s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g) \right) \\
&= -\frac{\alpha}{1 - \sigma_g} s_k(\delta_t, \sigma) \left( \sigma_g s_{j/g}(\delta_{jt}, \sigma_g) + (1 - \sigma_g) s_j(\delta_t, \sigma) \right)
\end{aligned}$$

The outside-group price derivative is

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial p_k} s_j(\delta_t, \sigma) = -\alpha s_j(\delta_t, \sigma) s_k(\delta_t, \sigma)$$

Parameter Estimates, Demand-side Estimation Only					
$\alpha$	$\beta^{(1)}$	$\overline{\beta^{(2)}}$	$\overline{\beta^{(3)}}$	$\sigma_2$	$\sigma_3$
-1.852408 (0.01867589)	0.9872258 (0.04741592)	3.615042 (0.04524844)	3.622520 (0.04691815)	1.0000 (0.3071605)	1.0000 (0.3172754)

Parameter Estimates, Full Model Estimation							
$\alpha$	$\beta^{(1)}$	$\overline{\beta^{(2)}}$	$\overline{\beta^{(3)}}$	$\sigma_2$	$\sigma_3$	$\gamma_0$	$\gamma_1$
-2.0347 (0.0858)	1.0568 (0.0454)	4.0361 (0.2111)	4.0444 (0.2131)	1.1782 (0.2196)	1.1932 (0.2108)	0.49112 (0.01772)	0.25381 (0.00912)

And the outside-option derivative is

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial p_j} s_0(\delta_t, \sigma) = -\alpha s_0(\delta_t, \sigma) s_j(\delta_t, \sigma)$$

## 5: Estimating the Correctly Specified Model

(Note: some weird behavior exists because the parameters for *satellite* and *wired* are collinear).

(9) See Tables 1 and 2. We prefer the full model estimation (due to the better estimates).

(10) Let  $\varepsilon_i$  denote the own-price elasticity of good  $i$ , and let

$$\mathcal{D}_{jk} = -\frac{\partial s_k / \partial p_j}{\partial s_j / \partial p_j}$$

The true and estimated matrix of own-price elasticities is in Table 3, and the true and estimated average diversion ratios are in Table 4 and Table 5, respectively.

## 6: Merger Simulation

(11) When two of the firms merge, prices will generically increase for the merged firm's goods. The firms all increase prices because the merged firm can price its own goods closer to monopoly pricing.

	$\varepsilon_1$	$\varepsilon_2$	$\varepsilon_3$	$\varepsilon_4$
True Values	-4.06535006	-4.16553436	-4.17726162	-4.18978309
Estimated Values	-4.0525488	-4.15853012	-4.16252984	-4.17736646

$\mathcal{D}$ : diagonal entries $\mathcal{D}_{jj}$ replaced with $\mathcal{D}_{j0}$			
0.33115087	0.30335128	0.18522023	0.18027762
0.32317153	0.32122579	0.18063565	0.17496703
0.19329289	0.17575241	0.32765373	0.30330097
0.19192008	0.17341037	0.31037504	0.32429451

$\mathcal{D}$ : diagonal entries $\mathcal{D}_{jj}$ replaced with $\mathcal{D}_{j0}$			
0.32908096	0.32674409	0.1743611	0.16981386
0.34688774	0.31879102	0.16981928	0.16450196
0.18220138	0.16573254	0.32424023	0.32782585
0.18083009	0.16332965	0.33517888	0.32066138

(12) See code.

(13) See Table 6.1. Intuitively, it makes sense that the merger of 1 and 2 results in larger price increases than 1 and 3; this is because merging 1 and 2 means the merged firm produces the only satellite products, and hence has a stronger incentive to raise prices of the satellite TV services.

(14) A reduction in marginal cost means that prices may not necessarily increase as a result of the merger, and hence can potentially improve efficiency; the merged firm can earn more profits to outweigh any consumer welfare decrease.

(15) See Table 6.1 for the post-merger prices with cost reduction. The net consumer welfare actually decreases as a result of the merger by 6.8384. However, the firm manages to earn significantly more profits: specifically, the firm earns 69.3230 more in profits. Hence the overall predicted welfare change is 62.4846. We need to assume the markets have uniform measure of consumers here because previously all the computations were performed using in-market shares, which has no reliance on the size of the market. For net consumer welfare and profits, we have to aggregate across markets, and hence we need assumptions on the measure of consumers in each market.

	$p_1$	$p_2$	$p_3$	$p_4$
Pre-Merger	2.7327	2.7165	2.7608	2.7391
Merging 1 and 2	2.9808	2.9949	2.7712	2.7488
Merging 1 and 3	2.8464	2.7285	2.8826	2.7514
Merging 1 and 2, with cost decrease	2.7833	2.7954	2.7612	2.7391

## Appendix: Code

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[1]: import numpy as np
from scipy.optimize import fsolve, fixed_point
from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
import pyblp
from tqdm.notebook import trange
import statsmodels.api as sm
import statsmodels.formula.api as smf
from linearmodels.iv import IV2SLS
import pandas as pd
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[2]: RNG_SEED = 8476263

rng = np.random.default_rng(RNG_SEED) # this random seeding is for reproducibility
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[3]: # I am horrified that we have to overrun the default collinearity checks
# however, wired and satellite dummy variables are collinear
# so to prevent PyBLP from throwing a fit, we must do this.
pyblp.options.collinear_rtol = 0
pyblp.options.collinear_atol = 0
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[4]: # fixed parameter definitions
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beta1 = 1
alpha = -2
gamma0 = 1/2
gamma1 = 1/4
beta2_bar = 4
beta3_bar = 4
sigma2 = 1
sigma3 = 1

# markets and goods
T = 600
J = 4
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[5]: # 3.1

# x_jt, w_jt are absolute value of iid standard normal variables
x = np.absolute(rng.standard_normal(size=(J,T)))
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w = np.absolute(rng.standard_normal(size=(J,T)))

unobservable_mean = [0,0]
unobservable_cov = [[1,0.25],[0.25,1]]
unobservables = rng.multivariate_normal(unobservable_mean, unobservable_cov,
    size=(J,T))
xi = unobservables[:, :, 0]
omega = unobservables[:, :, 1]

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[6]: # 3.2a
# defining the market share

def own_mkt_share_derivative(t, p, beta2, beta3):
    # p should be a length J vector
    # betas should be num_sims

    u_t = np.tile(x[:,t] + xi[:,t] + alpha*p, (len(beta2), 1)) # num_sims x J
    for j in range(J):
        if j < 2:
            u_t[:,j] = u_t[:,j] + beta2
        else:
            u_t[:,j] = u_t[:,j] + beta3

    Z = np.tile( 1 + np.sum(np.exp(u_t),axis=-1), (J,1)).T
    numerator = alpha*np.exp(u_t)*Z - alpha*np.square(np.exp(u_t)) # num_sims x J
    denominator = np.square(Z)

    return np.mean(numerator / denominator, axis=0)

def outside_mkt_share_derivative(t, p, beta2, beta3):
    # p should be a length J vector
    # betas should be num_sims

    u_t = np.tile(x[:,t] + xi[:,t] + alpha*p, (len(beta2), 1)) # num_sims x J
    for j in range(J):
        if j < 2:
            u_t[:,j] = u_t[:,j] + beta2
        else:
            u_t[:,j] = u_t[:,j] + beta3

    Z = np.tile( 1 + np.sum(np.exp(u_t),axis=-1), (J,1)).T

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numerator = -1*alpha*np.exp(u_t) # num_sims x J
denominator = np.square(Z)

return np.mean(numerator / denominator, axis=0)

def full_mkt_share_derivative(t, p, beta2, beta3):
    # p should be a length J vector
    # betas should be num_sims

    u_t = np.tile(x[:,t] + xi[:,t] + alpha*p, (len(beta2), 1)) # num_sims x J
    for j in range(J):
        if j < 2:
            u_t[:,j] = u_t[:,j] + beta2
        else:
            u_t[:,j] = u_t[:,j] + beta3

    Z = np.tile( 1 + np.sum(np.exp(u_t),axis=-1), (J,1)).T # num_sims x J

    derivatives = np.zeros((J,J))

    own_numerator = alpha*np.exp(u_t)*Z - alpha*np.square(np.exp(u_t)) # num_sims x J
    denominator = np.square(Z)

    for j in range(J):
        derivatives[j,j] = np.mean(own_numerator / denominator, axis=0)[j]

    for j in range(J):
        for k in range(J):
            if not (j == k):
                derivatives[j,k] = np.mean(-1*alpha*np.exp(u_t)[: ,k]*np.exp(u_t)[: ,j] /
→ np.square(1 + np.sum(np.exp(u_t),axis=-1)))

    return derivatives

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[7]: # s_jt(p)
def mkt_share(t, p, beta2, beta3):
    # p should be a length J vector
    # betas should be num_sims

    u_t = np.tile(x[:,t] + xi[:,t] + alpha*p, (len(beta2), 1)) # num_sims x J
    for j in range(J):

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    if j < 2:
        u_t[:,j] = u_t[:,j] + beta2
    else:
        u_t[:,j] = u_t[:,j] + beta3

    numerator = np.exp(u_t)
    denominator = 1 + np.sum(np.exp(u_t),axis=-1) # num_sims

    return np.mean(numerator / (np.tile(denominator, (J, 1)).T), axis=0)

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[8]: # 3.2a(iv)
# draw beta coefficients for N individuals S times, observe variation in market share
↳ derivatives

S = 100

all_derivatives = np.zeros((J,J,S))
all_shares = np.zeros((J,S))

N = 3000

price = np.array([1,1,1,1])

for s in trange(S):
    beta2 = rng.normal(beta2_bar, sigma2, N)
    beta3 = rng.normal(beta3_bar, sigma3, N)
    all_derivatives[:,:,s] = full_mkt_share_derivative(0, price, beta2, beta3)
    all_shares[:,s] = mkt_share(1, price, beta2, beta3)
(np.mean(all_shares,axis=1), np.std(all_shares,axis=1), np.mean(all_derivatives,
↳ axis=2), np.std(all_derivatives, axis=2))

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[8]: (array([0.04784253, 0.15288083, 0.44046486, 0.35277411]),
      array([0.0008991 , 0.00287306, 0.00211771, 0.0016961 ]),
      array([[ -0.29478105,  0.06650959,  0.2168944 ,  0.00709914],
             [ 0.06650959, -0.16315672,  0.09183023,  0.00300568],
             [ 0.2168944 ,  0.09183023, -0.35012373,  0.03100105],
             [ 0.00709914,  0.00300568,  0.03100105, -0.04144621]]),

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array([[3.08401066e-03, 1.64034900e-03, 1.89106999e-03, 6.18963701e-05],
       [1.64034900e-03, 2.14278030e-03, 8.00654110e-04, 2.62061074e-05],
       [1.89106999e-03, 8.00654110e-04, 2.45783477e-03, 3.51894072e-04],
       [6.18963701e-05, 2.62061074e-05, 3.51894072e-04, 2.89493485e-04]]))
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[9]: mc = np.exp( gamma0 + gamma1*w + omega/8)
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[10]: # define function to solve
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def get_function_to_solve(t, beta2, beta3):
    def F(p):
        # p is a
        ds_dp = own_mkt_share_derivative(t, p, beta2, beta3)
        shares = mkt_share(t, p, beta2, beta3)
        return p - mc[:,t] + np.reciprocal(ds_dp)*shares

    return F
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[11]: # draw betas, now compute equilibrium prices and shares
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beta2 = rng.normal(beta2_bar, sigma2, (N,T))
beta3 = rng.normal(beta3_bar, sigma3, (N,T))
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[12]: # 3.2 and 3.3: compute equilibrium shares, prices
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# these two variables are the prices and shares
eq_prices = np.zeros((J, T))
eq_shares = np.zeros((J, T))

flag_total = 0

for t in trange(T):
    fn = get_function_to_solve(t, beta2[:,t], beta3[:,t])
    mkt_eq_prices, _, flag, _ = fsolve(fn, np.array([1,1,1,1]), full_output=True)
    flag_total += flag
    eq_prices[:,t] = mkt_eq_prices
    eq_shares[:, t] = mkt_share(t, mkt_eq_prices, beta2[:,t], beta3[:,t])

# this should be True iff all of the fsolves converge
flag_total == T
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HBox(children=(IntProgress(value=0, max=600), HTML(value='')))
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[12]: True

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[13]: # check that at the equilibrium prices, the estimates for market shares and market
      ↪share derivatives are precise
      # repeating the exercise of simulation with equilibrium prices, trying to get
      ↪equilibrium shares

S = 100

all_derivatives = np.zeros((J,J,S))
all_shares = np.zeros((J,S))

N = 100

for t in trange(T):
    price = np.array(eq_prices[:,t])
    for s in range(S):
        beta2_s = np.random.normal(beta2_bar, sigma2, N)
        beta3_s = np.random.normal(beta3_bar, sigma3, N)
        all_derivatives[:,s] = full_mkt_share_derivative(0, price, beta2_s, beta3_s)
        all_shares[:,s] = mkt_share(t, price, beta2_s, beta3_s)

(np.mean(all_shares,axis=1), np.std(all_shares,axis=1), np.mean(all_derivatives,
↪axis=2), np.std(all_derivatives, axis=2))
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HBox(children=(IntProgress(value=0, max=600), HTML(value='')))
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[13]: (array([0.25476331, 0.11264542, 0.40238602, 0.08461194]),
      array([0.0155214 , 0.0068629 , 0.01925936, 0.00404977]),
      array([[ -0.32821669,  0.04728547,  0.19173592,  0.0080692 ],
             [ 0.04728547, -0.11247089,  0.04448913,  0.00187232],
             [ 0.19173592,  0.04448913, -0.39899463,  0.02498351],
             [ 0.0080692 ,  0.00187232,  0.02498351, -0.04072375]]),
      array([[1.43367505e-02, 5.23103623e-03, 7.55852805e-03, 3.18100298e-04],
             [5.23103623e-03, 6.90124310e-03, 1.75383072e-03, 7.38098833e-05],
             [7.55852805e-03, 1.75383072e-03, 9.21634213e-03, 1.88713073e-03],
```

[3.18100298e-04, 7.38098833e-05, 1.88713073e-03, 1.77312278e-03]]))

[14]: *# Morrow and Skerlos (2011) Method: (see equation 27 in Conlon + Gortmaker)*

```
def get_matrices(t, p, beta2, beta3):
    # p should be a length J vector
    # betas should be num_sims

    u_t = np.tile(x[:,t] + xi[:,t] + alpha*p, (len(beta2), 1)) # num_sims x J
    for j in range(J):
        if j < 2:
            u_t[:,j] = u_t[:,j] + beta2
        else:
            u_t[:,j] = u_t[:,j] + beta3

    Z = np.tile( 1 + np.sum(np.exp(u_t),axis=-1), (J,1)).T # num_sims x J

    Lambda_inv = np.zeros((J,J))
    Gamma = np.zeros((J,J))

    own_numerator = alpha*np.exp(u_t) # num_sims x J
    denominator = Z

    for j in range(J):
        Lambda_inv[j,j] = 1 / (np.mean(own_numerator / denominator, axis=0)[j])

    for j in range(J):
        for k in range(J):
            Gamma[j,k] = np.mean(alpha*np.exp(u_t)[: ,k]*np.exp(u_t)[: ,j] / np.square(1_
↪+ np.sum(np.exp(u_t),axis=-1)))

    return Lambda_inv, Gamma

def get_fixed_point_function(t, beta2, beta3):
    ownership_matrix = np.identity(J)
    def F(p):
        Lambda_inv, Gamma = get_matrices(t, p, beta2, beta3)
        shares = mkt_share(t, p, beta2, beta3)
        zeta = np.matmul(np.matmul(Lambda_inv, ownership_matrix*Gamma), (p - mc[:,t]))_
↪- np.matmul(Lambda_inv, shares)
        return mc[:,t] + zeta
```

```
return F
```

```
[15]: # Simulate equilibrium using the Morrow and Skerlos (2011) method
eq_prices_2 = np.zeros((J, T))
eq_shares_2 = np.zeros((J, T))

for t in trange(T):
    fn = get_fixed_point_function(t, beta2[:,t], beta3[:,t])
    mkt_eq_prices = fixed_point(fn, np.array([1,1,1,1]), method="iteration")
    eq_prices_2[:,t] = mkt_eq_prices
    eq_shares_2[:, t] = mkt_share(t, mkt_eq_prices, beta2[:,t], beta3[:,t])

# the difference between the two methods, check that this is small
np.max(eq_prices_2 - eq_prices), np.max(eq_shares_2 - eq_shares)
```

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HBox(children=(IntProgress(value=0, max=600), HTML(value='')))
```

```
[15]: (1.373072322508051e-09, 4.207107107134789e-09)
```

```
[16]: # Precompute the price elasticities and diversion
# What PyBLP does, and what we will do, is replace the diagonal of the diversion ratio
# matrix with the outside option diversion ratio (instead of -1)
true_price_elasticities = np.zeros((J,J,T))
true_diversion_ratios = np.zeros((J,J,T))

N = 100

for t in trange(T):
    own_price_derivative = own_mkt_share_derivative(t, eq_prices[:,t], beta2[:,t],
    beta3[:,t])
    derivative_matrix = full_mkt_share_derivative(t, eq_prices[:,t], beta2[:,t],
    beta3[:,t])
    true_price_elasticities[:, :, t] = eq_prices[:,t]*derivative_matrix / eq_shares[:,t].
    T
    derivative_matrix = full_mkt_share_derivative(t, eq_prices[:,t], beta2[:,t],
    beta3[:,t])
    outside_derivatives = outside_mkt_share_derivative(t, eq_prices[:,t], beta2[:,t],
    beta3[:,t])
```

```

    for j in range(J):
        for k in range(J):
            true_diversion_ratios[j,k,t] = -1*derivative_matrix[k,j]/
↪derivative_matrix[j,j]
    for j in range(J):
        true_diversion_ratios[j,j,t] = -1*outside_derivatives[j]/derivative_matrix[j,j]

```

```
HBox(children=(IntProgress(value=0, max=600), HTML(value='')))
```

```

[17]: market_ids = np.tile(np.arange(T) + 1,(J,1)).T.flatten()
      firm_ids = np.tile(np.arange(J) + 1,(T,1)).flatten()
      satellite = np.concatenate((np.ones((2,T)), np.zeros((2,T)))) .T.flatten()
      wired = np.concatenate((np.zeros((2,T)), np.ones((2,T)))) .T.flatten()
      observed_data = pd.DataFrame(data={
          "market_ids": market_ids,
          "firm_ids": firm_ids,
          "shares": eq_shares.T.flatten(),
          "prices": eq_prices.T.flatten(),
          "x": x.T.flatten(),
          "satellite": satellite,
          "wired": wired,
          "w": w.T.flatten()
      })
      unobserved_data = pd.DataFrame(data={
          "market_ids": market_ids,
          "firm_ids": firm_ids,
          "xi": xi.T.flatten(),
          "omega": omega.T.flatten()
      })

```

```
[18]: # Instrument Analysis
```

```

df1 = pd.DataFrame({
    'p1':eq_prices[0,:],
    "s1":eq_shares[0,:],
    'p2':eq_prices[1,:],
    "s2":eq_shares[1,:],
    'p3':eq_prices[2,:],
    "s3":eq_shares[2,:],

```

```

    'p4':eq_prices[3,:],
    "s4":eq_shares[3,:],
    'x1':pd.Series(x[0,:]),
    'w1':pd.Series(w[0,:]),
    'x2':pd.Series(x[0,:]),
    'w2':pd.Series(w[0,:]),
    'x3':pd.Series(x[0,:]),
    'w3':pd.Series(w[0,:]),
    'x4':pd.Series(x[0,:]),
    'w4':pd.Series(w[0,:]),

})

X = df1[["x1","x2","x3","x4","w1","w2","w3","w4"]]
# regress prices on observables

modelp1 = sm.OLS(df1["p1"],X).fit()
modelp2 = sm.OLS(df1["p2"],X).fit()
modelp3 = sm.OLS(df1["p3"],X).fit()
modelp4 = sm.OLS(df1["p4"],X).fit()
models1 = sm.OLS(df1["s1"],X).fit()
models2 = sm.OLS(df1["s2"],X).fit()
models3 = sm.OLS(df1["s3"],X).fit()
models4 = sm.OLS(df1["s4"],X).fit()

```

```
[19]: modelp1.rsquared_adj, modelp2.rsquared_adj, modelp3.rsquared_adj, modelp4.rsquared_adj
```

```
[19]: (0.82875469410635, 0.759261040211614, 0.7466930801949136, 0.7559006839752626)
```

```
[20]: models1.rsquared_adj, models2.rsquared_adj, models3.rsquared_adj, models4.rsquared_adj
```

```
[20]: (0.6438126366055691,
      0.5907181908148607,
      0.4754674713240524,
      0.5330545414402899)
```



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```
[21]: model_data = observed_data.copy()
model_data["x_other"] = np.stack([
    x[1,:]+x[2,:]+x[3:],
    x[0,:]+x[2,:]+x[3:],
    x[0,:]+x[1,:]+x[3:],
    x[0,:]+x[1,:]+x[2,:]]).T.flatten()
model_data["w_other"] = np.stack([
    w[1,:]+w[2,:]+w[3:],
    w[0,:]+w[2,:]+w[3:],
    w[0,:]+w[1,:]+w[3:],
    w[0,:]+w[1,:]+w[2,:]]).T.flatten()
```

```
[22]: # 4A: Logit
outside_shares = 1 - np.sum(eq_shares, axis=0, keepdims=True)
y = np.log(eq_shares/outside_shares).T.flatten()
X = model_data[["x","satellite","wired","prices"]]
results = sm.OLS(y,X).fit()
results.summary()
```

```
[22]: <class 'statsmodels.iolib.summary.Summary'>
```

```
"""
```

### OLS Regression Results

```
=====
Dep. Variable:          y      R-squared:          0.314
Model:                  OLS    Adj. R-squared:      0.313
Method:                 Least Squares    F-statistic:      365.4
Date:                  Wed, 13 Oct 2021    Prob (F-statistic):    2.09e-195
Time:                  20:01:01    Log-Likelihood:      -3033.1
No. Observations:      2400    AIC:              6074.
Df Residuals:          2396    BIC:              6097.
Df Model:               3
Covariance Type:       nonrobust
=====
```

	coef	std err	t	P> t	[0.025	0.975]
x	0.8375	0.029	28.572	0.000	0.780	0.895
satellite	1.3705	0.122	11.239	0.000	1.131	1.610
wired	1.3589	0.123	11.046	0.000	1.118	1.600
prices	-0.9518	0.044	-21.393	0.000	-1.039	-0.865

```
=====
Omnibus:                41.828    Durbin-Watson:                2.047
Prob(Omnibus):           0.000    Jarque-Bera (JB):            48.815
Skew:                   -0.263    Prob(JB):                   2.51e-11
Kurtosis:                3.460    Cond. No.                   30.0
=====
```

Notes:

[1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly specified.

"""

Note that ignoring the endogeneity of prices results in underestimating the magnitudes of all the relevant parameters.

```
[23]: #6: IV-2SLS
X_exog = model_data[["x", "satellite", "wired"]].astype(float)
X_endog = model_data[["prices"]].astype(float)
Z = model_data[["w", "x_other", "w_other"]].astype(float)
# we'll just instrument for prices with w and x of the own-product; it seems good
→enough here
iv_model = IV2SLS(y, X_exog, X_endog, Z).fit()
iv_model.summary
```

```
[23]: <class 'linearmodels.compat.statsmodels.Summary'>
"""
```

#### IV-2SLS Estimation Summary

```
=====
Dep. Variable:            dependent    R-squared:                0.1841
Estimator:                IV-2SLS    Adj. R-squared:           0.1831
No. Observations:         2400    F-statistic:              2007.7
Date:                     Wed, Oct 13 2021    P-value (F-stat)         0.0000
Time:                     20:01:01    Distribution:             chi2(4)
Cov. Estimator:           robust
```

#### Parameter Estimates

```
=====
Parameter  Std. Err.    T-stat    P-value    Lower CI    Upper CI
-----
x          0.9461     0.0331    28.609    0.0000     0.8813     1.0109
satellite  3.8635     0.1878    20.575    0.0000     3.4955     4.2315
```

wired	3.8774	0.1880	20.628	0.0000	3.5090	4.2458
prices	-1.8992	0.0700	-27.132	0.0000	-2.0364	-1.7620

=====

```

Endogenous: prices
Instruments: w, x_other, w_other
Robust Covariance (Heteroskedastic)
Debiased: False
"""

```

[24]: *#4.7 nested logit*

```

# construct log of within group share
satellite_share= eq_shares[0,:] + eq_shares[1,:]
wired_share= eq_shares[2,:] + eq_shares[3,:]
model_data["within_satellite_shares"] = model_data["satellite"]*np.log(eq_shares /
↳satellite_share).T.flatten()
model_data["within_wired_shares"] = model_data["wired"]*np.log(eq_shares /
↳wired_share).T.flatten()
model_data["within_group_shares"] = model_data["within_wired_shares"] +
↳model_data["within_satellite_shares"]

# now use the other in-group firm's characteristics as instruments
model_data["x_other_satellite"] = np.stack([x[1:], x[0:], x[3:], x[2:]]).T.
↳flatten()*model_data["satellite"]
model_data["w_other_satellite"] = np.stack([w[1:], w[0:], w[3:], w[2:]]).T.
↳flatten()*model_data["satellite"]
model_data["x_other_wired"] = np.stack([x[1:], x[0:], x[3:], x[2:]]).T.
↳flatten()*model_data["wired"]
model_data["w_other_wired"] = np.stack([w[1:], w[0:], w[3:], w[2:]]).T.
↳flatten()*model_data["wired"]

X_exog = model_data[["x","satellite","wired"]]
X_endog = model_data[["prices", "within_satellite_shares", "within_wired_shares" ]]
Z = model_data[["w", "x_other", "w_other", "x_other_satellite", "w_other_satellite",
↳"x_other_wired", "w_other_wired"]]
iv_model = IV2SLS(y, X_exog, X_endog, Z).fit()
iv_model.summary

```

```
[24]: <class 'linearmodels.compat.statsmodels.Summary'>
```

```
"""
```

#### IV-2SLS Estimation Summary

```
=====
Dep. Variable:          dependent    R-squared:                0.3589
Estimator:              IV-2SLS     Adj. R-squared:           0.3576
No. Observations:      2400         F-statistic:              2635.4
Date:                  Wed, Oct 13 2021    P-value (F-stat)         0.0000
Time:                  20:01:01           Distribution:            chi2(6)
Cov. Estimator:        robust
```

#### Parameter Estimates

```
=====
=====
                Parameter  Std. Err.    T-stat    P-value    Lower CI
Upper CI
-----
-----
x                0.8483     0.0377     22.479    0.0000     0.7743
0.9223
satellite        3.4995     0.1923     18.200    0.0000     3.1226
3.8763
wired            3.4881     0.1825     19.111    0.0000     3.1303
3.8458
prices          -1.6649     0.0784    -21.241    0.0000    -1.8185
-1.5112
within_satellite_shares  0.2173     0.0770     2.8237    0.0047     0.0665
0.3681
within_wired_shares    0.1944     0.0714     2.7237    0.0065     0.0545
0.3342
=====
=====
```

```
Endogenous: prices, within_satellite_shares, within_wired_shares
```

```
Instruments: w, x_other, w_other, x_other_satellite, w_other_satellite,
x_other_wired, w_other_wired
```

```
Robust Covariance (Heteroskedastic)
```

```
Debiased: False
```

```
"""
```

```

[25]: # define functions for derivatives and shares in the nested logit

def full_mkt_share_derivative_nested(t, p, pars):

    XX = [x[:,t], [1,1,0,0], [0,0,1,1], p ]

    v_t = pars[0:4] @ XX

    sigma_1 = pars[4]

    sigma_2 = pars[5]

    theta_2 = pars[3]

    D1 = np.exp(v_t[0]/(1- sigma_1)) + np.exp(v_t[1]/(1- sigma_1))

    D2 = np.exp(v_t[2]/(1- sigma_2)) + np.exp(v_t[3]/(1- sigma_2))

    Z = 1 + np.power(D1, (1- sigma_1)) + np.power(D2, (1- sigma_2))

    derivatives = np.zeros((J,J))

    for j in range(J):
        if j < 2:
            derivatives[j,j] = (theta_2/(1 - sigma_1))*( np.exp(v_t[j]/(1-
→sigma_1))*np.power(D1, sigma_1)*Z - np.exp((2*v_t[j])/(1- sigma_1))*( sigma_1*np.
→power(D1, sigma_1 -1)*Z + (1- sigma_1)) ) / np.square((np.power(D1, sigma_1)*Z))
        else:
            derivatives[j,j] = (theta_2/(1 - sigma_2))*( np.exp(v_t[j]/(1-
→sigma_2))*np.power(D2, sigma_2)*Z - np.exp((2*v_t[j])/(1- sigma_2))*( sigma_2*np.
→power(D2, sigma_2 -1)*Z + (1- sigma_2)) ) / np.square((np.power(D2, sigma_2)*Z))

    for j in range(J):
        for k in range(J):
            if not (j == k):
                if j < 2 and k < 2:

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```

        derivatives[j,k] = (-theta_2/(1 - sigma_1))*np.exp(v_t[j]/(1-
→sigma_1))*np.exp(v_t[k]/(1- sigma_1))*( sigma_1*np.power(D1,sigma_1-1)*Z + (1-
→sigma_1)    ) / np.square((np.power(D1, sigma_1)*Z))
        if j >= 2 and k >= 2:
            derivatives[j,k] = (-theta_2/(1 - sigma_2))*np.exp(v_t[j]/(1-
→sigma_2))*np.exp(v_t[k]/(1- sigma_2))*( sigma_1*np.power(D2,sigma_2-1)*Z + (1-
→sigma_2)    ) / np.square((np.power(D2, sigma_2)*Z))
        if j < 2 and k >= 2:
            derivatives[j,k] = (-theta_2/(1 - sigma_2))*np.exp(v_t[j]/(1-
→sigma_1))*np.exp(v_t[k]/(1- sigma_2))*(1-sigma_2)*np.power(D2, - sigma_2)*np.
→power(D1, sigma_1) / np.square((np.power(D1, sigma_1)*Z))
        if j >= 2 and k < 2:
            derivatives[j,k] = (-theta_2/(1 - sigma_1))*np.exp(v_t[j]/(1-
→sigma_2))*np.exp(v_t[k]/(1- sigma_1))*(1-sigma_1)*np.power(D1, - sigma_1)*np.
→power(D2, sigma_2) / np.square((np.power(D2, sigma_2)*Z))

    estimated_shares = mkt_share_nested(t, p, pars)
    return derivatives, -1*theta_2*estimated_shares*(1 - estimated_shares.sum())

def mkt_share_nested(t, p, pars):

    XX = [x[:,t], [1,1,0,0], [0,0,1,1], p ]

    v_t = pars[0:4] @XX

    sigma_1 = pars[4]

    sigma_2 = pars[5]

    theta_2 = pars[3]

    D1 = np.exp(v_t[0]/(1- sigma_1)) + np.exp(v_t[1]/(1- sigma_1))

    D2 = np.exp(v_t[2]/(1- sigma_2)) + np.exp(v_t[3]/(1- sigma_2))

    Z = 1 + np.power(D1, (1- sigma_1)) + np.power(D2, (1- sigma_2))

```

```

shares = np.zeros((J,1))

for j in range(J):
    if j < 2:
        shares[j] = (np.exp(v_t[j]/(1-sigma_1))) / (np.power(D1, sigma_1)*Z)
    else:
        shares[j] = (np.exp(v_t[j]/(1-sigma_2))) / (np.power(D2, sigma_2)*Z)

return shares

```

```

[26]: # Precompute the price elasticities and diversion
nested_logit_price_elasticities = np.zeros((J,J,T))
nested_logit_diversion_ratios = np.zeros((J,J,T))

N = 100

for t in range(T):
    derivative_matrix, outside_derivative = full_mkt_share_derivative_nested(t,
    ↪eq_prices[:,t], iv_model.params)
    nested_logit_price_elasticities[:, :, t] = eq_prices[:,t]*derivative_matrix /
    ↪eq_shares[:,t].T
    estimated_shares = mkt_share_nested(t, eq_prices[:,t], iv_model.params)
    for j in range(J):
        for k in range(J):
            nested_logit_diversion_ratios[j,k,t] = -1*derivative_matrix[k,j]/
            ↪derivative_matrix[j,j]
            nested_logit_diversion_ratios[j,j,t] = -1*outside_derivative[j]/
            ↪derivative_matrix[j,j]

```

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```

```

[27]: nested_logit_price_elasticities.mean(axis=2), true_price_elasticities.mean(axis=2)

```

```

[27]: (array([[ -6.12190672,  1.99361387,  1.14721285,  1.16871821],
              [ 1.94980523, -6.22209392,  1.23343822,  1.28434919],
              [ 1.18472154,  1.16184628, -6.06022182,  2.04574024],
              [ 1.15410091,  1.21673082,  1.99322672, -6.28818366]]),

```

```
array([[ -4.06535006,  1.38543391,  0.80172334,  0.7895892 ],
       [ 1.27934133, -4.16553436,  0.71112989,  0.71512854],
       [ 0.73928313,  0.74163481, -4.17726162,  1.3416553 ],
       [ 0.72070405,  0.7189693 ,  1.30923805, -4.18978309]]))
```

```
[28]: nested_logit_diversion_ratios.mean(axis=2), true_diversion_ratios.mean(axis=2)
```

```
[28]: (array([[0.28479711, 0.33297753, 0.19134439, 0.19088096],
              [0.32541291, 0.28728495, 0.19641401, 0.19088814],
              [0.19547647, 0.20791738, 0.28870153, 0.32231153],
              [0.19719596, 0.20488804, 0.32444768, 0.28792372]]),
       array([[0.33115087, 0.30335128, 0.18522023, 0.18027762],
              [0.32317153, 0.32122579, 0.18063565, 0.17496703],
              [0.19329289, 0.17575241, 0.32765373, 0.30330097],
              [0.19192008, 0.17341037, 0.31037504, 0.32429451]]))
```

## 1 Part 5

### 1.1 5.a: Demand-side Estimation only

```
[29]: # BLP, Demand-side estimation only

demand_problem = pyblp.Problem(
    [
        pyblp.Formulation("0 + prices + x + satellite + wired"),
        pyblp.Formulation("0 + satellite + wired")
    ],
    observed_data[[
        "market_ids",
        "firm_ids",
        "shares",
        "prices",
        "x",
        "satellite",
        "wired"]],
    integration=pyblp.Integration('product', size=9),
)
```

Initializing the problem ...

Initialized the problem after 00:00:00.



Dimensions:

```
=====
  T      N      F      I      K1      K2      MD
  ---    ---    ---    ---    ---    ---    ---
600  2400    4   48600    4      2      3
=====
```

Formulations:

```
=====
      Column Indices:      0      1      2      3
      -----
X1: Linear Characteristics    prices    x    satellite    wired
X2: Nonlinear Characteristics  satellite    wired
=====
```

```
[30]: # we will assume that the random coefficients on satellite and wired are uncorrelated

# this step is going to spit out a lot of text, most of which is not meaningful yet.
# the first iteration of .solve is only to compute the optimal instruments, and hence
→these first-step estimates are not very good

demand_problem_w_instruments = demand_problem.solve(sigma=np.identity(2)).
→compute_optimal_instruments().to_problem()
```

Solving the problem ...

Nonlinear Coefficient Initial Values:

```
=====
Sigma:      satellite      wired
-----
satellite  +1.000000E+00
wired      +0.000000E+00  +1.000000E+00
=====
```

Nonlinear Coefficient Lower Bounds:

```
=====
Sigma:      satellite      wired
-----
satellite  +0.000000E+00
wired      +0.000000E+00  +0.000000E+00
=====
```

Nonlinear Coefficient Upper Bounds:

```
=====
Sigma:      satellite      wired
-----
satellite      +INF
wired      +0.000000E+00      +INF
=====
```

Starting optimization ...

GMM	Optimization	Objective	Fixed Point	Contraction	Clipped	Objective
		Projected				
Step	Iterations	Evaluations	Iterations	Evaluations	Shares	Value
Improvement	Gradient Norm	Theta				
1	0	1	4478	13776	0	
+1.397861E-27			+1.276800E-13	+1.000000E+00,	+1.000000E+00	

Optimization completed after 00:00:02.

Computing the Hessian and updating the weighting matrix ...

Computed results after 00:00:08.

Problem Results Summary:

```
=====
=====
GMM      Objective      Projected      Reduced Hessian      Reduced Hessian      Clipped
Weighting Matrix
Step      Value      Gradient Norm      Min Eigenvalue      Max Eigenvalue      Shares
Condition Number
-----
-----
1      +1.397861E-27      +1.276800E-13      +1.507973E-06      +7.409371E-06      0
+1.043996E+01
=====
=====
```

Starting optimization ...

GMM	Optimization	Objective	Fixed Point	Contraction	Clipped	Objective
-----	--------------	-----------	-------------	-------------	---------	-----------

Objective	Projected					
Step	Iterations	Evaluations	Iterations	Evaluations	Shares	Value
Improvement	Gradient Norm		Theta			
2	0	1	0	600	0	
+1.073274E-27			+3.029540E-13	+1.000000E+00,	+1.000000E+00	

Optimization completed after 00:00:01.

Computing the Hessian and estimating standard errors ...

Computed results after 00:00:06.

#### Problem Results Summary:

GMM	Objective	Projected	Reduced Hessian	Reduced Hessian	Clipped
Weighting Matrix	Covariance Matrix				
Step	Value	Gradient Norm	Min Eigenvalue	Max Eigenvalue	Shares
Condition Number	Condition Number				
2	+1.073274E-27	+3.029540E-13	-2.208656E-05	+8.266331E-06	0
+9.227456E+00	+4.366231E+17				

#### Cumulative Statistics:

Computation	Optimizer	Optimization	Objective	Fixed Point	Contraction
Time	Converged	Iterations	Evaluations	Iterations	Evaluations
00:00:16	Yes	0	4	4478	14376

#### Nonlinear Coefficient Estimates (Robust SEs in Parentheses):

Sigma:	satellite	wired
satellite	+1.000000E+00	
	(+4.410576E-03)	

```

wired      +0.000000E+00    +1.000000E+00
              (+4.532765E-03)
=====

Beta Estimates (Robust SEs in Parentheses):
=====
      prices              x              satellite              wired
-----
-4.507325E-01    +8.461436E-01    -8.777418E-02    -1.191342E-01
(+1.126041E-02) (+3.082421E-02) (+1.866351E-02) (+1.861941E-02)
=====

Computing optimal instruments for theta ...
Computed optimal instruments after 00:00:01.

Optimal Instrument Results Summary:
=====
Computation Error Term
  Time      Draws
-----
00:00:01      1
=====

Re-creating the problem ...
Re-created the problem after 00:00:00.

Dimensions:
=====
  T      N      F      I      K1      K2      MD
---
600  2400    4   48600    4      2      6
=====

Formulations:
=====
      Column Indices:              0              1              2              3
-----
X1: Linear Characteristics    prices      x      satellite wired
X2: Nonlinear Characteristics satellite wired
=====

```

```
[31]: # now we resolve the problem given the optimal instruments
```

```
demand_problem_results = demand_problem_w_instruments.solve(sigma=0.99*np.
↳identity(2),optimization=pyblp.Optimization('l-bfgs-b', {'maxls': 30}))
```

Solving the problem ...

Nonlinear Coefficient Initial Values:

```
=====
Sigma:      satellite      wired
-----
satellite  +9.900000E-01
wired      +0.000000E+00  +9.900000E-01
=====
```

Nonlinear Coefficient Lower Bounds:

```
=====
Sigma:      satellite      wired
-----
satellite  +0.000000E+00
wired      +0.000000E+00  +0.000000E+00
=====
```

Nonlinear Coefficient Upper Bounds:

```
=====
Sigma:      satellite      wired
-----
satellite  +INF
wired      +0.000000E+00  +INF
=====
```

Starting optimization ...

GMM	Optimization	Objective	Fixed Point	Contraction	Clipped	Objective
		Projected				
Step	Iterations	Evaluations	Iterations	Evaluations	Shares	Value
Improvement	Gradient Norm		Theta			
----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	
1	0	1	4441	13671	0	
-4.871846E+16			+6.644277E+09	+9.900000E-01, +9.900000E-01		
1	0	2	3111	9787	0	
-8.257676E+16	+3.385830E+16	+4.869321E+09	+2.828932E-01, +2.828932E-01			

1	1	3	0	600	0
-4.918336E+16			+5.388201E-08	+0.000000E+00,	+0.000000E+00
1	1	4	3112	9794	0
-3.109528E+16			+5.839840E+09	+2.828932E-01,	+2.828932E-01
1	1	5	3111	9787	0
-8.257676E+16			+4.869321E+09	+2.828932E-01,	+2.828932E-01
1	1	6	3109	9791	0
-4.857029E+16			+3.903649E+09	+2.828932E-01,	+2.828932E-01
1	1	7	3111	9787	0
-8.257676E+16			+4.869321E+09	+2.828932E-01,	+2.828932E-01

Optimization completed after 00:00:09.

Computing the Hessian and and updating the weighting matrix ...

Computed results after 00:00:07.

#### Problem Results Summary:

```

=====
=====
GMM      Objective      Projected      Reduced Hessian  Reduced Hessian  Clipped
Weighting Matrix
Step      Value          Gradient Norm  Min Eigenvalue   Max Eigenvalue   Shares
Condition Number
-----  -
-----
1      -8.257676E+16  +4.869321E+09  -2.349511E+17   -2.874343E+16    0
+8.124302E+16
=====
=====

```

Starting optimization ...

GMM	Optimization	Objective	Fixed Point	Contraction	Clipped	Objective
Objective	Projected					
Step	Iterations	Evaluations	Iterations	Evaluations	Shares	Value
Improvement	Gradient Norm		Theta			
2	0	1	0	600	0	
+6.537189E-13			+1.091195E-12	+2.828932E-01,	+2.828932E-01	

Optimization completed after 00:00:01.

Computing the Hessian and estimating standard errors ...  
 Computed results after 00:00:05.

Problem Results Summary:

```
=====
=====
GMM      Objective      Projected      Reduced Hessian  Reduced Hessian  Clipped
Weighting Matrix Covariance Matrix
Step      Value      Gradient Norm  Min Eigenvalue   Max Eigenvalue   Shares
Condition Number Condition Number
-----
-----
2      +6.537189E-13  +1.091195E-12  -2.784026E-12   +4.671904E-12    0
+2.505258E+17      +1.548412E+17
=====
=====
```

Cumulative Statistics:

```
=====
Computation Optimizer Optimization Objective Fixed Point Contraction
Time         Converged Iterations Evaluations Iterations Evaluations
-----
00:00:22      Yes           2           10          19995      63817
=====
```

Nonlinear Coefficient Estimates (Robust SEs in Parentheses):

```
=====
Sigma:      satellite      wired
-----
satellite  +2.828932E-01
           (+1.012906E+00)

wired      +0.000000E+00   +2.828932E-01
                               (+1.039249E+00)
=====
```

Beta Estimates (Robust SEs in Parentheses):

```
=====
prices      x      satellite      wired
-----
+1.217125E+00  +5.763916E-01  -4.337985E+00  -4.407183E+00
```

(+2.509104E-02) (+5.076744E-02) (+1.455546E-01) (+1.485866E-01)

These estimates are not bad.

## 1.2 5.a: Demand and Supply Estimation

```
[32]: full_problem = pyblp.Problem(
    [
        pyblp.Formulation("0 + prices + x + satellite + wired"),
        pyblp.Formulation("0 + satellite + wired"),
        pyblp.Formulation("1 + w")
    ],
    product_data = observed_data,
    integration=pyblp.Integration('product', size=9),
    costs_type="log"
)
```

Initializing the problem ...

Initialized the problem after 00:00:00.

Dimensions:

```
=====
T      N      F      I      K1      K2      K3      MD      MS
---  ---  ---  ---  ---  ---  ---  ---  ---
600  2400   4  48600   4      2      2      3      2
=====
```

Formulations:

```
=====
Column Indices:      0      1      2      3
-----
X1: Linear Characteristics  prices      x  satellite  wired
X2: Nonlinear Characteristics  satellite  wired
X3: Log Cost Characteristics      1      w
=====
```

```
[33]: # once again, we construct optimal instruments
full_problem_w_instruments = full_problem.solve(sigma=np.
    identity(2), beta=[-1, None, None, None]).compute_optimal_instruments().to_problem()
```

Solving the problem ...



Nonlinear Coefficient Initial Values:

```
=====
Sigma:      satellite      wired
-----
satellite  +1.000000E+00
wired      +0.000000E+00  +1.000000E+00
=====
```

Beta Initial Values:

```
=====
prices      x      satellite      wired
-----
-1.000000E+00  NAN      NAN      NAN
=====
```

Nonlinear Coefficient Lower Bounds:

```
=====
Sigma:      satellite      wired
-----
satellite  +0.000000E+00
wired      +0.000000E+00  +0.000000E+00
=====
```

Beta Lower Bounds:

```
=====
prices      x      satellite      wired
-----
-INF      -INF      -INF      -INF
=====
```

Nonlinear Coefficient Upper Bounds:

```
=====
Sigma:      satellite      wired
-----
satellite  +INF
wired      +0.000000E+00  +INF
=====
```

Beta Upper Bounds:

```
=====
```

prices	x	satellite	wired
-----	-----	-----	-----
+INF	+INF	+INF	+INF
=====	=====	=====	=====

Starting optimization ...

GMM	Optimization	Objective	Fixed Point	Contraction	Clipped	Objective
	Objective	Projected				
Step	Iterations	Evaluations	Iterations	Evaluations	Shares	Value
Improvement	Gradient Norm			Theta		
----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	
-----	-----	-----	-----			
-----						
1	0	1	4478	13776	0	
+1.420645E-26			+2.916005E-11	+1.000000E+00,	+1.000000E+00,	
-1.000000E+00						

Optimization completed after 00:00:03.

Computing the Hessian and and updating the weighting matrix ...

Computed results after 00:00:20.

Problem Results Summary:

GMM	Objective	Projected	Reduced Hessian	Reduced Hessian	Clipped
Weighting Matrix					
Step	Value	Gradient Norm	Min Eigenvalue	Max Eigenvalue	Shares
Condition Number					
----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
-----					
1	+1.420645E-26	+2.916005E-11	-5.950660E-04	+7.196896E-04	0
+1.338489E+01					
=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
=====					

Starting optimization ...

GMM	Optimization	Objective	Fixed Point	Contraction	Clipped	Objective
	Objective	Projected				
Step	Iterations	Evaluations	Iterations	Evaluations	Shares	Value

Improvement	Gradient Norm	Theta
2	0	1
+1.213500E-25	+1.303812E-11	600
-1.000000E+00		0

Optimization completed after 00:00:02.

Computing the Hessian and estimating standard errors ...

Computed results after 00:00:15.

#### Problem Results Summary:

GMM	Objective	Projected	Reduced Hessian	Reduced Hessian	Clipped
Weighting Matrix	Covariance Matrix				
Step	Value	Gradient Norm	Min Eigenvalue	Max Eigenvalue	Shares
Condition Number	Condition Number				
2	+1.213500E-25	+1.303812E-11	-6.052454E-03	+5.830682E-04	0
+7.176547E+01	+1.366273E+18				

#### Cumulative Statistics:

Computation	Optimizer	Optimization	Objective	Fixed Point	Contraction
Time	Converged	Iterations	Evaluations	Iterations	Evaluations
00:00:40	Yes	0	4	4478	14376

#### Nonlinear Coefficient Estimates (Robust SEs in Parentheses):

Sigma:	satellite	wired
satellite	+1.000000E+00	
	(+4.250962E-03)	

```

wired      +0.000000E+00    +1.000000E+00
              (+4.192555E-03)
=====

Beta Estimates (Robust SEs in Parentheses):
=====
      prices              x          satellite          wired
-----
-1.000000E+00    +9.090737E-01    +1.357618E+00    +1.341006E+00
(+8.317201E-03) (+3.059498E-02) (+2.117336E-02) (+2.108796E-02)
=====

```

```

Gamma Estimates (Robust SEs in Parentheses):
=====
          1              w
-----
-1.406974E-01    +4.680814E-01
(+1.955098E-02) (+1.085774E-02)
=====

```

Computing optimal instruments for theta ...  
Computed optimal instruments after 00:00:03.

```

Optimal Instrument Results Summary:
=====
Computation  Error Term  Fixed Point  Contraction
   Time      Draws      Iterations  Evaluations
-----
00:00:03      1         9494         9494
=====

```

Re-creating the problem ...  
Re-created the problem after 00:00:00.

```

Dimensions:
=====
   T    N    F    I    K1    K2    K3    MD    MS
---
600  2400   4  48600   4     2     2     7     8
=====

```

```

Formulations:
=====

```

	Column Indices:	0	1	2	3
X1: Linear Characteristics		prices	x	satellite	wired
X2: Nonlinear Characteristics		satellite	wired		
X3: Log Cost Characteristics		1	w		

=====

```
[34]: # and here are the estimation results
full_problem_results = full_problem_w_instruments.solve(sigma=0.9*np.
    ↳identity(2),beta=[-1,None,None,None], check_optimality="both")
```

Solving the problem ...

Nonlinear Coefficient Initial Values:

```
=====
Sigma:      satellite      wired
-----
satellite  +9.000000E-01
wired      +0.000000E+00  +9.000000E-01
=====
```

Beta Initial Values:

```
=====
prices      x      satellite      wired
-----
-1.000000E+00  NAN      NAN      NAN
=====
```

Nonlinear Coefficient Lower Bounds:

```
=====
Sigma:      satellite      wired
-----
satellite  +0.000000E+00
wired      +0.000000E+00  +0.000000E+00
=====
```

Beta Lower Bounds:

```
=====
prices      x      satellite      wired
-----
-INF      -INF      -INF      -INF
=====
```

Nonlinear Coefficient Upper Bounds:

```
=====
Sigma:      satellite      wired
-----
satellite      +INF
wired      +0.000000E+00      +INF
=====
```

Beta Upper Bounds:

```
=====
prices      x      satellite      wired
-----
+INF      +INF      +INF      +INF
=====
```

Starting optimization ...

GMM	Optimization	Objective	Fixed Point	Contraction	Clipped	Objective
Objective	Projected					
Step	Iterations	Evaluations	Iterations	Evaluations	Shares	Value
Improvement	Gradient Norm			Theta		
----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	
-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	
-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	
1	0	1	4336	13321	0	
-2.855162E+02			+9.659102E+02	+9.000000E-01,	+9.000000E-01,	
-1.000000E+00						
1	0	2	4336	13295	0	
-4.184583E+03	+3.899067E+03	+1.464040E+03	+8.888484E-01,	+8.888484E-01,		
-1.999876E+00						
1	0	3	4274	13119	0	
+2.238252E+03		+9.920075E+02	+8.442422E-01,	+8.442422E-01,		
-5.999378E+00						
1	0	4	4329	13295	0	
+1.038995E+04		+1.309991E+03	+8.834613E-01,	+8.834613E-01,		
-2.482895E+00						
1	0	5	4337	13292	0	
-8.407922E+02		+3.796392E+02	+8.888062E-01,	+8.888062E-01,		
-2.003663E+00						
1	0	6	4336	13295	0	

-4.184583E+03			+1.464040E+03	+8.888484E-01,	+8.888484E-01,
-1.999876E+00					
1	1	7	0	600	0
+4.393448E+08			+6.001273E+05	+0.000000E+00,	+0.000000E+00,
-1.466040E+03					
1	1	8	4329	13284	0
+1.010082E+04			+1.417132E+03	+8.867007E-01,	+8.867007E-01,
-5.537365E+00					
1	1	9	4333	13295	0
-4.623683E+03	+4.390999E+02		+1.030407E+03	+8.887269E-01,	+8.887269E-01,
-2.200115E+00					
1	2	10	4442	13663	0
-7.730336E+02			+1.507782E+03	+8.786028E-01,	+1.025720E+00,
-2.753598E+00					
1	2	11	4341	13317	0
+6.407188E+03			+2.506296E+03	+8.885155E-01,	+8.915872E-01,
-2.211671E+00					
1	2	12	4335	13305	0
-1.187810E+04	+7.254420E+03		+3.797859E+02	+8.887268E-01,	+8.887274E-01,
-2.200117E+00					
1	3	13	4353	13380	0
-4.620186E+03			+1.877459E+03	+8.881199E-01,	+8.972040E-01,
-2.203337E+00					
1	3	14	4334	13303	0
-4.355088E+03			+2.911085E+03	+8.887268E-01,	+8.887278E-01,
-2.200117E+00					
1	3	15	4336	13303	0
-4.623684E+03			+1.970713E+03	+8.887268E-01,	+8.887274E-01,
-2.200117E+00					
1	3	16	4335	13305	0
-1.187810E+04			+3.797859E+02	+8.887268E-01,	+8.887274E-01,
-2.200117E+00					

Optimization completed after 00:00:44.

Computing the Hessian and updating the weighting matrix ...

Computed results after 00:00:20.

#### Problem Results Summary:

```
=====
=====
GMM      Objective      Projected      Reduced Hessian  Reduced Hessian  Clipped
```

# Weighting Matrix

Step	Value	Gradient Norm	Min Eigenvalue	Max Eigenvalue	Shares
Condition Number					

1	-1.187810E+04	+3.797859E+02	-2.719718E+10	+6.320185E+10	0
+5.553615E+18					
=====					
=====					

Starting optimization ...

GMM	Optimization	Objective	Fixed Point	Contraction	Clipped	Objective
Objective	Projected					

Step	Iterations	Evaluations	Iterations	Evaluations	Shares	Value
Improvement	Gradient Norm			Theta		

2	0	1	0	600	0	
+1.431873E+01		+8.875149E+01	+8.887268E-01,	+8.887274E-01,		
-2.200117E+00						
2	0	2	4353	13332	0	
+1.171137E+02		+3.017598E+02	+1.046625E+00,	+1.056654E+00,		
-1.227045E+00						
2	0	3	4043	12373	0	
+3.504647E+00	+1.081408E+01	+5.494750E+00	+9.263405E-01,	+9.287298E-01,		
-1.968317E+00						
2	1	4	4073	12481	0	
+3.367158E+00	+1.374895E-01	+5.270739E+00	+9.381365E-01,	+9.431001E-01,		
-1.972367E+00						
2	1	5	4196	12890	0	
+2.884910E+00	+4.822481E-01	+4.273512E+00	+9.853204E-01,	+1.000581E+00,		
-1.988567E+00						
2	2	6	4645	14209	0	
+2.171413E+00	+7.134969E-01	+1.836328E+00	+1.207614E+00,	+1.230418E+00,		
-2.037731E+00						
2	3	7	4546	13907	0	
+2.115084E+00	+5.632834E-02	+4.114676E-01	+1.166972E+00,	+1.170077E+00,		
-2.030503E+00						
2	4	8	4599	14044	0	



```

+2.113129E+00 +1.955256E-03 +3.568824E-02 +1.169502E+00, +1.179589E+00,
-2.031245E+00
  2          5          9          4605          14059          0
+2.113105E+00 +2.412179E-05 +7.455956E-03 +1.168982E+00, +1.180300E+00,
-2.031264E+00
  2          6          10          4601          14058          0
+2.113104E+00 +6.821551E-07 +1.822522E-04 +1.168790E+00, +1.180292E+00,
-2.031252E+00
  2          7          11          4605          14056          0
+2.113104E+00 +4.416867E-11 +6.161568E-06 +1.168790E+00, +1.180292E+00,
-2.031252E+00
  2          8          12          4602          14057          0
+2.113104E+00 +1.625367E-13 +1.954205E-08 +1.168790E+00, +1.180292E+00,
-2.031252E+00
  2          9          13          4602          14056          0
+2.113104E+00 +5.240253E-14 +2.852862E-09 +1.168790E+00, +1.180292E+00,
-2.031252E+00

```

Optimization completed after 00:00:36.

Computing the Hessian and estimating standard errors ...

Computed results after 00:00:22.

#### Problem Results Summary:

```

=====
=====
GMM      Objective      Projected      Reduced Hessian  Reduced Hessian  Clipped
Weighting Matrix Covariance Matrix
Step      Value      Gradient Norm  Min Eigenvalue   Max Eigenvalue   Shares
Condition Number Condition Number
-----
-----
  2      +2.113104E+00 +2.852862E-09 +2.453329E+01   +3.924354E+02    0
+2.591693E+17      +2.872436E+04
=====
=====

```

#### Cumulative Statistics:

```

=====
Computation Optimizer Optimization Objective Fixed Point Contraction
Time          Converged   Iterations Evaluations Iterations Evaluations
-----

```

```
00:02:02      Yes      14      31      118556      364494
=====
```

Nonlinear Coefficient Estimates (Robust SEs in Parentheses):

```
=====
Sigma:      satellite      wired
-----
satellite  +1.168790E+00
           (+2.422035E-01)

wired      +0.000000E+00    +1.180292E+00
                               (+2.322707E-01)
=====
```

Beta Estimates (Robust SEs in Parentheses):

```
=====
prices      x      satellite      wired
-----
-2.031252E+00  +1.051940E+00  +4.030990E+00  +4.036894E+00
(+8.741266E-02) (+4.717634E-02) (+2.140120E-01) (+2.153075E-01)
=====
```

Gamma Estimates (Robust SEs in Parentheses):

```
=====
1      w
-----
+4.862138E-01  +2.634093E-01
(+1.981867E-02) (+1.109183E-02)
=====
```

These estimates are even better than the previous section. We'll use these in the coming sections.

### 1.3 5.b Own-price Elasticities, Diversion Ratios

```
[35]: estimated_price_elasticities = full_problem_results.compute_elasticities()
```

```
Computing elasticities with respect to prices ...
Finished after 00:00:01.
```

```
[36]: estimated_diversion_ratios = full_problem_results.compute_diversion_ratios()
```

Computing diversion ratios with respect to prices ...  
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```
[37]: estimated_own_price_elasticities = estimated_price_elasticities.reshape(T,J,J).  
      ↪mean(axis=0)
```

```
[38]: true_price_elasticities.mean(axis=2), estimated_own_price_elasticities
```

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[38]: (array([[ -4.06535006,  1.38543391,  0.80172334,  0.7895892 ],  
             [ 1.27934133, -4.16553436,  0.71112989,  0.71512854],  
             [ 0.73928313,  0.74163481, -4.17726162,  1.3416553 ],  
             [ 0.72070405,  0.7189693 ,  1.30923805, -4.18978309]]),  
      array([[ -4.05026563,  1.36210624,  0.70040876,  0.66790244],  
            [ 1.50046032, -4.1558555 ,  0.70040876,  0.66790244],  
            [ 0.7378061 ,  0.65818679, -4.16101852,  1.38817984],  
            [ 0.7378061 ,  0.65818679,  1.4468293 , -4.17569613]]))
```

The estimates are pretty close to the true values

```
[39]: estimated_diversion_ratios.reshape((T,J,J)).mean(axis=0)
```

```
[39]: array([[0.32909482, 0.32544548, 0.17501464, 0.17044505],  
            [0.3455732 , 0.3188287 , 0.17046779, 0.16513031],  
            [0.18282689, 0.16629782, 0.3246221 , 0.32625318],  
            [0.18145558, 0.16389933, 0.33358963, 0.32105546]])
```

```
[40]: true_diversion_ratios.mean(axis=2)
```

```
[40]: array([[0.33115087, 0.30335128, 0.18522023, 0.18027762],  
            [0.32317153, 0.32122579, 0.18063565, 0.17496703],  
            [0.19329289, 0.17575241, 0.32765373, 0.30330097],  
            [0.19192008, 0.17341037, 0.31037504, 0.32429451]])
```

These look reasonably close as well.

## 2 Part 6

```
[41]: # merge firms 1 and 2  
      observed_data['merger_1_ids'] = observed_data['firm_ids'].replace(2, 1)  
  
      # merge firms 1 and 3
```

```
observed_data['merger_2_ids'] = observed_data['firm_ids'].replace(3, 1)
```

```
[42]: marginal_costs = full_problem_results.compute_costs()

merger_1_prices = full_problem_results.compute_prices(
    firm_ids=observed_data['merger_1_ids'],
    costs=marginal_costs
)

merger_2_prices = full_problem_results.compute_prices(
    firm_ids=observed_data['merger_2_ids'],
    costs=marginal_costs
)
```

Computing marginal costs ...

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Solving for equilibrium prices ...

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Solving for equilibrium prices ...

Finished after 00:00:02.

```
[43]: np.mean(eq_prices, axis=1)
```

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[43]: array([2.73266213, 2.71653207, 2.76078363, 2.73913598])
```

```
[44]: # relative price changes, merging 1 and 2
np.mean(merger_1_prices.reshape((T,J)),axis=0)
```

```
[44]: array([2.97945002, 2.99353235, 2.77124927, 2.74875349])
```

```
[45]: # relative price changes, merging 1 and 3
np.mean(merger_2_prices.reshape((T,J)),axis=0)
```

```
[45]: array([2.84694606, 2.72847439, 2.8831668 , 2.75133819])
```

```
[46]: reduction_factors = np.concatenate([0.85*np.ones([T,2]),np.ones([T,2])],axis=1).
    ↪ reshape((T*J,1))
reduced_costs = marginal_costs * reduction_factors
```

```

merger_1_prices_w_cost_reduction = full_problem_results.compute_prices(
    firm_ids=observed_data['merger_1_ids'],
    costs=reduced_costs
)

```

Solving for equilibrium prices ...

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[47]: # post-merger relative price changes, 1 and 2 with marginal cost reduction
      np.mean(merger_1_prices_w_cost_reduction.reshape((T,J)),axis=0)

```

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[47]: array([2.78201464, 2.79398463, 2.76110894, 2.73900857])

```

```

[48]: pre_merger_surpluses = full_problem_results.compute_consumer_surpluses()
      post_merger_surpluses = full_problem_results.
      ↪compute_consumer_surpluses(prices=merger_1_prices_w_cost_reduction)

```

Computing consumer surpluses with the equation that assumes away nonlinear income effects ...

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Computing consumer surpluses with the equation that assumes away nonlinear income effects ...

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[49]: # assuming measure of consumers in each market is 1, the net surpluses are just the
      ↪sums
      # this is the net effect on consumer welfare
      np.sum(post_merger_surpluses - pre_merger_surpluses)

```

```

[49]: -6.5718246112984176

```

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[50]: post_merger_shares = full_problem_results.
      ↪compute_shares(merger_1_prices_w_cost_reduction)
      pre_merger_profits = full_problem_results.compute_profits()
      post_merger_profits = full_problem_results.
      ↪compute_profits(merger_1_prices_w_cost_reduction, post_merger_shares, reduced_costs)

```

Computing shares ...

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Computing profits ...  
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Computing profits ...  
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```
[51]: # once again assuming measure 1 of consumers in each market  
      # net change in profits  
      np.sum(post_merger_profits - pre_merger_profits)
```

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[51]: 69.19100664228262
```

```
[52]: # welfare change  
      np.sum(post_merger_surpluses - pre_merger_surpluses) + np.sum(post_merger_profits -  
      ↪ pre_merger_profits)
```

```
[52]: 62.6191820309842
```