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# Transfer of non-tradeable risk

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## Agenda

★ Main motivation of this study and some references.

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- ◇ Dynamic convex risk measures and BSDEs :  $g$ -conditional risk measures.
- ◇ Inf-convolution of  $g$ -conditional risk measures.

## Introduction and motivation

### Development of new financial products

#### A new type of assets :

- Recent introduction of a new type of financial contracts with a non-financial underlying risk : "cat-bonds", weather derivatives...
- *Illiquid* instruments, with an underlying asset which is *not traded* on financial markets.
- Underlying risk possibly related to a financial market risk.

#### Convergence and interplay between finance and insurance :

- ⇒ Use of the knowledge of financial risk management to the management of other kinds of risk.
- ⇒ Use of the insurance technology to design structured products.

## Main questions

– From a financial point of view :

- What is the *pricing rule*?
- What is the *hedging* strategy?

– From an insurance point of view :

What is the "*optimal*" *structure to issue* or "*optimal*" *transfer of a non-tradable risk* so that a transaction occurs?

⇒ The notion of "optimality" requires a *choice criterion* : *convex risk measures*.

⇒ The point of view adopted here is *global* : analysis of the *global* transaction.

**Some related works (among many others...!!)**

★ *Insurance literature on optimal policy design* : Borch (1962), Raviv (1979), Gerber (1980), Bühlmann (1970)...

★ *Indifference pricing* (often in an exponential framework) : Hodges-Neuberger(1989), Davis(1997), Rouge-El Karoui(2000), Becherer (2001), Delbaen et al (2002), Musiela-Zariphopoulou (2004)....

★ *Risk measures* (seminal papers) : Artzner et al.(1999), Föllmer-Schied (2002), Frittelli-Gianin (2002)...  
(multi-period setting) : Artzner et al.(2004), Cheridito-Delbaen-Kupper (2004), Riedel (2004), Weber (2004)...

★ *BSDEs and finance* : El Karoui-Quenez (1996), El Karoui-Peng-Quenez (1997), Peng (1997, 2003), Mania-Schweizer (2004)...

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## Static Framework

## Indifference Pricing and Convex Risk measures

### Indifference Price

★ Let us consider an agent with a risky position  $W$  and a utility function  $u$ .

★ **Definition** : the buyer's indifference price of a claim  $X$  corresponds to the maximal amount  $\pi$ , the agent is ready to pay for  $X$  :

$$\mathbb{E}[u(W + X - \pi)] = \mathbb{E}[u(W)].$$

This is not a transaction price. It gives an upper bound to the price of this claim so that a transaction will take place given the agent's initial exposure.

★ **Properties** : this price should be :

(a) increasing monotonic,

(b) convex.

(c) *Sometimes*, it is also translation invariant :  $\pi(X + m) = \pi(X) + m$ .

⇒ In this last case, the indifference price can be seen as a convex premium principle as introduced by Deprez-Gerber (1985).

**Example of the exponential utility function :**

When  $u(x) = -\gamma \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\gamma}x\right)$  with  $\gamma$  the *risk-tolerance* coefficient,

$$\pi(X) = e_\gamma(W) - e_\gamma(W + X),$$

where  $e_\gamma$  is the opposite of the certainty equivalent, defined as follows :

$$e_\gamma(\Psi) \equiv \gamma \ln \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}} \left[ \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\gamma}\Psi\right) \right].$$



**Risk measures : an introduction**

★ The most famous risk measure is the so-called **V@R** (Value at Risk) defined as the smallest amount to be added to a certain position  $X$  to make it acceptable for a given level  $\varepsilon$  :

$$V@R_\varepsilon(X) = \inf \{k : \mathbb{P}(X + k < 0) \leq \varepsilon\}.$$

The V@R has several *key properties* :

◇ *decreasing monotonicity*,

◇ *translation invariant* :  $\forall m \in \mathbb{R} \quad V@R_\varepsilon(X + m) = V@R_\varepsilon(X) - m$ ,

◇ *positive homogeneity* :  $\forall \lambda \geq 0 \quad V@R_\varepsilon(\lambda X) = \lambda V@R_\varepsilon(X)$ .

⇒ It is not however **convex**.

The convexity property is crucial to take into account the impact of diversification on risk.

⇒ The idea is then to generalize the notion of risk measures to convex functionals, being decreasing and translation invariant (Artzner *et al.* (1999), Föllmer and Schied (2002), Frittelli and Gianin (2002)...).

**Risk measures as an indifference price**

Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$  be a standard measurable space and  $\mathcal{X}$  the linear space of bounded functions (including constant functions).

**Definition :** *The functional  $\rho$  is a convex risk measure if it satisfies the following properties :*

(a) *Convexity;*

(b) *Decreasing monotonicity;*

(c) *Translation invariance :  $\forall X \in \mathcal{X}, \forall m \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \rho(X + m) = \rho(X) - m.$*

Using (c),  $\boxed{\rho(X + \rho(X)) = \rho(X) - \rho(X) = 0.}$

$\Rightarrow -\rho(X)$  can be seen as the maximum amount the agent is ready to pay to hold the risk  $X$  in her portfolio.

$\Rightarrow -\rho(X)$  can be seen as the *indifference buyer's price*.

## Dual representation

The convexity of the framework leads to an "explicit" representation of the convex risk measures :

**Theorem :** *There exists a penalty function  $\alpha$  taking values in  $\mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$  such that :*

$$\begin{array}{l} \forall \Psi \in \mathcal{X}, \quad \rho(\Psi) = \sup_{\mathbf{Q} \in \mathcal{M}_{1,f}} \{ \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{Q}}[-\Psi] - \alpha(\mathbf{Q}) \}, \\ \forall \mathbf{Q} \in \mathcal{M}_{1,f}, \quad \alpha(\mathbf{Q}) = \sup_{\Psi \in \mathcal{X}} \{ \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{Q}}[-\Psi] - \rho(\Psi) \} \end{array}$$

where  $\mathcal{M}_{1,f}$  is the set of all additive measures on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$ .

Moreover, the supremum is attained in  $\mathcal{M}_{1,f}$  and

$$\forall \Psi \in \mathcal{X} \quad \rho(\Psi) = \max_{\mathbf{Q} \in \mathcal{M}_{1,f}} \left\{ \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{Q}}[-\Psi] - \alpha(\mathbf{Q}) \right\}.$$

**Example : the entropic risk measure**

The entropic risk measure is defined as  $\forall \Psi \in \mathcal{X}, \quad e_\gamma(\Psi) = \gamma \ln \mathbb{E}_\mathbb{P} \left[ \exp \left( -\frac{1}{\gamma} \Psi \right) \right]$ .

Its dual representation is :

$$e_\gamma(\Psi) = \sup_{\mathbb{Q} \in \mathcal{M}_1} (\mathbb{E}_\mathbb{Q}[-\Psi] - \gamma h(\mathbb{Q}|\mathbb{P}))$$

where  $\mathcal{M}_1$  is the set of all probability measures on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$  and  $h(\mathbb{Q}|\mathbb{P})$  is the relative entropy of  $\mathbb{Q}$  w.r. to  $\mathbb{P}$ .

**Risk measures and hedging**

$$\rho(X + \rho(X)) = \rho(X) - \rho(X) = 0.$$

$\Rightarrow \rho(X)$  can be also interpreted as the *minimal capital requirement* to be added to the position  $X$  to make it "acceptable" : the new position  $X + \rho(X)$  does not carry any positive risk.

★ The *acceptance set* associated with  $\rho$  is defined as :  $\mathcal{A}_\rho = \{\Psi \in \mathcal{X}, \rho(\Psi) \leq 0\}$ .

★ Another characterization of the risk measure  $\rho$  is then :

$$\rho(X) = \inf\{m \in \mathbb{R}, m + X \in \mathcal{A}_\rho\}.$$

**Super-hedging as risk measures**

★ Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a convex subset of  $\mathcal{X}$  consisting of potential hedges. Then,

$\{\Psi \in \mathcal{X}, \exists H \in \mathcal{H}, \Psi \geq H\}$  is the *set of all super-hedged positions*.

⇒ It is possible to introduce the convex risk measure  $\nu^{\mathcal{H}}$  defined by :

$$\begin{aligned} \nu^{\mathcal{H}}(\Psi) &= \inf \{m \in \mathbb{R}; \text{ such that } \exists H \in \mathcal{H}, m + \Psi \geq H\} \\ &= \inf_{H \in \mathcal{H}} \sup_{\omega} (-\Psi + H)(\omega) = \inf_{H \in \mathcal{H}} \rho_{\max}(\Psi - H), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\rho_{\max}(\Phi) = \sup_{\omega \in \Omega} \{-\Phi(\omega)\}$  is the *worst case risk measure*.

⇒ The associated penalty function is  $\alpha^{\mathcal{H}}(\mathbf{Q}) = \sup_{H \in \mathcal{H}} \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{Q}}[-H]$ .

★ **Interpretation :**

⇒  $\nu^{\mathcal{H}}$  can be interpreted as the worst case risk measure  $\rho_{\max}$  reduced by the use of hedging variables in  $\mathcal{H}$ .

⇒  $-\nu^{\mathcal{H}}(\Psi)$  can be seen as the *super buyer's price* (or *lower hedging price*) of  $\Psi$  :

$$\pi_b^{\mathcal{H}}(\Psi) = \inf \{y \in \mathbb{R}; \text{ such that } \exists H \in \mathcal{H}, \Psi + y - H \geq 0\}$$

(smallest initial value of the super-hedging portfolio for the claim  $\Psi$ ).

## Optimal Derivative Design

### General framework

★ **Agent A** : at a future time  $T$ , agent A is exposed towards a non-tradable risk for an amount  $\mathbf{X}_T^A$ . She calls on an investor, agent B, to reduce her exposure by the *sale of a structured contract*  $\mathbf{F}$ .

★ **Agent B** : She has her own exposure  $\mathbf{X}_T^B$  at time  $T$ . She pays a (forward) premium  $\pi$  at time 0 and receives in exchange the structure  $F$  at time  $T$ .

★ Both agents assess their risk using convex risk measures,  $\rho_A$  and  $\rho_B$ .

⇒ The problem is to find the optimal structure  $(F, \pi)$ .

**Transaction feasibility**

**Relationship between both agents :** *Both agents do not have the same goals.*

★ Agent A looks for a hedge of her exposure. Equivalently, she wants to determine the structure  $(F, \pi)$  as to minimize her risk measure :

$$\inf_{F \in \mathcal{X}, \pi} \rho_A(X_T^A - F + \pi).$$

★ Agent B wants to improve her risk measure by doing the  $F$ -transaction. Her interest in doing the transaction may be written as :

$$\rho_B(X_T^B + F - \pi) \leq \rho_B(X_T^B).$$

**Optimal pricing rule :** Binding this constraint leads immediately to the optimal pricing rule :

$$\boxed{\pi_B(F) = \rho_B(X_T^B) - \rho_B(X_T^B + F)}.$$

$\pi_B(F)$  gives an upper bound to the price agent B is ready to pay to enter the transaction.



## Rewording of the optimization program

$$\boxed{\inf_{F \in \mathcal{X}, \pi} \rho_A(X_T^A - F + \pi) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \rho_B(X_T^B + F - \pi) \leq \rho_B(X_T^B).}$$

Using the optimal pricing rule together with the cash translation invariance property :

$$\inf_{F \in \mathcal{X}} \left\{ \rho_A(X_T^A - F) + \rho_B(X_T^B + F) - \rho_B(X_T^B) \right\},$$

or to within the constant  $\rho_B(X_T^B)$  as :

$$R_{A,B}(X_T^A, X_T^B) := \inf_{F \in \mathcal{X}} \left\{ \rho_A(X_T^A - F) + \rho_B(X_T^B + F) \right\}.$$

Equivalently denoting by  $\tilde{F} \equiv X_T^B + F \in \mathcal{X}$  :

$$\boxed{R_{A,B}(X_T^A, X_T^B) = \inf_{\tilde{F} \in \mathcal{X}} \left\{ \rho_A(X_T^A + X_T^B - \tilde{F}) + \rho_B(\tilde{F}) \right\} = \rho_A \square \rho_B(X_T^A + X_T^B).}$$

$\Rightarrow$  This program is the functional extension of the classical inf-convolution operator acting on real convex functions  $f \square g(x) = \inf_y \{f(x - y) + g(y)\}$ .

*Optimal risk transfer = Inf-convolution problem.*

### Interpretation in terms of indifference prices

The optimization program  $\inf_{F \in \mathcal{X}} \left\{ \rho_A(X_T^A - F) + \rho_B(X_T^B + F) \right\}$  is equivalent to :

$$\inf_{F \in \mathcal{X}} \left\{ \underbrace{\rho_A(X_T^A - F) - \rho_A(X_T^A)}_{=\pi_A^s(F|X_T^A)} + \underbrace{\rho_B(X_T^B + F) - \rho_B(X_T^B)}_{=-\pi_B^b(F|X_T^B)} \right\},$$

where :

$\pi_A^s(F|X_T^A)$  is the seller's indifference price of  $F$  and,

$\pi_B^b(F|X_T^B)$  is the buyer's indifference price of  $F$ .

Equivalently :

$$\sup_{F \in \mathcal{X}} \left\{ \pi_B^b(F|X_T^B) - \pi_A^s(F|X_T^A) \right\} \geq 0 \quad (\text{as for } F \equiv 0, \text{ spread} = 0.)$$

$\Rightarrow$  *The transaction may occur when the minimal seller price is less than the maximal buyer price.*

**Main tool : Inf-convolution of risk measures**

**Theorem :** Let  $\rho_A$  and  $\rho_B$  be two convex risk measures with respective penalty functions  $\alpha_A$  and  $\alpha_B$ . Let  $\rho_{A,B}$  be the inf-convolution of  $\rho_A$  and  $\rho_B$  defined as

$$\Psi \rightarrow \rho_{A,B}(\Psi) \equiv \rho_A \square \rho_B(\Psi) = \inf_{H \in \mathcal{X}} \left\{ \rho_A(\Psi - H) + \rho_B(H) \right\}$$

and assume that  $\rho_{A,B}(0) > -\infty$ .

Then  $\rho_{A,B}$  is a convex risk measure which is finite for all  $\Psi \in \mathcal{X}$ .

The associated penalty function is given by

$$\forall \mathbf{Q} \in \mathcal{M}_{1,f} \quad \alpha_{A,B}(\mathbf{Q}) = \alpha_A(\mathbf{Q}) + \alpha_B(\mathbf{Q}).$$

**Corollary :** Let  $\nu^{\mathcal{H}}$  be the risk measure generated by a convex subset  $\mathcal{H}$  of  $\mathcal{X}$ , then

$$\rho \square \nu^{\mathcal{H}}(\Psi) = \inf \{ \rho(\Psi - H), H \in \mathcal{H} \}$$

is a convex risk measure with penalty function

$$\forall \mathbf{Q} \in \mathcal{M}_{1,f} \quad \alpha(\mathbf{Q}) + \alpha^{\mathcal{H}}(\mathbf{Q}).$$

**Application to optimal hedging : Market modified risk measures**

★ A typical application of the previous Corollary is the problem of optimal hedging :  
If the convex set  $\mathcal{H}$  represents the set of the gain processes associated with financial investments, then

$$\rho \square \nu^{\mathcal{H}}(\Psi) = \inf \{ \rho(\Psi - \xi), \xi \in \mathcal{H} \} \stackrel{def}{=} \rho^m(\Psi).$$

is a convex risk measure.

★ This is the risk measure the agent has after having optimally chosen her financial investment/hedge on the market, simply called market modified risk measure.

*Hedging = Inf-convolution problem.*

⇒ The financial market plays there the same role as an intermediate agent having a risk measure  $\nu^{\mathcal{H}}$ .

## Risk tolerance coefficient and dilated risk measures

**Definition :** Let  $\rho$  be a convex risk measure with penalty function  $\alpha$  and  $\gamma > 0$  a real parameter.  $\gamma$  is the risk tolerance coefficient of any agent having a risk measure  $\rho_\gamma$  associated with the penalty function

$$\alpha_{\rho_\gamma} = \gamma \alpha.$$

Then

$$\rho(\Psi) = \sup_{\mathbf{Q} \in \mathcal{M}_{1,f}} \{\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{Q}}(-\Psi) - \alpha(\mathbf{Q})\} \rightsquigarrow \rho_\gamma(\Psi) = \sup_{\mathbf{Q} \in \mathcal{M}_{1,f}} \{\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{Q}}(-\Psi) - \gamma\alpha(\mathbf{Q})\}.$$

$\Rightarrow$  A direct consequence is that the risk measure  $\rho_\gamma$  may be expressed as

$$\rho_\gamma(\Psi) = \gamma \rho\left(\frac{1}{\gamma}\Psi\right).$$

It satisfies a *dilatation property* with respect to the size of the position.

$\Rightarrow \rho_\gamma$  is called the dilated risk measure or the  $\gamma$ -tolerant risk measure associated with  $\rho$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Agents having risk measures of the type  $\rho_\gamma$  assess their respective risks using the same family of risk measures but with different coefficients, translating their respective risk tolerance.

## Dilated risk measures and inf-convolution

**Proposition :** Let  $(\rho_\gamma, \gamma > 0)$  be the family of dilated risk measures issued from  $\rho$ .

Then, the following properties hold :

(i) For any  $\gamma, \gamma' > 0$ ,

$$\rho_\gamma \square \rho_{\gamma'} = \rho_{\gamma+\gamma'}.$$

(ii) Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_\gamma \square \rho_{\gamma'}(X) &= \inf_F \{ \rho_\gamma(X - F) + \rho_{\gamma'}(F) \} \\ &= \rho_{\gamma'}(X - F^*) + \rho_{\gamma'}(F^*) \quad \text{for } F^* = \frac{\gamma'}{\gamma+\gamma'} X. \end{aligned}$$

(iii)  $\rho$  is a coherent risk measure if and only if  $\rho_\gamma \equiv \rho$ .

(iv) Assume  $\rho(0) = 0$ . Then  $\rho_\gamma$  is a decreasing function of  $\gamma$ , with asymptotic behavior :

◇ The marginal risk measure,  $\rho_\infty \equiv \lim_{\gamma \rightarrow \infty} \rho_\gamma$ , is a coherent risk measure and

$$\rho_\infty(\Psi) = \sup_{\mathbf{Q} \in \mathcal{M}_{1,f}} \left\{ \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{Q}}[-\Psi] \mid \alpha(\mathbf{Q}) = 0 \right\}.$$

⇒ In some cases, and in particular when the set  $\{\mathbf{Q} \mid \alpha(\mathbf{Q}) = 0\}$  has a single element,  $-\rho_\infty$  is a linear pricing rule and can be seen as an extension of the Davis price (In particular :  $e_\infty(\Psi) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}(-\Psi)$ .)

◇ The conservative risk measure  $\rho_{0+}$  defined as the non-decreasing limit of  $\rho_\gamma$  when  $\gamma \rightarrow 0$  is also a coherent risk measure, that is simply the "super-pricing rule" of  $-\Psi$  :

$$\rho_{0+}(\Psi) = \lim_{\uparrow \gamma \downarrow 0} \rho_\gamma(\Psi) = \sup_{\mathbf{Q} \in \mathcal{M}_{1,f}} \left\{ \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{Q}}[-\Psi] \mid \alpha(\mathbf{Q}) < \infty \right\}.$$

In particular,  $e_{0+}(\Psi) = \sup_{\mathbf{Q}} \left\{ \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{Q}}[-\Psi] \mid h(\mathbf{Q} \mid \mathbb{P}) < +\infty \right\} = \rho_{\max}(\Psi)$  corresponds to the worst case risk measure.

## Optimal Derivative Design

The program to be solved is the following :

$$R_{A,B}(X_T^A, X_T^B) = \inf_{F \in \mathcal{X}} \left\{ \rho_A(X_T^A - F) + \rho_B(X_T^B + F) \right\}.$$

⇒ We proceed in two steps :

- ◇ Both agents assess their risk using the same family of risk measures,
- ◇ Both agents use general risk measures.



**★ Optimal transaction between agents of the same family :**

Considering that both agents have  $\gamma$ -tolerant risk measures  $\rho_{\gamma_A}$  and  $\rho_{\gamma_B}$  from the same root risk measure  $\rho$ , the optimization program is written as :

$$R_{A,B}(X_T^A, X_T^B) = \inf_{F \in \mathcal{X}} \left\{ \rho_{\gamma_A}(X_T^A - F) + \rho_{\gamma_B}(X_T^B + F) \right\},$$

In this framework, the optimal risk transfer is consistent with Borch's theorem :

**Theorem :** *An optimal structure is given as :*

$$F^* = \frac{\gamma_B}{\gamma_A + \gamma_B} X_T^A - \frac{\gamma_A}{\gamma_A + \gamma_B} X_T^B \quad (\text{to within a constant}).$$

**★ Optimal transaction in the general case :**

In a more general framework, we simply obtain a *necessary and sufficient condition* to have an optimal solution.

## Optimal design problem with hedging opportunities

### Framework

★ **Agent A** : at a future time  $T$ , agent A is exposed towards a non-tradable risk for an amount  $\mathbf{X}_T^A$ . She calls on an investor, agent B, to reduce her exposure by the *sale of a structured contract*  $\mathbf{F}$ .

★ **Agent B** : she has her own exposure  $\mathbf{X}_T^B$ . She pays a premium  $\pi$  at time 0 and receives in exchange the structure  $F$  at time  $T$ .

★ To reduce their risk exposure, both agents can also invest in *financial markets* via two *convex sets* of bounded terminal gains associated with self-financing admissible investment strategies,  $\mathcal{V}_T^{(A)}$  and  $\mathcal{V}_T^{(B)}$ .

★ Both agents assess their risk using a convex risk measure ( $\rho_A$  and  $\rho_B$ ).

⇒ *The problem is to find the optimal structure  $(F, \pi)$  in such a framework.*

**Hedging and Calibration strategies :**

• **Dynamic (hedging) strategies :**

⇒ The *initial wealth* is a given data, invested in self-financing admissible portfolios, continuously rebalanced.

⇒ The *terminal gain* is characterized as the spread between the terminal wealth and the capitalized initial wealth.

• **Static (calibration) strategies :**

The strategies are based upon derivative instruments, sufficiently liquid so that the agents in the market agree on their price (possible bid-ask spread).

⇒ The *initial wealth* is not a given data, but the *market price* of the derivative.

⇒ The *terminal gain* is the spread between the derivative payoff and the forward (buyer's or seller's) price.

⇒ As underlined by the dual formulation of the problem, there are *consistency constraints* imposed by these strategies on the probability measures.

**Both agents' objectives :** *Both agents do not have the same goals.*

★ Agent A wants to determine the structure  $(F, \pi)$  as to minimize the risk measure of her terminal wealth :

$$\begin{aligned} \inf_{F \in \mathcal{X}, \pi, \xi_A \in \mathcal{V}_T^{(A)}} \rho_A(X_T^A - F + \pi - \xi_A) &= \inf_{F \in \mathcal{X}, \pi} \inf_{\xi_A \in \mathcal{V}_T^{(A)}} \rho_A(X_T^A - F + \pi - \xi_A) \\ &= \boxed{\inf_{F, \pi} \rho_A^m(X_T^A - F + \pi)}. \end{aligned}$$

★ Agent B wants to improve her risk measure by doing the  $F$ -transaction. Her interest in doing the transaction may be written as :

$$\inf_{\xi_B \in \mathcal{V}_T^{(B)}} \rho_B(X_T^B + F - \pi - \xi_B) \leq \inf_{\xi_B \in \mathcal{V}_T^{(B)}} \rho_B(X_T^B - \xi_B)$$

or equivalently, using the market modified risk measure  $\rho_B^m$  :

$$\boxed{\rho_B^m(X_T^B + F - \pi) \leq \rho_B^m(X_T^B)}.$$

## Optimal pricing rule and residual risk measure

★ The optimal pricing rule is simply obtained by binding the constraint of Agent  $B$  and using the cash invariance property :

$$\pi^*(F) = \rho_B^m(X_T^B) - \rho_B^m(X_T^B + F).$$

★ The program

$$\inf_{F, \pi} \rho_A^m(X_T^A - F + \pi) \quad \text{subject to} \quad \rho_B^m(X_T^B + F - \pi) \leq \rho_B^m(X_T^B)$$

may be reduced to (to within the constant  $\rho_B^m(X_T^B)$ )

$$\begin{aligned} R_{AB}^m(X_T^A + X_T^B) &\stackrel{def}{=} \inf_F (\rho_A^m(X_T^A - F) + \rho_B^m(X_T^B + F)) \\ &= \rho_A^m \square \rho_B^m(X_T^A + X_T^B) \\ &= \rho_A \square \nu^{\mathcal{V}_T^{(A)}} \square \rho_B \square \nu^{\mathcal{V}_T^{(B)}}(X_T^A + X_T^B) \\ &= \inf_{\xi \in \mathcal{V}_T^{(A)} + \mathcal{V}_T^{(B)}} \rho_A \square \rho_B(X_T^A + X_T^B - \xi). \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Using the previous results,  $R_{AB}^m$  is a convex risk measure.

### Characterization of the optimal structure - Dilated framework

**Proposition :** Assume that both agents have dilated risk measures,  $\rho_A$  and  $\rho_B$ , associated with the respective risk tolerance coefficients  $\gamma_A$  and  $\gamma_B$ .

(i) If they have the same access to the financial market, then an optimal structure is given by :

$$F^* = \frac{\gamma_B}{\gamma_A + \gamma_B} X_T^A - \frac{\gamma_A}{\gamma_A + \gamma_B} X_T^B.$$

(ii) If they do not have the same access to the financial market and if  $\xi^* = \eta_A^* + \eta_B^*$  is an optimal solution of the Program  $\inf_{\xi \in \mathcal{V}_T^{(A+B)}} \rho_A \square \rho_B (X_T^A + X_T^B - \xi)$  with  $\eta_A^* \in \mathcal{V}_T^{(A)}$  and  $\eta_B^* \in \mathcal{V}_T^{(B)}$ . Then

$$F^* = \frac{\gamma_B}{\gamma_A + \gamma_B} X_T^A - \frac{\gamma_A}{\gamma_A + \gamma_B} X_T^B - \frac{\gamma_B}{\gamma_A + \gamma_B} \eta_A^* + \frac{\gamma_A}{\gamma_A + \gamma_B} \eta_B^*$$

is an optimal structure.

Moreover,  $\eta_B^*$  is an optimal hedging portfolio of  $X_T^B + F^*$  for agent B and  $\eta_A^*$  is an optimal hedging portfolio of  $X_T^A - F^*$  for agent A.

In a more general framework, we simply obtain a *necessary and sufficient condition* to have an optimal solution.

⇒ Obtaining an explicit characterization of this transfer requires some technical methods. The use of *dynamic programming techniques* (BSDEs), may help to study risk measures defined by their local specifications.

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## Dynamic Framework



## Localization of convex risk measures : An axiomatic approach

We now consider a filtered probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}, (\mathcal{F}_t; t \geq 0))$  where  $(\mathcal{F}_t)$  is a Brownian filtration  $(\mathcal{F}_t = \sigma(W_s; 0 \leq s \leq t); t \geq 0)$ .

The idea behind our approach is to find a trade-off between static and very abstract dynamic risk measures as to obtain *tractable risk measures*.

### ★ Dynamic operators

A dynamic  $L^2$ -operator ( $L^\infty$ -operator)  $\mathcal{Y}$  with respect to  $(\mathcal{F}_t; t \geq 0)$  is a family of continuous semi-martingales which maps, for any bounded stopping time  $T$ , a  $L^2(\mathcal{F}_T)$  (resp.  $L^\infty(\mathcal{F}_T)$ ) -variable  $\xi_T$  onto a process  $(\mathcal{Y}_t(\xi_T); t \in [0, T])$ .

★ **Dynamic convex risk measures**

**Proposition :** A *dynamic convex risk measure* is a dynamic operator satisfying the following axioms :

For any bounded stopping times  $S \leq T \leq U$ , for any  $(\xi_T^1, \xi_T^2)$  :

- *Convexity* :  $\forall 0 \leq \lambda \leq 1, \mathcal{V}_S(\lambda \xi_T^1 + (1 - \lambda) \xi_T^2) \leq \lambda \mathcal{V}_S(\xi_T^1) + (1 - \lambda) \mathcal{V}_S(\xi_T^2)$  *a.s.*
- *Decreasing Monotonicity* : If  $\xi_T^1 \geq \xi_T^2$  *a.s.*,  $\mathcal{V}_S(\xi_T^1) \leq \mathcal{V}_S(\xi_T^2)$  *a.s.*
- *Translation invariance (-)* :  $\forall \eta_S \in \mathcal{F}_S, \forall \xi_T, \mathcal{V}_S(\xi_T + \eta_S) = \mathcal{V}_S(\xi_T) - \eta_S$  *a.s.*
- *Time-consistency (-)* :  $\forall \xi_U, \mathcal{V}_S(\xi_U) = \mathcal{V}_S(-\mathcal{V}_T(\xi_U))$  *a.s.*
- *No-arbitrage* :  $\xi_T^1 \geq \xi_T^2, \mathcal{V}_S(\xi_T^1) = \mathcal{V}_S(\xi_T^2)$  on  $A_S = \{S < T\} \Rightarrow \xi_T^1 = \xi_T^2$  *a.s.* on  $A_S$ .

★ **Relationship with consistent convex price system and non-linear expectation**

The dynamic convex risk measures are closely related to :

- *Consistent convex (forward) price system*, introduced by El Karoui and Quenez (1996), defined as a dynamic operator being convex, increasing, time-consistent (+) and without arbitrage.
- *Non-linear expectation* introduced by Peng (1997), defined as a dynamic operator being convex, increasing, time-consistent (+), translation-invariant (+) and satisfying another property close to no-arbitrage.

**Dynamic entropic risk measure :**

It is defined as :

$$e_{\gamma,t}(X) = \gamma \ln \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}} \left( \exp \left( -\frac{1}{\gamma} X \right) / \mathfrak{F}_t \right)$$

is a typical dynamic convex risk measure.

**Relationships with BSDEs :**

Moreover, it is possible to relate it to BSDE since  $(e_{\gamma,t}(X); t \in [0, T])$  is solution of the BSDE with the quadratic coefficient  $g(t, z) = \frac{1}{2\gamma} \|z\|^2$  :

$$-de_{\gamma,t}(X) = \frac{1}{2\gamma} \|z_t\|^2 dt - \langle z_t, dW_t \rangle \quad \text{with the terminal condition } e_{\gamma,T}(X) = -X$$

$\Rightarrow$  The idea is then to relate dynamic convex risk measures with BSDEs.

## Dynamic convex risk measures and BSDEs

The BSDE  $(g, \xi_T)$  :

$$-dY_t = g(t, Y_t, Z_t)dt - \langle Z_t, dW_t \rangle, \quad Y_T = \xi_T$$

has a (maximal, unique?) solution  $(Y_t, Z_t)$  under some conditions imposed on the coefficient  $g$  :

- ◇ Uniformly Lipschitz (H1) (and  $\xi_T \in L^2$ ),
- ◇ Continuous with linear growth (H2) (and  $\xi_T \in L^2$ ),
- ◇ Continuous with quadratic growth (H3) (and  $\xi_T \in L^\infty$ ).

★ Let  $g$  be a standard coefficient. The  $g$ -dynamic operator, denoted by  $\mathcal{Y}^g$ , is such that  $\mathcal{Y}_t^g(\xi_T)$  is the maximal solution of the BSDE  $(g, \xi_T)$  :

$$-dY_t = g(t, Y_t, Z_t)dt - \langle Z_t, dW_t \rangle, \quad Y_T = \xi_T$$

**Theorem :** *Let  $\mathcal{Y}^g$  be the  $g$ -dynamic operator.*

★ *Then,  $\mathcal{Y}^g$  is increasing monotonic, time-consistent (+) and arbitrage-free.*

★ *Moreover,*

1.  $\mathcal{Y}^g$  is translation invariant (+) if and only if  $g$  does not depend on  $y$ .
2.  $\mathcal{Y}^g$  is homogeneous if and only if  $g$  is homogeneous ;

★ *For properties related to the order, the following implications simply hold :*

1. *If  $g$  is convex, then  $\mathcal{Y}^g$  is convex.*
2. *If  $g^1 \leq g^2$  , then  $\mathcal{Y}^{g^1} \leq \mathcal{Y}^{g^2}$  .*

*Therefore, if  $g$  is a convex coefficient depending only on  $z$ ,  $\mathcal{R}^g(\xi_T) \equiv \mathcal{Y}^g(-\xi_T)$  is a dynamic convex risk measure, called  $g$ -conditional risk measure.*

**Infinitesimal risk measure :**

$$\boxed{-d\mathcal{R}_t^g = g(t, Z_t)dt - \langle Z_t, dW_t \rangle, \quad \mathcal{R}_T^g = -\xi_T}$$

$\Rightarrow$  The coefficient of any  $g$ -conditional risk measure  $\mathcal{R}^g$  can be naturally interpreted as the *infinitesimal risk measure* over a time interval  $[t, t + dt]$  as :

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}[d\mathcal{R}_t^g | \mathcal{F}_t] = -g(t, Z_t)dt,$$

where  $Z_t$  is the local volatility of the  $g$ -conditional risk measure :

$$\mathbb{V}(d\mathcal{R}_t^g | \mathcal{F}_t) = |Z_t|^2 dt$$

$\Rightarrow$  Choosing carefully the coefficient  $g$  enables to generate  $g$ -conditional risk measures that are *locally compatible* with the views and practice of the different agents in the market.

## Dual representation of $g$ -conditional risk measures

★ A  $g$ -conditional risk measure  $\mathcal{R}^g$  is said to have a *dual representation* if there exists a set  $\mathcal{A}$  of admissible controls such that for any bounded s.t.  $S \leq T$  :

$$\mathcal{R}_S^g(\xi_T) = \text{ess sup}_{\mu \in \mathcal{A}} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}^\mu} \left[ -\xi_T - \int_S^T G(t, \mu_t) dt \middle| \mathcal{F}_S \right]$$

where  $G(t, \cdot)$  is the polar function of  $g(t, \cdot)$ .

★ The problem is then to characterize the set  $\mathcal{A}$  according to the conditions imposed on the coefficient  $g$  :

⇒ Under (H1) (uniformly Lipschitz) (solved by El Karoui-Peng-Quenez (1997)),  $\mathcal{A}$  is the space of adapted processes  $\mu$  bounded by the Lipschitz constant and  $\mathbb{Q}^\mu$  is the equivalent probability measure with density  $\Gamma_T^\mu : d\Gamma_t^\mu = \Gamma_t^\mu \mu_t^* dW_t$ ,  $\Gamma_0^\mu = 1$ .

⇒ Under (H3) (quadratic growth),  $\mathcal{A}$  is the space of BMO( $\mathbb{P}$ )-processes  $\mu$  and  $\mathbb{Q}^\mu$  is defined as above.



**Possibly infinite risk measures**

★ We can consider as "acceptable" the investment in an admissible portfolio and as infinitely risky any non-replicable terminal payoff.

★ More precisely, for any  $U$  in a convex space  $\mathcal{K}$ , let us consider :

$$V_t^U = V_0^U + \int_0^t U_s \lambda_s dt + \int_0^t U_s dW_s.$$

★ We define a dynamic risk measure  $\mathcal{L}_t^{\mathcal{K}}(\xi_T)$  as :

$$\mathcal{L}_t^{\mathcal{K}}(\xi_T) = -V_t^U \quad \text{if } \xi_T = V_T^U, \quad \mathcal{L}_t^{\mathcal{K}}(\xi_T) = +\infty \quad \text{otherwise.}$$

$V_t^U$  may be in general interpreted as the *arbitrage price at time  $t$  of the attainable contingent claim  $V_T^U$* .

★ The dual representation is associated with the support function  $\sigma_{\mathcal{K}_t}$  of the convex set  $\mathcal{K}_t$  :

$$\mathcal{L}_t^{\mathcal{K}}(\xi_T) = \text{esssup}_{\mu} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}^{\mu}} \left[ -\xi_T - \int_t^T \sigma_{\mathcal{K}_s}(\mu_s + \lambda_s) ds \middle| \mathcal{F}_t \right].$$

★ **Dilated  $g$ -conditional risk measure** : a  $g$ -conditional risk measure,  $\mathcal{R}_\gamma^g$  is the  $\gamma$ -dilated of  $\mathcal{R}^g$  if and only if  $g_\gamma$  is  $\gamma$ -dilated of  $g$  :

$$g_\gamma(t, z) = \gamma g\left(t, \frac{1}{\gamma}z\right).$$

★ **Conservative risk measure and super-pricing** : the  $g$ -conservative risk measure is associated with the coefficient  $g_{0+}$  defined by  $g_{0+}(t, z) := \lim_{\gamma \downarrow 0} g_\gamma(t, z)$ .  $\mathcal{R}_{0+}^g$  is characterized by :

$$\mathcal{R}_{0+,t}^g(\xi_T) = \text{ess sup}_{\mu \in \mathcal{A} \cap \text{Dom}(G)} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}^\mu} \left[ -\xi_T \middle| \mathcal{F}_t \right].$$

It corresponds to the equivalent of the super-pricing rule of  $-\xi_T$ .

★ **Marginal risk measure** : the  $g$ -marginal risk measure is associated with the coefficient  $g_\infty$  defined as the limit of  $g_\gamma$  when  $\gamma \rightarrow \infty$ .

$\mathcal{R}_\infty^g$  is characterized by :

$$\mathcal{R}_{\infty,t}^g(\xi_T) = \text{ess sup}_{\mu \in \mathcal{A}} \left\{ \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}^\mu} \left[ -\xi_T \middle| \mathcal{F}_t \right] \middle| G(u, \mu_u) = 0, \forall u \geq t, \text{ a.s.} \right\}.$$

In some cases,  $-\mathcal{R}_\infty^g$  is a linear pricing rule and can be seen as an extension of the Davis price.

## Inf-convolution of $g$ -conditional risk measures

We now come back to our inf-convolution problem.

$\Rightarrow$  We denote the  $g$ -conditional risk measures of both agents by  $\mathcal{R}^A$  and  $\mathcal{R}^B$  (the associated convex coefficients are respectively  $g^A$  and  $g^B$ ).

$\Rightarrow$  We then introduce :

★ the BSDE associated with the coefficient  $(g^A \square g^B)$  :

$$-d\mathcal{R}_t^{A,B}(X) = \left(g^A \square g^B\right)(t, Z_t) dt - \langle Z_t, dW_t \rangle \quad \text{with terminal condition } \mathcal{R}_T^{A,B}(X) = -X$$

★ the inf-convolution of  $\mathcal{R}_t^A$  and  $\mathcal{R}_t^B$  defined by

$$\left(\mathcal{R}^A \square \mathcal{R}^B\right)_t(X) = \inf_F \left\{ \mathcal{R}_t^A(X - F) + \mathcal{R}_t^B(F) \right\}.$$

$(\mathcal{R}_t^{A,B}(X), Z_t)$  is the solution of  $-d\mathcal{R}_t^{A,B}(X) = (g^A \square g^B)(t, Z_t)dt - \langle z_t, dW_t \rangle$ ,  $\mathcal{R}_T^{A,B}(X) = -X$

**Theorem :** *The following results hold :*

(i) *For any  $t \in [0, T]$  and for any  $F$  such that both  $\mathcal{R}_t^A(X - F)$  and  $\mathcal{R}_t^B(F)$  are well defined :*

$$\mathcal{R}_t^{A,B}(X) \leq \mathcal{R}_t^A(X - F) + \mathcal{R}_t^B(F) \quad \mathbb{P} \text{ a.s.}$$

(ii) *If there exists an admissible  $\widehat{Z}_t^B$  such that  $\forall t \geq 0$  :*

$$g^A \square g^B(t, Z_t) = \inf_{Z_t^B} \left\{ g^A(t, Z_t - Z_t^B) + g^B(t, Z_t^B) \right\} = g^A(t, Z_t - \widehat{Z}_t^B) + g^B(t, \widehat{Z}_t^B)$$

then  $\forall t \geq 0 \quad \mathcal{R}_t^{A,B}(X) = (\mathcal{R}^A \square \mathcal{R}^B)_t(X) \quad \mathbb{P} \text{ a.s.}$

Moreover,

$$F^* = \int_0^T g^B(t, \widehat{Z}_t^B) dt - \int_0^T \langle \widehat{Z}_t^B, dW_t \rangle$$

is an optimal solution for the inf-convolution problem

$$(\mathcal{R}^A \square \mathcal{R}^B)_t(X) = \inf_F \left\{ \mathcal{R}_t^A(X - F) + \mathcal{R}_t^B(F) \right\}.$$

## Non-speculative logic

We now assume that none of the two agents bear any initial risk.

### Corollary :

Assume that  $g^A(t, 0) = g^B(t, 0) = 0$ , then :

(i)  $F^* \equiv 0$  is an optimal solution for the inf-convolution problem

$$\left(\mathcal{R}^A \square \mathcal{R}^B\right)_t(0) = \inf_F \left\{ \mathcal{R}_t^A(-F) + \mathcal{R}_t^B(F) \right\}.$$

(ii) If both drivers  $g^A$  and  $g^B$  are strictly convex, then  $F^* \equiv 0$  is the unique optimal solution for the inf-convolution problem.

$\Rightarrow$  In this case the logic of the transaction is *non-speculative* since the issuer has an interest to sell a structure if and only if she is initially exposed.