A Unified Approach to Systemic Risk Measures via Acceptance Sets

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  - first add capital and second aggregate

- We not only allow adding cash but we permit adding random capital
- We employ multidimensional acceptance sets
- We allow for degrees of acceptability

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- Finite probability space model
A monetary risk measure is a map

$$\eta : \mathcal{L}^0(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

that can be interpreted as the **minimal capital needed to secure a financial position** with payoff \(X \in \mathcal{L}^0(\mathbb{R})\), i.e. the minimal amount \(m \in \mathbb{R}\) that must be added to \(X\) in order to make the resulting payoff at time \(T\) acceptable:

$$\eta(X) \triangleq \inf\{ m \in \mathbb{R} \mid X + m \in \mathcal{A} \},$$

where the acceptance set

$$\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{L}^0(\mathbb{R})$$

is assumed to be monotone, i.e.

$$X \geq Y \in \mathcal{A} \quad \text{implies} \quad X \in \mathcal{A}.$$
In addition to decreasing monotonicity, the characterizing feature of these monetary maps is the \textbf{cash additivity} property:

\[ \eta(X + m) = \eta(X) - m, \quad \text{for all } m \in \mathbb{R}. \]

Under the assumption that the set \( \mathbb{A} \) is convex (resp. is a convex cone) the maps

\[ \eta(X) := \inf \{ m \in \mathbb{R} \mid X + m \in \mathbb{A} \}, \]

are convex (resp. convex and positively homogeneous) and are called \textbf{convex (resp. coherent) risk measures}.
The principle that diversification should not increase the risk is mathematically translated not necessarily with the convexity property but with the weaker condition of \textit{quasiconvexity}:

$$\eta(\lambda X + (1 - \lambda) Y) \leq \eta(X) \lor \eta(Y).$$

As a result in Cerreia-Vioglio, Maccheroni, Marinacci Montrucchio 2010, the only properties assumed in the definition of a \textit{quasi-convex risk measure} are \textit{decreasing monotonicity and quasiconvexity}. 
Such quasi-convex risk measures can always be written as:

\[ \eta(X) \triangleq \inf\{ m \in \mathbb{R} \mid X \in A^m \}, \]  

(1)

where each set \( A^m \subseteq \mathcal{L}^0(\mathbb{R}) \) is monotone and convex, for each \( m \in \mathbb{R} \).

- \( A^m \) is the class of payoffs carrying the same risk level \( m \in \mathbb{R} \).

Contrary to the convex cash additive case, where each random variable is binary cataloged as acceptable or as not acceptable, in the quasi-convex case one admits various degrees of acceptability, described by the risk level \( m \).

- By selecting \( A^m := A - m \), the convex cash additive risk measure is clearly a particular case of the one in (1).
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Why should we consider only “money” as safe capital?

One should be more liberal and permit the use of other financial assets (other than the bond := 1), in an appropriate set \( C \) of safe instruments, to hedge the position \( X \).

**Definition**

The general capital requirement is

\[ \eta(X) \triangleq \inf\{ \pi(Y) \in \mathbb{R} \mid Y \in C, X + Y \in A \}, \]

for some evaluation functional \( \pi : C \to \mathbb{R} \).
Systemic Risk Measures

Consider a system of $N$ interacting financial institutions and a vector $\mathbf{X} = (X^1, \ldots, X^N) \in \mathcal{L}^0(\mathbb{R}^N) := \mathcal{L}^0(\Omega, \mathcal{F}; \mathbb{R}^N)$ of associated risk factors (financial positions) at a given future time horizon $T$.

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- Many of the SRM in the existing literature are of the form

  $$\rho(\mathbf{X}) = \eta(\Lambda(\mathbf{X})),$$

  where $\eta : \mathcal{L}^0(\mathbb{R}) \to \mathbb{R}$ is a univariate risk measure and

  $$\Lambda : \mathbb{R}^N \to \mathbb{R}$$

  is an aggregation rule that aggregates the $N$-dimensional risk factor $\mathbf{X}$ into a univariate risk factor $\Lambda(\mathbf{X})$ representing the total risk in the system.
Examples of aggregation rules

- \( \Lambda(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} x_i, \quad x = (x_1, \ldots, x_N) \in \mathbb{R}^N. \)
- \[ \Lambda(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} -x_i^- \quad \text{or} \quad \Lambda(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} -(x_i - d_i)^-, \quad d_i \in \mathbb{R} \]

  takes into account the lack of cross-subsidization between financial institutions

- Eisenberg and Noe: accounts for counterparty contagion.

\[ \Lambda(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} -\exp(-\alpha_i x_i), \quad \alpha_i \in \mathbb{R}_+ \]
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If \( \Lambda(X) \) is not capital, the risk measure in (2) is some general risk level of the system.

Similarly, if $\eta$ is a quasi-convex risk measure the systemic risk measure then

$$\rho(X) = \eta(\Lambda(X))$$

can be rewritten as

$$\rho(X) \triangleq \inf \{ m \in \mathbb{R} \mid \Lambda(X) \in A^m \}.$$ 

Again one first aggregates the risk factors via the function $\Lambda$ and in a second step one computes the minimal risk level associated to the total system risk $\Lambda(X)$. 
The purpose of this paper is to specify a general methodological framework that is flexible enough to cover a wide range of possibilities to design systemic risk measures via acceptance sets and aggregation functions and to study corresponding examples.

We extend the conceptual framework for systemic risk measures via acceptance sets step by step in order to gradually include certain novel key features of our approach.
A regulator might have the possibility to intervene at the level of the single institutions before contagion effects generate further losses.

Then it might be more relevant to measure systemic risk as the minimal capital that secures the aggregated system by injecting the capital into the single institutions before aggregating the individual risks.
First add capital, second aggregate

\[
\rho(X) \triangleq \inf \{ \sum_{i=1}^{N} m_i \in \mathbb{R} \mid m = (m_1, \ldots, m_N) \in \mathbb{R}^N; \Lambda(X + m) \in A \}.
\]

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- \( \rho \) delivers at the same time a measure of total systemic risk and a potential ranking of the institutions in terms of systemic riskiness.

Suppose \( \rho(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} m_i^* \).
Then one could argue that the risk factor \( X_{i_1} \) that requires the biggest capital allocation \( m_{i_1}^* \) corresponds to the riskiest institution, and so on.
When the allocation \( \mathbf{m}^* \) is not unique, one has to discuss criteria that justify the choice of a specific allocation.
Key feature #2: Random allocation

We allow for the possibility of adding to $\mathbf{X}$ not merely a vector $\mathbf{m} = (m_1, \ldots, m_N) \in \mathbb{R}^N$ of cash but a random vector $\mathbf{Y} \in \mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{L}^0(\mathbb{R}^N)$ which represents, in the spirit of Frittelli and Scandolo, admissible financial assets that can be used to secure a system by adding $\mathbf{Y}$ to $\mathbf{X}$ component-wise.

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Hence:

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- If $\rho(X) = \pi(Y^*)$ and $Y^* = (Y_1^*, \ldots, Y_N^*) \in C$ is optimal, an ordering of the $Y_1^*, \ldots, Y_N^*$ may induce a systemic ranking of the institution $(X_1, \ldots, X_N)$. 
Particular case: lender of last resort

\[ C \subseteq \{ \mathbf{Y} \in L^0(\mathbb{R}^N) \mid \sum_{n=1}^{N} Y^n \in \mathbb{R} \} =: C_\mathbb{R}, \]

and set \( \pi(\mathbf{Y}) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} Y^n \).

\[ \rho(\mathbf{X}) \triangleq \inf \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{N} Y^n \mid \mathbf{Y} \in C; \wedge (\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{Y}) \in A \right\} \]

is the minimal total cash amount \( \sum_{n=1}^{N} Y^n \in \mathbb{R} \) needed today to secure the system by distributing the capital at time \( T \) among \((X^1, \ldots, X^N)\).
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- For \( C = \mathbb{R}^N \) the situation corresponds to the previous case with deterministic allocations.
- For \( C = C_{\mathbb{R}} \) the allocation can be chosen freely depending on the scenario \( \omega \) realized at future time \( T \).
Allowing random allocations of cash $\mathbf{Y} \in \mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{C}_\mathbb{R}$ the systemic risk measure will take the dependence structure of the components of $\mathbf{X}$ into account even though acceptable positions might be defined in terms of the marginal distributions of $X_i$, $i = 1, \ldots, N$, only.
Example: dependence may be taken into account

\[ \Lambda(x) := \sum_{i=1}^{N} -x_i^{-}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^{N}, \]
\[ A := \{ Z \in \mathcal{L}^0(\mathbb{R}) \mid E[Z] \geq \gamma \}, \quad \gamma \in \mathbb{R}. \]
\[ Z \in \mathcal{L}^0(\mathbb{R}^{N}) \text{ is acceptable if and only if } \Lambda(Z) \in A, \text{ i.e.} \]
\[ \sum_{i=1}^{N} -E[Z_i^{-}] \geq \gamma, \]

which only depends on the marginal distributions of \( Z \).

- If \( C = \mathbb{R}^{N} \) then \( \rho(X) \) will depends on the marginal distributions of \( X \) only.
- If one allows for more general allocations of cash \( Y \in C \subseteq C_{\mathbb{R}} \) that might differ from scenario to scenario the systemic risk measure will in general depend on the multivariate distribution of \( X \) since it can play on the dependence of the components of \( X \) to minimize the costs.
Consider single univariate monetary risk measures $\eta_i$, $i = 1, \ldots, N$, and set

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If $\mathbb{A}_i \subseteq \mathcal{L}^0(\mathbb{R})$ is the acceptance set of $\eta_i, i = 1, \ldots, N$, then it is possible to write such $\rho = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \eta_i(X_i)$ in terms of the multivariate acceptance set $\mathbb{A}_1 \times \ldots \times \mathbb{A}_N$:

$$\rho(\mathbf{X}) \triangleq \inf\left\{\sum_{i=1}^{N} m_i \mid m = (m_1, \ldots, m_N) \in \mathbb{R}^N, \mathbf{X} + m \in \mathbb{A}_1 \times \ldots \times \mathbb{A}_N\right\}.$$
Key feature #3: General multidimensional acceptance set

We extend our formulation of systemic risk measures as the minimal cost of admissible asset vectors $\mathbf{Y} \in \mathcal{C}$ that, when added to the vector of financial positions $\mathbf{X}$, makes the augmented financial positions $\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{Y}$ acceptable in terms of a general multidimensional acceptance set

$$
\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{L}^0(\mathbb{R}^N)
$$

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$$

Our previous definition of systemic risk measure

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$$

is therefore a particular case of (3): just let

$$
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$$
The systemic risk measure

$$\rho(X) \triangleq \inf\{\pi(Y) \in \mathbb{R} \mid Y \in \mathcal{C}; X + Y \in \mathcal{A}\}$$

exhibit an extended type of cash invariance:

$$\rho(X + Y) = \rho(X) + \pi(Y)$$

for $Y \in \mathcal{C}$ such that $Y' \pm Y \in \mathcal{C}$ for all $Y' \in \mathcal{C}$. 
General form of Systemic Risk Measure

Key feature #4: Degree of acceptability

Recall the one dimensional case:

$$\eta(X) \triangleq \inf \{ m \in \mathbb{R} \mid X \in A^m \}$$

Our general systemic risk measure is defined by:

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We associate to each $Y \in \mathcal{C}$ a set $A^Y \subseteq \mathcal{L}^0(\mathbb{R}^N)$ of risk vectors that are acceptable for the given (random) vector $Y$. Then $\rho(X)$ represents some minimal aggregated risk level $\pi(Y)$ at which the system $X$ is acceptable.
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The approach in (4) is very flexible and it includes all previous cases if we set

$$\mathbb{A}^Y := \mathbb{A} - Y,$$

where the set $\mathbb{A} \subseteq \mathcal{L}^0(\mathbb{R}^N)$ represents acceptable risk vectors.
General aggregation functional

Another advantage of the formulation in terms of general acceptance sets $A^Y$ is the possibility to design systemic risk measures via general aggregation rules. Indeed our last formulation includes the case

$$
\rho(X) \triangleq \inf \{ \pi(Y) \in \mathbb{R} \mid Y \in \mathcal{C}, \Theta(X, Y) \in A \}
$$

where $\Theta : L^0(\mathbb{R}^N) \times \mathcal{C} \to L^0(\mathbb{R})$ denotes some aggregation function jointly in $X$ and $Y$. Just select

$$
A^Y := \left\{ Z \in L^0(\mathbb{R}^N) \mid \Theta(Z, Y) \in A \right\}
$$

This formulation includes

- **aggregation before injecting capital** by putting $\Theta(X, Y) := \Lambda_1(X) + \Lambda_2(Y)$, where $\Lambda_1 : L^0(\mathbb{R}^N) \to L^0(\mathbb{R})$ is an aggregation function and $\Lambda_2 : \mathcal{C} \to L^0(\mathbb{R})$ could be, for example, $\Lambda_2 = \pi$.

- **injecting capital before aggregation** by putting $\Theta(X, Y) = \Lambda(X + Y)$,
Summarizing our approach

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1. We provide **sufficient condition** on $\pi$, $C$, $A^Y$ so that the Systemic Risk Measure (SRM)

$$\rho(X) \triangleq \inf \{ \pi(Y) \in \mathbb{R} \mid Y \in C, X \in A^Y \}$$

is a well defined monotone decreasing and quasi-convex (or convex) map $\rho : \mathcal{L}^0(\mathbb{R}^N) \to \overline{\mathbb{R}}$.

2. We provide **four classes of Systemic Risk Measures**, satisfying the conditions in item (1) above, defined via one dimensional acceptance sets and aggregation functions $\Lambda : \mathcal{L}^0(\mathbb{R}^N) \times C \to \mathcal{L}^0(\mathbb{R})$.

3. We study the particular case of **random cash allocations**, i.e. when:

$$C \subseteq \{ Y \in \mathcal{L}^0(\mathbb{R}^N) \mid \sum_{n=1}^{N} Y^n \in \mathbb{R} \} =: C_\mathbb{R}.$$
We now illustrate the application to the Gaussian financial system
Gaussian financial system

Consider a Gaussian financial system, i.e. \( \mathbf{X} = (X_1, \cdots, X_N) \) is an \( N \)-dimensional vector with \( \mathbf{X} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \mathbf{Q}) \), \( [Q]_{ii} := \sigma_i^2 \), and \( [Q]_{ij} := \rho_{i,j} \) for \( i \neq j \), and mean vector \( \mu := (\mu_1, \cdots, \mu_N) \).

\[
\rho(\mathbf{X}) \; : \; = \inf \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{N} Y_i \mid \mathbf{Y} \in \mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathbb{C}_{\mathbb{R}}, \; \Lambda(\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{Y}) \in \mathbb{A}_{\gamma} \right\},
\]

\[
\Lambda(\mathbf{X}) \; : \; = \sum_{i=1}^{N} -(X_i - d_i)^-, \quad d_i \in \mathbb{R},
\]

\[
\mathbb{A}_{\gamma} \; : \; = \{ Z \in \mathcal{L}^0(\mathbb{R}) \mid E[Z] \geq -\gamma \} , \quad \gamma \in \mathbb{R}_+.
\]

\( d_i \) in the aggregation rule denotes some critical liquidity level of institution \( i \) and the risk measure is concerned with the expected total shortfall below these levels in the system.

- First, we consider the case: \( \mathcal{C} := \mathbb{R}^N \)
- Second, we consider a random allocation
- Third we compare the above two cases.
Example: Gaussian case with deterministic allocation

Let \( \mathcal{C} = \mathbb{R}^N \) and

\[
\rho(X) := \inf \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{N} m_i \mid m = (m_1, \ldots, m_N) \in \mathbb{R}^N, \Lambda(X + m) \in \mathbb{A}_\gamma \right\},
\]

By solving the Lagrangian system we obtain that the global minimum point \( m^* = (m_1^*, \ldots, m_N^*) \) is given by

\[
m_i^* = d_i - \mu_i - \sigma_i R,
\]

where \( R \) solves the equation (for \( \Phi(x) := \int_{-\infty}^{x} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-t^2/2} dt \)):

\[
R\Phi(R) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left[ -\frac{R^2}{2} \right] = \frac{\gamma}{\sum_{i=1}^{N} \sigma_i}.
\]

The **unique optimal cash allocation** \( m^* \) induces a ranking of the institutions according to systemic riskiness.

1. \( \frac{\partial m_i}{\partial \mu_i} = -1 \): the systemic riskiness decreases with increasing mean.
2. \( \frac{\partial m_i}{\partial \sigma_i} > 0 \): the systemic riskiness increases with increasing volatility.
Example: the Gaussian system with random allocation

We allow for different allocations of the total capital depending \( \omega \).

Set \( D := \{ \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i \leq d \}, \ d \in \mathbb{R} \), and

\[
C := \left\{ Y \in L^0(\mathbb{R}^n) \mid Y = m + \alpha I_D, \ m, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^N, \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_i = 0 \right\} \subseteq C_{\mathbb{R}},
\]

The condition \( \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i = 0 \) implies that \( \sum_{i=1}^{n} Y_i \) is constant a.s.

- **Flexibility:** we let the allocation depend on whether the system at time \( T \) is in trouble or not, represented by the events that \( \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i \) is less or greater than some critical level \( d \), respectively.

The SRM is then:

\[
\rho(X) := \inf \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{N} m_i \mid m + \alpha I_D \in C, \ \Lambda(X + m + \alpha I_D) \in \mathbb{A}_\gamma \right\}.
\]
Solving by Lagrange method

We minimize the objective function \( \sum_{i=1}^{N} m_i \) over \( (m, \alpha) \in \mathbb{R}^{2N} \) under the constrains

\[
\sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_i = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{i=1}^{N} E[(X_i + m_i + \alpha_i l_A - d_i)^-] = \gamma.
\]

We apply the method of Lagrange multipliers to minimize the function

\[
\phi(m_1, \ldots, m_N, \alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_{N-1}, \lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} m_i + \lambda (\Psi(m_1, \ldots, m_N, \alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_{N-1}) - \gamma),
\]

where

\[
\Psi(m_1, \ldots, m_N, \alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_{N-1}) := \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} E[(X_i + m_i + \alpha_i l_D - d_i)^-] + E[(X_N + m_N - \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \alpha_j l_D - d_N)^-].
\]

Obtaining explicit formulas for the derivatives.
Numerical illustration with two banks \((X_1,X_2)\)

Sensitivity with respect to correlation

\[
\rho(X) = \inf \{m_1 + m_2 \mid m + \alpha l_D \in \mathcal{C}, \Lambda(X + m + \alpha l_D) \in \mathbb{A}_\gamma\}
\]

\[
\mathbb{A}_\gamma = \{Z \in \mathcal{L}^0(\mathbb{R}) \mid E[Z] \geq -\gamma\}
\]

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The acceptance level \(\gamma = 0.7\)

The critical level \(d = 2\).
Numerical illustration with two banks \((X_1, X_2)\)

Sensitivity with respect to correlation

\[
\rho(X) = \inf \{ m_1 + m_2 \mid m + \alpha l_D \in \mathcal{C}, \Lambda(X + m + \alpha l_D) \in \mathcal{A}_\gamma \}
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We compare the sensitivities with respect to the correlation \(\rho_{1,2}\) for

- deterministic allocation \((\alpha = 0)\)
- random allocation

For highly **positively correlated** banks the random allocation does not change the total capital requirement \((m_1 + m_2)\).

However, when they are **negatively correlated**, one benefits from random allocation since the total allocation \((m_1 + m_2)\) is lower.
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Numerical illustration with two banks \((X_1, X_2)\)

Sensitivity with respect to standard deviation

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\rho(X) := \inf \{ m_1 + m_2 \mid m + \alpha l_D \in \mathcal{C}, \wedge (X + m + \alpha l_D) \in A_\gamma \}
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\[
A_\gamma := \{ Z \in L^0(\mathbb{R}) \mid E[Z] \geq -\gamma \} \quad D := \{ X_1 + X_2 \leq d \}
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Means of \((X_1, X_2)\): \(\mu_1 = \mu_2 = 0\)
Standard deviation of \(X_1\) is \(\sigma_1 = 1\); Correlation \(\rho_{1,2} = -0.5\)
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We compare the sensitivities with respect to \(\sigma_2\) for

- deterministic allocation \((\alpha = 0)\)
- random allocation

For equal marginals \((\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = 1)\) random allocation does not change the total capital requirement.

As \(\sigma_2\) increases, the systemic risk measure increases and the allocation increases, in agreement with the deterministic case.

Random allocation allows for smaller total capital \((m_1 + m_2)\).
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**Table:** Sensitivity with respect to standard deviation.
Let the Gaussian financial vector \( \mathbf{X}_t \) be generated by the following dynamics:

\[
d\mathbf{X}_t^i = \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{N} p_{i,j} (X_t^j - X_t^i) \right] dt + \sigma^i \left( \rho_i dW_t^0 + \sqrt{1 - \rho_i^2} dW_t^i \right),
\]

The lending-borrowing preferences \( p_{i,j} \) are nonnegative and symmetric: \( p_{i,j} = p_{j,i} \). \( (W_t^0, W_t^i, i = 1, \cdots, N) \) are independent standard BM and \( W_t^0 \) is a common noise.

- The joint distribution of \( (X_t^1, ..., X_t^N) \) will be fully characterized by the means \( \mu_i \)'s and by the covariance matrix \( Q \) which will depend on the parameters of the model, in particular the preferences \( p_{i,j} \) (lending/borrowing) and the individual \( \sigma^i \).
- Applying the approach just described (in 4), for given parameters, one computes the marginal means and variances needed in our systemic risk measures, in order to obtain the optimal allocation \( \mathbf{m} = (m_i)_{i=1,\cdots,N} \) and a ranking of the banks.
Two types of networks

\[ dX^i_t = \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{N} p_{i,j} (X^j_t - X^i_t) \right] dt + \sigma^i \left( \rho_i dW^0_t + \sqrt{1 - \rho^2} dW^i_t \right), \]

We analyze:

1. A fully connected symmetric network:
   \[ x^i_0 = x_0, \quad p_{i,j} = p/N, \quad \sigma^i = \sigma, \quad \rho_i = \rho \]

2. A central clearing symmetric network, where bank 1 plays a clearing role and is related to each of the other banks which are not directly related to each other.
   \[ p_{i,j} = p \text{ if } i = 1 \text{ or } j = 1, \text{ and } p_{i,j} = 0 \text{ if } i \neq 1 \text{ and } j \neq 1; \]
   \[ \sigma^i = \sigma \text{ if } i \neq 1; \quad \rho_i = \rho \text{ if } i \neq 1; \]
   \[ x^i_0 = x_0 \text{ if } i \neq 1; \]
Fully connected network

N=10
Centrally connected network

N=10
Marginals in the fully connected symmetric network

\[ \mu_i = \mathbb{E}(X_t^i) = x_0, \]

\[ \sigma_i^2 = \sigma^2(1 - \rho^2)(1 - \frac{1}{N}) \left( \frac{1 - e^{-2pt}}{2p} \right) + \sigma^2 \left( \rho^2 + \frac{1 - \rho^2}{N} \right) t. \]

- These marginal distributions depend on the coupled dynamics of the \( X_t^i \), in particular on the parameters \( p \) and \( \rho \).
- Increasing \( p \), that is increasing liquidity, would decrease \( \sigma_i^2 \) (from \( \sigma^2 t \) for \( p = 0 \) to \( \sigma^2 \left( \rho^2 + \frac{1 - \rho^2}{N} \right) t \) for \( p = \infty \)), and therefore would decrease systemic risk.
Central clearing symmetric network

\[ \mu_i = \mathbb{E}(X^i_t) = \mathbb{E}(X^1_t) = c_0/N. \]

\[ \sigma^2_1 = \sigma^2 \rho^2 t \]

\[ + \frac{1}{N} \left[ (\sigma^2 + 2\sigma \sigma_c \rho \rho_c - 3\sigma^2 \rho^2) t + \frac{2}{p} (\sigma^2_c - \sigma \sigma_c \rho \rho_c) \right] + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{N^2}\right), \]

\[ \sigma^2_i = \sigma^2 (1 - \rho^2) \left( \frac{1 - e^{-2pt}}{2p} \right) + \sigma^2 \rho^2 t \]

\[ + \frac{1}{N} \left[ (\sigma^2 + 2\sigma \sigma_c \rho \rho_c - 3\sigma^2 \rho^2) t - \sigma^2 (1 - \rho^2) \left( \frac{1 - e^{-2pt}}{2p} \right) \right] + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{N^2}\right), \]

At the leading order in \(1/N\), this variance is the same as the homogeneous model, but they may differ at order \(1/N\).

Writing \(\sigma^2 + 2\sigma \sigma_c \rho \rho_c - 3\sigma^2 \rho^2 = \sigma^2 (1 - \rho^2) + 2\sigma \rho (\sigma_c \rho_c - \sigma \rho)\), we see that the sign of \(\sigma_c \rho_c - \sigma \rho\) determines which network is most stable (smaller variance).
We assume a finite probability space \((\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})\)
\[\Omega = \{\omega_j\}, \ j = 1, \cdots, M\]

Then the computation of optimal cash allocations associated to the systemic risk measure reduces to solving a finite-dimensional system of equations, even for most general random cash allocations, where the allocation can be adjusted scenario by scenario.

Explicit formula for the systemic risk measure and for the (unique) optimal allocation.
Example on a finite probability space

The Systemic Risk Measure is defined by:

\[
\rho(\mathbf{X}) := \inf \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{N} Y_i \mid \mathbf{Y} = (Y_1, \cdots, Y_N) \in C^h, \Lambda(\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{Y}) \in \mathbb{A}_\gamma \right\}
\]

\[
\mathbb{A}_\gamma := \left\{ Z \in L^0(\mathbb{R}) \mid \mathbb{E}[Z] \geq -\gamma \right\}, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}_+
\]

\[
\Lambda(\mathbf{x}) := \sum_{i=1}^{N} -\exp(-\alpha_i x_i), \alpha_i \in \mathbb{R}_+
\]
Random allocations in subgroups

The permitted allocations are defined by:

\[
C^h = \left\{ Y \in L^0(\mathbb{R}^N) \mid \sum_{i=1}^{h_1} Y_i(\omega_j) = d_1, \sum_{i=h_1+1}^{h_2} Y_i(\omega_j) = d_2, \ldots, \sum_{i=h_{k-1}+1}^{N} Y_i(\omega_j) = d_k \right\} \subseteq C_{\mathbb{R}}, \quad d_1, \ldots, d_k \in \mathbb{R}, \forall j.
\]

- The **regulator is constrained to distribute the capital only within** \( k \) **subgroups** that are induced by the partition \( h = (h_1, \ldots, h_k) \) with \( 0 < h_1 < h_2 < \cdots < h_{k-1} < h_k = N \)
- The **risk measure is the sum of** \( k \) **minimal cash funds** \( d_1, \ldots, d_k \) **determined today, that at time** \( T \) **can be freely allocated within the** \( k \) **subgroups**
- Note that this family includes as two extreme cases
  - deterministic allocations \( C = \mathbb{R}^N \) for \( k = N \)
  - completely free allocations \( C = C_{\mathbb{R}} \) for \( k = 1 \).
Applying Lagrange method

For a specific subfamily of $C^h$ we obtain the explicit formula for $\rho$:

$$
\rho(x) = -\beta_{N-r} \log\left( \frac{\gamma}{\alpha_1 \beta_N d_{N-r}} \right) - \sum_{j=N-r+1}^{N} \frac{1}{\alpha_j} \log\left( \frac{\gamma}{\alpha_j \beta_N K_j} \right),
$$

where:

$$
\beta_{N-r} = \sum_{i=1}^{N-r} \frac{1}{\alpha_i},
$$

$$
\beta_N = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{1}{\alpha_i},
$$

$$
d_{N-r} = \sum_{j=1}^{M} p_j \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{\beta_{N-r}} \sum_{i=1}^{N-r} X_i(w_j) - \frac{1}{\beta_{N-r}} \sum_{i=1}^{N-r} \frac{1}{\alpha_i} \log\left( \frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha_i} \right) \right].
$$
Applying Lagrange method

and the **optimal allocations** are given by:

\[
y_j = \frac{1}{\alpha_1 \beta_{N-r}} \sum_{i=1}^{N-r} X_i(w_j) - X_1(w_j) + \frac{1}{\alpha_1 \beta_{N-r}} \sum_{i=1}^{N-r} \frac{1}{\alpha_i} \log\left(\frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha_i}\right) + \frac{1}{\alpha_1 \beta_{N-r}} c_{N-r}
\]

for \( j = 1, \cdots, M \); by

\[
y_k^j = \frac{1}{\alpha_k} \left[ \alpha_1 X_1(w_j) - \alpha_k X_k(w_j) - \log\left(\frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha_k}\right) + \alpha_1 y_1^j \right]
\]

\[
= \frac{1}{\alpha_k \beta_{N-r}} \sum_{i=1}^{N-r} X_i(w_j) - X_k(w_j) - \frac{1}{\alpha_k} \log\left(\frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha_k}\right)
\]

\[
+ \frac{1}{\alpha_k \beta_{N-r}} \sum_{i=1}^{N-r} \frac{1}{\alpha_i} \log\left(\frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha_i}\right) + \frac{1}{\alpha_k \beta_{N-r}} c_{N-r}
\]

for all \( k = 2, \cdots, N - r - 1 \) and \( j \in 1, \cdots, M \); and by:

\[
y_k^j = c_k - c_{k-1} = -\frac{1}{\alpha_k} \log\left(\frac{\gamma}{\alpha_k \beta_{N} K_k}\right)
\]
Thank you for your attention