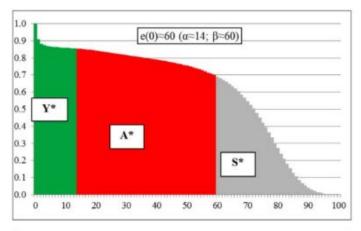
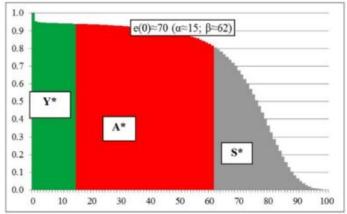
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As the average life span expands, if threshold ages, including the "normal" retirement age, are not properly adjusted the need for intergenerational transfers increases. Threshold ages can be raised in such a way that the proportion of the life span spent in the various phases (e.g., in youth  $Y^*$ , adulthood  $A^*$ , and old age  $S^*$ ) remains the same. Here is an example of what this criterion produces as e(0) increases from 60 to 86, while  $Y^*$  (20%),  $A^*$  (60%), and  $S^*$  (20%) are kept constant.