

# Design and Development of Cyber Insurance Policies Framework for Pre-Screening and Security Interdependence

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# ABSTRACT

Cyber insurance is a feasible technique for cyber risk transfer. In any case, it has been demonstrated that relying upon the highlights of the hidden condition, it could possibly enhance the condition of system security. In this paper, we consider a solitary benefit boosting safety net provider (central) with intentionally partaking insureds/customers (specialists). We especially keen on two particular highlights of cybersecurity and their effect on the agreement structure issue. The first is the associated idea of cybersecurity, where by one substance's condition of security depends without anyone else venture and exertion as well as the endeavors of others' in the equivalent ecoframework (i.e., externalities). The second is the way that ongoing advances in Internet estimation joined with machine learning methods currently enable us to perform precise quantitative appraisals of security act at a firm dimension. This can be utilized as an apparatus to play out an underlying security review, or pre-screening, of a forthcoming customer to all the, more likely empower premium separation and the structure of modified policies. we demonstrate that security interdependency prompts a "benefit opportunity" for the guarantor, made by the wasteful exertion levels applied by reliant operators who don't represent the risk externalities when insurance isn't accessible this is not standing risk transfer that a backup plan regularly benefits from. Security pre-screening at that point enables the backup the plan to exploit this extra benefit open door

by structuring the fitting contracts which boost specialists to build their exertion levels, enabling the safety net provider to "pitch responsibility" to related operators, notwithstanding guaranteeing their risks. We recognize conditions under which this sort of agreement prompts expanded benefit for the primary yet, in addition, an enhanced condition of system security.

**Key words:** Cyber-security, Cyber insurance, Pre-screening, Security interdependence.

# **1. INTRODUCTION**

The showcases for cyber-insurance items has been developing relentlessly lately with more than 70 transporters around the globe and complete premiums assessed over \$3B and anticipated to reach \$10B by 2020. These items empower associations and organizations to deal with their cyber-risks by transferring (some portion of) their risks to a backup plan as a byproduct of paying premiums.

This developing business sector has persuaded a broad writing (see for example), which expects to comprehend the remarkable qualities of these developing contracts, their impact on the insureds' security use, and the likelihood of utilizing these agreements to shape clients' conduct and enhance the condition of cybersecurity; see Section we for an outline of the related writing. The finishes of these investigations rely upon the suppositions on the advertise demonstrate insurance (benefit producer versus welfare boosting guarantors),



the operators' (insured's) support choices (mandatory versus deliberate insurance), and the expected model of interdependency among the safeguarded.



Fig. 1: Organizations Coalition for Cyber-Insurance

We are keen on investigating the likelihood of utilizing cyber-insurance as a motivator for enhancing system security. We receive two model presumptions which we trust better catch the present condition of cyber insurance advertises however vary from most of the current writing; we will expect a benefit boosting cyber safety net provider, and deliberate support, i.e., operators may quit obtaining an agreement. Under this model, we center around two highlights of cyber-insurance: (I) accessibility of risk appraisal for alleviating moral peril, and (ii) the associated idea of security.

The main component is because of the way that ongoing advances in Internet estimations joined with machine learning strategies presently enable us to perform precise, quantitative security pose evaluations at a firm dimension. This can be utilized as an apparatus to play out an underlying security review, or pre-screening, of a planned customer to moderate good risk by premium segregation and the structure of redid policies. The second particular element, the associated idea of security, alludes to the perception that the security remaining of a substance regularly depends not just all alone exertion towards executing security measurements yet in addition on the endeavors

of different elements communicating with it inside the eco-framework. Such interdependence is pivotal for the safety net provider's agreement structure issue, as the backup plan should offer inclusion to each guaranteed for the two its misfortunes because of direct breaks, just as circuitous misfortunes brought about by ruptures of different substances.

We will at that point think about the joined impact of risk transfer, interdependence, and security pre-screening, by considering the system of two reliant risk-loath specialists. Like the risk-nonpartisan case, the interdependence prompts free-riding by operators without insurance.

Our principal finding is that security interdependence among operators looking for cyber-insurance prompts a benefit open door for the backup plan. Cyber-Insurer benefits from risk-transfer as well as from pitching promise to associated operators: every specialist will be required to enhance its dimensions of interest in security, as a byproduct of the assurance that different operators will do as such also. Security pre-screening enables the safety net provider to exploit this extra benefit opportunity, by planning the suitable contracts which boost operators to build their exertion levels. Together, these agreements can prompt an enhancement in the condition of system security.

Preliminary forms of this work showed up in we examined the role of pre-screening in planning cyber insurance contracts between a riskimpartial back up plan and a risk-unwilling specialist, just as two homogeneous associated risk-loath operators. In analyzed the issue of planning cyber insurance contracts utilizing prescreening between

A risk-neutral insurer and agents in the following scenarios:



(I) a solitary risk-nonpartisan specialist, (ii) two heterogeneous between ward risk-impartial operators, (iii) two heterogeneous between ward risk-disinclined operators, and (iv) Ν homogeneous reliant risk-loath specialists. Notwithstanding a superior piece of our work by including numerical outcomes and specialized investigation in the reference section, we broaden our previous work by considering a risk-loath back up plan and N reliant operators whose misfortunes are related. In this situation, we think about the impact of connected misfortunes and guarantor's risk-reduction on system security.

# 2. RELATED WORK

We start by considering the single-time frame contract structure issue between a solitary riskunbiased backup plan and a solitary agent1; we allude the intrigued peruse to for an outline of agreement hypothesis. The examination of the single-specialist case enables us to contemplate exclusively the role of pre-screening by barring the interdependency, and later, related to them, to reveal the role of interdependence.

A specialist applies exertion  $e \in [0, +\infty)$  towards verifying his framework, causing an expense of c for each unit of exertion. Give Le a chance to sign the misfortune, an arbitrary variable that the operator encounters given his exertion e. We expect Le has a typical distribution,2 with mean  $\mu(e) \ge 0$  and fluctuation  $\lambda(e) \ge 0.3$  We accept both  $\mu(e)$  and  $\lambda(e)$  are entirely curved, entirely diminishing, and twice differentiable. The diminishing suspicion suggests that expanded exertion lessens the normal misfortune, just as its unpredictability. At the end of the day, it is beyond the realm of imagination to expect to diminish risk from cyber assaults to zero regardless of whether the specialist applies exceptionally extensive exertion.

We further preclude the likelihood of disclaims by expecting that the acknowledged misfortune is watched splendidly by both the backup plan and the operator.

When all is said in done, the exertion applied by an operator isn't detectable by the safety net provider; this data asymmetry is formally alluded to as good peril. We accept that so as to diminish this asymmetry and achieve better data about the specialist, the backup plan can direct a pre-screening of the operator's security standing. Through pre-screening, the safety net provider acquires a pre-screening evaluation or result Se = e + W, where W is a zero mean Gaussian clamor with change  $\sigma$  2. We accept both operators and backup plan know the circulation of Se; such evaluation can be gotten through a scope of conceivable strategies and (Internet) estimation systems, data from starting studies rounded out by the specialist, outer reviews, or inside reviews directed by an outside firm. We expect Se is restrictively autonomous of Le, given e. The pre-screening result Se will be utilized by the backup plan in deciding the terms of the agreement.

A. Linear Contract and the Insurer's Payoff We think about the structure of a lot of direct contracts. In particular, the agreement offered by the backup plan comprises of a base premium p, a markdown factor  $\alpha$ , and an inclusion factor  $\beta$ . The operator pays a premium  $p - \alpha \cdot Se$  and gets  $\beta \cdot Le$  as inclusion in case of a misfortune. We let  $0 \le \beta \le 1$ , i.e., inclusion never surpasses the real misfortune. In this manner, the backup plan's utility (benefit) is given by:

V  $(p,\alpha,\beta,e) = p-\alpha$ .Se- $\beta$ .Le ----(1)

# **B. Risk-Neutral Agent**

The utility of a risk-neutral agent is given by,  $U(e) = -L_e - c_e \rightarrow \overline{U}(e) = E(U(e)) - \mu(e) - \mu$ 

ce ----- (2)

In the event that the specialist decides not to enter an agreement, he bears the full expense of his exertion just as any acknowledged misfortune. In this manner, the ideal exertion



(m) of the specialist outside the agreement is arg mine $\geq 0$   $\mu$  (e) + ce and his expected utility outside the contract is uo := U (m).

Then again, if the specialist buys an agreement ( p,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ) from the guarantor, at that point his utility, and expected utility, are given by:

$$\begin{split} U^{\text{in}}(p,\alpha,\beta,e) &= -p + \propto S_e - L_e + \beta L_e - ce\\ \overline{U}^{\text{in}}(p,\alpha,\beta,e) &= E\left(U^{\text{in}}(p,\alpha,\beta,e)\right) == -p + \\ (\propto -c)_e + (\beta - 1)\mu(e) - (3) \end{split}$$

# C. Risk-Averse Agent

For straightforwardness, we will utilize indistinguishable documentation for riskdisinclined operators from for risk-unbiased specialists. The utility of a risk-opposed operator is given by:

 $U(e) = -exp\{-\gamma. (-L_e - ce)\}----- (4)$ 

Where  $\gamma$  signifies the risk disposition of the operator; a higher  $\gamma$  infers more risk repugnance. We accept  $\gamma$  is known to the backup plan, along these lines taking out unfavorable determination and exclusively concentrating on the ethical risk part of the issue.

Utilizing the essential properties of the ordinary appropriation, we have the accompanying anticipated utility for the specialist:

# **D.** Insurer's Problem

The safety net provider structures the agreement  $(p, \alpha, \beta)$  to expand her anticipated result. In doing as such, the safety net provider likewise needs to fulfill two requirements: Individual Rationality (IR), and Incentive Similarity (IC). The first stipulates that an objective operator won't enter an agreement with the expected result not as much as his outside choice uo, and the second that the exertion wanted by the guarantor ought to boost the operator's normal utility under that agreement.

**2.1 role of pre-screening for a single agent** We presently take care of the ideal contract issue presented what's more separately.

# A. Risk-Neutral Agent

For this situation, the target capacity of the safety net provider is given by - uo -  $\mu$  (e) - c •e. Nonetheless, note that uo = maxe $\geq 0$  {- $\mu$  (e) - ce}, and along these lines the guarantor's benefit is at generally zero. An agreement with (p = 0,  $\alpha$  = 0,  $\beta$  = 0) will yield a result of zero, making it an ideal contract. We along these lines finish up that is ideal for the backup plan to not offer an agreement to a risk-unbiased specialist. Additionally note that for this situation the nature of prescreening, or without a doubt the accessibility of pre-screening paying little mind to the quality, assumes no role in either the backup plan's or specialist's choices

# **B. Risk-Averse Agent**

We begin with the accompanying hypothesis on the condition of the system security, characterized as the exertion applied by the specialist, previously and after the buy of an agreement.

**Theorem 1:** Assume that  $(\alpha, \beta, \hat{\beta})$  solve the optimization problem. Then  $e^{-1} < m$ , where m is the level of effort outside the contract; in other words, insurance decreases network security. Proof: Assume that  $(\alpha, \beta, \hat{\beta}, \hat{\beta})$  solves optimization the problem, and that, bv contradiction. e^ > >0. m First, recall that the agent's optimal effort m outside the contract is given by  $m := arginine \ge 0$  $\mu$  (e) + 1 2 $\gamma$   $\gamma$   $\lambda$  (m)  $\geq$  0. Next, think about the accompanying two cases: (I)  $\alpha^{2} = 0$ . Beginning from the principal request condition (FOC) on the (IC) requirement, we have, Here, the second line pursues from the diminishing idea of  $\mu$  (•) and  $\lambda$  (•), and the third line pursues from their convexity.

# **3. PROPOSAL METHODOLOGY**

In the event that we next investigated the agreement structure issue between the guarantor and two operators. Specifically, we examine the effect of interdependence and pre-screening on



the ideal contract and operators' exertion, on account of two risks impartial and two risk-loath specialists, separately, with the previous enabling us to reject the impact of risk abhorrence and spotlight on the impact of interdependence.

#### A. Model of Two Agents

The two operators are associated, in that the exertion applied by one specialist influences himself as well as the misfortune that the other operator encounters. We demonstrate the interdependence between these two specialists as pursues:

 $L_{e_1}^{(i)} .._{e_2} N (\mu (e_i + x \cdot e_{-i}), \gamma(e_i + x \cdot e_{-i}))$ 

Here,  $\{-i\} = \{1, 2\} - \{i\}$ , and L (ei1), e2 is an irregular variable signifying the misfortune that specialist we encounters, given the two operators' endeavors. The interdependence factor is indicated by  $x \in [0, 1)$ . Note this is definitely not a one of a kind demonstrating decision and is without a doubt a rearrangement; an increasingly broad method for expressing corresponded risks is display the misfortunes as mutually circulated;

We expect the specialists' utilities are again given by (2) and (4) for risk-nonpartisan and risk-disinclined operators, individually, with the misfortune dispersions supplanted by the above expression. We enable the two specialists to have diverse exertion cost c1, c2, just as various risk frames of mind  $\gamma$ 1,  $\gamma$ 2.

The safety net provider can again lead a prescreening evaluation, restrictively autonomous given e1, e2.

Like the single-operator case, we have to assess the specialists' outside alternatives from obtaining an agreement. These will at that point be utilized to force the individual reasonability limitations in deciding the terms of the agreements. In any case, contrasted with the single-specialist case, the outside alternative of one operator is presently affected by the interest decision of the other specialist also. In particular, we have to assess the specialists' utilities just as potential contracts in the accompanying three situations:

(i) Neither operator enters an agreement; (ii)

One enters an agreement, while alternate quits; and (iii) both buy contracts.

Here, Case (ii) is the outside choice for specialists in Case (iii), what's more, Case (I) is the outside alternative for operators in Case (ii). Along these lines, so as to assess the investment imperatives of operators when both buy insurance contracts (Case (iii)), we first need to locate the ideal contracts and specialists' settlements in Cases (I) and (ii).

#### **B.** Two Risk-Neutral Agents

Our initial two-operator show is for riskunbiased specialists to exclusively concentrate on the impact of interdependence. As referenced above, so as to assess the operators' quit choices and finding the ideal contract, the backup plan's concern and the specialists' utilities should be examined under three unique cases. We start by examining these three cases and after that continue to talk about the role of pre-screening and the agreements' impact on system security.

**Theorem 2:** Hypothesis 2: Let eo we mean the exertion of specialist we when insurance isn't accessible, and ei in signify the exertion of operator we in the answer i.e., when buying the ideal contract. Additionally, let ei indicate the exertion dimension of operator we in the socially ideal result (i.e., the endeavors boosting the whole of specialists' utilities). At that point, the guarantor offers contracts to both operators, with the accompanying properties, (I) ei in =  $\sim$  ei, for we= 1, 2. That is, the operators apply socially ideal exertion levels in the ideal contract. (ii) ei in  $+e2in \ge e10 + e20$ . That is when the two operators buy ideal insurance gets, the general exertion applied toward security



builds contrasted with the no-insurance situation. (iii)  $Vii \ge U 1(e^{-1}, e^{-2}) + U 2(e^{-1}, e^{-2})$ - U 1(e1o, e2o) - U 2(e1o, e2o). That is, the foremast's benefit is higher than the hole between specialists' welfare at the socially ideal arrangement, what's more, the no-insurance balance.

Hypothesis 1, infers the accompanying. Initially, review that, as talked about in Section IV-C, the safety net provider can't make a benefit from offering contracts to a solitary risk-impartial specialist, as there is no risk transfer from riskimpartial operators to a safety net provider. However, we see that the safety net provider can make a benefit when advertising contracts to reliant risk-nonpartisan specialists. We close that this enhancement is because of the specialists' interdependency, what's more, can interpreted pursues. be as Due to interdependency, agents under-put resources into security at the no-insurance balance. Also, Part (iii) of the hypothesis demonstrates that the benefit open door for the guarantor is significantly higher than the welfare hole between the socially ideal and Nash balance results. This is because of the way that the outside choice from the agreement for the specialist, weam a result in which the safety net provider offers a contract (only) to the operator - I. The backup plan will choose this agreement in a way that it requires operator - weto apply low exertion and get high inclusion, viably compelling operator weto endure the full cost of exertion, prompting a utility lower than the noinsurance Nash harmony for specialist I. Therefore, as specialists' (IR) imperatives are additionally official, it pursues that the guarantor's profit, truth be told, the hole between welfare accomplished under the optimal the contract, and the welfare at these low result, onesided pick out results. At long last, note that the announcements of this hypothesis don't rely

upon the pre-screening clamors  $\sigma i < \infty$ . This is because the expected utilities and resulting exertion decisions of risk-unbiased operators are just delicate to the mean, however not the differences of vulnerabilities in the issue parameters. Thusly, under the supposition of zero mean commotion in the pre-screening appraisals, specialists' conduct will be autonomous of  $\sigma$ .

#### C. Two Risk-Averse Agents

We next break down the instance of two riskdisinclined specialists. Once more, as talked about in Section V, so as to assess the specialists' singular judiciousness imperatives and finding the ideal contracts, we have to represent three conceivable cases dependent on the specialists' investment options. The following investigation is like that presented in Segment V-B, by supplanting the operator's utility capacities with their risk-loath forms and taking care of the subsequent enhancement issues. We along these lines present the subtleties in the on the web informative supplement.

# N-Homogeneous agents, correlated losses, and risk-averse insurer

We analyze the situation where the misfortunes of these specialists are distribution ally reliant as well as related in their acknowledge; we will likewise consider the effect of risk repugnance with respect to the safety net provider on the subsequent contract.

# A. N-Homogeneous Risk-Averse Agents

Consider a system of N homogeneous riskunwilling specialists given by  $\gamma i = \gamma$ , ci = c, and  $\sigma i = \sigma$ ,  $\forall i$ . The presumption of homogeneity rearranges the backup plan's concern, enabling us to get extra bits of knowledge about the agreements and their effect on system security. Let  $e = (e1, e2, \cdot, eN)$  indicate the vector of endeavors all things considered. The loss of operator we is given by,



$$L_{e_{1}}^{(i)} \sim N (\mu (e_{i} + x \sum_{i \neq j} e^{j} e_{-i}), \gamma(e_{i} + x \sum_{i \neq i} e^{j})) - \dots (6)$$

The agents' expected utility outside the contract is,

$$\overline{U}_{i}(e) = E\left(-\exp\left\{-\gamma\left(-Le^{(i)}-ce_{i}\right)\right\}\right)$$
$$= -\exp\left(\gamma\left(\mu\left(e_{i}+x\sum_{j\neq i}ej\right)+\frac{\gamma\left(e_{i}+x\sum_{j\neq i}ej\right)}{2}+ce_{i}\right)\right\}-\dots$$
(7)

Let  $m = \operatorname{argmine} \ge 0 \ \mu(e) + 1 \ 2\gamma \ \lambda(e) + ce$ . At that point, the best reaction mapping of specialist weis given by,  $B_i^{\text{out}}(e_{-i}) = (m - x \sum_{j \neq i} e_j)$ ------(8)

Where  $(x) + = \max \{0, x\}$ . The Nash balance is the settled purpose of the above best reaction capacities, prompting endeavors e = m 1 + (N-1)x by every operator at the symmetric Nash harmony. At the point when operator webuys an agreement (p,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ), his normal the utility will be given by,

$$U_{i}^{in}(p, \alpha, \beta, e) = E(-\exp\{-\gamma(-p + \alpha \cdot S_{ei} - L_{e}^{(i)} - \beta L^{e(i)} - c \cdot e_{i})\})$$
  
=  $-\exp\{\gamma(p + (c - a)e_{i} + \frac{1}{2} + a^{2}\gamma\sigma^{2} + (1 - \beta)\mu(e_{i} + x\sum_{j \neq i} e_{j}) + \frac{\gamma(1 - \beta)^{2}\lambda(e_{i} + x\sum_{j \neq i} e_{j})}{2}\}$ ------(9)

Along these lines, the best reaction of operator I, when he enters the contract is as per the following,

$$B_{i}^{in}(e - i) = (m(a, \beta) - x \sum_{j \neq i} e_{j}) + (m(a, \beta) = \arg \max_{e \ge 0} (1 - \beta)\mu(e) + \frac{1}{2} - (1 - \beta)^{2}\gamma\lambda(e) + (c - a)e.$$

Like the two-operator case, we can compose the backup plan's contract structure issue as pursues,

 $\max_{\substack{a,\beta,e}} N \cdot \{p - ae + x(N - 1)e)\}$ s.t., (IR) $\overline{U}_i^{in}(p, \alpha, \beta, e) \ge u^{out}$ (IC) $e = (e, \dots, e)$ ------(11) Here, out means the utility of an operator when he quits acquiring an agreement, while every single other specialist buy contracts. We can again demonstrate that the individual sanity requirements in the above issue are authoritative at the ideal contract. Therefore, the backup plan's advancement issue disentangles.

$$\max_{a,\beta,\acute{\mathrm{m}}} N \cdot \{\omega^{\mathrm{out}} - \mu(\acute{\mathrm{m}}) - \mu(\acute{\mathrm{m}}) - \frac{(1-\beta)^2 y \lambda(\acute{\mathrm{m}})}{2} - \frac{c.\acute{\mathrm{m}}}{1+(N-1)x} - \frac{\gamma a^2 \sigma^2}{2} \}$$
  
s.t., (*IC*)  $\acute{\mathrm{m}} = \arg \min_{e \ge 0} (1-\beta)\mu(e) \cdot \frac{(1-\beta)^2 \gamma \lambda(e)}{2} + (c-a)e$   
Where  $\omega^{\mathrm{out}} = \frac{in(-u^{\mathrm{out}})}{\gamma} - \dots (12)$ 

Note additionally that issue prescribes indistinguishable contracts for all operators. We presently examine the impact of the prescreening noise  $\sigma$ , on the condition of system security, characterized as the total of every one of operators' endeavors; with homogeneous specialists, this is identical to every specialist's exertion.

Theorem 3: Let m = argmine  $\geq 0 \mu$  (e) +  $\gamma 2 \lambda$  (e) + c and assume  $\theta = 0$  and m > 0. At that point, the specialists apply higher-effort than their exertion outside the agreement if and just if  $\mu(m)$ + 1 2  $\gamma \delta \gamma$  + $\delta \lambda(m)$  + 1+(Nc-1)x < 0. Notice that the state of Theorem 3 lessons to the state of Theorem 2 on the off chance that we set  $\delta = 0$ . Additionally, see that the state of Theorem 4 is bound to be happy with bigger estimations of  $\delta$ . For example, if  $\delta = \infty$ , the condition is constantly fulfilled, and the specialists apply higher exertion inside the agreement. As it were, if the backup plan is more risk-loath, all things considered, she urges specialists to apply higher endeavors contrasted with their endeavors outside of the agreement. We close this area by



describing the impact of relationship on specialists' endeavors given immaculate prescreening.

Theorem 4: Assume  $\theta \ge 0$ , i.e., positive connection between misfortunes. At that point, the specialists' endeavors inside the agreement increment as  $\theta$  increments.

Hypothesis 5 infers that if specialists' misfortunes have increasingly corresponded, a risk-disinclined backup plan urges the operators to apply more exertion. This is on the grounds that, with connected misfortunes, it is more probable for misfortunes to happen all the while when contrasted with a situation with autonomous misfortunes. Note that when  $\delta = 0$ in (49), i.e., when the safety net provider is risk impartial, the issue ends up autonomous of  $\theta$ , implying that the covariance between any two misfortunes don't influence the ideal contract or the agents 'efforts if the backup plan is risk nonpartisan.

# Conclusion

We examined the issue of structuring cyber insurance decreases by a solitary benefit amplifying back up plan, for both risk-unbiased and risk-disinclined operators. While the presentation of insurance exacerbates arrange security in a system of free specialists, we demonstrated that the outcome could be distinctive in a system of associated operators. In particular, we demonstrated that security interdependency prompts a benefit open door for the safety net provider, made by the wasteful exertion levels applied by free-riding specialists when insurance isn't accessible vet interdependency is present; this is notwithstanding risk transfer that a backup plan regularly benefits from. We demonstrated that security pre-screening at that point enables the safety net provider to exploit this extra benefit open door by structuring the correct contracts to boost the operators to expand their exertion levels and basically pitching pledge to related specialists. We appear under what conditions this kind of agreements prompts not just expanded benefit for the essential and utility for the specialists yet additionally enhanced the condition of system security.

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