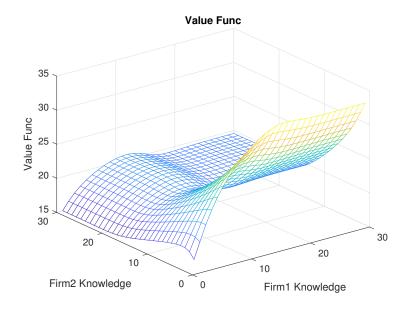
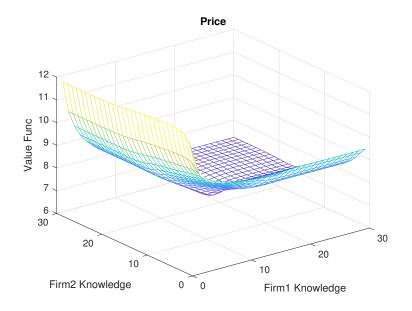
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Question 1

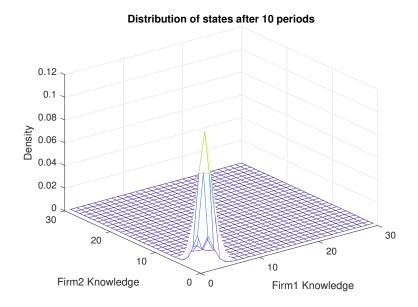
The proposed algorithm converges within 303 seconds and on the 82^{th} iteration for $\lambda = 1$, i.e. in the case when the dampening is not used. In case when $\lambda = 0.5$ the number of iterations is twice larger, namely 165, and the time of convergence is 598 seconds.

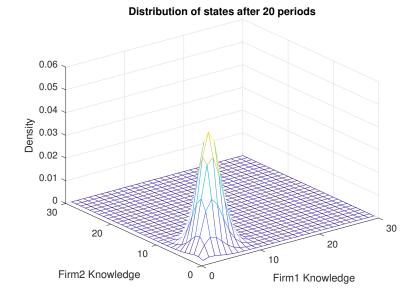


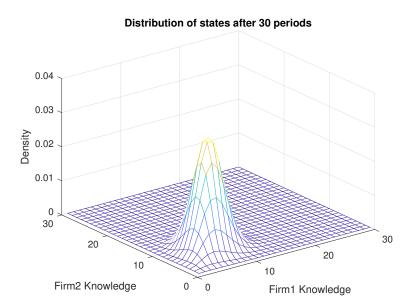


Question 2

To tackle a problem a 900 by 900 matrix is constructed in which each row contains the probability to going to one of any 900 consequent periods.



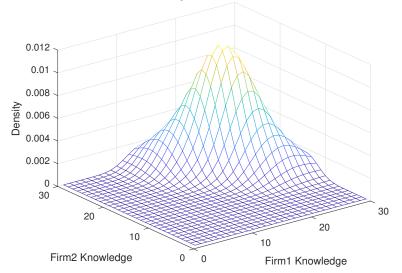




Question 3

To obtain the steady state distribution I just raised the matrix to the power of 900 (relatively big number) and reshaped the rows to be 30 by 30.

Stationary Distribution of states



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l L c v delta rho beta kappa stop lambda;
  l = 15;
 L = 30;
  c = zeros(L,1);
  v = 10;
  delta = 0.03;
  rho = 0.85;
  beta = 1/1.05;
  kappa = 10;
11
  stop = 1e-3;
  lambda = 1;
13
  %I also tried lambda = 0.5 as proposed in dampening procedure. The
     number of iterations to converge was twice
  %larger
17
  c(1:l)=kappa*[1:1:l]'. (log(rho)/log(2)); %Constructing cost
     function
  c(l+1:end) = kappa*(l^(log(rho)/log(2)));
  tr_pr=zeros(L+1,L); %Constructing the state transition conditional
```

```
on sales
    for i=1:L+1
           if i==1
22
                t\, r\, _{-}p\, r\; (\, i\; ,1\, )\, \! = \! 1;
           elseif i=L+1
24
                         tr_pr(i, L) = 1;
25
           else
26
                  {\tt tr\_pr\,(\,i\,\,,i-1)} {=} 1 {-} (1 {-} \, {\tt delta}\,)\,\,\hat{}\,\,(\,i\,)\,;
27
                  tr_-pr(i,i)=(1-delta)^(i);
28
           end
29
   end
```

```
\begin{array}{ll} & \text{function} & [\,d0\,,d1\,,d2\,] \,=\, Ds(\,p\,,p_{-}1\,\,,v\,) \\ \\ & 2 & d0 \,=\, 1./(\,1 + \exp(\,v - p\,) + \exp(\,v - p_{-}1\,\,')\,)\,; \\ \\ & 3 & d1 \,=\, \exp(\,v - p\,)\,./(\,1 + \exp(\,v - p\,) + \exp(\,v - p_{-}1\,\,')\,)\,; \\ \\ & 4 & d2 \,=\, \exp(\,v - p_{-}1\,\,')\,./(\,1 + \exp(\,v - p\,) + \exp(\,v - p_{-}1\,\,')\,)\,; \\ \\ & 5 & \text{end} \end{array}
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```
function [w0,w1,w2]=Ws(V,tr_pr)

s s = size(tr_pr,1);

t_p = tr_pr;

tr_pr_0 = t_p(1:s-1,:);

tr_pr_1 = t_p(2:s,:);

w0 = tr_pr_0*V*tr_pr_0';

w1 = tr_pr_1*V*tr_pr_0';

w2=tr_pr_0*V*tr_pr_1';

end
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```
function f = FOC(V,p,p_1,L,c,beta,v,tr_pr)
c1 = repmat(c',L,1);
[d0, d1, d2] = Ds(p,p_1,v);
[w0, w1,w2] = Ws(V,tr_pr);
FOC=1-(1-d1).*(p-c1)-beta*w1+beta*(d0.*w0+d1.*w1+d2.*w2);
f = FOC;
end
```

```
function [v, p, it] = VFI(V, P, stop, L, c, lambda, beta, v, tr_pr)
2
  v_{old} = V;
  p_old = P;
  initial = P;
  opt = optimset('Disp', 'None');
  v_{new} = zeros(size(V));
  p_{\text{new}} = zeros(size(P));
  tol = 1;
  i = 1;
11
  while and (tol > stop, i < 1000)
12
       f=@(p)FOC(v_old, p, p_old, L, c, beta, v, tr_pr);
13
       p_new = fsolve(f, initial, opt);
14
       [d0, d1, d2] = Ds(p_new, p_old, v);
15
       [w0, w1, w2] = Ws(v_old, tr_pr);
16
17
       v_{new} = d1.*(p_{new}-repmat(c', L, 1)) + beta*(d0.*w0+d1.*w1+d2.*w2);
18
19
       tol = max(max(max(abs((v_new-v_old)./(1+v_new)))), max(max(abs((
20
          p_new-p_old)./(1+p_new)))));
21
       v_old=lambda*v_new+(1-lambda)*v_old; p_old=lambda*p_new+(1-
22
          lambda)*p_old;
23
       fprintf('Iteration:%d\n',i);
24
       fprintf('Tolerance:%f\n', tol);
25
       i=i+1;
26
  end
  v = v_old;
  p = p_old;
29
  it = i;
  end
```

```
1 % Question 1
2
  tic;
  Parameters;
  V_{-0} = (repmat(v, L, L) + repmat(c', L, 1))./(2*beta);
  P_{-0} = 1.5 * repmat(c', L, 1);
   [value, p, it] = VFI(V_0, P_0, stop, L, c, lambda, beta, v, tr_pr);
9
   figure (1);
10
  mesh (value);
   title ('Value Func');
12
   xlabel('Firm1 Knowledge');
13
   ylabel('Firm2 Knowledge');
   zlabel('Value Func');
   figure (2);
16
  \operatorname{mesh}(p);
17
   title ('Price');
   xlabel('Firm1 Knowledge');
19
   ylabel('Firm2 Knowledge');
20
   zlabel('Value Func');
   fprintf('Time:%f sec', toc);
23
  % Questions 2&3
25
   [D_{-0}, D_{-1}, D_{-2}] = D_{S}(p, p, v);
  T = zeros(L^2,L^2);
27
28
   for k=1:30
29
       if k==1
30
            for i = 1:30
31
                 if i ==1
32
                      T((k-1)*30+i,(k-1)*30+i)=D_0(k,i)...
33
                           +D_{-1}(k, i)*(1-(1-delta)^{(k+1)})+D_{-2}(k, i)*(1-(1-delta)^{(k+1)})
34
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delta)^(i+1);
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-1)*30+i+1)=D_2(k,i)*(1-delta)^(i+1);
35
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k)*30+i)=D_{-1}(k,i)*((1-delta)^{(k+1)});
36
                elseif i < 30
37
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-1)*30+i)=D_0(k,i)*((1-delta)^i)...
38
                        +D_{-1}(k, i)*(1-(1-delta)^(k+1))*((1-delta)^i)+D_{-2}(
39
                            k, i)*(1-(1-delta)^(i+1));
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-1)*30+i+1)=D_2(k,i)*(1-delta)^(i+1);
40
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k)*30+i)=D_{-1}(k,i)*((1-delta)^{(k+1)})
41
                       *(1-delta)^i;
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-1)*30+i-1)=D_0(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^i)+
                       D_{-1}(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^(k+1))*(1-(1-delta)^i);
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k)*30+i-1)=D_{-1}(k,i)*((1-delta)^{(k+1)})
43
                       *(1-(1-delta)^i);
                elseif i==30
44
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-1)*30+i)=D_0(k,i)*((1-delta)^i)...
45
                        +D_{-1}(k, i)*(1-(1-delta)^(k+1))*((1-delta)^i)+D_{-2}(
46
                            k, i);
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-1)*30+i-1)=D_{-0}(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^i)+
47
                       D_{-1}(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^(k+1))*(1-(1-delta)^i);
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k)*30+i)=D_1(k,i)*((1-delta)^(k+1))
48
                       *(1-delta)^i;
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k)*30+i-1)=D_{-1}(k,i)*((1-delta)^{(k+1)})
49
                       *(1-(1-delta)^i);
                end
50
           end
51
       elseif k<30
52
           for i = 1:30
53
                if i==1
54
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-1)*30+i)=D_{-0}(k,i)*((1-delta)^k)...
55
                    +D_{-1}(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^{(k+1)})+D_{-2}(k,i)*((1-delta)^{k})
56
                       *(1-(1-delta)^(i+1));
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-1)*30+i+1)=D_2(k,i)*((1-delta)^k)
57
                       *(1-delta)^(i+1);
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k)*30+i)=D_{-1}(k,i)*((1-delta)^{(k+1)});
58
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T((k-1)*30+i,(k-2)*30+i)=D_0(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^k)+
59
                       D_2(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^k)*(1-(1-delta)^(i+1));
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-2)*30+i+1)=D_2(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^k)
60
                       *((1-delta)^(i+1));
61
                elseif i < 30
62
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-1)*30+i)=D_0(k,i)*((1-delta)^k)*((1-delta)^k)
63
                       delta) îi) ...
                        +D_{-1}(k, i)*(1-(1-delta)^(k+1))*((1-delta)^i)+D_{-2}(
64
                           k, i)*((1-delta)^k)*(1-(1-delta)^(i+1));
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-1)*30+i+1)=D_2(k,i)*((1-delta)^k)
65
                       *(1-delta)^(i+1);
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k)*30+i)=D_1(k,i)*((1-delta)^(k+1))
66
                       *(1-delta)^i;
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k)*30+i-1)=D_{-1}(k,i)*((1-delta)^{(k+1)})
67
                       *(1-(1-delta)^i);
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-1)*30+i-1)=D_0(k,i)*((1-delta)^k)
68
                       *(1-(1-delta)^i)+D_1(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^(k+1))
                       *(1-(1-delta)^i);
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-2)*30+i)=D_0(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^k)
69
                       *((1-delta)^i)+D_2(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^k)*(1-(1-delta)^i)
                       delta)^{(i+1)};
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-2)*30+i-1)=D_0(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^k)
70
                       *(1-(1-delta)^i);
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-2)*30+i+1)=D_2(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^k)
71
                       *((1-delta)^(i+1));
72
                elseif i==30
73
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-1)*30+i)=D_0(k,i)*((1-delta)^k)*((1-delta)^k)
74
                       delta) î) ...
                        +D_{-1}(k, i)*(1-(1-delta)^(k+1))*((1-delta)^i)+D_{-2}(
75
                           k, i)*((1-delta)^k);
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k)*30+i)=D_1(k,i)*((1-delta)^(k+1))
76
                       *(1-delta)^i;
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k)*30+i-1)=D_{-1}(k,i)*((1-delta)^{(k+1)})
77
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```
*(1-(1-delta)^i);
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-1)*30+i-1)=D_0(k,i)*((1-delta)^k)
78
                       *(1-(1-delta)\hat{i})+D_{-1}(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)\hat{k}+1)
                       *(1-(1-delta)^i);
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-2)*30+i)=D_0(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^k)
79
                       *((1-delta)^i)+D_2(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^k);
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-2)*30+i-1)=D_0(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^k)
80
                       *(1-(1-delta)^i);
                end
81
           end
82
       elseif k==30
           for i = 1:30
84
               if i==1
85
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-1)*30+i)=D_{-0}(k,i)*((1-delta)^k)...
86
                    +D_{-1}(k,i)+D_{-2}(k,i)*((1-delta)^k)*(1-(1-delta)^(i+1))
87
                       ;
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-1)*30+i+1)=D_2(k,i)*((1-delta)^k)
88
                       *(1-delta)^(i+1);
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-2)*30+i)=D_{-0}(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^k)+
89
                       D_2(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^k)*(1-(1-delta)^(i+1));
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-2)*30+i+1)=D_2(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^k)
90
                       *((1-delta)^(i+1));
91
                elseif i < 30
92
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-1)*30+i)=D_0(k,i)*((1-delta)^k)*((1-delta)^k)
93
                       delta) î) ...
                        +D_{-1}(k, i)*((1-delta)^i)+D_{-2}(k, i)*((1-delta)^k)
94
                            *(1-(1-delta)^(i+1));
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-1)*30+i+1)=D_2(k,i)*((1-delta)^k)
95
                       *(1-delta)^(i+1);
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-1)*30+i-1)=D_0(k,i)*((1-delta)^k)
96
                       *(1-(1-delta)^i)+D_-1(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^i);
                    T((k-1)*30+i,(k-2)*30+i)=D_0(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^k)
97
                       *((1-delta)^i)+D_2(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^k)*(1-(1-delta)^i)
                       delta)^{(i+1)};
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```
T((k-1)*30+i,(k-2)*30+i-1)=D_0(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^k)
98
                         *(1-(1-delta)^i);
                     T((k-1)*30+i,(k-2)*30+i+1)=D_2(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^k)
99
                         *((1-delta)^(i+1));
                 elseif i==30
100
                     T((k-1)*30+i,(k-1)*30+i)=D_0(k,i)*((1-delta)^k)*((1-delta)^k)
101
                         delta) îi) ...
                          +D_{-1}(k, i)*((1-delta)^i)+D_{-2}(k, i)*((1-delta)^k);
102
                     T((k-1)*30+i,(k-1)*30+i-1)=D_{-0}(k,i)*((1-delta)^k)
103
                         *(1-(1-delta)^i)+D_-1(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^i);
                     T((k-1)*30+i,(k-2)*30+i)=D_0(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^k)
104
                         *((1-delta)^i)+D_2(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^k);
                     T((k-1)*30+i,(k-2)*30+i-1)=D_0(k,i)*(1-(1-delta)^k)
105
                         *(1-(1-delta)^i);
                 end
106
            end
107
        end
108
   end
109
110
   initial = [1, zeros(1,899)];
111
112
   figure (3); %10 periods
113
   A1=reshape((initial*(T^10))',30,30);
114
   \operatorname{mesh}(A1);
115
   xlabel('Firm1 Knowledge'); ylabel('Firm2 Knowledge'); zlabel('
116
      Density');
   title ('Distribution of states after 10 periods');
117
118
   figure (4); %20 periods
119
   A2=reshape((initial*(T^20))',30,30);
120
   \operatorname{mesh}(A2);
121
   xlabel('Firm1 Knowledge'); ylabel('Firm2 Knowledge'); zlabel('
      Density');
   title ('Distribution of states after 20 periods');
123
124
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125
   figure (5); %30 periods
126
   A3=reshape((initial*(T^30))',30,30);
127
   \operatorname{mesh}(A3);
   xlabel('Firm1 Knowledge'); ylabel('Firm2 Knowledge'); zlabel('
129
      Density');
   title ('Distribution of states after 30 periods');
130
131
   figure (6); %Steady State
132
   A4=reshape((initial*(T^900))',30,30);
133
   \operatorname{mesh}(A4);
   xlabel('Firm1 Knowledge'); ylabel('Firm2 Knowledge'); zlabel('
135
      Density');
   title ('Stationary Distribution of states');
```