

\$TITLE: M4-3a.GMS: modeling health insurance

* with moral hazzard, adverse selection modeled as a NLP

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MODELING DEMAND FOR HEALTH INSURANCE

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                                     |---Sick
      |---Do not buy Insurance--choose effort --|
      |                                           |---Healthy
Income---|
+ Type   |                                           |---Sick
      |--- Buy Insurance      --choose effort---|
                                     |---Healthy

```

\$OFFTEXT

PARAMETERS

TYPE risk type: probability of good health at effort = 0
RISKAV average riskiness at effort = 0
M0 income in the first time period
MH income in the second time period when healthy
MS income in the second time period when sick (before insurance)
ACUF acutuarily fairness 1 = actuarily fair ACUF < 1 unfair
BETA needed to make the consumption concave(diminishing returns)
INS0, PNS0, ALPHA0, EFFORT0, PROFIT0 store results for single type
INS1, PNS1, ALPHA1, EFFORT1, PROFIT1 store results for type 1 (safe)
INS2, PNS2, ALPHA2, EFFORT2, PROFIT2 store results for type 2 (risky)

PROFIT profit of the insurance firm selling to both types;

ACUF=1.0;

BETA = 0.5;

M0 = 10;

MH = 10;

MS = 4;

TYPE = 0.5;

RISKAV = 1-TYPE;

NONNEGATIVE VARIABLES

INS insurance purchased

PNS payoff from insurance when sick

ALPHA probability of good health

EFFORT effort spent to insure good health: diet exercise and such;

VARIABLES

U expected utility;

EQUATIONS

UTILITY the utility of having or not having insurance

INSURANCE the amount of insurance purchased (INS) and the payoff (PNS)

MORALHAZ relationship between effort and probability of being healthy;

** the coefficient 0.06 is chosen so that effort is marginally non-optima»
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 * in the benchmark with actuarially fair insurance*

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UTILITY..      U =E= (M0-INS)**BETA
                + ALPHA*MH**BETA + (1-ALPHA)*(MS+PNS)**BETA
                - (0.06)*(EFFORT + EFFORT**2);
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```
INSURANCE..    INS*ACUF =E= PNS*RISKAV;
```

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MORALHAZ..    ALPHA =E= TYPE + 0.15*EFFORT;
```

```
MODEL OPTIMIZE /UTILITY, INSURANCE, MORALHAZ/;
```

```
U.L = 1;
INS.L =2;
PNS.L = 1;
ALPHA.L = 0.5;
EFFORT.L = 0;
```

```
*solve first for single type
TYPE = 0.5;
```

```
SOLVE OPTIMIZE USING NLP MAXIMIZING U;
```

```
INS0 = INS.L;  
PNS0 = PNS.L;  
ALPHA0 = ALPHA.L;  
EFFORT0 = EFFORT.L;
```

```
PROFIT0 = INS0 - (1 - ALPHA0)*PNS0;
```

```
DISPLAY INS0, PNS0, ALPHA0, EFFORT0, PROFIT0;
```

```
*now assume two types, solve first for the safe type
```

```
TYPE = 0.55;
```

```
RISKAV = ((1-0.55)+(1-0.45))/2;
```

```
SOLVE OPTIMIZE USING NLP MAXIMIZING U;
```

```
INS1 = INS.L;  
PNS1 = PNS.L;  
ALPHA1 = ALPHA.L;  
EFFORT1 = EFFORT.L;
```

```
PROFIT1 = INS1 - (1 - ALPHA1)*PNS1;
```

```
DISPLAY INS1, PNS1, ALPHA1, EFFORT1, PROFIT1;
```

```
*solve for the risky type
```

```
TYPE = 0.45;
```

SOLVE OPTIMIZE USING NLP MAXIMIZING U;

INS2 = INS.L;

PNS2 = PNS.L;

ALPHA2 = ALPHA.L;

EFFORT2 = EFFORT.L;

PROFIT2 = INS2 - (1 - ALPHA2)*PNS2;

DISPLAY INS0, PNS0, ALPHA0, EFFORT0, PROFIT0;

DISPLAY INS1, PNS1, ALPHA1, EFFORT1, PROFIT1;

DISPLAY INS2, PNS2, ALPHA2, EFFORT2, PROFIT2;

PROFIT = PROFIT1 + PROFIT2;

DISPLAY PROFIT;

**\$exit*

** generate some scenarios*

SETS I /I1*I8/;

PARAMETERS

RESULTS(I, *);

```
TYPE = 0.5;  
RISKAV = 1-TYPE;
```

```
SOLVE OPTIMIZE USING NLP MAXIMIZING U;  
RESULTS("I1", "INS") = INS.L;  
RESULTS("I1", "ALPHA") = ALPHA.L;  
RESULTS("I1", "EFFORT") = EFFORT.L;  
RESULTS("I1", "ACUF") = ACUF;  
RESULTS("I1", "IS") = MS;  
RESULTS("I1", "BETA") = BETA;
```

**Actuarially unfair added*

```
ACUF = 0.8;
```

```
SOLVE OPTIMIZE USING NLP MAXIMIZING U;  
RESULTS("I2", "INS") = INS.L;  
RESULTS("I2", "ALPHA") = ALPHA.L;  
RESULTS("I2", "EFFORT") = EFFORT.L;  
RESULTS("I2", "ACUF") = ACUF;  
RESULTS("I2", "IS") = MS;  
RESULTS("I2", "BETA") = BETA;
```

**Loss from getting sick is higher*

```
ACUF = 1.0;  
MS = 2;
```

```
SOLVE OPTIMIZE USING NLP MAXIMIZING U;  
RESULTS("I3", "INS") = INS.L;  
RESULTS("I3", "ALPHA") = ALPHA.L;  
RESULTS("I3", "EFFORT") = EFFORT.L;  
RESULTS("I3", "ACUF") = ACUF;  
RESULTS("I3", "IS") = MS;  
RESULTS("I3", "BETA") = BETA;
```

```
ACUF = 0.8;  
MS = 2;
```

```
SOLVE OPTIMIZE USING NLP MAXIMIZING U;  
RESULTS("I4", "INS") = INS.L;  
RESULTS("I4", "ALPHA") = ALPHA.L;  
RESULTS("I4", "EFFORT") = EFFORT.L;  
RESULTS("I4", "ACUF") = ACUF;  
RESULTS("I4", "IS") = MS;  
RESULTS("I4", "BETA") = BETA;
```

**Risk aversion is higher, actuarially fair*

```
MS = 4;  
BETA = 0.4;  
ACUF = 1.0;  
INS.L = 2.5;
```

```
SOLVE OPTIMIZE USING NLP MAXIMIZING U;  
RESULTS("I5", "INS") = INS.L;  
RESULTS("I5", "ALPHA") = ALPHA.L;  
RESULTS("I5", "EFFORT") = EFFORT.L;  
RESULTS("I5", "ACUF") = ACUF;  
RESULTS("I5", "IS") = MS;  
RESULTS("I5", "BETA") = BETA;
```

**Risk aversion higher, actuarially unfair*

```
MS = 4;  
BETA = 0.4;  
ACUF = 0.8;
```

```
SOLVE OPTIMIZE USING NLP MAXIMIZING U;  
RESULTS("I6", "INS") = INS.L;  
RESULTS("I6", "ALPHA") = ALPHA.L;  
RESULTS("I6", "EFFORT") = EFFORT.L;  
RESULTS("I6", "ACUF") = ACUF;  
RESULTS("I6", "IS") = MS;  
RESULTS("I6", "BETA") = BETA;
```

**Risk aversion is higher, actuarially fair, lower MS*

```
MS = 2;
```



```
BETA = 0.4;
```

```
ACUF = 1.0;
```

```
SOLVE OPTIMIZE USING NLP MAXIMIZING U;
```

```
RESULTS("I7", "INS") = INS.L;
```

```
RESULTS("I7", "ALPHA") = ALPHA.L;
```

```
RESULTS("I7", "EFFORT") = EFFORT.L;
```

```
RESULTS("I7", "ACUF") = ACUF;
```

```
RESULTS("I7", "IS") = MS;
```

```
RESULTS("I7", "BETA") = BETA;
```

**Risk aversion higher, actuarially unfair, lower MS*

```
MS = 2;
```

```
BETA = 0.4;
```

```
ACUF = 0.8;
```

```
SOLVE OPTIMIZE USING NLP MAXIMIZING U;
```

```
RESULTS("I8", "INS") = INS.L;
```

```
RESULTS("I8", "ALPHA") = ALPHA.L;
```

```
RESULTS("I8", "EFFORT") = EFFORT.L;
```

```
RESULTS("I8", "ACUF") = ACUF;
```

```
RESULTS("I8", "IS") = MS;
```

```
RESULTS("I8", "BETA") = BETA;
```

```
DISPLAY RESULTS;
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