Credit Name Concentration Risk: Granularity Adjustment Approximation

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Abstract
During the last subprime mortgage crisis, the concentration risk issue has become increasingly important in the world of finance. This risk is defined as the loss that we can incur from a large exposition of a single name counterparty, a sector or a product. This paper represents some mathematical models for assessment and quantification of the concentration risk under the Add-On approach. This study is based on the Granularity Adjustment (GA). This measure quantifies the idiosyncratic risk that is neglected by the Asymptotic Single Risk Factor model (ASRF) based on the infinitely granular assumption of the portfolio. This work is about the approximation of this measurement to simplify the formula of GA using the Ad-Hoc approach. We have implemented empirical tests to find the relation between the GA and concentration indexes and we applied these results to the iBoxx portfolio.

Keywords
Credit Risk, Asymptotic Single Risk Factor, Concentration Risk, Granularity Adjustment, Vasicek Model, Credit Risk+ Model

1. Introduction
The Ad-Hoc approach does not take into consideration the specific risk factors like the PD and LGD. On the other hand, it does not allow computing the provision charge of capital requirement to cover the concentration risk. Behind this, the GA represents all specific risks neglected by the ASRF model, so it’s over than the concentration risk. However, we can use it as a metric to measure this kind risk.

This paper studies the modeling and the approximation of this measure of concentration risk. We will focus on the credit environment that represents the banking book and the source of risks in the bank balance. We will restrict on the name concentration.

First, we will begin by modeling the name concentration under the granularity ad-
justment. Next, we will implement this approach in the Vasicek and Credit Risk+\(^1\) models. Then, we will suggest the approximation of the GA. Finally, we will implement some tests to see the efficiency of these approximations and we will use these results on the iBoxx portfolio to make it available.

2. The Formulation of Granularity Adjustment (GA)

The GA was developed to underpin the Asymptotic Single Risk Factor model (ASRF) in order to cover the idiosyncratic risk under Internal Rating Based model (IRB) of Basel II. Indeed, the ASRF model supposes that the portfolio is infinitely granular and this assumption neglected the specific risk. The GA formula was computed by Wilde (2001). Thereafter, Martin and Wilde (2002) used the results of Gourieroux et al. (2000) to simplify it. In this section, we will compute the GA formulation under the Vasicek and Credit Risk+ models. We deem \(X\) as the one-dimensional systematic factor and \(L_N\) as the portfolio loss with \(N\) loan, and giving the following notations of the mean and the variance of the conditional loss\(^2\):

\[
\mu(X) = \mathbb{E}[L_N \mid X] \text{ et } \sigma^2(X) = \mathbb{V}[L_N \mid X]
\]

For \(\varepsilon = 1\), the portfolio loss is equal to:

\[
L_N = \mu(X) + \varepsilon (L_N - \mu(X))
\]

Using these notations, the GA is defined as:

\[
GA_q(L_N) = VaR_q(L_N) - VaR_q^{ASRF}(L_N) = VaR_q(\mu(X) + \varepsilon (L_N - \mu(X))) - VaR_q(\mu(X))
\]

By applying the Taylor expansion on \(VaR_q(\mu(X) + \varepsilon (L_N - \mu(X)))\) with second order according to the \(\varepsilon = 0\) and by replacing the \(\varepsilon = 1\), we get\(^3\):

\[
GA_q(L_N) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \varepsilon} VaR_q(\mu(X) + \varepsilon (L_N - \mu(X))) \bigg|_{\varepsilon = 0} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \varepsilon^2} VaR_q(\mu(X) + \varepsilon (L_N - \mu(X))) \bigg|_{\varepsilon = 0}
\]

By computing the first and the second derivative terms, we find the following results\(^4\):

\[
\frac{\partial}{\partial \varepsilon} VaR_q(X) = \mathbb{E}[L_N \mid X = VaR_q(X)]
\]

\[
\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \varepsilon^2} VaR_q(X) = - \left[ \frac{1}{f_X(x)} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (f_X(x) \times \mathbb{V}[L_N \mid X = x]) \right]_{x=VaR_q(X)}
\]

With \(f_X\) defines the density function of \(X\).

If we set \(X = \mu(X)\), we get the following results\(^5\):


We find the general formula of GA basing on these results:

\[
GA_q(L_N) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{\mu'(x)} \left( x\sigma^2(x) - \sigma^2(x)' \right) + \sigma^2(x) - \sigma^2(x)' \right]_{x=VaR_q(X)}
\]

Therefore, if we want to explain this formula we should use a risk model. The most prevalent models for the banking book to calculate the capital request for the credit risk is: The Vasicek and the Credit Risk+ models. The first one is deemed as a structural model, and the second one belongs to the intensity model. In the following paragraphs, we will develop the GA formula under these models.

**The GA formula under the Vasicek model:**

The Vasicek\(^6\) model supposes that the systematic factor is following the Gaussian distribution \(X \sim N(0,1)\), and this result leads to:

\[
\frac{f'_x(x)}{f_x(x)} = -x
\]

Substituting in the formula of GA, we get:

\[
GA_{q_{\text{Vasicek}}} (L_N) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{\mu'(x)} \left( x\sigma^2(x) - \sigma^2(x)' \right) + \sigma^2(x) - \sigma^2(x)' \right]_{x=VaR_q(X)}
\]

Thus, we can compute the components that allow computing the GA\(^7\):

\[
\mu(x) = \mathbb{E}[L_N \mid x] = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \hat{s}_i \mu_i(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \hat{s}_i \times \mathbb{E}[LGD] \times PD_i(x)
\]

\[
\sigma^2(x) = \mathbb{V}[L_N \mid x] = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \hat{s}_i^2 \sigma^2_i(x)
\]

with \( \mu_i(x) = \mathbb{E}[LGD] \times PD_i(x) = \mathbb{E}[LGD] \times \Phi\left( \Phi^{-1}(PD_i) - \sqrt{\rho_i}x \right) \sqrt{1-\rho_i} \)

\[
\Rightarrow \mu'(x) = -\mathbb{E}[LGD] \times \frac{\rho_i}{\sqrt{1-\rho_i}} \times \Phi\left( \Phi^{-1}(PD_i) - \sqrt{\rho_i}x \right) \times \mu_i(x)
\]

\[
\mu''(x) = \frac{\rho_i}{\sqrt{1-\rho_i}} \times \left( \Phi^{-1}(PD_i) - \sqrt{\rho_i}x \right) \times \mu_i(x)
\]


\(^7\)See Annex.
We have also:
\[
\sigma_i^2(x) = \sqrt{\mathbb{V}[L_i|x] = \mathbb{E} \left[ (LGD_i \times D_i)^2 | x \right]} - \left( \mathbb{E}[LGD_i \times D_i | x] \right)^2
\]
\[
= \mathbb{E} \left[ (LGD_i)^2 \right] \times \mathbb{E} \left[ (D_i)^2 | x \right] - \left( \mathbb{E}[LGD_i] \right)^2 \times \left( \mathbb{E}[D_i | x] \right)^2
\]
\[
= \left( \left( \mathbb{V}[LGD_i] + \mathbb{E}[LGD_i] \right)^2 \right) - \left( \mathbb{E}[LGD_i] \right)^2 \times PD_i(x) \times PD_i(x)
\]
\[
= C_i \mu_i(x) - \mu_i(x)^2
\]
With
\[
C_i = \frac{\mathbb{E}[LGD_i]^2 + \mathbb{V}[LGD_i]}{\mathbb{E}[LGD_i]}
\]
and \(D_i\) is the default variable.

The derivative function regarding to \(x\) is equal to:
\[
\mu'(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \mu'_i(x), \quad \mu''(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sqrt{\frac{\rho_i}{1-\rho_i}} \times \left( \Phi^{-1}(PD_i) \times \Phi^{-1}(x) \right) \mu'_i(x)
\]
\[
\sigma^2(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \mu_i(x) \times (C_i - \mu_i(x)), \quad \sigma^2(x)' = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \mu_i(x) \times (C_i - 2 \mu_i(x))
\]

By developing the GA under \(x = \Phi^{-1}(1-q)\), we find the following formula:
\[
GA_{q}^{\text{classic}}(L_N) = \frac{1}{2 \mu'(\Phi^{-1}(1-q))} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{N} \mu_i \left( \Phi^{-1}(1-q) \right) \times \left( \delta(C_i - \mu_i(\Phi^{-1}(1-q))) \right) \right]
\]
\[
- \frac{\mu'_i(\Phi^{-1}(1-q))}{\mu_i(\Phi^{-1}(1-q))} \times (C_i - 2 \mu_i(\Phi^{-1}(1-q))) \right]
\]
With \(\delta = \Phi^{-1}(1-q) + \frac{\mu'(\Phi^{-1}(1-q))}{\mu''(\Phi^{-1}(1-q))}\)

- The GA formula under the Credit Risk+ model:

As we have seen to compute the GA formula, we need to calculate the following quantities \(\mu(x), \sigma^2(x), \text{ and } f_x(x)\) that depend to the model. The assumption of the Credit Risk+ model is that \(X \sim \Gamma(\alpha, \beta)\) where \(\alpha = \frac{1}{\beta}\). Then, we obtain the following relation:
\[
\frac{f'_x(x)}{f_x(x)} = (\alpha - 1)x - 1
\]

We can explain the GA formula by computing the following components:
\[
\mu(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \mu_i(x), \quad \sigma^2(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sigma^2_i(x)
\]

The expression of \(\mu_i(x)\) is given by:
\[
\mu_i(x) = \mathbb{E}[LGD_i] \times PD_i(x) = \mathbb{E}[LGD_i] \times PD_i(x \times (1-w_i + w_i \times x))
\]
\[
\Rightarrow \mu(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \mathbb{E}[LGD_i] \times PD_i \times (1-w_i + w_i \times x)
\]

8See Annex.
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And \( \mu'(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \mathbb{E}[LGD_i] \times PD_i \times w_i \) et \( \mu^*(x) = 0 \)

We have for the conditional variance:

\[
\sigma_i^2(x) = \mathbb{E}\left[ \left( LGD_i \times D_i \right)^2 \mid x \right] - \left( \mathbb{E}[LGD_i \times D_i \mid x] \right)^2
\]

\[
= \mathbb{E}\left[ \left( LGD_i \right)^2 \right] \times \mathbb{E}\left[ \left( D_i \right)^2 \mid x \right] - \left( \mathbb{E}[LGD_i] \right)^2 \times (PD_i(x))^2
\]

\[
= \mathbb{E}\left[ \left( LGD_i \right)^2 \right] \times \left( D_i \right)^2 \mid x \right] - (\mu_i(x))^2
\]

\[
= C_i \mu_i(x) + (\mu_i(x))^2 \times \frac{\mathbb{V}[LGD_i]}{\mathbb{E}[LGD_i]^2}
\]

With \( C_i = \frac{\mathbb{E}[LGD_i]^2 + \mathbb{V}[LGD_i]}{\mathbb{E}[LGD_i]} \)

We conclude that:

\[
\sigma_i^2(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} C_i \mu_i(x) \times \left( C_i + \mu_i(x) \times \frac{\mathbb{V}[LGD_i]}{\mathbb{E}[LGD_i]^2} \right)
\]

Therefore, we have:

\[
\sigma_i^2(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} C_i \mu_i(x) \times \left( C_i + 2 \mu_i(x) \times \frac{\mathbb{V}[LGD_i]}{\mathbb{E}[LGD_i]^2} \right)
\]

These results lead us to the GA formulation found by Gordy and Lutkebohmert (2007)\(^{11}\):

\[
GA_{q}^{CR \ast}(L_N) = \frac{1}{UL} \sum_{i=1}^{N} S_i^2 \left[ \left( \delta C_i \times (UL_i + EL_i) \right) + \delta (UL_i + EL_i)^2 \times \frac{\mathbb{V}[LGD_i]}{\mathbb{E}[LGD_i]^2} \right]
\]

\[ - UL_i \times \left( C_i + 2 (UL_i + EL_i) \times \frac{\mathbb{V}[LGD_i]}{\mathbb{E}[LGD_i]^2} \right) \]

With,

\[
EL_i = \mathbb{E}[LGD_i] \times PD_i, \quad UL_i = \mathbb{E}[LGD_i] \times PD_i \times w_i \times (\text{VaR}_q(X) - 1), \quad UL = \sum_{i=1}^{N} S_i^2 UL_i
\]

And \( \delta = (\text{VaR}_q(X) - 1) \times \left( \alpha + \frac{1 - \alpha}{\text{VaR}_q(X)} \right) \)

3. The Granularity Adjustment Approximation

The aim of this study is the implementation of algorithmic tests to test approximations of GA. These algorithmic tests will be established on R and under the following assumptions:


See Lutkebohmert (2009), Concentration Risk in Credit Portfolios. Springer.
The HKI (Hannah-Kay Index) parameter is equal to 3.

The HIS (Hammami-Slime Index) parameter is equal to 0.25.

The generation of exposures follows the Log-normal distribution.

The parameter of the Gamma distribution is equal 0.31.

The quantile is equal to 99.9%.

3.1. The Reduced Form of GA

The authors of the GA formula below the Credit Risk+ suggest a simplification under the assumption that quantities of \( EL_i \) and \( UL_i \) are enough small. So, we can neglect \((UL_i + EL_i)^2 \approx 0 \) and \( UL_i \times (UL_i + EL_i) \approx 0 \). The simplified GA becomes:

\[
\bar{GA}_{q}^{CR+}(L_N) \approx \frac{1}{2UL} \sum_{i=1}^{N} S_i^2 \times C_i \times \left( \delta (UL_i + EL_i) - UL_i \right)
\]

By the same way, we can approximate this formula below the Vasicek model giving the assumption \( \mu (\Phi^{-1} (1-q)) \approx 0 \) and \( \mu \left( \Phi^{-1} (1-q) \right) \times \mu' \left( \Phi^{-1} (1-q) \right) \approx 0 \), by:

\[
\bar{GA}_{q}^{Vasicek}(L_N) \approx \frac{1}{2\mu' (\Phi^{-1} (1-q))} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{N} S_i^2 \times C_i \times \left( \delta \mu \left( \Phi^{-1} (1-q) \right) - \mu' \left( \Phi^{-1} (1-q) \right) \right) \right]
\]

This test allows verifying the validity of these approximate formulas of GA. The Table 1 summarizes the formulations under the both models Vasicek and Credit Risk+.

The test implementation is based on portfolio generating of some \( N=1000 \) exposures according to the Log-normal distribution. Then, we compute the full and the approximate GA under the both models Vasicek and Credit Risk+. We repeat this operation one thousand times to get 1000 portfolios at the end. Test steps are described on the following algorithm:

1) Generate 1000 exposures according to the Log-normal (10, 3) distribution.
2) Generate 1000 probabilities of default according to the uniform distribution.
3) Generate 1000 correlation coefficient according to the uniform distribution between 0.12 and 0.24.
4) Compute the full GA according to the two models.
5) Compute the approximate GA according to the two models.

Table 1. Summary of the GA formula depending on model.

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| \( GA_{q}^{Vasicek} \) \( (L_N) \) | \[
\frac{1}{2\mu' (\Phi^{-1} (1-q))} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{N} S_i^2 \times \mu \left( \Phi^{-1} (1-q) \right) \times \left( C_i - \mu \left( \Phi^{-1} (1-q) \right) \right) \right]
\] | \[
\frac{1}{2UL} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left[ \delta C_i \times (UL_i + EL_i) + \delta (UL_i + EL_i)^2 \times \frac{V[LGD]}{E[LGD]} \right] - UL_i \times \left( C_i + 2(UL_i + EL_i) \times \frac{V[LGD]}{E[LGD]} \right)
\] |
| \( GA_{q}^{Vasicek} \) \( (L_N) \) | \[
\frac{1}{2\mu' (\Phi^{-1} (1-q))} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{N} S_i^2 \times \left( \delta \mu \left( \Phi^{-1} (1-q) \right) - \mu' \left( \Phi^{-1} (1-q) \right) \right) \right]
\] | \[
\frac{1}{2UL} \sum_{i=1}^{N} S_i^2 \times \left( \delta (UL_i + EL_i) - UL_i \right)
\] |
6) Iterate 1000 times the steps from 1 to 5.
7) Statistical test of the average under the generated data of the full and the approximate GA.
8) Statistical test of the variance homogeneity under the generated data of the full and the approximate GA.

This test allows us to determine the conditions of using the approximate GA in order to simplify computing. First, we get in the Vasicek model with an interval of default probabilities between 0 and 1%. We conclude that the two values are very close. Furthermore, the Student test of the average and the Fisher test of the variance are conclusive and we find respectively a p-value equal to 24% and 5.5%. This result underpins the approximate formula of the GA. On the other hand, if we have the un-conditional default probabilities go beyond of 1% then this approximation doesn’t more work. The Figure 1 reproduces the results of this test:

In regards to the Credit Risk+ model, we can prove using tests that the approximation formula of GA still suitable when the probabilities of default are between 0 and 10%. We get in by the same way and we generate the PDs between 0 and 10%. The Student test on the average and the Fisher test on the variance give respectively a p-value of 49% and de 16%. On the other side, this result is no more suitable for the PDs beyond of 10%. As conclusion, the condition that makes the approximation formula suitable for Vasicek model is the PDs portfolio between 0% and 1%, and for the Credit Risk+ model is the PDs portfolio between 0% and 10%. The Figure 2 shows the evolution of the full and the approximate GA.

### 3.2. The Regression of GA on the Concentration Indexes

- The regression of the GA on the Herfindahl-Hirschman Index (HHI):

  We find into the GA formula the square of shares $s_i^2$, and these represent compo-
nents of the $HHI^2$ index. Furthermore, in the case of a homogeneous portfolio regarding to specific risk factors, we get a linear relation between the $GA$ and the $HHI$:

$$GA_{V_{t+1}}^V(L_N) = \frac{\mu}{2\mu'}(\Phi^{-1}(1-q)) \times \left[ C - \mu(\Phi^{-1}(1-q)) \right]$$

$$GA_{CR}^{*+}(L_N) = -\frac{1}{2UL} \times \left[ \delta C \times (UL + EL) + \delta (UL + EL)^2 \times \frac{\sqrt{LGD}}{\mathbb{E}[LGD]} \right] \times HHI$$

$$-UL \times \left[ C + 2(UL + EL) \times \frac{\sqrt{LGD}}{\mathbb{E}[LGD]} \right] \times HHI$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} GA_{V_{t+1}}^V(L_N) = \text{Coeff} \times (PD, LGD, q) \times HHI \\ GA_{CR}^{*+}(L_N) = \text{Coeff} \times (PD, LGD, w, q) \times HHI \end{cases}$$

where $HHI = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \delta_i^2$.

The Figure 3 shows the evolution of the $GA$ according to the $HHI$ index in the case of homogenous portfolios ($PD = 5\%, LGD = 45\%, w = 12\%$):

The goal of this test is to verify the validity of this relation on the non-homogeneous portfolio. For this, we establish the following test:

1) Generate 1000 exposures according to the Log-normal (10, 3) distribution.
2) Generate 1000 probabilities of default according to the uniform distribution (5%, 10%).
3) Generate 1000 correlation coefficient according to the uniform distribution between 0.12 and 0.24.
4) Compute the full $GA$ according to the two models ($Vasicek$ and $Credit Risk+$).
5) Compute the $HHI$ index.
6) Iterate 1000 times the steps from 1 to 5.
7) Apply the linear regression under the simulated $GA$ according to the simulated $HHI$.

If we take an interval of $PD$s between 0% and 20%, we obtain the following results in the Figure 4.

The Table 2 summarizes the characteristics of the linear regression.

From these results, we can deduce that the relationship of linearity between the $GA$ and the $HHI$ remains valid for minimum concentrations. Otherwise, you can have quite substantial dispersions around the regression for fairly major indexes.

- The regression of the $GA$ on the $Hannah-Kay$ Index ($HKI$):

  We couldn’t find directly the relation between the $GA$ and the $HKI$ even though in case of a homogeneous portfolio. Therefore, we will use an empirical approach to get this relation. The $HKI^{13}$ is defined by:

\[^{12}\text{See Herfindahl (1950). Concentration in the U.S. Steel Industry, Dissertation, Columbia University.} \]


Figure 3. The evolution of GA regarding to HHI in case of a homogeneous portfolio.

Figure 4. The evolution of GA regarding to HHI with \[ PD \in [0, 20\%] \].

Table 2. Summary of linear regression of GA on HHI.

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<td>GA Vasicek</td>
<td>1.61</td>
<td>0.065</td>
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<tr>
<td>GA Credit Risk+</td>
<td>1.70</td>
<td>0.1</td>
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\[ HKI = \left( \sum_{i=1}^{N} S_i^{\alpha} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha-1}} \text{ avec } \alpha > 0 \text{ et } \alpha \neq 1 \]

Basing on the empirical experience, we get a non-linear regression relation:

\[
\begin{align*}
&\Rightarrow GA_v^{\text{Vasicek}} (L_N) = a_1^V \times HKI^\alpha + a_2^V \times HKI^\frac{2(\alpha-1)}{\alpha} \\
&\Rightarrow GA_{CR}^{\text{Credit Risk+}} (L_N) = a_1^{CR} \times HKI^\alpha + a_2^{CR} \times HKI^\frac{2(\alpha-1)}{\alpha}
\end{align*}
\]

With \( \alpha \) is the HKI parameter.

We process in the same way to the last implementation. Indeed, we generate \( N = 1000 \) exposures with the Log-normal and we compute the GA and the HKI index. The description of the algorithm steps is:

1) Generate 1000 exposures according to the Log-normal (10, 3) distribution.
2) Generate 1000 probabilities of default according to the uniform distribution (5%, 10%).
3) Generate 1000 correlation coefficient according to the uniform distribution between 0.12 and 0.24.
4) Compute the full GA according to the two models (Vasicek and Credit Risk+).
5) Compute the HKI index.
6) Iterate 1000 times the steps from 1 to 5.
7) Apply the nonlinear regression under the simulated GA according to the simulated HKI.

In the case of homogeneous portfolios, the Figure 5 shows the evolution of the GA according to the HKI index, and coefficients of the non-linear regression are respectively \( a_1^V = 0.199, a_2^V = 1.236 \) and \( a_1^{CR} = 0.282, a_2^{CR} = 1.748 \) (\( PD = 5\% \), \( LGD = 45\% \), \( w = 12\% \)).
Figure 5. The evolution of GA regarding to HKI in case of a homogeneous portfolio.

Figure 6. The evolution of GA regarding to HKI with $PD \in [0, 20\%]$.

If we take an interval of PDs between 0% and 20%, we obtain the following results in the Figure 6.

We can conclude that this relationship between the GA and the HKI remains valid for minimum concentrations. Otherwise, you can have quite substantial dispersions around the regression for fairly major indexes.

- The regression of the GA on The Hammami-Slime Index (HSI):

We can’t directly find the relation between GA and HSI even though in case of a homogeneous portfolio. Therefore, we will use an empirical approach to get this relation. The HSI$^{14}$ is defined by:

$$HSI = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \gamma_i^{\alpha} \cdot 0 < \alpha \leq 1$$

Using the empirical study, we get a non-linear regression relation:

$$G_{\alpha}^{\text{Vasicek}} (L_N) = a_1^{\alpha} \times HSI^{\alpha} + a_2^{\alpha} \times HSI^{\alpha}$$

$$G_{\alpha}^{\text{CRS}} (L_N) = a_1^{CR} \times HSI^{\alpha} + a_2^{CR} \times HSI^{\alpha}$$

With $\alpha$ is the HSI parameter.

We process in the same way to the last implementation. Indeed, we generate $N = 1000$ exposures with the Log-normal and we compute the GA and the HSI index. The description of the algorithm steps is:

1) Generate 1000 exposures according to the Log-normal (10, 3) distribution.
2) Generate 1000 probabilities of default according to the uniform distribution (5%, 10%).
3) Generate 1000 correlation coefficient according to the uniform distribution between 0.12 and 0.24.
4) Compute the full GA according to the two models (Vasicek and Credit Risk+).
5) Compute the HSI index.
6) Iterate 1000 times the steps from 1 to 5.
7) Apply the nonlinear regression under the simulated GA according to the simulated HSI.

In the case of homogeneous portfolios, the Figure 7 shows the evolution of the GA according to the HSI index, and the coefficients of the non-linear regression are respectively $a_1^V = 4.7, a_2^V = -3.17$ and $a_1^{CR} = 6.65, a_2^{CR} = -4.49$ (PD = 5%, LGD = 45%, $w = 12\%$).

If we take an interval of PDs between 0% and 20%, we obtain the following results in the Figure 8.

We can conclude that this relationship between the GA and the HSI remains valid for minimum concentrations. Otherwise, you can have quite substantial dispersions around the regression for fairly major indexes.

![Figure 7](image1.png)

**Figure 7.** The evolution of GA regarding to HSI in case of a homogeneous portfolio.

![Figure 8](image2.png)

**Figure 8.** The evolution of GA regarding to HSI with PD $\in [0, 20\%]$. 
4. Application: iBoxx Portfolio

In this section, we will apply the obtained results under an iBoxx portfolio. We will build some portfolios given the composition of this index. We will deem that the portfolio building this index is the market portfolio. The iBoxx contains 1663 exposures over 10 sectors and 36 countries. The total amount of debt is 1 trillion Euros. The Figure 9 and Figure 10 show repartitions by sector and by countries (the displayed data are dated 30/06/2015).

We can also have the repartition by rating in the Figure 11.

![Figure 9](image9.jpg) Graph of exposures by sector.

![Figure 10](image10.jpg) Graph of exposures by countries.

![Figure 11](image11.jpg) Graph of exposures by rating.
The Table 3 displays the mapping between the probabilities of default and the rating.\(^{15}\)

Firstly, we can study the concentration of the iBoxx portfolio to get a global view of the concentration. The Lorenz curve, in the Figure 12, allows us to have the dispersion of exposures by counterparty.

Basing on the graph, we have an almost equal distribution between exposures. We can make a first feeling that the name concentration is small. Therefore, we use also the other metrics to confirm this conclusion. Indeed, we compute the tree concentration indexes and the GA. The Table 4 summarizes the result compute of these metrics.

Giving these results, we can conclude that the name concentration is neglected.

After this study, we will take a small portfolio with 100 exposures to see the impact of the number of exposures on the name concentration under these metrics. For this, we will do a random selection from the iBoxx composition. We can use regressions of the GA on concentration indexes to compute the name concentration risk. We use the same algorithms in the third section. The Figure 13 below shows the simulation result.

The Table 5 summarizes the obtained results:

**Table 3.** The mapping table between the rating and the PDs.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Rating</th>
<th>PD</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>AAA</td>
<td>0.09%</td>
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<tr>
<td>AA</td>
<td>0.20%</td>
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<tr>
<td>A</td>
<td>0.75%</td>
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<tr>
<td>BBB</td>
<td>2.02%</td>
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</table>

**Figure 12.** Lorenz curve of the iBoxx portfolio.

**Table 4.** The computational result of the iBoxx portfolio.

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<tr>
<td>HHI</td>
<td>0.07%</td>
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<tr>
<td>HKI</td>
<td>0.08%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VaR</td>
<td>6.42%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EC</td>
<td>5.87%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>GA</td>
<td>0.07%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Approximate GA</td>
<td>0.08%</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

\(^{15}\)Moody’s Investor Service, 2010.
Figure 13. The regression of $GA$ on indexes.

Table 5. The concentration measure recapitulative of the credit portfolio.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>HHIP</th>
<th>1.17%</th>
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<tr>
<td>HKIP</td>
<td>1.25%</td>
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<tr>
<td>HSIP</td>
<td>32.42%</td>
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<tr>
<td>VaRP</td>
<td>6.22%</td>
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<td>ECP</td>
<td>5.71%</td>
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<tr>
<td>$GA$ (HHI)</td>
<td>1.183%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$GA$ (HKI)</td>
<td>1.192%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$GA$ (HSI)</td>
<td>1.195%</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

There is a concentration risk rather important consideration at the $GA$, as it increases the costs in terms of provision approximately 21%. This result is consistent with the $HSI$ index, unlike the $HHI$ and $HKI$ indexes.

5. Conclusion

This paper is dedicated, firstly, to model the name concentration under the Add-On approach; secondly, to approximate the $GA$ using the concentration indexes. We established tests to find the relation between the $GA$ and the indexes. These approximations
allow us some simplification of the GA formula. As application, we chose the iBoxx composition as the credit portfolio.

These tests on the GA approximation enabled us to make the relation between the Ad-Hoc and the Add-On. We retained the regression between the GA and concentration indexes. Furthermore, the HSI index gave a more consistent measurement of portfolios with a small number of exposures.

However, these approximations can be used to simplify the GA calculation under the sector concentration. Indeed, the formulation of GA is more complex in the sector concentration than the name concentration.

References


Annexes

- **The Vasicek model:**

  In 1987, Vasicek used the Merton model (1974) to modeling relations between the default events to get the assessment of the credit risk. We denote $\lambda_i$ as the liability of the borrower $i$. The asset value of this borrower with a giving time $t$ follows a geometric Brownian motion and verifies the following stochastic differential equation (SDE):

  \[
  dV_{i,t} = V_{i,t} \left( \mu_i dt + \sum_{k=1}^{m} \sigma_{i,k} dW_{k,t} + \eta_i dB_{i,t} \right)
  \]

  With $\mu_i, \sigma_1, \ldots, \sigma_m, \eta_i$ are constant and $W_{1,t}, \ldots, W_{m,t}, B_{i,t}$ is an Independent Brownian motion. $W_{k,t}, k = 1, \ldots, m$ represent the macroeconomic component (systematic risk) and $B_{i,t}$ is the specific factor (idiosyncratic risk). The Black & Scholes theory with a one year horizon gives us the solution of the SDE:

  \[
  V_{i,t} = V_{i,0} \exp \left( \mu_i \sum_{k=1}^{m} \left( \sigma_{i,k} X_k - \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{i,k}^2 \right) + \eta_i \epsilon_i - \frac{1}{2} \eta_i^2 \right)
  \]

  where $X_1, \ldots, X_m, \epsilon_i$ are i.i.d (independent and identically distributed) and follow a Gaussian distribution.

  The model supposes that default variables $D_i$ are Bernoulli:

  \[
  D_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{si } V_{i,t} < \lambda_i \\ 0 & \text{si } V_{i,t} \geq \lambda_i \end{cases}
  \]

  Indeed, the default probability is equal to:

  \[
  PD_i = \mathbb{P}(V_{i,t} < \lambda_i) = \mathbb{P}\left( V_{i,0} \exp \left( \mu_i \sum_{k=1}^{m} \left( \sigma_{i,k} X_k - \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{i,k}^2 \right) + \eta_i \epsilon_i - \frac{1}{2} \eta_i^2 \right) < \lambda_i \right)
  \]

  \[
  = \mathbb{P}\left( \frac{m}{\lambda_i} \sum_{k=1}^{m} \sigma_{i,k} X_k + \eta_i \epsilon_i < \ln \left( \frac{\lambda_i}{V_{i,0}} \right) + \sum_{k=1}^{m} \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{i,k}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \eta_i^2 - \mu_i \right)
  \]

  \[
  = \mathbb{P}\left( \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{m} \sigma_{i,k} X_k + \eta_i \epsilon_i}{\sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^{m} \sigma_{i,k}^2 + \eta_i^2}} < \frac{\ln \left( \frac{\lambda_i}{V_{i,0}} \right) + \sum_{k=1}^{m} \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{i,k}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \eta_i^2 - \mu_i}{\sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^{m} \sigma_{i,k}^2 + \eta_i^2}} \right)
  \]

  \[
  = \Phi \left( \frac{\ln \left( \frac{\lambda_i}{V_{i,0}} \right) + \sum_{k=1}^{m} \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{i,k}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \eta_i^2 - \mu_i}{\sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^{m} \sigma_{i,k}^2 + \eta_i^2}} \right)
  \]

  Therefore, the borrower is in default when:

  \[
  \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{m} \sigma_{i,k} X_k + \eta_i \epsilon_i}{\sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^{m} \sigma_{i,k}^2 + \eta_i^2}} < \Phi^{-1} \left( PD_i \right) + \frac{\ln \left( \frac{\lambda_i}{V_{i,0}} \right) + \sum_{k=1}^{m} \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{i,k}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \eta_i^2 - \mu_i}{\sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^{m} \sigma_{i,k}^2 + \eta_i^2}}
  \]
If we set: \( \rho_i = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{m} \sigma_{i,k}^2}{\sum_{k=1}^{m} \sigma_{i,k}^2 + \eta_i^2} \) et \( \alpha_{i,k} = \frac{\sigma_{i,k}}{\sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^{m} \sigma_{i,k}^2 + \eta_i^2}} \)

We get: \( \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{m} \alpha_{i,k}^2 Z_i + \eta_i \epsilon_i}{\sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^{m} \sigma_{i,k}^2 + \eta_i^2}} = \sqrt{\rho_i} \alpha'X + \sqrt{1 - \rho_i} \epsilon_i \)

With \( \alpha' = (\alpha_{i,1}, \ldots, \alpha_{i,m}) \) and \( X' = (X_1, \ldots, X_m) \)

The default condition becomes:

\[
D_i = \begin{cases} 
1 \text{ si } \sqrt{\rho_i} \alpha'X + \sqrt{1 - \rho_i} \epsilon_i < \Phi^{-1}(PD_i) \\
0 \text{ si } \sqrt{\rho_i} \alpha'X + \sqrt{1 - \rho_i} \epsilon_i \geq \Phi^{-1}(PD_i)
\end{cases}
\]

Then, we conclude that:

\( \rho_i \in [0,1], \sum_{k=1}^{m} \alpha_{i,k}^2 = 1, \sqrt{\rho_i} \alpha'X + \sqrt{1 - \rho_i} \epsilon_i \sim N(0,1) \)

The Vasicek model uses one systematic factor \( X = X' \). The default probability of some borrower conditionally to this factor is equal to:

\[
PD_i(x) = \mathbb{P}(D_i = 1 \mid X = x) = \mathbb{P}\left(\sqrt{\rho_i} \alpha'X + \sqrt{1 - \rho_i} \epsilon_i < \Phi^{-1}(PD_i) \mid X = x\right)
\]

\[
= \mathbb{P}\left(\sqrt{\rho_i} \alpha'X + \sqrt{1 - \rho_i} \epsilon_i < \Phi^{-1}(PD_i)\right) = \Phi\left(\epsilon_i < \Phi^{-1}(PD_i) - \sqrt{\rho_i} x\right)
\]

We can deduce that \( PD_i(x) = \Phi\left(\frac{\Phi^{-1}(PD_i) - \sqrt{\rho_i} x}{\sqrt{1 - \rho_i}}\right) \)

Giving these results and under the assumption that borrowers’ losses are independent. The loss rate of the whole portfolio is:

\[
L_N = \sum_{i=1}^{N} s_i LGD_i I_{[\sqrt{\rho_i} \alpha'X + \sqrt{1 - \rho_i} \epsilon_i < \Phi^{-1}(PD_i)]}
\]

We can obtain the expected loss conditionally to the systematic factor under the assumption that the losses giving default \( LGD_i \) and the default event \( D_i = 1_{[\sqrt{\rho_i} \alpha'X + \sqrt{1 - \rho_i} \epsilon_i < \Phi^{-1}(PD_i)]} \) are independent:

\[
\mathbb{E}[L_N \mid X] = \sum_{i=1}^{N} s_i LGD_i \Phi\left(\frac{\Phi^{-1}(PD_i) - \sqrt{\rho_i} \alpha'X}{\sqrt{1 - \rho_i}}\right)
\]

We can use the Monte Carlo simulation on the systematic factor to compute this value.

**The Credit Risk+ model:**

The Credit Risk+ model was had developed by Credit Suisse Financial Products (CSFP). This model is the one of most used in the IRB Approach and he is one of reduced form models. The default rate is a stochastic variable and the default variable
follows the *Bernoulli* distribution:

\[ D_i = \begin{cases} 
1 & \text{si l'emprunteur i fait défaut à } T \\
0 & \text{autrement}
\end{cases} \]

*Credit Risk+* supposes that default probabilities are hazardous and systematic factors follow the *Gamma* distribution with the following function density:

\[ \Gamma_{\alpha, \beta}(x) = \frac{1}{\beta^\alpha \Gamma(\alpha)} e^{-x} x^{\alpha-1}, \text{ pour } x \geq 0 \text{ et } \beta = \frac{1}{\alpha} \]

With \( \mathbb{E}[X] = \alpha \beta = 1 \) and \( \mathbb{V}[X] = \alpha \)

In the case that the default frequency \( \tilde{D}_i \) follows the Poisson distribution with \( PD_i \) as intensity, we get:

\[ \mathbb{P}\left( \tilde{D}_i = k \mid X = x \right) = \frac{(PD_i \times x)^k}{k!} \exp(-PD_i \times x), k = 0, 1, 2, \cdots \]

The default variable and the default frequency meet with the following relation \( D_i = \mathbb{I}_{[0,1]} \tilde{D}_i \). Therefore, the conditional probability is defined as:

\[ PD_i(X) = \mathbb{P}(D_i = 1 \mid X) = \mathbb{P}(\tilde{D}_i \geq 1 \mid X) = 1 - \mathbb{P}(\tilde{D}_i = 0 \mid X) = 1 - \exp(-PD_i \times X) \]