

Discrete Choice Modeling

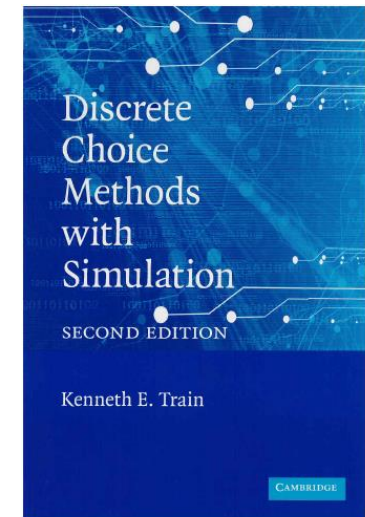
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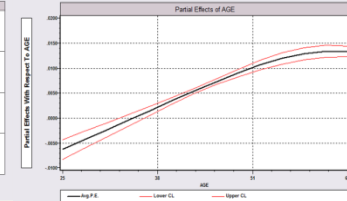
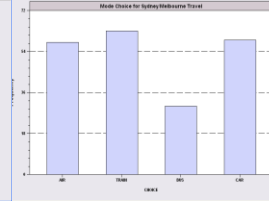
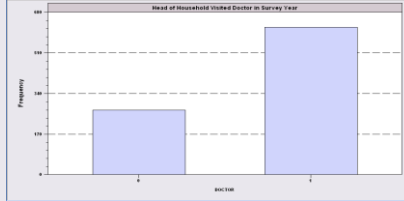
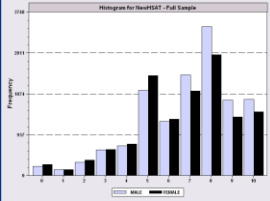
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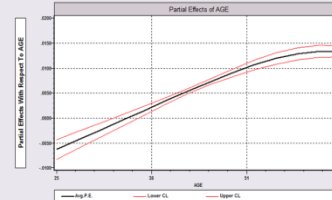
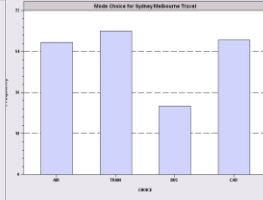
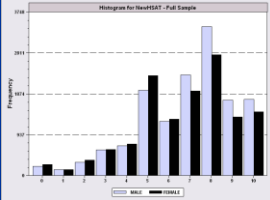


Random Parameters Model

- Allow model parameters as well as constants to be random
- Allow multiple observations with persistent effects
- Allow a hierarchical structure for parameters – not completely random

$$U_{ijt} = \beta_1' \mathbf{x}_{i1tj} + \beta_{2i}' \mathbf{x}_{i2tj} + \gamma_i' \mathbf{z}_{it} + \varepsilon_{ijt}$$

- Random parameters in multinomial logit model
 - β_1 = nonrandom (fixed) parameters
 - β_{2i} = random parameters that may vary across individuals and across time
- Maintain I.I.D. assumption for ε_{ijt} (given β)



Continuous Random Variation in Preference Weights

Heterogeneity arises from continuous variation in β_i across individuals. (Note Classical and Bayesian)

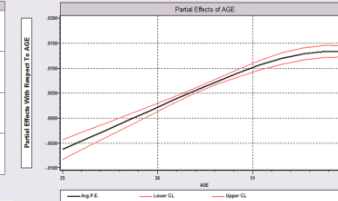
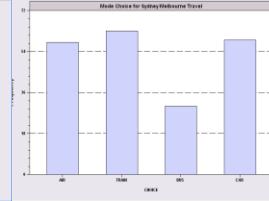
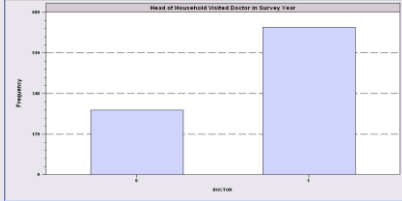
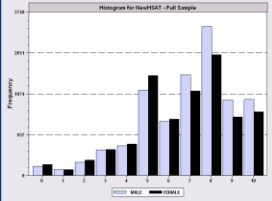
$$U_{ijt} = \alpha_j + \beta_i' \mathbf{x}_{itj} + \gamma_j' \mathbf{z}_{it} + \varepsilon_{ijt}$$

$$\beta_i = \beta + \Delta \mathbf{h}_i + \mathbf{w}_i$$

$$\beta_{i,k} = \beta_k + \delta_k' \mathbf{h}_i + w_{i,k}$$

Most treatments set $\Delta = \mathbf{0}$, $\beta_i = \beta + \mathbf{w}_i$

$$\text{Prob}[\text{choice } j | i, t, \beta_i] = \frac{\exp(\alpha_j + \beta_i' \mathbf{x}_{itj} + \gamma_j' \mathbf{z}_{it})}{\sum_{j=1}^{J_t(i)} \exp(\alpha_j + \beta_i' \mathbf{x}_{itj} + \gamma_j' \mathbf{z}_{it})}$$

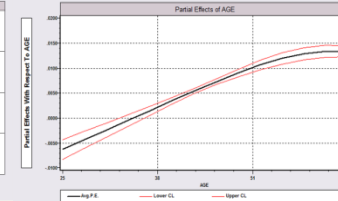
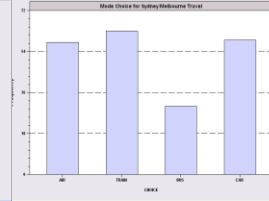
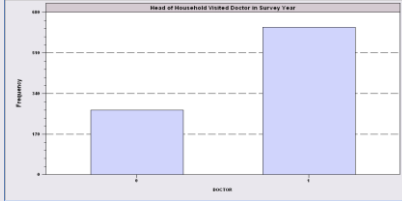
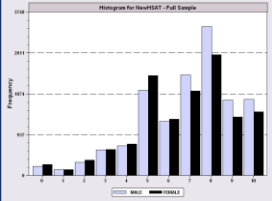


The Random Parameters Logit Model

$$\text{Prob}[\text{choice } j | i, t, \beta_i] = \frac{\exp(\alpha_j + \beta'_i \mathbf{x}_{itj} + \mathbf{y}'_{j,i} \mathbf{z}_{it})}{\sum_{j=1}^{J_t(i)} \exp(\alpha_j + \beta'_i \mathbf{x}_{itj} + \mathbf{y}'_{j,i} \mathbf{z}_{it})}$$

Multiple choice situations: Independent conditioned on the individual specific parameters

$$\text{Prob}[\text{choice } j | i, t = 1, \dots, T_i, \beta_i] = \prod_{t=1}^{T(i)} \frac{\exp(\alpha_j + \beta'_i \mathbf{x}_{itj} + \mathbf{y}'_{j,i} \mathbf{z}_{it})}{\sum_{j=1}^{J_t(i)} \exp(\alpha_j + \beta'_i \mathbf{x}_{itj} + \mathbf{y}'_{j,i} \mathbf{z}_{it})}$$



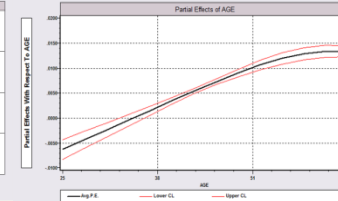
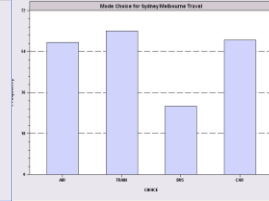
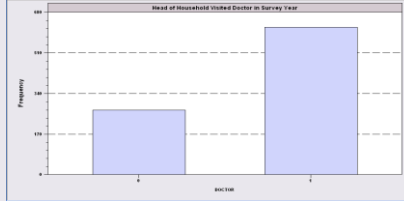
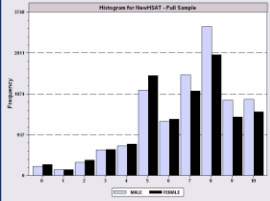
Modeling Variations

□ Parameter specification

- “Nonrandom” – variance = 0
- Correlation across parameters – random parts correlated
- Fixed mean – not to be estimated. Free variance
- Fixed range – mean estimated, triangular from 0 to 2β
- Hierarchical structure - $\beta_{ik} = \beta_k + \delta_k'z_i$

□ Stochastic specification

- Normal, uniform, triangular (tent) distributions
- Strictly positive – lognormal parameters (e.g., on income)
- Autoregressive: $v(i,t,k) = u(i,t,k) + r(k)v(i,t-1,k)$ [this picks up time effects in multiple choice situations, e.g., fatigue.]



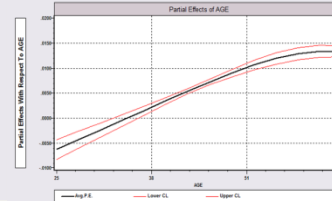
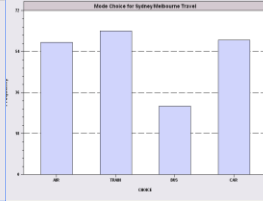
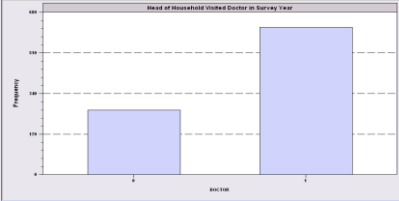
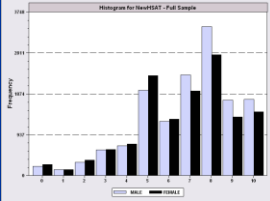
Estimating the Model

$$P[\text{choice } j \mid i, t] = \frac{\exp(\alpha_{j,i} + \beta_i' \mathbf{x}_{itj} + \mathbf{y}_{j,i}' \mathbf{z}_{it})}{\sum_{j=1}^{J(i)} \exp(\alpha_{j,i} + \beta_i' \mathbf{x}_{itj} + \mathbf{y}_{j,i}' \mathbf{z}_{it})}$$

$[\alpha_i, \beta_i, \mathbf{y}_i] = \text{functions of underlying } [\alpha, \beta, \Delta, \Gamma, \rho, \mathbf{z}_i, \mathbf{v}_i]$

Denote by β_1 all “fixed” parameters in the model

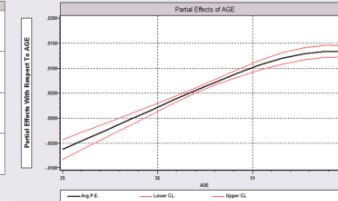
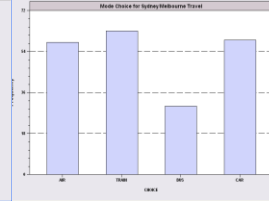
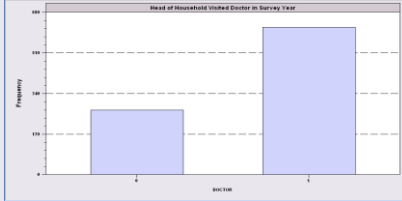
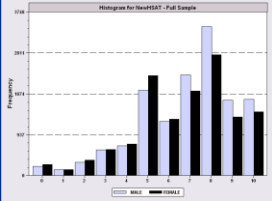
Denote by $\beta_{2i,t}$ all random and hierarchical parameters in the model



Customers' Choice of Energy Supplier

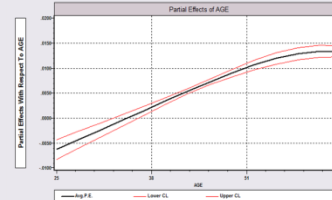
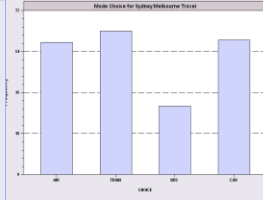
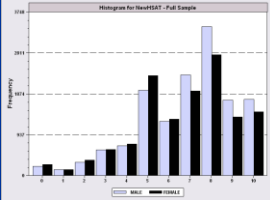
- ❑ California, Stated Preference Survey
- ❑ 361 customers presented with 8-12 choice situations each
- ❑ Supplier attributes:
 - Fixed price: cents per kWh
 - Length of contract
 - Local utility
 - Well-known company
 - Time-of-day rates (11¢ in day, 5¢ at night)
 - Seasonal rates (10¢ in summer, 8¢ in winter, 6¢ in spring/fall)

(TrainCalUtilitySurvey.Ipj)



Population Distributions

- Normal for:
 - Contract length
 - Local utility
 - Well-known company
- Log-normal for:
 - Time-of-day rates
 - Seasonal rates
- Price coefficient held fixed



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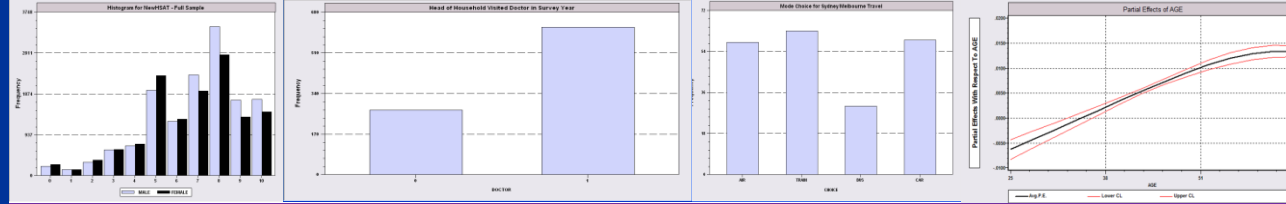
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Estimated Model

		Estimate	Std error
Price		-.883	0.050
Contract	mean	-.213	0.026
	std dev	.386	0.028
Local	mean	2.23	0.127
	std dev	1.75	0.137
Known	mean	1.59	0.100
	std dev	.962	0.098
TOD	mean*	2.13	0.054
	std dev*	.411	0.040
Seasonal	mean*	2.16	0.051
	std dev*	.281	0.022

*Parameters of underlying normal.

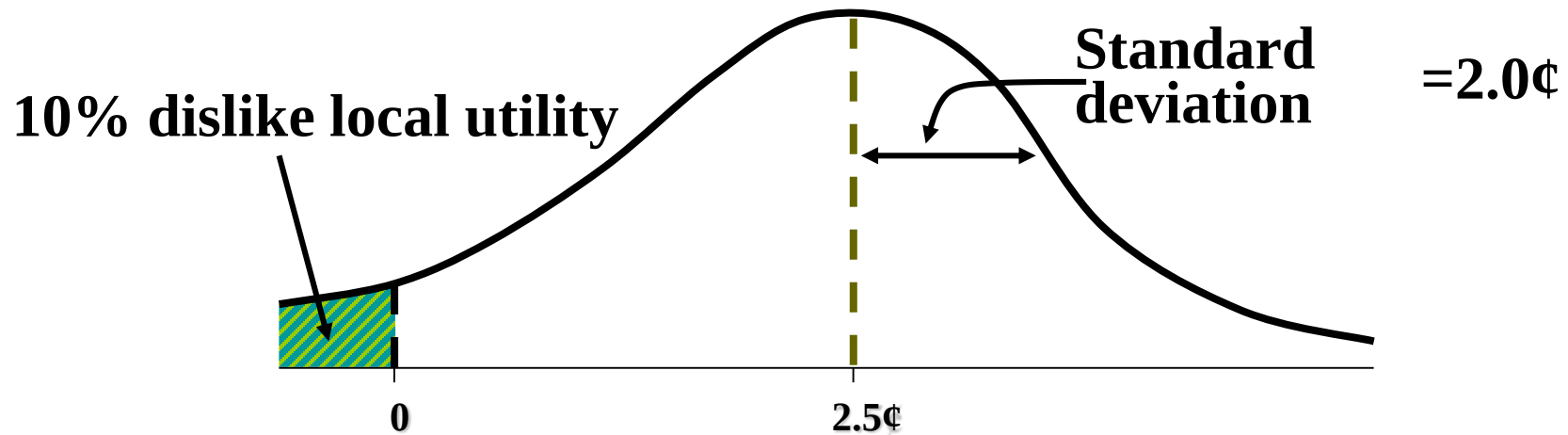


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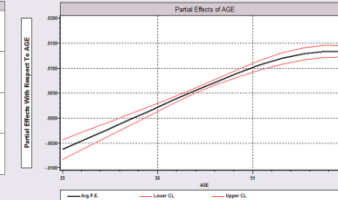
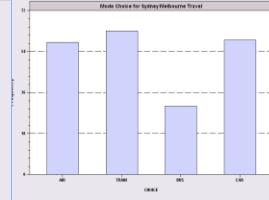
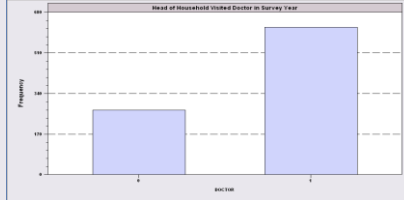
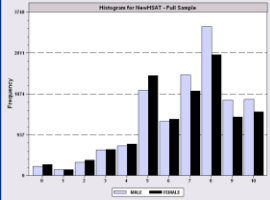
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Distribution of Brand Value



Brand value of local utility



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Random Parameter Distributions

Contract Length

Mean: $-.24$

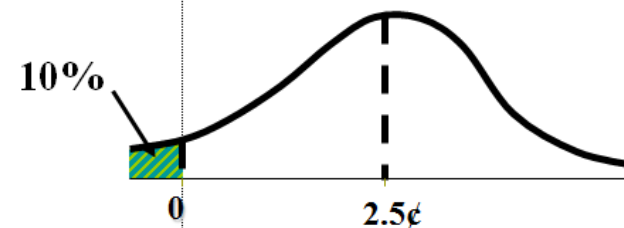
Standard Deviation: $.55$



Local Utility

Mean: 2.5

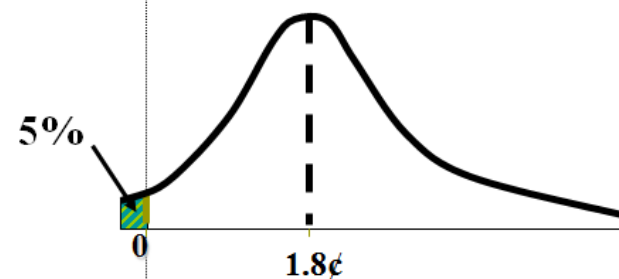
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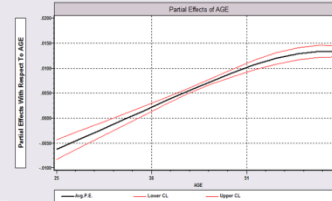
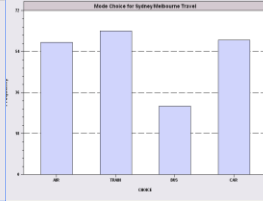
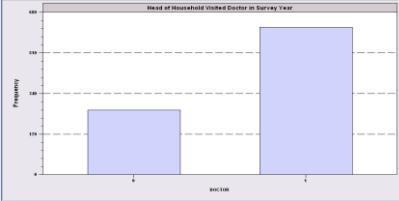
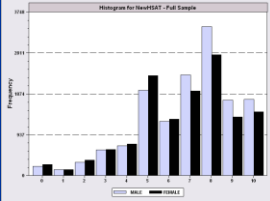


Well known company

Mean 1.8

Standard Deviation: 1.1





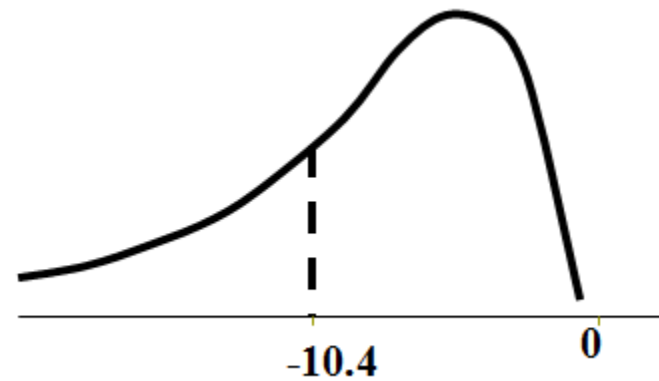
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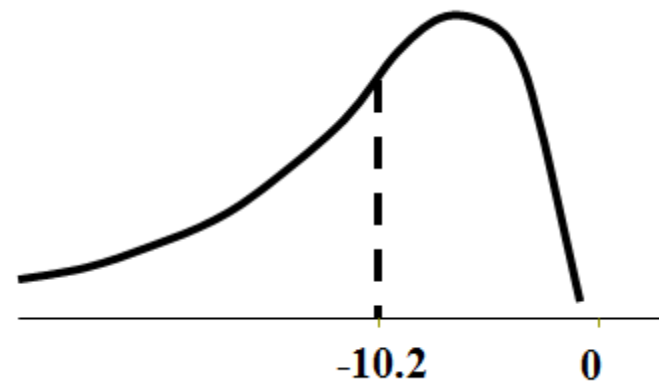
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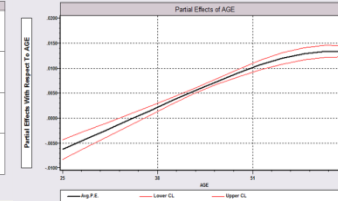
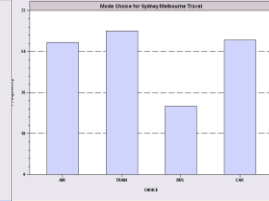
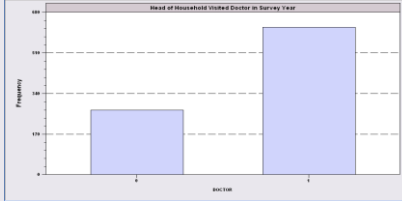
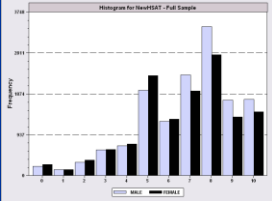
Time of Day Rates (Customers do not like – lognormal coefficient. Multiply variable by -1.)

Time-of-day Rates



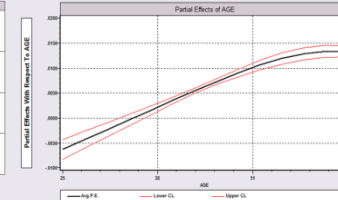
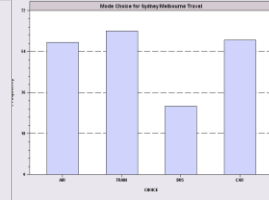
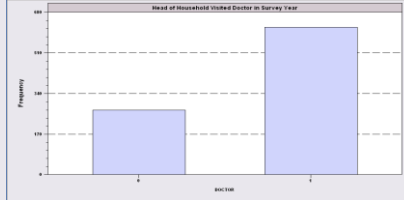
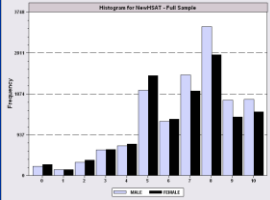
Seasonal Rates





Estimating Individual Parameters

- ❑ Model estimates = structural parameters, α , β , ρ , Δ , Σ , Γ
- ❑ Objective, a model of individual specific parameters, β_i
- ❑ Can individual specific parameters be estimated?
 - Not quite – β_i is a single realization of a random process; one random draw.
 - We estimate $E[\beta_i \mid \text{all information about } i]$
 - (This is also true of Bayesian treatments, despite claims to the contrary.)



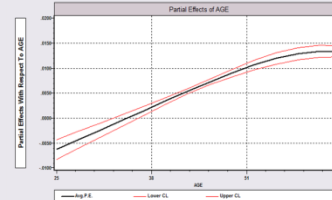
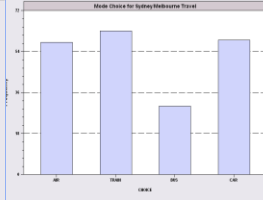
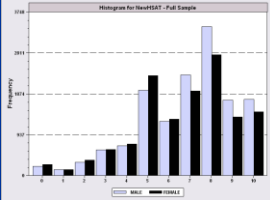
Posterior Estimation of β_i

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\beta}_i &= E[\beta_i | \beta, \Delta, \Gamma, y_i, X_i, z_i] \\ &= \frac{\int_{\beta_i} \beta_i \left[\prod_{t=1}^T P(\text{choice } j | X_i, \beta_i) g(\beta_i | \beta, \Delta, \Gamma, \text{etc.}, z_i) \right] d\beta_i}{\int_{\beta_i} \left[\prod_{t=1}^T P(\text{choice } j | X_i, \beta_i) g(\beta_i | \beta, \Delta, \Gamma, \text{etc.}, z_i) \right] d\beta_i}\end{aligned}$$

Estimate by simulation

$$\hat{\beta}_i = \frac{\frac{1}{R} \sum_{r=1}^R \hat{\beta}_{ir} \left[\prod_{t=1}^T P(\text{choice } j | X_i, \hat{\beta}_{ir}) g(\hat{\beta}_{ir} | \hat{\beta}, \hat{\Delta}, \hat{\Gamma}, \text{etc.}, z_i) \right]}{\frac{1}{R} \sum_{r=1}^R \left[\prod_{t=1}^T P(\text{choice } j | X_i, \hat{\beta}_{ir}) g(\hat{\beta}_{ir} | \hat{\beta}, \hat{\Delta}, \hat{\Gamma}, \text{etc.}, z_i) \right]},$$

$$\hat{\beta}_{ir} = \hat{\beta} + \hat{\Delta} z_i + \hat{\Gamma} w_{ir}$$



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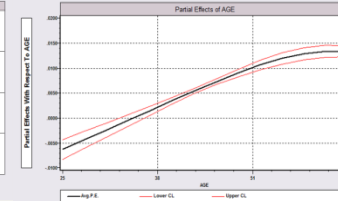
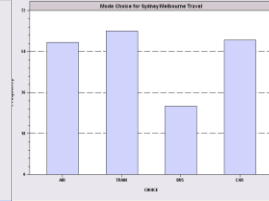
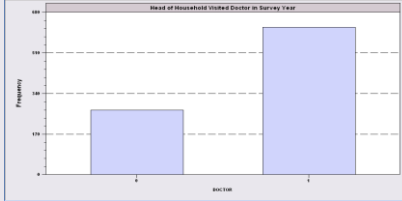
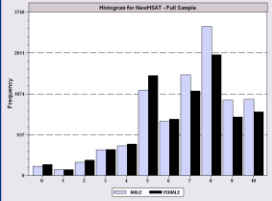
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Expected Preferences of Each Customer

	Population Mean	Customer A's Conditional Mean
Contract length	-0.24	2.20
Local utility	2.50	3.30
Well-known company	1.80	2.00
Time-of-day rates	-10.40	-6.30
Seasonal rates	-10.20	-6.60

Customer likes long-term contract, local utility, and non-fixed rates.

Local utility can retain and make profit from this customer by offering a long-term contract with time-of-day or seasonal rates.



Model Extensions

$$\beta_i = \beta + \Delta z_i + \Gamma w_i$$

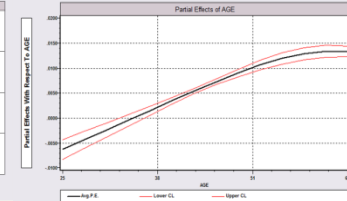
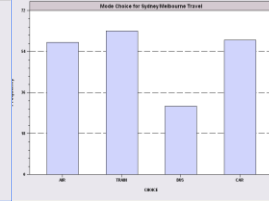
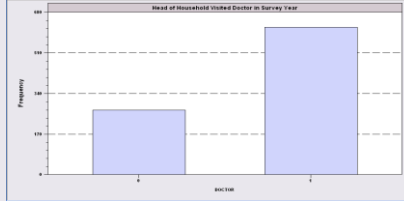
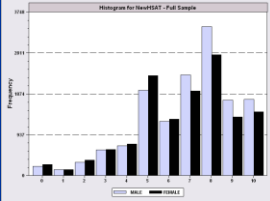
- AR(1): $w_{i,k,t} = \rho_k w_{i,k,t-1} + v_{i,k,t}$
 Dynamic effects in the model

- Restricting sign – lognormal distribution:

$$\beta_{i,k} = \exp(\mu_k + \delta'_k z_i + \gamma'_k w_i)$$

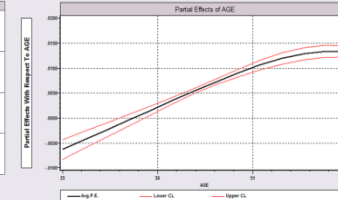
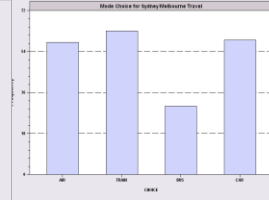
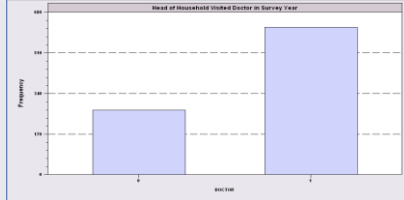
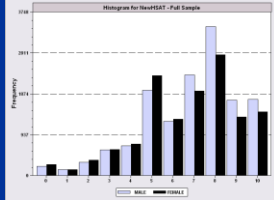
- Restricting Range and Sign: Using triangular distribution and range = 0 to 2β .
- Heteroscedasticity and heterogeneity

$$\sigma_{k,i} = \sigma_k \exp(\theta' h_i)$$



Application: Shoe Brand Choice

- Simulated Data: Stated Choice,
 - 400 respondents,
 - 8 choice situations, 3,200 observations
- 3 choice/attributes + NONE
 - Fashion = High / Low
 - Quality = High / Low
 - Price = 25/50/75,100 coded 1,2,3,4
- Heterogeneity: Sex (Male=1), Age (<25, 25-39, 40+)
- Underlying data generated by a 3 class latent class process (100, 200, 100 in classes)



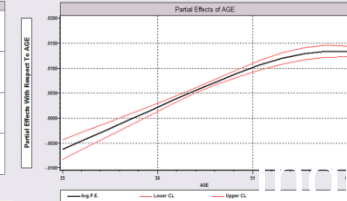
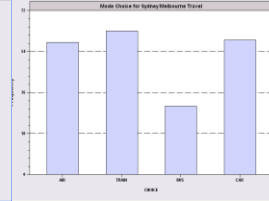
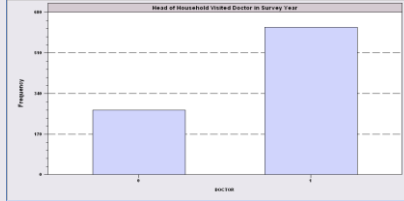
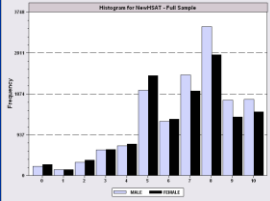
Discrete Choice Modeling

Mixed Logit Models

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Stated Choice Experiment: Unlabeled Alternatives, One Observation

		ID	BRAND	CHOICE	FASH	QUAL	PRICE	PRICESQ	ASC4	
Brand 1 Brand 2 Brand 3 None	1 »	1	1	0	0	0	0.12	0.0144	0	t=1
	2 »	1	2	1	1	0	0.12	0.0144	0	
	3 »	1	3	0	0	1	0.08	0.0064	0	
	4 »	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	
	5 »	1	1	1	1	1	0.12	0.0144	0	t=2
	6 »	1	2	0	0	1	0.12	0.0144	0	
	7 »	1	3	0	1	0	0.12	0.0144	0	
	8 »	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Brand 1 Brand 2 Brand 3 None	9 »	1	1	0	0	1	0.08	0.0064	0	t=3
	10 »	1	2	0	1	1	0.2	0.04	0	
	11 »	1	3	1	1	0	0.08	0.0064	0	
	12 »	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	
	13 »	1	1	0	0	0	0.08	0.0064	0	t=4
	14 »	1	2	1	0	1	0.16	0.0256	0	
	15 »	1	3	0	1	1	0.2	0.04	0	
	16 »	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Brand 1 Brand 2 Brand 3 None	17 »	1	1	1	0	0	0.04	0.0016	0	t=5
	18 »	1	2	0	1	0	0.12	0.0144	0	
	19 »	1	3	0	1	0	0.08	0.0064	0	
	20 »	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	
	21 »	1	1	0	0	0	0.08	0.0064	0	t=6
	22 »	1	2	0	0	1	0.12	0.0144	0	
	23 »	1	3	1	1	0	0.08	0.0064	0	
	24 »	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Brand 1 Brand 2 Brand 3 None	25 »	1	1	0	1	1	0.2	0.04	0	t=7
	26 »	1	2	1	0	0	0.08	0.0064	0	
	27 »	1	3	0	0	1	0.08	0.0064	0	
	28 »	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	
	29 »	1	1	0	0	1	0.08	0.0064	0	t=8
	30 »	1	2	1	1	0	0.12	0.0144	0	
	31 »	1	3	0	0	0	0.04	0.0016	0	
	32 »	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	



Random Parameters Logit Model

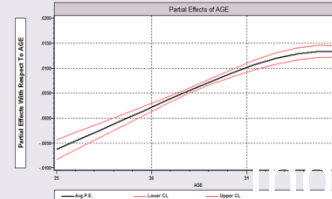
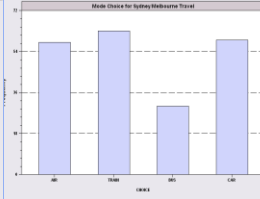
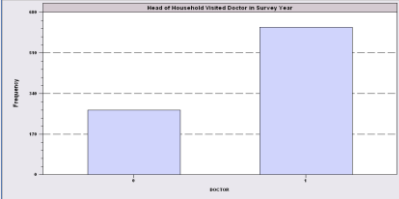
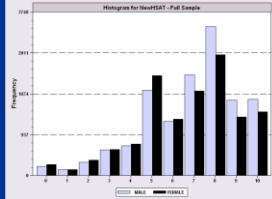
$$U(\text{brand1})_{n,s} = \beta_{1,n} \text{Fashion}_{1,n,s} + \beta_2 \text{Quality}_{1,n,s} + \beta_3 \text{Price}_{1,n,s} + \varepsilon_{\text{Brand1},n,s}$$

$$U(\text{brand2})_{n,s} = \beta_{1,n} \text{Fashion}_{2,n,s} + \beta_2 \text{Quality}_{2,n,s} + \beta_3 \text{Price}_{2,n,s} + \varepsilon_{\text{Brand2},n,s}$$

$$U(\text{brand3})_{n,s} = \beta_{1,n} \text{Fashion}_{3,n,s} + \beta_2 \text{Quality}_{3,n,s} + \beta_3 \text{Price}_{3,n,s} + \varepsilon_{\text{Brand3},n,s}$$

$$U(\text{None})_{n,s} = \beta_4 + \varepsilon_{\text{No Brand},n,s}$$

$$\beta_{1,n} = \bar{\beta}_1 + \delta_{11} \text{Sex} + \delta_{12} \text{Age2539} + \delta_{13} \text{Age40} + \eta_1 z_{n1}$$



Discrete Choice Modeling

Mixed Logit Models

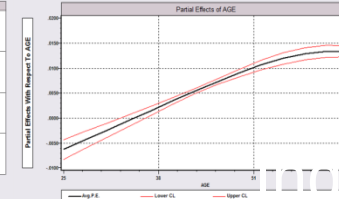
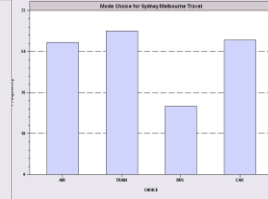
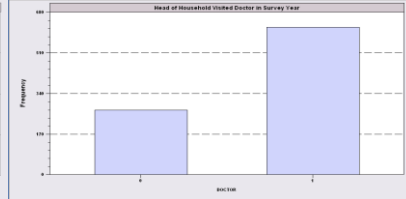
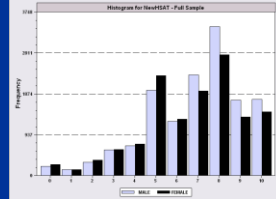
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Random Parameters Logit Model
Dependent variable          CHOICE
Log likelihood function      -4076.25831
Restricted log likelihood    -4436.14196
Chi squared [ 8](P= .000)   719.76728
Significance level          .000000
McFadden Pseudo R-squared   .0811254
Estimation based on N =    3200, K =    8
Inf.Cr.AIC =    8168.5 AIC/N =    2.553
R2=1-LogL/LogL* Log-L fncn R-sqrd R2Adj
No coefficients -4436.1420 .0811 .0804
Constants only -4391.1804 .0717 .0709
At start values -4158.5029 .0198 .0190
Response data are given as ind. choices
Replications for simulated probs. = 100
Used Halton sequences in simulations.
RPL model with panel has    400 groups
Fixed number of obsrvs./group=    8
Number of obs.=    3200, skipped    0 obs
  
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CHOICE	Coefficient	Standard Error	z	Prob. z >Z*	95% Confidence Interval	
	Random parameters in utility functions					
B1	1.76473***	.11992	14.72	.0000	1.52969	1.99977
	Nonrandom parameters in utility functions					
B2	1.04936***	.06590	15.92	.0000	.92020	1.17852
B3	-12.5002***	.83163	-15.03	.0000	-14.1302	-10.8702
BNONE	-.00789	.07330	-.11	.9142	-.15157	.13578
	Heterogeneity in mean, Parameter:Variable					
B1:MAL	.15926	.10932	1.46	.1452	-.05501	.37352
B1:AGE	-.48572***	.14057	-3.46	.0005	-.76124	-.21020
B10:AGE	-.80576***	.12465	-6.46	.0000	-1.05006	-.56145
	Distns. of RPs. Std.Devs or limits of triangular					
NsB1	.73143***	.06263	11.68	.0000	.60867	.85418

***, **, * ==> Significance at 1%, 5%, 10% level.



Discrete Choice Modeling

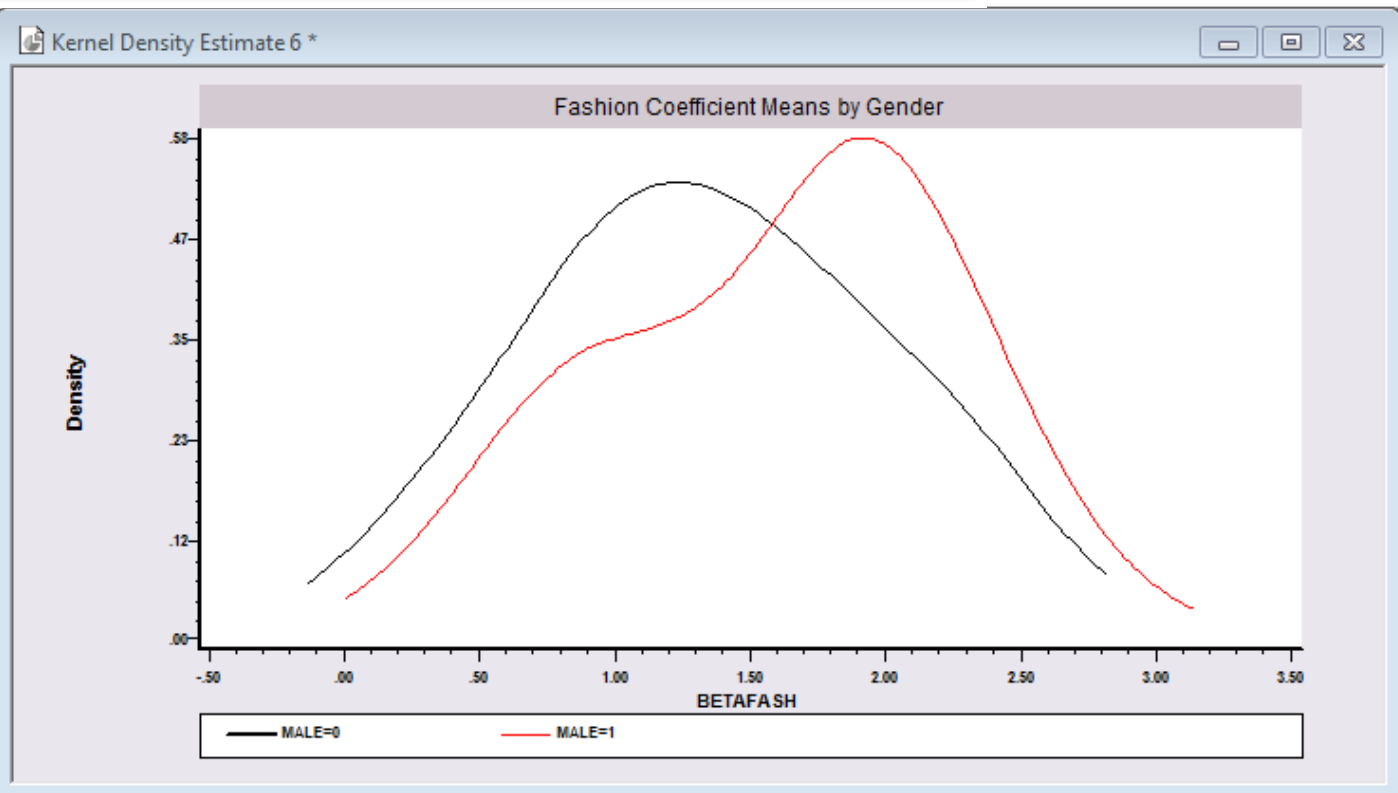
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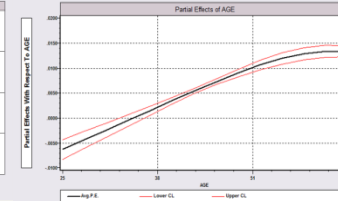
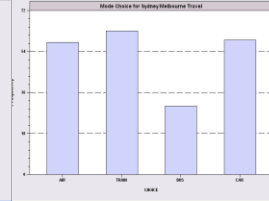
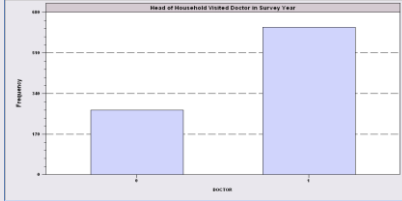
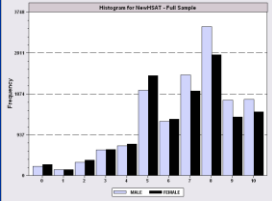
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Descriptive Statistics for BETAFASH
Stratification is based on MALE

Subsample		Mean	Std. Dev.	Cases	Sum of wts
MALE	= 0	1.354027	.592887	5472	5472.00
MALE	= 1	1.588455	.619941	7328	7328.00
Full Sample		1.488237	.619453	12800	12800.00

Matrix - BETA_I	
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1	1.75502
2	0.990994
3	0.735217
4	0.511848
5	0.817511
6	2.01679
7	1.00329
8	0.911793
9	1.00643
10	1.20702
11	0.73865
12	0.43312
13	0.432611
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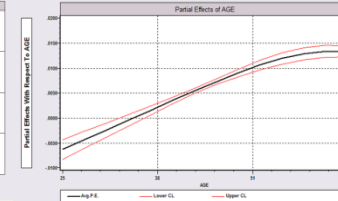
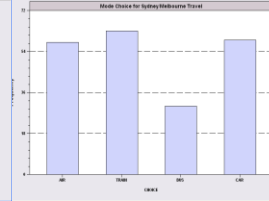
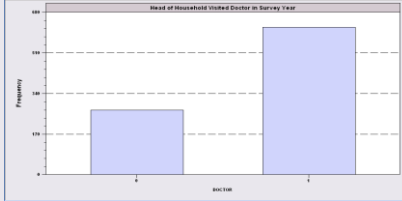
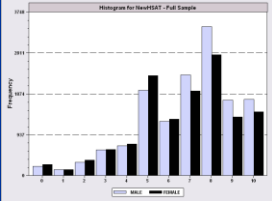




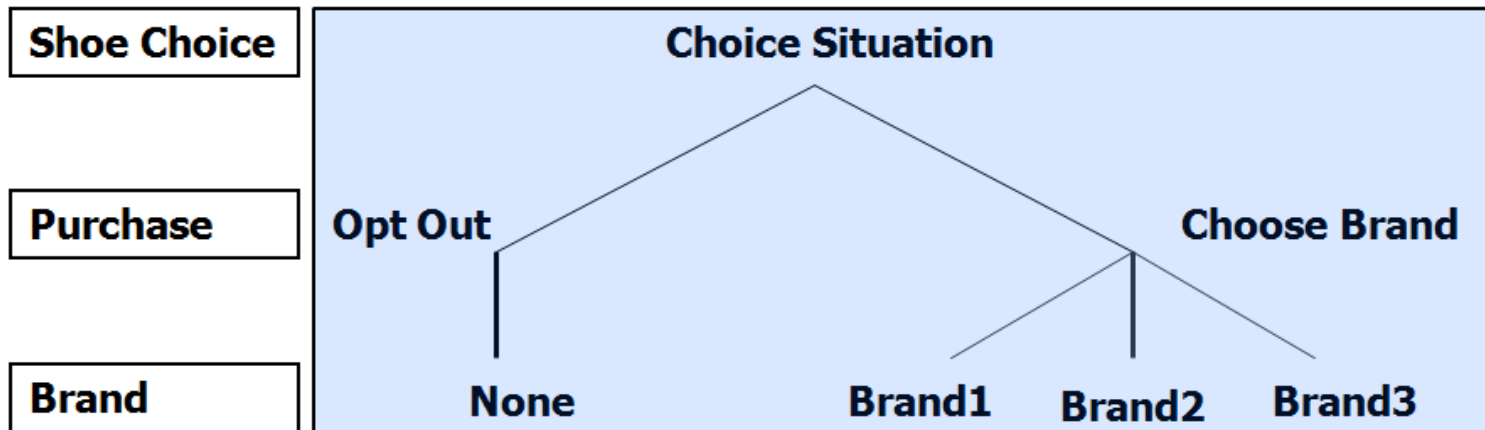
Error Components Logit Modeling

- Alternative approach to building cross choice correlation
- Common 'effects.' W_i is a 'random individual effect.'

$$\begin{aligned}
 U(\text{brand1})_i &= \beta_1 \text{Fashion}_{1,i} + \beta_2 \text{Quality}_{1,i} + \beta_3 \text{Price}_{1,i} + \varepsilon_{\text{Brand1},i} + \sigma W_i \\
 U(\text{brand2})_i &= \beta_1 \text{Fashion}_{2,i} + \beta_2 \text{Quality}_{2,i} + \beta_3 \text{Price}_{2,i} + \varepsilon_{\text{Brand2},i} + \sigma W_i \\
 U(\text{brand3})_i &= \beta_1 \text{Fashion}_{3,i} + \beta_2 \text{Quality}_{3,i} + \beta_3 \text{Price}_{3,i} + \varepsilon_{\text{Brand3},i} + \sigma W_i \\
 U(\text{None}) &= \beta_4 + \varepsilon_{\text{No Brand},i}
 \end{aligned}$$



Implied Covariance Matrix Nested Logit Formulation

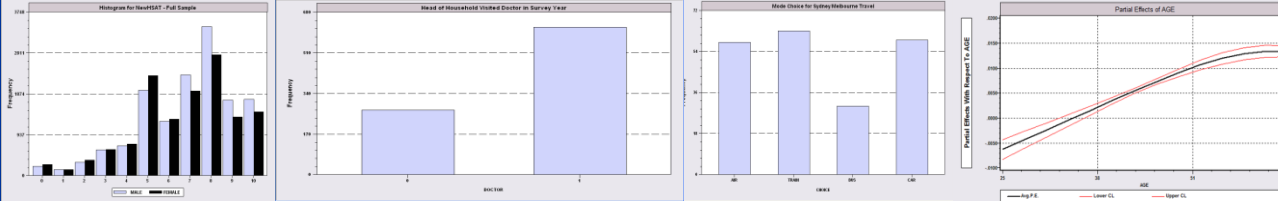


$$\text{Var}[\varepsilon] = \pi^2 / 6 = 1.6449$$

$$\text{Var}[W] = 1$$

$$\Sigma = \text{Var} \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{\text{Brand1}} + \sigma W \\ \varepsilon_{\text{Brand2}} + \sigma W \\ \varepsilon_{\text{Brand3}} + \sigma W \\ \varepsilon_{\text{NONE}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.6449 + \sigma^2 & \sigma^2 & \sigma^2 & 0 \\ \sigma^2 & 1.6449 + \sigma^2 & \sigma^2 & 0 \\ \sigma^2 & \sigma^2 & 1.6449 + \sigma^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1.6449 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Cross Brand Correlation} = \sigma^2 / [1.6449 + \sigma^2]$$



Error Components Logit Model

Error Components (Random Effects) model
Dependent variable CHOICE
Log likelihood function -4158.45044
Estimation based on N = 3200, K = 5
Response data are given as ind. choices
Replications for simulated probs. = 50
Halton sequences used for simulations
ECM model with panel has 400 groups
Fixed number of obsrvs./group= 8
Number of obs.= 3200, skipped 0 obs

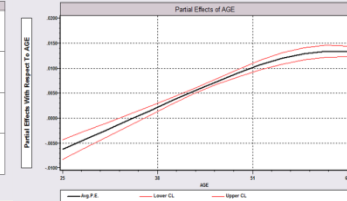
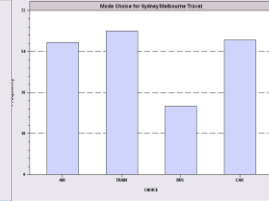
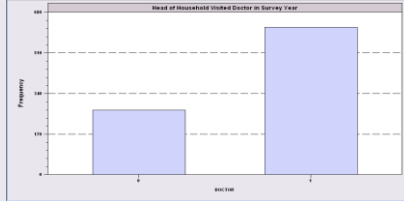
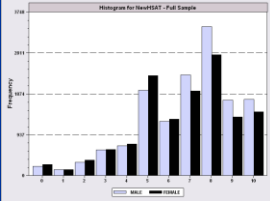
Variable	Coefficient	Standard Error	b/St.Er.	P[Z >z]
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Nonrandom parameters in utility functions				
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QUAL	1.01385***	.06580	15.409	.0000
PRICE	-11.8052***	.86019	-13.724	.0000
ASC4	.03363	.07441	.452	.6513
SigmaE01	.09585***	.02529	3.791	.0002

Random Effects Logit Model
Appearance of Latent Random
Effects in Utilities

Alternative	E01
BRAND1	*
BRAND2	*
BRAND3	*
NONE	

$$\text{Correlation} = \{0.0959^2 / [1.6449 + 0.0959^2]\}^{1/2} = 0.0954$$



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Utility Functions

Extended MNL Model

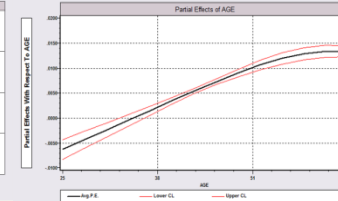
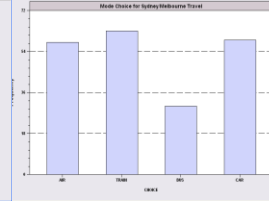
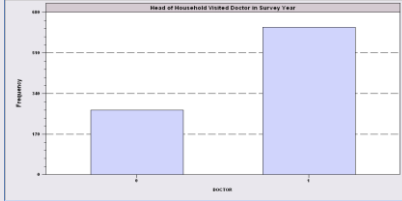
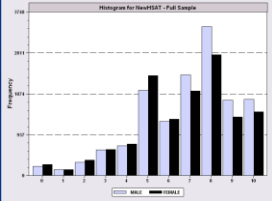
$$\begin{aligned}
 U_{i,1,t} &= \beta_{F,i} \text{Fashion}_{i,1,t} + \beta_Q \text{Quality}_{i,1,t} + \beta_{P,i} \text{Price}_{i,1,t} + \lambda_{\text{Brand}} W_{i,\text{Brand}} + \varepsilon_{i,1,t} \\
 U_{i,2,t} &= \beta_{F,i} \text{Fashion}_{i,2,t} + \beta_Q \text{Quality}_{i,2,t} + \beta_{P,i} \text{Price}_{i,2,t} + \lambda_{\text{Brand}} W_{i,\text{Brand}} + \varepsilon_{i,2,t} \\
 U_{i,3,t} &= \beta_{F,i} \text{Fashion}_{i,3,t} + \beta_Q \text{Quality}_{i,3,t} + \beta_{P,i} \text{Price}_{i,3,t} + \lambda_{\text{Brand}} W_{i,\text{Brand}} + \varepsilon_{i,3,t} \\
 U_{i,\text{NONE},t} &= a_{\text{NONE}} + \lambda_{\text{NONE}} W_{i,\text{NONE}} + \varepsilon_{i,\text{NONE},t}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\beta_{F,i} = \bar{\beta}_F + \delta_F \text{Sex}_i + [\sigma_F \exp(\gamma_{F1} \text{AgeL25}_i + \gamma_{F2} \text{Age2539}_i)] w_{F,i}; w_{F,i} \sim N[0,1]$$

$$\beta_{P,i} = \bar{\beta}_P + \delta_P \text{Sex}_i + [\sigma_P \exp(\gamma_{P1} \text{AgeL25}_i + \gamma_{P2} \text{Age2539}_i)] w_{P,i}; w_{P,i} \sim N[0,1]$$

$$W_{\text{Brand},i} \sim N[0,1]$$

$$W_{\text{NONE},i} \sim N[0,1]$$



Extending the Basic MNL Model

Random Utility

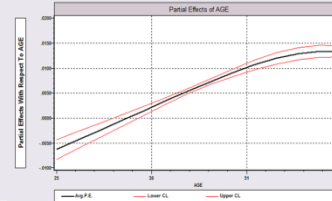
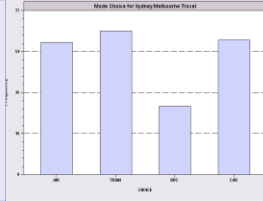
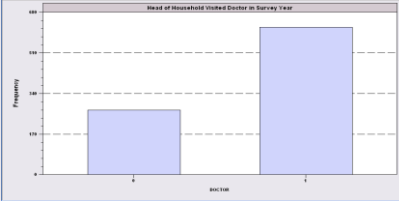
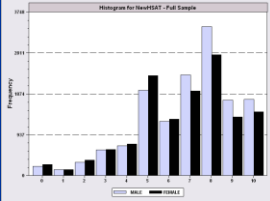
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 U_{i,2,t} &= \beta_{F,i} \text{Fashion}_{i,2,t} + \beta_Q \text{Quality}_{i,2,t} + \beta_{P,i} \text{Price}_{i,2,t} + \lambda_{\text{Brand}} W_{i,\text{Brand}} + \varepsilon_{i,2,t} \\
 U_{i,3,t} &= \beta_{F,i} \text{Fashion}_{i,3,t} + \beta_Q \text{Quality}_{i,3,t} + \beta_{P,i} \text{Price}_{i,3,t} + \lambda_{\text{Brand}} W_{i,\text{Brand}} + \varepsilon_{i,3,t} \\
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 U_{i,\text{NONE},t} &= a_{\text{NONE}} + \lambda_{\text{NONE}} W_{i,\text{NONE}} + \varepsilon_{i,\text{NONE},t}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\beta_{F,i} = \bar{\beta}_F + \delta_F \text{Sex}_i + [\sigma_F \exp(\gamma_{F1} \text{AgeL25}_i + \gamma_{F2} \text{Age2539}_i)] w_{F,i}; w_{F,i} \sim N[0,1]$$

$$\beta_{P,i} = \bar{\beta}_P + \delta_P \text{Sex}_i + [\sigma_P \exp(\gamma_{P1} \text{AgeL25}_i + \gamma_{P2} \text{Age2539}_i)] w_{P,i}; w_{P,i} \sim N[0,1]$$

$$W_{\text{Brand},i} \sim N[0,1]$$

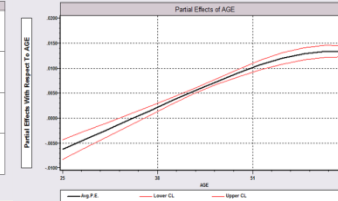
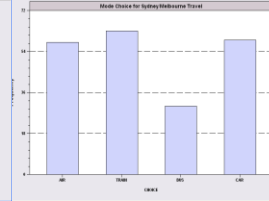
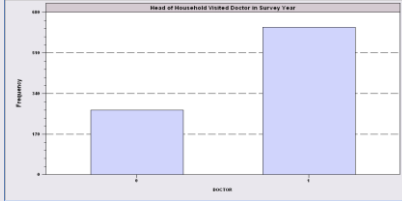
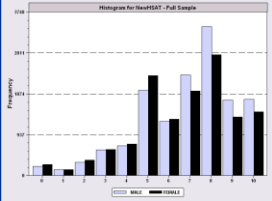
$$W_{\text{NONE},i} \sim N[0,1]$$



Error Components Logit Model

Error Components

$$\begin{aligned}
 U_{i,1,t} &= \beta_{F,i} \text{Fashion}_{i,1,t} + \beta_Q \text{Quality}_{i,1,t} + \beta_{P,i} \text{Price}_{i,1,t} + \lambda_{\text{Brand}} W_{i,\text{Brand}} + \varepsilon_{i,1,t} \\
 U_{i,2,t} &= \beta_{F,i} \text{Fashion}_{i,2,t} + \beta_Q \text{Quality}_{i,2,t} + \beta_{P,i} \text{Price}_{i,2,t} + \lambda_{\text{Brand}} W_{i,\text{Brand}} + \varepsilon_{i,2,t} \\
 U_{i,3,t} &= \beta_{F,i} \text{Fashion}_{i,3,t} + \beta_Q \text{Quality}_{i,3,t} + \beta_{P,i} \text{Price}_{i,3,t} + \lambda_{\text{Brand}} W_{i,\text{Brand}} + \varepsilon_{i,3,t} \\
 U_{i,\text{NONE},t} &= a_{\text{NONE}} + \lambda_{\text{NONE}} W_{i,\text{NONE}} + \varepsilon_{i,\text{NONE},t} \\
 \beta_{F,i} &= \bar{\beta}_F + \delta_F \text{Sex}_i + [\sigma_F \exp(\gamma_{F1} \text{AgeL25}_i + \gamma_{F2} \text{Age2539}_i)] w_{F,i}; w_{F,i} \sim N[0,1] \\
 \beta_{P,i} &= \bar{\beta}_P + \delta_P \text{Sex}_i + [\sigma_P \exp(\gamma_{P1} \text{AgeL25}_i + \gamma_{P2} \text{Age2539}_i)] w_{P,i}; w_{P,i} \sim N[0,1] \\
 W_{\text{Brand},i} &\sim N[0,1] \\
 W_{\text{NONE},i} &\sim N[0,1]
 \end{aligned}$$



Random Parameters Model

$$U_{i,1,t} = \beta_{F,i} \text{Fashion}_{i,1,t} + \beta_Q \text{Quality}_{i,1,t} + \beta_{P,i} \text{Price}_{i,1,t} + \lambda_{\text{Brand}} W_{i,\text{Brand}} + \varepsilon_{i,1,t}$$

$$U_{i,2,t} = \beta_{F,i} \text{Fashion}_{i,2,t} + \beta_Q \text{Quality}_{i,2,t} + \beta_{P,i} \text{Price}_{i,2,t} + \lambda_{\text{Brand}} W_{i,\text{Brand}} + \varepsilon_{i,2,t}$$

$$U_{i,3,t} = \beta_{F,i} \text{Fashion}_{i,3,t} + \beta_Q \text{Quality}_{i,3,t} + \beta_{P,i} \text{Price}_{i,3,t} + \lambda_{\text{Brand}} W_{i,\text{Brand}} + \varepsilon_{i,3,t}$$

$$U_{i,\text{NONE},t} = a_{\text{NONE}} + \lambda_{\text{NONE}} W_{i,\text{NONE}} + \varepsilon_{i,\text{NONE},t}$$

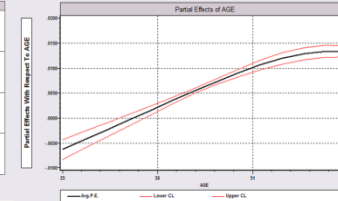
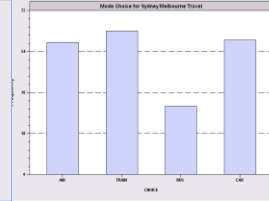
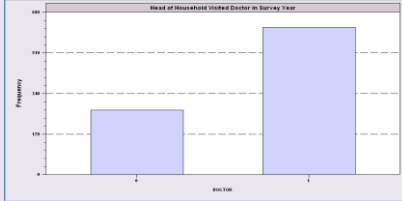
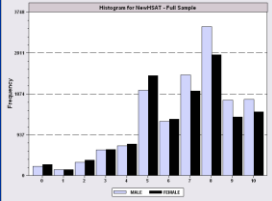
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$$W_{\text{Brand},i} \sim N[0,1]$$

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Random Parameters



Heterogeneous (in the Means) Random Parameters Model

$$U_{i,1,t} = \beta_{F,i} \text{Fashion}_{i,1,t} + \beta_Q \text{Quality}_{i,1,t} + \beta_{P,i} \text{Price}_{i,1,t} + \lambda_{\text{Brand}} W_{i,\text{Brand}} + \varepsilon_{i,1,t}$$

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$$U_{i,\text{NONE},t} = \alpha_{\text{NONE}} + \lambda_{\text{NONE}} W_{i,\text{NONE}} + \varepsilon_{i,\text{NONE},t}$$

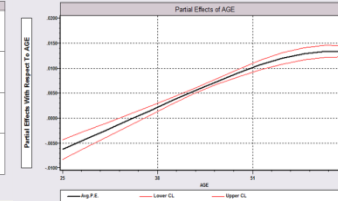
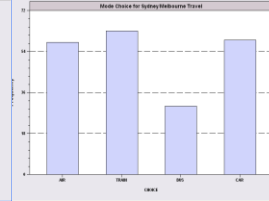
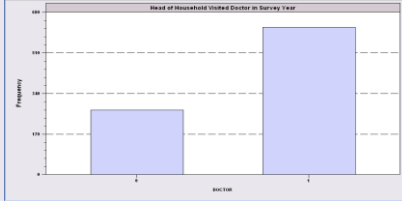
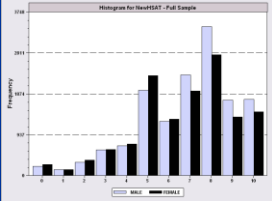
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$$W_{\text{Brand},i} \sim N[0,1]$$

$$W_{\text{NONE},i} \sim N[0,1]$$



Heterogeneity in Both Means and Variances

$$U_{i,1,t} = \beta_{F,i} \text{Fashion}_{i,1,t} + \beta_Q \text{Quality}_{i,1,t} + \beta_{P,i} \text{Price}_{i,1,t} + \lambda_{\text{Brand}} W_{i,\text{Brand}} + \varepsilon_{i,1,t}$$

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$$U_{i,\text{NONE},t} = \alpha_{\text{NONE}} + \lambda_{\text{NONE}} W_{i,\text{NONE}} + \varepsilon_{i,\text{NONE},t}$$

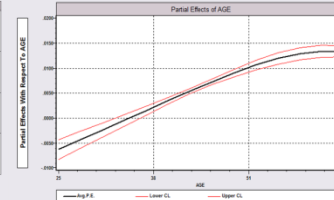
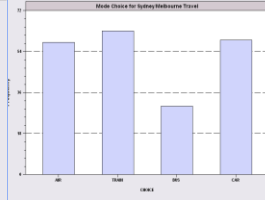
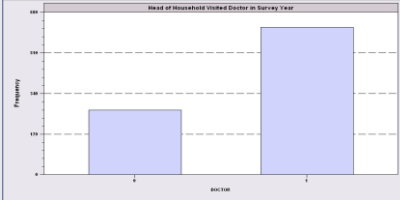
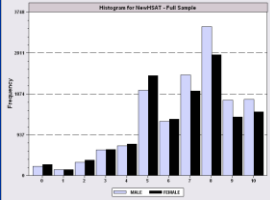
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$$W_{\text{Brand},i} \sim N[0,1]$$

$$W_{\text{NONE},i} \sim N[0,1]$$

Heteroscedasticity



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Random Parms/Error Comps. Logit Model

Dependent variable CHOICE

Log likelihood function -4019.23544 (-4158.50286 for MNL)

Restricted log likelihood -4436.14196 (Chi squared = 278.5)

Chi squared [12 d.f.] 833.81303

Significance level .00000

McFadden Pseudo R-squared .0939795

Estimation based on N = 3200, K = 12

Information Criteria: Normalization=1/N

Normalized Unnormalized

AIC 2.51952 8062.47089

R2=1-LogL/LogL* Log-L fncn R-sqrd R2Adj

No coefficients -4436.1420 .0940 .0928

Constants only -4391.1804 .0847 .0836

At start values -4158.5029 .0335 .0323

Response data are given as ind. choices

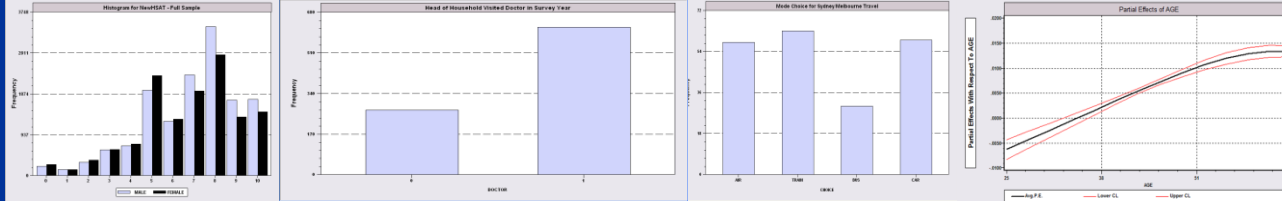
Replications for simulated probs. = 50

Halton sequences used for simulations

RPL model with panel has 400 groups

Fixed number of obsrvs./group= 8

Number of obs.= 3200, skipped 0 obs



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Estimated RP/ECL Model

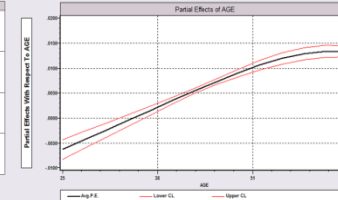
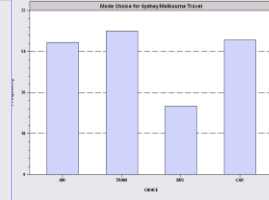
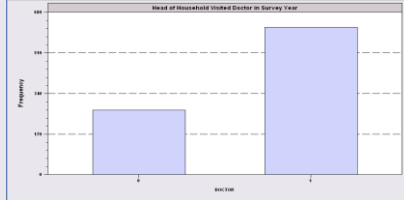
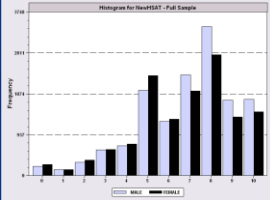
Variable	Coefficient	Standard Error	b/St.Er.	P[Z >z]
Random parameters in utility functions				
FASH	.62768***	.13498	4.650	.0000
PRICE	-7.60651***	1.08418	-7.016	.0000
Nonrandom parameters in utility functions				
QUAL	1.07127***	.06732	15.913	.0000
ASC4	.03874	.09017	.430	.6675
Heterogeneity in mean, Parameter:Variable				
FASH:AGE	1.73176***	.15372	11.266	.0000
FAS0:AGE	.71872***	.18592	3.866	.0001
PRIC:AGE	-9.38055***	1.07578	-8.720	.0000
PRI0:AGE	-4.33586***	1.20681	-3.593	.0003
Distns. of RPs. Std.Devs or limits of triangular				
NsFASH	.88760***	.07976	11.128	.0000
NsPRICE	1.23440	1.95780	.631	.5284
Heterogeneity in standard deviations				
(cF1, cF2, cP1, cP2 omitted...)				
Standard deviations of latent random effects				
SigmaE01	.23165	.40495	.572	.5673
SigmaE02	.51260**	.23002	2.228	.0258

Note: ***, **, * = Significance at 1%, 5%, 10% level.

Random Effects Logit
Model Appearance of
Latent Random Effects
in Utilities

Alternative	E01	E02
BRAND1	*	
BRAND2	*	
BRAND3	*	
NONE		*

Heterogeneity in Means.
Delta: 2 rows, 2 cols.
AGE25 AGE39
FASH 1.73176 .71872
PRICE -9.38055 -4.33586



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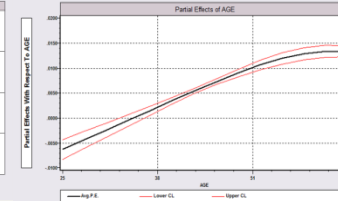
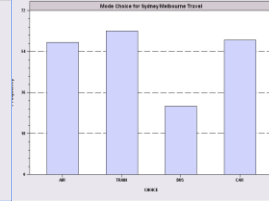
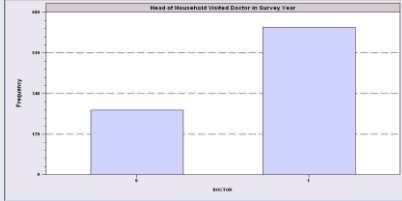
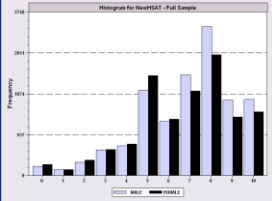
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Estimated Elasticities

Elasticity averaged over observations.			
Attribute is PRICE in choice BRAND1			
Effects on probabilities of all choices in model:			
* = Direct Elasticity effect of the attribute.			
	Mean	St.Dev	
* Choice=BRAND1	-.9210	.4661	
Choice=BRAND2	.2773	.3053	
Choice=BRAND3	.2971	.3370	
Choice=NONE	.2781	.2804	
Attribute is PRICE in choice BRAND2			
Choice=BRAND1	.3055	.1911	
* Choice=BRAND2	-1.2692	.6179	
Choice=BRAND3	.3195	.2127	
Choice=NONE	.2934	.1711	
Attribute is PRICE in choice BRAND3			
Choice=BRAND1	.3737	.2939	
Choice=BRAND2	.3881	.3047	
* Choice=BRAND3	-.7549	.4015	
Choice=NONE	.3488	.2670	

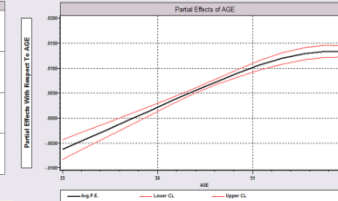
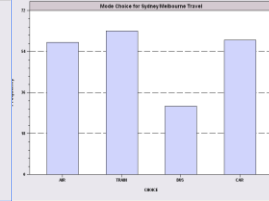
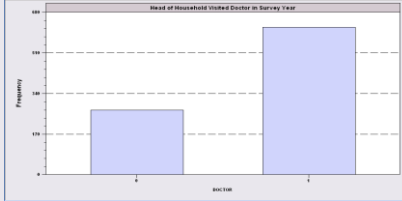
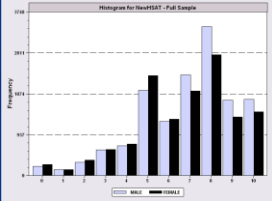
Multinomial Logit

Effects on probabilities		
* = Direct effect te.		
	Mean	St.Dev
PRICE in choice BRAND1		
* BRAND1	-.8895	.3647
BRAND2	.2907	.2631
BRAND3	.2907	.2631
NONE	.2907	.2631
PRICE in choice BRAND2		
BRAND1	.3127	.1371
* BRAND2	-1.2216	.3135
BRAND3	.3127	.1371
NONE	.3127	.1371
PRICE in choice BRAND3		
BRAND1	.3664	.2233
BRAND2	.3664	.2233
* BRAND3	-.7548	.3363
NONE	.3664	.2233



Estimating Individual Distributions

- Form posterior estimates of $E[\beta_i | \text{data}_i]$
- Use the same methodology to estimate $E[\beta_i^2 | \text{data}_i]$ and $\text{Var}[\beta_i | \text{data}_i]$
- Plot individual “confidence intervals” (assuming near normality)
- Sample from the distribution and plot kernel density estimates



What is the ‘Individual Estimate?’

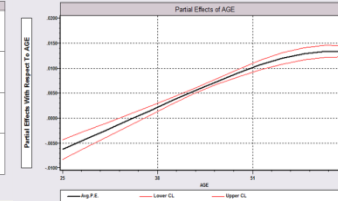
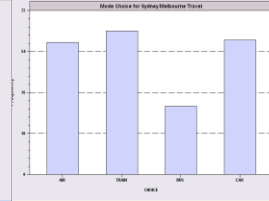
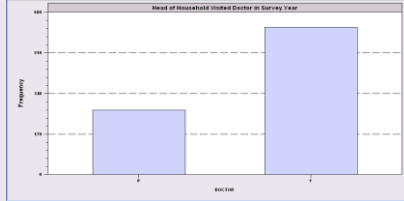
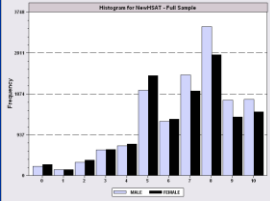
Point estimate of mean, variance and range of random variable β_i | data_i.

Value is NOT an estimate of β_i ; it is an estimate of $E[\beta_i | \text{data}_i]$

This would be the best estimate of the actual realization β_i | data_i

An interval estimate would account for the sampling ‘variation’ in the estimator of Ω .

Bayesian counterpart to the preceding: Posterior mean and variance. Same kind of plot could be done.

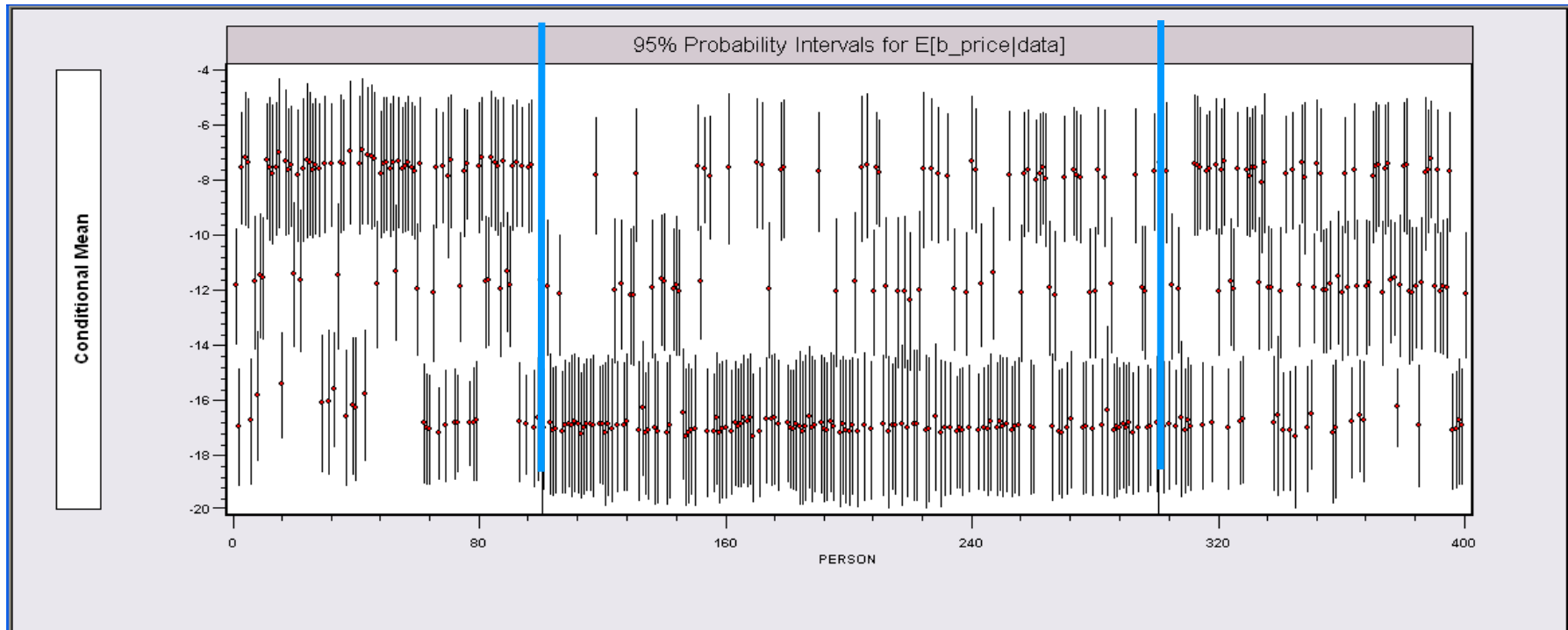


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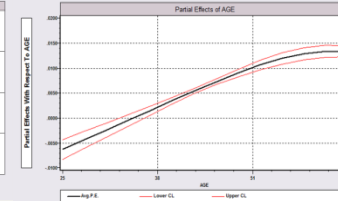
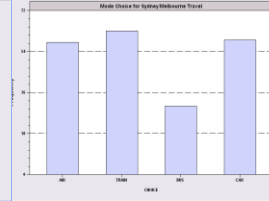
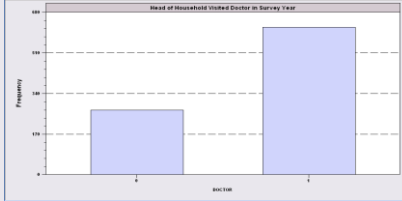
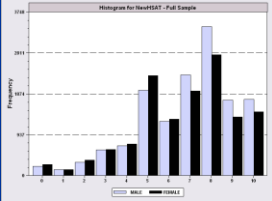
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Individual $E[\beta_i | \text{data}_i]$ Estimates*



The random parameters model is uncovering the latent class feature of the data.

*The intervals could be made wider to account for the sampling variability of the underlying (classical) parameter estimators.



WTP Application (Value of Time Saved)

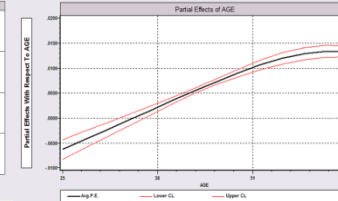
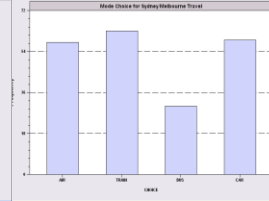
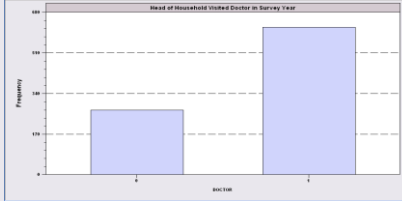
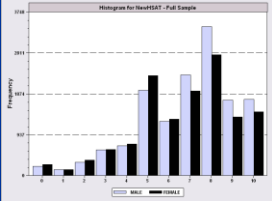
Estimating Willingness to Pay for Increments to an Attribute in a Discrete Choice Model

$$WTP = MU(\text{attribute}) / MU(\text{Income})$$

$$WTP = - \frac{\beta_{\text{attribute},i}}{\beta_{\text{cost}}}$$

Random





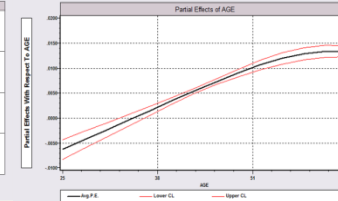
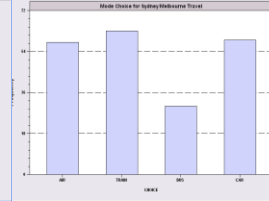
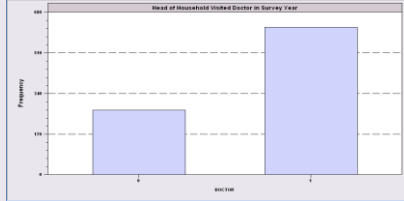
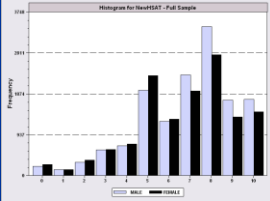
Extending the RP Model to WTP

Use the model to estimate conditional distributions for any function of parameters

Willingness to pay = $-\beta_{i,time} / \beta_{i,cost}$

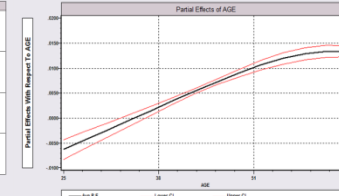
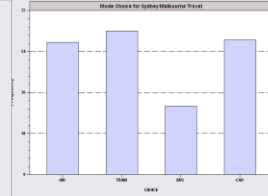
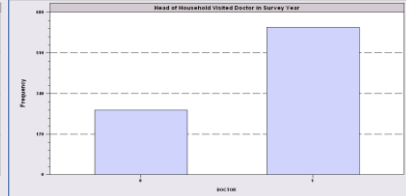
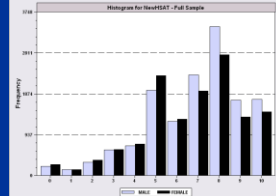
Use simulation method

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{E}[WTP_i | data_i] &= \frac{(1/R) \sum_{r=1}^R WTP_{ir} \prod_{t=1}^T P_{ijt}(\hat{\beta}_{ir} | \hat{\Omega}, data_{it})}{(1/R) \sum_{r=1}^R \prod_{t=1}^T P_{ijt}(\hat{\beta}_{ir} | \hat{\Omega}, data_{it})} \\ &= \frac{1}{R} \sum_{r=1}^R \hat{W}_{i,r} WTP_{ir}\end{aligned}$$



Simulation of WTP from β_i

$$\begin{aligned}
 WTP_i &= E \left[\frac{-\beta_{i, \text{Attribute}}}{\beta_{i, \text{Cost}}} \mid \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\Delta}, \boldsymbol{\Gamma}, \mathbf{y}_i, \mathbf{X}_i, \mathbf{z}_i \right] \\
 &= \frac{\int_{\beta_i} \frac{-\beta_{i, \text{Attribute}}}{\beta_{i, \text{Cost}}} \left[\prod_{t=1}^T P(\text{choice } j \mid \mathbf{X}_i, \boldsymbol{\beta}_i) g(\boldsymbol{\beta}_i \mid \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\Delta}, \boldsymbol{\Gamma}, \mathbf{y}_i, \mathbf{X}_i, \mathbf{z}_i) \right] d\boldsymbol{\beta}_i}{\int_{\beta_i} \left[\prod_{t=1}^T P(\text{choice } j \mid \mathbf{X}_i, \boldsymbol{\beta}_i) g(\boldsymbol{\beta}_i \mid \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\Delta}, \boldsymbol{\Gamma}, \mathbf{y}_i, \mathbf{X}_i, \mathbf{z}_i) \right] d\boldsymbol{\beta}_i} \\
 WTP_i &= \frac{\frac{1}{R} \sum_{r=1}^R \frac{-\hat{\beta}_{i, \text{Attribute}}}{\hat{\beta}_{i, \text{Cost}}} \left[\prod_{t=1}^T P(\text{choice } j \mid \mathbf{X}_i, \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{ir}) \right]}{\frac{1}{R} \sum_{r=1}^R \left[\prod_{t=1}^T P(\text{choice } j \mid \mathbf{X}_i, \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{ir}) \right]}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{ir} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} + \hat{\boldsymbol{\Delta}} \mathbf{z}_i + \hat{\boldsymbol{\Gamma}} \mathbf{w}_{ir}
 \end{aligned}$$



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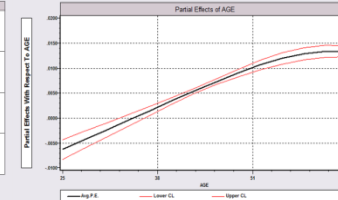
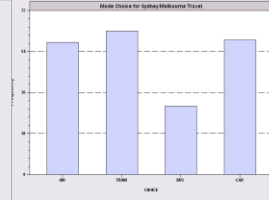
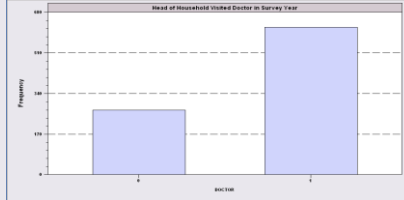
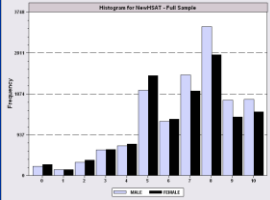
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Nonrandom parameters in utility functions						
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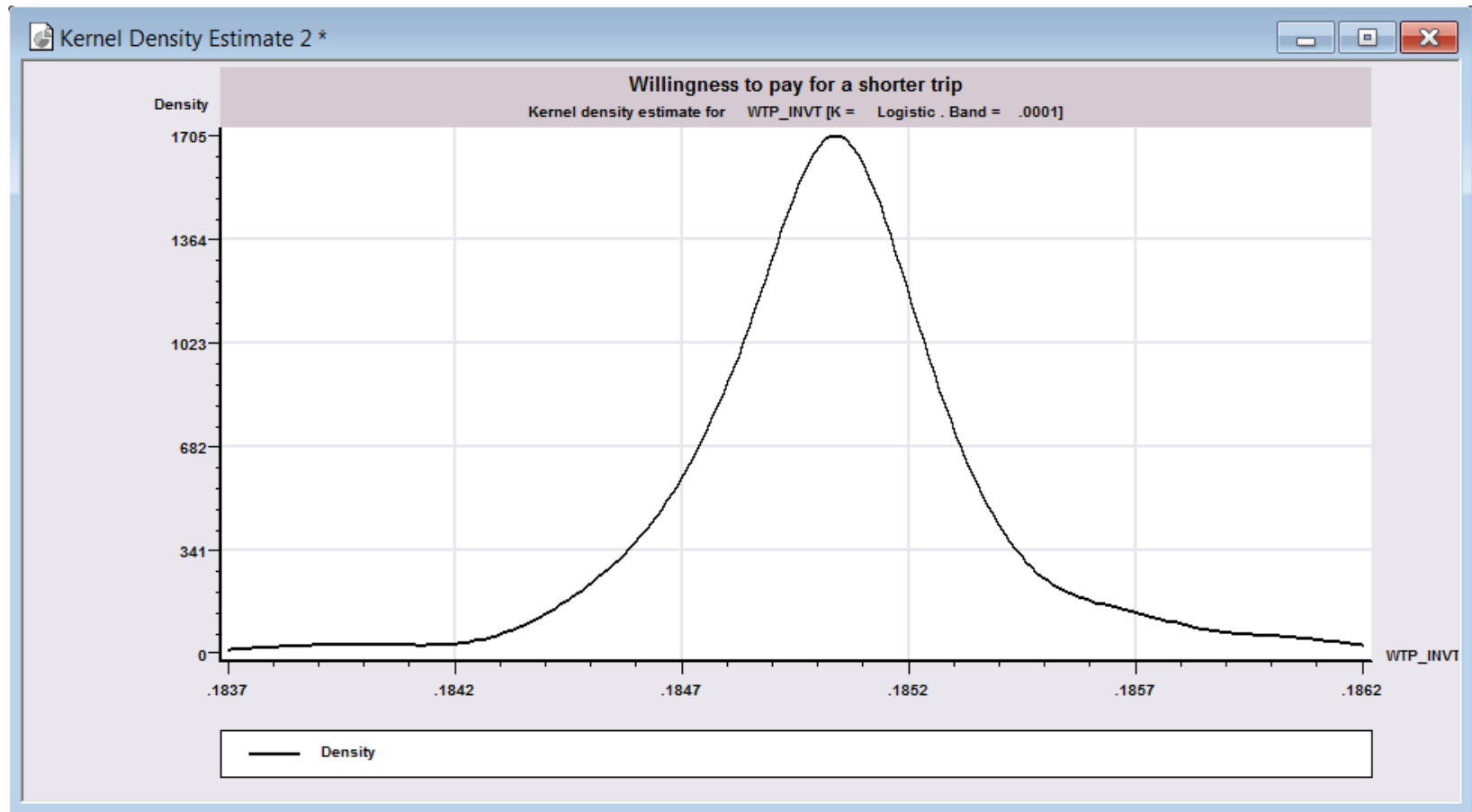


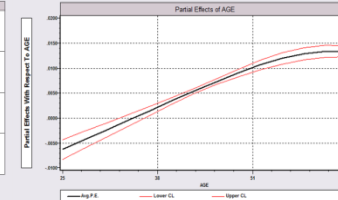
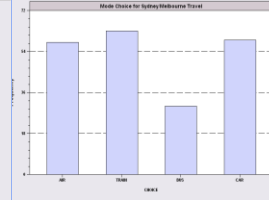
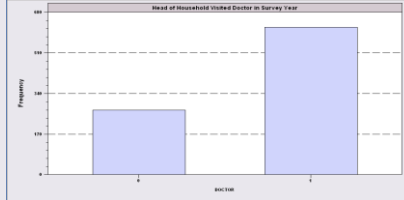
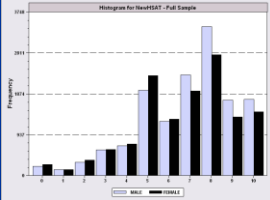
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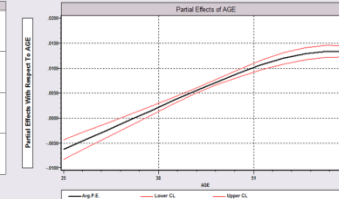
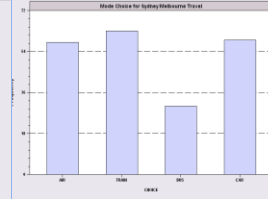
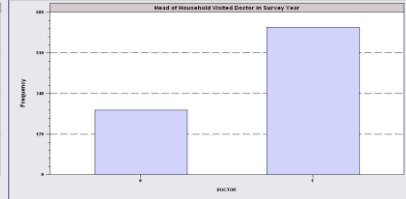
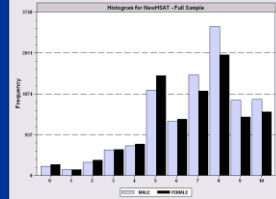
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Stated Choice Experiment: Travel Mode by Sydney Commuters

Table 3 Trip Attributes in Stated Choice Design

For existing public transport modes	For new public transport modes	For the existing car mode
Fare (one-way)	Fare (one-way)	Running Cost
In-vehicle travel time	In-vehicle travel time	In-vehicle Travel time
Waiting time	Waiting time	Toll Cost (One way)
Access Mode: Walk time	Transfer waiting time	Daily Parking Cost
Car time	Access Mode: Walk time	Egress time
Bus time	Car time	
Bus fare	Bus time	
Egress time	Access Mode Fare (one-way)	
	Bus fare	
	Egress time	



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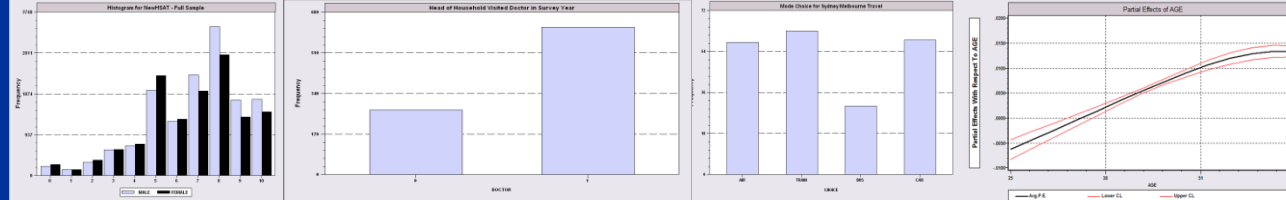
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Would You Use a New Mode?

Table 4 Base times and costs for new public transport modes

	Dollars	Busway	Heavy rail	Light Rail
	\$	min	min	min
Mungerie Park	1.8	33	22	33
Burns Road	1	27	18	27
Norwest Business Park	1	22.5	15	22.5
Hills Centre	1	18	12	18
Castle Hill	0.2	13.5	9	13.5
Franklin Road	0.2	7.5	5	7.5



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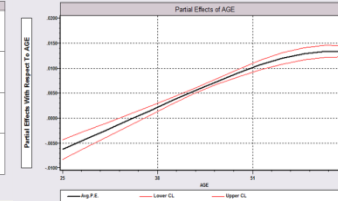
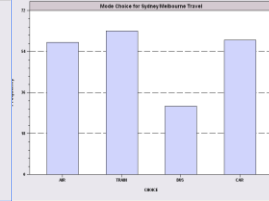
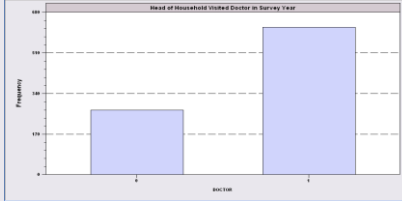
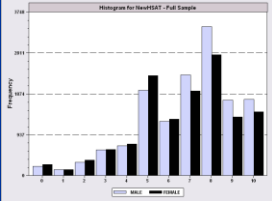
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Value of Travel Time Saved

**Behavioural Values of travel Time savings (\$/person hour) based on individual parameters:
mixed logit model, commuter trips (mean gross personal income per hour = \$32.05)**

Willingness to Pay Attribute	VTTS (\$/person Hour) Mean and range
Main mode in-vehicle time – car	28.2 (6.37-39.8)
Egress time - car	31.61 (15.8-75.6)
Main mode in-vehicle time – public transport	15.71 (2.6-31.5)
Waiting time – all bus	19.1 (9.9-40.3)
Access time – all bus	17.1 (8.7-31.7)
Access plus wait time – all rail	10.50 (6.6-22.9)
Egress time – all public transport	3.4 (2.0 – 7.4)



A Generalized Mixed Logit Model

$$U(i, t, j) = \beta_i' \mathbf{x}_{i,t,j} + \text{Common effects} + \varepsilon_{i,t,j}$$

Random Parameters

$$\beta_i = \sigma_i [\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\Delta} \mathbf{z}_i] + [\gamma + \sigma_i (1 - \gamma)] \boldsymbol{\Gamma}_i \mathbf{v}_i$$

$$\boldsymbol{\Gamma}_i = \boldsymbol{\Lambda} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_i$$

$\boldsymbol{\Lambda}$ is a lower triangular matrix

with 1s on the diagonal (Cholesky matrix)

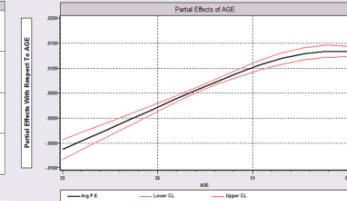
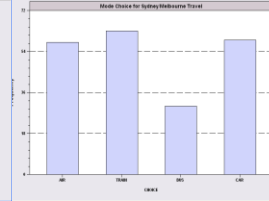
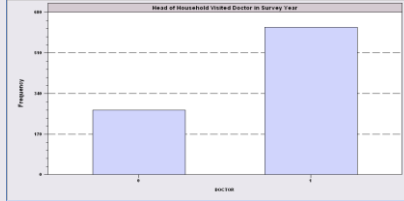
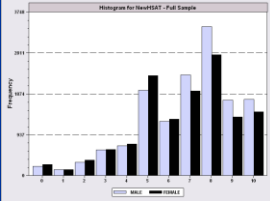
$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_i$ is a diagonal matrix with $\phi_k \exp(\boldsymbol{\psi}_k' \mathbf{h}_i)$

Overall preference scaling

$$\sigma_i = \sigma \exp(-\tau_i^2 / 2 + \tau_i^2 w_i + \boldsymbol{\theta}' \mathbf{h}_i)$$

$$\tau_i = \exp(\boldsymbol{\lambda}' \mathbf{r}_i)$$

$$0 < \gamma < 1$$



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Generalized Multinomial Choice Model

$$U_{i,1,t} = \beta_{F,i} \text{Fashion}_{i,1,t} + \beta_Q \text{Quality}_{i,1,t} + \beta_{P,i} \text{Price}_{i,1,t} + \lambda_{\text{Brand}} W_{i,\text{Brand}} + \varepsilon_{i,1,t}$$

$$U_{i,2,t} = \beta_{F,i} \text{Fashion}_{i,2,t} + \beta_Q \text{Quality}_{i,2,t} + \beta_{P,i} \text{Price}_{i,2,t} + \lambda_{\text{Brand}} W_{i,\text{Brand}} + \varepsilon_{i,2,t}$$

$$U_{i,3,t} = \beta_{F,i} \text{Fashion}_{i,3,t} + \beta_Q \text{Quality}_{i,3,t} + \beta_{P,i} \text{Price}_{i,3,t} + \lambda_{\text{Brand}} W_{i,\text{Brand}} + \varepsilon_{i,3,t}$$

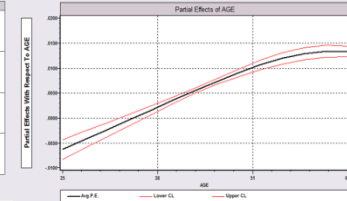
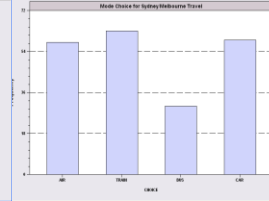
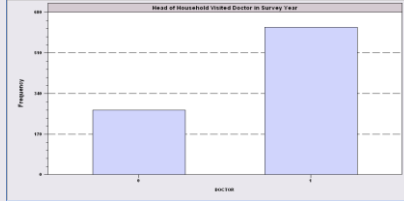
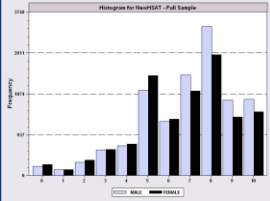
$$U_{i,\text{NONE},t} = a_{\text{NONE}} + \lambda_{\text{NONE}} W_{i,\text{NONE}} + \varepsilon_{i,\text{NONE},t}$$

$$\beta_{F,i} = \bar{\beta}_F + \delta_F \text{Sex}_i + [\sigma_F \exp(\gamma_{F1} \text{AgeL25}_i + \gamma_{F2} \text{Age2539}_i)] w_{F,i}; w_{F,i} \sim N[0,1]$$

$$\beta_{P,i} = \bar{\beta}_P + \delta_P \text{Sex}_i + [\sigma_P \exp(\gamma_{P1} \text{AgeL25}_i + \gamma_{P2} \text{Age2539}_i)] w_{P,i}; w_{P,i} \sim N[0,1]$$

$$W_{\text{Brand},i} \sim N[0,1]$$

$$W_{\text{NONE},i} \sim N[0,1]$$



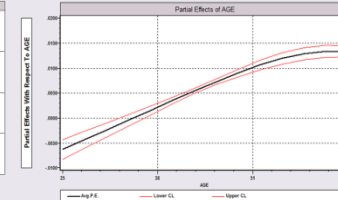
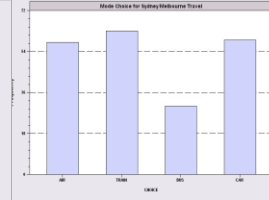
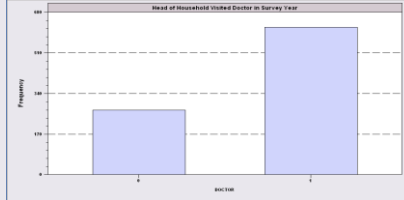
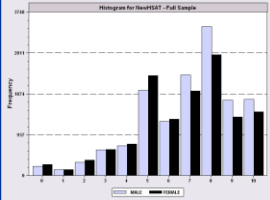
Estimation in Willingness to Pay Space

Both parameters in the WTP calculation are random.

$$\begin{aligned}
 U_{i,1,t} &= \beta_{P,i} (\theta_{F,i} \text{Fashion}_{i,1,t} + \theta_Q \text{Quality}_{i,1,t} + \text{Price}_{i,1,t}) + \lambda_{\text{Brand}} W_{i,\text{Brand}} + \varepsilon_{i,1,t} \\
 U_{i,2,t} &= \beta_{P,i} (\theta_{F,i} \text{Fashion}_{i,2,t} + \theta_Q \text{Quality}_{i,2,t} + \text{Price}_{i,2,t}) + \lambda_{\text{Brand}} W_{i,\text{Brand}} + \varepsilon_{i,2,t} \\
 U_{i,3,t} &= \beta_{P,i} (\theta_{F,i} \text{Fashion}_{i,3,t} + \theta_Q \text{Quality}_{i,3,t} + \text{Price}_{i,3,t}) + \lambda_{\text{Brand}} W_{i,\text{Brand}} + \varepsilon_{i,3,t} \\
 U_{i,\text{NONE},t} &= a_{\text{NONE}} + \lambda_{\text{NONE}} W_{i,\text{NONE}} + \varepsilon_{i,\text{NONE},t}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$W_{\text{Brand},i} \sim N[0,1] \quad W_{\text{NONE},i} \sim N[0,1]$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \theta_{F,i} \\ \beta_{P,i} \end{pmatrix} = \sigma_i \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\theta}_F + \delta_F \text{Sex}_i \\ \bar{\beta}_P + \delta_P \text{Sex}_i \end{bmatrix} + [\sigma_i \gamma + (1 - \gamma)] \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_F & 0 \\ \lambda_{PF} & \sigma_P \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} w_{F,i} \\ w_{P,i} \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{aligned} w_{F,i} &\sim N[0,1] \\ w_{P,i} &\sim N[0,1] \end{aligned}$$



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Variable	Coefficient	Standard Error	b/St.Er.	P[Z >z]
Random parameters in utility functions				
QUAL	-.32668***	.04302	-7.593	.0000
PRICE	1.00000	(Fixed Parameter).....		
Nonrandom parameters in utility functions				
FASH	1.14527***	.05788	19.787	.0000
ASC4	.84364***	.05554	15.189	.0000
Heterogeneity in mean, Parameter:Variable				
QUAL:AGE	.05843	.04836	1.208	.2270
QUA0:AGE	-.11620	.13911	-.835	.4035
PRIC:AGE	.23958	.25730	.931	.3518
PRIO:AGE	1.13921	.76279	1.493	.1353
Diagonal values in Cholesky matrix, L.				
NsQUAL	.13234***	.04125	3.208	.0013
CsPRICE	.000	(Fixed Parameter).....		
Below diagonal values in L matrix. V = L*Lt				
PRIC:QUA	.000	(Fixed Parameter).....		
Heteroscedasticity in GMX scale factor				
sdMALE	.23110	.14685	1.574	.1156
Variance parameter tau in GMX scale parameter				
TauScale	1.71455***	.19047	9.002	.0000
Weighting parameter gamma in GMX model				
GammaMXL	.000	(Fixed Parameter).....		
Coefficient on PRICE in WTP space form				
Beta0WTP	-3.71641***	.55428	-6.705	.0000
S_b0_WTP	.03926	.40549	.097	.9229
Sample Mean Sample Std.Dev.				
Sigma(i)	.70246	1.11141	.632	.5274
Standard deviations of parameter distributions				
sdQUAL	.13234***	.04125	3.208	.0013
sdPRICE	.000	(Fixed Parameter).....		

Estimated Model for WTP

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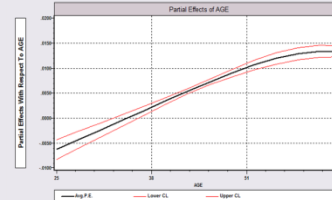
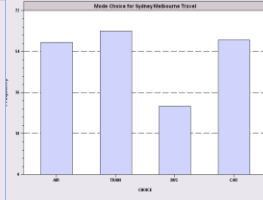
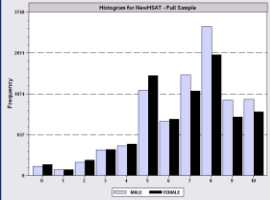
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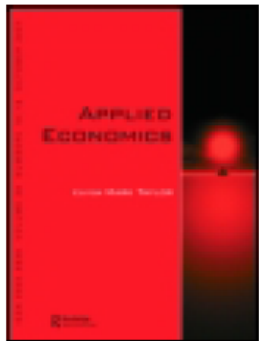
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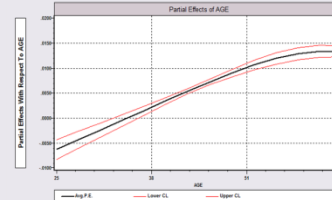
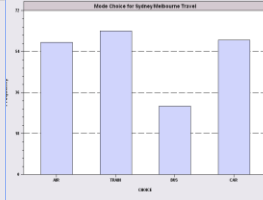
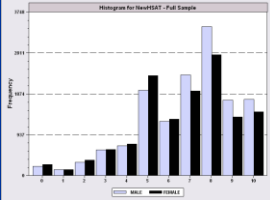
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Revealing additional dimensions of preference heterogeneity in a latent class mixed multinomial logit model

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$$f(y_i | \mathbf{x}_i, \text{class} = q) = g(y_i | \mathbf{x}_i, \boldsymbol{\beta}_q) \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Prob}(\text{class} = q) = \pi_q(\theta), \quad q = 1, \dots, Q \quad (2)$$

The within-class heterogeneity is structured as

$$\boldsymbol{\beta}_i | q = \boldsymbol{\beta}_q + \mathbf{w}_{i|q} \quad (6)$$

$$\mathbf{w}_{i|q} \sim E[\mathbf{w}_{i|q} | \mathbf{X}] = \mathbf{0}, \quad \text{Var}[\mathbf{w}_{i|q} | \mathbf{X}] = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_q \quad (7)$$

choice situations, where $T_i \geq 1$. The generic model is given in Equation 8,

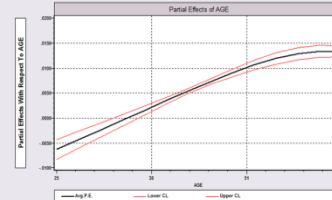
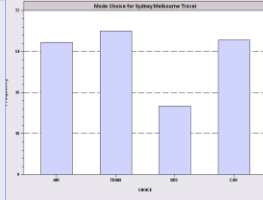
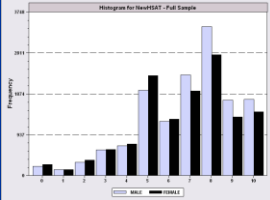
$$f(y_i | \mathbf{X}_i, \boldsymbol{\beta}_1, \dots, \boldsymbol{\beta}_Q, \theta, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_1, \dots, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_Q) = \sum_{q=1}^Q \pi_q(\theta) \int \prod_{t=1}^{T_i} f[y_{it} | (\boldsymbol{\beta}_q + \mathbf{w}_i), \mathbf{X}_{it}] h(\mathbf{w}_i | \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_q) d\mathbf{w}_i \quad (8)$$

We parameterize the class probabilities using a multinomial logit formulation to impose the adding up and positivity restrictions on $\pi_q(\theta)$. Thus,

$$\pi_q(\theta) = \frac{\exp(\theta_q)}{\sum_{q=1}^Q \exp(\theta_q)}, \quad q = 1, \dots, Q; \quad \theta_Q = 0 \quad (9)$$

A useful refinement of the class probabilities model is to allow the probabilities to be dependent on individual data, such as demographics. The class probability model becomes

$$\pi_{iq}(\mathbf{z}_i, \theta) = \frac{\exp(\theta'_q \mathbf{z}_i)}{\sum_{q=1}^Q \exp(\theta'_q \mathbf{z}_i)}, \quad q = 1, \dots, Q; \quad \theta_Q = 0 \quad (10)$$



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To illustrate the application of the model, we have selected a Stated Choice (SC) framework (Louviere *et al.*, 2000) within which a freight transporter defined a recent reference trip in terms of its time and cost attributes, treating fuel as a separate cost item to the Variable User Charge (VUC), with the latter being zero at present. An SC design of two alternatives using

charging policy or direct functions of such a policy. The levels of the attributes are expressed as deviations from the reference level, which is the exact value specified in the corresponding non-SC questions, unless noted:

- (1) Free-flow time: -50% , -25% , 0 , $+25\%$, $+50\%$.
- (2) Congested time: -50% , -25% , 0 , $+25\%$, $+50\%$.
- (3) Waiting time at destination: -50% , -25% , 0 , $+25\%$, $+50\%$.
- (4) Probability of on-time arrival: -50% , -25% , 0 , $+25\%$, $+50\%$, with the resulting value rounded to the nearest 5%.
- (5) Fuel cost: -50% , -25% , 0 , $+25\%$, $+50\%$ (representing changes in fuel taxes of -100% , -50% , 0 , $+50\%$, $+100\%$).
- (6) Distance-based charges: Pivot base equals $0.5 * (\text{reference fuel cost})$, to reflect the amount of fuel taxes paid in the reference alternative. Variations around the pivot base are: -50% , -25% , 0 , $+25\%$, $+50\%$.

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Practice Game

The alternatives on this screen represent three options for carrying out the freight trip you described - the trip as it occurred, and two trips involving new combinations of fuel taxes, distance-based congestion charges, and time and cost components. Please consider them and then answer the questions below:

	Your Recent Trip	Trip Variation A	Trip Variation B
Free-flow travel time: (definition)	15 minutes	19 minutes	22 minutes
Slowed-down travel time: (definition)	55 minutes	28 minutes	82 minutes
Total time waiting to unload goods:	10 minutes	12 minutes	8 minutes
Likelihood of on-time arrival:	80%	70%	80%
Freight rate paid by the receiver of the goods:	\$450.00	\$461.67	\$461.67
Fuel cost:	\$15.57	\$19.46 (based on a 50% increase in fuel taxes)	\$23.35 (based on a 100% increase in fuel taxes)
Distance-based charges:	\$0.00	\$7.78	\$3.89

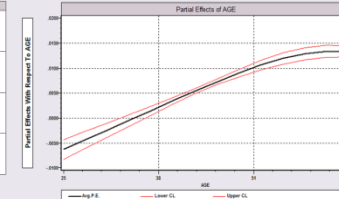
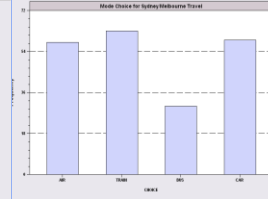
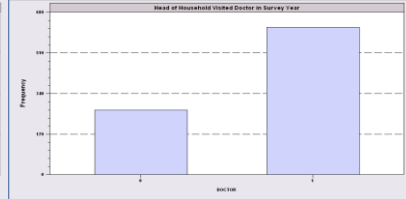
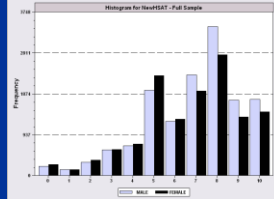
If your organisation and the receiver of the goods had to reach agreement on which alternative to choose, what would be your order of preference among alternatives? (please provide a choice for every alternative)

	My recent trip is	Trip Variation A is	Trip Variation B is
	My 1st choice	My 1st choice	My 1st choice
	My 2nd choice	My 2nd choice	My 2nd choice
	My 3rd choice	My 3rd choice	My 3rd choice
	Not acceptable	Not acceptable	Not acceptable

Which of these alternatives do you think would be acceptable to the receiver of the goods?

Which alternative do you think the receiver of the goods would most prefer?

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Discrete Choice Modeling

Mixed Logit Models

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Table 1. Summary of models

Attributes	MNL (Model M1)	Mixed logit (Model M2)	Latent class			
			Fixed parameters (M3)		Random parameters (M4)	
			Class 1	Class 2	Class 1	Class 2
Total time (min)	-0.0056 (-3.44)	-0.0053 (-2.97) ^{TP}	-0.00177 (-3.82)	-0.0451 (-1.73)	-0.0082 (1.95)	0.0008 (0.25)
On time delivery (%)	0.03161 (4.75)	0.0360 (4.51) ^{TP}	0.0296 (3.35)	-0.0296 (-0.55)	-0.0005 ^{TP} (-0.03)	0.02713 ^{TP} (2.53)
Total cost (\$)	-0.0030 (-4.15)	-0.0039 (-3.74) ^{TP}	-0.0051 (-3.95)	-0.0134 (-2.09)	-0.0135 (-2.13)	-0.0052 (-3.33)
No variable charge dummy (1,0)	0.9406 (5.71)	0.8798 (4.84)	0.7716 (2.35)	4.2819 (2.18)	1.5933 (4.48)	-1.2945 (-2.1)
Class membership probability			0.7137 (14.2)	0.2853 (4.04)	0.574 (6.9)	0.4264 (5.14)
BIC	1.8777	1.8651	1.8857		1.6650	
Log-likelihood	-393.44	-390.71	-380.01		-350.63	
Latent class with decomposition of class membership probability						
Attributes	Fixed parameters (M5)		Random parameters (M6)			
	Class 1	Class 2	Class 1	Class 2		
Total time (min)	0.0056 (0.69)	-0.00015 (-0.04)	-0.0069 (-1.96)	0.0015 (0.56)		
On time delivery (%)	-0.0062 (-0.21)	0.0279 (2.34)	-0.00056 ^{TP} (-0.040)	0.0276 ^{TP} (2.86)		
Total cost (\$)	-0.0474 (-3.30)	-0.0043 (-1.91)	-0.0157 (-3.14)	-0.0055 (-4.26)		
No variable charge dummy (1,0)	1.4220 (2.84)	-2.1567 (-1.34)	1.4109 (4.25)	-1.3472 (-2.95)		
Class membership probability	0.616	0.384	0.575	0.425		
Constant	1.1741 (3.30)	0	1.8200 (2.79)	0		
Freight rate (\$)	-0.00076 (-2.32)	0	-0.0016 (-2.54)	0		
BIC	1.7724		1.6498			
Log-likelihood	-372.85		-346.36			

Notes: Elasticities are not informative for this model given that the alternatives are unlabelled. BIC – Bayesian Information Criterion. There are 432 observations given. For mixed logit we used constrained *t*-distributions and 500 Halton draws. *t*-ratios are given within parentheses. ^{TP} Denotes random parameter.