

ECONOMETRICS II, FALL 2016

Homework 7. Due Wednesday October 26.

1. In class, I outlined the demand and supply model (or whatever the variables may stand for):

$$y1 = \alpha_1 * y2 + \alpha_2 x_1 + u_1,$$

and

$$y2 = \alpha_3 * y1 + \alpha_4 x_4 + \alpha_5 x_5 + u_2.$$

- i) Assume you know the Π matrix of the reduced form (this can be estimated consistently), write down and solve the 6 equations for the α 's. (I wrote down the solution quickly, but I want you to fill in the details.)

- 2) If instead

$$y2 = \alpha_3 * y1 + \alpha_7 * x_1 + \alpha_4 x_4 + u_2,$$

show that one cannot solve the equation uniquely for $(\alpha_3, \alpha_7, \alpha_4)$.

2. Use the program `SimHW7.txt` to estimate a 2SLS estimator for the simultaneous equation model (run the program with, say, 1000 simulations). I removed one line from my program that you have to add. Also, add an OLS estimator of the same equation and show that the results of the OLS estimator are biased.
3. Download 2 macro-economic dataserie (make sure to use real, per capita variables) and use the program `varest.pgm` (or some other program) to estimate a VAR(2) and VAR(3).