

Homework 2

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Problem 1.

The solutions to our problem are $D_A = D_B = 0.42$

Problem 2.

The starting values for our problem are $p_A = 1$ and $p_B = 1$. It converges in 5 steps. The resulting equilibrium price was $p_A = p_B = 1.598942$, expected to be symmetric.

Problem 3.

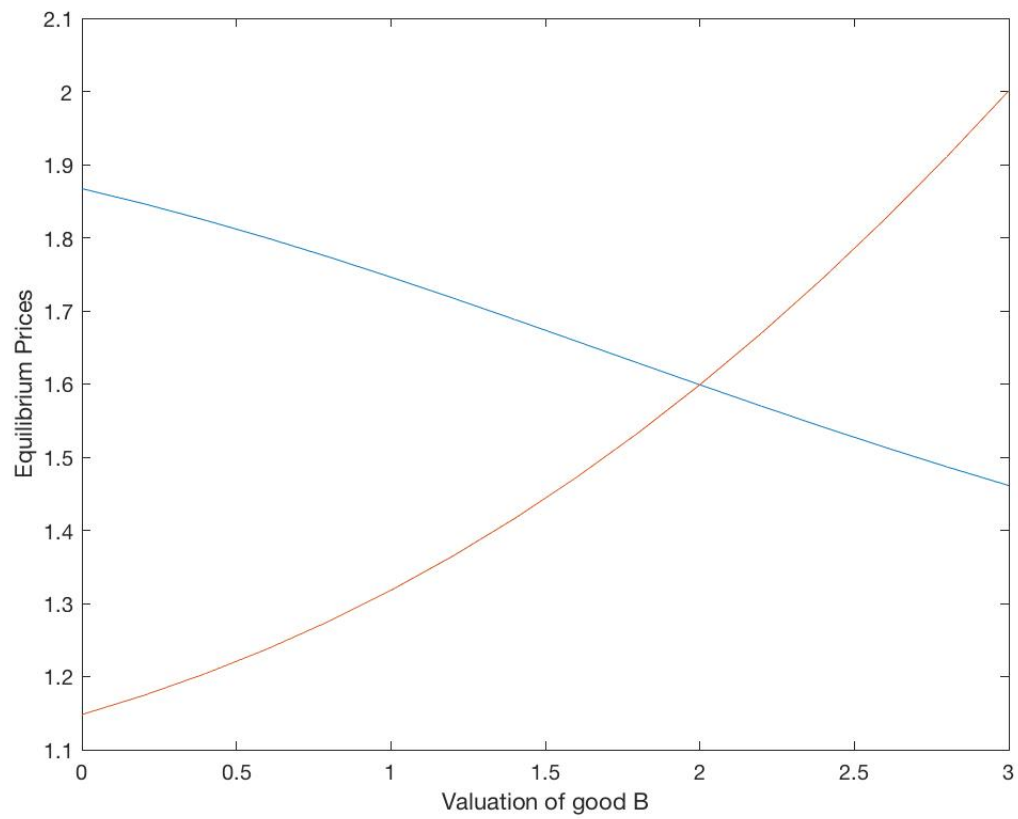
The Gauss - Siedel method converges in 6 steps. While the time I obtain always changes, after a bunch of runs, I would say that Broyden is faster.

Problem 4.

Yes, it converges in 36 steps. Again, the time seems to vary, but I would say it is in between the two methods.

Problem 5.

We chose Broyden's method and we obtained the following graph.



Code:

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diary hw2_diary.out
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%% problem 1
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% just define the values
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v = [2 2];
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p = [1 1];
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fprintf('Demand for A is %.2f and Demand for B is %.2f\n', demand(v, p), dema
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%% problem 2
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% keep v_a = v_b = 2
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p = [1 1];
f = @(x) [x(1) - 1/(1 - demand(v, x)); x(2) - 1/(1 - demand(fliplr(v), flipl

tic
p_sol = broyden(f, p);
toc

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%% problem 3

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pold = [1 1];
pnew = [2 2];

tol = 1e-8;
maxit = 100;

tic
for iter =1:maxit
    fprintf('iter %d: p(1) = %f, p(2) = %f\n', iter, pnew(1), pnew(2));
    faVal = f(pnew);
    fbVal = f(fliplr(pnew));

    if abs(max(faVal, fbVal)) < tol
        break
    else

% updating pa
g=@(pa) f([pa, pnew(2)]);
gold=g(pold(1));
gVal = g(pnew(1));
paNew = pnew(1) - ((pnew(1) - pold(1)) / (gVal - gold)) * gVal;
pold(1) = pnew(1);
pnew(1) = paNew;

% updating pb
g=@(pb) f([pnew(1), pb]);
gold=g(pold(2));
gVal = g(pnew(2));
pbNew = pnew(2) - ((pnew(2) - pold(2)) / (gVal - gold)) * gVal;
pold(2) = pnew(2);
pnew(2) = pbNew;

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        end
    end
    toc

%% problem 4

p_4 = [1 1];

tol = 1e-8;
maxit = 100;

tic
for iter = 1:maxit
    fprintf('iter %d: p(1) = %f, p(2) = %f\n', iter, p_4(1), p_4(2));
    faVal = f(p_4);
    fbVal = f(fliplr(p_4));

    if abs(max(faVal, fbVal)) < tol
        break
    else

        % updating pa
        p_4(1) = 1/(1 - demand(v, p_4));

        % updating pb
        p_4(2) = 1/(1 - demand(fliplr(v), fliplr(p_4)));

    end
end
toc

%% problem 5
% we are going to use broyden for this

va = 2;
vb = 0 : 0.2 : 3;
p_5 = ones(2, size(vb, 2));

for i = 1 : size(vb, 2)
    v = [va, vb(i)];
    f = @(x) [x(1) - 1/(1 - demand(v, x)); x(2) - 1/(1 - demand(fliplr(v), f
    %p_5(:, i) = broyden(f, p_5(:, i)');
end

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plot(vb,p_5(1,:),vb,p_5(2,:));  
xlabel('Valuation of good B'); ylabel('Equilibrium Prices ');  
  
diary off
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