

Introduction to Mathematical Finance: Sheet B

Exercise 2

Prove that a monetary risk measure is quasi-convex iff it is convex.

Definition 1: A functional $\rho: \mathcal{L}^\infty(\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is called monetary risk measure if

1) monotone (decreasing):

$$X \geq Y \Rightarrow \rho(X) \leq \rho(Y)$$

2) cash invariant:

$$\forall m \in \mathbb{R} \quad \forall X \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\Omega, \mathcal{F}) : \rho(X+m) = \rho(X) - m$$

Definition 2: ρ is convex if $\forall X, Y \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\Omega, \mathcal{F}), \forall \lambda \in [0, 1]$:

$$\rho(\lambda X + (1-\lambda)Y) \leq \lambda \rho(X) + (1-\lambda)\rho(Y)$$

Definition 3: ρ is quasi-convex if $\forall X, Y \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\Omega, \mathcal{F}), \forall \lambda \in [0, 1]$:

$$\rho(\lambda X + (1-\lambda)Y) \leq \max\{\rho(X), \rho(Y)\}.$$

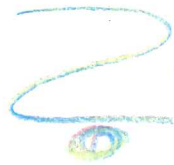
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• Let ρ be a convex monetary risk measure.

Let $X, Y \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\Omega, \mathcal{F}), \lambda \in [0, 1]$.

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \rho(\lambda X + (1-\lambda)Y) &\stackrel{\rho \text{ convex}}{\leq} \lambda \rho(X) + (1-\lambda)\rho(Y) \leq \lambda \max\{\rho(X), \rho(Y)\} + (1-\lambda) \cdot \max\{\rho(X), \rho(Y)\} \\ &\quad \lambda, (1-\lambda) \geq 0 \\ &= \max\{\rho(X), \rho(Y)\} \end{aligned}$$

\hookrightarrow hence ρ is quasi-convex.



Question: To ensure $\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y} \in \mathcal{L}^\infty$, I needed that $\rho(X), \rho(Y)$ cos. Why does this hold?

" \Rightarrow "

• Let ρ be a quasi-convex monetary risk measure.

• Let $X, Y \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$

\Rightarrow Define $\tilde{X} := X + \rho(X)$ and $\tilde{Y} := Y + \rho(Y)$

$\Rightarrow \tilde{X}, \tilde{Y} \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$

• Assume wlog that $\rho(\tilde{Y}) \geq \rho(\tilde{X})$. Otherwise rename everything.

• ρ is quasi-convex, hence for $\lambda \in [0, 1]$:

$$\Rightarrow \rho(\lambda \tilde{X} + (1-\lambda)\tilde{Y}) \leq \max\{\rho(\tilde{X}), \rho(\tilde{Y})\} = \rho(\tilde{Y})$$

$$\stackrel{\text{cash inv.}}{\Leftrightarrow} \rho(\lambda(X + \rho(X)) + (1-\lambda)(Y + \rho(Y))) \leq \rho(Y + \rho(Y))$$

$$\stackrel{\text{cash inv.}}{\Leftrightarrow} \rho(\lambda X + (1-\lambda)Y) - \lambda \rho(X) - (1-\lambda)\rho(Y) \leq \rho(Y) - \rho(Y) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \rho(\lambda X + (1-\lambda)Y) \leq \lambda \rho(X) + (1-\lambda)\rho(Y) \quad \rightarrow \rho \text{ is convex.}$$

Exercise 3

Show that if ρ is convex and normalized, then

$$\begin{cases} 1.) \rho(\lambda X) \leq \lambda \rho(X) & , 0 \leq \lambda \leq 1 \\ 2.) \rho(\lambda X) \geq \lambda \rho(X) & , \lambda \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

Definition 4: ρ is normalized if $\rho(0) = 0$.

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• Let $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$.

• ρ is convex

$$\Rightarrow \forall X, Y \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\Omega, \mathcal{F}) : \rho(\lambda X + (1-\lambda)Y) \leq \lambda \rho(X) + (1-\lambda)\rho(Y)$$

\Rightarrow choosing $Y=0$ results in

$$\rho(\lambda X) = \rho(\lambda X + (1-\lambda) \cdot 0) \leq \lambda \rho(X) + (1-\lambda) \underbrace{\rho(0)}_{=0} = \lambda \rho(X).$$

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• Let $\lambda \geq 1$

• Let $X \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$. I have

$$\rho(X) \stackrel{\lambda > 0}{=} \rho\left(\underbrace{\frac{1}{\lambda}}_{\in (0,1]} \lambda X\right) \stackrel{1.)}{\leq} \frac{1}{\lambda} \rho(\lambda X)$$

$$\stackrel{\lambda > 0}{\Leftrightarrow} \lambda \rho(X) \leq \rho(\lambda X).$$

Exercise 4

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 $\forall \lambda \geq 0 : \rho(\lambda X) = \lambda \rho(X)$.

Let ρ be a coherent risk measure on $\mathcal{L}^\infty(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$ and assume that ρ admits a representation $\rho(X) = \sup_{Q \in \mathcal{Q}} E_Q[-X]$ for some class $\mathcal{Q} \subset \mathcal{M}_{n.f.}$.

a) Show that $\rho(X) + \rho(-X) = 0$ for all $X \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$.

Let $X \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$.

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(X) + \rho(-X) &= \sup_{Q \in \mathcal{Q}} E_Q[-X] + \sup_{Q \in \mathcal{Q}} E_Q[X] \geq \sup_{Q \in \mathcal{Q}} \left\{ E_Q[-X] + E_Q[X] \right\} \\ &= \sup_{Q \in \mathcal{Q}} \left\{ E_Q[\underbrace{-X+X}_=0] \right\} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

and for $X=0$,

$$\rho(0) = \rho(0 \cdot 0) \stackrel{\rho \text{ pos. hom.}}{=} 0 \cdot \rho(0) = 0$$

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

\Rightarrow therefore, $\rho(X) + \rho(-X) \geq 0$ and $\rho(0) + \rho(-0) = 0$ and thus $\rho(X) + \rho(-X) = 0$.

b) Show that the following conditions are equivalent:

- 1.) ρ is additive, i.e. $\forall X, Y \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\Omega, \mathcal{F}) : \rho(X+Y) = \rho(X) + \rho(Y)$
- 2.) $\forall X \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\Omega, \mathcal{F}) : \rho(X) + \rho(-X) = 0$
- 3.) The class \mathcal{Q} reduces to a single element Q , i.e. ρ is expected loss w.r.t. Q .

3.) \Rightarrow 2.)

• Let $\mathcal{Q} = \{Q\}$, and $X \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$.

$$\Rightarrow \rho(X) = E_Q[-X]$$

$$\Rightarrow \rho(X) + \rho(-X) = E_Q[-X] + E_Q[X] = E_Q[-X+X] = E_Q[0] = 0$$

2.) \Rightarrow 3.)

• Let $X \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$ and $\rho(X) + \rho(-X) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \rho(X) + \rho(-X) = \sup_{Q \in \mathcal{Q}} E_Q[-X] + \sup_{Q \in \mathcal{Q}} E_Q[X] \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sup_{Q \in \mathcal{Q}} E_Q[X] \stackrel{!}{=} - \sup_{Q \in \mathcal{Q}} E_Q[-X] = \inf_{Q \in \mathcal{Q}} (-E_Q[-X]) = \inf_{Q \in \mathcal{Q}} E_Q[X].$$

Question:

Why is $|\mathcal{Q}| \leq 1$?

\Rightarrow If the set \mathcal{Q} had more than one element, sup and inf would not agree.

Therefore, $|\mathcal{Q}| \leq 1$.

$$\boxed{3.) \Rightarrow 1.)}$$

- Let $|\Omega| = 1$ and $G \in \mathcal{G}$. Let $X, Y \in \mathcal{L}^0(\mathcal{S}, \mathbb{F})$.
$$\Rightarrow \rho(X+Y) = E_G[-X-Y] = E_G[-X] + E_G[-Y]$$
$$= \rho(X) + \rho(Y).$$

$$\boxed{1.) \Rightarrow 2.)}$$

- Let $X \in \mathcal{L}^0(\mathcal{S}, \mathbb{F})$, and let ρ be additive
$$\Rightarrow \rho(X) + \rho(-X) \stackrel{\rho \text{ additive}}{=} \rho(X-X) = \rho(0)$$

- Since ρ is positive homogeneous,
$$\rho(0) = \rho(0 \cdot 0) = 0 \cdot \rho(0) = 0.$$

\Rightarrow Hence,
$$\rho(X) + \rho(-X) = \rho(0) = 0.$$

\Rightarrow I have shown

$$3.) \Leftrightarrow 2.)$$

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$$1.) \Rightarrow 2.)$$