

Decentralized Risk-Sharing¹

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Main references²

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²Hereafter, we will refer to these papers as D,D (2012), D,D,R (2022), D,D,G,R (2023) and D,R,C,D (2023).

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1. Introduction

Risk-sharing pools

- ▶ Consider a pool of individual random future losses.
- ▶ **Centralized risk-sharing**:
 - ▶ Refers to **risk transfer** mechanisms where the individual losses faced by the members of the pool are passed to a central insurer.
 - ▶ Each **insured** in the **insurance portfolio** is compensated *ex-post* from the insurer for his loss.
 - ▶ In return, the insurer charges an *ex-ante* **premium** to each insured and sets up a **solvency capital** at initiation.
 - ▶ The premiums follow from an appropriate **premium principle**.
 - ▶ Premiums and solvency capital are set such that the probability that their sum at time 1 exceeds the aggregate loss of the insurance portfolio is sufficiently high.

1. Introduction

Risk-sharing pools

- ▶ Consider again a pool of individual random future losses.
- ▶ **Decentralized risk-sharing** (DRS):
 - ▶ Refers to **risk-sharing** (RS) mechanisms under which the participants in the pool share their risks among each other.
 - ▶ Each **participant** in the **risk-sharing pool** is compensated *ex-post* from the pool for his loss.
 - ▶ In return, each participant pays an *ex-post* **contribution** to the pool.
 - ▶ These contributions follow from an appropriate **risk-sharing rule**, which is chosen such that the sum of all individual contributions to the pool is equal to the aggregate loss of the pool.
 - ▶ A decentralized approach does not require setting up a solvency capital, due to the full allocation condition.

1. Introduction

Risk-sharing pools

▶ Risk-sharing pools of i.i.d. losses:

- ▶ A natural choice for i.i.d.³ losses is the **uniform risk-sharing** rule, where each participant contributes ex-post an equal part of the aggregate loss.

▶ Risk-sharing pools of losses which are not i.i.d.:

- ▶ In this case, the choice of an appropriate and simple RS rule is often not straightforward.
- ▶ A possible choice is the **conditional mean RS** (CMRS) rule⁴, where each participant contributes ex-post the conditional expectation of his loss brought to the pool, given the aggregate loss covered by the pool.

³i.i.d. = independent and identically distributed.

⁴See D,D (2012).

1. Introduction

Peer-to-peer (P2P) insurance

- ▶ **P2P insurance** (also called **collaborative insurance**, **crowdsurance** or **decentralized insurance**) refers to the risk management strategy where:
 - ▶ a group of participants bring their losses together in a RS pool,
 - ▶ the pool covers the losses of its participants,
 - ▶ against a contribution to be determined and paid ex post by each member.
- ▶ The **group of participants** who form the pool can consist of:
 - ▶ friends, family members, affinity groups, patients suffering a same disease, etc.
 - ▶ lawyers, farmers, physicians, etc., who form a risk pool to protect themselves against professional risks.
- ▶ Natural catastrophes and major industrial risks (induced by nuclear plants e.g.) are often covered by RS pools.

1. Introduction

Peer-to-peer (P2P) insurance

- ▶ P2P insurance revives **early forms of mutual insurance** (where the *contributions of the many* are used to cover the *losses of the few*).
- ▶ Risk-sharing mechanisms have been studied for decades in the actuarial literature, starting with the pioneering work of **Karl Borch** on equilibrium in reinsurance markets in the 1960's.

1. Introduction

Peer-to-peer (P2P) insurance

- ▶ The recent interest in a **sharing economy**, **collaborative consumption** and **decentralized finance/insurance**, together with recent **advances in technology** have made P2P insurance a viable candidate to partially disrupt the traditional insurance sector.
- ▶ In response to these recent evolutions, several actuarial researchers have shown a renewed interest in the math supporting P2P insurance⁵.

⁵See e.g. Abdikerimova & Feng (2019), Denuit (2019), Denuit, Dhaene & Robert (2022), Feng, Liu & Zhang (2022), Jiao, Kou, Liu & Wang (2022), Feng (2023).

1. Introduction

Conventions and notations

- ▶ Time 0 is 'now'.
- ▶ All r.v.'s are real-valued and defined on the atomless probability space $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$.
- ▶ A random vector is denoted by a bold upper-case letter with subscript indicating its dimension, e.g.

$$\mathbf{X}_n = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n),$$

- ▶ while its realization (observed at time 1) is denoted by the corresponding bold lower-case small letter, e.g.

$$\mathbf{x}_n = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

2. Risk-sharing and risk-sharing rules

Agents and their losses

- ▶ Let χ be an appropriate (sufficiently rich) set of r.v.'s on $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$, representing possible random losses at time 1.⁶
- ▶ Consider n economic agents, numbered $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.
- ▶ Each agent i faces a l loss $X_i \in \chi$ at the end of the observation period $[0, 1]$.
- ▶ Without insurance or pooling, each agent bears his own loss:
 - ▶ At time 1, agent i suffers loss x_i , which is the realization of X_i .

⁶If not explicitly stated differently, we assume that $\chi = L^1$ or L^1_+ , appropriate for the situation at hand.

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Pools of losses

- ▶ The joint cdf of the the loss vector \mathbf{X}_n is denoted by $F_{\mathbf{X}_n}$.
- ▶ The marginal cdf's of the individual losses are denoted by $F_{X_1}, F_{X_2}, \dots, F_{X_n}$, respectively.
- ▶ The aggregate loss faced by the n agents with loss vector \mathbf{X}_n is denoted by $S_{\mathbf{X}_n} = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$.
- ▶ Hereafter, we will often call \mathbf{X}_n the pool, and call each agent a participant in the pool.
- ▶ In case no confusion about n is possible, we will write \mathbf{X} instead of \mathbf{X}_n and $S_{\mathbf{X}}$ (or S) instead of $S_{\mathbf{X}_n}$.

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Allocations

- ▶ **Definition:** For any pool $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$ with aggregate loss $S_{\mathbf{X}}$, the set $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{X}}$ is defined by:

$$\mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{X}} = \left\{ (Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n) \in \chi^n \mid \sum_i^n Y_i = S_{\mathbf{X}} \right\}$$

- ▶ The elements of $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{X}}$ are called the n -dimensional **allocations** of \mathbf{X} in χ^n .

2. Risk-sharing and risk-sharing rules

Risk-sharing

- ▶ **Definition:** Risk-sharing in a pool $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$ is a two-stage process.
 - ▶ Ex-ante step (at time 0):
The losses X_i in the pool are re-allocated by transforming \mathbf{X} into another random vector $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{X}}$:

$$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) = (C_1(\mathbf{X}), C_2(\mathbf{X}), \dots, C_n(\mathbf{X}))$$

- ▶ Ex-post step (at time 1):
 - ▶ Each participant i receives from the pool the realization of his loss X_i .
 - ▶ In return, he pays to the pool the realization of his re-allocated loss $C_i(\mathbf{X})$.

- ▶ **Remark:**

- ▶ As $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{X}}$, risk sharing is **self-financing**:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n C_i(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

- ▶ This condition is called the full allocation condition.

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Risk-sharing rules

▶ **Remarks:**

- ▶ For any participant i in the pool $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$,
 - ▶ X_i is called his **loss**, (paid by the pool).
 - ▶ $C_i(\mathbf{X})$ is called his **contribution**, (paid to the pool).

▶ **Contribution vector:**

$$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) = (C_1(\mathbf{X}), C_2(\mathbf{X}), \dots, C_n(\mathbf{X}))$$

- ▶ **Definition:** A **risk-sharing rule** is a mapping $\mathbf{C} : \chi^n \rightarrow \chi^n$ which transforms any pool $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$ into a contribution vector $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{X}}$:

$$\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n \rightarrow \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{X}}$$

2. Risk-sharing and risk-sharing rules

Risk-sharing rules

Example 2.1:

- ▶ Suppose that $\chi = L_+^1$.
- ▶ Consider the RS rule $\mathbf{C}^{\text{prop}} : \chi^2 \rightarrow \chi^2$ where for any $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^2$, the contribution vector $\mathbf{C}^{\text{prop}}(\mathbf{X}) \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{X}} \subseteq \chi^2$ is given by

$$C_i^{\text{prop}}(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{\mathbb{E}[X_i]}{\mathbb{E}[S_{\mathbf{X}}]} S_{\mathbf{X}}, \quad i = 1, 2$$

- ▶ **Interpretation:** Each participant contributes a fixed proportion of the total loss $S_{\mathbf{X}}$, which is in accordance with his contribution to the expected aggregate loss.
- ▶ This RS rule is called the **proportional risk-sharing rule**.

2. Risk-sharing and risk-sharing rules

Risk-sharing rules

Example 2.2:

- ▶ At time 1, we flip a coin. The r.v. Z equals 0 in case of heads and 1 in case of tails.
- ▶ Consider the RS rule $\mathbf{C} : \chi^2 \rightarrow \chi^2$, which is defined such that for any pool $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2)$,

$$C_1(\mathbf{X}) = \begin{cases} X_1 + X_2 & : Z = 0 \\ 0 & : Z = 1 \end{cases}$$

and

$$C_2(\mathbf{X}) = \begin{cases} 0 & : Z = 0 \\ X_1 + X_2 & : Z = 1 \end{cases}$$

- ▶ **Observations:** In order to determine the realization of $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X})$:
 - ▶ Knowledge of the realization of \mathbf{X} is not sufficient⁷.
 - ▶ Knowledge of the realizations of $X_1 + X_2$ and Z is required.

⁷In other words, $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X})$ is not \mathbf{X} -measurable, see further.

2. Risk-sharing and risk-sharing rules

Risk-sharing rules

- ▶ Consider a RS rule $\mathbf{C} : \chi^n \rightarrow \chi^n$ and a pool $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$.
- ▶ In order to be able to determine the contribution $C_i(\mathbf{X})$ of each participant i at time 1, one may need **different types of information**:
 - ▶ Deterministic information (available at time 0):
 - ▶ certain parameters (e.g. expectations of the X_i),
 - ▶ certain cdf's (e.g. the cdf's F_i of the X_i , or the cdf $F_{\mathbf{X}}$ of \mathbf{X}).
 - ▶ Realizations of random quantities (available at time 1):
 - ▶ outcomes of certain r.v.'s and random vectors (e.g. outcome of $S_{\mathbf{X}}$, or outcome of \mathbf{X} , or outcome of other r.v.'s)

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Risk-sharing rules

- ▶ **At time 0**, the contribution vector $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X})$ is a random vector, as it depends on \mathbf{X} , and eventually also on other sources of randomness.
 - ▶ Knowing the realization of \mathbf{X} is often not sufficient to know the realization of $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X})$.
 - ▶ This means that in general we don't assume that $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X})$ is \mathbf{X} -measurable.
 - ▶ In other words, in general we don't assume that there exists a function $\mathbf{h} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{X})$.
- ▶ **At time 1**, the contribution vector is a deterministic vector, as the realization of any random source in $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X})$ is assumed to be observable at time 1.

2. Risk-sharing and risk-sharing rules

Combining risk retention, risk-sharing and risk transfer

- ▶ In order to **reduce his contribution** to the pool, a participant with initial loss Y_i may:
 - ▶ **retain** part of Y_i
 - ▶ **transfer** part of Y_i to an insurer,
 - ▶ **share** the remaining part of Y_i with the members of a pool.
- ▶ **In this presentation:**
 - ▶ X_i denotes the loss that i shares in the pool, after eventual retention and transfer of risk.
 - ▶ $C_i(\mathbf{X})$ denotes the contribution of i to the pool.
- ▶ **Example:**
 - ▶ Suppose that participant i *retains* the lower layer $[0, l_i)$ of initial loss $Y_i \geq 0$,
 - ▶ and *transfers* the upper layer $[u_i, \infty)$ of Y_i , with $u_i > l_i$ to an insurer.
 - ▶ The loss *shared* in the pool is then

$$X_i = (Y_i - l_i)_+ - (Y_i - u_i)_+$$

3. Examples of risk-sharing rules

The stand-alone risk-sharing rule

- ▶ **Definition:** $\mathbf{C} : \chi^n \rightarrow \chi^n$ is the **stand-alone RS rule** if

$$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{X}, \quad \text{for any } \mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$$

- ▶ **Interpretation:** This RS rule corresponds to the case where individuals decide not to pool their risks.
- ▶ The pool just acts as a register to collect data about individual losses, without re-allocating them among participants.

3. Examples of risk-sharing rules

The uniform risk-sharing rule

- ▶ **Definition:** The **uniform RS rule** \mathbf{C}^{uni} is defined by

$$C_i^{\text{uni}}(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{S_{\mathbf{X}}}{n}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n,$$

for any $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$.

- ▶ **Interpretation:** This RS rule equally distributes the aggregate loss $S_{\mathbf{X}}$ over all participants.
- ▶ It is the most simple, non-trivial and well-known RS rule.

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The order statistics risk-sharing rule

- ▶ The i -th **order statistic** $X_{(i)}$ of a random vector $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$ is the i -th smallest value in \mathbf{X} . Hence, $X_{(1)} \leq X_{(2)} \leq \dots \leq X_{(n)}$.
- ▶ **Definition:** The **order statistics RS rule** \mathbf{C}^{ord} is defined by

$$\mathbf{C}^{\text{ord}}(\mathbf{X}) = (X_{(1)}, X_{(2)}, \dots, X_{(n)})$$

for any $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$.

- ▶ **Interpretation:** Participants are ordered in ascending risk-bearing capacity (e.g. age), and a higher risk-bearing capacity leads to a higher contribution.

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The conditional mean risk-sharing rule

- ▶ **Definition:** The **conditional mean RS rule** C^{cm} is defined by

$$C_i^{\text{cm}}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbb{E}[X_i | S_{\mathbf{X}}], \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n,$$

for any $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n \subseteq (L^1)^n$.

- ▶ **Interpretation:** Each participant contributes the expected value of the loss he brings to the pool, given the aggregate loss experienced by the pool.
- ▶ The CMRS rule was introduced in the actuarial literature in D,D (2012)⁸. It has many nice properties, see D,D,R (2022). Its axiomatic characterization is given in Jiao, Kou, Liu & Wang (2022).

⁸An early reference is Landsberger & Meilijson (1994).

3. Examples of risk-sharing rules

The conditional mean risk-sharing rule

- ▶ A **reshuffle** of the pool $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$ is a random vector \mathbf{X}^π defined by

$$\mathbf{X}^\pi = \left(X_{\pi(1)}, X_{\pi(2)}, \dots, X_{\pi(n)} \right),$$

where $\pi = (\pi(1), \pi(2), \dots, \pi(n))$ is a permutation of $\{1, \dots, n\}$.

- ▶ **Interpretation:** \mathbf{X} and \mathbf{X}^π are composed of the same individual losses, but only their places are interchanged: After reshuffling, $X_{\pi(i)}$ is the new loss attributed to participant i .
- ▶ **Definition:**⁹ The pool \mathbf{X} is **exchangeable** in case for any reshuffle π of \mathbf{X} , one has that $\mathbf{X}^\pi \stackrel{d}{=} \mathbf{X}$.

⁹ $\mathbf{X}^\pi \stackrel{d}{=} \mathbf{X}$ is a notation for ' \mathbf{X}^π and \mathbf{X} have the same cdf'.

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The conditional mean risk-sharing rule

- ▶ The losses of an exchangeable pool are i.d.¹⁰, but not necessary mutually independent.
- ▶ **Property**: In case the pool $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$ is exchangeable, then

$$C_i^{\text{cm}}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbb{E}[X_i | S_{\mathbf{X}}] = \frac{S_{\mathbf{X}}}{n}$$

holds for any participant i .

- ▶ **Interpretation**: For any participant in an exchangeable pool, the contributions according to the conditional mean RS rule and the uniform RS rule are equal.

¹⁰The notation 'i.d.' stands for 'identically distributed'.

4. Internal risk-sharing rules

Definition

► **Definition:**

$\mathbf{C} : \chi^n \rightarrow \chi^n$ is an **internal RS rule** if for any pool $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$, one has that $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X})$ is \mathbf{X} -measurable.

► **Interpretation:**

\mathbf{C} is *internal* in the sense that the randomness of any contribution vector $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X})$ is solely due to the randomness of the loss vector \mathbf{X} .

► **Example 4.1:**

$$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{X_1+X_2}{2}, \frac{X_1+X_2}{2} \right) & : F_{X_1} = F_{X_2} \\ (X_1, X_2) & : F_{X_1} \neq F_{X_2} \end{cases}$$

4. Internal risk-sharing rules

Definition

► **Characterization:**

$\mathbf{C} : \chi^n \rightarrow \chi^n$ is an **internal RS rule** if and only if any of the following equivalent conditions holds:

- (1) For any $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$, there exists a function $\mathbf{h}^{\text{int}} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ such that

$$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{h}^{\text{int}}(\mathbf{X})$$

- (2) For any $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$, one has that

$$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) \mid \mathbf{X}]$$

► **Important remark:**

The function \mathbf{h}^{int} may be pool-specific (see e.g. Example 4.1).

4. Internal risk-sharing rules

Counterexample

Example 2.2 (revisited):

- ▶ At time 1, we flip a coin. The r.v. Z equals 0 in case of heads and 1 in case of tails.
- ▶ Consider the RS rule $\mathbf{C} : \chi^2 \rightarrow \chi^2$, which is defined such that for any pool $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2)$,

$$C_1(\mathbf{X}) = \begin{cases} X_1 + X_2 & : Z = 0 \\ 0 & : Z = 1 \end{cases}$$

and

$$C_2(\mathbf{X}) = \begin{cases} 0 & : Z = 0 \\ X_1 + X_2 & : Z = 1 \end{cases}$$

- ▶ Observations:
 - ▶ It is impossible to find for any pool \mathbf{X} a function $\mathbf{h}^{\text{int}} : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ such that $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{h}^{\text{int}}(\mathbf{X})$.
 - ▶ This means that \mathbf{C} is not an internal RS rule.

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Examples of internal RS rules

- ▶ **Stand-alone RS**: internal,

$$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{X}$$

- ▶ **Uniform RS**: internal,

$$C_i^{\text{uni}}(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{S_{\mathbf{X}}}{n}$$

- ▶ **Proportional RS**: internal,

$$C_i^{\text{prop}}(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{\mathbb{E}[X_i]}{\mathbb{E}[S_{\mathbf{X}}]} S_{\mathbf{X}}$$

- ▶ **Order statistics RS**: internal,

$$C_i^{\text{ord}}(\mathbf{X}) = X_{(i)}$$

- ▶ **Conditional mean RS**: internal,

$$C_i^{\text{cm}}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbb{E}[X_i | S_{\mathbf{X}}]$$

4. Internal risk-sharing rules

Example

Example 4.2:

- ▶ Consider the RS rule $\mathbf{C} : \chi^n \rightarrow \chi^n$, where any $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$ is a pool of **health-related costs** of the participants.
- ▶ Suppose the participants can be divided in m **age categories**, denoted by $1, 2, \dots, m$:
 - ▶ For any pool $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$, the age category of participant i is known at time 0, and denoted by $a_i(\mathbf{X})$.
- ▶ The RS rule \mathbf{C} is defined by

$$C_i(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{j=1}^m \left(\frac{\sum_{k=1}^n X_k \times \mathbf{1}_{a_k(\mathbf{X})=j}}{\sum_{k=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{a_k(\mathbf{X})=j}} \right) \times \mathbf{1}_{a_i(\mathbf{X})=j}$$

4. Internal risk-sharing rules

Example

Example 4.2 (cont'd):

- ▶ The RS rule **C** is defined by

$$C_i(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^m \left(\frac{\sum_{k=1}^n X_k \times \mathbf{1}_{a_k(\mathbf{x})=j}}{\sum_{k=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{a_k(\mathbf{x})=j}} \right) \times \mathbf{1}_{a_i(\mathbf{x})=j}$$

- ▶ Interpretation: Losses are uniformly shared within each age category.
- ▶ Observations:
 - ▶ **C** is an **internal RS rule**.
 - ▶ **C** is in general **not** a **type I - internal RS rule**.

5. Aggregate risk-sharing rules

Definition

► **Definition:**

RS rule $\mathbf{C} : \chi^n \rightarrow \chi^n$ is an **aggregate RS rule** if for any pool $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$, one has that $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X})$ is $S_{\mathbf{X}}$ -measurable.

► **Interpretation:**

\mathbf{C} is *aggregate* in the sense that the randomness of any contribution vector $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X})$ is solely due to the randomness of aggregate claims $S_{\mathbf{X}}$.

► **Remark:**

An aggregate RS rule is **anonymous**, in the sense that it doesn't care about the 'origin' of the aggregate loss $S_{\mathbf{X}}$.

► **Example 5.1:**

$$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{1}{3}S_{\mathbf{X}}, \frac{2}{3}S_{\mathbf{X}} \right) & : \mathbb{E}[X_1] \leq \mathbb{E}[X_2] \\ \left(\frac{2}{3}S_{\mathbf{X}}, \frac{1}{3}S_{\mathbf{X}} \right) & : \mathbb{E}[X_1] > \mathbb{E}[X_2] \end{cases}$$

5. Aggregate risk-sharing rules

Definition

► Characterization:

$\mathbf{C} : \mathcal{X}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{X}^n$ is an aggregate RS rule if and only if any of the following equivalent conditions holds:

- (1) For any $\mathbf{X} \in \mathcal{X}^n$, there exists a function $\mathbf{h}^{\text{aggr}} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ such that

$$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{h}^{\text{aggr}}(S_{\mathbf{X}})$$

- (2) For any $\mathbf{X} \in \mathcal{X}^n$, one has that

$$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) \mid S_{\mathbf{X}}]$$

► Important remark:

\mathbf{h}^{aggr} may be pool-specific (see e.g. Example 5.1).

5. Aggregate risk-sharing rules

Definition

▶ **Property:**

An **aggregate** RS rule is an **internal** RS rule.

▶ Proof:

▶ Let $\mathbf{C} : \chi^n \rightarrow \chi^n$ be an aggregate RS rule and $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$.

▶ There exists a function $\mathbf{h}^{\text{aggr}} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ such that

$$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{h}^{\text{aggr}}(S_{\mathbf{X}})$$

▶ Define the function $\mathbf{h}^{\text{int}} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ such that

$$\mathbf{h}^{\text{int}}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{h}^{\text{aggr}}(x_1 + \dots + x_n)$$

▶ Then we find that

$$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{h}^{\text{int}}(\mathbf{X})$$

▶ We can conclude that \mathbf{C} is an internal RS rule.



5. Aggregate risk-sharing rules

Examples

- ▶ Stand-alone RS: not aggregate,

$$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{X}$$

- ▶ Uniform RS: aggregate,

$$C_i^{\text{uni}}(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{S_{\mathbf{X}}}{n}$$

- ▶ Proportional RS: aggregate,

$$C_i^{\text{prop}}(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{\mathbb{E}[X_i]}{\mathbb{E}[S_{\mathbf{X}}]} S_{\mathbf{X}}$$

- ▶ Order statistics RS: not aggregate,

$$C_i^{\text{ord}}(\mathbf{X}) = X_{(i)}$$

- ▶ Conditional mean RS: aggregate,

$$C_i^{\text{cm}}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbb{E}[X_i | S_{\mathbf{X}}]$$

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Examples

Example 5.2:

- ▶ Consider the RS rule $\mathbf{C} : \chi^2 \rightarrow \chi^2$ where any $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^2$ is a pool of **health-related costs** of 2 participants.
- ▶ Suppose the participants can be divided in m **age categories**, denoted by $1, 2, \dots, m$:
 - ▶ For any $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^2$, the age category of participant i is denoted by $a_i(\mathbf{X})$.

- ▶ The **RS rule** \mathbf{C} is defined by

$$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{S_{\mathbf{X}}}{2}, \frac{S_{\mathbf{X}}}{2} \right) & : \text{if } a_1(\mathbf{X}) = a_2(\mathbf{X}) \\ (\mathbb{E}[X_1 | S_{\mathbf{X}}], \mathbb{E}[X_2 | S_{\mathbf{X}}]) & : \text{if } a_1(\mathbf{X}) \neq a_2(\mathbf{X}) \end{cases}$$

- ▶ **Observations:**

- ▶ \mathbf{C} is an aggregate RS rule:

$$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{h}^{\text{aggr}}(S_{\mathbf{X}})$$

- ▶ \mathbf{h}^{aggr} is pool-specific as it depends on $(a_1(\mathbf{X}), a_2(\mathbf{X}))$.

6. Properties of risk-sharing rules

Introduction

- ▶ **Premium principles:** have been studied in detail around the 'eighties'¹¹.
- ▶ **Risk measures:** During the the 'nineties' and beyond, risk measures and their axiomatic characterizations have been studied extensively¹².
- ▶ **Risk sharing schemes:** Recently, the study of decentralized RS has (re-)gained a great interest.
 - ▶ Hereafter, we present a non-exhaustive list of properties that RS rules should/could satisfy¹³.
 - ▶ Some properties are inspired by properties of premium principles or risk measures, other are tailored to RS rules.

¹¹Goovaerts, De Vijlder & Haezendonck (1984) is a key reference.

¹²Artzner, Delbaen, Eber & Heath (1997) is a fundamental paper.

¹³See D,D,R (2022).

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Classes of properties

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- ▶ **Improvement properties**: guarantee that the RS rule 'improves' the situation compared to the stand-alone situation: **willingness-to-join, comonotonicity.**
- ▶ **Coalition properties**: guarantee that participants are not affected by coalitions set up between other participants: **coalition fairness, merging fairness.**
- ▶ **Specific pool properties**: should hold (or not) for specific pools only: **stand-alone property for comonotonic pools, uniformity property for exchangeable pools.**

6.1. Conservation properties of risk-sharing rules

The 'reshuffling' property

- ▶ **Definition:**¹⁴ A RS rule $\mathbf{C} : \chi^n \rightarrow \chi^n$ satisfies the reshuffling property if for any $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$ and any of its reshuffles \mathbf{X}^π , one has that

$$C_i(\mathbf{X}^\pi) = C_{\pi(i)}(\mathbf{X}) \quad \text{for any } i = 1, \dots, n \quad (1)$$

- ▶ **Example:**

- ▶ Consider $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2, X_3)$ and $\mathbf{X}^\pi = (X_3, X_1, X_2)$.
- ▶ If (1) holds, then

$$\pi(1) = 3 \Rightarrow C_1(\mathbf{X}^\pi) = C_3(\mathbf{X})$$

- ▶ **Interpretation :** If participants exchange their individual losses, then their contributions are changed in the same way.

¹⁴Jiao, Yiao, Liu & Wang (2022), hereafter abbreviated as J,K,L,W (2022), call this property *symmetry*.

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The 'reshuffling' property

- ▶ **Order statistics RS**: does not satisfy reshuffling,

$$C_1^{\text{ord}}(\mathbf{X}^\pi) = C_1^{\text{ord}}(X_3, X_2, X_1) = \min(X_1, X_2, X_3)$$

while

$$C_{\pi(1)}^{\text{ord}}(\mathbf{X}) = C_3^{\text{ord}}(X_1, X_2, X_3) = \max(X_1, X_2, X_3)$$

- ▶ **Conditional means RS**: satisfies reshuffling,

$$C_i^{\text{cm}}(\mathbf{X}^\pi) = \mathbb{E}\left[X_{\pi(i)} \mid S\right] = C_{\pi(i)}^{\text{cm}}(\mathbf{X})$$

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The 'normalization' property

- ▶ **Definition:**¹⁵ A RS rule $\mathbf{C} : \chi^n \rightarrow \chi^n$ satisfies the **normalization** property if for any $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$, one has

$$X_i = 0 \Rightarrow C_i(\mathbf{X}) = 0$$

holds for any i .

- ▶ **Interpretation:** A participant with a zero loss has a zero contribution.
- ▶ **Remark:** If a RS rule satisfies the reshuffling property, then a sufficient condition for the normalization property to hold is that it holds for the last participant.

¹⁵J,K,L,W (2022) call this property *zero preserving*. Normalization as defined here is a weaker property than normalization defined in D,D,R (2022).

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The 'normalization' property

- ▶ **Uniform RS**: does not satisfy normalization,

$$C_3^{\text{uni}}(X_1, X_2, 0) = \frac{X_1 + X_2}{3}$$

- ▶ **Conditional means RS**: satisfies normalization,

- ▶ The CMRS satisfies reshuffling.
- ▶ Furthermore,

$$C_n^{\text{cm}}(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{n-1}, 0) = \mathbb{E}[0 \mid S] = 0$$

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The 'translativity' property

- ▶ **Notation:** \mathbf{e}_j is the n -dimensional unit vector with all components equal to 0, except the j -th component which equals 1.
- ▶ **Definition:** A RS rule $\mathbf{C} : \chi^n \rightarrow \chi^n$ satisfies the **translativity** property if for any $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$ and any participant $j = 1, \dots, n$, one has that

$$C_i(\mathbf{X} + c \mathbf{e}_j) = C_i(\mathbf{X}), \quad \text{for all } i \neq j \text{ and any } c \geq 0$$

- ▶ **Interpretation:** Increasing the loss of participant j by a deterministic amount $c \geq 0$, leaves the contributions of the other participants unchanged.
- ▶ **Consequence:** In case the RS rule \mathbf{C} satisfies the translativity property, then

$$C_j(\mathbf{X} + c \mathbf{e}_j) = C_j(\mathbf{X}) + c$$

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The 'translativity' property

- ▶ **Remark:** If the RS rule satisfies the reshuffling property, then a sufficient condition for the translativity property to hold is that it holds for the last participant.
- ▶ **Uniform RS:** does not satisfy translativity,

$$C_1^{\text{uni}}(X_1, X_2, X_3 + c) = \frac{S + c}{3} \neq \frac{S}{3} = C_1^{\text{uni}}(X_1, X_2, X_3)$$

- ▶ **Conditional mean RS** satisfies translativity,
 - ▶ The CMRS satisfies reshuffling.
 - ▶ For any $i \neq n$, one has

$$C_i^{\text{cm}}(\mathbf{X} + c \mathbf{1}_n) = \mathbb{E}[X_i \mid |S + c] = \mathbb{E}[X_i \mid S] = C_i^{\text{cm}}(\mathbf{X})$$

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The 'positive homogeneity' property

► **Definition:**

A RS rule $\mathbf{C} : \chi^n \rightarrow \chi^n$ satisfies the positive homogeneity property¹⁶ if for any $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$, one has that

$$C_i(c \mathbf{X}) = c \times C_i(\mathbf{X})$$

holds for any i and any $c \geq 0$.

- **Interpretation:** Multiplying all losses by $c \geq 0$ implies that all contributions change in the same way.

¹⁶ $c \mathbf{X}$ stands for $(c \times X_1, c \times X_2, \dots, c \times X_n)$

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The 'positive homogeneity' property

- ▶ Proportional RS is positive homogeneous,

$$\begin{aligned}C_i^{\text{prop}}(c \mathbf{X}) &= \frac{\mathbb{E}[c X_i]}{\mathbb{E}[c S]} (c \times S) \\ &= c \frac{\mathbb{E}[X_i]}{\mathbb{E}[S]} S = c \times C_i^{\text{prop}}(\mathbf{X})\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Order statistics RS is positive homogeneous,

$$C_i^{\text{ord}}(c \mathbf{X}) = c \times X_{(i)} = c \times C_i^{\text{ord}}(\mathbf{X})$$

- ▶ Conditional mean RS is positive homogeneous,

$$C_i^{\text{cm}}(c \mathbf{X}) = \mathbb{E}[c \times X_i \mid c \times S] = c \mathbb{E}[X_i \mid S] = c \times C_i^{\text{cm}}(\mathbf{X})$$

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The 'constancy' property

- ▶ **Definition:**¹⁷ A RS rule $\mathbf{C} : \chi^n \rightarrow \chi^n$ satisfies the constancy property if for any $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$, one has

$$X_j = c \Rightarrow C_j(\mathbf{X}) = c$$

holds for any j and any $c \geq 0$.

- ▶ **Interpretation:** In case a participant's loss is a non-negative constant, then his contribution is equal to that constant.
- ▶ **Remark:** If the RS rule satisfies the reshuffling property, then a sufficient condition for the constancy property to hold is that it holds for the last participant.

¹⁷Constancy as defined here is a weaker property than the constancy defined in D,D,R (2022). Constancy is called *constant preserving* in J,K,L,W (2022).

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The 'constancy' property

- ▶ **Uniform RS**: does not satisfy constancy,

$$C_3^{\text{uni}}(X_1, X_2, c) = \frac{X_1 + X_2 + c}{3}$$

- ▶ **Proportional RS**: does not satisfy constancy,

$$C_3^{\text{prop}}(X_1, X_2, c) = \frac{c}{\mathbb{E}[S]} S$$

- ▶ **Conditional mean RS**: satisfies constancy,

$$C_n^{\text{cm}}(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{n-1}, c) = \mathbb{E}[c | S] = c$$

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The 'constancy' property

► **Proposition:**

If a RS rule satisfies **translativity** and **normalization**, then it also satisfies **constancy**.

► **Proof:**

- The case where $X_n = c$:

$$\begin{aligned} C_n(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{n-1}, c) &= C_n(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{n-1}, 0 + c) \\ &\stackrel{\text{transl.}}{=} C_n(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{n-1}, 0) + c \\ &\stackrel{\text{normaliz.}}{=} c \end{aligned}$$

- The case where $X_j = c$ for $j \neq n$ is proven similarly. ∇

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The 'no rip-off' property

- ▶ The 'largest value' of r.v. X :

$$F_X^{-1}(1) = \inf\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid F_X(x) = 1\}$$

- ▶ Definition:¹⁸ A RS rule $\mathbf{C} : \chi^n \rightarrow \chi^n$ satisfies the no rip-off property if for any $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$, one has that

$$C_i(\mathbf{X}) \leq F_{X_i}^{-1}(1)$$

holds for any $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

- ▶ Interpretation: The participant's contribution will never exceed his 'worst-case loss'.

¹⁸J,K,L,W (2022) call this property the 'risk fairness' axiom.

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The 'no rip-off' property

Uniform RS: does not satisfy no-riporff,¹⁹

$$C_1^{\text{uni}}(U, 2U) = \frac{3U}{2} \in [0, 1.5]$$

Proportional RS: does not satisfy no-riporff,

$$C_3^{\text{prop}}(X_1, X_2, c) = \frac{c}{\mathbb{E}[S]} S$$

Conditional mean RS: satisfies no rip-off,

$$C_i^{\text{cm}}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbb{E}[X_i | S] \leq \mathbb{E}[F_{X_i}^{-1}(1) | S] = F_{X_i}^{-1}(1).$$

¹⁹In this text, the notation U is used exclusively for a r.v. which is uniformly distributed over $[0, 1]$.

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The 'actuarial fairness' property

- ▶ **Definition:** A RS rule $\mathbf{C} : \chi^n \rightarrow \chi^n$ satisfies **actuarial fairness** if for any $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$, one has that

$$\mathbb{E} [C_i(\mathbf{X})] = \mathbb{E} [X_i]$$

holds for any $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

- ▶ **Interpretation:** On average, participants do neither gain nor lose from risk sharing, in the sense that their expected contribution (by joining the pool) is equal to their expected loss (when staying alone).

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The 'actuarial fairness' property

▶ **Uniform RS**: does not satisfy actuarial fairness,

- ▶ Consider the loss vector $(U, U, 4U)$.
- ▶ Expected loss of first participant:

$$\mathbb{E}[U] = \frac{1}{2}$$

- ▶ Expected contribution of first participant:

$$\mathbb{E}[C_1^{\text{uni}}(U, U, 4U)] = \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{U + U + 4U}{3}\right] = 1$$

▶ **Conditional mean RS**: satisfies actuarial fairness,

$$\mathbb{E}[C_i^{\text{cm}}(\mathbf{X})] = \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[X_i | S]] = \mathbb{E}[X_i]$$

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The 'actuarial fairness' property

▶ **Proposition:**

If a RS rule satisfies **actuarial fairness** and **no rip-off**, then it also satisfies **constancy**.

▶ **Proof**

- ▶ Suppose $X_j = c$.
- ▶ Actuarial fairness implies

$$\mathbb{E}[C_i(\mathbf{X})] = \mathbb{E}[X_j] = c$$

- ▶ No rip-off implies

$$C_i(\mathbf{X}) \leq F_{X_j}^{-1}(1) = c$$

- ▶ We can conclude that

$$C_i(\mathbf{X}) = c$$



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The 'law-invariance' property

► **Definition:**

A RS rule $\mathbf{C} : \chi^n \rightarrow \chi^n$ satisfies the law-invariance property in case

$$\mathbf{X} \stackrel{d}{=} \mathbf{Y} \Rightarrow \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) \stackrel{d}{=} \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{Y})$$

holds for any \mathbf{X} and $\mathbf{Y} \in \chi^n$.

► **Interpretation:**

If pools are 'equal in distribution', then also their contribution vectors are 'equal in distribution'.

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The 'law-invariance' property

- ▶ **Proportional RS**: is law invariant: If $\mathbf{X} \stackrel{d}{=} \mathbf{Y}$, then

$$\left(\frac{\mathbb{E}[X_1]}{\mathbb{E}[S_{\mathbf{X}}]} S_{\mathbf{X}}, \dots, \frac{\mathbb{E}[X_n]}{\mathbb{E}[S_{\mathbf{X}}]} S_{\mathbf{X}} \right) \stackrel{d}{=} \left(\frac{\mathbb{E}[Y_1]}{\mathbb{E}[S_{\mathbf{Y}}]} S_{\mathbf{Y}}, \dots, \frac{\mathbb{E}[Y_n]}{\mathbb{E}[S_{\mathbf{Y}}]} S_{\mathbf{Y}} \right)$$

- ▶ **Conditional means RS**: is law invariant: If $\mathbf{X} \stackrel{d}{=} \mathbf{Y}$, then

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{X} \mid S_{\mathbf{X}}] \stackrel{d}{=} \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{Y} \mid S_{\mathbf{Y}}]$$

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The 'law-invariance' property

Example 6.1.1:

- ▶ Suppose that U and V are i.i.d. r.v.'s in χ which are uniformly distributed over the unit interval.
- ▶ Consider the RS rule $\mathbf{C} : \chi^2 \rightarrow \chi^2$ defined by

$$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) = \begin{cases} (X_1, X_2) & : \text{if } X_1 = U \\ \left(\frac{X_1+X_2}{2}, \frac{X_1+X_2}{2}\right) & : \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- ▶ Observation:

$$(U, 1 - U) \stackrel{d}{=} (V, 1 - V) \text{ but } \mathbf{C}(U, 1 - U) \not\stackrel{d}{=} \mathbf{C}(V, 1 - V)$$

- ▶ Conclusion: \mathbf{C} is not 'law-invariant' in the sense that there exist pools \mathbf{X} and \mathbf{Y} , such that

$$\mathbf{X} \stackrel{d}{=} \mathbf{Y} \text{ and } \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) \not\stackrel{d}{=} \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{Y})$$

6.2. Improvement properties of risk-sharing rules

Classes of properties

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Stop-loss order

- ▶ Consider the r.v.'s X and Y .
- ▶ **Definition:**
 X is smaller than Y in stop-loss order if for any non-decreasing concave function $u : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and any real w , one has that

$$\mathbb{E}[u(w - X)] \geq \mathbb{E}[u(w - Y)],$$

provided the expectations exist.

- ▶ **Interpretation in expected utility theory:**
Risk-averse decision makers prefer loss X over loss Y .
- ▶ **Notation:**

$$X \leq_{sl} Y$$

6.2. Improvement properties of risk-sharing rules

The 'willingness-to-join' property

► **Definition:**

A RS rule $\mathbf{C} : \chi^n \rightarrow \chi^n$ satisfies the willingness-to-join property²⁰ if for any $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$, one has that

$$C_i(\mathbf{X}) \leq_{sl} X_i$$

holds for any $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

- **Interpretation:** Any risk-averse participant i will prefer the contribution $C_i(\mathbf{X})$ over his initial loss X_i .

²⁰In J,K,L,W (2022) this property is called the *universal improvement property*.

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The 'willingness-to-join' property

- ▶ **Proposition:** If a RS rule satisfies **willingness-to-join**, then it also satisfies **actuarial fairness**, **no rip-off** and **constancy**.

- ▶ **Proof:**

- ▶ For any i , willingness-to-join implies

$$\mathbb{E}[C_i(\mathbf{X})] \leq \mathbb{E}[X_i]$$

The full allocation condition states that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[C_i(\mathbf{X})] = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[X_i]$$

We can conclude that \mathbf{C} is actuarially fair:

$$\mathbb{E}[C_i(\mathbf{X})] = \mathbb{E}[X_i]$$

- ▶ Willingness-to-join implies no rip-off:

$$C_i(\mathbf{X}) \leq F_{C_i(\mathbf{X})}^{-1}(1) \leq F_{X_i}^{-1}(1)$$

- ▶ Actuarial fairness and no rip-off imply constancy.



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The 'willingness-to-join' property

- ▶ **Proportional RS**: does not satisfy willingness-to-join, since it does not satisfy the no rip-off property.
- ▶ **Order statistics RS**: does not satisfy willingness-to-join, since it is not an actuarially fair RS rule.
- ▶ **Conditional mean RS**: satisfies willingness-to-join:

$$\mathbb{E}[X_i | S] \leq_{cx} X_i$$

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Comonotonicity

- ▶ Consider the pool $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ with aggregate loss $S_{\mathbf{X}}$.
- ▶ **Definition:** \mathbf{X} is **comonotonic** if there exist non-decreasing functions $g_i : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$\mathbf{X} = (g_1(S_{\mathbf{X}}), \dots, g_n(S_{\mathbf{X}}))$$

- ▶ **Interpretation:** \mathbf{X} is comonotonic if the increase of one of the individual losses implies an increase of all the other individual losses.

6.2. Improvement properties of risk-sharing rules

The 'comonotonicity' property

- ▶ **Definition:** A RS rule $\mathbf{C} : \chi^n \rightarrow \chi^n$ is **comonotonic** if for any $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$, one has that $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X})$ is a comonotonic random vector.
- ▶ **Equivalent definition:** A RS rule \mathbf{C} is **comonotonic** if for any $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$ there exists a function $\mathbf{h}^{\text{com}} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, such that

$$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{h}^{\text{com}}(S_{\mathbf{X}}) = (h_1^{\text{com}}(S_{\mathbf{X}}), \dots, h_n^{\text{com}}(S_{\mathbf{X}}))$$

where all functions h_i^{com} are non-decreasing.

- ▶ **Interpretation:** Comonotonicity of a RS rule ensures that any participant has an interest in keeping his loss as small as possible²¹.

²¹For this reason, Carlier & Dana (2003) call this property the *no-sabotage condition*.

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The 'comonotonicity' property

▶ Remark 1:

C is comonotonic \Rightarrow C is aggregate \Rightarrow C is internal

▶ Remark 2:

C is internal $\not\Rightarrow$ C is aggregate $\not\Rightarrow$ C is comonotonic

- ▶ Stand-alone RS: is **not comonotonic**. Indeed, for any **X**, one has that

$$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{X}$$

which is in general not comonotonic.

6.2. Improvement properties of risk-sharing rules

The 'comonotonicity' property

- ▶ **Uniform RS: comonotonic.** Indeed, for any \mathbf{X} , one has that $\mathbf{C}^{\text{uni}}(\mathbf{X})$ is comonotonic:

$$\mathbf{C}^{\text{uni}}(\mathbf{X}) = \left(\frac{S_{\mathbf{X}}}{n}, \dots, \frac{S_{\mathbf{X}}}{n} \right)$$

- ▶ **Conditional mean RS: not comonotonic,** since the components of the contribution vector

$$\mathbf{C}^{\text{cm}}(\mathbf{X}) = (\mathbb{E}[X_1 | S_{\mathbf{X}}], \dots, \mathbb{E}[X_n | S_{\mathbf{X}}])$$

are not necessarily non-decreasing in $S_{\mathbf{X}}$.

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Comonotonic does not imply type - I comonotonic

Example 6.2.1:

- ▶ Consider the RS rule $\mathbf{C} : \chi^n \rightarrow \chi^n$.
- ▶ Suppose that each participant of any pool \mathbf{X} belongs to category 0 ('poor') or 1 ('rich').
- ▶ For any pool \mathbf{X} , the wealth-status (0 or 1) of any participant i is known at time 0, and denoted by $w_i(\mathbf{X})$.
- ▶ The RS rule \mathbf{C} is defined by

$$C_i(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{S_{\mathbf{X}}}{\sum_{k=1}^n w_k(\mathbf{X})} \times w_i(\mathbf{X})$$

in case at least one participant is 'rich', and by

$$C_i(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{S_{\mathbf{X}}}{n}$$

if all participant are 'poor'.

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Comonotonic does not imply type - I comonotonic

Example 6.2.1 (cont'd):

- ▶ The **RS rule C** is defined by

$$C_i(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{S_{\mathbf{X}}}{\sum_{k=1}^n w_k(\mathbf{X})} \times w_i(\mathbf{X})$$

in case at least one participant is 'rich', and by

$$C_i(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{S_{\mathbf{X}}}{n}$$

if all participants are 'poor'.

- ▶ **Interpretation:** The aggregate losses of all participants are uniformly shared between the 'rich'.
- ▶ **Observations:**
 - ▶ **C** is a comonotonic RS rule.
 - ▶ **C** is not a type I - comonotonic RS rule (in case $F_{\mathbf{X}}$ does not uniquely determine the wealth level of all participants).

6.3. Coalition properties of risk-sharing rules

Classes of properties

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6.3. Coalition properties of risk-sharing rules

The 'coalition fairness' property

- ▶ Suppose that the participants in the pool (X_1, X_2, X_3) agree to use the RS rule **C** to determine their contributions.
- ▶ Next, suppose that participants 2 and 3 decide to form a **coalition**, under which they equally share their joint loss $(X_2 + X_3)$.
- ▶ This coalition transforms the pool (X_1, X_2, X_3) into

$$\left(X_1, \frac{X_2 + X_3}{2}, \frac{X_2 + X_3}{2}\right)$$

- ▶ It seems reasonable to require that the contribution of participant 1, who is excluded from this coalition, remains unchanged.
- ▶ RS rules satisfying this property will be said to satisfy the **coalition fairness** property.

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The 'coalition fairness' property

- ▶ **Recall:** An **allocation** \mathbf{Y} of a pool $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$ is an element of the following set:

$$\mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{X}} = \left\{ (Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n) \in \chi^n \mid \sum_i^n Y_i = S_{\mathbf{X}} \right\}$$

- ▶ A **coalition** between 2 or more participants in the pool \mathbf{X} , excluding participant i , transforms \mathbf{X} into an allocation $\mathbf{Y} \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{X}}$, with $Y_i = X_i$.

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The 'coalition fairness' property

▶ **Definition:**

A RS rule $\mathbf{C} : \chi^n \rightarrow \chi^n$ satisfies the **coalition fairness** property if for any $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$ and any $\mathbf{Y} \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{X}}$, one has that

$$Y_i = X_i \Rightarrow C_i(\mathbf{Y}) = C_i(\mathbf{X})$$

holds for any i .

▶ **Interpretation:**

- ▶ The contribution of a participant in a pool is not affected by coalitions between other participants in this pool.
- ▶ A coalition between a group of participants does not change the joint contributions of this group.

6.3. Coalition properties of risk-sharing rules

The 'coalition fairness' property

- ▶ Consider the pools \mathbf{X} and \mathbf{Y} in $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{X}}$, with $Y_i = X_i$.
- ▶ Uniform RS: is **coalition fair**. Indeed,

$$C_i^{\text{uni}}(\mathbf{Y}) = \frac{S_{\mathbf{Y}}}{n} = \frac{S_{\mathbf{X}}}{n} = C_i^{\text{uni}}(\mathbf{X})$$

- ▶ Proportional RS: is **coalition fair**. Indeed,

$$C_i^{\text{prop}}(\mathbf{Y}) = \frac{\mathbb{E}[Y_i]}{\mathbb{E}[S_{\mathbf{Y}}]} S_{\mathbf{Y}} = \frac{\mathbb{E}[X_i]}{\mathbb{E}[S_{\mathbf{X}}]} S_{\mathbf{X}} = C_i^{\text{prop}}(\mathbf{X})$$

6.3. Coalition properties of risk-sharing rules

The 'coalition fairness' property

- ▶ **Order statistics RS**: is **not coalition fair**. Indeed,

- ▶ Consider (X_1, X_2, X_3) and $(X_1, X_2 + X_3, 0)$.
- ▶ One has that

$$C_1^{\text{ord}}(X_1, X_2, X_3) = \min \{X_1, X_2, X_3\}$$

- ▶ while

$$C_1^{\text{ord}}(X_1, X_2 + X_3, 0) = \min \{X_1, X_2 + X_3, 0\}$$

- ▶ **Conditional Mean RS**: is **coalition fair**. Indeed,

$$C_i^{\text{cm}}(\mathbf{Y}) = \mathbb{E}[Y_i | S_{\mathbf{Y}}] = \mathbb{E}[X_i | S_{\mathbf{X}}] = C_i^{\text{cm}}(\mathbf{X})$$

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The 'coalition fairness' property

► Proposition:

A RS rule $\mathbf{C} : \chi^n \rightarrow \chi^n$ satisfies **coalition fairness**

\Leftrightarrow for any $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$ and any participant i , one has that

$$C_i(\mathbf{X}) = C_i(X_i \mathbf{e}_i + (S_{\mathbf{X}} - X_i) \mathbf{e}_j) \quad \text{for any } j \neq i \quad (2)$$

► Proposition:

If a RS rule satisfies **normalization** and **coalition fairness**, then it also satisfies **reshuffling**.

6.4. Specific pool properties of risk-sharing rules

Classes of properties

- ▶ **Conservation properties**: also hold for the stand-alone RS rule: **reshuffling, normalization, translativity, positive homogeneity, constancy, no rip-off, actuarial fairness, law invariance.**
- ▶ **Improvement properties**: guarantee that the RS rule 'improves' the situation compared to the stand-alone situation: **willingness-to-join, comonotonicity.**
- ▶ **Coalition properties**: guarantee that participants are not affected by coalitions between other participants: **coalition fairness, merging fairness.**
- ▶ **Specific pool properties**: should hold (or not) for specific pools only: **stand-alone property for comonotonic pools, uniformity property for exchangeable pools.**

6.4. Specific pool properties of risk-sharing rules

The 'stand-alone for comonotonic pools' property

- ▶ **Definition:** A RS rule $\mathbf{C} : \chi^n \rightarrow \chi^n$ satisfies **stand-alone property for comonotonic pools** if for any comonotonic pool $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$, one has that

$$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{X}$$

- ▶ **Interpretation:** In a comonotonic pool, no diversification benefit arises from risk-sharing. Therefore, it may be reasonable to require that in such a pool each participant remains with his own risk.

6.4. Specific pool properties of risk-sharing rules

The 'stand-alone for comonotonic pools' property

- ▶ **Uniform RS**: does not satisfy stand-alone for comonotonic pools.

Indeed, for the comonotonic pool $\mathbf{X} = (U, 2U, U)$, one has

$$C_1^{\text{uni}}(U, 2U, U) = \frac{4}{3}U \neq U$$

- ▶ **Conditional mean RS**: satisfies stand-alone for comonotonic pools.

Indeed, for the comonotonic pool $\mathbf{X} = (g_1(S_{\mathbf{X}}), \dots, g_n(S_{\mathbf{X}}))$, with all g_i non-decreasing functions, one has

$$C_i^{\text{cm}}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbb{E}[X_i | S_{\mathbf{X}}] = \mathbb{E}[g_i(S_{\mathbf{X}}) | S_{\mathbf{X}}] = g_i(S_{\mathbf{X}}) = X_i$$

6.4. Specific pool properties of risk-sharing rules

The 'uniformity for exchangeable pools' property

► **Definition:**

$\mathbf{C} : \chi^n \rightarrow \chi^n$ satisfies uniformity for exchangeable pools if for any exchangeable pool $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$, one has:

$$\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{S_{\mathbf{X}}}{n}$$

► **Interpretation:**

- The exchangeable pool \mathbf{X} is **homogeneous** in the sense that the joint cdf of \mathbf{X} is not changed by reshuffling.
- In this case, the uniform RS rule seems to be appropriate.

6.4. Specific pool properties of risk-sharing rules

The 'uniformity for exchangeable pools' property

- ▶ **Uniform RS**: satisfies uniformity for exchangeable pools.

Indeed, for the exchangeable pool \mathbf{X} one has that

$$C_i^{\text{uni}}(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{S_{\mathbf{X}}}{n}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

- ▶ **Proportional RS**: satisfies uniformity for exchangeable pools.

Indeed, for the exchangeable pool \mathbf{X} , one has that

$$C_i^{\text{prop}}(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{\mathbb{E}[X_i]}{\mathbb{E}[S_{\mathbf{X}}]} S_{\mathbf{X}} = \frac{S_{\mathbf{X}}}{n}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

6.4. Specific pool properties of risk-sharing rules

The 'uniformity for exchangeable pools' property

- ▶ **Order statistics RS**: does not satisfy uniformity for exchangeable pools.

Indeed, for any exchangeable pool \mathbf{X} , one has that

$$C_1^{\text{ord}}(\mathbf{X}) = \min \{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$$

which is not necessarily equal to $\frac{S_{\mathbf{X}}}{n}$.

- ▶ **Conditional mean RS**: satisfies uniformity for exchangeable pools.

Indeed, for any exchangeable pool \mathbf{X} and any i one has that

$$C_i^{\text{cm}}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbb{E}[X_i | S_{\mathbf{X}}] = \frac{S_{\mathbf{X}}}{n}$$

7. Axiomatic characterization of the CMRS rule

- ▶ Consider the **CMRS rule**²²:

$$\mathbf{C}^{\text{cm}}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{X} \mid S_{\mathbf{X}}], \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

- ▶ We have proven that \mathbf{C}^{cm} satisfies the following properties:
 - ▶ \mathbf{C}^{cm} is an **aggregate RS rule**:

$$\mathbf{C}^{\text{cm}}(\mathbf{X}) \text{ is } S_{\mathbf{X}} \text{ - measurable}$$

- ▶ \mathbf{C}^{cm} satisfies **no rip-off**: For any i ,

$$C_i^{\text{cm}}(\mathbf{X}) \leq F_{X_i}^{-1}(1)$$

- ▶ \mathbf{C}^{cm} satisfies **actuarial fairness**: For any i ,

$$\mathbb{E}[C_i^{\text{cm}}(\mathbf{X})] = \mathbb{E}[X_i]$$

- ▶ \mathbf{C}^{cm} satisfies **coalition fairness**: For any $\mathbf{Y} \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{X}}$,

$$Y_i = X_i \Rightarrow C_i^{\text{cm}}(\mathbf{Y}) = C_i^{\text{cm}}(\mathbf{X})$$

²²We consider the CMRS rule with $\chi = L_+^1$. However, the results in this section remain to hold true for any $\chi = L_+^q$ and $\chi = L_+^q$, with $q \in [1, \infty]$.

7. Axiomatic characterization of the CMRS rule

► Theorem:

- Consider the RS rule $\mathbf{C} : (L_+^1)^n \rightarrow (L_+^1)^n$, with $n \geq 3$.
- \mathbf{C} is the **CMRS rule** if and only if it satisfies the following axioms:
 - (1) \mathbf{C} is an aggregate RS rule.
 - (2) \mathbf{C} satisfies no rip-off.
 - (3) \mathbf{C} satisfies actuarial fairness.
 - (4) \mathbf{C} satisfies coalition fairness.

► Proof:

- \Rightarrow : See Denuit, Dhaene & Robert (2022).
- \Leftarrow ²³ : See Jiao, Kou, Liu & Wang (2022).



²³This is the hard part of the proof.

7. Axiomatic characterization of the CMRS rule

► Proposition²⁴:

The axioms (1), (2), (3) and (4) are **independent**.

- Independence means that for any $n \geq 3$ and any choice of 3 of these axioms, there always exists a RS rule **C** which satisfies these 3 axioms, but not the 4th axiom.

²⁴See J,K,L,W (2022).

7. Axiomatic characterization of the CMRS rule

▶ **Theorem**²⁵:

- ▶ Consider the RS rule $\mathbf{C} : (L_+^1)^n \rightarrow (L_+^1)^n$, with $n \geq 3$.
- ▶ \mathbf{C} is the **CMRS rule** if and only if it satisfies the following axioms:

(1') \mathbf{C} is an aggregate RS rule.

(2') \mathbf{C} satisfies willingness-to-join.

(3') \mathbf{C} satisfies coalition fairness.

▶ **Proof**:

- ▶ \Rightarrow : Follows immediately.
- ▶ \Leftarrow : Follows from property that 'willingness-to-join' implies 'actuarial fairness' and 'no rip-off'.



²⁵See J,K,L,W (2022).

8. Further topics on DRS (not covered in this talk)

▶ Quantile risk-sharing²⁶:

- ▶ The QRS rule is defined such that the contribution of each participant i is given by $F_{X_i}^{-1}(p)$.
- ▶ Probability level p is determined such that the full allocation condition is satisfied.

▶ Pareto-optimal risk-sharing²⁷:

- ▶ What is the relation between Pareto-optimal risk-sharing and comonotonicity?

▶ Risk-sharing pool dynamics²⁸:

- ▶ What if we add or withdraw one participant from the pool?²⁹
- ▶ What if the number of participants in the pool approaches infinity?

²⁶See D,D,R (2022) and D,R C D (2023).

²⁷see D,D,G,R (2023).

²⁸Work in progress.

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