### Problem1 2 Jeanne

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The code and write up below correspond to questions 1 and 2 of the computational assignment. The code is set up such that all functions are defined at the beginning, and ran later in the problem. Notice that I do not use the transition matrix T for problem 1. After implementing it for problem 2 I aimed at rewritting the code for problem 1 to use the (time saving) approach of T, but I ran out of time. After understanding the Transition matrix approach through spending a positive number of hours debugging the transition matrix function, I recognize it is indeed a very convenient way to set the problem up, which I didn't know about.

v1 refers to question 1, v2 refers to question 2.

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[1]: import numpy as np
from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
from scipy.sparse import csr_matrix
import time
from scipy import sparse
import numpy.linalg as lin
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[2]: # Define primitives
     def u_f1(S,y):
         '''Utility function version 1'''
         U = 2*y**0.5
         if y > S:
             U = -100000000
         return U
     def u_f2(S,y):
         '''Utility function version 2'''
         U = 5*y - 0.05*y**2
         if y > S:
             U = -100000000
         return U
     def Bellman_simple(Vp, ik, jk, utilitymatrix):
         Bellman Function for the non-interpolation case (Problem 1)
         Value = utilitymatrix[ik, jk] + * Vp[ik-jk]
         return(Value)
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def Bellman_interp(Vp, ik, jk, utilitymatrix, T):
    Bellman: value function for state variable \mathit{Kqrid[ik]} with policy \mathit{Kqrid[jk]}_{\sqcup}
 \hookrightarrow (Problem 2)
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    N = len(T)
    beg = N*jk
    fin = N*(jk+1)
    subT = T[ik, beg:fin] # get the index of the new state by subsetting in the
 \hookrightarrow transition matrix
    state new = np.where(subT > 0)[0]
    if len(state_new)==1: # Reach the boundary: extraction > stock \rightarrow next_
 \rightarrowstock == 0
        state_new1 = state_new[0]
        weight1 = subT[state_new1]
        Vnext = Vp[state_new1]*weight1
    if len(state_new)>1:
        state_new1 = state_new[0]
        state_new2 = state_new[1]
        weight1 = subT[state_new1]
        weight2 = subT[state_new2]
        Vnext = Vp[state_new1]*weight1 + Vp[state_new2]*weight2
    Value = utilitymatrix[ik, jk] + * Vnext
    return (Value)
# Price functions = derivatives of utility functions wrt extraction (MU)
def p1_f(C1):
    return (1/(C1**0.5))
def p2_f(C2):
    return (5 - 0.1*C2)
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[3]: def T_f(S, A, interp=True):

'''

This function computes the transition matrix for the interpolation problem

(Problem 2)

It can be easily adapted to the standard case

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# Initialize

N = len(S)

Na = len(A)

T = np.zeros((N, N*Na))

# For each action indexed k, and each initial state i, compute resulting

⇒state j
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if interp==True:
       for i in range(N):
           for k in range(Na):
               diff = S[i] - A[k]
               if diff < 0:</pre>
                    index1_raw = 0
                    index1_adj = index1_raw + (N)*k
                    T[i, index1_adj] = 1.0
                if diff >= 0:
                    dist = abs(S - diff) # How far from the difference is each
\rightarrow element of S
                    index1_raw = np.where(dist == sorted(dist)[0])[0][0] # Find_
\rightarrow the index of the closest
                    index2_raw = np.where(dist == sorted(dist)[1])[0][0] # Find_
→ the index of the second closest
                    weight1 = 1 - sorted(dist)[0] / np.sum(sorted(dist)[0:2])
                    weight2 = 1 - sorted(dist)[1] / np.sum(sorted(dist)[0:2])
                    index1_adj = index1_raw + (N)*k
                    index2_adj = index2_raw + (N)*k
                    T[i, index1_adj] = weight1
                    T[i, index2_adj] = weight2
   return(T)
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[4]: def VFI_v1(State_grid, Action_grid, V0, utilitymatrix, maxiter = 1000, utilitymatrix, ma
                          →tol=1e-8, =(1/1.05), howard=True, print_i=True):
                                        VFI routine for problem 1
                                        (should be merged with VFI_v2 for concision but I'm running out of time)
                                      N = len(State_grid)
                                      Na = len(Action_grid)
                                      ### Initiate vectors & numbers
                                      iter = 0
                                      epsi = 1
                                      IndexAction_new = np.zeros(Na)
                                      Action = np.zeros(Na)
                                      VV = VV
                                      Vp_new = np.zeros(N)
                                      while (epsi > tol) & (iter < maxiter):</pre>
                                                         for ik in range(N):
                                                                          # ik = index of the stock today
                                                                          # d = max extraction < current stock
                                                                          #d = int(qk[max(ik-1), 0])
                                                                          d = 0
                                                                          #Value function Tj for each choice g(k)
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Vnext = np.zeros(len(State_grid)-d)
           # Compute the value function T_j for each choice of q(k)
           for jk in range(d, Na):
                    Vnext[jk - d] = Bellman_simple(Vp, ik, jk, utilitymatrix)
           # Choose the maximum
           Vp_new[ik] = np.max(Vnext)
           \#IndexAction\_new[ik] = d + int(np.where(Vnext==np.max(Vnext))[0][0])
           IndexAction_new[ik] = d + int(np.max(np.where(Vnext==np.
\rightarrowmax(Vnext))[0]))
       if howard==True:
           # Reduces the number of iterations by updating the Vnew grid more
\hookrightarrow often
           for c in range(100):
               for ik in range(len(Action_grid)):
                    jk = int(IndexAction_new[ik])
                    Vp_new[ik] = Bellman_simple(Vp_new, ik, jk, utilitymatrix)
       ### Check the error
       epsi = np.abs(Vp_new - Vp).max()
       ### Keep track of what is going on
       if print i==True:
           print("iteration is ", iter, " and Error term is ", epsi)
       IndexAction = IndexAction_new*1. #Update
       Vp = Vp_new*1. #Update
       if epsi < tol:</pre>
           break
       iter=iter+1
   \#Calculate\ Values\ for\ q(k)
   for jk in range(len(Action_grid)):
       Action[jk] = Action_grid[int(IndexAction[jk])]
   print("Total number of iterations : ", iter)
   # Calculate the N*N optimal transition matrix T_{opt} that gives the state
→ transition proba under optimal action
   return[Vp, IndexAction, Action, iter]
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[5]: def VFI_v2(State_grid, Action_grid, V0, utilitymatrix, T, maxiter = 1000, tol = 1000,
                \rightarrow1e-8, =(1/1.05), print_i=True):
                          VFI Routine for Problem 2
                          111
                         ### Initiate vectors & numbers
                         iter = 0
                         epsi = 1
                         N = len(State_grid)
                         Na = len(Action_grid)
                         IndexAction_new = np.zeros(Na)
                         Vp = np.zeros(N)
                         while (epsi > tol) & (iter < maxiter):</pre>
                                     # Copy the old value vector
                                    Vold = np.copy(Vp)
                                     # Initiate the matrix
                                    Vnextall = np.zeros((N, Na))
                                     # For each Na*N block (each action): computes the pair [old, new] states
                                    for jk in range(Na):
                                               beg = N*jk
                                               fin = N*(jk+1)
                                               Tnext = T[:,beg:fin]
                                               vals = T[:,beg:fin].dot(Vp)
                                               Vnextall[:,jk] = vals
                                     #V = U +
                                    Uall = utilitymatrix + * Vnextall
                                     # Find the maximum total V for each starting i (Vp[i]), and the index
                →of the corresponding action maxArgAction[i]
                                    maxArgAction = np.zeros(N)
                                    for i in range(N):
                                               maxArgAction[i] = np.argmax(Uall[i,:])
                                               Vp[i] = np.max(Uall[i,:])
                                     ### Check the error
                                    epsi = lin.norm(Vp - Vold)
                                     ### Keep track of what is going on
                                    if print_i==True:
                                                print("iteration is ", iter, " and Error term is ", epsi)
                                    IndexAction_new = np.copy(maxArgAction)
                                    if epsi < tol:</pre>
                                                break
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iter=iter+1
return(Vp, IndexAction_new, iter)
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# 0.1 Question 1: Solving the DDP by value function iteration; discrete state space

```
[6]: ### Parameters
     r = 0.05
      = 1/(1+r)
     Stot = 1000
     N = 501
     Na = 501
     S1 = np.linspace(0,1000,N)
     A1 = np.linspace(0,1000,Na)
     V0 = np.zeros(N)
     ### Compute utility matrix for utility 1 and 2
     utilitymatrix1_v1 = np.ones((N, Na))
     for i in range(0,N):
         for j in range(0,Na):
             utilitymatrix1_v1[i,j] = u_f1(S1[i], A1[j])
     utilitymatrix2_v1 = np.ones((N, Na))
     for i in range(0,N):
         for j in range(0,Na):
             utilitymatrix2_v1[i,j] = u_f2(S1[i], A1[j])
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print("solving model 2 done")

### Calculate the N*N optimal transition matrix
T_opt2 = np.zeros((N, N))
for ik in range(N):
    ij = np.where(S1 == S1[ik] - Action2_v1[ik])[0][0]
    T_opt2[ik, ij] = 1
Total number of iterations : 22
solving model 1 done
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solving model 1 done
Total number of iterations: 22
solving model 1 done
Total number of iterations: 14
solving model 2 done

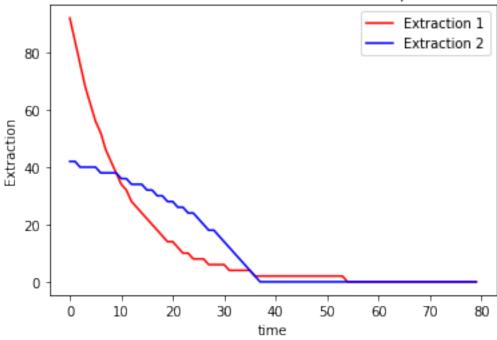
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[8]: ##### Simulate the model for 80 periods
     # St = each period's stock
     # C = each period's extraction
     ## Simulate 1
     St1_v1 = 1000*np.ones(80)
     C1_v1 = np.zeros(80)
     for i in range (80-1):
         init_index1 = np.where(S1==St1_v1[i])[0][0]
         C1_v1[i] = Action1_v1[init_index1]
         final_index1 = np.where(T_opt1[init_index1,]==1)[0][0]
         St1 v1[i+1] = S1[final index1]
     p1_v1 = p1_f(C1_v1)
     ## Simulate 2
     St2 v1 = 1000*np.ones(80)
     C2_v1 = np.zeros(80)
     for i in range (80-1):
         init_index2 = np.where(S1==St2_v1[i])[0][0]
         C2_v1[i] = Action2_v1[init_index2]
         final_index2 = np.where(T_opt2[init_index2,]==1)[0][0]
         St2_v1[i+1] = S1[final_index2]
     p2_v1 = p2_f(C2_v1)
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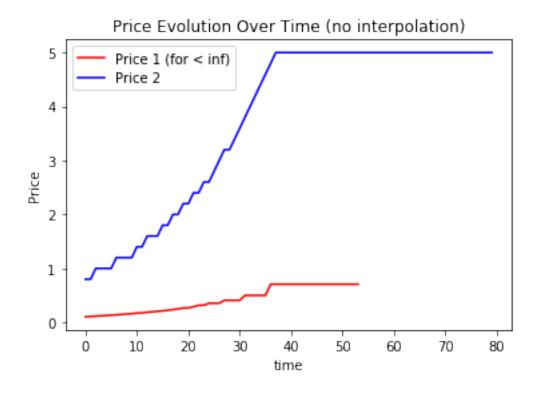
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[9]: plt.plot(range(0,80), C1_v1, color="red", label="Extraction 1")
    plt.plot(range(0,80), C2_v1, color="blue", label="Extraction 2")
    plt.title("Extraction Evolution Over Time (no interpolation)")
    plt.xlabel("time")
    plt.ylabel("Extraction")
    plt.legend()
    plt.show()
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# For printing purposes
plt.plot(range(0,80), p1_v1, color="red", label="Price 1 (for < inf)")
plt.plot(range(0,80), p2_v1, color="blue", label="Price 2")
plt.title("Price Evolution Over Time (no interpolation)")
plt.xlabel("time")
plt.ylabel("Price")
plt.legend()
plt.show()</pre>
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### Extraction Evolution Over Time (no interpolation)

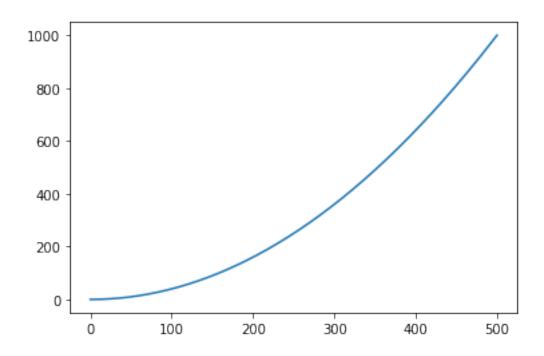




## 0.2 Question 2: Interpolating Between the States

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[10]: N2 = 501
Na2 = 501
S2 = np.linspace(0,1000,N2)
A2 = np.linspace(0,(1000**0.5),Na2)**2
plt.plot(range(501), A2)
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[10]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x7fab364f9a90>]



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[11]: ### Compute utility matrix for utility 1 and 2
utilitymatrix1_v2 = np.ones((N2, Na2))
for i in range(0,N2):
    for j in range(0,Na2):
        utilitymatrix1_v2[i,j] = u_f1(S2[i], A2[j])

utilitymatrix2_v2 = np.ones((N2, Na2))
for i in range(0,N2):
    for j in range(0,Na2):
        utilitymatrix2_v2[i,j] = u_f2(S2[i], A2[j])
[12]: #### Compute the Transition Matrix
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[12]: ### Compute the Transition Matrix
T2 = T_f(S2, A2, interp=True)
T2 = csr_matrix(T2)
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[14]: ### Find the optimal Transition matrices
      T_{opt1_v2} = np.zeros((N2, N2))
      for ik in range(N2):
          diff = S2[ik] - A2[int(IndexAction1_v2[ik])]
          dist = abs(S2 - diff) # How far from the difference is each element of S2
          index1 = np.where(dist == sorted(dist)[0])[0][0] # Find the index of the
       \rightarrow closest
          index2 = np.where(dist == sorted(dist)[1])[0][0] # Find the index of the
       \rightarrowsecond closest
          weight1 = sorted(dist)[0] / np.sum(sorted(dist)[0:2])
          weight2 = sorted(dist)[1] / np.sum(sorted(dist)[0:2])
          weight1 + weight2 == 1
          T opt1 v2[ik, index1] = weight1
          T_opt1_v2[ik, index2] = weight2
      T_opt1_v2 = csr_matrix(T_opt1_v2)
      T_{opt2_v2} = np.zeros((N2, N2))
      for ik in range(N2):
          diff = S2[ik] - A2[int(IndexAction2_v2[ik])]
          dist = abs(S2 - diff) # How far from the difference is each element of S2
          index1 = np.where(dist == sorted(dist)[0])[0][0] # Find the index of the
          index2 = np.where(dist == sorted(dist)[1])[0][0] # Find the index of the
       \rightarrowsecond closest
          weight1 = sorted(dist)[0] / np.sum(sorted(dist)[0:2])
          weight2 = sorted(dist)[1] / np.sum(sorted(dist)[0:2])
          weight1 + weight2 == 1
          T_opt2_v2[ik, index1] = weight1
          T_opt2_v2[ik, index2] = weight2
      T_opt2_v2 = csr_matrix(T_opt2_v2)
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[15]: ### Simulate

St1_v2 = 1000*np.ones(80)
C1_v2 = np.zeros(80)
for i in range(80-1):
    #init_index1 = np.where(S2==St1_v2[i])[0][0]
    init = St1_v2[i]
    # Find closest states
    dist = abs(S2 - init)
    tokeep = sorted(dist)[0:2]
    index1 = np.where(dist == tokeep[0])[0][0]
    index2 = np.where(dist == tokeep[1])[0][0]
    weight1 = 1 - tokeep[0] / np.sum(tokeep[0:2])
    weight2 = 1 - tokeep[1] / np.sum(tokeep[0:2])
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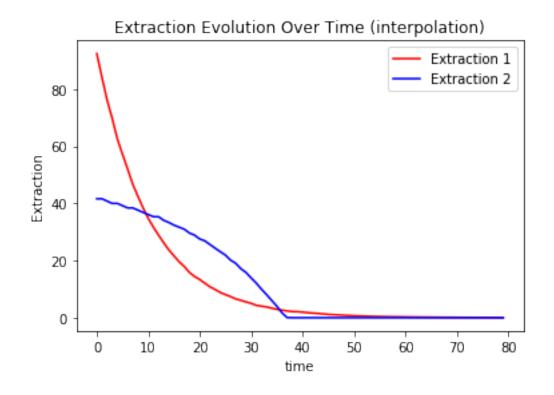
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weight1 + weight2 == 1
    C1 v2[i] = A2[int(IndexAction1 v2[index1])]*weight1 +
→A2[int(IndexAction1_v2[index2])]*weight2
    St1 \ v2[i+1] = St1 \ v2[i] - C1 \ v2[i]
p1_v2 = p1_f(C1_v2)
# Simulate
St2_v2 = 1000*np.ones(80)
C2_v2 = np.zeros(80)
for i in range(80-1):
    #init_index1 = np.where(S2==St1_v2[i])[0][0]
    init = St2_v2[i]
    # Find closest states
    dist = abs(S2 - init)
    tokeep = sorted(dist)[0:2]
    index1 = np.where(dist == tokeep[0])[0][0]
    index2 = np.where(dist == tokeep[1])[0][0]
    weight1 = 1 - tokeep[0] / np.sum(tokeep[0:2])
    weight2 = 1 - tokeep[1] / np.sum(tokeep[0:2])
    weight1 + weight2 == 1
    C2 v2[i] = A2[int(IndexAction2 v2[index1])]*weight1 +
→A2[int(IndexAction2_v2[index2])]*weight2
    St2_v2[i+1] = St2_v2[i] - C2_v2[i]
p2_v2 = p2_f(C2_v2)
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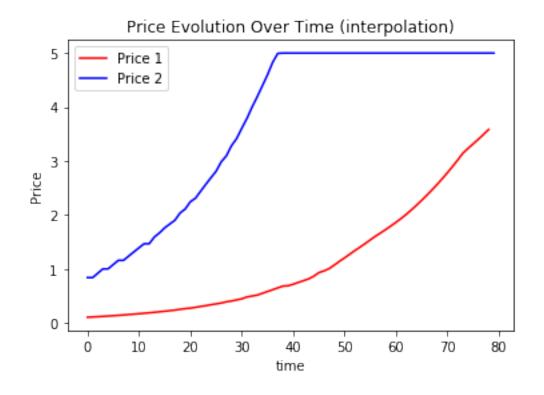
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[16]: plt.plot(range(0,80), C1_v2, color="red", label="Extraction 1")
    plt.plot(range(0,80), C2_v2, color="blue", label="Extraction 2")
    plt.title("Extraction Evolution Over Time (interpolation)")
    plt.xlabel("time")
    plt.ylabel("Extraction")
    plt.legend()
    plt.show()

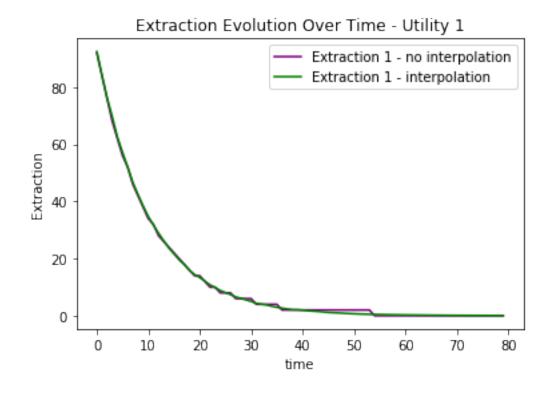
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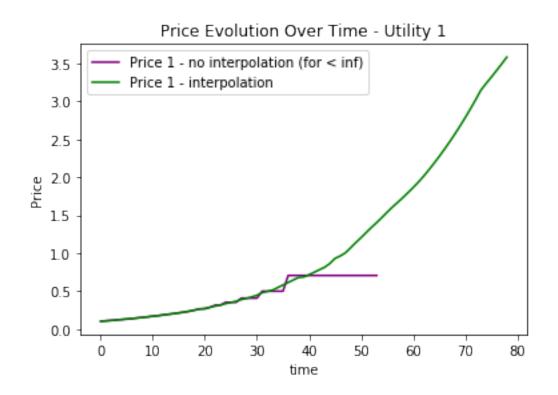
plt.plot(range(0,80), p1_v2, color="red", label="Price 1")
    plt.plot(range(0,80), p2_v2, color="blue", label="Price 2")
    plt.title("Price Evolution Over Time (interpolation)")
    plt.xlabel("time")
    plt.ylabel("Price")
    plt.legend()
    plt.show()
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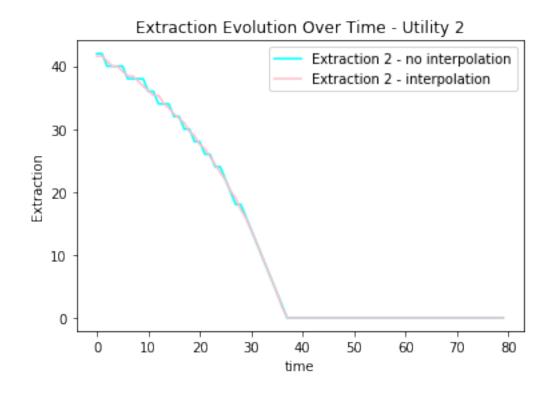




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[17]: # For Free: a comparison of the interpolation & non-interpolation outcomes
      plt.plot(range(0,80), C1_v1, color="purple", label="Extraction 1 - no__
      →interpolation")
      plt.plot(range(0,80), C1_v2, color="green", label="Extraction 1 -__
      →interpolation")
      plt.title("Extraction Evolution Over Time - Utility 1")
      plt.xlabel("time")
      plt.ylabel("Extraction")
      plt.legend()
      plt.show()
      plt.plot(range(0,80), p1_v1, color="purple", label="Price 1 - no interpolation_
      \hookrightarrow (for < inf)")
      plt.plot(range(0,80), p1_v2, color="green", label="Price 1 - interpolation")
      plt.title("Price Evolution Over Time - Utility 1")
      plt.xlabel("time")
      plt.ylabel("Price")
      plt.legend()
      plt.show()
      plt.plot(range(0,80), C2_v1, color="cyan", label="Extraction 2 - no_u
      →interpolation")
      plt.plot(range(0,80), C2_v2, color="pink", label="Extraction 2 - interpolation")
      plt.title("Extraction Evolution Over Time - Utility 2")
      plt.xlabel("time")
      plt.ylabel("Extraction")
      plt.legend()
      plt.show()
      plt.plot(range(0,80), p2_v1, color="cyan", label="Price 2 - no interpolation")
      plt.plot(range(0,80), p2_v2, color="pink", label="Price 2 - interpolation")
      plt.title("Price Evolution Over Time - Utility 2")
      plt.xlabel("time")
      plt.ylabel("Price")
      plt.legend()
      plt.show()
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A couple remarks about the differences between problem 1 and problem 2: - Interestingly, with utility 1, notice that the price goes to  $\infty$  in problem 1, but not in problem 2. The intuition is that with this utility,  $u_1'(0) = \infty$ , so if the agent is not constrained by the grid, he will make sure to always extract a strictly positive amount every period. When  $t \to \infty$  we should converge to 0 stock, but always strictly positive. The grid interpolation approximates a continuous problem. - For utility 2, we do not observe the same phenomenon because  $u_2'$  is bounded about by 5.