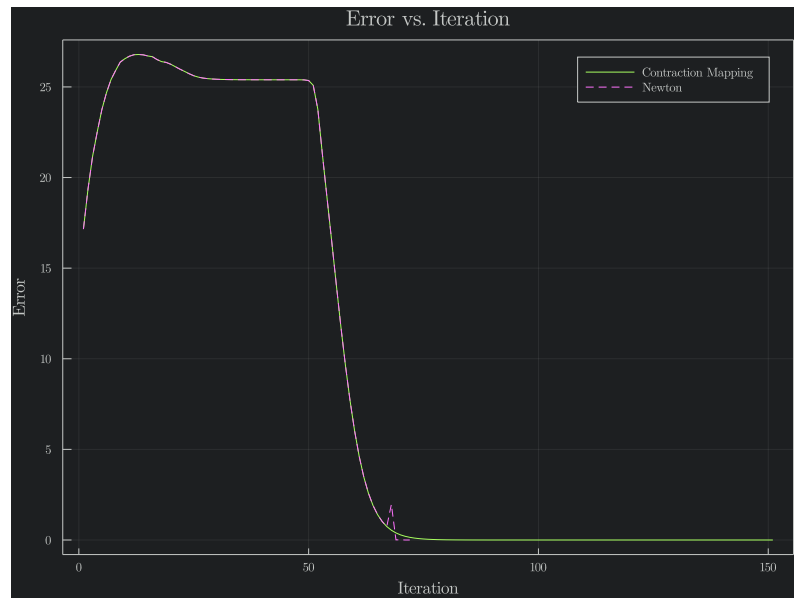


The code used to complete this problem set is attached in the appendix below.<sup>1</sup>

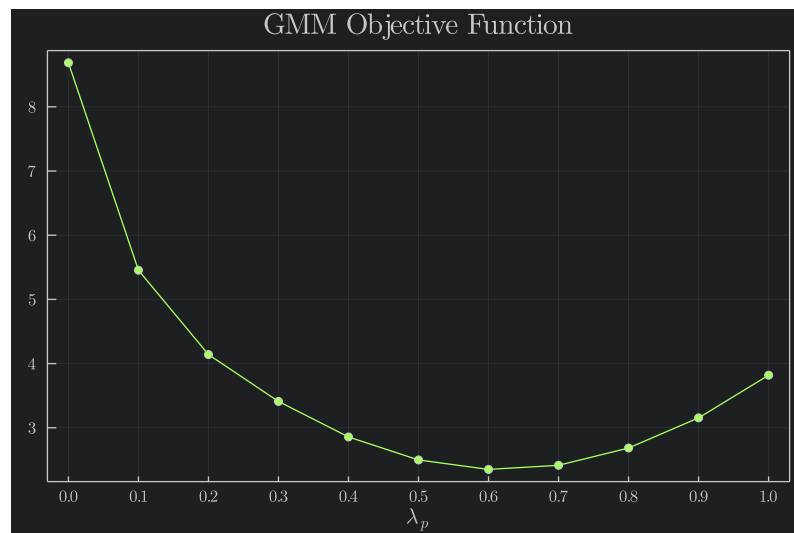
1. Problem 1: See `inverse_demand()` in `functions.jl`. The function converges in 73 iterations, and the errors are plotted below.



2. Problem 2: The GMM objective function using the 2SLS weighting matrix is plotted below for  $\lambda_p \in [0, 1]$ . As you can see, the function is smooth, continuous, and concave with a unique minimum in this range.

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<sup>1</sup>We gratefully acknowledge a conversation with Michael Nattinger that helped us to find an error in applying the Newton method.



3. Problem 3: Minimizing the GMM objective function to estimate  $\lambda$  with 2-step GMM yields an estimate of  $\lambda_p = 0.564$ .

## Appendix

The first codefile named “runfile.jl” runs the code.

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#==
    This file conducts the analyses for JF's PS3
==#

# Load the necessary packages
using StatFiles, DataFrames, Plots, LaTeXStrings, Printf
theme(:juno)
# Un-comment the following line when compiling the document
# theme(:vibrant)
default(fontfamily = "Computer Modern", framestyle = :box) # LaTeX-style

# Include the functions
include("./functions.jl")
include("./manipulate_data.jl")
include("./aux_vars.jl")

#car_data, instruments, income = load_data("./PS3b/data/")
# car_data, instruments, income = load_data("../data/")
car_data, instruments, income = load_data("data")

#####
###                               Problem 1
#####
model = construct_model(model_specs, car_data, instruments, income)
market,  $\lambda_p$  = 1985, 0.6

err_list_cm = inverse_demand(model,  $\lambda_p$ , market; method = "Contraction Mapping", max_iter =
Inf)
# No longer need to reset the model. Function will recalculate  $\delta$  from scratch if not told otherwise
err_list_n = inverse_demand(model,  $\lambda_p$ , market; method = "Newton", max_iter = Inf)

plot(err_list_cm[2:end], xlabel = "Iteration", size = (800, 600),
      ylabel = "Error", title = "Error vs. Iteration", label = "Contraction Mapping")
plot!(err_list_n[2:end], line = (:dash), label = "Newton")
#savefig("./PS3b/Document/Figures/Problem1.pdf")
savefig("Document/Figures/Problem1.pdf")

# markets = unique(car_data.Year)

# err_list = Dict{<
# for market in markets
#     err_list[market] = inverse_demand(model,  $\lambda_p$ , market)
# end
# err_list

# p = plot([err_list[market][2:end] for market in markets], label="")
# scatter(err_list[2000][2:end])

#inverse_demand(model,  $\lambda_p$ , 1992)

#####
###                               Problem 2
#####

grid = 0:0.1:1

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```

#? Experiment
# I'll try different values of the parameter and check if using previous demand estimates improves speed of con

model = construct_model(model_specs, car_data, instruments, income)

num_iter_recalc = []
for  $\lambda \in$  grid
    err = inverse_demand(model,  $\lambda$ , market; recalc_ $\delta$  = true)
    push!(num_iter_recalc, length(err))
end

num_iter_no_recalc = []
for  $\lambda \in$  grid
    err = inverse_demand(model,  $\lambda$ , market; recalc_ $\delta$  = false)
    push!(num_iter_no_recalc, length(err))
end

sum(num_iter_recalc) / length(num_iter_recalc)
sum(num_iter_no_recalc) / length(num_iter_no_recalc)

#? Experiment
# What is faster Newton or Contraction Mapping?
using BenchmarkTools
@btime begin
    model = construct_model(model_specs, car_data, instruments, income)
    for  $\lambda \in$  grid
        err = inverse_demand(model,  $\lambda$ , market; recalc_ $\delta$  = false, method = "Newton")
    end
end

@btime begin
    model = construct_model(model_specs, car_data, instruments, income)
    for  $\lambda \in$  grid
        err = inverse_demand(model,  $\lambda$ , market; recalc_ $\delta$  = false, method = "Contraction Mapping")
    end
end

function ReturnData(model, grid)
    data = []
    for  $\lambda$  in grid
        println( $\lambda$ )
        data = push!(data, gmm(model,  $\lambda$ ))
    end
    return data
end

data = ReturnData(model, grid)

plot(grid, data, title = "GMM Objective Function", xlabel = L"\lambda_{p}", legend =
false, markershape = :auto)
xticks!(grid)
#savefig("./PS3b/Document/Figures/Problem2.pdf")
savefig("Document/Figures/Problem2.pdf")

#####
### Problem 3
#####

 $\lambda$ hat_GMM = TwoStage_gmm(model)

# print result
#fname = "./PS3b/Document/Problem3.tex";
fname = "Document/Problem3.tex";
open(fname, "w") do io
    str = @sprintf "\$\\lambda_p=1.3f\$"  $\lambda$ hat_GMM[1]
    write(io, str)

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end;

##=
##Testing
opt = optimize(λ -> gmm(model, λ[1]), [.6], method = BFGS(), f_tol = 1e-5, g_tol = 1e-5)
λ_hat = opt.minimizer[]
ξ_hat=gmm(model, λ_hat, Return_ρ=true)
OptimalW=inv( (model.Z .* ξ_hat)*transpose(model.Z .* ξ_hat) )
λ_hat_2=gmm(model, λ_hat, SpecifyW=true, SpecifiedW=OptimalW)

Z = model.Z

temp = (Z' * ξ_hat) * (Z' * ξ_hat)'

det(temp .+ rand(0.9:0.001:1.1, size(temp)))

size(temp .+ rand(0.9:0.001:1.1, size(temp)))

OptimalW=inv( inv(temp .+ rand(0.9:0.001:1.1, size(temp))) )

Z

Zopt_scondstage = optimize(λ -> gmm(model, λ[1], SpecifyW=true, SpecifiedW=OptimalW),
[λ_hat], method = BFGS(), f_tol = 1e-5, g_tol = 1e-5).minimizer

TwoStage_gmm(model)
==#

```

The next codefiles, named “functions.jl,” “manipulate\_data.jl,” and “aux\_vars.jl,” are referenced by “runfile.jl.”

```

# Load packages
using LinearAlgebra, Parameters, Optim

# Auxiliary functions
# Choice probability function
function choice_probability(δ::Array{Float64}, μ::Array{Float64}; eval_jacobian::Bool =
false)

    # number of individuals and choicesm
    J, R = size(μ)

    # Compute choice probabilities
    Λ = exp.(δ .+ μ)
    Σ = Λ ./ (1 .+ sum(Λ, dims = 1))
    σ = sum(Σ, dims = 2) / R

    if eval_jacobian
        # Compute Jacobian
        Δ = (1 / R) * ((I(J) .* (Σ * (1 .- Σ)')) - ((1 .- I(J)) .* (Σ * Σ'))) ./
σ
        return σ, Δ
    else
        return σ, nothing
    end

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end

# segment_data by market for demand estimation
function segment_data(model, market)

    # Get market id column
    market_id_col = model.market_id

    # Filter data by market
    data = model.inv_dem_est[model.inv_dem_est[:, market_id_col] .== market, :]

    # Get the observed market shares
    S = data.share
    # Get the observed prices
    P = data.price
    # Get the income levels
    Y = model.Y
    # Get the initial guess for the inverse demand
     $\delta$  = data. $\delta$ 

    return S, P, Y,  $\delta$ 
end

# Model Structures
# Primitives
@with_kw struct Primitives
     $\lambda_p$ _range :: Array{Float64} = [0, 1]
end

# Model
mutable struct Model
    # Parameters
    parameters :: Primitives          # Parameters of the model

    # Data
    market_id      :: Any              # Market id column
    product_id     :: Any              # Product id column
    X               :: Array{Float64, 2}  # Matrix of covariates
    Z               :: Array{Float64, 2}  # Matrix of instruments
    Y               :: Array{Float64, 2}  # Matrix of simulated data
    inv_dem_est     :: DataFrame        # DataFrame of for demand estimation

    # GMM estimation
     $\rho$              :: Array{Float64}    # GMM Residuals
end

# Demand inverter
function inverse_demand(model::Model,  $\lambda_p$ ::Float64, market; method::String="Newton", max_iter =
Inf, verbose::Bool = false, recalc_ $\delta$ ::Bool = true)
    if method=="Newton" #Otherwise this prints too often when we do the contraction mapping
        print("\n")
        print("Market: $(market)")
        print("\n")
    end
    # Check the method
    valid_methods = ["Newton", "Contraction Mapping"]
    @assert (method ∈ valid_methods)

    # Get the data
    S, P, Y,  $\delta$  = segment_data(model, market)

    if recalc_ $\delta$ 
        # Recalculate the initial guess for the inverse demand

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     $\delta$  = zeros(size( $\delta$ ))
end

# Compute the matrix  $\mu[i,j] = \lambda_p * Y[i] * P[j]$ 
 $\mu$  =  $\lambda_p$  * repeat(Y', length(S), 1) .* P

# Compute the inverse demand

# Initial guess for the inverse demand
 $\delta_0$  = copy(  $\delta$  )
 $\delta_1$  = copy(  $\delta$  )

# Initialize the iteration counter
iter = 0

# Initialize the error
err = 100
eval_jacobian = false

 $\epsilon$  = 1e-12
 $\epsilon_1$  = ( method == "Newton" ) ? 1 : -Inf

# Iterate until convergence

err_list = []
method_flag = "Contraction Mapping"

while (err >  $\epsilon$ ) && (iter < max_iter)
    # Compute the choice probability and the Jacobian
    if (method == "Newton") && (err <  $\epsilon_1$ )
        eval_jacobian = true
        method_flag = "Newton"
    else # This will bring it back to contraction mapping if it diverges
        eval_jacobian = false
        method_flag = "Contraction Mapping"
    end

     $\sigma$ ,  $\Delta$  = choice_probability( $\delta_0$ ,  $\mu$ , eval_jacobian=eval_jacobian)

    # Compute the inverse demand
    if (method == "Newton") && (err <  $\epsilon_1$ )
        #I added the ./S after talking with Michael Nattinger
        #It also lines up with JF's ox code in blp_func_ps.ox
        # (From Danny) JF divides by "Shat", or predicted shares,
        # aka  $\sigma$ 
         $\delta_1$  =  $\delta_0$  + inv( $\Delta$  ./ S) * (log.(S) - log.( $\sigma$ ))
         $\delta_1$  =  $\delta_0$  + inv( $\Delta$ ) * (log.(S) - log.( $\sigma$ ))
    else
         $\delta_1$  =  $\delta_0$  + log.(S) - log.( $\sigma$ )
    end

    # Update the error
    #err = maximum( abs.( $\delta_1$  -  $\delta_0$ ) )
    err = norm( $\delta_1$  -  $\delta_0$ )

    push!(err_list, err)
    # Update the inverse demand
     $\delta_0$  = copy( $\delta_1$ )

    # Update the iteration counter
    iter = iter + 1
    if (iter % 10 == 0) && verbose
        println("Iteration = $iter, Method = $method_flag , error = $err, tolerance =  $\epsilon$ , error > tolerance")
    end
end

end
# println("Iteration = $iter, Method = $method_flag, error = $err, tolerance =  $\epsilon$ , error > tolerance = $(err)
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= $θ")
    market_id_col = model.market_id
    model.inv_dem_est[model.inv_dem_est[:, market_id_col] .== market, :δ] .= δ_1[:,
1]

    return err_list
end

function gmm(model, λ; Return_ρ::Bool=false, SpecifyW::Bool=false,
    SpecifiedW::Array{Float64, 2}=zeros(2,2))
    markets = unique(model.inv_dem_est[:, model.market_id])
    for market in markets
        inverse_demand(model, λ, market, method = "Contraction Mapping")
    end

    # Iv regression
    X = model.X
    Z = model.Z
    W = inv(Z'Z)
    if SpecifyW
        W=SpecifiedW
    end
    δ = model.inv_dem_est.δ
    β_iv = inv((X'Z)*W*(Z'X))*(X'Z)*W*(Z'δ)

    ρ = (δ - X*β_iv)
    if ~Return_ρ
        return ρ'Z*W*Z'*ρ/100
    else
        return ρ/100
    end
end

function TwoStage_gmm(model)
    λhat = optimize(λ -> gmm(model, λ[1]), [.6],
        method = BFGS(), f_tol = 1e-5, g_tol = 1e-5).minimizer
    ξhat=gmm(model, λhat[1],Return_ρ=true)
    #OptimalW=inv( (model.Z * ξhat)*transpose(model.Z * ξhat) )
    #Maybe it ought to be this?
    OptimalW=inv( (model.Z .* ξhat)'*(model.Z .* ξhat) )
    #OptimalW=inv( dot(model.Z, ξhat)transpose(dot(model.Z, ξhat) ))
    #print(OptimalW)
    print(λhat)
    λhat_SecondStage=optimize(λ -> gmm(model, λ[1],SpecifyW=true,SpecifiedW=OptimalW),
        λhat, method = BFGS(), f_tol = 1e-5, g_tol = 1e-5).minimizer
    return λhat_SecondStage
end

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# Load packages
using StatFiles, DataFrames

include("./functions.jl")

# Function to load data
function load_data(path_to_dir::String)
    # Load the data
    # car characteristics
    car_data = DataFrame(StatFiles.load(path_to_dir*"/Car_demand_characteristics_spec1.dta"))
    dropmissing!(car_data)
    car_data[:, :Year] = Int.(car_data.Year)
end

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car_data[, :Model_id] = Int.(car_data.Model_id)
# Create unique identifier for each product_marker
car_data[:, :id] = string.(car_data[:, :Year]) .* "_" .* lpad.( car_data[:, :Model_id], 4, "0")
# Sort by id
sort!(car_data, [:id])
# instruments
instruments = DataFrame(StatFiles.load(path_to_dir*"Car_demand_iv_spec1.dta"))
dropmissing!(instruments)
instruments[:, :Year] = Int.(instruments.Year)
instruments[:, :Model_id] = Int.(instruments.Model_id)
# Create unique identifier for each product_marker
instruments[:, :id] = string.(instruments[:, :Year]) .* "_" .* lpad.( instruments[:, :Model_id], 4, "0")
# Sort by id
sort!(instruments, [:id])
# simulated income (random coefficient)
income = DataFrame(StatFiles.load(path_to_dir*"Simulated_type_distribution.dta"))
dropmissing!(income)

return car_data, instruments, income
end

# Function to construct model from data
function construct_model(model_specs::Dict, car_data::DataFrame, instruments::DataFrame, income::DataFrame)

    parameters = Primitives()

    # Get id's of the products and markets
    market_id = model_specs[:ids][:market]
    product_id = model_specs[:ids][:product]

    # Create co-variate matrix
    X = car_data[:, model_specs[:covariates]] |> Matrix

    # Create exogenous variables matrix
    Z_exo = car_data[:, model_specs[:exogenous]] |> Matrix

    # Create instruments matrix
    Z_inst = instruments[:, model_specs[:instruments]] |> Matrix

    # Merge exogenous and instruments
    Z = hcat(Z_exo, Z_inst)

    # Create income vector
    Y = income[:, model_specs[:sim_data]] |> Matrix

    # Create a DataFrame for inverse demand estimation
    inv_dem_est = car_data[:, [:id, :Year, :share, :price]]

    # Initial guess for the inverse demand
    inv_dem = zeros(size(car_data)[1])

    inv_dem_est[:, :δ] = inv_dem

    # Initialize GMM Residuals
    gmm_residuals = zeros(size(car_data)[1])

    return Model(parameters, market_id, product_id, X, Z, Y, inv_dem_est, gmm_residuals)
end

# Identifiers

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indentifiers = Dict(:market => :Year, :product => :id)

# Name of covariates to use for the regression
covariates_names = [:price,
                    :dpm,
                    :hp2wt,
                    :size,
                    :turbo,
                    :trans,
                    :Year_1986,
                    :Year_1987,
                    :Year_1988,
                    :Year_1989,
                    :Year_1990,
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                    :Year_1992,
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                    :Year_2012,
                    :Year_2013,
                    :Year_2014,
                    :Year_2015,
                    :model_class_2,
                    :model_class_3,
                    :model_class_4,
                    :model_class_5,
                    :cyl_2,
                    :cyl_4,
                    :cyl_6,
                    :cyl_8,
                    :drive_2,
                    :drive_3,
                    :Intercept]

exo_varlist = [:dpm,
               :hp2wt,
               :size,
               :turbo,
               :trans,
               :Year_1986,
               :Year_1987,
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:model_class_4,  
:model_class_5,  
:cyl_2,  
:cyl_4,  
:cyl_6,  
:cyl_8,  
:drive_2,  
:drive_3,  
:Intercept]  
  
# Name of the instruments  
instruments_names = [:i_import,  
                     :diffiv_local_0,  
                     :diffiv_local_1,  
                     :diffiv_local_2,  
                     :diffiv_local_3,  
                     :diffiv_ed_0]  
  
sim_data_names = [:Var1]  
  
model_specs = Dict( :ids      => identifiers,  
                   :covariates => covariates_names,  
                   :exogenous  => exo_varlist,  
                   :instruments => instruments_names,  
                   :sim_data   => sim_data_names)
```