Interview Slides

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Biodiversity Modelling and Corporate Disclosures

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Outline

1. Self Introduction

Current work

Future

Education

Wenbin Wu

- King's College London
 - PhD in Computer Science
 - MSc Banking and Finance
- Peking University
 - MS Computational Finance
- University of Electronic Science and Technology of China
 - BSc Information Security

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Background and Question

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- Stablecoin is a type of decentralized cryptocurrency.
- Many stablecoins have experienced bank runs.
- Some encoutered outright collapse, e.g., Terra **⑤** and Basis **⑥**.

Question

- What stablization policies improve price stability?
- What is the implication of this?

PhD Research

Methods and Findings

Methods

- Analysis of stylized blockchain data and smart contracts.
- Agent-based (ABM) simulation and validation.
- Some formal verification for the modeled stablecoin system.

Findings

- Two key parameters are most notable, collateralization ratio and auction discount curve.
- High collateralization helps reduce irrational runs, and a steep discount curve limits the damage of rational runs.
- Runs are inevitable. Many on-chain stablecoins are taking up risky or dubious assets.

Collaboration

Professional Collaborations and Roles

SoCityDAO and MIT Media Lab

- Collaborated with SoCityDAO on carbon credit stablecoin.
- Assisted in designing their token framework.
- Advised on blockchain application for carbon credit trading.

School of Economics, Peking University

- Assisted in research on the Chinese CBDC under the guidance of a leading economist.
- Contributed to conference presentations and policy briefs.

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Highlights

Tools and Skills in PhD Research

- Cryptocurrency and Blockchain Research
- Interdisciplinary experience intersecting with financial policy
- Tools:
 - Python and NetLogo for ABM
 - Python, R, and SQL for financial statistics
 - Solidity, Infura, and Web3 for blockchain integration

Proposed Approach to the Role

Developing Guidance for Biodiversity Impact Monitoring

Align with TNFD Framework:

 Leverage TCFD/TNFD's methodologies for nature-related financial disclosures.

Incorporate DJSI Insights:

Benchmark sustainability performance metrics from DJSI.

Quantitative Methods:

 Employ agent-based, statistical, or machine-learning models to quantify biodiversity impacts.

Stakeholder Engagement:

 Engage with corporations and investors to align guidance with practical needs.

Thank you

Appendix: Some Stylized Data

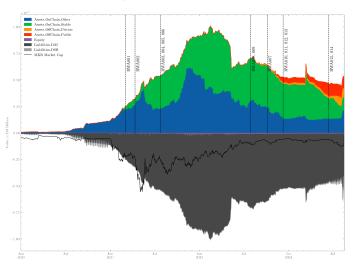


Figure: MakerDAO Balance Sheet, 2020-2023

Appendix: Some System Components

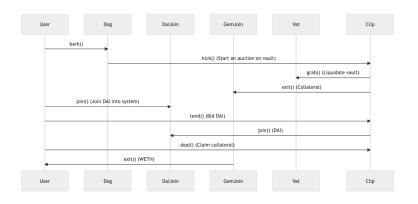


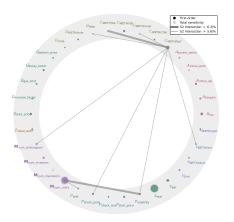
Figure: Simplified System Components of MakerDAO

Appendix: Formal Design of Method

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lot : \mathbb{R}
kpr : seq CHAR
now : N
tab > 0
lot > 0
kicks' = kicks + 1
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Schema: Begin Collateral Auction

Appendix: Global Interactive Sensitivity



Appendix: Some Time series Sensitivity

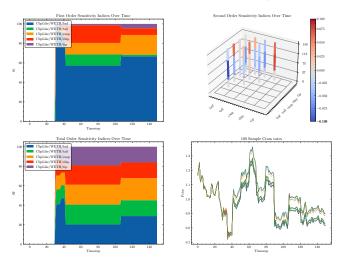


Figure: Sensitivity Analysis for Auction Parameters, 10240 Model Runs