Problem Set 8 Solution

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Question 1.

$$U_{i0} = \log \left(\exp \left(\frac{(\log(y+i) - \beta)}{\sigma_{\epsilon}} \right) + \exp \left(\frac{\log y}{\sigma_{\epsilon}} \right) \right) + \gamma$$
 (0.1)

Question 2. (a)

FOC for sij gives

$$\frac{\lambda_{ij}}{s_{ij}} = \frac{(1 - \lambda_{ij})}{(1 - s_{ij})} \tag{0.2}$$

That is,

$$\lambda_{ij} = s_{ij} \tag{0.3}$$

(b)

The probability for i and j to work can be computed from a couple's problem. The private consumption share s_{ij} from a couple's problem was computed in (a).

The expected utility for i can be computed as a weighted sum of i's utility, where the weights are the probability vector for i and j's work.

$$U_i^{ij} = (log(\lambda_{ij}(y+i)) - \beta) * Prob(P_i = 1, P_j = 0) + log(\lambda_{ij}(y+j)) * Prob(P_i = 0, P_j = 1)$$
 (0.4)

$$+(\log(\lambda_{ij}(y+i+j)) - \beta) * Prob(P_i = 1, P_j = 1) + (\log(\lambda_{ij}y)) * Prob(P_i = 0, P_j = 0)$$
(0.5)

The probability for i and j to work can be computed using the property of Gumbel distribution. For notation, I write $U_{ij}(P_i,P_j)$ to denote the couple's utility conditional on i and j's work status P_i,P_j .

The probability of i and j to work can be computed as follows:

$$P(P_{i} = x, P_{j} = y) = \frac{exp\left(\frac{U_{ij}(P_{i} = x, P_{j} = y)}{\sigma_{\epsilon}}\right)}{\sum_{(P_{i}, P_{j})} exp\left(\frac{U_{ij}(P_{i}, P_{j})}{\sigma_{\epsilon}}\right)}$$
(0.6)

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Question 3.

ij component of lambda matrix is a Pareto weight for man of type i married to woman type j. ij component of supplyMen(lambda) is the measure of man of type i married to type j woman.

Question 4.

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> print(lambda) ### pareto weight
                              [,3]
          [,1]
                    [,2]
[1,] 0.5037705 0.4140749 0.3371335
[2,] 0.5706512 0.4959575 0.4187586
[3,] 0.6186938 0.5608903 0.4678336
> print(supplyMen(lambda)) ### marriage matching function
           [,1]
                      [,2]
                                 [,3]
[1,] 0.08762314 0.08639028 0.08310592
[2,] 0.08857347 0.09248115 0.09123446
[3,] 0.09056671 0.09725560 0.09064914
> print((measure_i - apply(supplyMen(lambda),1,sum))/measure_i ) ## prob of single men of each type
[1] 0.2286420 0.1831328 0.1645856
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The value of single of man got lower due to higher income tax rate when single. Therefore, the bargaining weight for men of all types got lower. Being single is not good anymore, so the proportion of single got also lower, and this is more so for higher type men earning higher wage.