
Multivariate Extreme Value models

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Logit

- Random utility:

$$U_{in} = V_{in} + \varepsilon_{in}$$

- ε_{in} is i.i.d. EV (Extreme Value) distributed
- ε_{in} is the **maximum** of many r.v. capturing unobservable attributes, measurement and specification errors.
- Key assumption: Independence

Relax the independence assumption

$$\begin{pmatrix} U_{1n} \\ \vdots \\ U_{Jn} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{1n} \\ \vdots \\ V_{Jn} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_{1n} \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_{Jn} \end{pmatrix}$$

that is

$$U_n = V_n + \varepsilon_n$$

and ε_n is a vector of random variables.

Assumption about the random term:
multivariate distribution

Relax the independence assumption

A multivariate random variable ε is represented by a density function

$$f(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_J)$$

and

$$P(\varepsilon \leq x) = \int_{-\infty}^{x_1} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{x_J} f(\varepsilon) d\varepsilon_J \dots d\varepsilon_1$$

where $x \in \mathbb{R}^J$ is a $J \times 1$ vector of constants.

Probit model

- Multivariate normal variable $N(\mu, \Sigma)$
- $\mu \in \mathbb{R}^J$
- $\Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{J \times J}$, definite positive
- Density function:

$$f(\varepsilon) = (2\pi)^{-\frac{J}{2}} |\Sigma|^{-\frac{1}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\varepsilon - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(\varepsilon - \mu)}$$

Probit model

Example: trinomial model

$$U_1 = V_1 + \varepsilon_1$$

$$U_2 = V_2 + \varepsilon_2$$

$$U_3 = V_3 + \varepsilon_3$$

and $\varepsilon \sim N(0, \Sigma)$. We have $P(2) = P(U_i - U_2 \leq 0 \quad i = 1, 2, 3)$

$$U_1 - U_2 = V_1 - V_2 + \varepsilon_1 - \varepsilon_2$$

$$U_3 - U_2 = V_3 - V_2 + \varepsilon_3 - \varepsilon_2$$

Probit model

Matrix notation with

$$\Delta_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Delta_2 U = \begin{pmatrix} U_1 - U_2 \\ U_3 - U_2 \end{pmatrix} \sim N(\Delta_2 V, \Delta_2 \Sigma \Delta_2^T)$$

Probit model

In general, we have

$$\Delta_i U \sim N(\Delta_i V, \Delta_i \Sigma \Delta_i^T)$$

and $P(i) =$

$$P(\Delta_i U \leq 0) = \int_{-\infty}^0 \cdots \int_{-\infty}^0 f(\Delta_i \varepsilon) d(\Delta_i \varepsilon)_1 \cdots d(\Delta_i \varepsilon)_{J-1}$$

with

$$f(\Delta_i \varepsilon) = (2\pi)^{-\frac{J}{2}} |\Delta_i \Sigma \Delta_i^T|^{-\frac{1}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\Delta_i \varepsilon - \Delta_i V)^T (\Delta_i \Sigma \Delta_i^T)^{-1} (\Delta_i \varepsilon - \Delta_i V)}$$

Probit model

- The integral of the density function has no closed form
- In high dimensions, numerical integration is computationally infeasible
- Therefore, the probit model with more than 5 alternatives is very difficult to use in practice

Relax the independence assumption

- If the CDF $F(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_J)$ of the distribution is known

$$f(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_J) = \frac{\partial^J F}{\partial \varepsilon_1 \cdots \partial \varepsilon_J}(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_J)$$

- The choice probability is

$$\begin{aligned} P(i) &= P(V_1 + \varepsilon_1 \leq V_i + \varepsilon_i, \dots, V_J + \varepsilon_J \leq V_i + \varepsilon_i) \\ &= P(\varepsilon_1 \leq V_i + \varepsilon_i - V_1, \dots, \varepsilon_J \leq V_i + \varepsilon_i - V_J) \\ &= \int_{\varepsilon_i = -\infty}^{\infty} F_i(V_i + \varepsilon_i - V_1, \dots, \varepsilon_i, \dots, V_i + \varepsilon_i - V_J) d\varepsilon_i \end{aligned}$$

where $F_i = \partial F / \partial \varepsilon_i$.

Relax the independence assumption

Operational solutions:

- Generalize the logit: **the Nested Logit model**
- Consider a multivariate distribution such that F is known: **the Multivariate Extreme Value model**

Nested logit model

- Alternatives within a nest share a random term
- Random utility of alt. i in nest C_m

$$U_i = V_i + \varepsilon_i = V_i + \varepsilon_m + \varepsilon_{im}$$

- Assume that ε_m are independent across m
- ε_{im} are i.i.d. EV with scale param. μ_m for each m

Nested logit model

Assume that the nest m is given.

$$\begin{aligned}P(i|m) &= P(U_i \geq U_j, j \in C_m) \\&= P(V_i + \varepsilon_m + \varepsilon_{im} \geq V_j + \varepsilon_m + \varepsilon_{jm}, j \in C_m) \\&= P(V_i + \varepsilon_{im} \geq V_j + \varepsilon_{jm}, j \in C_m)\end{aligned}$$

Then we have a logit model:

$$P(i|m) = \frac{e^{\mu_m V_i}}{\sum_{j \in C_m} e^{\mu_m V_j}}$$

Nested logit model

What is the probability of choosing nest C_m ?

$$P(m) = P(\max_{i \in C_m} U_i \geq \max_{j \in C_k} U_j, \forall k \neq m) =$$

$$P(\varepsilon_m + \max_{i \in C_m} (V_i + \varepsilon_{im}) \geq \varepsilon_k + \max_{j \in C_k} (V_j + \varepsilon_{jk}), \forall k \neq m)$$

Note that $V_i + \varepsilon_{im}$ is $\text{EV}(V_i, \mu_m)$. Therefore

$$\max_{i \in C_m} (V_i + \varepsilon_{im}) \sim \text{EV}(\tilde{V}_m, \mu_m)$$

where

$$\tilde{V}_m = \frac{1}{\mu_m} \ln \sum_{i \in C_m} e^{\mu_m V_i}$$

See prop. 7, page 105, chap. 5

Nested logit model

We write the random variable

$$\max_{i \in C_m} (V_i + \varepsilon_{im}) = \tilde{V}_m + \varepsilon'_m$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} P(m) &= P(\varepsilon_m + \tilde{V}_m + \varepsilon'_m \geq \varepsilon_k + \tilde{V}_k + \varepsilon'_k, \forall k \neq m) \\ &= P(\tilde{V}_m + \tilde{\varepsilon}_m \geq \tilde{V}_k + \tilde{\varepsilon}_k, \forall k \neq m) \end{aligned}$$

Looks familiar, doesn't it?

Nested logit model

$$P(m) = P(\tilde{V}_m + \tilde{\varepsilon}_m \geq \tilde{V}_k + \tilde{\varepsilon}_k, \forall k \neq m)$$

Assume that $\tilde{\varepsilon}_m \sim \text{EV}(0, \mu)$. Then

$$P(m) = \frac{e^{\mu \tilde{V}_m}}{\sum_k e^{\mu \tilde{V}_k}}$$

Nested logit model

Putting everything together:

$$P(i) = P(i|m)P(m) = \frac{e^{\mu_m V_i}}{\sum_{j \in C_m} e^{\mu_m V_j}} \frac{e^{\mu \tilde{V}_m}}{\sum_k e^{\mu \tilde{V}_k}}$$

with

$$\tilde{V}_m = \frac{1}{\mu_m} \ln \sum_{i \in C_m} e^{\mu_m V_{im}}$$

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Nested logit model

Advantages

- Nest partitioning is an intuitive concept
- Direct extension of logit
- Closed form of the model

Drawbacks

- Limited correlation structure
- What is the actual density function $f(\varepsilon)$?

MEV models

Family of models proposed by McFadden (1978) (called GEV)

Idea: a model is generated by a function

$$G : \mathbb{R}_+^J \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$$

From G , we can build

- The cumulative distribution function (CDF)
- The probability model
- The expected maximum utility

MEV models

1. G is **homogeneous** of degree $\mu > 0$, that is

$$G(\alpha y) = \alpha^\mu G(y)$$

2. $\lim_{y_i \rightarrow +\infty} G(y_1, \dots, y_i, \dots, y_J) = +\infty$, for each $i = 1, \dots, J$,
3. the k th partial derivative with respect to k distinct y_i is **non negative if k is odd** and **non positive if k is even**, i.e., for all (distinct) indices $i_1, \dots, i_k \in \{1, \dots, J\}$, we have

$$(-1)^k \frac{\partial^k G}{\partial y_{i_1} \dots \partial y_{i_k}}(y) \leq 0, \quad \forall y \in \mathbb{R}_+^J.$$

MEV models

- CDF: $F(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_J) = e^{-G(e^{-\varepsilon_1}, \dots, e^{-\varepsilon_J})}$
- Probability: $P(i|C) = \frac{e^{V_i + \ln G_i(e^{V_1}, \dots, e^{V_J})}}{\sum_{j \in C} e^{V_j + \ln G_j(e^{V_1}, \dots, e^{V_J})}}$ with $G_i = \frac{\partial G}{\partial y_i}$. **This is a closed form**
- Expected maximum utility: $V_C = \frac{\ln G(\dots) + \gamma}{\mu}$ where γ is Euler's constant.
- Note: $P(i|C) = \frac{\partial V_C}{\partial V_i}$.

MEV models

Euler's constant

$$\gamma = - \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-x} \ln x dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} - \ln n \right)$$

Proofs

We show first that

$$F(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_J) = e^{-G(e^{-\varepsilon_1}, \dots, e^{-\varepsilon_J})}$$

defines a multivariate CDF.

- F goes to zero when one ε goes to $-\infty$

$$\begin{aligned} F(\varepsilon_1, \dots, -\infty, \dots, \varepsilon_J) &= e^{-G(e^{-\varepsilon_1}, \dots, e^{+\infty}, \dots, e^{-\varepsilon_J})} \\ &= e^{-G(e^{-\varepsilon_1}, \dots, +\infty, \dots, e^{-\varepsilon_J})} \\ &= e^{-\infty} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Proofs

$$F(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_J) = e^{-G(e^{-\varepsilon_1}, \dots, e^{-\varepsilon_J})}$$

- F goes to one when all ε go to $+\infty$

$$\begin{aligned} F(+\infty, \dots, +\infty) &= e^{-G(e^{-\infty}, \dots, e^{-\infty})} \\ &= e^{-G(0, \dots, 0)} \\ &= e^0 \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Proofs

$$F(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_J) = e^{-G(e^{-\varepsilon_1}, \dots, e^{-\varepsilon_J})}$$

- The function

$$f(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_J) = \frac{\partial^J F}{\partial \varepsilon_1 \cdots \varepsilon_J}(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_J) \geq 0$$

so that it defines a PDF.

Proofs

Define recursively

$$Q_1 = G_1 = \partial G / \partial y_1 \geq 0$$

$$Q_k = Q_{k-1} G_k - \partial Q_{k-1} / \partial y_k$$

We show recursively that all (signed) terms of Q_k are ≥ 0

Assume it true for Q_{k-1}

$$Q_{k-1} = \underbrace{Q_{k-2} G_{k-1}}_{\geq 0} - \underbrace{\partial Q_{k-2} / \partial y_{k-1}}_{\geq 0}$$

As $G_k = \partial G / \partial y_k \geq 0$, we have

$$Q_{k-1} G_k \geq 0$$

Proofs

$$Q_{k-1} = \underbrace{Q_{k-2}G_{k-1}}_{\geq 0} - \underbrace{\partial Q_{k-2}/\partial y_{k-1}}_{\geq 0}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\partial Q_{k-1}/\partial y_k &= \partial Q_{k-2}/\partial y_k G_{k-1} \\ &+ Q_{k-2} \partial G_{k-1}/\partial y_k \\ &- \partial^2 Q_{k-2}/\partial y_{k-1} \partial y_k\end{aligned}$$

By assumption, each increase of the order of derivatives imposes a change of sign, so that

$$\partial Q_{k-1}/\partial y_k \leq 0$$

Therefore

$$Q_k = \underbrace{Q_{k-1}G_{k-1}}_{\geq 0} - \underbrace{\partial Q_{k-1}/\partial y_k}_{\geq 0}$$

Proofs

$$F(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_J) = e^{-G(e^{-\varepsilon_1}, \dots, e^{-\varepsilon_J})}$$

We show recursively that

$$\frac{\partial^J F}{\partial \varepsilon_1 \cdots \varepsilon_J} = e^{-\varepsilon_1} \cdots e^{-\varepsilon_J} Q_J F \geq 0$$

By direct derivation, we have

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial \varepsilon_1} = e^{-\varepsilon_1} G_1 F = e^{-\varepsilon_1} Q_1 F$$

Proofs

For $1 < k \leq J$, assume that

$$\frac{\partial^{k-1} F}{\partial \varepsilon_1 \cdots \varepsilon_{k-1}} = e^{-\varepsilon_1} \cdots e^{-\varepsilon_{k-1}} Q_{k-1} F \geq 0$$

Define $y_i = e^{-\varepsilon_i}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^k F}{\partial \varepsilon_1 \cdots \varepsilon_k} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial y_k} (e^{-\varepsilon_1} \cdots e^{-\varepsilon_{k-1}} Q_{k-1} F) \frac{\partial y_k}{\partial \varepsilon_k} \\ &= e^{-\varepsilon_1} \cdots e^{-\varepsilon_{k-1}} \left(\frac{\partial Q_{k-1}}{\partial y_k} F + Q_{k-1} \frac{\partial F}{\partial G} \frac{\partial G}{\partial y_k} \right) (-e^{-\varepsilon_k}) \end{aligned}$$

Proofs

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial^k F}{\partial \varepsilon_1 \cdots \varepsilon_k} &= e^{-\varepsilon_1} \cdots e^{-\varepsilon_{k-1}} \left(\frac{\partial Q_{k-1}}{\partial y_k} F + Q_{k-1} \frac{\partial F}{\partial G} \frac{\partial G}{\partial y_k} \right) (-e^{-\varepsilon_k}) \\ &= e^{-\varepsilon_1} \cdots e^{-\varepsilon_{k-1}} \left(\frac{\partial Q_{k-1}}{\partial y_k} F + Q_{k-1} (-F) G_k \right) (-e^{-\varepsilon_k}) \\ &= e^{-\varepsilon_1} \cdots e^{-\varepsilon_{k-1}} e^{-\varepsilon_k} \left(Q_{k-1} G_k F - \frac{\partial Q_{k-1}}{\partial y_k} F \right) \\ &= e^{-\varepsilon_1} \cdots e^{-\varepsilon_{k-1}} e^{-\varepsilon_k} Q_k F \\ &\geq 0\end{aligned}$$

Proofs

Marginal distributions for i

$$F(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_J) = e^{-G(e^{-\varepsilon_1}, \dots, e^{-\varepsilon_J})}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon_j \rightarrow +\infty, \forall j \neq i \quad F &= e^{-G(0, \dots, e^{-\varepsilon_i}, \dots, 0)} \\ &= e^{-e^{-\mu\varepsilon_i} G(0, \dots, 1, \dots, 0)} \\ &= e^{-\alpha e^{-\mu\varepsilon_i}} \\ &= e^{-e^{-\mu\varepsilon_i + \ln \alpha}} \end{aligned}$$

This is an extreme value distribution

F is a multivariate extreme value distribution

Proofs

$$F(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_J) = e^{-G(e^{-\varepsilon_1}, \dots, e^{-\varepsilon_J})}$$

$$F_i = e^{-\varepsilon_i} G_i F$$

Probability of the first alternative

$$\begin{aligned} P(1) &= \int_{\varepsilon_1=-\infty}^{+\infty} F_1(\varepsilon_1, V_1 - V_2 + \varepsilon_1, \dots, V_1 - V_J + \varepsilon_1) d\varepsilon_1 \\ &= \int_{\varepsilon_1=-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-\varepsilon_1} \\ &\quad G_1(e^{-\varepsilon_1}, e^{-V_1+V_2-\varepsilon_1}, \dots, e^{-V_1+V_J-\varepsilon_1}) \\ &\quad e^{-G(e^{-\varepsilon_1}, e^{-V_1+V_2-\varepsilon_1}, \dots, e^{-V_1+V_J-\varepsilon_1})} \\ &\quad d\varepsilon_1 \end{aligned}$$

Proofs

- G is homogeneous of degree μ ($\alpha = e^{-V_1 - \varepsilon_1}$)

$$\begin{aligned} & G(e^{-\varepsilon_1}, e^{-V_1 + V_2 - \varepsilon_1}, \dots, e^{-V_1 + V_J - \varepsilon_1}) \\ = & e^{-\mu(V_1 + \varepsilon_1)} G(e^{V_1}, e^{V_2}, \dots, e^{V_J}) \\ = & e^{-\mu(V_1 + \varepsilon_1)} G \end{aligned}$$

- G_1 is homogeneous of degree $\mu - 1$

$$\begin{aligned} & G_1(e^{-\varepsilon_1}, e^{-V_1 + V_2 - \varepsilon_1}, \dots, e^{-V_1 + V_J - \varepsilon_1}) \\ = & e^{-\mu(V_1 + \varepsilon_1)} e^{V_1 + \varepsilon_1} G_1(e^{V_1}, e^{V_2}, \dots, e^{V_J}) \\ = & e^{-\mu(V_1 + \varepsilon_1)} e^{V_1 + \varepsilon_1} G_1 \end{aligned}$$

Proofs

$$P(1) = \int_{\varepsilon_1 = -\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-\varepsilon_1} e^{-\mu(V_1 + \varepsilon_1)} e^{V_1 + \varepsilon_1} G_1 e^{-G e^{-\mu(V_1 + \varepsilon_1)}} d\varepsilon_1$$

$$= e^{V_1} G_1 \int_{\varepsilon_1 = -\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-\mu(V_1 + \varepsilon_1)} e^{-G e^{-\mu(V_1 + \varepsilon_1)}} d\varepsilon_1$$

$$t = -e^{-\mu V_1 - \mu \varepsilon_1} \quad dt = \mu e^{-\mu V_1 - \mu \varepsilon_1} d\varepsilon_1$$

$$= e^{V_1} G_1 \frac{1}{\mu} \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{tG} dt = \frac{e^{V_1} G_1}{\mu G}$$

Proofs

$$P(i) = \frac{e^{V_i} G_i(e^{V_1}, e^{V_2}, \dots, e^{V_J})}{\mu G(e^{V_1}, e^{V_2}, \dots, e^{V_J})}$$

Euler's theorem: $\mu G(y_1, \dots, y_J) = \sum_{j=1}^J y_j G_j$

$$P(i) = \frac{e^{V_i + \ln G_i(e^{V_1}, e^{V_2}, \dots, e^{V_J})}}{\sum_j e^{V_j + \ln G_j(e^{V_1}, e^{V_2}, \dots, e^{V_J})}}$$

Proofs

Expected maximum utility V_C

- Notation:

$$\langle x_j \rangle_j = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_J \end{pmatrix}$$

- For each realization of ε , there is one i which corresponds to the maximum utility
- If i is the maximum utility, the EMU is

$$\bar{V}_i = \int_{\varepsilon_i = -\infty}^{\infty} (V_i + \varepsilon_i) F_i(\langle V_i + \varepsilon_i - V_j \rangle_j) d\varepsilon_i$$

Proofs

- Note $a = G(\langle e^{V_j} \rangle_j)$
- We have $F_i = e^{-\varepsilon_i} G_i F$

$$\begin{aligned} F_i(\langle V_i + \varepsilon_i - V_j \rangle_j) &= \\ e^{-\varepsilon_i} G_i(\langle e^{-V_i - \varepsilon_i + V_j} \rangle_j) e^{(-G(\langle e^{-V_i - \varepsilon_i + V_j} \rangle_j))} &= \\ e^{-\varepsilon_i} e^{-(\mu-1)(V_i + \varepsilon_i)} G_i(\langle e^{V_j} \rangle_j) e^{(-e^{-\mu(V_i + \varepsilon_i)} G(\langle e^{V_j} \rangle_j))} &= \\ e^{-\mu(V_i + \varepsilon_i)} e^{V_i} G_i(\langle e^{V_j} \rangle_j) e^{-ae^{-\mu(V_i + \varepsilon_i)}} \end{aligned}$$

Proofs

$$\bar{V}_i = \int_{\varepsilon_i = -\infty}^{\infty} (V_i + \varepsilon_i) F_i (\langle V_i + \varepsilon_i - V_j \rangle_j) d\varepsilon_i =$$
$$\int_{\varepsilon_i = -\infty}^{\infty} (V_i + \varepsilon_i) e^{-\mu(V_i + \varepsilon_i)} e^{V_i} G_i (\langle e^{V_j} \rangle_j) e^{-ae^{-\mu(V_i + \varepsilon_i)}} d\varepsilon_i$$

$$w = V_i + \varepsilon_i$$

$$\bar{V}_i = \int_{w = -\infty}^{\infty} w e^{-\mu w} e^{V_i} G_i (\langle e^{V_j} \rangle_j) e^{-ae^{-\mu w}} dw$$

$$V_C = \sum_{i=1}^J \bar{V}_i$$

Proofs

$$V_C = \sum_{i=1}^J \int_{w=-\infty}^{\infty} w e^{-\mu w} e^{V_i} G_i (\langle e^{V_j} \rangle_j) e^{-a e^{-\mu w}} dw =$$

$$\int_{w=-\infty}^{\infty} w e^{-\mu w} \sum_{i=1}^J (e^{V_i} G_i (\langle e^{V_j} \rangle_j)) e^{-a e^{-\mu w}} dw$$

Euler's theorem: $\sum e^{V_i} G_i = \mu G = \mu a$

$$V_C = \int_{w=-\infty}^{\infty} w e^{-\mu w} \mu a e^{-a e^{-\mu w}} dw$$

Proofs

$$V_C = \int_{w=-\infty}^{\infty} w e^{-\mu w} \mu a e^{-a e^{-\mu w}} dw$$

$$t = a e^{-\mu w} \quad dt = -\mu a e^{-\mu w} dw \quad w = \frac{1}{\mu} (\ln a - \ln t)$$

$$V_C = -\frac{1}{\mu} \int_{t=+\infty}^0 (\ln a - \ln t) e^{-t} dt =$$

$$-\frac{1}{\mu} \int_{t=0}^{+\infty} \ln t e^{-t} dt + \frac{1}{\mu} \ln a \int_{t=0}^{+\infty} e^{-t} dt$$

$$V_C = \frac{\gamma + \ln a}{\mu} = \frac{\gamma + \ln G(\langle e^{V_j} \rangle_j)}{\mu}$$

MEV vs GEV

- McFadden introduces the General Extreme Value model (GEV)
- In statistics, a Generalized Extreme Value distribution (Jenkinson, 1955) is a univariate distribution with CDF

$$F_X(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-(1+\xi((x-\mu)/\sigma))^{-1/\xi}} & -\infty < x \leq \mu - \sigma/\xi & \text{for } \xi < 0 \\ \mu - \sigma/\xi \leq x < \infty & \text{for } \xi > 0 \\ e^{-e^{-(x-\mu)/\sigma}} & -\infty < x < \infty & \text{for } \xi = 0 \end{cases}$$

- $\xi = 0$ Type 1 EV distribution
- $\xi > 0$ Type 2 EV distribution
- $\xi < 0$ Type 3 EV distribution

MEV models

Example: $G(y) = \sum_{i=1}^J y_i^\mu$

$$1. \quad G(\alpha y) = \sum_{i=1}^J (\alpha y_i)^\mu = \alpha^\mu \sum_{i=1}^J y_i^\mu = \alpha^\mu G(y)$$

$$2. \quad \lim_{y_i \rightarrow +\infty} G(y) = +\infty, \quad i = 1, \dots, J$$

$$3. \quad \frac{\partial G}{\partial y_i} = \mu y_i^{\mu-1} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial y_i \partial y_j} = 0$$

G complies with the theory

MEV models

Example: $G(y) = \sum_{i=1}^J y_i^\mu$

$$\begin{aligned} F(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_J) &= e^{-G(e^{-\varepsilon_1}, \dots, e^{-\varepsilon_J})} \\ &= e^{-\sum_{i=1}^J e^{-\mu\varepsilon_i}} \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^J e^{-e^{-\mu\varepsilon_i}} \end{aligned}$$

Product of i.i.d EV

Logit Model

MEV models

Example: $G(e^{V_1}, \dots, e^{V_J}) = \sum_{i=1}^J e^{\mu V_i}$

$$P(i) = \frac{e^{V_i + \ln G_i(e^{V_1}, \dots, e^{V_J})}}{\sum_{j \in C} e^{V_j + \ln G_j(e^{V_1}, \dots, e^{V_J})}} \quad \text{with } G_i(x) = \mu x_i^{\mu-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} e^{V_i + \ln G_i(e^{V_1}, \dots, e^{V_J})} &= e^{V_i + \ln \mu + (\mu-1) \ln e^{V_i}} \\ &= e^{\ln \mu + \mu V_i} \end{aligned}$$

$$P(i) = \frac{e^{\ln \mu + \mu V_i}}{\sum_{j \in C} e^{\ln \mu + \mu V_j}} = \frac{e^{\mu V_i}}{\sum_{j \in C} e^{\mu V_j}}$$

MEV models

Example: $G(e^{V_1}, \dots, e^{V_J}) = \sum_{i=1}^J e^{\mu V_i}$

$$V_C = \frac{1}{\mu} (\ln G(e^{V_1}, \dots, e^{V_J}) + \gamma)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\mu} \ln \sum_{i=1}^J e^{\mu V_i} + \frac{\gamma}{\mu}$$

Remember the NL formulation?

MEV models

Example: **Nested logit**

$$G(y) = \sum_{m=1}^M \left(\sum_{i=1}^{J_m} y_i^{\mu_m} \right)^{\frac{\mu}{\mu_m}}$$

$$1. \quad G(\alpha y) = \sum_{m=1}^M \left(\sum_{i=1}^{J_m} (\alpha y_i)^{\mu_m} \right)^{\frac{\mu}{\mu_m}} = \alpha^\mu \sum_{m=1}^M \left(\sum_{i=1}^{J_m} y_i^{\mu_m} \right)^{\frac{\mu}{\mu_m}}$$

$$2. \quad \lim_{y_i \rightarrow +\infty} G(y) = +\infty, i = 1, \dots, J$$

MEV models

Example: $G(y) = \sum_{m=1}^M \left(\sum_{i=1}^{J_m} y_i^{\mu_m} \right)^{\frac{\mu}{\mu_m}}$

3.

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial y_i} = \frac{\mu}{\mu_m} \mu_m y_i^{\mu_m - 1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{J_m} y_i^{\mu_m} \right)^{\frac{\mu}{\mu_m} - 1} \geq 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial y_i \partial y_j} = \mu \mu_m y_i^{\mu_m - 1} y_j^{\mu_m - 1} \left(\frac{\mu}{\mu_m} - 1 \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^{J_m} y_i^{\mu_m} \right)^{\frac{\mu}{\mu_m} - 2} \leq 0$$

MEV models

- The logit model is a MEV model
- The nested logit model is also a MEV model

$$G(y) = \sum_{m=1}^M \left(\sum_{i=1}^{J_m} y_i^{\mu_m} \right)^{\frac{\mu}{\mu_m}}$$

- If $\frac{\mu}{\mu_m} \leq 1$, then G complies with the theory
- Are there other such models?

Cross-Nested logit model

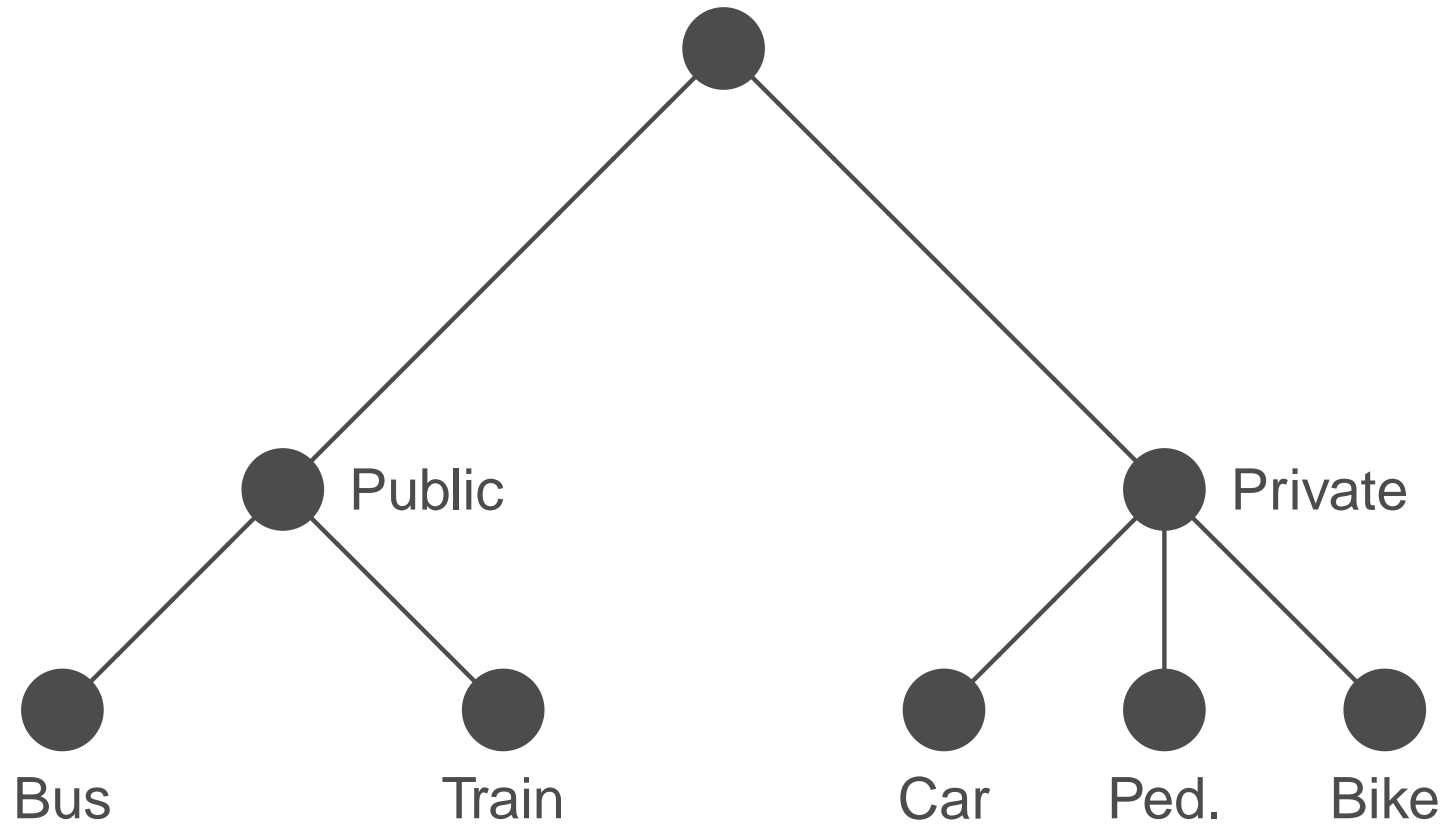
- MEV model with

$$G(y_1, \dots, y_J) = \sum_{m=1}^M \left(\sum_j (\alpha_{jm}^{1/\mu} y_j)^{\mu_m} \right)^{\frac{\mu}{\mu_m}},$$

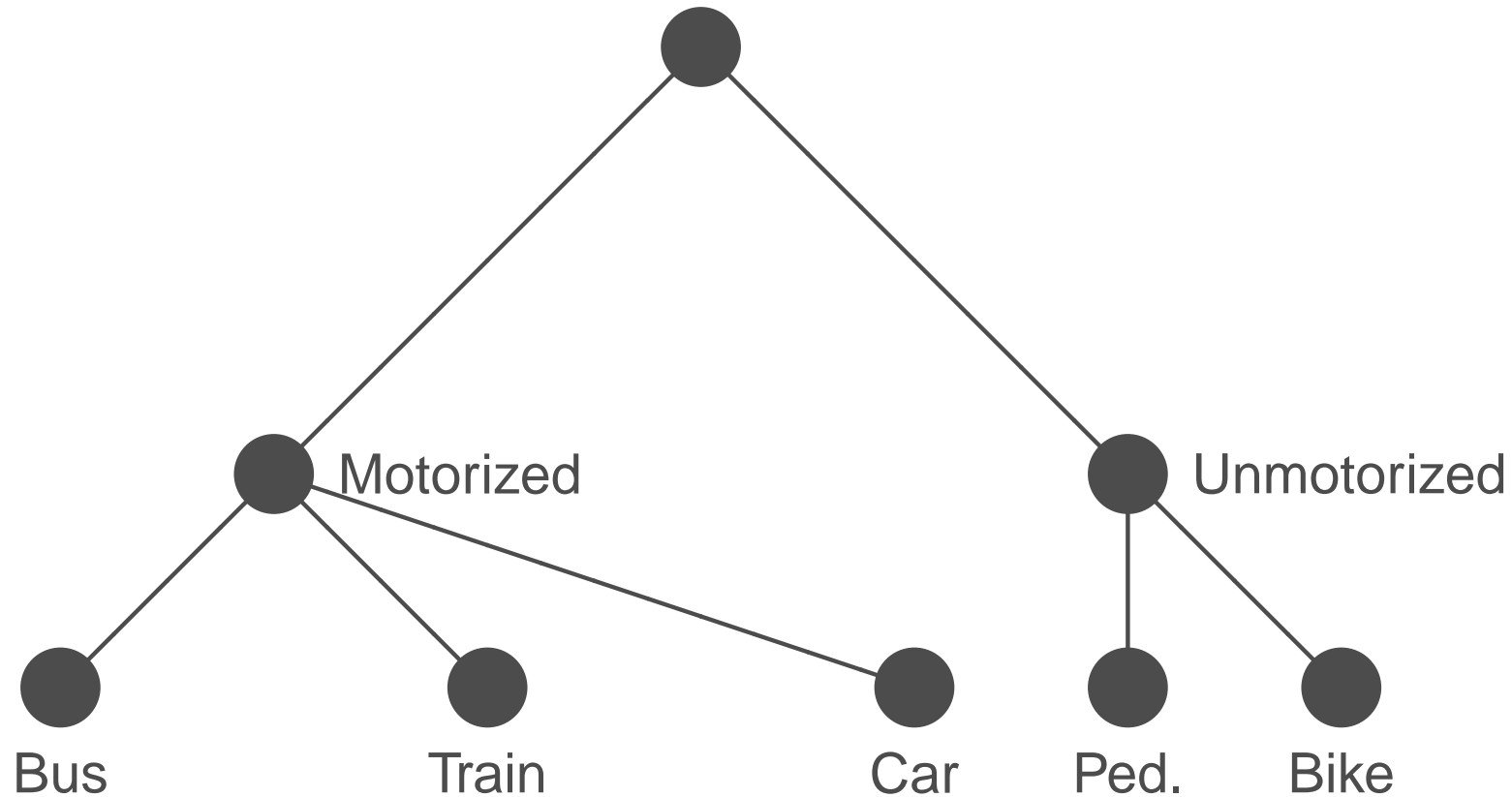
with $\frac{\mu}{\mu_m} \leq 1$, $\alpha_{jm} \geq 0$, and $\forall j, \exists m$ s.t. $\alpha_{jm} > 0$

- Generalization of the nested-logit model

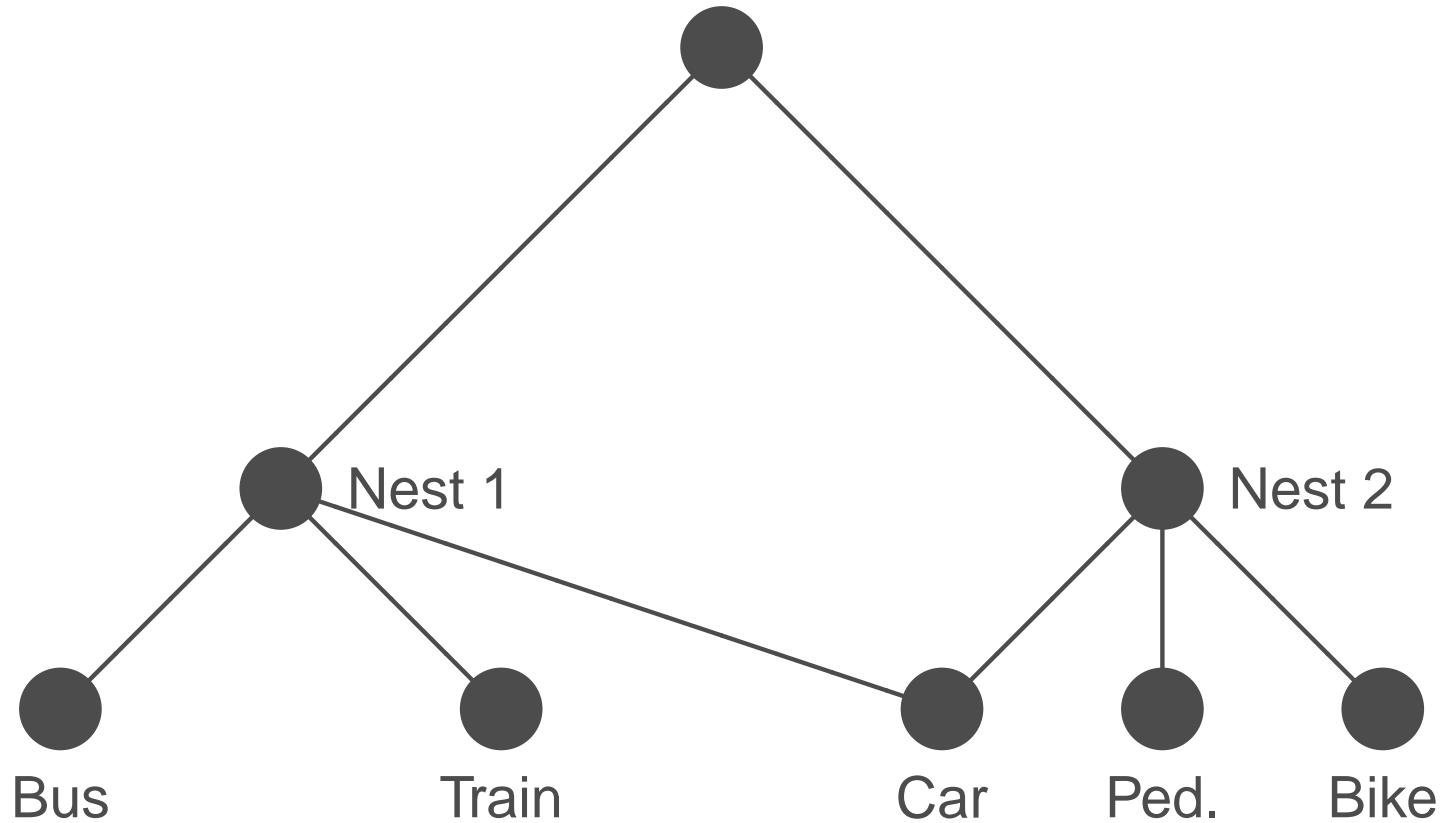
Nested Logit Model



Nested Logit Model



Cross-Nested Logit Model



Cross-Nested Logit Model

$$P(i|\mathcal{C}) = \sum_{m=1}^M \frac{\left(\sum_{j \in \mathcal{C}} \alpha_{jm}^{\mu_m/\mu} e^{\mu_m V_j} \right)^{\frac{\mu}{\mu_m}}}{\sum_{n=1}^M \left(\sum_{j \in \mathcal{C}} \alpha_{jn}^{\mu_n/\mu} e^{\mu_n V_j} \right)^{\frac{\mu}{\mu_n}}} \frac{\alpha_{im}^{\mu_m/\mu} e^{\mu_m V_i}}{\sum_{j \in \mathcal{C}} \alpha_{jm}^{\mu_m/\mu} e^{\mu_m V_j}}.$$

which can nicely be interpreted as

$$P(i|\mathcal{C}) = \sum_m P(m|\mathcal{C})P(i|m).$$

MEV models

- Provide a great deal of flexibility
- Require significant imagination
- Require heavy proofs

Network MEV

Bierlaire (2002), Daly & Bierlaire (2006)

Motivations:

- Extension of the tree representation for Nested Logit
- Investigate new MEV models
- Provide the proof once for all

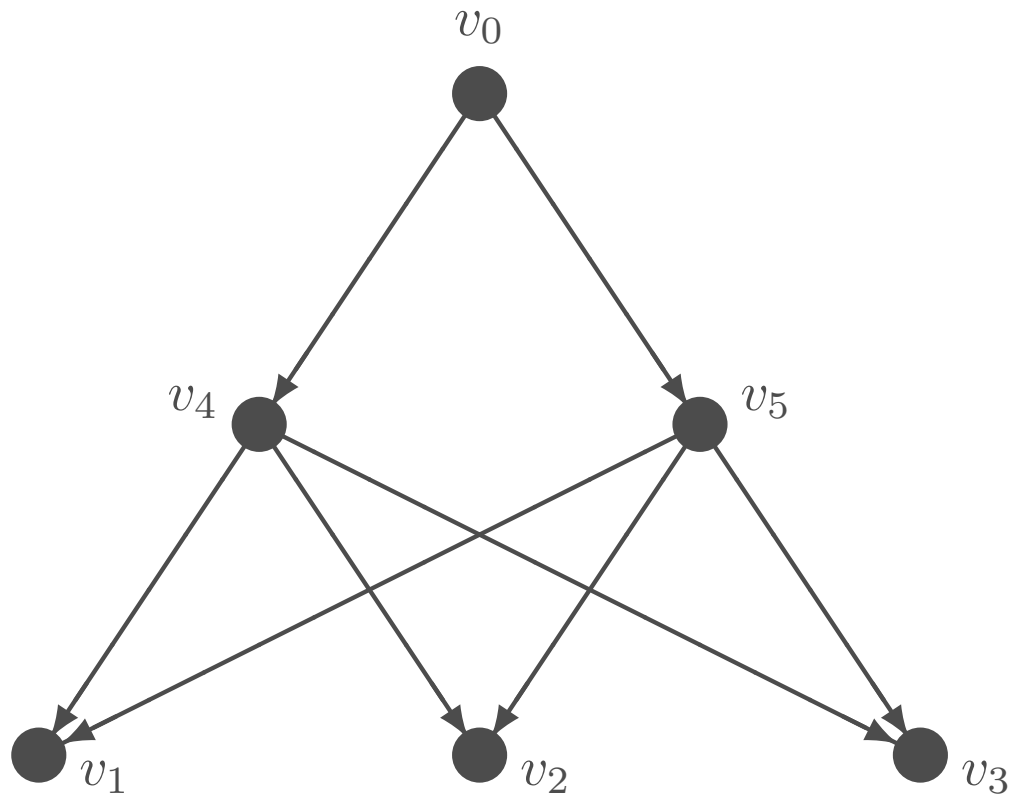
Network MEV

Let (V, E) be a network with link parameters $\alpha_{(i,j)} \geq 0$

Assumptions:

1. No circuit.
2. One node without predecessor: *root*.
3. J nodes without successor: *alternatives*.
4. For each node v_i , there exists at least one path from the root to v_i such that $\prod_{k=1}^P \alpha_{(i_{k-1}, i_k)} > 0$.

Network MEV



Network MEV

For each node v_i , we define

- ▶ a set of indices $I_i \subseteq \{1, \dots, J\}$ of J_i relevant alternatives,
- ▶ a homogeneous function $G^i : \mathbb{R}^{J_i} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, and
- ▶ a parameter μ_i .

Recursive definition of I_i :

- $I_i = \{i\}$ for alternatives,
- $I_i = \bigcup_{j \in \text{succ}(i)} I_j$ for all other nodes.

Network MEV

Recursive definition of G^i :

For alternatives:

$$G^i : \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R} : G^i(y_i) = y_i^{\mu_i} \quad i = 1, \dots, J$$

For all others:

$$G^i : \mathbb{R}^{J_i} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R} : G^i(y) = \sum_{j \in \text{SUCC}(i)} \alpha_{(i,j)} G^j(y)^{\frac{\mu_i}{\mu_j}}$$

Theorem

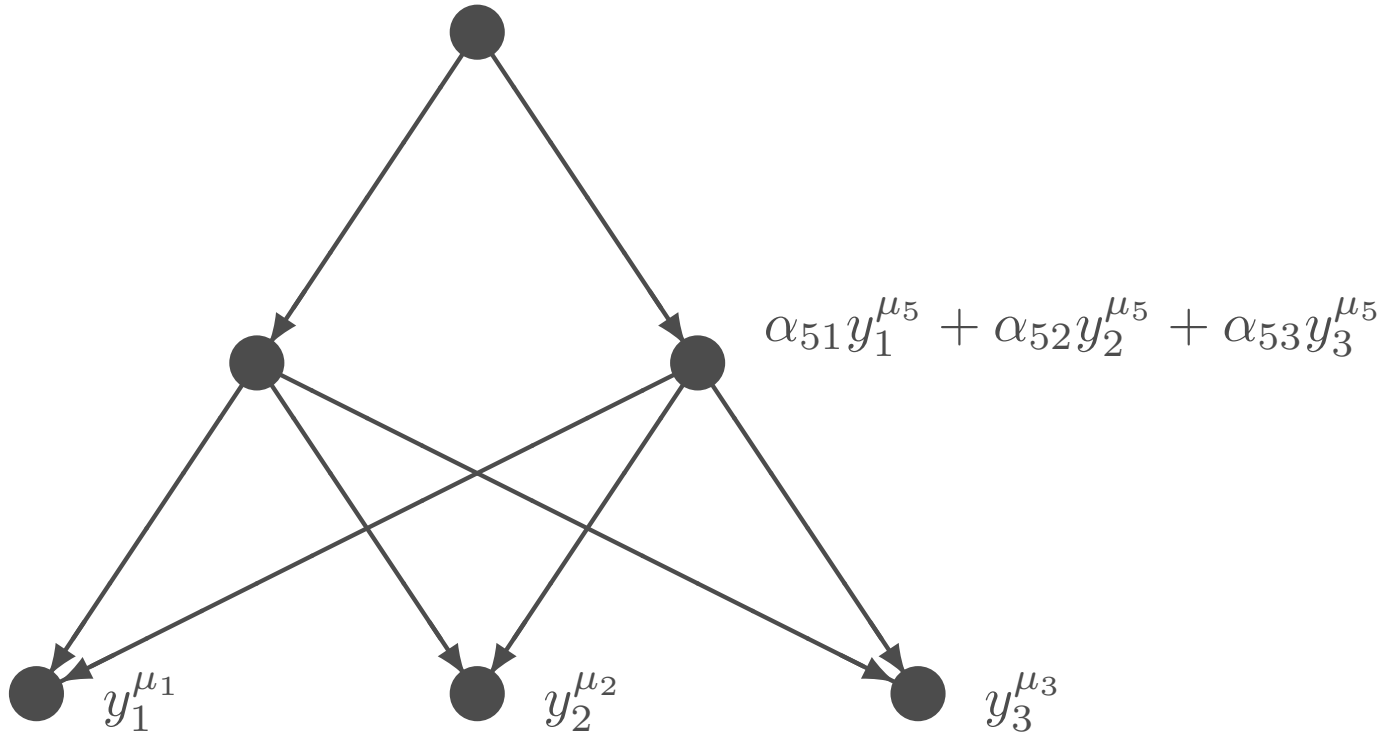
If all $G^j(y)$ are MEV generating functions, so is G^i

Network MEV

Example: **Cross-Nested Logit**

$$\sum_{i=4,5} \alpha_{0i} (\alpha_{i1} y_1^{\mu_i} + \alpha_{i2} y_2^{\mu_i} + \alpha_{i3} y_3^{\mu_i})^{\frac{\mu_0}{\mu_i}}$$

$$G = \sum_m \left(\sum_{j \in C} \alpha_{jm} y_j^{\mu_m} \right)^{\frac{\mu}{\mu_m}}$$



Network MEV

Similar idea: Daly (2001) *Recursive Nested EV Model*

Advantages :

- ▶ Easy to design
- ▶ No more proof necessary

Summary

- Need to relax the independence assumption
- Probit
- Nested logit
- MEV family
- CNL