

Cheating. Interesting topic. Condition on p6 is the risk neutral case. Modelling is inspired by Beckers crime model in a loose kind of way. Collects own data. Data is well presented. Some interesting stylised facts. No attempt to check for response problems - how do we know that this is a representative sample - maybe heavy cheaters are more likely to respond - since they are not as busy as non-cheaters? According to the data presented around 30% cheat and about 12% of this 30% get caught. A probit on cheating is then estimated and the figures are broadly confirmed in the coefficients. Nothing very constructive is done with the estimates and, in any event, the estimates are likely to be biased because all of the RHS vars are probably endogenous - for example, if cheaters do better than they otherwise would in the absence of cheating then there will be disproportionate numbers of cheats among top students - so the scores variable is probably endogenous. But the general discussion is otherwise intelligent and the evaluation is OK. PS Your similarity index was only 12% ! An excellent essay. I also believe it shows good potential for future work in the area. Well done.