

Axiomatic characterizations of certain simple risk-sharing rules

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Risk-sharing arrangements

- Risk-sharing arrangements involve multiple participants agreeing to share the costs or losses associated with uncertain events.
 - Agreements can be formal or informal.
 - Participants can be individuals, communities, businesses, organizations, or governments.
- There are several reasons for entering into such arrangements:
 - They help reduce the financial impact of adverse events on any single person or entity.
 - Because risk is spread across participants, resources can be used more efficiently.
 - Risk-sharing encourages stronger and more resilient communities and partnerships.
 - Such arrangements enable participants to access resources, opportunities, or markets that might otherwise be considered too risky.
 - They make it possible to invest in large-scale projects, such as infrastructure, that involve significant risks.



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Examples of risk-sharing arrangements

- Centralized insurance
 - Traditional insurance and government-run programs, with decisions made by a centralized authority and regulated by government bodies.
- Decentralized insurance
 - Modern insurance model without the reliance of a traditional insurer or intermediary.
 - Mutual aid societies, Takaful (Islamic insurance), Peer-to-peer (P2P) insurance, DAO-governed insurance (decentralized autonomous organizations), Smart contract-based insurance.
- Parametric insurance, coverage that pays out a predetermined amount based on a specific trigger, can be centralized or decentralized.
- The growth of decentralized insurance schemes has heightened the importance for defining risk-sharing rules.

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Monthly condominium association fees

- In a condominium community, monthly fees cover shared risks and services. Equal or near-equal sharing is often used, even when units differ in size.
 - Garden maintenance, lawn mowing, and snow removal
 - Fire detection and sprinkler systems
 - Trash collection shared equally among residents
 - Building-wide insurance for damage and liability
- Underlying principles:
 - Collective risk or shared infrastructure
 - Symmetry among residents
 - Uncertainty about who benefits most

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- All random variables (r.v.'s) are defined on a probability space $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$.
- Let χ be an appropriate set of r.v.'s on $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$.
 - Interpret χ as the collection of losses (risks) of interest.
 - χ is assumed to be a convex cone of r.v.'s on $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ so that it is closed under positive scalar multiplication and under addition.
 - Assume that 0 is in χ .
 - Depending on the situation at hand, χ could be L^1 or L^2 or L^∞ , or the set of all r.v.'s, denoted as L^0 .
 - Also, for any L^p , the subset L^p_+ consisting of all non-negative elements of L^p might be a suitable choice.
 - We will always silently assume that χ only contains non-negative r.v.'s (losses), although several results we present hereafter remain to hold (or can easily be adapted) when this non-negativity restriction is not made.



Reallocation

- Each economic agent, labeled $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, faces a random loss X_i at time 0 and incurs a loss equal to the realization of X_i at time 1.
- $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$ denotes the loss vector with cumulative distribution function (cdf) $F_{\mathbf{X}}$ and marginal distributions $F_{X_1}, F_{X_2}, \dots, F_{X_n}$.
- The total (aggregate) loss experienced by the n agents is

$$S_{\mathbf{X}} = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i.$$

- For any pool $\mathbf{X} \in \mathcal{X}^n$ with aggregate loss $S_{\mathbf{X}}$, the set $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{X}}$, called a **reallocation** of \mathbf{X} , is defined as

$$\mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{X}} = \left\{ (Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n) \in (L^0)^n \mid \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i = S_{\mathbf{X}} \right\}.$$



Risk-sharing

- Risk-sharing (RS) within a pool $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$ is a two-stage process:
 - *ex-ante step* (Time 0): X_i within the pool are reallocated 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* (Time 1): each participant receives the realization of X_i from the pool and pays the realization of $C_i[\mathbf{X}]$ to the pool.
- $C_i[\mathbf{X}]$ is referred to as the contribution of participant i to the pool, while $\mathbf{C}[\mathbf{X}]$ is called the contribution vector.
- The risk-sharing process must satisfy the **full allocation condition**:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n C_i[\mathbf{X}] = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i.$$

- One perspective for this condition is by re-writing:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - C_i[\mathbf{X}]) = 0.$$

Some will lose, but some will gain.



Risk-sharing (RS) rule

- For a group of n participants, each with losses in \mathcal{X} , a risk-sharing rule is a mapping \mathbf{C} that assigns to any loss vector \mathbf{X} in \mathcal{X}^n a contribution vector $\mathbf{C}[\mathbf{X}]$ in $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{X}}$:

$$\mathbf{X} \in \mathcal{X}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{C}[\mathbf{X}] \in \mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{X}}.$$

- Thus, \mathbf{C} is a general function from \mathcal{X}^n to (a subset of) $(L^0)^n$, rather than simply a function from \mathbb{R}^n to (a subset of) \mathbb{R}^n .
- At time 0, $\mathbf{C}[\mathbf{X}]$ is a random vector that depends on \mathbf{X} and possibly on other sources of randomness.
 - Hence, $\mathbf{C}[\mathbf{X}]$ is not necessarily measurable with respect to $\sigma(\mathbf{X})$.
- The RS rule is specified at time 0, before any losses occur.
- It determines how the aggregate loss, observed at time 1, will be allocated among participants.
 - Designing an appropriate RS rule is crucial for the success and sustainability of the risk-sharing arrangement.



Examples of popular risk-sharing rules

- **Self-insurance rule** (each agent keeps their own loss):

$$\mathbf{C}^{\text{si}}[\mathbf{X}] = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n).$$

- **Order-statistics rule** (losses are reassigned according to their rank):

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

- **All-in-one rule** (one agent bears the total loss):

$$\mathbf{C}^{\text{all}}[\mathbf{X}] = (S_{\mathbf{X}}, 0, \dots, 0).$$

- **Mean-proportional rule** (shares proportional to expected losses):

$$\mathbf{C}^{\text{mean}}[\mathbf{X}] = \left(\frac{\mathbb{E}[X_1]}{\mathbb{E}[S_{\mathbf{X}}]} S_{\mathbf{X}}, \frac{\mathbb{E}[X_2]}{\mathbb{E}[S_{\mathbf{X}}]} S_{\mathbf{X}}, \dots, \frac{\mathbb{E}[X_n]}{\mathbb{E}[S_{\mathbf{X}}]} S_{\mathbf{X}} \right).$$

- **Conditional mean rule** (expected contribution given the total loss):

$$\mathbf{C}^{\text{cmrs}}[\mathbf{X}] = (\mathbb{E}[X_1 | S_{\mathbf{X}}], \mathbb{E}[X_2 | S_{\mathbf{X}}], \dots, \mathbb{E}[X_n | S_{\mathbf{X}}]).$$



Existing literature

- Risk sharing has long roots in actuarial science and insurance.
 - The idea dates back to ancient Babylon (around 1750 BCE) in the *Code of Hammurabi*.
- [Denuit, Dhaene, and Robert \(2022\)](#) study several risk-sharing methods, including CMRS introduced in [Denuit and Dhaene \(2012\)](#).
- [Denuit and Robert \(2021\)](#) analyze linear risk-sharing rules for large pools with heterogeneous losses, including P2P settings.
- [Levantasi and Piscopo \(2022\)](#) and [Clemente, Levantasi, and Piscopo \(2023\)](#) study P2P insurance with safety margins to handle fluctuations in total losses.
- [Dhaene et al. \(2024\)](#) introduce the quantile risk-sharing rule.
- [Feng, Liu, and Taylor \(2023\)](#) propose a P2P model based on convex programming for fair risk sharing, with an application to flood risk pooling.
- [Ghossoub, Zhu, and Chong \(2024\)](#) examine risk-sharing allocations that account for participants' risk preferences toward tail events.



- **Axiomatic foundations** of decision-making rules like insurance pricing have been widely explored, e.g., [Wang, Young, and Panjer \(1997\)](#), but limited on RS rules.
- [Denuit, Dhaene, and Robert \(2022\)](#) consider an extensive list of properties that RS rules might obey.
- [Jiao, et al. \(2022\)](#) provide an axiomatic characterization of the CMRS rule.
- [Dhaene, et al. \(2024\)](#) present an axiomatic characterization of the quantile RS rule.
- Our work expands on this by developing axiomatic frameworks for some simple RS rules.
 - Constructing RS rules using an axiomatic approach is just one approach; another is solving an optimization problem as in [Yang and Wei \(2024\)](#).



RS rules characterized in our paper

- Uniform RS rule:

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

- Class of q -proportional RS rule:

$$\mathbf{C}^{\text{prop}}[\mathbf{X}] = \left(\frac{q[X_1]}{\sum_{k=1}^n q[X_k]} S_{\mathbf{X}}, \frac{q[X_2]}{\sum_{k=1}^n q[X_k]} S_{\mathbf{X}}, \dots, \frac{q[X_n]}{\sum_{k=1}^n q[X_k]} S_{\mathbf{X}} \right),$$

for risk metric $q : \chi \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0^+$, and for any pool \mathbf{X} with at least one $q[X_j] > 0$.

- Class of (q_1, q_2) -based linear RS rule:

$$\mathbf{C}^{\text{lin}}[\mathbf{X}] = \left(q_1[X_1] + \frac{q_2[X_1, S_{\mathbf{X}}]}{\sum_{k=1}^n q_2[X_k, S_{\mathbf{X}}]} (S_{\mathbf{X}} - \sum_{k=1}^n q_1[X_k]), \right. \\ \left. \dots, q_1[X_n] + \frac{q_2[X_n, S_{\mathbf{X}}]}{\sum_{k=1}^n q_2[X_k, S_{\mathbf{X}}]} (S_{\mathbf{X}} - \sum_{k=1}^n q_1[X_k]) \right),$$

for risk metrics $q_1 : \chi \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0^+$ and $q_2 : \chi^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0^+$, and for any pool \mathbf{X} where denominator is not zero.



Examples of q -proportional RS rules

- Mean-proportional RS rule:

$$C_i^{\text{mean}}[\mathbf{X}] = \frac{\mathbb{E}[X_i]}{\sum_{k=1}^n \mathbb{E}[X_k]} S_{\mathbf{X}}$$

- Variance-proportional RS rule:

$$C_i[\mathbf{X}] = \frac{\text{var}(X_i)}{\sum_{k=1}^n \text{var}(X_k)} S_{\mathbf{X}}$$

A variation to this is using standard deviation.

- Scenario-based proportional RS rule:

$$C_i^{\text{scen,prop}}[\mathbf{X}] = \frac{X_i(\omega^*)}{\sum_{k=1}^n X_k(\omega^*)} S_{\mathbf{X}},$$

where ω^* represents a state of the world.



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Illustration: scenario-based proportional RS

Consider a pool of four participants who agree to share hurricane losses. They decide to allocate losses proportionally using a preset scenario ω^* corresponding to a hurricane with wind scale ≥ 3 .

wind scale ω	$X_1(\omega)$	$X_2(\omega)$	$X_3(\omega)$	$X_4(\omega)$	$S_X(\omega)$
1	1	1	1	1	4
2	2	4	5	9	20
$\geq 3 \omega^*$	5	9	15	31	60

- The realized hurricane has wind scale 2.
- The observed damage vector is (2, 4, 5, 9).
- The total damage is $S_X = 20$.
- Losses are shared using the proportions from scenario ω^* .
- The resulting contribution vector is (1.67, 3.00, 5.00, 10.33).



Examples of (q_1, q_2) -proportional RS rules

- Covariance-based linear RS rule: $q_1[X_i] = \mathbb{E}[X_i]$, $q_2[X_i, S] = \text{cov}[X_i, S]$

$$C_i^{\text{cov}}[\mathbf{X}] = \mathbb{E}[X_i] + \frac{\text{cov}(X_i, S_{\mathbf{X}})}{\text{var}(S_{\mathbf{X}})}(S_{\mathbf{X}} - \mathbb{E}[S_{\mathbf{X}}])$$

- Variance-based linear RS rule: $q_1[X_i] = \mathbb{E}[X_i]$, $q_2[X_i, S] = \text{var}(X_i)$

$$C_i^{\text{var}}[\mathbf{X}] = \mathbb{E}[X_i] + \frac{\text{var}(X_i)}{\sum_{k=1}^n \text{var}(X_k)}(S_{\mathbf{X}} - \mathbb{E}[S_{\mathbf{X}}])$$

- Scenario-based linear RS rule: $q_1[X_i] = X_i(\omega^*)$,
 $q_2[X_i, S] = (X_i(\bar{\omega}) - X_i(\underline{\omega}))(S(\bar{\omega}) - S(\underline{\omega}))$

$$C_i^{\text{scen,lin}}[\mathbf{X}] = X_i(\omega^*) + \frac{X_i(\bar{\omega}) - X_i(\underline{\omega})}{S_{\mathbf{X}}(\bar{\omega}) - S_{\mathbf{X}}(\underline{\omega})}(S_{\mathbf{X}} - S_{\mathbf{X}}(\omega^*)),$$

where ω^* , $\bar{\omega}$, and $\underline{\omega}$ represents three states of the world.



Reshuffling

- A reshuffle of pool \mathbf{X} is a random vector \mathbf{X}^π defined by

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

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

- **Reshuffling property:** A RS rule \mathbf{C} satisfies the reshuffling property if for any $\mathbf{X} \in \mathcal{X}^n$ and any of its reshuffles \mathbf{X}^π , the following holds:

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

- Consider the pool $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4)$ and the reshuffle $\mathbf{X}^\pi = (X_3, X_4, X_1, X_2)$. According to the reshuffling property, contribution vector must be

$$\mathbf{C}[\mathbf{X}^\pi] = (C_3[\mathbf{X}], C_4[\mathbf{X}], C_1[\mathbf{X}], C_2[\mathbf{X}]).$$

- Losses and contributions are interconnected such that when participants exchange their individual losses, their contributions are exchanged correspondingly.



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Source-anonymous contributions

The contributions of a RS rule \mathbf{C} are said to be **source-anonymous** if, for any pool \mathbf{X} and any of its reshuffles \mathbf{X}^π , it holds that

$$C_i[\mathbf{X}^\pi] = C_i[\mathbf{X}] \quad \text{for any } i = 1, \dots, n.$$

- Source-anonymity of a risk-sharing rule means that the contributions are not tied to who specifically incurs the losses X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n .
- Consider the pool $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4)$ and any reshuffle, say, $\mathbf{X}^\pi = (X_3, X_4, X_1, X_2)$. For source-anonymous contributions, contribution vector must be

$$\mathbf{C}[\mathbf{X}^\pi] = (C_1[\mathbf{X}], C_2[\mathbf{X}], C_3[\mathbf{X}], C_4[\mathbf{X}]).$$

- Contributions are determined by the individual losses, but the source of these individual losses is irrelevant for determining these contributions.
- The order statistics RS rule satisfies this property.



Aggregate contributions

A RS rule is said to have **aggregate contributions** if for any pool \mathbf{X} there exists a function $\mathbf{h} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ such that the contributions of \mathbf{X} are given by:

$$C_i[\mathbf{X}] = h_i(S_{\mathbf{X}}) \quad \text{for any } i = 1, \dots, n.$$

- Randomness of the contributions is solely due to the randomness of the aggregate loss.
- Contributions $\mathbf{C}[\mathbf{X}]$ are measurable with respect to $\sigma(S_{\mathbf{X}})$.
- Only realization of $S_{\mathbf{X}}$ is revealed; no need to reveal realizations of X_i 's. But, it may involve risk metrics of X_i 's such as their means.
- Also referred to as '*non-olet*' property. See [Borch \(1960\)](#) and [Feng \(2023\)](#).



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Strongly aggregate contributions

A RS rule is said to have **strongly aggregate contributions** if there exists a function $\mathbf{h} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ such that contributions of any pool \mathbf{X} are given by:

$$C_i[\mathbf{X}] = h_i(S_{\mathbf{X}}) \quad \text{for any } i = 1, \dots, n.$$

- Contributions $\mathbf{C}[\mathbf{X}]$ are also measurable with respect to $\sigma(S_{\mathbf{X}})$.
- Indeed, strongly aggregate are also aggregate contributions, but not vice versa.
- The function h_i that tells us how to divide the aggregate loss across participants is the same across different risk pools.
- Uniform RS rule has strongly aggregate and hence, aggregate contributions.
- Mean-proportional RS rule has aggregate but not strongly aggregate contributions.



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Table: Properties of some risk-sharing rules

Risk-sharing (RS) rules	Reshuffling	Source-anonymous contributions	Aggregate contributions	Strongly aggregate contributions
Order statistics RS	—	✓	—	—
Conditional mean RS	✓	—	✓	—
Mean-proportional RS	✓	—	✓	—
Scenario-based proportional RS	✓	—	✓	—
Scenario-based linear RS	✓	—	✓	—
All-in-one RS	—	✓	✓	✓
Uniform RS	✓	✓	✓	✓

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Characterizing the uniform RS rule

Theorem 1: Risk-sharing rule \mathbf{C} is the uniform RS rule if and only if it satisfies the following two axioms:

- 1: \mathbf{C} satisfies the reshuffling property.
- 2: \mathbf{C} has source-anonymous contributions.

- Axioms 1 and 2 are independent.

Theorem 2: Risk-sharing rule \mathbf{C} is the uniform RS rule if and only if the following two axioms hold:

- 1: \mathbf{C} satisfies the reshuffling property.
- 3: \mathbf{C} has strongly aggregate contributions.

- Axioms 1 and 3 are independent.



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Modifying the axioms for q -proportional RS rule

Source-anonymous contribution-over- q ratios The contribution-over- q ratios of a RS rule \mathbf{C} are said to be source-anonymous if, for any pool \mathbf{X} and any reshuffling \mathbf{X}^π , the following holds:

$$C_i[\mathbf{X}^\pi] = \frac{q[X_{\pi(i)}]}{q[X_i]} C_i[\mathbf{X}] \quad \text{for any } i = 1, \dots, n \quad \text{with } q[X_i] > 0.$$

Strongly aggregate contribution-over- q ratios Consider normalized and additive risk metric $q : \chi \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0^+$. A RS rule \mathbf{C} in χ^n has strongly aggregate contribution-over- q ratios if there exists a function $\mathbf{h} : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ such that for any $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$ with at least one $q[X_j] > 0$, the contributions are given by:

$$C_i[\mathbf{X}] = q[X_i] \times h_i(S_{\mathbf{X}}, q[S_{\mathbf{X}}]), \quad \text{for any } i = 1, \dots, n,$$

- Risk metric $q : \chi \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0^+$ is said to be normalized if $q[0] = 0$ and additive if $q[\sum_{k=1}^n X_k] = \sum_{k=1}^n q[X_k]$, for any $\mathbf{X} \in \chi^n$.



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Theorem 3: Consider the risk metric $q : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0^+$. A RS rule \mathbf{C} in \mathcal{X}^n is the q -proportional RS rule if and only if it satisfies the following two axioms:

1. \mathbf{C} satisfies the reshuffling property.
4. \mathbf{C} has source-anonymous contribution-over- q ratios.

- Axioms 1 and 4 are independent.

Theorem 4: Consider the normalized and additive risk metric $q : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0^+$. A RS rule \mathbf{C} in \mathcal{X}^n is the q -proportional RS rule if and only if it satisfies the following axiom:

5. \mathbf{C} has strongly aggregate contribution-over- q ratios.

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Weighted q -proportional RS rule

For the weighted q -proportional RS rule, the contribution of participant i is

$$C_i[\mathbf{X}] = \frac{w_i q[X_i]}{\sum_{k=1}^n w_k q[X_k]} S_{\mathbf{X}},$$

where w_1, \dots, w_n are positive real numbers.

- Contribution depends on the aggregate loss, but also on participants' identities (through w_j 's) and their respective random losses (through $q[X_j]$'s).
- The w_j 's adjust risk metrics, the $q[X_j]$'s, to reflect
 - Data quality which affects trustworthiness.
 - Adjustment factor for model uncertainty.
- If w_1, \dots, w_n are not all equal, then weighted q -proportional RS rule fails reshuffling axiom 1 and source-anonymous contribution-over- q ratios axiom 4, therefore, not a q -proportional RS rule.



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Modifying the axioms for (q_1, q_2) -based linear RS rule

Consider the risk metrics $q_1 : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0^+$ and $q_2 : \mathcal{X}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

Source-anonymous (q_1, q_2) -standardized contributions The (q_1, q_2) -standardized contributions of a RS rule \mathbf{C} are said to be source-anonymous if, for any pool \mathbf{X} and any of its reshuffles \mathbf{X}^π , the following conditions hold:

$$C_i[\mathbf{X}^\pi] - q_1[X_{\pi(i)}] = \frac{q_2[X_{\pi(i)}, \mathbf{S}_\mathbf{X}]}{q_2[X_i, \mathbf{S}_\mathbf{X}]} (C_i[\mathbf{X}] - q_1[X_i]), \text{ for any } i = 1, \dots, n,$$

with $q_2[X_i, \mathbf{S}_\mathbf{X}] \neq 0$.

Strongly aggregate (q_1, q_2) -based standardized contributions A RS rule \mathbf{C} has strongly aggregate (q_1, q_2) -based standardized contributions if there exists a function $\mathbf{h} : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ such that the relative contributions for any $\mathbf{X} \in \mathcal{X}^n$ with at least one $q_2[X_j, \mathbf{S}_\mathbf{X}] \neq 0$ for at least one $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, can be expressed as:

$$C_i[\mathbf{X}] = q_1[X_i] + q_2[X_i, \mathbf{S}_\mathbf{X}] \cdot h_i(\mathbf{S}_\mathbf{X}, q_1[\mathbf{S}_\mathbf{X}], q_2[\mathbf{S}_\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{S}_\mathbf{X}]) \quad \text{for any } i = 1, \dots, n.$$



Characterizing the (q_1, q_2) -based linear RS

Consider the risk metrics $q_1 : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0^+$ and $q_2 : \mathcal{X}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

Theorem 5: A RS rule \mathbf{C} is the (q_1, q_2) -based linear RS rule if and only if it satisfies the following two axioms:

1. \mathbf{C} satisfies the reshuffling property.
 6. \mathbf{C} has source-anonymous (q_1, q_2) -standardized contributions.
- Axioms 1 and 6 considered in Theorem 5 are independent.

Theorem 6: Let $q_1[0] = 0$ and $q_2[0, \cdot] = 0$, and let both measures be additive in their first argument. Then a RS rule \mathbf{C} is the (q_1, q_2) -based linear RS rule if and only if it satisfies the following axiom:

7. \mathbf{C} has aggregated standardized contributions.



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The covariance-based linear RS rule



Consider the covariance-based linear RS rule where we choose

$$q_1[X_i] = \mathbb{E}[X_i] \quad q_2[X_i, S_{\mathbf{X}}] = \text{cov}[X_i, S_{\mathbf{X}}].$$

- It is easy to show that this RS rule has source-anonymous (q_1, q_2) -standardized contributions.
- It can also be shown that this has strongly aggregate (q_1, q_2) -based standardized contributions by writing the contribution formula as

$$\begin{aligned} C_i^{\text{cov}}[\mathbf{X}] &= \mathbb{E}[X_i] + \text{cov}(X_i, S_{\mathbf{X}}) \cdot \frac{S_{\mathbf{X}} - \mathbb{E}[S_{\mathbf{X}}]}{\text{var}(S_{\mathbf{X}})} \\ &= \mathbb{E}[X_i] + \text{cov}(X_i, S_{\mathbf{X}}) \cdot h_i(S_{\mathbf{X}}, \mathbb{E}[S_{\mathbf{X}}], \text{cov}(S_{\mathbf{X}}, S_{\mathbf{X}})) \quad \text{for any } i = 1, \dots, n. \end{aligned}$$

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- This paper explores axiomatic characterizations of simple risk-sharing rules.
- We describe the uniform RS rule using three essential properties: (1) Reshuffling; (2) Source-anonymous contributions; and (3) Strongly aggregate contributions
- These elementary axioms form the basis for two other broader classes of RS rules:
 - the q -proportional RS rules and
 - the (q_1, q_2) -based linear RS rules.
- These axiomatic characterizations enable us to introduce new RS rules, such as the scenario-based RS rules, which provide for novel examples of the q -proportional RS rules and (q_1, q_2) -based linear RS rules.
 - Under these rules, risk-sharing adapts to predefined scenarios such as extreme or typical events, which allow for a more dynamic approach.
 - Innovation does not require probability knowledge, but relies instead on expert judgments or opinions.



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