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# The mathematics of financial risk management: approach, challenges, and recent developments

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The capital adequacy problem:

- ▷ **How much risk capital** should a financial institution hold to be deemed **adequately capitalized** by the regulator?

Related regulatory frameworks:

Swiss Solvency Test, Solvency II, Basel III-IV.

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The capital required to make an unacceptable position  $X \in \mathcal{X}$  acceptable by implementing an admissible management action can be defined as

$$\rho(X) = \inf \{ c(m) \in \mathbb{R} \mid m \in M : I(X, m) \in \mathcal{A} \}.$$

Key observation is:

- ▷ the acceptance set  $\mathcal{A}$  is the only pre-specified element (by regulator).

# Terminology and preliminaries

In *mathematical finance*, we often use the notion of probability spaces and random variables.

- Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$  be a **measurable space** defined by a sample space  $\Omega \neq \emptyset$  and a  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{P}(\Omega)$ .
- **Real-valued random variables**  $X : (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$  serve as representatives of future **financial positions**. Let  $\mathcal{L}^0(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$  denote the vector space of all such  $(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$ -measurable functions.
- Adding a **probability measure**  $\mathbb{P} : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow [0, 1]$  to the tuple  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$  we get a **probability space**  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ .
- Denote by  $L^0(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$  the vector space of equivalence classes in  $\mathcal{L}^0(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$  with respect to  $\mathbb{P}$ -almost sure equality and equip it with the topology of convergence in probability.

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**Example** Possible choices could be

- $L^\infty(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}) = \{X \in L^0(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}) \mid \|X\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{P})} < \infty\}$  equipped with the *supremum norm*  $\|X\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{P})} = \mathbb{P}\text{-ess sup}_{\omega \in \Omega} |X(\omega)|$ .
- For  $p \in [1, \infty)$ ,  $L^p(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}) = \{X \in L^0(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}) \mid \|X\|_{L^p(\mathbb{P})} < \infty\}$  equipped with the  *$L^p$ -norm*  $\|X\|_{L^p(\mathbb{P})} = \mathbb{E}[|X|^p]$ .

# Acceptable financial positions

Introduce acceptability structure to the mathematical framework.

**Definition (Acceptance sets)** A subset  $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{X}$  is called an **acceptance set** if it is

- *non-trivial*, i.e.  $\mathcal{A} \neq \emptyset$  and  $\mathcal{A} \subsetneq \mathcal{X}$ , and
- *monotone*, i.e.  $X_T \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $Y_T \in \mathcal{X}$ , and  $Y_T \geq X_T$  imply  $Y_T \in \mathcal{A}$ .

These assumptions are based on  
**minimal requirements of financial rationality:**

- ▷ Some, but not all, positions should be acceptable,
- ▷ A position dominating an acceptable position should be acceptable.



# Properties of acceptance sets

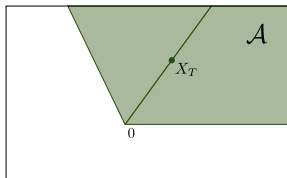
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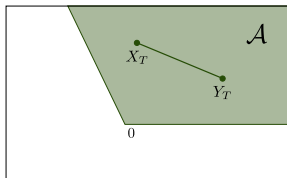
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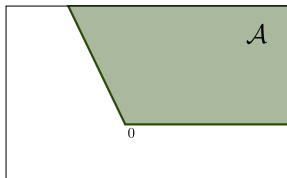
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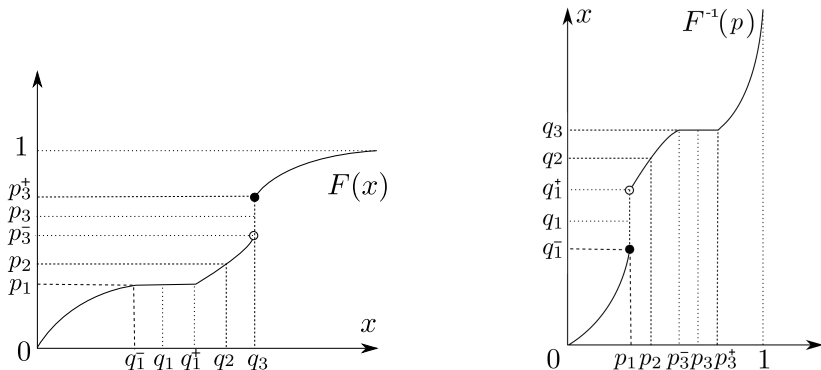


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**Figure:** Distribution function  $F$  and its quantile function  $F^{-1}$ . Source: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Quantile\\_function](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Quantile_function)

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1. The **quantile-based** (or  $\text{VaR}_{\alpha}$ ) acceptance set is

$$\mathcal{A}_{\alpha} = \{X \in \mathcal{X} \mid q_{\alpha}^{+}(X) \geq 0\} = \{X \in \mathcal{X} \mid \mathbb{P}[X < 0] \leq \alpha\}.$$

$\mathcal{A}_{\alpha}$  is a cone, but it is not convex in general.

2. The **shortfall quantile-based** (or  $\text{ES}_{\alpha}$ ) acceptance set at level  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  is

$$\mathcal{A}^{\alpha} = \{X \in \mathcal{X} \mid \mathbb{E}[X \mathbf{1}_{\{X \leq q_{\alpha}^{+}(X)\}}] \geq 0\},$$

assuming that  $X$  has a continuous distribution function (which implies  $\mathbb{P}[X \leq q_{\alpha}^{+}(X)] = \alpha$ ).  $\mathcal{A}^{\alpha}$  is coherent.

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**Definition** The **risk measure** or **capital requirement** based on  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{A}, M, c, I)$  as above is the map  $\rho_{\mathcal{A}, S} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$  defined by

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_{\mathcal{A}, S}(X) &= \inf \{c(\lambda S_T) \in \mathbb{R} \mid I(X, \lambda S_T) \in \mathcal{A}\} \\ &= \inf \{\lambda S_0 \in \mathbb{R} \mid X + \lambda S_T \in \mathcal{A}\} = \inf \left\{ m \in \mathbb{R} \mid X + \frac{m}{S_0} S_T \in \mathcal{A} \right\}.\end{aligned}$$

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**From a financial point of view**

- ▷ S-additivity: investing in  $S$  has a linear effect on cap. requirements.
- ▷ Monotonicity: riskier positions need higher risk capital.

# Cash-additive risk measures

## Main references

Föllmer, Schied [FS04], Frittelli, Rosazza Gianin [FRG02].

**Definition** Let  $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{X}$  be an acceptance set, and  $S = (1, \mathbf{1}_\Omega)$ . The risk measure  $\rho_{\mathcal{A}, S}$  is called **cash-additive** and we write

$$\rho_{\mathcal{A}}(X) = \rho_{\mathcal{A}, 1}(X) = \inf \{ m \in \mathbb{R} \mid X + m\mathbf{1}_\Omega \in \mathcal{A} \}.$$

In this case,  $S$ -additivity is called **cash-additivity**, meaning for  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\rho_{\mathcal{A}}(X + \lambda\mathbf{1}_\Omega) = \rho_{\mathcal{A}}(X) - \lambda.$$

## From a financial point of view

- ▷ the traded asset corresponding to a cash-additive risk measure can be regarded as a **risk-free bond** with zero interest rate.

## Why cash-additive? Choice of the numéraire

Typical argument in favour of cash-additive risk measures:

Let  $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{X}$  be an acceptance set and  $S = (S_0, rS_0)$  a bond with return rate  $r > 0$ . The risk measure  $\rho_{\mathcal{A},S}$  can be expressed in terms of  $\rho_{\mathcal{A}_S}$  as

$$\rho_{\mathcal{A},S}(X) = S_0 \rho_{\mathcal{A}_S} \left( \frac{X}{S_T} \right), \quad \text{where } \mathcal{A}_S = \left\{ \frac{X}{S_T} \mid X \in \mathcal{A} \right\}.$$

From an accounting point of view

- ▷  $X$  is a future position expressed in cash,
- ▷  $\rho_{\mathcal{A},S}(X)$  is a capital amount today,
- ▷  $\frac{X}{S_T}$  is a future **discounted** position,
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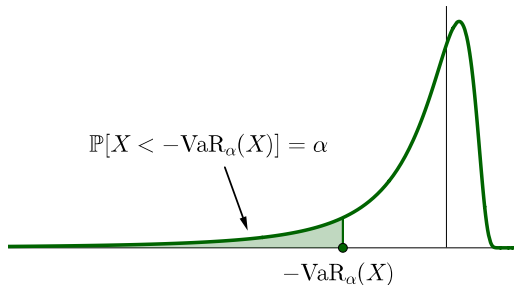
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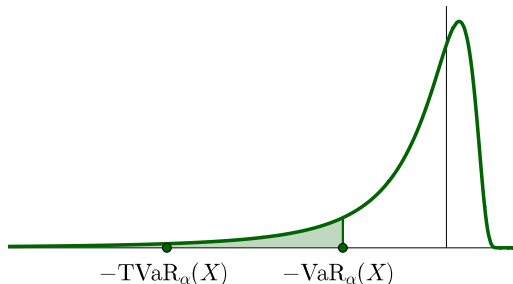
## Examples of cash-additive risk measures II

The **Tail Value-at-Risk** of a position  $X \in \mathcal{X}$  at level  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  is

$$\text{TVaR}_\alpha(X) = \rho_{\mathcal{A}^\alpha}(X) = \frac{1}{\alpha} \int_0^\alpha \text{VaR}_\beta(X) d\beta,$$

where

$$\mathcal{A}^\alpha = \{X \in \mathcal{X} \mid \text{TVaR}_\alpha(X) \leq 0\}.$$





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Unless the reference asset is a risk-free bond, neither question has a positive answer!

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- ▷ If  $S_T$  is *bounded away from zero*, that is  $S_T \geq \epsilon$  for some  $\epsilon > 0$ , then discounting works.
- ▷ If not, either we lose control over the space where  $X/S_T$  belongs to, or we cannot even define  $X/S_T$ .

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Two situations where the reduction does not work:

- ▷ Let  $S_T \sim \log \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma)$  be **log-normally distributed**.
  - Since the distribution is continuous, we have  $\mathbb{P}[S_T = 0] = 0$ .
  - But  $\mathbb{P}[S_T \leq \lambda] = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{\log \lambda - \mu}{\sqrt{2}\sigma}\right) > 0$  for all  $\lambda > 0$ .
  - Hence,  $S_T$  is not bounded away from zero.
  - Discounting is not possible as we lose control of the space of discounted positions.
  
- ▷ Let  $S_T$  be any **defaultable instrument**, that is  $\mathbb{P}[S_T = 0] > 0$ .  
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The **main advantage** of this approach is the possibility to fix an acceptability criterium  $\mathcal{A}$  and get a **family of risk measures compatible with  $\mathcal{A}$**  by simply changing assets  $S$ .

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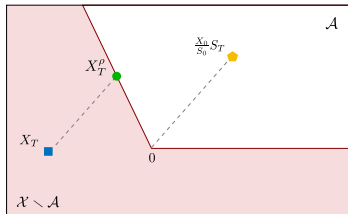
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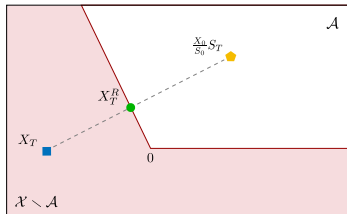
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(a) Monetary risk measures



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**Figure:** The payoff of the eligible asset (yellow  $\hexagon$ ) is used to make the unacceptable position (blue  $\square$ ) acceptable (green  $\circ$ ).

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On cones, we have

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## Literature outside cash-additivity

Risk measures of the form  $\rho_{\mathcal{A},S}$  have been occasionally treated.

- ▶ Artzner, Delbaen, Eber, and Heath [ADEH99] work on a finite state space under the assumption that  $S_T$  is bounded away from zero.
- ▶ Frittelli and Scandolo [FS06] provide a result on finiteness on  $L^\infty$  under the assumption that  $S_T$  is bounded away from zero.
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- ▶ Artzner, Delbaen, and Koch-Medina [ADKM09] work on a finite sample space under the assumption that  $S_T$  is bounded away from zero.
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