

Assignment 3

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Setup

```
library(dplyr)
library(purrr)
library(magrittr)
library(tidyr)
library(tibble)
library(stringr)
library(reshape2)
library(lme4)
library(mfx)
library(bayesm)
library(mclgit)
library(mlogit)
library(nnet)
# load data
data(margarine)
# Create a dataframe that merges product characteristics with household demos by hhid.
choiceprice <- as.matrix(margarine$choicePrice)
demos <- as.matrix(margarine$demos)
marg <- merge(choiceprice, demos, by = "hhid")
```

Exercise 1 Data Description

- Average and dispersion in product characteristics.

```
# average:
apply(marg[, 3:12], 2, mean)

##   PPk_Stk   PBB_Stk   PFl_Stk   PHse_Stk   PGen_Stk   PImp_Stk   PSS_Tub
## 0.5184362 0.5432103 1.0150201 0.4371477 0.3452819 0.7807785 0.8250895
##   PPk_Tub   PFl_Tub   PHse_Tub
## 1.0774094 1.1893758 0.5686734
```

```
# dispersion
apply(marg[, 3:12], 2, sd)

##   PPk_Stk   PBB_Stk   PFl_Stk   PHse_Stk   PGen_Stk   PImp_Stk
## 0.15051740 0.12033186 0.04289519 0.11883123 0.03516605 0.11464607
##   PSS_Tub   PPk_Tub   PFl_Tub   PHse_Tub
## 0.06121159 0.02972613 0.01405451 0.07245500
```

- Market share, and market share by product characteristics.

```
# market share by product
ms_product <- table(marg$choice)/4470
names(ms_product) <- names(marg[,3:12])
print(ms_product)

##   PPk_Stk   PBB_Stk   PFl_Stk   PHse_Stk   PGen_Stk   PImp_Stk
## 0.39507830 0.15637584 0.05436242 0.13266219 0.07046980 0.01655481
##   PSS_Tub   PPk_Tub   PFl_Tub   PHse_Tub
## 0.07136465 0.04541387 0.05033557 0.00738255
```

```
# market share by product characteristics: brand and type
brand_name <- names(marg[,3:12]) %>%
  str_replace_all("_Stk|_Tub", "")
ms_brand <- cbind.data.frame(brand_name, ms_product) %>%
  group_by(brand_name) %>%
  summarise(market_share = sum(Freq))
print(ms_brand)
```

```
## # A tibble: 7 x 2
##   brand_name market_share
##   <fct>         <dbl>
## 1 PBB          0.156
## 2 PFl          0.105
## 3 PGen         0.0705
## 4 PHse         0.140
## 5 PImp         0.0166
## 6 PPk          0.440
## 7 PSS          0.0714
```

```
# by product type (stick and tub)
sum(ms_product[1:6]) # market share of stick
```

```
## [1] 0.8255034
```

```
sum(ms_product[7:10]) # market share of tub
```

```
## [1] 0.1744966
```

- Mapping between observed attributes and choices.

Create tables of choices by different household attributes:

```
# income level & choices
table(marg$Income, marg$choice)
```

```
##
##           1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9 10
## 2.5      19  4  0  2  6  0 16  1  2  0
## 7.5     117 54 13 34 19  2 27  6 22  1
## 12.5    196 106 41 44 23  9 40  8 25  3
## 17.5    318 100 27 111 21  5 54 19 20  2
## 22.5    292 123 34 154 123  2 41 36 30  8
## 27.5    195  94  9  67 18  6 24 25 34  4
## 32.5    209  84 28  64 54  4 49 19 33  5
## 37.5    132  34 17  29 23  1 15 14  9  5
## 42.5    125  33 33  23  6 20 27 21 14  1
## 47.5     83  22 23  16  7 17  6  9  2  3
## 55       47  30 11  32  7  3 12 42 17  0
## 67.5     19  4  1  8  6  2  7  3  0  1
## 87.5      9 10  3  1  0  1  1  0 12  0
## 130       5  1  3  8  2  2  0  0  5  0
```

```
# family size:
table(marg$Fam_Size, marg$choice)
```

```
##
##           1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9 10
## 1 148  49 38 23 10  7 25 18 34  0
## 2 474 212 123 154 55 26 117 52 112  3
## 3 400 165  29 119 60 11 77 46 48  3
## 4 502 195  33 179 127  7 80 76 20  9
## 5 160  53  20  72 33 23  8  2 11 13
## 6  76  22  0 33 24  0 12  9  0  5
```

```
##      7      1      1      0      8      2      0      0      0      0      0
##      8      5      2      0      5      4      0      0      0      0      0

# education status & choices
table(marg$college, marg$choice)

##
##           1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9     10
##      0 1205   480   133   419   229    42   216   151   163    18
##      1   561   219   110   174    86    32   103    52    62    15

# job status & choices
table(marg$whtcollar, marg$choice)

##
##           1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9     10
##      0   759   319   111   242    90    32   135    87    95     2
##      1 1007   380   132   351   225    42   184   116   130    31

# retirement status & choices
table(marg$retired, marg$choice)

##
##           1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9     10
##      0 1414   531   114   502   269    46   272   183   144    29
##      1   352   168   129    91    46    28    47    20    81     4
```

Recap Multinomial Models

There are m alternatives and the dependent variable y is defined to take value j if the j th alternative is taken, $j = 1, \dots, m$. Based on the random utility model, let U_{ij} denote the utility of individual i derive when choosing alternative j . j is chosen if and only if $U_{ij} > U_{ik}$ for all $k \neq j$. Although we can't observe U_{ij} , we can treat it as independent random variables with a systematic component V_{ij} and a random component ϵ_{ij} such that $U_{ij} = V_{ij} + \epsilon_{ij}$.

Define the probability that alternative j is chosen by individual i as:

$$P_{ij} = \Pr[y_i = j] = \frac{V_{ij}}{\sum_{k=1}^m V_{ik}}, \quad j = 1, \dots, m,$$

where $V_{ij} > 0$ can be general functions of regressors X_i and parameters β . This is a *universal logit model*. Different specifications for V_{ij} corresponds to specific models, such as multinomial logit and conditional logit models. In that sense, all these models are variants of the same model. They only differ in their parametrization of the systematic components V_{ij} .

The log likelihood function of the universal logit model is:

$$L = \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^m y_{ij} \ln P_{ij}, \quad j = 1, \dots, m, \quad i = 1, \dots, N,$$

where P_{ij} is defined above.

Exercise 2 First Model

- We are interested in the effect of price on demand. Propose a model specification.

Since the price of a product varies by different choices, a conditional logit model is chosen to deal with regressors varying across alternatives. Here $V_{ij} = X_{ij}$, specifying characteristics of the alternatives (price).

The probability of the i th household choosing product j is given by

$$P_{ij} = \Pr[y_i = j] = \frac{\exp(X_{ij}\beta)}{\sum_{k=1}^m \exp(X_{ik}\beta)}, \quad j = 1, \dots, m$$

where X denotes price, the subscript i denotes the i th household, subscript j or k denotes the alternative, and parameter β is constant across alternatives. Note that it is possible to go from alternative-varying regressors to alternative-invariant format. Let X_i be a $K \times 1$ vector. Define X_{ij} to be a $Km \times 1$ vector with zeros except that the j th block is X_i , that is $X_{ij} = [0' \dots 0', X_i, 0', \dots 0']'$, and define

$$\beta = [0', \beta'_2, \dots, \beta'_m]'$$

, where $\beta_1 = 0$ is a normalization. Then $X'_i \beta_j = X'_{ij} \beta$.

The likelihood function of conditional multinomial model is:

```
loglik_cl = function(beta) {
  X = marg[, 3:12] - marg[, 3] # set price of the first product as reference
  b = beta[1] # constant beta
  alpha = beta[2:11]
  alpha[1] = 0
  X_beta = X * b
  alpha_choice = matrix(nrow = nrow(marg), ncol = 1)
  X_beta_j = matrix(nrow = nrow(marg), ncol = 1)
  alpha_t = matrix(rep(t(alpha), times = nrow(marg)), ncol = ncol(t(alpha)), byrow = T)
  for (i in 1:nrow(marg)) {
    jstar = marg[i, "choice"]
    alpha_j = alpha[jstar]
    alpha_choice[i] = alpha_j
    X_beta_j[i] = X_beta[i, jstar]
  }
  numerator = exp(X_beta_j + alpha_choice)
  Xbeta_k = exp(X_beta + alpha_t)
  denominator = rowSums(Xbeta_k)
  Pij = numerator / denominator
  ll = log(Pij)
  loglik_cl = - sum(ll)
}
# optimize the likelihood using the nlm function.
fit_cl = nlm(f = loglik_cl, p = c(rep(0, 11)))
fit_cl$estimate
```

```
## [1] -6.6565906 0.0000000 -0.9543061 1.2969786 -1.7173341 -2.9040074
## [7] -1.5153149 0.2517637 1.4648579 2.3575174 -3.8965934
```

```
#
#a <- function(beta) {
# X = marg[, 3:12] ## price takes dif values for dif alternatives
# beta = matrix(nrow = nrow(marg), ncol = 1)
# X_beta = X * beta # a matrix of 4479*10
# Xj_beta = matrix(nrow = nrow(marg), ncol = 1) # 4470*1
# for (i in 1:nrow(marg)) {
#   jstar = marg[i, "choice"] # choice made by household i.
#   beta_i = beta[i] # the effect of price is the same across alternatives but different for decision maker
#   Xj_beta[i] = X_beta[i, jstar] # define X_ij*beta
# }
# numerator = exp(Xj_beta)
# denominator = rowSums(X_beta)
# Pij = numerator/denominator
# ll = log(Pij)
# a = - sum(ll)
#}

#fit_a = nlm(f = a, p = c(rep(0, 1)))
#fit_a
```

Interpret the coefficient on price: Note that the constant $\beta < 0$, suggesting that an increase in the price of one alternative decreases the probability of choosing that alternative and increases the probability of choosing other alternatives.

Exercise 3 Second Model

We are interested in the effect of family income on demand. Propose a model specification.

Since family income is a fixed constant for decision makers (households) and does not vary across product choices, a multinomial logit model is chosen to address alternative-invariant regressors. The probability of the i th household choosing product j is given by:

$$P_{ij} = Pr[y_i = j] = \frac{\exp(\alpha_j + X_i\beta_j)}{\sum_{k=1}^m \exp(\alpha_k + X_i\beta_k)}, \quad j = 1, \dots, m,$$

where X denotes income. The likelihood function is:

```
loglik_mnl = function(beta) {
  X = as.matrix(cbind(marg[, 13:15], marg[, 17:19], rep(1, nrow(marg)))) # 4470*7
  beta = matrix(nrow = 7, byrow = T) # create a matrix of 7*1
  X_beta_j = X %*% beta # 4470*1

  for (i in 1:nrow(marg)) {
    X_beta_j[i] = X[i, ] %>% beta
  }
  numerator = exp(X_beta_j)
  denominator = sum(exp(X_beta_j))
  Pij = numerator/denominator
  ll = log(Pij)
  loglik_mnl = - sum(ll)
}
# optimize the likelihood of multinomial model:
#fit_mnl = nlm(f = loglik_mnl, p = rep(0, 7)) # something is wrong here, fail to debug.
#fit_mnl
```

Exercise 4 Marginal Effects

Compute and interpret the marginal effects for the first and second models.

```
## Marginal effect of the conditional logit model
X = marg[, 3:12] - marg[, 3]
b = fit_cl$estimate[1]
alpha = fit_cl$estimate[2:11]
X_beta = X * b
alpha_choice = matrix(nrow = nrow(marg), ncol = 1)
X_beta_j = matrix(nrow = nrow(marg), ncol = 1)
alpha_t = matrix(rep(t(alpha), times = nrow(marg)), ncol = ncol(t(alpha)), byrow = T)
xbetak = exp(X_beta + alpha_t)
denominator = rowSums(xbetak)
pr_ij = as.matrix(xbetak/denominator)
pij = t(pr_ij) %*% pr_ij * (-b)
a = matrix(rep(colSums(pr_ij) * b, 10), ncol=10)
a = a * diag(10)
me_cl = data.frame((pij + a)/nrow(marg))
me_cl
```

##	PPk_Stk	PBB_Stk	PFl_Stk	PHse_Stk	PGen_Stk
## PPk_Stk	-1.28526906	0.295370795	0.120711900	0.29508412	0.156227495
## PBB_Stk	0.29537079	-0.745429040	0.055079933	0.13345281	0.072824647
## PFl_Stk	0.12071190	0.055079933	-0.337453813	0.05054413	0.030281218
## PHse_Stk	0.29508412	0.133452809	0.050544129	-0.71266485	0.064015927
## PGen_Stk	0.15622750	0.072824647	0.030281218	0.06401593	-0.428082220
## PImp_Stk	0.03732038	0.016725820	0.007104638	0.01655091	0.008748605
## PSS_Tub	0.15359586	0.069270843	0.029268647	0.06374367	0.037947887
## PPk_Tub	0.09929335	0.045205906	0.019664358	0.03926138	0.025089627

```
## PFl_Tub 0.11082171 0.050700063 0.021754537 0.04415429 0.028520040
## PHse_Tub 0.01684346 0.006798224 0.003044452 0.00585762 0.004426773
##
## PImp_Stk PSS_Tub PPk_Tub PFl_Tub
## PPk_Stk 0.0373203777 0.153595860 0.099293347 0.110821713
## PBB_Stk 0.0167258197 0.069270843 0.045205906 0.050700063
## PFl_Stk 0.0071046380 0.029268647 0.019664358 0.021754537
## PHse_Stk 0.0165509100 0.063743674 0.039261382 0.044154286
## PGen_Stk 0.0087486052 0.037947887 0.025089627 0.028520040
## PImp_Stk -0.1073218508 0.008537721 0.005430073 0.006113580
## PSS_Tub 0.0085377214 -0.420292978 0.025792624 0.027921746
## PPk_Tub 0.0054300734 0.025792624 -0.282460043 0.019789215
## PFl_Tub 0.0061135797 0.027921746 0.019789215 -0.313057324
## PHse_Tub 0.0007901258 0.004213974 0.002933510 0.003282144
##
## PHse_Tub
## PPk_Stk 0.0168434590
## PBB_Stk 0.0067982244
## PFl_Stk 0.0030444522
## PHse_Stk 0.0058576197
## PGen_Stk 0.0044267729
## PImp_Stk 0.0007901258
## PSS_Tub 0.0042139745
## PPk_Tub 0.0029335105
## PFl_Tub 0.0032821436
## PHse_Tub -0.0481902824
```

```
## Marginal effect of the multinomial model
X = as.matrix(cbind(marg[, 13:15], marg[, 17:19], rep(1, nrow(marg))))
#beta = matrix(fit_mnl$estimate, nrow = 7, byrow = T)
#X_beta_j = X %*% beta
#ex = exp(X_beta_j)
#Pij = t(apply(ex, 1, function(x) x / sum(x))))
#beta_income = matrix(beta[1, ])
#beta_bar = Pij %*% beta_income
#beta_bar_large = matrix(rep(beta_bar, 10), ncol = 10)
#beta_j = matrix(rep(t(beta_income)), nrow(data), byrow = T, ncol = 10)
#me_mnl = data.frame(colSums(Pij * (beta_j - beta_bar_large))/nrow(data))
#me_mnl
```

Exercise 5 IIA

Now combine the above two models to estimate the effect of price and family income on choices of margarine. The mixed logit model is specified as:

$$P_{ij} = \frac{\exp(X_{ij}\beta + W_i\gamma_j)}{\sum_{k=1}^m \exp(X_{ik}\beta + W_i\gamma_k)}, \quad j = 1, \dots, m$$