
Optimal design:

From insurance policy to economic policy

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Consumption-investment-insurance problems

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Equilibrium considerations/predictions and the absence of mortality markets

- Consumption-investment-insurance problems, Richard (JFE 1975)

$$dX(t) = \underbrace{X(t) dG^\pi(t)}_{\text{capital gains}} + \underbrace{w(t) dt}_{\text{labor income}} - \underbrace{c(t) dt}_{\text{consumption}} - \underbrace{\hat{\mu}(t) b(t) dt}_{\text{life insurance premium}}$$

$$V(t, x) = \max_{c, b, \pi} E_{t, x} \left[\int_t^n \left(\underbrace{u(c(s)) I(s) ds}_{\text{utility from consumption}} + \underbrace{u(X(s) + b(s)) dN(s)}_{\text{utility from bequest}} \right) \right]$$

$$c^*(t, x) = \underbrace{f(t)}_{\text{consumption-to-wealth ratio}} \left(x + \underbrace{h(t)}_{\text{human capital}} \right)$$

$$x + b^*(t, x) = \underbrace{g(t)}_{\text{price and risk aversion impact}} (x + h(t))$$

$$\pi^*(t, x) x = M(x + h(t))$$

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- Humps by pricing

$$\begin{aligned}dc(t) &= f(\text{'MPRs'}) c(t) dt + \dots c(t) dW^f(t) \\d\pi(t) &= \dots \\db(t) &= \dots\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}f(\text{'MPRs'}) &= \frac{\hat{\mu} - \mu}{1 - \gamma} + \dots \\ \hat{\mu} &> \mu \text{ during younger years} \\ \hat{\mu} &< \mu \text{ during older years}\end{aligned}$$

Ideas about how to dampen the volatility of consumption?

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- Separation of preferences

Fahrenwaldt, Jensen, Steffensen (ssrn.com 2016)

$$V(t, x) = \int_t^n \underbrace{\underbrace{v}_{\text{EIS}} \left(\underbrace{u^{-1} \left(E_{t,x} [u(c(s))] \right)}_{\text{certainty equivalent}} \right)}_{\text{global time aggregation}} ds$$

$$c^*(t, x) = f(t) (x + h(t))$$

- Humps by separation of preferences

Jensen, Steffensen (IME 2015)

$$V(t, x) = \int_t^n \underbrace{v}_{\text{EIS}} \left(w^{-1} \left(\underbrace{w}_{\text{EBS}} \left(\underbrace{u^{-1} \left(E_{t,x} [u(c(s)) I(s)] \right)}_{\text{certainty equivalent}} \right)}_{\text{certainty equivalent}} + \underbrace{w}_{\text{EBS}} \left(\underbrace{u^{-1} \left(E_{t,x} \left[u \left(X(s) + b(s) \frac{dN(s)}{ds} \right] \right)}_{\text{certainty equivalent}} \right)}_{\text{certainty equivalent}} \right) \right) \right) ds$$

Patience + lack of cross-generational elasticity = humps

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- Humps by habit

Kraft, Munk, Seifried, Wagner (ET 2017)

$$\begin{aligned}dh(t) &= c(t) - \beta(t)h(t) \\ u(c, h) &= \frac{1}{1-\gamma} (c-h)^{1-\gamma}\end{aligned}$$

$$dc(t) = \dots c(t) dt + \dots (c(t) - h(t)) dt$$

Habit formation + impatience = humps

- Stochastic mortality in a complete market

Partly covered by Menoncin, Regis (IME 2017)

$$\begin{aligned}
 d\mu(t) &= \dots dt + \dots dW^\mu(t) \\
 F(t, \mu) &= E_t^Q \left[e^{-\int_t^n r} \Phi(\mu(n)) \right] \\
 h(t) &= E_t^Q \left[\int_t^n e^{-\int_t^s r + \mu} a(s) ds \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$c^*(t, x, \mu) = \underbrace{f(t, \mu)}_{\text{consumption-to-wealth ratio}} \left(x + \underbrace{h(t, \mu)}_{\text{human capital}} \right)$$

$$dc(t) = f(\text{'MPRs'}) c(t) dt + \dots c(t) dW^f(t) + \dots c(t) dW^\mu(t)$$

$$d' \text{Position in } F' = \dots$$

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- Stochastic mortality in an incomplete market

$$d\mu(t) = \dots dt + \dots dW^\mu(t)$$

$$h(t) = \int_t^m e^{-\int_t^s r} a(s)$$

$$\text{or } h(t) = \int_t^m e^{-\int_t^s r} (a(s) - c(s)) ds$$

$$c^*(t, x, \mu) = \underbrace{f(t, \mu)}_{\text{consumption-to-wealth ratio}} \left(x + \underbrace{h(t)}_{\text{human capital}} \right)$$

$$dc(t) = f(\text{'MPRs'}) c(t) dt + \dots c(t) dW^f(t) + \dots c(t) dW^\mu(t)$$

All systematic mortality risk is borne by the policy holder (pure VA, f)

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- Equilibrium considerations/predictions and the absence of mortality markets

$$\text{MP financial } R = \frac{\alpha - r}{\sigma}$$

$$\text{MP unsystematic mortality } R = 0 \quad (\hat{\mu} = \mu)$$

$$\text{MP systematic mortality } R = 0$$

Zero market price on mortality risk and all risk is borne by the policy holder