

Dynamic Asset Allocation: a Portfolio Decomposition Formula and Applications

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1 Introduction

► Dynamic consumption-portfolio choice:

- Merton (1971): optimal portfolio includes intertemporal hedging terms in addition to mean-variance component (diffusion)
- Breeden (1979): hedging performed by holding funds giving best protection agst fluctuations in state variable (diffusion)
- Ocone and Karatzas (1991): representation of hedging terms using Malliavin derivatives (Ito, complete markets)
 - Interest rate hedge
 - Market price of risk hedge
- Detemple, Garcia and Rindisbacher (DGR JF, 2003): practical implementation of model (diffusion, complete markets)
 - Based on Monte Carlo Simulation
 - Flexible method: arbitrary \neq assets and state variables, non-linear dynamics, arbitrary utility functions
 - Extends to incomplete/frictional markets (DR MF, 2005)

► **Contribution:**

- **New decomposition of optimal portfolio (hedging terms):**
 - Formula rests on change of numéraire: use pure discount bonds as units of account
 - Passage to a new probability measure: forward measure (Geman (1989) and Jamshidian (1989))
 - General context: Ito price processes, general utilities

- **New economic insights about structure of hedges:**
 - Hedge fluctuations in the price of **long term bond**
 - * pure discount bond with utility of terminal wealth
 - * coupon-paying bond with intermediate utility
 - * this hedge has a static flavor (static hedge)
 - Hedge fluctuations in **future bond return volatilities and market prices of risk**
 - Risk aversion properties:
 - * if risk aversion approaches one both hedges vanish: myopia
 - * if risk aversion becomes large mean-variance term and second hedge vanish: holds just long term bonds
 - * if risk tolerance vanishes all terms are of **first order in risk tolerance**.
 - **Non-Markovian $N + 2$ fund separation theorem.**

- **Technical contribution:**
 - Exponential version of Clark-Haussmann-Ocone formula
 - * Identifies volatilities of exponential martingale in terms of Malliavin derivatives
 - Malliavin derivatives of functional SDEs
 - Explicit solution of a Backward Volterra Integral Equation (BVIE) involving Malliavin derivatives.

► Applications:

- Preferred habitat
- Preferences for long term bonds
- Extreme risk aversion behavior
- International asset allocation
- Preferences for I-bonds
- Integration of risk management and asset allocation

► Road map:

- Model with utility from terminal wealth
- The Ocone-Karatzas formula
- New representation
- Intermediate consumption
- Applications
- Conclusions

2 The Model

- ▶ Standard Continuous Time Model:
 - Complete markets and Ito price processes
 - Brownian motion W , d -dimensional
 - Flow of information $\mathcal{F}_t = \sigma(W_s : s \in [0, t])$
 - Finite time period $[0, T]$.
 - Possibly non-Markovian dynamics

► Assets: Price Evolution

- Risky assets (dividend-paying assets):

$$\frac{dS_t^i}{S_t^i} = (r_t - \delta_t^i) dt + \sigma_t^i (\theta_t dt + dW_t), \quad S_0^i \text{ given}$$

- σ_t^i : volatility coefficients of return process ($1 \times d$ vector)
- r_t : instantaneous rate of interest
- δ_t^i : dividend yield
- θ_t : market prices of risk associated with W ($d \times 1$ vector)
- $(r, \delta, \sigma, \theta)$: progressively measurable processes; standard integrability conditions

- Riskless asset:

- * pays interest at rate r

► Investment and Wealth:

- Portfolio policy π :

- d -dimensional, progressively measurable, integrability conditions
- amounts invested in assets: π
- amount in money market: $X - \pi' \mathbf{1}$

- Wealth process:

$$dX_t = r_t X_t dt + \pi_t' \sigma_t (\theta_t dt + dW_t), \text{ subject to } X_0 = x.$$

- Admissibility:

- π admissible ($\pi \in \mathcal{A}$) if and only if wealth non-negative: $X \geq 0$.

► Asset Allocation Problem:

- Investor maximizes expected utility of terminal wealth:

$$\max_{\pi \in \mathcal{A}} \mathbf{E} [U(X_T)]$$

- Utility function: $U : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

→ Strictly increasing, strictly concave and differentiable

→ Inada conditions: $\lim_{X \rightarrow \infty} U'(X) = 0$ and $\lim_{X \rightarrow 0} U'(X) = \infty$

→ **Example: CRRA** $U(x) = \frac{1}{1-R} X^{1-R}$ where $R > 0$.

- Property:

→ Strictly decreasing marginal utility in $(0, \infty)$

→ Inverse marginal utility $I(y)$ exists and satisfies $U'(I(y)) = y$

→ Derivative: $I'(y) = 1/U''(I(y))$

- Variation: $U : [A, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

→ Strictly increasing, strictly concave and differentiable

→ Inada conditions: $\lim_{X \rightarrow \infty} U'(X) = 0$ and $\lim_{X \rightarrow A} U'(X) = \infty$

→ **Example: HARA** $U(x) = \frac{1}{1-R} (X - A)^{1-R}$ where $R > 0, A > 0$.

3 The Optimal Portfolio

► Complete Markets:

- Market price of risk: $\theta_t = (\theta_{1t}, \dots, \theta_{dt})'$

- State price density:

$$\xi_v \equiv \exp \left(- \int_0^v \left(r_s + \frac{1}{2} \theta'_s \theta_s \right) ds - \int_0^v \theta'_s dW_s \right)$$

→ converts state-contingent payoffs into values at date 0

- Conditional state price density:

$$\xi_{t,v} \equiv \exp \left(- \int_t^v \left(r_s + \frac{1}{2} \theta'_s \theta_s \right) ds - \int_t^v \theta'_s dW_s \right) = \xi_v / \xi_t$$

- **Optimal Portfolio:** Ocone and Karatzas (1991), Detemple, Garcia and Rindisbacher (2003)

$$\pi_t^* = \pi_t^m + \pi_t^r + \pi_t^\theta$$

where

MV:

$$\pi_t^m = \mathbf{E}_t [\xi_{t,T} \Gamma_T^*] (\sigma_t')^{-1} \theta_t$$

IRH:

$$\pi_t^r = - (\sigma_t')^{-1} \mathbf{E}_t \left[\xi_{t,T} (X_T^* - \Gamma_T^*) \int_t^T \mathcal{D}_t r_s ds \right]'$$

MPRH:

$$\pi_t^\theta = - (\sigma_t')^{-1} \mathbf{E}_t \left[\xi_{t,T} (X_T^* - \Gamma_T^*) \int_t^T (dW_s + \theta_s ds)' \mathcal{D}_t \theta_s \right]'$$

- Optimal terminal wealth $X_T^* = I(y^* \xi_T)$
- Constant y^* solves $x = E [\xi_T I(y^* \xi_T)]$ (static budget constraint)
- $\Gamma(X) \equiv -U'(X)/U''(X)$: measure of absolute risk tolerance
- $\Gamma_T^* \equiv \Gamma(X_T^*)$: risk tolerance evaluated at optimal terminal wealth
- \mathcal{D}_t is Malliavin derivative

► Structure of Hedges:

$$\text{IRH: } \pi_t^r = -(\sigma_t')^{-1} \mathbf{E}_t \left[\xi_{t,T} (X_T^* - \Gamma_T^*) \int_t^T \mathcal{D}_t r_s ds \right]'$$

- Driven by sensitivities of future IR and MPR to current innovations in W_t . Sensitivities measured by Malliavin derivatives $\mathcal{D}_t r_s$ and $\mathcal{D}_t \theta_s$
- Sensitivities are adjusted by factor $\xi_{t,T} (X_T^* - \Gamma_T^*)$: depends on preferences, terminal wealth and conditional state prices.
- Optimal terminal wealth: $I(y^* \xi_T)$
- Date t cost: $\xi_{t,T} I(y^* \xi_T) = \xi_{t,T} I(y^* \xi_t \xi_{t,T})$
- Sensitivity to change in conditional SPD $\xi_{t,T}$

$$\frac{\partial(\xi_{t,T} I(y^* \xi_t \xi_{t,T}))}{\partial \xi_{t,T}} = I(y^* \xi_t \xi_{t,T}) + y^* \xi_t \xi_{t,T} I'(y^* \xi_t \xi_{t,T}) = X_T^* - \Gamma_T^*$$

- Sensitivity of conditional SPD to fluctuations in IR and MPR

$$-\xi_{t,T} \int_t^T \mathcal{D}_t r_s ds \quad \text{and} \quad -\xi_{t,T} \int_t^T (dW_s + \theta_s ds)' \mathcal{D}_t \theta_s.$$

► Constant Relative Risk Aversion (CRRA)

$$\frac{\pi_t^m}{X_t^*} = \frac{1}{R} (\sigma_t')^{-1} \theta_t$$

$$\frac{\pi_t^r}{X_t^*} = -\rho (\sigma_t')^{-1} \mathbf{E}_t \left[\frac{\xi_T^\rho}{\mathbf{E}_t[\xi_T^\rho]} \int_t^T \mathcal{D}_t r_s ds \right]'$$

$$\frac{\pi_t^\theta}{X_t^*} = -\rho (\sigma_t')^{-1} \mathbf{E}_t \left[\frac{\xi_T^\rho}{\mathbf{E}_t[\xi_T^\rho]} \int_t^T (dW_s + \theta_s ds)' \mathcal{D}_t \theta_s \right]'$$

- $\rho = 1 - 1/R$
- $y^* = (\mathbf{E} [\xi_T^\rho] / x)^R$
- $X_t^* = \mathbf{E}_t [\xi_{t,T} (y^* \xi_T)^{-1/R}]$
- Hedging terms are weighted averages of the sensitivities of future interest rates and market prices of risk to the current Brownian innovations.

4 A New Decomposition of the Optimal Portfolio

4.1 Bond Pricing and Forward Measures

- ▶ Pure Discount Bond Price: $B_t^T = E_t [\xi_{t,T}]$
- ▶ Forward T -Measure: (Geman (1989) and Jamshidian (1989))

- Random variable:

$$Z_{t,T} \equiv \frac{\xi_{t,T}}{E_t[\xi_{t,T}]} = \frac{\xi_{t,T}}{B_t^T}$$

- Properties: $Z_{t,T} > 0$ and $E_t [Z_{t,T}] = 1$. Use $Z_{t,T}$ as density
- Probability measure: $dQ_t^T = Z_{t,T}dP$
→ Equivalent to P

► **Change of Numéraire:** unit of account is T -maturity bond

- Under Q_t^T price $V(t)$ of a contingent claim with payoff Y_T is

$$V(t) = E_t[\xi_{t,T} Y_T] = E_t[\xi_{t,T}] E_t\left[\frac{\xi_{t,T}}{E_t[\xi_{t,T}]} Y_T\right] = B_t^T E_t^T[Y_T]$$

- $E_t^T[\cdot] \equiv E_t[Z_{t,T} \cdot]$ is expectation under Q_t^T
- **Martingale property:** $V(t) / B_t^T = E_t^T[Y_T] = E_t[Z_{t,T} Y_T]$.
- Density $Z_{t,T}$ is **stochastic discount factor:** converts future payoffs into current values measured in bond unit of account.

- **Characterization (Theorem 2):** The forward T -density is given by

$$Z_{t,T} \equiv \exp \left(\int_t^T \sigma^Z(s, T)' dW_s - \frac{1}{2} \int_t^T \sigma^Z(s, T)' \sigma^Z(s, T) ds \right)$$

- **volatility at $s \in [t, T]$:** $\sigma^Z(s, T) \equiv \sigma^B(s, T) - \theta_s$
 - **bond return volatility:** $\sigma^B(s, T)' \equiv \mathcal{D}_s \log B_s^T$
- **Contribution(s):**
- Identify **volatility of forward measure**
 - Application of **Exponential Clark-Haussmann-Ocone formula**
 - **Market price of risk in the numéraire**

4.2 Portfolio allocation and long term bonds

► An Alternative Portfolio Decomposition Formula:

$$\pi_t^* = \pi_t^m + \pi_t^b + \pi_t^z$$

- Mean variance demand:

$$\pi_t^m = E_t^T [\Gamma_T^*] B_t^T (\sigma_t')^{-1} \theta_t$$

- Hedge motivated by fluctuations in price of pure discount bond with matching maturity

$$\pi_t^b = (\sigma_t')^{-1} \sigma^B(t, T) E_t^T [X_T^* - \Gamma_T^*] B_t^T$$

- Hedge motivated by fluctuations in density of forward T -measure

$$\pi_t^z = (\sigma_t')^{-1} E_t^T [(X_T^* - \Gamma_T^*) \mathcal{D}_t \log(Z_{t,T})]' B_t^T.$$

► **Essence of Formula:** change of numéraire

- **SPD representation:** $\xi_{t,T} = B_t^T Z_{t,T}$
- **Optimal terminal wealth:** $X_T^* = I(y^* \xi_t B_t^T Z_{t,T})$
- **Cost of optimal terminal wealth:** $B_t^T Z_{t,T} I(y^* \xi_t B_t^T Z_{t,T})$
- **Hedging portfolio:** $\mathcal{D}_t(B_t^T Z_{t,T} I(y^* \xi_t B_t^T Z_{t,T}))$
- **Chain rule of Malliavin calculus:**

$$\rightarrow (Z_{t,T} I(y^* \xi_t B_t^T Z_{t,T}) + B_t^T Z_{t,T} I'(y^* \xi_t B_t^T Z_{t,T}) y^* \xi_t Z_{t,T}) \mathcal{D}_t B_t^T$$

$$\rightarrow (B_t^T I(y^* \xi_t B_t^T Z_{t,T}) + B_t^T Z_{t,T} I'(y^* \xi_t B_t^T Z_{t,T}) y^* \xi_t B_t^T) \mathcal{D}_t Z_{t,T}$$

$$\rightarrow B_t^T Z_{t,T} I'(y^* \xi_t B_t^T Z_{t,T}) B_t^T Z_{t,T} \mathcal{D}_t (y^* \xi_t)$$

► Long Term Bond Hedge:

- Immunizes against instantaneous fluctuations in return of long term bond with matching maturity date
- Corresponds to portfolio that maximizes the correlation with long term bond return
- This portfolio is synthetic asset or maturity matching bond, if exists

► Forward Density Hedge:

- Immunizes against fluctuations in forward density $Z_{t,T}$ (instantaneous and delayed)
- Source of fluctuations are bond return volatilities and MPRs:
$$\sigma^Z(s, T) \equiv \sigma^B(s, T) - \theta_s$$
- $$\mathcal{D}_t \sigma^Z(s, T) = \mathcal{D}_t \sigma^B(s, T) - \mathcal{D}_t \theta_s.$$

4.3 Constant Relative Risk Aversion

► Hedging Terms are:

- Hedge motivated by fluctuations in price of pure discount bond with matching maturity

$$\frac{\pi_t^b}{X_t^*} = \rho (\sigma_t')^{-1} \sigma^B(t, T) B_t^T$$

- Hedge motivated by fluctuations in density of forward T -measure

$$\frac{\pi_t^z}{X_t^*} = \rho (\sigma_t')^{-1} E_t^T \left[\frac{Z_{t,T}^{\rho-1}}{E_t^T[Z_{t,T}^{\rho-1}]} \mathcal{D}_t \log(Z_{t,T}) \right]' B_t^T$$

- ▶ Highlights **knife-edge property of log utility** (Breedon (1979))
 - Logarithmic investor displays myopia (hedging demands vanish)
 - More (less) risk averse investors will hold (short) portfolio synthesizing long term bond
 - More (less) risk averse investors will hold (short) portfolio that hedges forward density
 - portfolio is individual-specific: depends on risk aversion of utility function

4.4 Application: Demand for long term bonds

► Constant relative risk aversion

- Market model:

- T -maturity bond is traded. Two assets: stock and LT bond

- Volatility matrix:

$$\sigma_t = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{1t}^S & \sigma_{2t}^S \\ \sigma_{1t}^B & \sigma_{2t}^B \end{bmatrix}$$

- Optimal portfolio:

$$\pi_t^m = \frac{1}{R} \frac{X_t^*}{\sigma_{1t}^S \sigma_{2t}^B \theta_{1t} - \sigma_{2t}^S \sigma_{1t}^B} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{2t}^B \theta_{1t} - \sigma_{1t}^B \theta_{2t} \\ -\sigma_{2t}^S \theta_{1t} + \sigma_{1t}^S \theta_{2t} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\pi_t^b = \rho \frac{X_t^*}{\sigma_{1t}^S \sigma_{2t}^B \theta_{1t} - \sigma_{2t}^S \sigma_{1t}^B} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{2t}^B \sigma_{1t}^B - \sigma_{1t}^B \sigma_{2t}^B \\ -\sigma_{2t}^S \sigma_{1t}^B + \sigma_{1t}^S \sigma_{2t}^B \end{bmatrix} = \rho X_t^* \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\pi_t^z = \rho \frac{X_t^*}{\sigma_{1t}^S \sigma_{2t}^B \theta_{1t} - \sigma_{2t}^S \sigma_{1t}^B} E_t^T \left[\frac{Z_{t,T}^{\rho-1}}{E_t^T [Z_{t,T}^{\rho-1}]} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{2t}^B \mathcal{D}_{1t} \log(Z_{t,T}) - \sigma_{1t}^B \mathcal{D}_{2t} \log(Z_{t,T}) \\ -\sigma_{2t}^S \mathcal{D}_{1t} \log(Z_{t,T}) + \sigma_{1t}^S \mathcal{D}_{2t} \log(Z_{t,T}) \end{bmatrix} \right]$$

- Remark: Typical models in literature $\pi_t^z = 0$ (Gaussian models)

→ Bonds-to-equities ratio

$$e_t = \left(\frac{-\sigma_{2t}^S \theta_{1t} + \sigma_{1t}^S \theta_{2t}}{\sigma_{2t}^B \theta_{1t} - \sigma_{1t}^B \theta_{2t}} \right) + (R - 1) \left(\frac{-\sigma_{2t}^S \sigma_{1t}^B + \sigma_{1t}^S \sigma_{2t}^B}{\sigma_{2t}^B \theta_{1t} - \sigma_{1t}^B \theta_{2t}} \right)$$

- * Increases with risk aversion if second ratio is positive
 - * Independent of investment horizon
 - * Independent of wealth
- Explains Asset Allocation Puzzle (Canner, Mankiw, Weil (1997))
- * Typical advice: increase BER for more conservative investors
 - * Mean-variance model: ratio is independent of risk aversion
 - * Static bond hedge explains the puzzle (Bajeux-Besnainou, Jordan and Portait (2001))

► Wealth-dependent risk aversion HARA:

$$u(x) = \frac{(x-A)^{1-R}}{1-R} \mathbf{1}_{x>A} - \infty \mathbf{1}_{x\leq A}$$

- Gaussian model: $\pi_t^z = 0$
- Bonds-to-equities ratio

$$e_t = \left(\frac{-\sigma_{2t}^S \theta_{1t} + \sigma_{1t}^S \theta_{2t}}{\sigma_{2t}^B \theta_{1t} - \sigma_{1t}^B \theta_{2t}} \right) + \left(\frac{E_t^T [X_T^*]}{E_t^T [\Gamma_T^*]} - 1 \right) \left(\frac{-\sigma_{2t}^S \sigma_{1t}^B + \sigma_{1t}^S \sigma_{2t}^B}{\sigma_{2t}^B \theta_{1t} - \sigma_{1t}^B \theta_{2t}} \right)$$

$$\frac{E_t^T [X_T^*]}{E_t^T [\Gamma_T^*]} = R \left(1 + \frac{AB_t^T}{X_t^* - AB_t^T} \left(\frac{B_0^T}{B_0^t} \right)^\rho \right)$$

$$\frac{AB_t^T}{X_t^* - AB_t^T} = \left(\frac{AB_0^t}{x - AB_0^T} \right) h(t) (B_t^T Z_t)^{1/R}$$

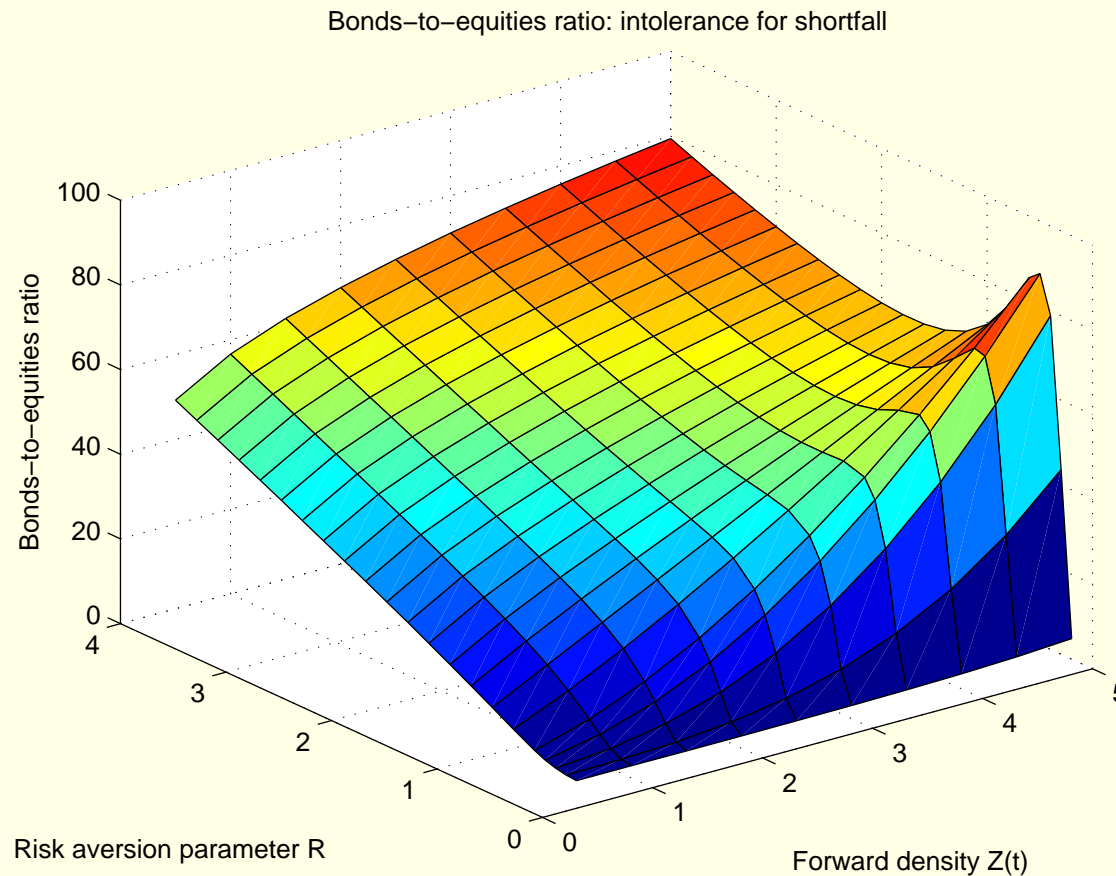
$$h(t) \equiv \exp \left(\frac{\rho}{R} \int_0^t \left(\frac{1}{2} \|\theta_s + \sigma^B(s, T)\|^2 - \|\sigma^B(s, T)\|^2 \right) ds \right)$$

- Changes in risk aversion imply:
 - Direct relative risk aversion effect: outside power R increases BER
 - Endogenous wealth effect: direction depends on

$$h(t) (B_t^T Z_t)^{1/R}$$

 - nonlinear effects - reduces BER if wealth increases
 - * Reduction in dispersion of optimal terminal wealth:
consumption smoothing across states
 - * Cost of optimal terminal wealth can increase or decrease
 - * Budget constraint effect: decreases or increases multiplier $y^{-1/R}$
to satisfy budget (opposite direction)
 - * Net effect on wealth at date t can be positive or negative

- Graph illustrates the possibility of a decrease in BER: negative wealth effect dominates in certain regions



→ Vasicek interest rate model: $r_0 = \bar{r} = 0.06$, $\kappa_r = 0.05$, $\sigma_{r1} = -0.02$, $\sigma_{r2} = -0.015$
 and market prices of risk are constants $\theta_s = 0.3$ and $\theta_b = 0.15$. The interest rate at $t = 5$ is
 $r_t = 0.02$. Other parameter values are $A = 200,000$, $x = 100,000$ and $T = 10$.

5 Intermediate Consumption

5.1 The Investor's Preferences

► Consumption-portfolio Problem:

$$\max_{\pi, c \in \mathcal{A}} \mathbf{E} \left[\int_0^T u(c_t, t) dt + U(X_T) \right]$$

- **Utility function:** $u(\cdot, \cdot) : \mathbb{R}_+ \times [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and **bequest function:** $U : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfy standard assumptions
- Maximization over set of admissible portfolio policies $\pi, c \in \mathcal{A}$
- Inverse marginal utility function $J(y, t)$ exists: $u'(J(y, t), t) = y$ for all $t \in [0, T]$
- Inverse marginal bequest function $I(y)$ exists: $U'(I(y)) = y$

5.2 Portfolio Representation and Coupon-paying Bonds

► **Decomposition:**

$$\pi_t^* = \pi_t^m + \pi_t^b + \pi_t^z$$

- **Mean variance demand:**

$$\pi_t^m = \left(\int_t^T E_t^v [\Gamma_v^*] B_t^v dv + E_t^T [\Gamma_T^*] B_t^T \right) (\sigma_t')^{-1} \theta_t$$

- **Hedge motivated by fluctuations in price of coupon-paying bond with matching maturity:**

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_t^b = & (\sigma_t')^{-1} \int_t^T \sigma^B(t, v) B_t^v E_t^v [c_v^* - \Gamma_v^*] dv \\ & + (\sigma_t')^{-1} \sigma^B(t, T) B_t^T E_t^T [X_T^* - \Gamma_T^*] \end{aligned}$$

- **Hedge motivated by fluctuations in density of forward T -measure:**

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_t^z = & (\sigma_t')^{-1} \left(\int_t^T E_t^v [(c_v^* - \Gamma_v^*) \mathcal{D}_t \log Z_{t,v}] B_t^v dv \right)' \\ & + (\sigma_t')^{-1} \left(E_t^T [(X_T^* - \Gamma_T^*) \mathcal{D}_t \log Z_{t,T}] B_t^T \right)' \end{aligned}$$

► **Static Hedge** π_t^b : against fluctuations in value of coupon-paying bond

- **Coupons** $C(v) \equiv E_t^v [c_v^* - \Gamma_v^*]$ at intermediate dates $v \in [0, T)$

- **Bullet payment** $F \equiv E_t^T [X_T^* - \Gamma_T^*]$ at terminal date T

- Coupon payments and face value are

 - time-varying

 - tailored to individual's consumption profile and risk tolerance

- **Bond value**

$$B(t, T; C, F) \equiv \int_t^T B_t^v C(v) dv + B_t^T F.$$

- **Instantaneous volatility**

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(B(t, T; C, F)) B(t, T; C, F) &= \int_t^T \sigma^B(t, v) B_t^v C(v) dv \\ &\quad + \sigma^B(t, T) B_t^T F \end{aligned}$$

- **Hedge:** $(\sigma_t')^{-1} \sigma(B(t, T; C, F)) B(t, T; C, F)$

► **Forward Density Hedge π_t^z :**

- Motivation: desire to hedge **fluctuations in forward densities** $Z_{t,v}$
- Static hedge already neutralizes impact of term structure fluctuations on PV of future consumption
- Given $\xi_{t,v} = B_t^v Z_{t,v}$ it remains to hedge **fluctuations in discount factor in new numéraire** $Z_{t,v}, v \in [t, T]$.

► **Optimal Portfolio Composition:**

- To first approximation portfolio has mean-variance term + long term coupon-bond hedge
- Under what conditions is this approximation exact (i.e. last term vanishes)?
- If last term does not vanish what is its size?

5.3 Constant Relative Risk Aversion

- Relative risk aversion parameters R_u, R_U for utility and bequest functions. Portfolio:

- Mean-variance term

$$\pi_t^m = (\sigma'_t)^{-1} \left(\int_t^T \frac{1}{R_u} E_t^v [c_v^*] B_t^v dv + \frac{1}{R_U} E_t^T [X_T^*] B_t^T \right) \theta_t$$

- Hedge motivated by fluctuations in price of coupon-paying bond with matching maturity

$$\pi_t^b = (\sigma'_t)^{-1} \left(\rho_u \int_t^T \sigma^B(t, v) B_t^v E_t^v [c_v^*] dv + \rho_U \sigma^B(t, T) B_t^T E_t^T [X_T^*] \right)$$

- Hedge motivated by fluctuations in densities of forward measures

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_t^z = & \rho_u (\sigma'_t)^{-1} \int_t^T E_t^v [c_v^* \mathcal{D}_t \log Z_{t,v}]' B_t^v dv \\ & + \rho_U (\sigma'_t)^{-1} E_t^T [X_T^* \mathcal{D}_t \log Z_{t,T}]' B_t^T \end{aligned}$$

► **Static Hedge** has two parts:

- Pure coupon bond (annuity) with coupon given by optimal consumption
- Bullet payment given by optimal terminal wealth
- Two parts are weighted by risk aversion factors ρ_u and ρ_U
- Knife edge property traditionally associated with power utility.
- Possibility of positive annuity hedge ($R_u > 1$) combined with negative bequest hedge ($R_U < 1$).

► Literature: special cases of this result analyzed by

- Munk and Sørensen (2004)
 - CRRA with homogeneous risk aversion coefficients $R_u = R_U \equiv R$.
 - Portfolio decomposition $\pi_t^m + \pi_t^Q$
 - * $\pi_t^Q = (\sigma_t')^{-1} \sigma_t^Q$
 - * Hedge against fluctuations in wealth-to-consumption ratio
 - * σ_t^Q in terms of unknown volatility function (invoke MRT)

6 Applications

6.1 Preferred Habitats and Portfolio Choice

► Preferred Habitat Theory Modigliani and Sutch (1966):

- Individuals exhibit preference for securities with maturities matching their investment horizon
- Investor who cares about terminal wealth should invest in bonds with matching maturity
- Existence of group of investors with common investment horizon might lead to increase in demand for bonds in this maturity range
- Implies increase in bond prices and decrease in yields. Explains hump-shaped yield curves with decreasing profile at long maturities.

- **Formula** shows that optimal behavior naturally induces a demand for certain types of bonds in specific maturity ranges

$$\pi_t^* = w_t^m (X_t^* - B(t, T; C, F)) + w_t^b B(t, T; C, F) + \pi_t^z$$

$$w_t^m = \arg \max_w \{w' \sigma_t \theta_t : w' \sigma_t \sigma_t' w = k\}.$$

$$w_t^b = \arg \max_w \{w' \sigma_t \sigma (B(t, T; C)) : w' \sigma_t \sigma_t' w = k\}$$

$$\pi_t^z = \arg \max_{\pi} \{\pi' \sigma_t \hat{\sigma}(t, T) : \pi' \sigma_t \sigma_t' \pi = k\}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\sigma}_{t,T}' &\equiv \int_t^T E_t^v [(c_v^* - \Gamma_v^*) \mathcal{D}_t \log Z_{t,v}] B_t^v dv \\ &\quad + E_t^T [(X_T^* - \Gamma_T^*) \mathcal{D}_t \log Z_{t,T}] B_t^T \end{aligned}$$

- **Any individual has preferred bond habitat:**
 - Optimal portfolio includes long term bond with maturity date matching the investor's horizon
 - Preferred instrument is coupon-paying bond with payments tailored to consumption profile of investor
- **Complemented by mean-variance efficient portfolio to constitute static component of allocation**
- Under general market conditions static policy is fine-tuned by dynamic hedge
 - When bond return volatilities and market prices of risk are deterministic, dynamic hedge vanishes

- Motivation for preferred habitat here is different from Riedel (2001)
- In his model habitat preferences are driven by structure of subjective discount rates placing emphasis on specific future dates
 - In our setting preference for long term bonds emerges from the structure of the hedging terms
 - Optimal hedging combines static hedge (long term bond) with dynamic hedge motivated by fluctuations in forward measure volatilities

6.2 Universal Fund Separation

► Non-Markovian fund separation

- Assumptions:

- N State variables with path-dependent evolution ($N < d$)

$$dY_t = \mu(Y_{(\cdot)})_t dt + \sigma(Y_{(\cdot)})_t dW_t$$

- $B_t^v = B(t, v, Y_{(\cdot)})$

- $\sigma^Z(t, v) = \sigma^Z(t, v, Y_{(\cdot)})$

- * Path-dependent functionals.

- * Fréchet differentiable.

- Universal $N + 2$ -fund separation holds: portfolio demands can be synthesized by investing in $N + 2$ (*preference free*) mutual funds:

- Riskless asset

- Mean-variance efficient portfolio

- N mutual funds $(\sigma'_t)^{-1} \sigma_t^Y (Y_{(\cdot)})'$ to synthesize the static bond hedge and the forward density hedge.

6.3 Extreme Behavior

► Assume risk tolerances go to zero:

- Intermediate utility and bequest functions:

$$(\Gamma_u(z, v), \Gamma_U(z)) \rightarrow (0, 0) \text{ for all } z \in [0, +\infty) \text{ and all } v \in [0, T]$$

- Relative behaviors: for some constant $k \in [0, +\infty)$:

$$\frac{\Gamma_u(z_1, v)}{\Gamma_U(z_2)} \rightarrow k \text{ for all } z_1, z_2 \in [0, \infty) \text{ and all } v \in [0, T]$$

$$\frac{\Gamma_u(z_1, v_1)}{\Gamma_u(z_2, v_2)} \rightarrow 1 \text{ for all } z_1, z_2 \in [0, \infty) \text{ and all } v_1, v_2 \in [0, T]$$

- **Limit Allocations:** coupon-paying bond with constant coupon C and face value F given by

$$C = \frac{x}{\int_0^T B_0^v dv + B_0^T / k} \quad \text{and} \quad F = \frac{x}{\int_0^T B_0^v dv k + B_0^T}.$$

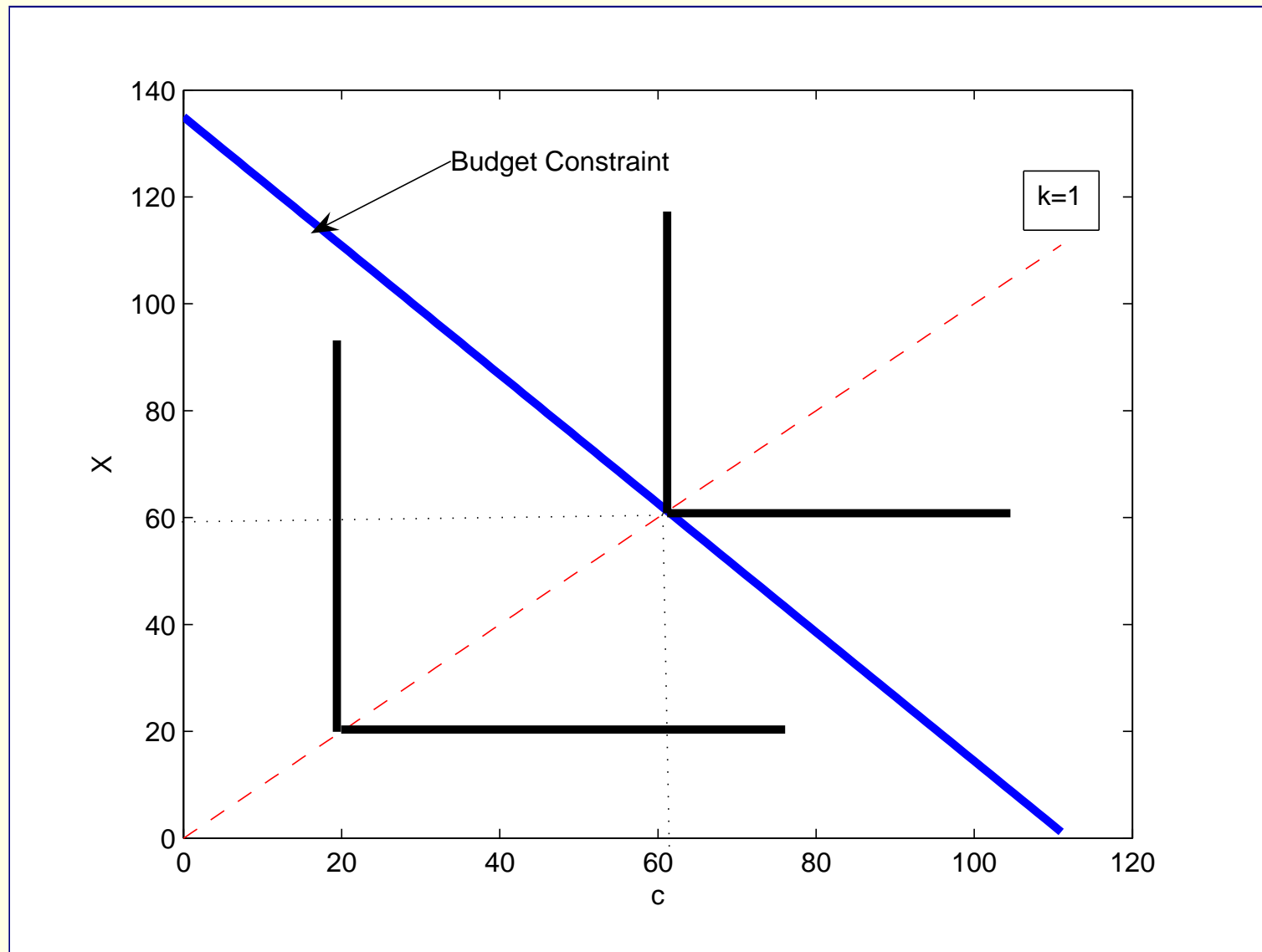
- If $k = 0$ exclusive preference for pure discount bond,
 $(C, F) = (0, x / B_0^T)$
- If $k \rightarrow \infty$ preference is for a pure coupon bond,
 $(C, F) = \left(x / \int_0^T B_0^v dv, 0 \right)$

► **Limit Behavior:**

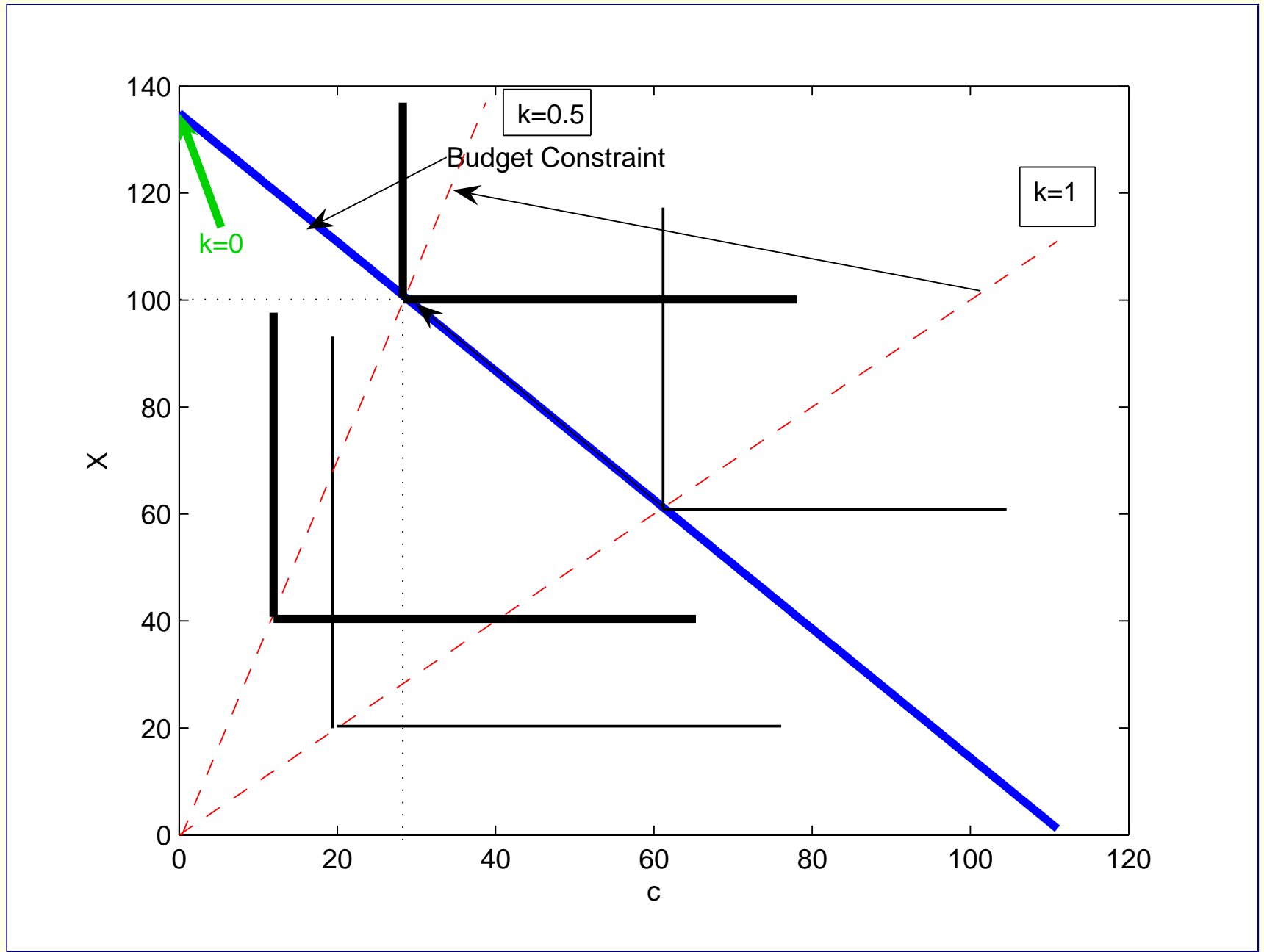
- Governed by relation between utility functions at different dates
- As risk tolerances vanish, preference for certainty: coupon-paying bond with bullet payment
- Least extreme of the extreme behaviors drives the habitat:
 - Given a preference for riskless instruments: individuals puts more weight on maturities where risk tolerance is greater
 - Exhibits a time preference in the limit.

► **Illustration:** CARA preferences Γ_u and Γ_U constant, $k \equiv \Gamma_u/\Gamma_U$.

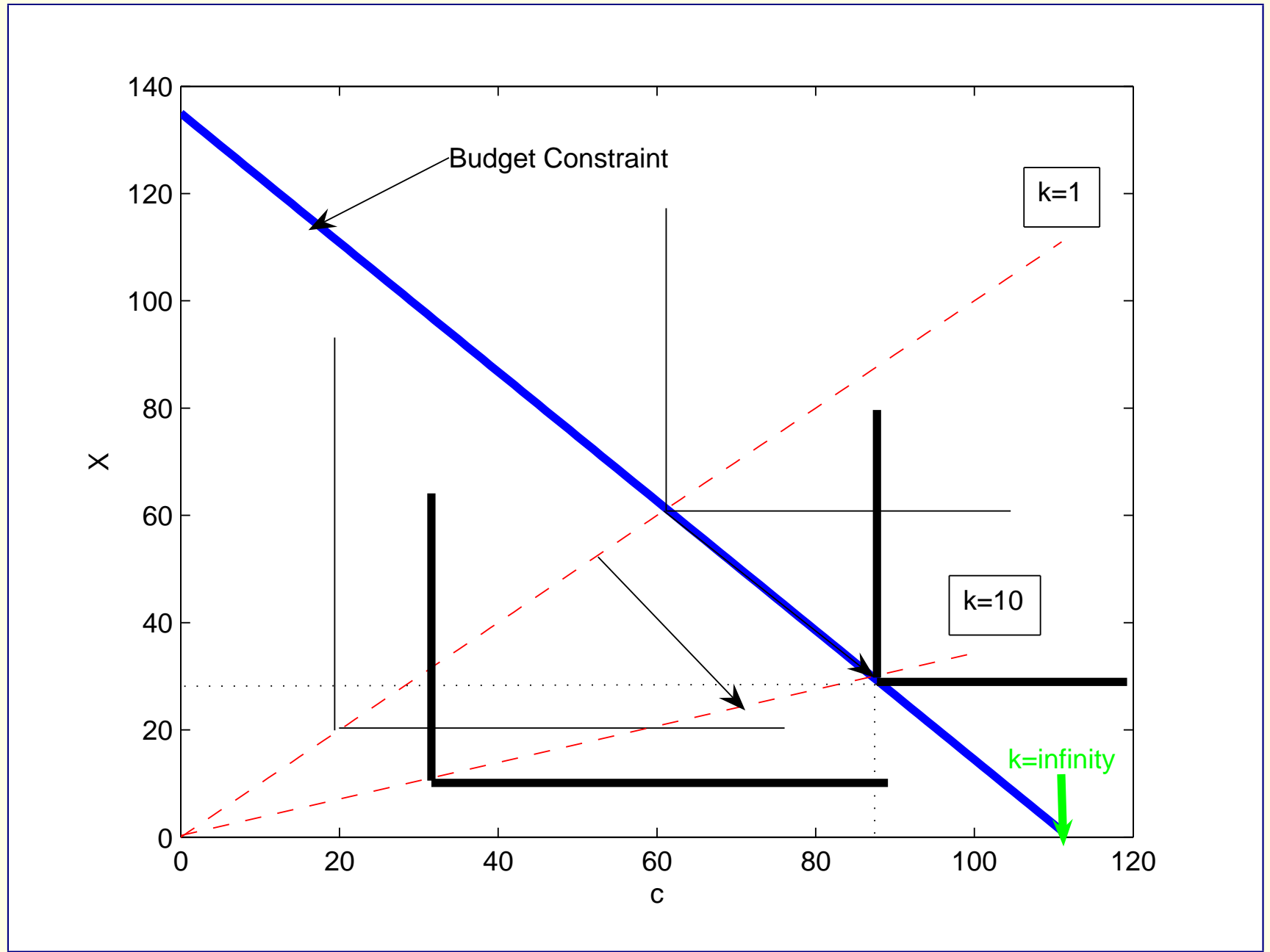
- Slope of indifference curves:
$$-\frac{dX}{dc} = \frac{1}{k} \left(e^{X-c/k} \right)^{\frac{1}{\Gamma_U}}$$



- $k \rightarrow 0$



- $k \rightarrow \infty$



► **Special case** examined by Wachter (2002)

- Arbitrary utility functions over terminal wealth and markets with general coefficients
- Documents emergence of preferred habitat when relative risk aversion goes to infinity
 - Pure discount bond with unit face value and matching maturity
- Our analysis shows that preferred habitat for an extreme consumer may take different forms depending on nature of behavior
 - Pure discount bonds, pure annuities or coupon-paying bonds with bullet payments at maturity can emerge in limit.

► Order of Convergence

- As $(\Gamma_u(z, v), \Gamma_U(z)) \rightarrow (0, 0)$, the limit portfolios

$$\rightarrow \bar{\pi}_t^m = \bar{\pi}_t^z = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \bar{\pi}_t^b = (\sigma'_t) \int_0^T \sigma^B(t, v) B_t^v dv C + \sigma^B(t, T) B_t^T F$$

- have scaled asymptotic errors:

$$\rightarrow \epsilon_t^\alpha(\nu) = (\Gamma_\nu(\cdot))^{-1} (\pi_t^\alpha - \bar{\pi}_t^\alpha) \text{ with } \alpha \in \{m, b, z\} \text{ and } \nu \in \{u, U\},$$

$$\begin{aligned} [\epsilon_t^m(U), \epsilon_t^m(u)] &\rightarrow (\sigma'_t)^{-1} \theta_t \left[\int_t^T B_t^v dv \ B_t^T \right] \mathcal{K} \\ [\epsilon_t^b(U), \epsilon_t^b(u)] &\rightarrow -(\sigma'_t)^{-1} \left[\int_t^T \sigma^B(t, v) B_t^v dv \ \sigma^B(t, T) B_t^T \right] \mathcal{K} \\ [\epsilon_t^z(U), \epsilon_t^z(u)] &\rightarrow -(\sigma'_t)^{-1} \left[\int_t^T N_{t,v} B_t^v dv \ N_{t,T} B_t^T \right] \mathcal{K} \end{aligned}$$

- where

$$\rightarrow N_{t,\tau} \equiv E_t^\tau \left[\left(\int_t^\tau \sigma^Z(r, \tau)' dW_r - \frac{1}{2} \int_t^\tau \|\sigma^Z(r, \tau)\|^2 dr \right) (\mathcal{D}_t \log Z_{t,\tau})' \right]$$

$$\rightarrow \mathcal{K} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} k & 1 \\ 1 & \frac{1}{k} \end{bmatrix}$$

6.4 Term structure models and asset allocation

► Integration of term structure models and asset allocation models:

- Forward rate representation of bonds

$$B_t^v = \exp \left(- \int_t^v f_t^s ds \right)$$

→ Continuously compounded forward rate: $f_t^s \equiv -\frac{\partial}{\partial v} \log (B_t^v)$

→ Bond price volatility:

$$\sigma^B(t, v)' = \mathcal{D}_t \log B_t^v = - \int_t^v \mathcal{D}_t f_t^s ds = - \int_t^v \sigma^f(t, s) ds$$

→ Volatility of forward rate: $\sigma^f(t, s)$

- Forward rate dynamics:

→ No arbitrage condition (HJM (1992)):

$$df_t^v = \sigma^f(t, v) \left(dW_t + \left(\theta_t - \sigma^B(t, v) \right) dt \right), \quad f_0^v \text{ given}$$

→ Dynamics completely determined by forward rate volatility function and initial forward rate curve

► **Optimal Portfolio:** previous formula with

$$\mathcal{D}_t \log Z_{t,v} = \int_t^v \left(dW_s + \left(\theta_s + \int_s^v \sigma^f(s, u) du \right) ds \right)' \left(\mathcal{D}_t \theta_s + \int_s^v \mathcal{D}_t \sigma^f(s, u) du \right)$$

- Forward density hedge in terms of forward rate volatilities
- Useful for financial institution using a specific HJM model to price/hedge fixed income instruments and their derivatives
- Implied forward rates inferred from term structure model and observed prices
 - estimate volatility function $\sigma^f(s, u)$
 - feed into asset allocation formula
- Simple integration of fixed income management and asset allocation.

► Forward Density Hedge:

- Immunization demand due to fluctuations in future market prices of risk and forward rate volatilities
- Vanishes if deterministic forward rate volatilities $\sigma^f(s, u)$ and market prices of risk θ_s
- Pure expectation hypothesis holds under forward measure:
$$f(t, v) = E_t^v[r_v]$$
 - Standard version of PEH ($f(t, v) = E_t[r_v]$) fails when $Z_{t,v} \neq 1$
 - Density process $Z_{t,v}$ measures deviation from PEH
 - Malliavin derivative $\mathcal{D}_t \log Z_{t,v}$ captures sensitivity of deviation with respect to shocks
 - Dynamic hedge = hedge against deviations from PEH
 - If $Z_{t,v} = 1$ PEH holds under the original beliefs and hedging becomes irrelevant
 - If σ^Z deterministic, deviations from PEH are non-predictable and do not need to be hedged

► Literature:

- Gaussian models: Merton (1974), Vasicek (1977), Hull and White (1990), Brace, Gatarek and Musiela (1997)
- Extensively employed in practice
- Forward rate volatilities σ^f are insensitive to shocks. If MPR also deterministic no need to hedge
- Bajeux-Besnainou, Jordan and Portait (2001) also falls in this category (one factor Vasicek)

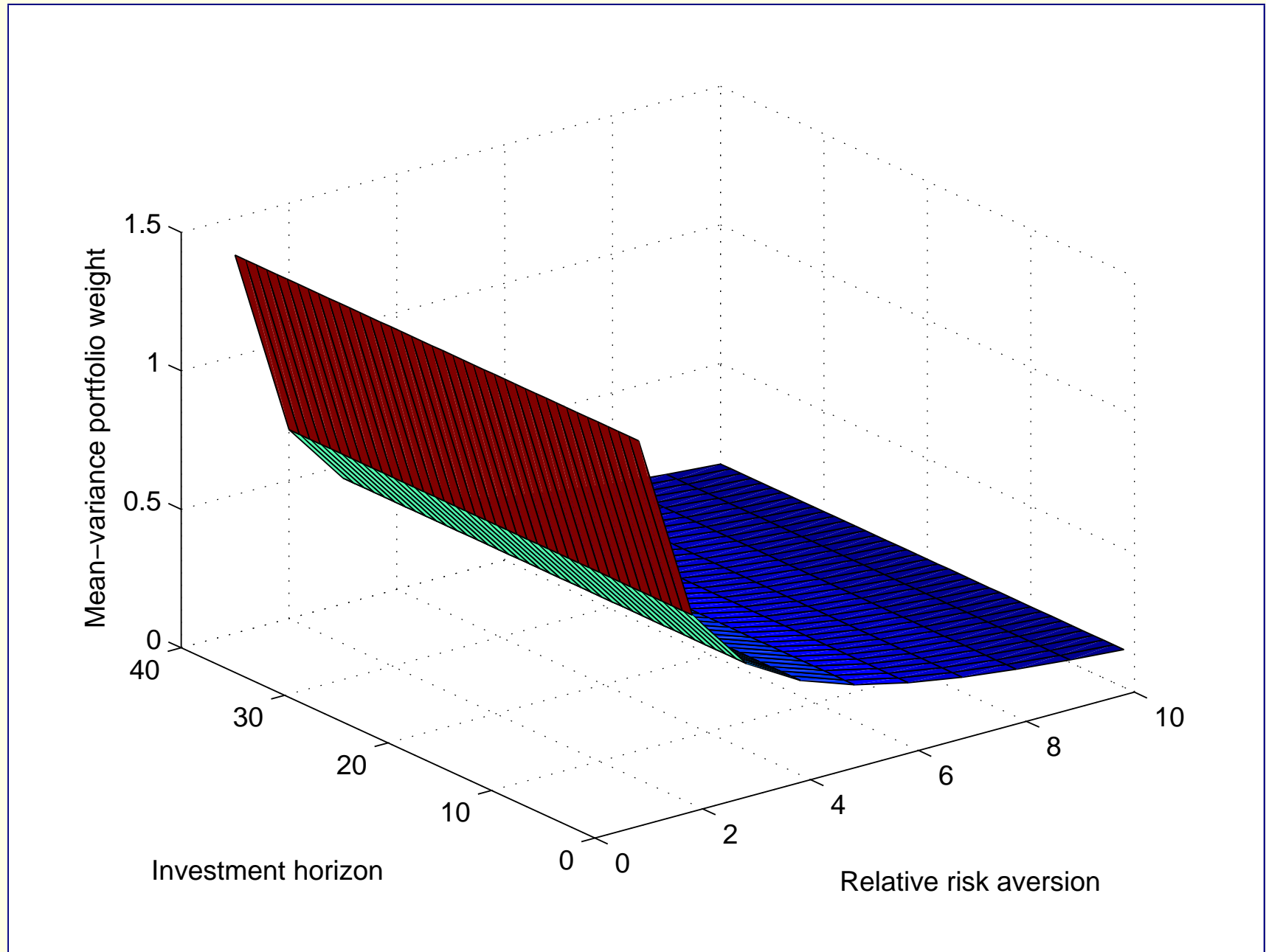
- **Numerical Results:** Forward measure hedges in one factor CIR model
- CIR interest rates:

$$dr_t = \kappa_r(\bar{r} - r_t)dt + \sigma_r\sqrt{r}dW_t; \quad r_0 = r$$
 - Parameter values (Durham (JFE, 2003)):
 - $\kappa_r = 0.002$
 - $\bar{r} = 0.0497$
 - $\sigma_r = -0.0062$
 - $r = 0.06$
 - Market price of risk:

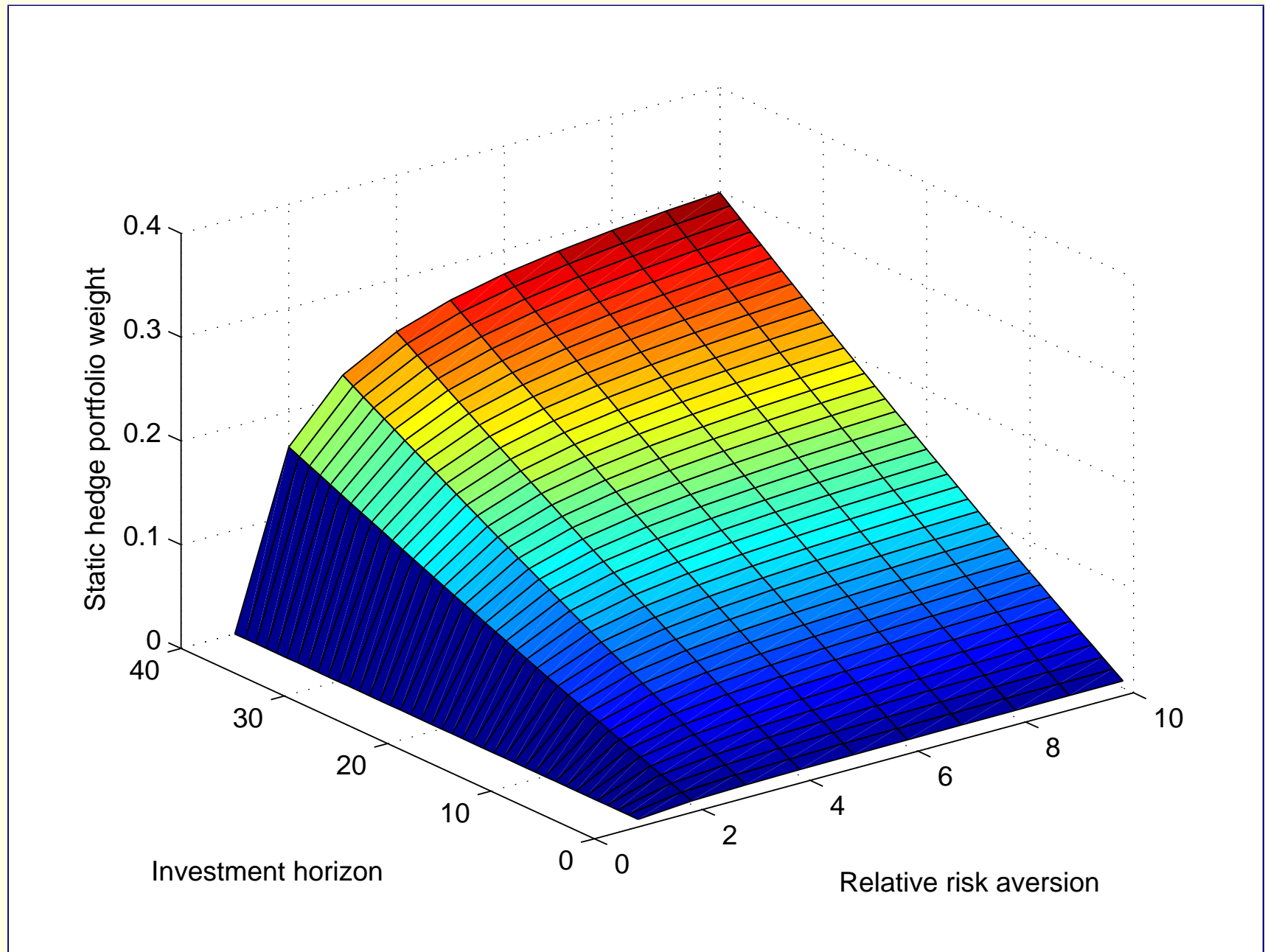
$$\theta_t = \gamma_r\sqrt{r_t}$$
 - Parameter values:
 - $\gamma_r = 0.3/\sqrt{\bar{r}}$ such that $\bar{\theta} = \gamma_r\sqrt{\bar{r}} = 0.3$
 - CRRA preferences for terminal wealth

- Mean-variance demand:

$$\pi_t^{mv} / X_t^* = \frac{1}{R} (\sigma_t')^{-1} \theta_t$$

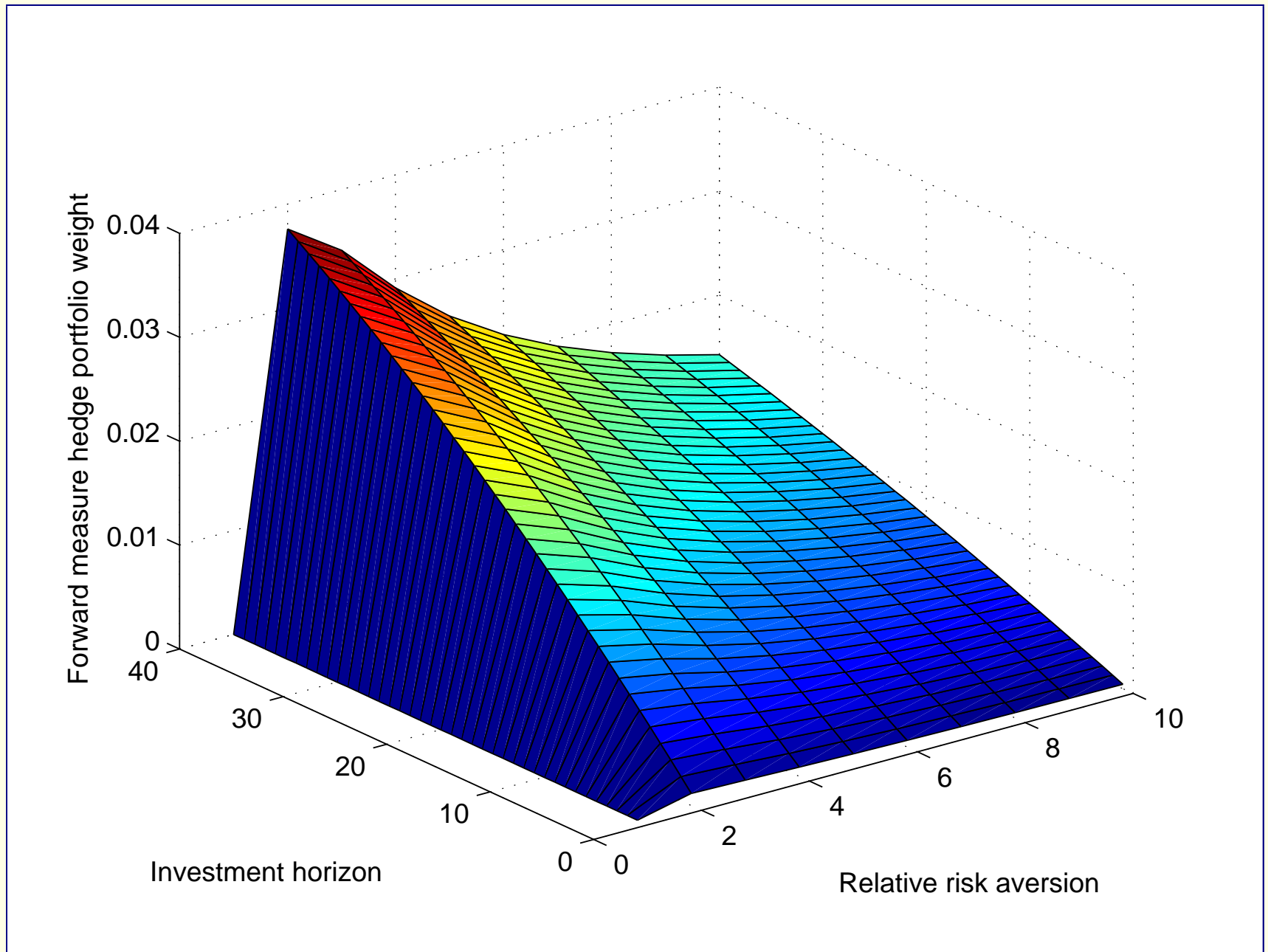


- Static term structure hedge: $\pi_t^b / X_t^* = \rho(\sigma_t')^{-1} \sigma^B(t, T)$



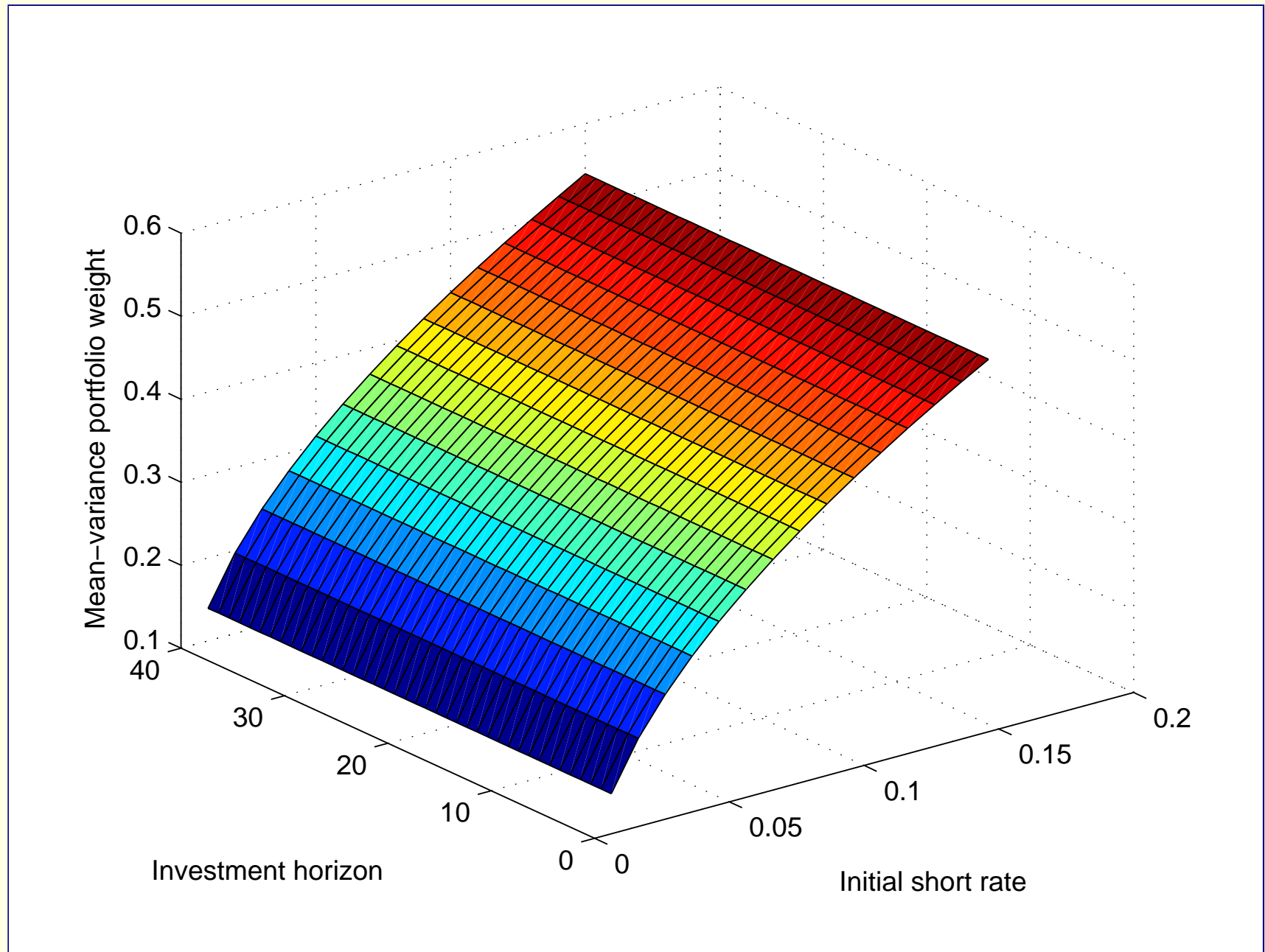
- Dynamic forward measure hedge:

$$\pi_t^z / X_t^* = \rho (\sigma_t')^{-1} \mathbf{E}_t^T \left[\frac{Z_{t,T}^{\rho-1}}{\mathbf{E}_t^T [Z_{t,T}^{\rho-1}]} (\mathcal{D}_t \log Z_{t,T})' \right]$$

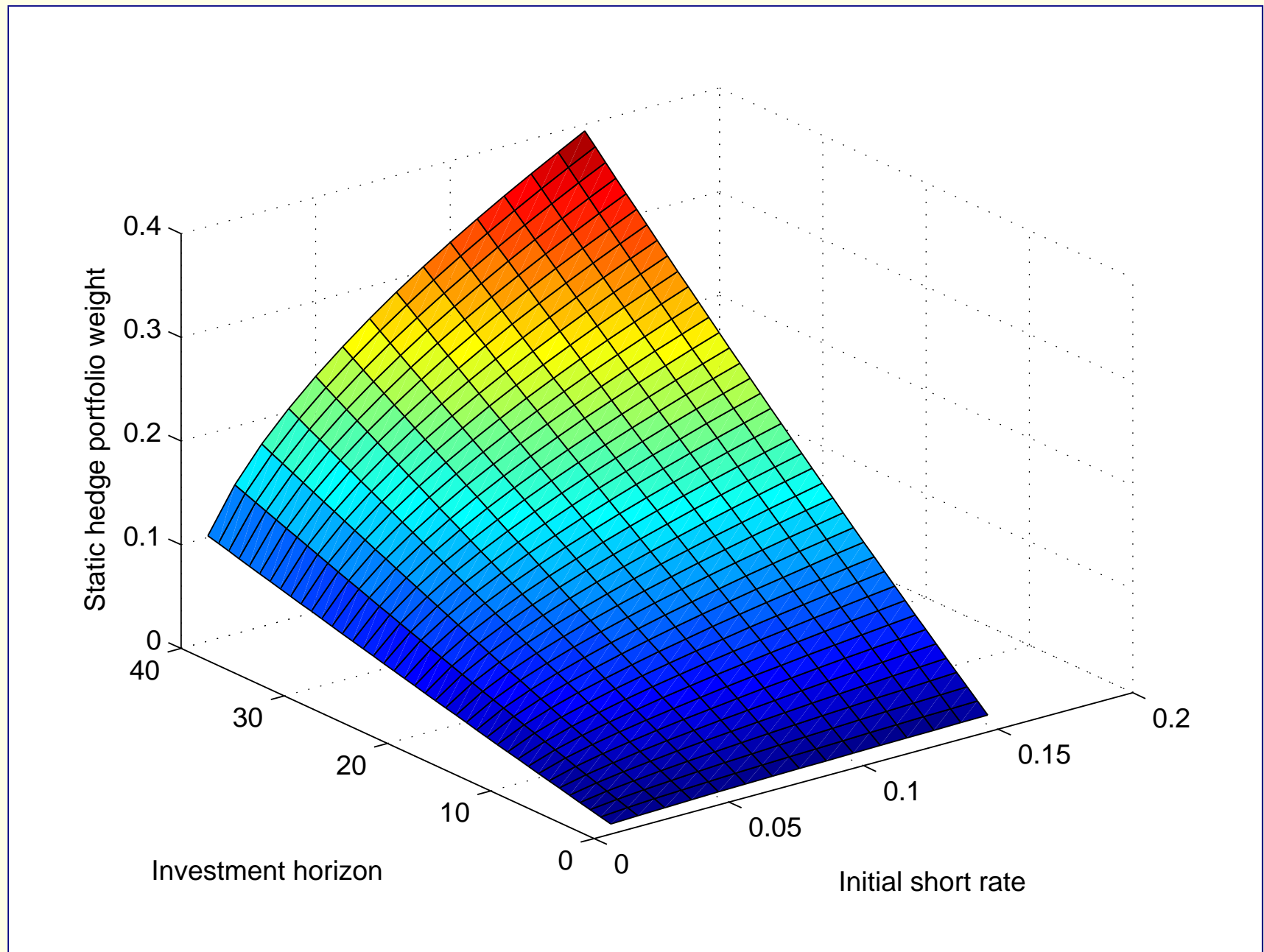


- Changing initial interest rate: Relative risk aversion fixed at $R = 4$

→ Mean-variance demand: $\pi_t^{mv} / X_t^* = \frac{1}{R} (\sigma'_t)^{-1} \theta_t$

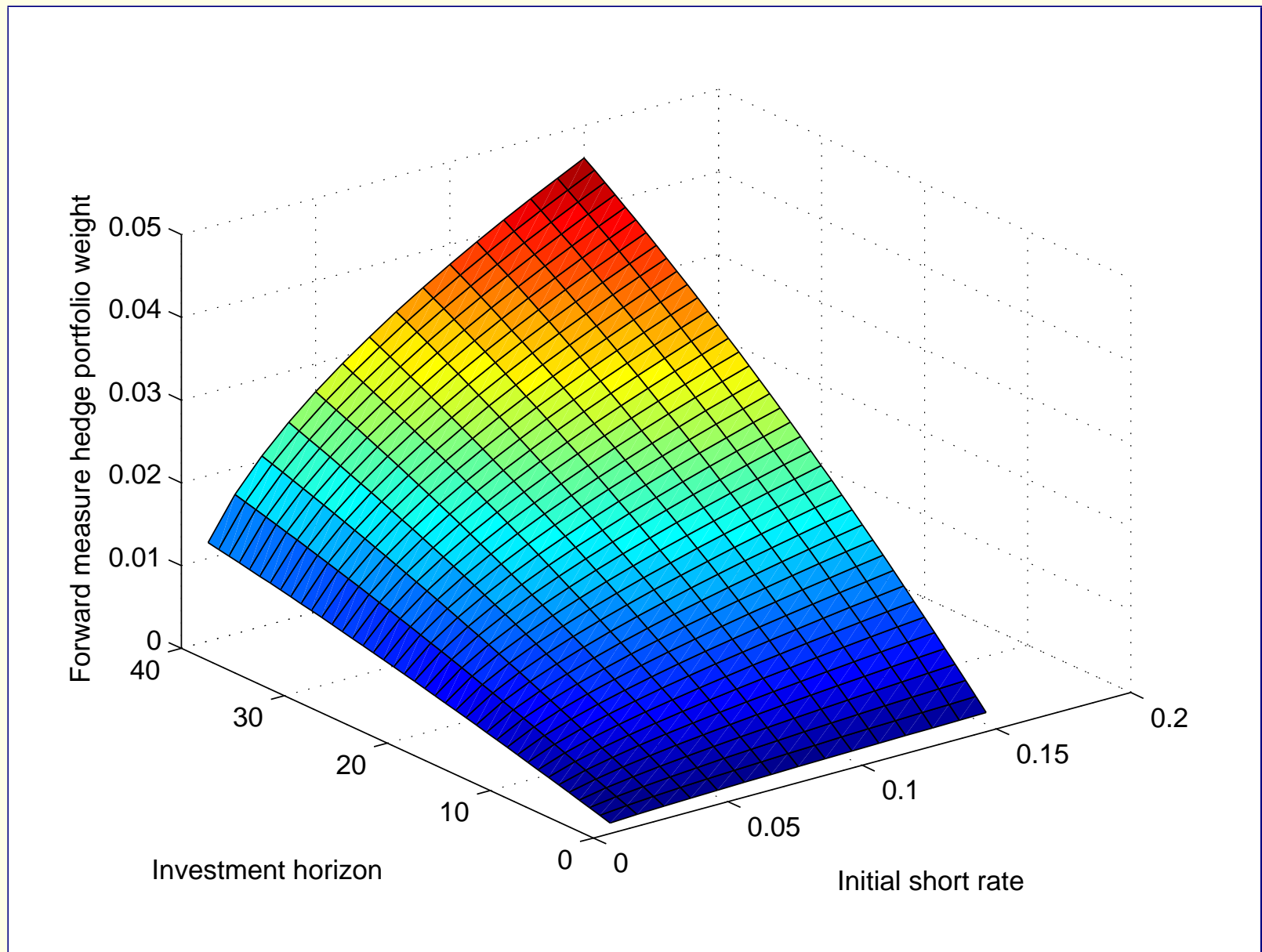


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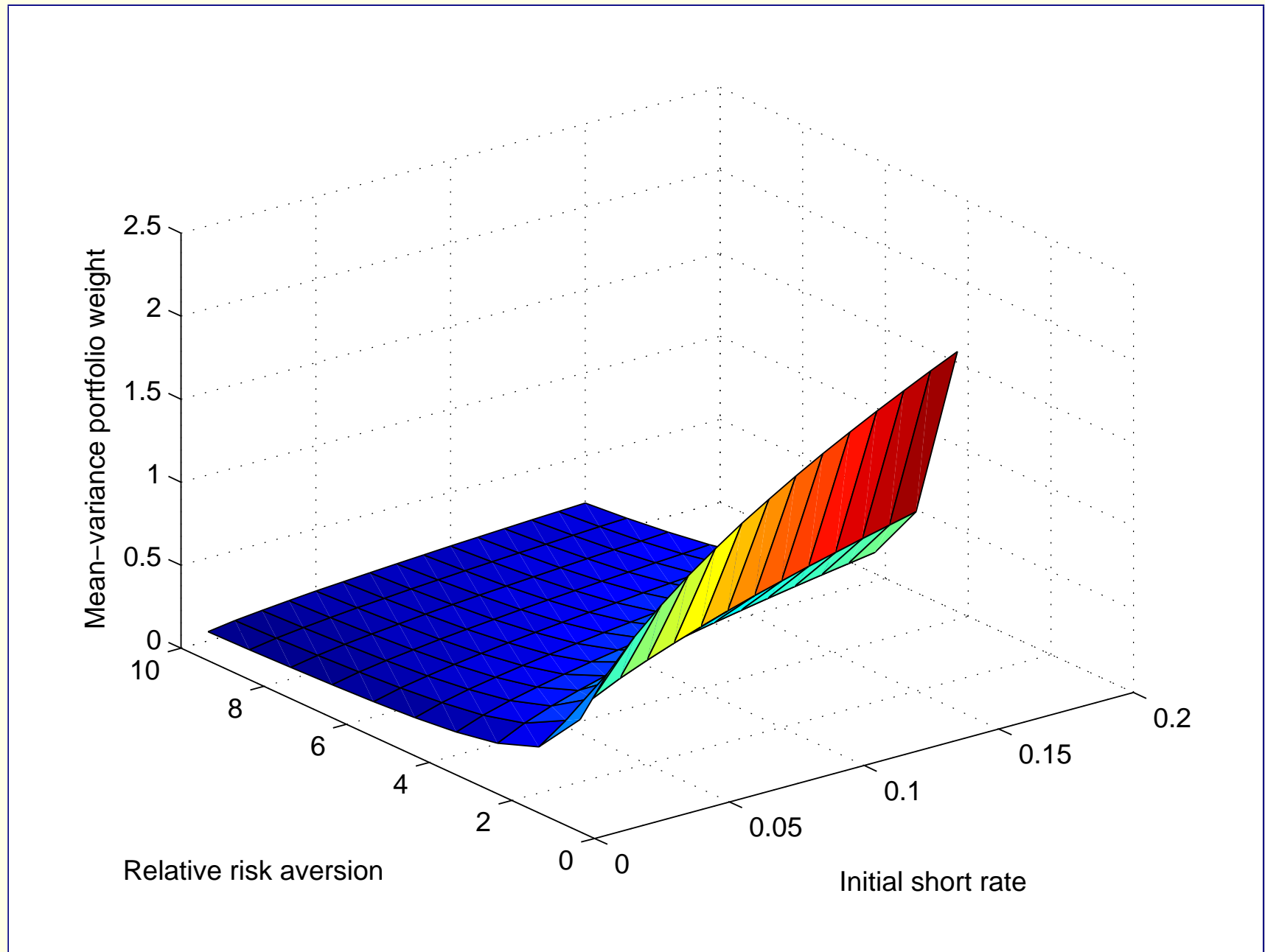
- Dynamic forward measure

hedge:
$$\pi_t^z / X_t^* = \rho (\sigma_t')^{-1} \mathbf{E}_t^T \left[\frac{Z_{t,T}^{\rho-1}}{\mathbf{E}_t^T [Z_{t,T}^{\rho-1}]} (\mathcal{D}_t \log Z_{t,T})' \right]$$

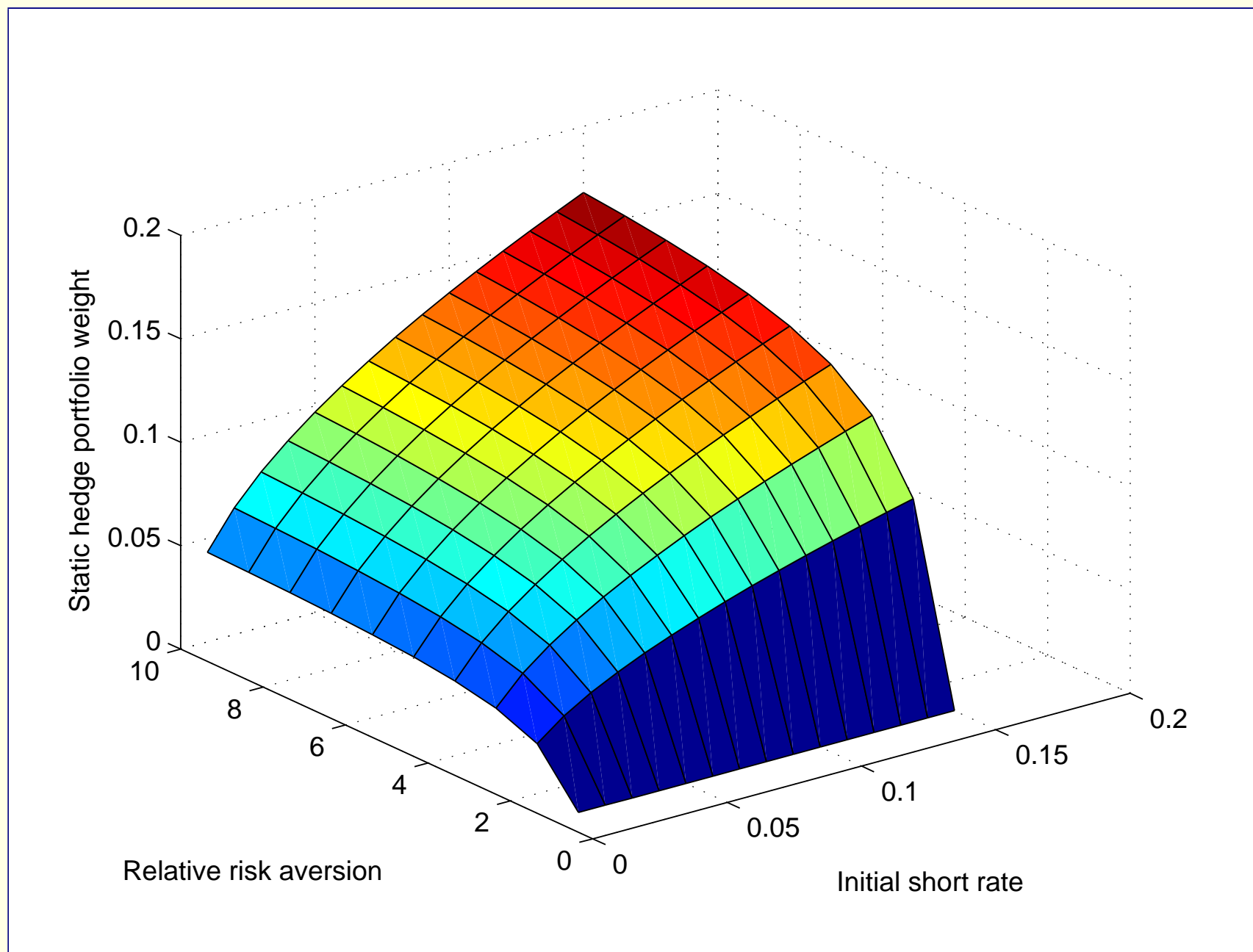


- Changing initial interest rate: Investment horizon fixed at $T = 15$

→ Mean-variance demand: $\pi_t^{mv} / X_t^* = \frac{1}{R} (\sigma'_t)^{-1} \theta_t$

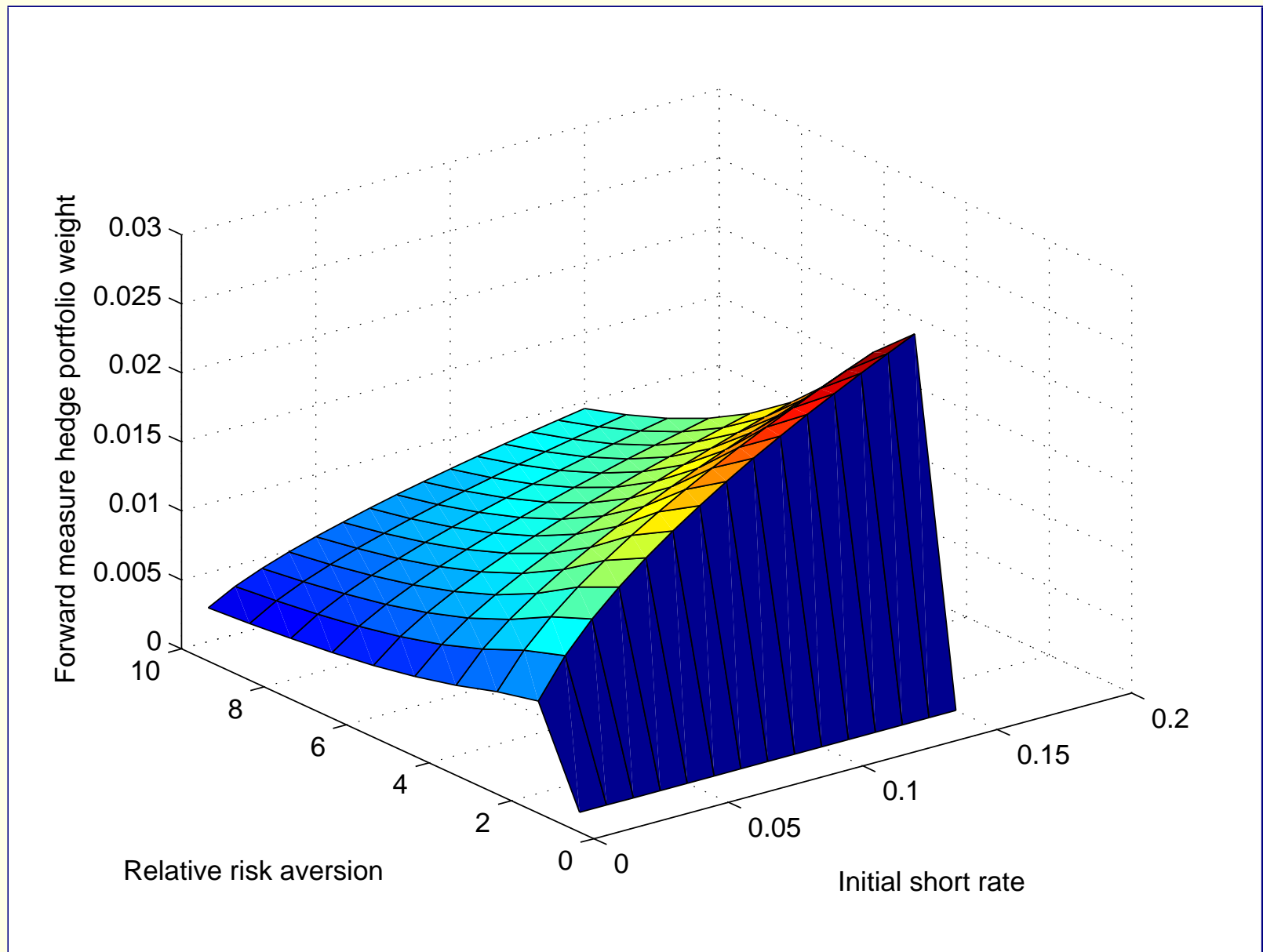


→ Static term structure hedge: $\pi_t^b / X_t^* = \rho(\sigma_t')^{-1} \sigma^B(t, T)$



- Dynamic forward measure

hedge:
$$\pi_t^z / X_t^* = \rho (\sigma_t')^{-1} \mathbf{E}_t^T \left[\frac{Z_{t,T}^{\rho-1}}{\mathbf{E}_t^T [Z_{t,T}^{\rho-1}]} (\mathcal{D}_t \log Z_{t,T})' \right]$$



7 Conclusion

► Contributions:

- Asset allocation formula based on change of numéraire
 - Highlights role of consumption-specific coupon bonds as instruments to hedge fluctuations in opportunity set
 - Formula has multiple applications: preferred habitat, demand for long term bonds, fund separation, extreme behavior, international asset allocation, demand for I-bonds
 - Technical contributions: exponential Clark-Haussmann-Ocone formula, Malliavin derivatives of functional SDEs, Solution of linear BVIE
- Integration of portfolio management and term structure models
- Asset allocation in HJM framework
 - Other applications