

Sufficient Statistics for Unobserved Heterogeneity in Dynamic Discrete Choice Models

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Overview

1) Conditional maximum likelihood estimator for structural parameters:

- One way to deal with incidental parameter problem in linear or non-linear panel data models is to use the conditional maximum likelihood method.
- Review of Sufficient Statistics with example on static binary choice panel data model.
- Conditional likelihood approach may be a lucky coincidence (Chamberlain (2010): only Logit model for discrete choice!).
- CMLE for dynamic (lagged choice dependence) discrete choice model without forward looking (Binary choice and multinomial choice).
- CMLE for discrete choice models accounting for duration dependence. (Chamberlain 1985, Frederiksen et al, 2007).

Overview

2) Partial identification results:

- Honoré and Tamer (2006): initial condition problem: $p(y_{i0}; \mathbf{x}_i, \omega_i)$ is not nonparametrically identified \rightarrow characterize bounds.
- Chernozhukov et al (2003): Even in the logit model where we have point identification through CMLE for the structural parameters, marginal effects are not point identified unless stronger assumptions imposed.

3) Bias correction approach: look for estimators that have smaller biases as opposed to no bias at all.

- Modified conditional likelihood approach: Cox and Reid (1987).

4) Efficiency perspective: do we lose any information in using the conditional maximum likelihood approach?

$$P(\mathbf{y}_i; \beta, \omega_i) = \underbrace{P(\mathbf{y}_i | S(\mathbf{y}_i), \beta)}_{\text{conditional likelihood}} P(S(\mathbf{y}_i); \beta, \omega_i).$$

$$P(\mathbf{y}_i; \beta) = \int P(\mathbf{y}_i; \beta, \omega) dF(\omega) = P(\mathbf{y}_i | S(\mathbf{y}_i), \beta) \int P(S(\mathbf{y}_i); \beta, \omega) dF(\omega)$$

- What do we think of the full MLE $(\hat{\beta}, \hat{F}(\omega))$ versus $\hat{\beta}_c = \operatorname{argmax} \sum_i \log P(\mathbf{y}_i | S(\mathbf{y}_i), \beta)$.
- Is $\hat{\beta}$ asymptotically equivalent to $\hat{\beta}_c$? (i.e. is $\hat{\beta}_c$ semiparametrically efficient?).

Sufficient Statistics

- Definition: Let $\{\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta, \theta \in \Theta\}\}$ be a parametric model, the statistic S is sufficient for θ if the conditional distribution of Y given S does not depend on θ .
- Factorization Theorem: A necessary and sufficient condition for S to be a sufficient statistic is that the density factorizes

$$f(y; \theta) = \lambda(y)\psi(S(y); \theta) = f_1(y | S(Y) = S(y)) f_2(S(y), \theta)$$

- Sufficient statistic is not unique, consider iid sample $Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$.
 - $S_1(Y) = (Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n)$
 - $S_2(Y) = (Y_{(1)}, Y_{(2)}, \dots, Y_{(n)})$
 - $S_3(Y) = (Y_1^2 + Y_2^2 + \dots + Y_m^2, Y_{m+1}^2 + \dots + Y_n^2)$
 - $S_4(Y) = \sum_i Y_i^2$ (minimum sufficient)
- Partial sufficiency: suppose $\theta = (\alpha, \beta) \in A \times B$, two cases of factorization for S being sufficient for α (nuisance):
 - 1 $f(y; \theta) = f_1(y | S(Y) = S(y), \beta) f_2(S(y); \alpha)$: α and β are likelihood orthogonal
 - 2 $f(y; \theta) = f_1(y | S(Y) = S(y), \beta) f_2(S(y); \alpha, \beta)$
 - 1 using f_1 for estimation of β leads to fully efficient estimator.
 - 2 using f_1 for estimation of β may or may not be fully efficient (in what sense?)

Example: static binary choice panel data model

- Model: $y_{it} = 1\{\mathbf{x}_{it}^T \boldsymbol{\beta} + \omega_i + \epsilon_{it} > 0\}$, where $\epsilon_{it} | \omega_i, \mathbf{x}_{it}$ are iid, $P(\epsilon_{it} \leq a) = \frac{\exp(a)}{1 + \exp(a)}$
- Earliest example (Rasch 1961): Each individual i is given T items for test, $y_{it} = \{0, 1\}$ (incorrect, correct), x_{it} is dummy of item t , hence $\boldsymbol{\beta} = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_T)$ measures item difficulty, we have

$$P(y_{it} = 1; \omega_i, \beta_t) = \frac{\exp(\omega_i - \beta_t)}{1 + \exp(\omega_i - \beta_t)}.$$

- Individual Likelihood for $\mathbf{y}_i = \{y_{i1}, \dots, y_{iT}\}$:
 $L_i(\boldsymbol{\beta}, \omega_i) = P(\mathbf{y}_i; \boldsymbol{\beta}, \omega_i) = \prod_{t=1}^T f(y_{it}; \boldsymbol{\beta}, \omega_i) = \frac{\exp(\omega_i \sum_t y_{it} - \sum_t y_{it} \beta_t)}{\prod_{t=1}^T (1 + \exp(\omega_i - \beta_t))}.$
- Minimum Sufficient statistics for ω_i is: $S(\mathbf{y}_i) = \sum_t y_{it}$ (total score of individual).
- Factorization: $L_i(\boldsymbol{\beta}, \omega_i) = P(\mathbf{y}_i | S(\mathbf{y}_i), \boldsymbol{\beta}, \omega_i) P(S_i; \boldsymbol{\beta}, \omega_i)$
- Conditional maximum likelihood estimator $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_c := \operatorname{argmax}_{\boldsymbol{\beta} \in B} \sum_i \log P(\mathbf{y}_i | S(\mathbf{y}_i), \boldsymbol{\beta})$.
- Remark: If S is not minimum sufficient, it could contain information about $\boldsymbol{\beta}$.

Example: static binary choice panel data model

- Suppose $T = 2$, and $\beta_2 = 0$, so $\beta_1 \equiv \beta$ is difficulty level of test item 1 relative to test item 2.
- $S(y_{i1}, y_{i2}) = \{0, 1, 2\}$.
 - ① $P(y_{i1}, y_{i2} | y_{i1} + y_{i2} = 0; \beta, \omega_i) = 1$
 - ② $P(y_{i1}, y_{i2} | y_{i1} + y_{i2} = 1; \beta, \omega_i) = 1\{y_{i1} = 1, y_{i2} = 0\} \frac{\exp(-\beta)}{1 + \exp(-\beta)} + 1\{y_{i1} = 0, y_{i2} = 1\} \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\beta)}$
 - ③ $P(y_{i1}, y_{i2} | y_{i1} + y_{i2} = 2; \beta, \omega_i) = 1$
- Conditional MLE: $\hat{\beta}_c = \operatorname{argmax}_{\beta \in B} \sum_{i \in I} 1\{y_{i1} = 1, y_{i2} = 0\} \ln \frac{1}{1 + \exp(\beta)} + 1\{y_{i1} = 0, y_{i2} = 1\} \ln \frac{\exp(\beta)}{1 + \exp(\beta)} = \log \frac{\#\{0,1\}}{\#\{1,0\}}$. where $I = \{i : y_{i1} + y_{i2} = 1\}$.
- If $\#\{0,1\} > \#\{1,0\}$, then $\hat{\beta}_c > 0$ (test item 1 more difficult).
- CMLE $\hat{\beta}_c$ is root- n consistent under suitable regularity conditions [Anderson (1970)].
 - Usual MLE regularity conditions.
 - ω_i could not take a sequence of too extreme values such that $P(y_{i1} + y_{i2} = 1)$ vanishes as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Example: static binary choice panel data model

- Inference can be conducted in the usual way, asymptotic variance is inverse of Fisher information.
- $L = \sum_{i \in I} w_i \ln \frac{\exp(\beta)}{1 + \exp(\beta)} + (1 - w_i) \ln \frac{1}{1 + \exp(\beta)}$ with $w_i = 1\{y_{i1} = 0, y_{i2} = 1\}$.
- $\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \beta^2} = - \sum_{i \in I} \frac{\exp(\beta)}{(1 + \exp(\beta))^2}$ and $\mathbb{E}[-\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \beta^2}] = \sum_i P_i \frac{\exp(\beta)}{(1 + \exp(\beta))^2}$ with $P_i = \mathbb{E}[1\{y_{i1} + y_{i2} = 1\} | \omega_i, \beta]$.
- Since we do not have a consistent estimator for ω_i , it seems hard to construct consistent estimator for the asymptotic variance.
- However, $\frac{1}{N} \left[-\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \beta^2} \right] = \frac{\exp(\beta)}{(1 + \exp(\beta))^2} \frac{1}{N} \sum_i 1\{y_{i1} + y_{i2} = 1\}$ converges to $\frac{\exp(\beta)}{(1 + \exp(\beta))^2} P_i$ almost surely by LLN.

Identification

- Not all discrete choice model obtains the root-n consistent CMLE.
- For static binary choice model, Chamberlain (2010) shows that only the logistic model has identification.
- Consider model $P(y_{it} = 1|x_i, \omega_i) = F(\omega_i + x_{it}\beta_0)$, for given x, β, ω_i , the parametric model represents a vector in a $K - 1$ ($K = 2^T$) dimensional space, if $T = 2$, it is a 3 dimensional unit simplex.

$$p(x, \beta, \omega) = \begin{pmatrix} P(0, 0|x, \omega) \\ P(0, 1|x, \omega) \\ P(1, 0|x, \omega) \end{pmatrix}$$

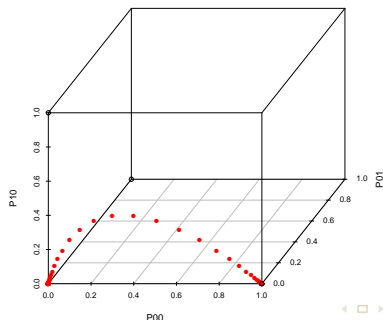
- Identification: β_0 is identified if there doesn't exist $\beta' \neq \beta_0$ along with distribution $F'(\omega|x)$ and $F_0(\omega|x)$, such that $\int p(x, \beta_0, \omega)dF_0(\omega|x) = \int p(x, \beta', \omega)dF'(\omega|x)$.

Identification: geometry

- Fix x and β , as ω changes, the model $p(x, \beta, \omega)$ defines a set of points in the 3-d unit simplex

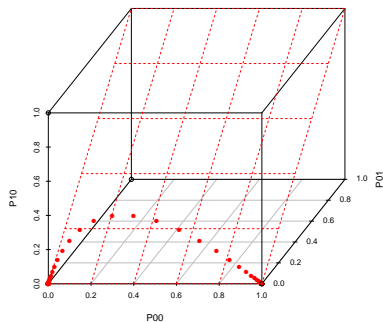
$$C_{x\beta} = \{q \in \mathbb{S}^3 : \exists \omega \text{ such that } q = p(x, \beta, \omega)\}$$

- If F is continuous, then $C_{x\beta}$ traces out a continuous curve in the 3-d unit simplex.
- The observed data frequency $p(x, \beta) = \int p(x, \beta, \omega) dF(\omega|x)$ lives in the convex hull of $H_{x\beta} \equiv \text{co}C_{x\beta}$.
- Identification fails if the observed data frequency lies in two different convex hull H_{x,β_0} and $H_{x,\beta'}$.
- Plot the vector $p(x, \beta, \omega)$ with $x_1 = 2, x_2 = 3, \beta = 0, \omega \in [-20, 20]$.



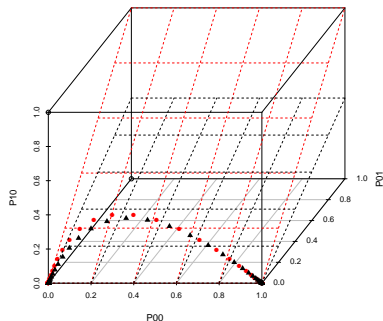
Identification: geometry

- Chamberlain shows that a necessary condition that we have identification of β is when $C_{x\beta}$ lies on a hyperplane of dimension $K - 2$. (i.e. $\forall \omega, \sum_{j=1}^{K-1} c_j p_j(x, \beta_0, \omega) = c_0$).
- This can only be true if F is the logistic CDF.
- Below I am plotting the regression plane of regressing $P10$ against $P00$ and $P01$, residual is zero, perfect fit!



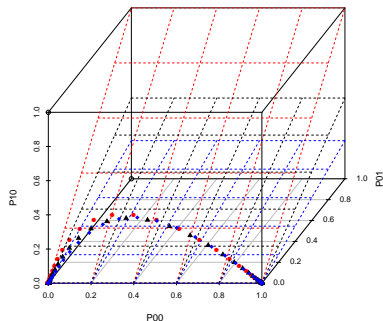
Identification: geometry

- Change β to 0.75 (black).



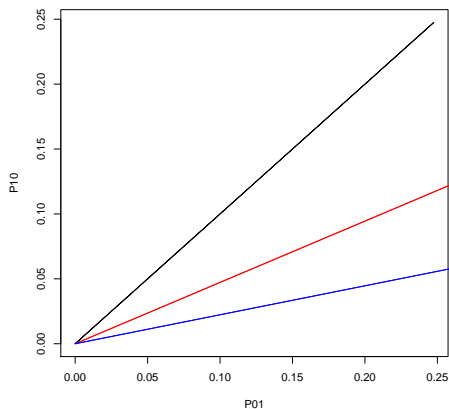
Identification: geometry

- Change β to 1.5 (blue).



Identification: geometry

- For Logit model, in fact $\frac{P_{10}}{P_{01}} = \exp((x_{i1} - x_{i2})\beta)$.

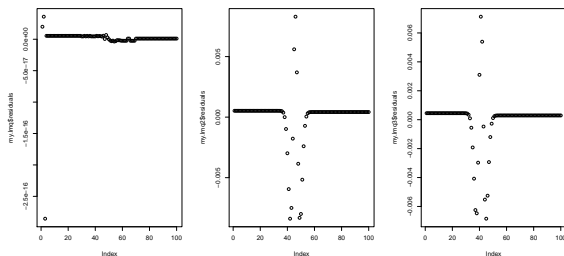


Identification failure: Probit model

- Consider $P(y_{it} = 1|x_i, \omega_i) = \Phi(\omega_i + x_{it}\beta)$: probit model.
- We also have

$$p(x, \beta, \omega) = \begin{pmatrix} P(0, 0|x, \omega) \\ P(0, 1|x, \omega) \\ P(1, 0|x, \omega) \end{pmatrix}$$

- Plot the regression residual of $P10$ regress on $P00$ and $P01$, with $x_{i1} = 2, x_{i2} = 3$
- Left: $\beta = 0$, Middle: $\beta = 0.75$, Right: $\beta = 1.5$.



Generalize this idea: Bonhomme (2011)

- The idea is to find a moment condition for β that does not depend on ω_i .
- Let $[L_{\beta,x}F](y) = \int p(x, \beta, \omega) dF(\omega)$: maps distribution function F to the data frequency.
- Suppose we can find a function $\varphi(\cdot, x, \beta)$ such that for every $F(\omega)$:

$$\int_{\mathcal{Y}} \varphi(y, x, \beta) [L_{\beta,x}F](y) dy = 0$$

- Then we have the moment condition which doesn't depend on ω :
 $\mathbb{E}[\varphi(y_i, x_i, \beta_0) | x_i = x] = \int_{\mathcal{Y}} \varphi(y, x, \beta_0) [L_{\beta_0,x}F_0](y) dy = 0.$
- In the Chamberlain example, it boils down to find for all x and ω :

$$\sum_{y \in \{0,1\}^T} \varphi(y, x, \beta) P(\mathbf{y}_i = y | x, \omega, \beta) = 0.$$

- which leads to

$$\sum_{y \in \{0,1\}^T} 1\{\sum_t y_t = s\} \varphi(y, x, \beta) \exp(\sum_t y_t x_t \beta) = 0$$

if $T=2$, the solution for φ is

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(\mathbf{y} = (0, 0), x, \beta) &= \varphi(\mathbf{y} = (1, 1), x, \beta) = 0 \\ \varphi(\mathbf{y} = (1, 0), x, \beta) \exp(x_{i1}\beta) &+ \varphi(\mathbf{y} = (0, 1), x, \beta) \exp(x_{i2}\beta) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Dynamic binary choice model

Econometrics Model: $y_{it} = 1\{\theta y_{i,t-1} + \omega_i + v_{it} \geq 0\}$

- Recall the example of a firm's entry-exit (1-0) decision without forward looking behavior (myopic).
- Endogenous state variable $x_{it} = y_{i,t-1}$.
- $U_{it}(y) = u(y, x_{it}, \omega_i) + \epsilon_{it}(y) = \omega_i(y) + \beta(y, y_{it-1}) + \epsilon_{it}(y)$, with unobservable $\epsilon_{it}(0), \epsilon_{it}(1)$ iid over (i,t) ,
- Dynamics is captured by $\beta(y, y_{it-1}) = 1\{y \neq y_{it-1}\}\beta(y, y_{it-1})$.
- Observed decision $y_{it} = 1\{\omega_i(1) - \omega_i(0) + \beta(1, x_{it}) - \beta(0, x_{it}) + \epsilon_{it}(1) - \epsilon_{it}(0) \geq 0\}$,
- Since $\beta(1, y_{it-1}) - \beta(0, y_{it-1}) = \beta(1, 0)(1 - y_{it-1}) - \beta(0, 1)y_{it-1} = \beta(1, 0) + y_{it-1}(-\beta(1, 0) - \beta(0, 1))$.
- Let $\omega_i \equiv \omega_i(1) - \omega_i(0) + \beta(1, 0)$ and $v_{it} \equiv \epsilon_{it}(1) - \epsilon_{it}(0)$ and $\theta = -\beta(1, 0) - \beta(0, 1)$ gives the econometrics model, and θ is the sunk cost of a firm (cost of entry and cost of exit).
- Chamberlain (1985) shows the CMLE of θ is root-n consistent.

Chamberlain (1985): CMLE for dynamic binary choice logit model

- Suppose $\epsilon_{it}(y)$ follows extreme value Type I distribution, and suppose $T = 3$, then
- Individual likelihood for $\mathbf{y}_i = \{y_{i0}, y_{i1}, y_{i2}, y_{i3}\}$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & L_i(\theta, \omega_i) \\
 &= P(y_{i0}|\theta, \omega_i) \frac{e^{(y_{i1}+y_{i2}+y_{i3})\omega_i} e^{\theta \sum_{t=1}^3 y_{it}y_{it-1}}}{(1 + e^{(\theta y_{i0} + \omega_i)})(1 + e^{(\theta y_{i1} + \omega_i)})(1 + e^{(\theta y_{i2} + \omega_i)})} \\
 &= \frac{P(y_{i0}|\theta, \omega_i)}{(1 + e^{\theta y_{i0} + \omega_i})} \\
 &\quad \times \frac{e^{(y_{i1}+y_{i2})\omega_i}}{((1 + e^{\theta + \omega_i})^2)^{1\{y_{i1}+y_{i2}=2\}} ((1 + e^{\theta + \omega_i})(1 + e^{\omega_i}))^{1\{y_{i1}+y_{i2}=1\}} ((1 + e^{\omega_i})^2)^{1\{y_{i1}+y_{i2}=0\}}} \\
 &\quad \times e^{y_{i3}\omega_i} \\
 &\quad \times e^{\theta \sum_{t=1}^3 y_{it}y_{it-1}}
 \end{aligned}$$

- Minimum Sufficient Statistics for ω_i : $S(\mathbf{y}_i) = \{y_{i0}, y_{i1} + y_{i2}, y_{i3}\}$.

- 1 $P(\mathbf{y}_i | y_{i0}, y_{i1} + y_{i2} = 0, y_{i3}; \theta, \omega_i) = 1.$

- 2 $P(\mathbf{y}_i | y_{i0}, y_{i1} + y_{i2} = 2, y_{i3}; \theta, \omega_i) = 1.$

- 3 $P(\mathbf{y}_i | y_{i0}, y_{i1} + y_{i2} = 1, y_{i3}; \theta, \omega_i) = 1\{y_{i1} = 1, y_{i2} = 0\} \frac{\exp(\theta(y_{i0} - y_{i3}))}{1 + \exp(\theta(y_{i0} - y_{i3}))} + 1\{y_{i1} = 0, y_{i2} = 1\} \frac{1}{1 + \exp(\theta(y_{i0} - y_{i3}))}$

- CMLE $\hat{\beta}_c = \log \left(\frac{\#\{1,1,0,0\} + \#\{0,0,1,1\}}{\#\{0,1,0,1\} + \#\{1,0,1,0\}} \right)$ (Minimum T = 3).

General T: CMLE for dynamic binary choice logit model

- For general $T \geq 3$, minimum sufficient statistic $S(\mathbf{y}_i) = \{y_{i0}, \sum_{t=1}^{T-1} y_{it}, y_{iT}\}$.
- Conditional likelihood function: $P(\mathbf{y}_i | S_i, \omega_i, \theta) = \frac{\exp(\theta \sum_{t=1}^T y_{it} y_{it-1})}{\sum_{d \in B_i} \exp(\theta \sum_{t=1}^T d_t d_{t-1})}$ where

$$B_i = \left\{ (d_0, d_1, \dots, d_T) \in \{0, 1\}^{T+1} : d_0 = y_{i0}, d_T = y_{iT}, \sum_{t=1}^{T-1} d_t = \sum_{t=1}^{T-1} y_{it} y_{it-1} \right\}$$

- Disadvantage: no other observables other than y_{it-1} .
- Honoré and Kyriazidou (2000) considers $y_{it} = 1\{\theta y_{it-1} + x_{it}\beta + \omega_i + v_{it} \geq 0\}$ where x_{it} are exogenous random variables.

Honoré and Kyriazidou (2000), $T = 3$

- Individual likelihood for $\mathbf{y}_i = \{y_{i0}, y_{i1}, y_{i2}, y_{i3}\}$ given $\mathbf{x}_i = \{x_{i1}, \dots, x_{iT}\}$:

$$L_i(\theta, \omega_i)$$

$$= P(y_{i0} | \mathbf{x}_i, \theta, \omega_i) \frac{e^{(y_{i1} + y_{i2} + y_{i3})\omega_i} e^{\theta \sum_{t=1}^3 y_{it} y_{it-1} + \beta \sum_t y_{it} x_{it}}}{(1 + e^{(\theta y_{i0} + x_{i1} \beta + \omega_i)}) (1 + e^{(\theta y_{i1} + x_{i2} \beta + \omega_i)}) (1 + e^{(\theta y_{i2} + x_{i3} \beta + \omega_i)})}$$

$$\stackrel{x_{i2} = x_{i3}}{=} \frac{P(y_{i0} | \mathbf{x}_i, \theta, \omega_i)}{(1 + e^{\theta y_{i0} + x_{i1} \beta + \omega_i})}$$

$$\times \frac{e^{(y_{i1} + y_{i2})\omega_i}}{((1 + e^{\theta + x_{i2} \beta + \omega_i})^2)^{1\{y_{i1} + y_{i2} = 2\}} ((1 + e^{\theta + x_{i2} \beta + \omega_i})(1 + e^{\omega_i}))^{1\{y_{i1} + y_{i2} = 1\}} ((1 + e^{\omega_i})^2)^{1\{y_{i1} + y_{i2} = 0\}}}$$

$$\times e^{y_{i3} \omega_i}$$

$$\times e^{\theta \sum_{t=1}^3 y_{it} y_{it-1} + \beta \sum_t y_{it} x_{it}}$$

- Minimum Sufficient Statistics is still $S_i = \{y_{i0}, y_{i1} + y_{i2}, y_{iT}\}$.

Honoré and Kyriazidou (2000), $T = 3$

- Conditional log Likelihood:

$$\sum_i 1\{y_{i1} + y_{i2} = 1\} 1\{x_{i2} - x_{i3} = 0\} \log \left(\frac{\exp((x_{i1} - x_{i2})\beta + \theta(y_{i0} - y_{i3}))^{y_{i1}}}{1 + \exp((x_{i1} - x_{i2})\beta + \theta(y_{i0} - y_{i3}))} \right)$$

- If all x_{it} are discrete random variable and $P(x_{i2} = x_{i3}) > 0$, then the CMLE $(\hat{\beta}_c, \hat{\theta}_c)$ is root-n consistent.
- If x_{it} are continuous random variables, modify the conditional log likelihood with a kernel weights.

$$\sum_i 1\{y_{i1} + y_{i2} = 1\} K\left(\frac{x_{i2} - x_{i3}}{h_n}\right) \log \left(\frac{\exp((x_{i1} - x_{i2})\beta + \theta(y_{i0} - y_{i3}))^{y_{i1}}}{1 + \exp((x_{i1} - x_{i2})\beta + \theta(y_{i0} - y_{i3}))} \right)$$

- But apparently, age is not allowed as a regressor using this strategy.
- Kernel bandwidth $h_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and $K(v) \rightarrow 0$ as $\|v\| \rightarrow \infty$.
- The resulting kernel type CMLE converges to Normal at the rate $\sqrt{nh_n^k}$ where k is column dimension of \mathbf{x} .

Honoré and Kyriazidou (2000), General $T \geq 3$

- For general T , in order for $\{y_{i0}, \sum_{t=1}^{T-1} y_{it}, y_{iT}\}$ to be minimum sufficient statistics, we would have to require $x_{i2} = x_{i3} = \dots = x_{iT}$, this implies the rate of convergence be

$$\sqrt{nh_n^{(T-2)k}} \text{ which is too slow!}$$

- Honoré and Kyriazidou (2000) suggests a pair-wise approach to maintain $\sqrt{nh_n^k}$ rate: identification of (θ, β) is based on sequences of histories such that $y_{is} + y_{it} = 1$ for $1 \leq t < s \leq T-1$.

- Consider

$$\bullet A = \{y_{i0} = d_0, \dots, y_{it-1} = d_{t-1}, y_{it} = 1, y_{it+1} = d_{t+1}, \dots, y_{is-1} = d_{s-1}, y_{is} = 0, y_{is+1} = d_{s+1}, \dots, y_{iT} = d_T\}.$$

$$\bullet B = \{y_{i0} = d_0, \dots, y_{it-1} = d_{t-1}, y_{it} = 0, y_{it+1} = d_{t+1}, \dots, y_{is-1} = d_{s-1}, y_{is} = 1, y_{is+1} = d_{s+1}, \dots, y_{iT} = d_T\}$$

$$\bullet P(A|x_i, \omega_i, A \cup B, x_{it+1} = x_{is+1}) = \frac{\exp\left((x_{it} - x_{is})\beta + \theta(d_{t-1} - d_{s+1}) + \theta(d_{t+1} - d_{s-1})1\{s-t > 1\}\right)}{1 + \exp\left((x_{it} - x_{is})\beta + \theta(d_{t-1} - d_{s+1}) + \theta(d_{t+1} - d_{s-1})1\{s-t > 1\}\right)}$$

independent of ω_i

- Conditional likelihood:

$$\sum_i \sum_{1 \leq t < s \leq T-1} 1\{y_{is} + y_{it} = 1\} K\left(\frac{x_{it+1} - x_{is+1}}{h_n}\right) \times \log\left(\frac{\exp\left((x_{it} - x_{is})\beta + \theta(d_{t-1} - d_{s+1}) + \theta(d_{t+1} - d_{s-1})1\{s-t > 1\}\right)^{y_{it}}}{1 + \exp\left((x_{it} - x_{is})\beta + \theta(d_{t-1} - d_{s+1}) + \theta(d_{t+1} - d_{s-1})1\{s-t > 1\}\right)}\right)$$

Extension to multinomial choice with dynamics

Only covariate: y_{it-1}

- $P(y_{it} = k | y_{it-1} = j, \omega_i, \theta) = \frac{\exp(\omega_{ik} + \theta_{jk})}{\sum_{h=0}^J \exp(\omega_{ih} + \theta_{jh})}$.

- Magnac (2000) shows that minimum sufficient statistics for ω_i is

$S_i = \{y_{i0}, y_{iT}, \sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \mathbf{1}\{y_{it} = k\}, \forall k\}$ (initial and termination state, and numbers of occurrences of all states during period 1 to $T - 1$.)

- Conditional likelihood function:

$$P(\mathbf{y}_i | S_i, \omega_i, \theta) = \frac{\exp\left(\sum_k \sum_j \left(\sum_{t=1}^T \mathbf{1}\{y_{it}=k\} \mathbf{1}\{y_{it-1}=j\} \theta_{jk}\right)\right)}{\sum_{d \in B_i} \exp\left(\sum_k \sum_j \left(\sum_{t=1}^T \mathbf{1}\{d_t=k\} \mathbf{1}\{d_{t-1}=j\} \theta_{jk}\right)\right)}$$
 independent of ω_i where

$$B_i = \{d = (d_0, \dots, d_T) \in \{0, \dots, J\}^T, d_0 = y_{i0}, d_T = y_{iT}, \sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \mathbf{1}\{d_t = k\} = \sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \mathbf{1}\{y_{it} = k\}, \forall k\}.$$

Extension to include exogenous covariates x_{jit} (Honoré and Kyriazidou (2000))

- $P(y_{it} = k | y_{it-1} = j, \omega_i, \theta) = \frac{\exp(x_{kit} \beta_k + \omega_{ik} + \theta_{jk})}{\sum_{h=0}^J \exp(x_{hit} \beta_h + \omega_{ih} + \theta_{jh})}$.

- Same pair-wise approach as binary choice case: identification via CMLE requires $x_{kit+1} = x_{kis+1}$ for $k = 0, \dots, J$.

Duration dependence (Frederiksen et al 2007)

- Single spell data with Grouped fixed effect: groups indexed by i and individuals within groups are indexed by $j = 1, \dots, J_i$. Number of groups goes to ∞ relative to group size and time periods $t = 1, \dots, T$.
- $y_{jit} = \{0, 1\}$ (unemployed-employed). Let T_{ji} be the time period in which unemployment spell ends.

$$y_{jit} = 1\{\delta_{S_{jit}} + \omega_i + v_{jit} \geq 0\} \text{ for } t = 1, \dots, T_{ji}$$

where $S_{jit} = S_{ji1} + t$.

- We observe $\{y_{jit}, T_{ji}\}$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$ and $j = 1, \dots, J_i$.
- Suppose $J_i = 2$ for all i , the likelihood function for $\{y_{1i1}, \dots, y_{1iT_{1i}}, y_{2i1}, \dots, y_{2iT_{2i}}\}$ is

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\prod_{s=1}^{T_{1i}-1} \frac{1}{1 + \exp(\delta_{S_{1i}s} + \omega_i)} \right) \frac{\exp(\delta_{S_{1i}T_{1i}} + \omega_i)}{1 + \exp(\delta_{S_{1i}T_{1i}} + \omega_i)} \\ & \times \left(\prod_{s=1}^{T_{2i}-1} \frac{1}{1 + \exp(\delta_{S_{2i}s} + \omega_i)} \right) \frac{\exp(\delta_{S_{2i}T_{2i}} + \omega_i)}{1 + \exp(\delta_{S_{2i}T_{2i}} + \omega_i)} \\ & = \frac{\exp(2\omega_i) \exp(\delta_{S_{1i}T_{1i}} + \delta_{S_{2i}T_{2i}})}{\prod_{s=1}^{T_{1i}} (1 + \exp(\delta_{S_{1i}s} + \omega_i)) \prod_{s=1}^{T_{2i}} (1 + \exp(\delta_{S_{2i}s} + \omega_i))} \end{aligned}$$

Sufficient statistics is (T_{1i}, T_{2i}) with no further reduction, hence no CMLE for δ_t .

- No SS \neq No identification or root-n consistent estimator.

Duration dependence (Frederiksen et al 2007)

- Identification comes from comparing two events:

- $A = \{T_{1i} = t_1, T_{2i} > t_2\}$ and $B = \{T_{1i} > t_1, T_{2i} = t_2\}$; WLOG $t_1 < t_2$.
- $P(A|A \cup B) = \frac{a_1}{a_1 + a_2}$ with

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 &= P_{t_1}(y_{1it_1} = 1, y_{2it_1} = 0 \mid \{y_{1is} = 0, y_{2is} = 0\}_{s < t_1}) \\ &\quad \times P_{t_2}(y_{2it_2} = 0 \mid \{y_{1is} = 0\}_{s < t_1}, y_{1it_1} = 1, \{y_{2is} = 0\}_{s < t_2}) \\ &= F(\delta_{t_1 + S_{1i1}} + \omega_i)(1 - F(\delta_{t_1 + S_{2i1}} + \omega_i))(1 - F(\delta_{t_2 + S_{2i1}} + \omega_i)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_2 &= P_{t_1}(y_{1it_1} = 0, y_{2it_1} = 0 \mid \{y_{1is} = 0, y_{2is} = 0\}_{s < t_1}) \\ &\quad \times P_{t_2}(y_{2it_2} = 1 \mid \{y_{1is} = 0\}_{s < t_1}, \{y_{2is} = 0\}_{s < t_2}) \\ &= (1 - F(\delta_{t_1 + S_{1i1}} + \omega_i))(1 - F(\delta_{t_1 + S_{2i1}} + \omega_i))F(\delta_{t_2 + S_{2i1}} + \omega_i) \end{aligned}$$

- If F is logistic distribution function, $P(A|A \cup B) = \frac{\exp(\delta_{t_1 + S_{1i1}} - \delta_{t_2 + S_{2i1}})}{1 + \exp(\delta_{t_1 + S_{1i1}} - \delta_{t_2 + S_{2i1}})}$.

- Extremum estimator (root-n consistent):

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_t = \operatorname{argmax}_t \sum_i \sum_{t_1=1}^T \sum_{t_2=1}^T & 1\{T_{1i} = t_1, T_{2i} > t_2\} \log \frac{\exp(\delta_{t_1 + S_{1i1}} - \delta_{t_2 + S_{2i1}})}{1 + \exp(\delta_{t_1 + S_{1i1}} - \delta_{t_2 + S_{2i1}})} \\ & + 1\{T_{1i} > t_2, T_{2i} = t_2\} \log \frac{1}{1 + \exp(\delta_{t_1 + S_{1i1}} - \delta_{t_2 + S_{2i1}})} \end{aligned}$$

Duration dependence (Chamberlain 1985)

- If there is no duration dependence, then the choice prior to y_{it-1} should have no effect on the probability of the choice y_{it} .
- Chamberlain (1985) proposes to test $H_0 : \gamma_2 = 0$ from the following model

$$P(y_{it} = 1 | y_{it-1}, y_{it-2}) = \frac{\exp(\omega_i + \gamma_1 y_{it-1} + \gamma_2 y_{it-2})}{1 + \exp(\omega_i + \gamma_1 y_{it-1} + \gamma_2 y_{it-2})}$$

- Sufficient statistics for (ω_i, γ_1) : $S_i = \{y_{i0}, y_{i1}, \sum_{t=2}^{T-2} y_{it}, \sum_{t=2}^{T-1} y_{it}y_{it-1}, y_{iT-1}, y_{iT}\}$.
- Conditional likelihood function:

$$P(\mathbf{y}_i | S_i, \omega_i, \gamma_1, \gamma_2) = \frac{\exp(\gamma_2 \sum_{t=2}^T y_{it}y_{it-2})}{\sum_{d \in B_i} \exp(\gamma_2 \sum_{t=2}^T d_t d_{t-2})}$$

with $B_i = \{d = \{d_0, \dots, d_T\} : d_0 = y_{i0}, d_1 = y_{i1}, \sum_{t=2}^{T-2} d_t = \sum_{t=2}^{T-2} y_{it}, \sum_{t=2}^{T-1} d_t d_{t-1} = \sum_{t=2}^{T-1} y_{it}y_{it-1}, d_{T-1} = y_{iT-1}, d_T = y_{iT}\}$

- Requires at least $T = 5$.

Duration dependence (Chamberlain 1985)

- $A_1 = \{1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0\}$, $A_2 = \{1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0\}$: $P(A_1|A_1 \cup A_2) = \frac{\exp(\gamma_2)}{1+\exp(\gamma_2)}$
- $B_1 = \{0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1\}$, $B_2 = \{0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1\}$: $P(B_1|B_1 \cup B_2) = \frac{\exp(\gamma_2)}{1+\exp(\gamma_2)}$
- $C_1 = \{1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0\}$, $C_2 = \{1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0\}$: $P(C_1|C_1 \cup C_2) = \frac{1}{1+\exp(\gamma_2)}$.
- $D_1 = \{0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1\}$, $D_2 = \{0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1\}$: $P(D_1|D_1 \cup D_2) = \frac{1}{1+\exp(\gamma_2)}$.

Duration dependence (AGL, 2018wp)

- Recall the example of firm's entry-exit (1,0) decision without forward looking behavior.
- Endogenous state variable $x_{it} = \{y_{it-1}, d_{it}\}$ where $d_{it+1} = 1\{y_{it} = y_{it-1}\}d_{it} + 1$.
- $U_{it}(y) = \omega_i(y) + \beta(y, y_{it-1}, d_{it}) + \epsilon_{it}(y)$
- Structural parameter $\beta(y, y_{it-1}, d_{it}) = 1\{y = y_{it-1}\}\beta_d(y, d_{it}) + 1\{y \neq y_{it-1}\}\beta_y(y, y_{it-1})$.
- Suppose $\beta_d(y, d) = \beta_d(y, d^*)$ for $d \geq d^* = 2$ for both $y = 0, 1$.

Duration dependence (AGL, 2018wp)

- Optimal decision rule

$$y_{it} = 1 \left\{ \omega_i(1) - \omega_i(0) + \beta(1, y_{it-1}, \mathbf{d}_{it}) - \beta(0, y_{it-1}, \mathbf{d}_{it}) + \epsilon_{it}(1) - \epsilon_{it}(0) \geq 0 \right\}$$

$$\beta(1, y_{it-1}, \mathbf{d}_{it}) = y_{it-1}\beta_d(1, \mathbf{d}_{it}) + (1 - y_{it-1})\beta_y(1, 0)$$

$$= y_{it-1}y_{it-2}\beta_d(1, 2) + y_{it-1}(1 - y_{it-2})\beta_d(1, 1) + (1 - y_{it-1})\beta_y(1, 0)$$

$$\beta(0, y_{it-1}, \mathbf{d}_{it}) = (1 - y_{it-1})(1 - y_{it-2})\beta_d(0, 2) + (1 - y_{it-1})y_{it-2}\beta_d(0, 1) + y_{it-1}\beta_y(0, 1)$$

- Combine terms, we have

$$y_{it} = 1 \left\{ \omega_i + y_{it-1}y_{it-2}(\beta_d(1, 2) - \beta_d(1, 1)) + y_{it-2}(1 - y_{it-1})(\beta_d(0, 2) - \beta_d(0, 1)) \right. \\ \left. + y_{it-1}(\beta_d(1, 1) + \beta_d(0, 2) - \beta_y(1, 0) - \beta_y(0, 1)) + \epsilon_{it} \geq 0 \right\}$$

with $\omega_i = \omega_i(1) - \omega_i(0) + \beta_y(1, 0) - \beta_d(0, 2)$ and $\epsilon_{it} = \epsilon_{it}(1) - \epsilon_{it}(0)$.

Duration dependence (AGL, 2018wp)

$$y_{it} = 1 \left\{ \omega_i + y_{it-1}y_{it-2}(\beta_d(1,2) - \beta_d(1,1)) + y_{it-2}(1 - y_{it-1})(\beta_d(0,2) - \beta_d(0,1)) + y_{it-1}(\beta_d(1,1) + \beta_d(0,2) - \beta_y(1,0) - \beta_y(0,1)) + \epsilon_{it} \geq 0 \right\}$$

- If $\delta_d \equiv \beta_d(0,2) - \beta_d(0,1) = \beta_d(1,2) - \beta_d(1,1)$, then

$$y_{it} = 1 \left\{ \omega_i + y_{it-2}\delta_d + y_{it-1} \underbrace{(\beta_d(1,1) + \beta_d(0,2) - \beta_y(1,0) - \beta_y(0,1))}_{\text{not-identified}} + \epsilon_{it} \geq 0 \right\}$$

Two lags dynamic binary choice model: δ_d is identified.

- If no duration dependence for zero choice, $\beta_d(0,2) = \beta_d(0,1) = 0$, and $\delta_d \equiv \beta_d(1,2) - \beta_d(1,1)$, then

$$y_{it} = 1 \left\{ \omega_i + y_{it-1}y_{it-2}\delta_d + y_{it-1}(\beta_d(1,1) - \beta_y(1,0) - \beta_y(0,1)) + \epsilon_{it} \geq 0 \right\}$$

Cumulative lag: both δ_d and $(\beta_d(1,1) - \beta_y(1,0) - \beta_y(0,1))$ are identified.

- AGL provides a generalization of the Chamberlain results which allows more general identification of duration dependence.