SUNY at Binghamton

ECON 634 ADVANCED MACROECONOMICS

Homework 3: Hugget Model

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1 Question 1

The maximization problem is:

$$\max_{c_t, a_{t+1}} E_0(\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t U(c_t))$$
 s.t: $c_t + q_t a_{t+1} = y(s_t) + a_t \forall t, s_t$ (1)

The value function is:

$$V(a_t, s_t) = \max_{a_{t+1} \in \gamma(a_t, s_t)} U(y(s_t) + a_t - q_t a_{t+1}) + \beta E[V(a_{t+1}, s_{t+1})]$$
 (2)

The state variables are a_t, s_t The control variables are a_{t+1}, c_t

2 Question 2

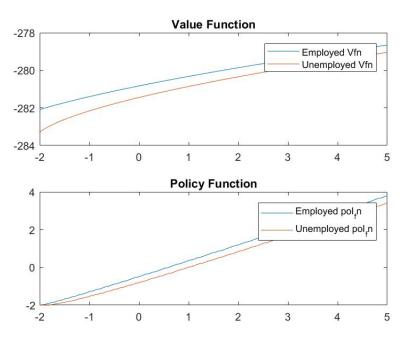


Figure 1: Value Function and Policy Function

3 Question 3

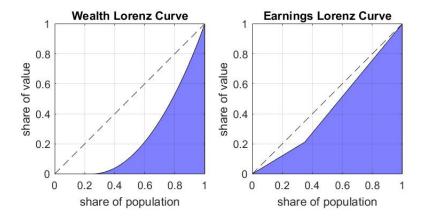


Figure 2: Gini Index and Lorenz Curve