

Efficient and Numerically Stable Aggregation of Dependent Risks

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- Motivation
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- Quantiles, expected shortfall, contributions to expected shortfall
- Application to operational risk

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Motivation: Bernoulli Model for Defaults

- Bernoulli loss indicators

$$N_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if obligor } i \text{ defaults (within one year),} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- Default probability $p_i = \mathbb{P}(N_i = 1)$ for $i = 1, \dots, m$.
- Random number of defaults $N = N_1 + \dots + N_m$.
- Probability distribution for $n \in \{0, \dots, m\}$

$$\mathbb{P}(N = n) = \sum_{\substack{I \subset \{1, \dots, m\} \\ |I|=n}} \underbrace{\mathbb{P}(N_i = 1_{I}(i) \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, m)}_{\text{if ind. } (\prod_{i \in I} p_i) \prod_{i \in \{1, \dots, m\} \setminus I} (1-p_i)}$$

$$m = 1000, n = 100 \implies \binom{1000}{100} \approx 6.4 \times 10^{139} \text{ terms}$$

Observations ...

- Already the Bernoulli model with independent loss indicators has far too many terms for the calculation of the portfolio loss distribution in the general case.
- In the general Bernoulli mixture model, individual terms are too complicated to compute numerically.
- Different exposures and recovery rates are not even considered.

... and Conclusions

- Simplifying assumptions are necessary.
- Approximations need to be considered.

Poisson Approximation

- X_1, \dots, X_m independent default 0-1-indicators
- Intensity $\lambda = \sum_{i=1}^m p_i$ with $p_i = \mathbb{P}(X_i = 1)$
- Number of default events $W = \sum_{i=1}^m X_i$
- Total variation distance

$$d_{TV}(\mu, \nu) = \sup_{A \subset \mathbb{N}_0} |\mu(A) - \nu(A)|$$

Quality of Poisson approximation (Barbour/Hall, 1984):

$$d_{TV}(\mathcal{L}(W), \text{Poisson}(\lambda)) \leq \frac{1 - e^{-\lambda}}{\lambda} \sum_{i=1}^m p_i^2$$

For full proof with Stein–Chen method, see e.g. Barbour, Holst and Janson: *Poisson Approximation*, Clarendon Press (1992).

Simple Poisson Model for Defaults

- Number N_i of defaults of obligor $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$
- Assume $N_i \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda_i)$ for all $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ (several defaults of an obligor possible).
- Assume independence of N_1, \dots, N_m .
- Random number of defaults $N = N_1 + \dots + N_m$.
- $N \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$ with $\lambda = \lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_m$, i.e.,

$$\mathbb{P}(N = n) = \frac{\lambda^n}{n!} e^{-\lambda} \quad \text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N}_0.$$

- $m = 20, \lambda_i = 0.2 \implies \mathbb{P}(N > 20) \leq 2 \times 10^{-9}$.

Introduction to CreditRisk⁺, Standard Features

- Developed by Credit Suisse First Boston.
- Actuarial model for the aggregation of credit risks.
- Based on the Poisson approximation of individual defaults and the divisibility of the Poisson distribution.
- Allows for deterministic exposures/recovery rates.
- Several independent risk factors for dependence of default frequencies can be considered.
- Probability generating function φ_L of the credit portfolio loss L is available in closed form.
→ No Monte Carlo simulation, no stochastic error!

Extensions of CreditRisk⁺

- Stochastic losses of individual obligors are allowed, distribution may depend on the causing risk factor.
- Risk groups with dependent stochastic losses given default are possible.
- Risk factors for default frequencies may be dependent.
- Risk contributions of obligors can be calculated.
- Even with all the extensions, the probability generating function φ_L of the credit portfolio loss L is available in closed form.
→ No Monte Carlo simulation, no stochastic error!
- Distribution of L and risk contributions can be calculated from $\varphi_{\gamma, L}$ with a numerically stable algorithm.

Input Parameters of CreditRisk⁺ (Extended Version)

- Number of obligors $m \in \mathbb{N}$.
- Basic loss unit $E > 0$.
- Number $K \in \mathbb{N}_0$ of risk factors or non-idiosyncratic, (independent) default causes.
- Relative default variances $\sigma_k^2 > 0$ of risk factors $k \in \{1, \dots, K\}$.
- Collection G of nonempty subsets of all obligors $\{1, \dots, m\}$, called risk groups.

Input Parameters of CreditRisk⁺ (Cont.)

For every group $g \in G$ we need

- the (one year) default probability $p_g \in [0, 1]$,
- the susceptibility $w_{g,0} \in [0, 1]$ to idiosyncratic risk,
- the susceptibilities $w_{g,k} \in [0, 1]$ to risk factors $k \in \{1, \dots, K\}$,
- the multivariate probability distributions $Q_{g,k} = \{q_{g,k,\mu}\}_{\mu \in \mathbb{N}_0^g}$ on \mathbb{N}_0^g describing the stochastic losses of all the obligors $i \in g$ in multiples of the basic loss unit E in case the risk group g defaults due to risk $k \in \{0, \dots, K\}$.

Further Assumptions, Notation

- We assume that every obligor $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ belongs to at least one group $g \in G$.
- Let $G_i := \{g \in G \mid i \in g\}$ denote the set of all risk groups to which obligor $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ belongs, by assumption $G_i \neq \emptyset$.
- We assume that for each group the susceptibilities (also called weights) exhaustively describe the risk factors. That is, for all $g \in G$,

$$\sum_{k=0}^K w_{g,k} = 1.$$

Notation for Default Events of Risk Groups

Number of defaults for every risk group $g \in G$:

- $N_{g,0}$ due to idiosyncratic risk,
- $N_{g,k}$ due to risk $k \in \{1, \dots, K\}$,
- $N_g := \sum_{k=0}^K N_{g,k}$ total.

Notation for Default Events of Individual Obligators

Number of defaults for every obligor $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$

- $N_{i,0} := \sum_{g \in G_i} N_{g,0}$ due to idiosyncratic risk,
- $N_{i,k} := \sum_{g \in G_i} N_{g,k}$ due to risk $k \in \{1, \dots, K\}$,
- $N_i := \sum_{k=0}^K N_{i,k} = \sum_{g \in G_i} N_g$ total.

Notation for Stochastic Losses

Loss at default number $n \in \mathbb{N}$ of risk group $g \in G$ due to risk factor $k \in \{1, \dots, K\}$ or idiosyncratic risk $k = 0$

- $L_{g,i,k,n}$ part attributed to obligor $i \in g$
- $L_{g,k,n} := \sum_{i \in g} L_{g,i,k,n}$ loss of entire group

Summation over default numbers, risks and groups:

- $L_{g,k} := \sum_{n=1}^{N_{g,k}} L_{g,k,n}$ total loss of the group for risk k
- $L_g := \sum_{k=0}^K L_{g,k}$ total of the risk group
- $L = \sum_{g \in G} L_g$ portfolio loss

Loss Attributed to Obligor $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$

- Due to group $g \in G_i$ and risk $k \in \{0, \dots, K\}$

$$L_{g,i,k} := \sum_{n=1}^{N_{g,k}} L_{g,i,k,n}.$$

- Due to risk $k \in \{0, \dots, K\}$

$$L_{i,k} := \sum_{g \in G_i} L_{g,i,k}.$$

- Total attributed loss

$$L_i := \sum_{k=0}^K L_{i,k}.$$

Probabilistic Assumptions for the Extended Version of CreditRisk⁺

- For every group $g \in G$ and every risk $k \in \{0, \dots, K\}$, the sequence of \mathbb{N}_0^g -valued random vectors $(L_{g,i,k,n})_{i \in g}$ with $n \in \mathbb{N}$ is i.i.d. and independent of all other random variables, with distribution

$$\mathbb{P}(L_{g,i,k,1} = \mu_i \text{ for all } i \in g) = q_{g,k,\mu}, \quad \mu \in \mathbb{N}_0^g.$$

- For each group $g \in G$, the number $N_{g,0}$ of idiosyncratic defaults is Poisson distributed according to the Poisson intensity λ_g and the susceptibility $w_{g,0}$, i.e.,

$$N_{g,0} \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda_g w_{g,0}) \quad \text{for every } g \in G.$$

Probabilistic Assumptions (Cont.)

- The group default numbers $\{N_{g,0}\}_{g \in G}$ due to idiosyncratic risk are independent from one another and from all other random variables.
- The risks factors $\Lambda_1, \dots, \Lambda_K$ are independent, each one gamma distributed with $\mathbb{E}[\Lambda_k] = 1$ and $\text{Var}(\Lambda_k) = \sigma_k^2 > 0$, i.e., $\alpha_k = \beta_k = 1/\sigma_k^2$.
- For all groups $g \in G$ and risks $k \in \{1, \dots, K\}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(N_{g,k} | \Lambda_1, \dots, \Lambda_K) &\stackrel{\text{a.s.}}{=} \mathcal{L}(N_{g,k} | \Lambda_k) \\ &\stackrel{\text{a.s.}}{=} \text{Poisson}(\lambda_g w_{g,k} \Lambda_k). \end{aligned}$$

- Conditionally on $\Lambda_1, \dots, \Lambda_K$, the risk factor based defaults $\{N_{g,k} | g \in G, k \in \{1, \dots, K\}\}$ are independent.

Weighted Probability Generating Function

In order to calculate terms needed for the risk contributions we will need what we call weighted probability generating functions.

Definition: For $L : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$ and an integrable random variable $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, we define the X -weighted probability generating function by

$$\varphi_{L,X}(s) = \mathbb{E}[Xs^L] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{E}[X1_{\{L=n\}}] s^n,$$

which is meaningful at least for all $s \in \mathbb{C}$ with $|s| \leq 1$.

Weighted Probability Generating Function (Cont.)

We will need expressions of the form $\mathbb{E}[\Lambda_k 1_{\{L=n\}}]$ for $k \in \{1, \dots, K\}$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$, which can be derived by

$$\varphi_{L,\Lambda_k}^{(n)}(0) = n! \mathbb{E}[\Lambda_k 1_{\{L=n\}}].$$

Unifying approach for the γ -weighted probability generating function of the loss:

Fix $\gamma = (\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_K) \in [0, \infty)^K$ and define

$$\varphi_{L,\gamma}(s) := \mathbb{E}[\Lambda_1^{\gamma_1} \dots \Lambda_K^{\gamma_K} s^L], \quad |s| \leq 1,$$

for the risk factors $\Lambda_1, \dots, \Lambda_K$ and the total loss L .

$\gamma = 0$ gives the probability generating function φ_L of L .

The Closed Form of the WPGF

$$\varphi_{L,\gamma}(s) = C_\gamma \exp\left(\bar{\lambda}_0(\varphi_0(s) - 1) - \sum_{k=1}^K \left(\frac{1}{\sigma_k^2} + \gamma_k\right) \log(1 - \bar{\lambda}_k \sigma_k^2 (\varphi_k(s) - 1))\right),$$

where $C_\gamma := \prod_{k=1}^K \mathbb{E}[\Lambda_k^{\gamma_k}] = 1$ if all $\gamma_k \in \{0, 1\}$, with PGF of mixture distributions (conditioned to be positive)

$$\varphi_k(s) := \sum_{g \in G} \frac{\lambda_g w_{g,k}}{\bar{\lambda}_k} \varphi_{L_{g,k,1}}(s), \quad \bar{\lambda}_k := \sum_{g \in G} \lambda_g w_{g,k} (1 - q_{g,k,0}^s).$$

Numerical inversion similar to: H. Haaf, O. Reiß, J. Schoenmakers, *Numerically Stable Computation of CreditRisk⁺*, 2003.

Distributions in the Panjer Class

Definition: A probability distribution $\{q_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}_0}$ is said to belong to the Panjer(a, b, k) class with $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ and $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$ if $q_0 = q_1 = \dots = q_{k-1} = 0$ and

$$q_n = \left(a + \frac{b}{n}\right) q_{n-1} \quad \text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ with } n \geq k + 1.$$

Important Examples: (all distributions are known)

- Poisson(λ) \in Panjer($0, \lambda, 0$) with $\lambda > 0$
- NegBin(α, p) \in Panjer($q, (\alpha - 1)q, 0$)
- Log(q) \in Panjer($q, -q, 1$) with $q \in (0, 1)$ and $q_n = -\frac{q^n}{n \log(1-q)}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

Extended Panjer Recursion

If $\mathcal{L}(N) \in \text{Panjer}(a, b, k)$, independent of the i. i. d. \mathbb{N}_0 -valued sequence $\{X_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, and $a\mathbb{P}(X_1 = 0) \neq 1$, then $S := X_1 + \dots + X_N$ satisfies

$$\mathbb{P}(S = 0) = \varphi_N(\mathbb{P}(X_1 = 0))$$

with φ_N probability generating function of N , and

$$\mathbb{P}(S = n) = \frac{1}{1 - a\mathbb{P}(X_1 = 0)} \left(\mathbb{P}(S_k = n)\mathbb{P}(N = k) + \sum_{j=1}^n \left(a + \frac{bj}{n}\right) \mathbb{P}(X_1 = j)\mathbb{P}(S = n - j) \right)$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, where $S_k = X_1 + \dots + X_k$.

Application of Extended Panjer Recursion

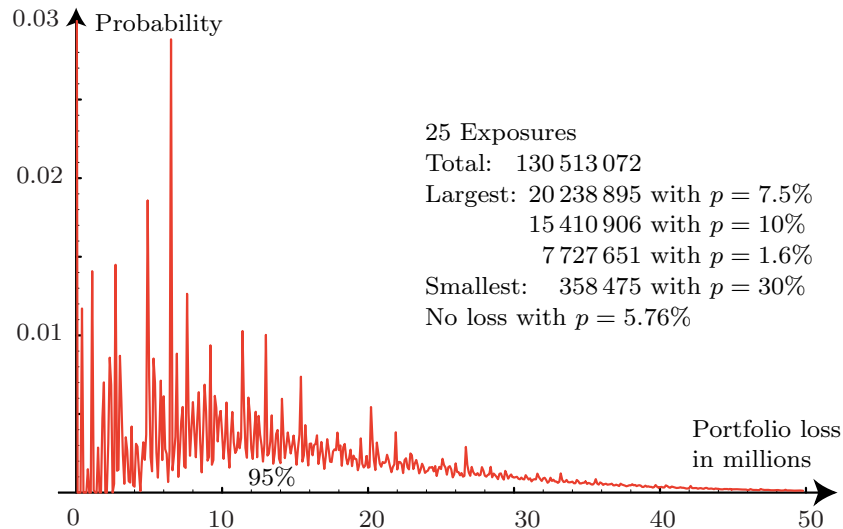
Remark: Recursion scheme is numerically stable for Poisson(λ), NegBin(α, p), and Log(q).

Observation: If $M \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$, independent of the i. i. d. sequence $\{C_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ with $C_1 \sim \text{Log}(q)$, then

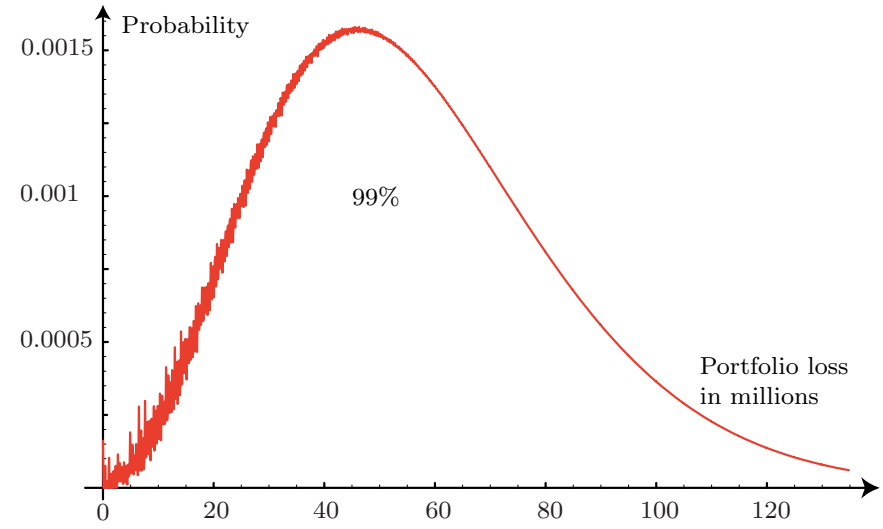
$$N = C_1 + \dots + C_M \sim \text{NegBin}\left(-\frac{\lambda}{\log(1 - q)}, 1 - q\right).$$

Application: Calculate

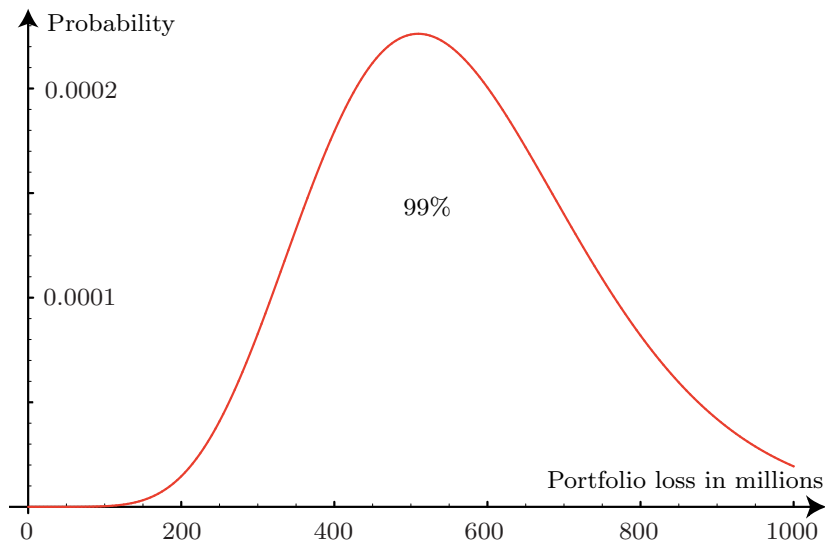
- Mixture distribution φ_k for risks $k \in \{0, \dots, K\}$.
- Panjer recursion for log. dist. for risks $k \in \{1, \dots, K\}$.
- Mixture distribution of φ_0 and recursion results.
- Final Panjer recursion for Poisson distribution.



Loss distribution in a credit portfolio of 25 exposures calculated with CreditRisk⁺ and basic loss unit 100 000.



Loss distribution in a credit portfolio of 100 exposures calculated with CreditRisk⁺ and basic loss unit 100 000.



Loss distribution in a credit portfolio of 1000 exposures calculated with CreditRisk⁺ and basic loss unit 100 000.

Measuring Risk by Quantiles

Let X be a loss variable and $\delta \in (0, 1)$ a level.

Definition: Lower δ -quantile of X

$$q_\delta(X) := \min\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid \mathbb{P}(X \leq x) \geq \delta\}.$$

Remark: Quantiles are used as value-at-risk, they have bad properties concerning diversification.

Properties: $q_\delta(X)$ can jump when

- the level δ varies slightly,
- the loss variable X varies slightly.

Measuring Risk by Expected Shortfall

Let X be a loss variable and $\delta \in (0, 1)$ a level.

Definition: The expected shortfall is defined as

$$ES_\delta[X] := \frac{\mathbb{E}[X1_{\{X > q_\delta(X)\}}] + q_\delta(X)(\mathbb{P}(X \leq q_\delta(X)) - \delta)}{1 - \delta}.$$

Remark: If $\mathbb{P}(X \leq q_\delta(X)) = \delta$, in particular if the distribution function $\mathbb{R} \ni x \mapsto \mathbb{P}(X \leq x)$ of X is also left-continuous at $x = q_\delta(X)$, then

$$ES_\delta[X] = E[X \mid X > q_\delta(X)].$$

Calculation of Expected Shortfall in CreditRisk⁺

- Credit portfolio loss L is a discrete random variable, \rightarrow More complicated definition has to be used.
- The lower quantile $q_\delta(L)$ and $\mathbb{P}(L \leq q_\delta(L))$ can be calculated using the CreditRisk⁺ algorithm.
- Furthermore $\mathbb{E}[L1_{\{L > q_\delta(L)\}}] = \mathbb{E}[L] - \mathbb{E}[L1_{\{L \leq q_\delta(L)\}}]$ with

$$\mathbb{E}[L] = \sum_{g \in G} \sum_{k=0}^K \lambda_g w_{g,k} \mathbb{E}[L_{g,k,1}]$$

and

$$\mathbb{E}[L1_{\{L \leq q_\delta(L)\}}] = \sum_{l=1}^{q_\delta(L)} l \mathbb{P}(L = l).$$

Contributions to Expected Shortfall – Definition

Definition: For a subportfolio loss X with $X^- \in \mathcal{L}_1(\mathbb{P})$ within a portfolio loss Y define the expected shortfall contribution at level $\delta \in (0, 1)$ of X to Y by

$$ES_\delta[X, Y] = \frac{E[X1_{\{Y > q_\delta(Y)\}}] + \beta_Y \mathbb{E}[X1_{\{Y = q_\delta(Y)\}}]}{1 - \delta}$$

where

$$\beta_Y = \frac{\mathbb{P}(Y \leq q_\delta(Y)) - \delta}{\mathbb{P}(Y = q_\delta(Y))}$$

if $\mathbb{P}(Y = q_\delta(Y)) > 0$ and 0 otherwise.

Remark: If $\mathbb{P}(Y \leq q_\delta(Y)) = \delta$, then $\beta_Y = 0$ and

$$ES_\delta[X, Y] = \mathbb{E}[X|Y > q_\delta(Y)].$$

Contributions to Expected Shortfall – Calculation in Extended CreditRisk⁺

By consistency and linearity of the allocation

$$ES_\delta[L] = ES_\delta[L, L] = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{g \in G_i} \sum_{k=0}^K ES_\delta[L_{g,i,k}, L].$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[L_{g,i,k}1_{\{L > q_\delta(L)\}}] &= \underbrace{\mathbb{E}[L_{g,i,k}]} - \mathbb{E}[L_{g,i,k}1_{\{L \leq q_\delta(L)\}}], \\ &= \lambda_g w_{g,k} \mathbb{E}[L_{g,i,k,1}] \end{aligned}$$

we will compute $\mathbb{E}[L_{g,i,k}1_{\{L=l\}}]$ for $l \in \{1, \dots, q_\delta(L)\}$. This can be done using the following lemma.

Lemma on Risk Contributions in CreditRisk⁺

For every obligor $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, every group $g \in G_i$ and total loss $l \in \mathbb{N}_0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[L_{g,i,0}1_{\{L=l\}}] \\ = \lambda_g w_{g,0} \sum_{\nu=1}^l \mathbb{E}[L_{g,i,0,1}1_{\{L_{g,0,1}=\nu\}}] \mathbb{P}(L = l - \nu) \end{aligned}$$

and, for every risk $k \in \{1, \dots, K\}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[L_{g,i,k}1_{\{L=l\}}] \\ = \lambda_g w_{g,k} \sum_{\nu=1}^l \mathbb{E}[L_{g,i,k,1}1_{\{L_{g,k,1}=\nu\}}] \mathbb{E}[\Lambda_k 1_{\{L=l-\nu\}}]. \end{aligned}$$

Possible Approaches to Operational Risk Modelling

The Basel committee defined three approaches towards the quantification of operational risk. The two simple ones define concrete formulae for the risk capital, namely

- Basic indicator approach (BIA).
- Standardized approach (SA).

To reduce supervisory capital needs, an individual

- Advanced measurement approach (AMA) can be chosen.

Business Lines for Operational Risk

- Eight business lines in the standardized approach:
 - (1) Corporate finance,
 - (2) Trading & sales,
 - (3) Retail banking,
 - (4) Commercial banking,
 - (5) Payment & settlement,
 - (6) Agency services,
 - (7) Asset management,
 - (8) Retail brokerage.
- These business lines also serve as categories for an advanced measurement approach.

Seven Loss-Types Distinguished for the Advanced Measurement Approach

- Internal fraud
- External fraud
- Employment practices & workplace safety
- Clients, products & business practice
- Damage to physical assets
- Business disruption & system failures
- Execution, delivery & process management

Application of Extended CreditRisk⁺ Methodology to Operational Risk: Reinterpretation of the Credit Risk Notation

- Number m of obligors \rightarrow number of business lines ($m = 8$ for the ones given in the Basel committee's document is an appropriate choice).
- Basic loss unit E stays the same ($E = 10\,000$).
- Number K of non-ideosyncratic risk factors \rightarrow number of loss types ($K = 7$ for above list).
- Numbers $\sigma_k^2 > 0$ denote the relative variance of occurrences of losses of type $k \in \{1, \dots, K\}$.
- G contains the subsets of all business lines which can incur a loss due to the same event.

Notation for Business Lines and Risk Groups

We need for every risk group $g \in G$ of business lines

- the (one year) intensity $\lambda_g \geq 0$ for being hit by an operational loss event,
- the conditional probability $w_{g,0} \in [0, 1]$ for an idiosyncratic operational loss event not to belong to the types in $\{1, \dots, K\}$, of course $w_{g,0} = 0$ is a possible choice,
- the conditional probabilities $w_{g,k} \in [0, 1]$ for an operational loss event to be of type $k \in \{1, \dots, K\}$,

- the multivariate probability distribution $Q_{g,k} = \{q_{g,k,\mu}\}_{\mu \in \mathbb{N}_0^g}$ on \mathbb{N}_0^g describing the severity of the stochastic losses of the business lines $i \in g$ in case an operational loss event of type $k \in \{0, \dots, K\}$ hits the group g of business lines.

Operational Risk Management

With the adoption of the extended CreditRisk⁺ model for operational risk, a risk manager can

- calculate the distribution of the operational loss,
- calculate risk measures such as value-at-risk and expected shortfall (might be infinity)
- and identify risky business lines and groups by their risk contribution (in case of finite expected shortfall).

Further Extensions of CreditRisk⁺

- Dependent risk factors, possibly with an interactive and hierarchical structure
- Other mixture distributions besides the gamma distribution
- Special choices of weighted expected shortfall as risk measure and corresponding risk contribution