

to be uncorrelated with  $y_i^*$  and  $u_i^*$ . Therefore, we run the regression

$$c_i = \beta_1 + \beta_2 y_i + u_i.$$

Under the plausible assumption that the true value  $\beta_{20}$  is positive, show that  $y_i$  is negatively correlated with  $u_i$ . Using this result, evaluate the plim of the OLS estimator  $\hat{\beta}_2$ , and show that this plim is less than  $\beta_{20}$ .

- 8.2** Consider the simple IV estimator (8.12), computed first with an  $n \times k$  matrix  $\mathbf{W}$  of instrumental variables, and then with another  $n \times k$  matrix  $\mathbf{WJ}$ , where  $\mathbf{J}$  is a  $k \times k$  nonsingular matrix. Show that the two estimators coincide. Why does this fact show that (8.12) depends on  $\mathbf{W}$  only through the orthogonal projection matrix  $\mathbf{P_W}$ ?
- 8.3** Show that, if the matrix of instrumental variables  $\mathbf{W}$  is  $n \times k$ , with the same dimensions as the matrix  $\mathbf{X}$  of explanatory variables, then the generalized IV estimator (8.29) is identical to the simple IV estimator (8.12).
- 8.4** Show that minimizing the criterion function (8.30) with respect to  $\beta$  yields the generalized IV estimator (8.29).
- \*8.5** Under the usual assumptions of this chapter, including (8.16), show that the plim of

$$\frac{1}{n} Q(\beta_0, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{n} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\beta_0)^\top \mathbf{P_W} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\beta_0)$$

is zero if  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\beta_0 + \mathbf{u}$ . Under the same assumptions, along with the asymptotic identification condition that  $\mathbf{S_{X^\top W}}(\mathbf{S_{W^\top W}})^{-1}\mathbf{S_{W^\top X}}$  has full rank, show further that  $\text{plim } n^{-1}Q(\beta, \mathbf{y})$  is strictly positive for  $\beta \neq \beta_0$ .

- 8.6** Under assumption (8.16) and the asymptotic identification condition that  $\mathbf{S_{X^\top W}}(\mathbf{S_{W^\top W}})^{-1}\mathbf{S_{W^\top X}}$  has full rank, show that the GIV estimator  $\hat{\beta}_{\text{IV}}$  is consistent by explicitly computing the probability limit of the estimator for a DGP such that  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\beta_0 + \mathbf{u}$ .
- 8.7** Suppose that you can apply a central limit theorem to the vector  $n^{-1/2}\mathbf{W}^\top \mathbf{u}$ , with the result that it is asymptotically multivariate normal, with mean  $\mathbf{0}$  and covariance matrix (8.33). Use equation (8.32) to demonstrate explicitly that, if  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\beta_0 + \mathbf{u}$ , then  $n^{1/2}(\hat{\beta}_{\text{IV}} - \beta_0)$  is asymptotically normal with mean  $\mathbf{0}$  and covariance matrix (8.17).
- 8.8** Suppose that  $\mathbf{W}_1$  and  $\mathbf{W}_2$  are, respectively,  $n \times l_1$  and  $n \times l_2$  matrices of instruments, and that  $\mathbf{W}_2$  consists of  $\mathbf{W}_1$  plus  $l_2 - l_1$  additional columns. Prove that the generalized IV estimator using  $\mathbf{W}_2$  is asymptotically more efficient than the generalized IV estimator using  $\mathbf{W}_1$ . To do this, you need to show that the matrix  $(\mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{P_{W_1}} \mathbf{X})^{-1} - (\mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{P_{W_2}} \mathbf{X})^{-1}$  is positive semidefinite. **Hint:** see Exercise 3.8.
- 8.9** Show that the simple IV estimator defined in (8.41) is unbiased when the data are generated by (8.40) with  $\sigma_v = 0$ . Interpret this result.
- 8.10** Use the DGP (8.40) to generate at least 1000 sets of simulated data for  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  with sample size  $n = 10$ , using normally distributed error terms and parameter values  $\sigma_u = \sigma_v = 1$ ,  $\pi_0 = 1$ ,  $\beta_0 = 0$ , and  $\rho = 0.5$ . For the exogenous instrument  $\mathbf{w}$ , use independent drawings from the standard normal distribution, and then rescale  $\mathbf{w}$  so that  $\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{w}$  is equal to  $n$ , rather than 1 as in Section 8.4.