

1 main.m

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% Solving an Aiyagari model economy
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clear all; % clears all variables from the memory
close all; % closes all figures
tic % starts the "stop watch"

alpha = .35;
delta = .025;
gamma = 5;
beta = .98;
sigma = 2;

Pi = [.98 .02
      .40 .60];

dim = 2; % Number of values the exogenous state variable might take
ag = 51; % Number of grid points for both the control var and state var k
alow = 220;
ahigh = 450;
agrid = linspace(alow,ahigh,ag)';

param = [Pi(:,1)' Pi(:,2)' alpha delta gamma beta sigma dim ag alow ahigh]';

%kstar = bisection('aiyagari',100,600,param);
kstar = newton('aiyagari',100,param);

[k1,dist] = aiyagari(kstar,param);

plot(agrid,dist);

tmp = Pi^10000;
tmp = tmp(2,2);
figure; plot(agrid,dist(:,2)/tmp)
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2 bisection.m

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function kstar = bisection(FUN,a,b,param);

[k1 dist] = feval(FUN,a,param);
fa = a - k1;
fprintf('Bisection: %t %a %3.8f %t %fa %3.8f\n', [a fa]);

[k1 dist] = feval(FUN,b,param);
fb = b - k1;
fprintf('Bisection: %t %b %3.8f %t %fb %3.8f\n', [b fb]);

diff = 1;
convcrit = 10^-5;
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while diff > convcrit
    c = (a+b)/2;
    [k1 dist] = feval(FUN,c,param);
    fc = c - k1;
    fprintf('Bisection: \t c = %3.8f \t fc = %3.8f \n', [c fc]);
    if fc*fa < 0
        b = c;
        fb = fc;
    else
        a = c;
        fa = fc;
    end
    diff = abs(fc);
end

return

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3 newton.m

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function kstar = newton(FUN,k0,param);

h = 10^-7;

fprintf('Newton: \t k0 = %3.8f \n', [k0]);

diff = 1;
convcrit = 10^-6;
while diff > convcrit
    fk0 = k0 - feval(FUN,k0,param);
    fk0plush = (k0+h) - feval(FUN,k0+h,param);
    fk0minh = (k0-h) - feval(FUN,k0-h,param);
    dfk0 = 1/(2*h)*(fk0plush - fk0minh);

    k1 = k0 - fk0/dfk0;

    diff = abs(k0 - k1);
    fprintf('Newton: \t k1 = %3.8f \t diff = %3.8f \n', [k1 diff]);
    k0 = k1;
end

kstar = k1;

return

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4 aiyagari.m

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function [k1,dist] = aiyagari(k0,param)

Pi(:,1) = param(1:2,1);
Pi(:,2) = param(3:4,1);

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alpha = param(5);
delta = param(6);
gamma = param(7);
beta = param(8);
sigma = param(9);
dim = param(10);
ag = param(11);
alow = param(12);
ahigh = param(13);

N = Pi^10000;
N = N(1,1);

% Compute prices — ie. wage and rental rates
r = alpha * gamma * (k0/N)^(alpha-1) - delta;
w = (1-alpha) * gamma * (k0/N)^(alpha) ;

agrid = linspace(alow, ahigh, ag)';

c = zeros(ag, ag, dim);
u = zeros(ag, ag, dim);

% i is a counter for the exog. state variable e,u
% j is a counter for the endogenous state variable a
% m is a counter for the control variable a'

warning off; % disable warning for taking log of zero (just annoying)
for i = 1 : dim
    for j = 1 : ag
        for m = 1 : ag
            if i == 1
                c(j,m,i) = (1+r)*agrid(j) + w - agrid(m);
            elseif i == 2
                c(j,m,i) = (1+r)*agrid(j) - agrid(m);
            end
            if c(j,m,i) < 0
                c(j,m,i) = 0;
            end
            if sigma == 1
                u(j,m,i) = log(c(j,m,i));
            else
                u(j,m,i) = ((c(j,m,i))^(1-sigma)-1)/(1-sigma);
            end
        end
    end
end

warning on; % turn warnings on again
clear c % free up memory
clear i j m n % clean up

v = zeros(ag, dim);
Tv = zeros(ag, dim);

convcrit = 1E-11; % chosen convergence criterion

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diff = 1;           % arbitrary initial value greater than convcrit
iter = 0;           % iterations counter

while diff > convcrit
    diff = 0;
    for i = 1 : dim
        objfn(:, :, i) = u(:, :, i) + beta*(Pi(i,1)*((v(:,1)*ones(1,ag))'))+ ...
            (Pi(i,2)*((v(:,2)*ones(1,ag))')));
        Tv(:, i) = max(objfn(:, :, i), [], 2);
    end
    diff = norm(v-Tv);
    v = Tv;
    iter = iter + 1;
end
fprintf('Value of iterations: %5.0f', iter);

for i = 1 : dim
    objfn(:, :, i) = u(:, :, i) + beta*(Pi(i,1)*((v(:,1)*ones(1,ag))'))+...
        (Pi(i,2)*((v(:,2)*ones(1,ag))')));
    [tmp1, x1] = max(objfn(:, :, i), [], 2);
    agridrule(:, i) = x1;
    adecrule(:, i) = agrid(agridrule(:, i));
    if i == 1
        cdecrule(:, 1) = (1+r)*agrid + w - adecrule(:, 1);
    elseif i == 2
        cdecrule(:, 2) = (1+r)*agrid - adecrule(:, 2);
    end
end

clear iter i objfn v Tv x1 tmp1

% Uniform initial distribution
dist = ones(ag, dim)/(2*ag);

diff = 1;
iter = 0;

while diff > convcrit
    ndist = zeros(ag, dim);
    %
    for i = 1 : dim
        for j = 1 : ag
            %
            for p = 1 : dim
                for q = 1 : ag
                    if agridrule(q, p) == j
                        ndist(j, i) = ndist(j, i) + Pi(p, i)*dist(q, p);
                    end
                end
            end
        end
    end
    diff = norm(dist-ndist);
    dist = ndist;
end

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        iter = iter + 1;
end

fprintf( '\tIterations on the dist: %5.0f', iter);

k1 = agrid'*dist(:,1) + agrid'*dist(:,2);
newr = alpha *gamma*(k1/N)^(alpha-1) - delta;
neww = (1-alpha)*gamma*(k1/N)^(alpha) ;
r = newr;
w = neww;
fprintf( '\t r = %1.6f \t w = %2.6f \n', [r w]);

return

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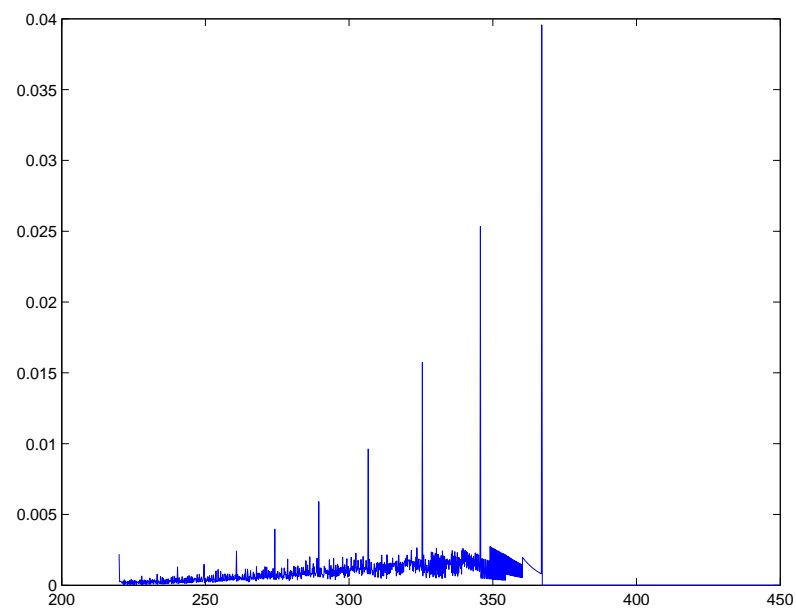


Figure 1: Asset distribution conditional on being unemployed,
1551 grid points