

REVENUE SHARING CONTRACT AS COORDINATION MECHANISM WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF LOGISTICS OUTSOURCING IN DECENTRALIZED SUPPLY CHAIN

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Abstract By making logistics outsourcing decision, companies have been able to improve the logistics performance, maintain focus on core business, and minimize distribution cost. However in decentralized condition, there is only limited control of the third party logistics service provider (TPLSP), whose logistics service performance affect the products availability, quality, price, and market share. In this research, a model is developed as coordination mechanisms with the implementation of logistics outsourcing in decentralized supply chain. Revenue sharing contract model is developed in the proposed model to coordinate the supply chain consisting of suppliers, TPLSPs, and retailers. Moreover the incentive and penalty scheme are implemented in accordance to the supply chain logistics service performance, so the risks and the necessary costs could be allocated to all players. To increase the desirability level of the contracts for all players, the contracts parameters are determined so that all players could obtain higher profit than in a common decentralized supply chain conditions, furthermore the win-win condition can be achieved. This paper provides new model of coordination mechanism in supply chain with logistics outsourcing and offers the incentive and penalty scheme into the basic model of revenue sharing contracts.

Keywords: Coordination Mechanism, Logistics Outsourcing, Revenue Sharing Contracts, Supply Chain, Supply Contracts

1. Introduction

This study addresses the problem in the supply chain where the distributor supplies the product through third party logistics service provider (TPLSP) to the relatively long distance markets. Products are delivered by TPLSP to retailers for the selling season in the market. The problems came from the travel distance and the wide market penetration that must be covered in the products distribution. Especially in archipelagic country, such as Indonesia, the challenges are even greater to overcome the differences of demographic and socio-economics characteristics from its islands. In decentralized supply chain, manufacturers control over the interests of TPLSP cannot be done completely. There will be problems if carrier drivers from TPLSP do not deliver products as per the order quantity and manufacturers' distribution plans to maintain market share and products quality received by the retailer. All players have a higher risk when there is no coordination among

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supply chain [15]. Incentive alignment needs to be done to improve relationships that are mutually beneficial for all players in the supply chain. This study develops a coordination mechanism contract model among players with the involvement of logistics outsourcing in the supply chain. Revenue sharing contract according to Cachon and Lariviere [2] is a common supply chain contract model to determine contract parameters to coordinate the supply chain. They study a single retailer newsvendor model. Further research is developed by Giannoccaro and Pontrandolfo [10] about revenue sharing contracts model in multi echelon supply chain. It study the coordination mechanism of revenue-sharing contract scheme to coordinate three-stage supply chain which contains supplier, manufacturer and retailer.

Revenue sharing contract could be implemented to specific problem, the Cai et al [3] develop a model to solve the supply chain management problem in which the producer supplies fresh produces to a long distant market where a distributor purchases and sells it to end customers. Qian et al. [22] develop revenue sharing model in China dairy industry supply chain, in which the profit distribution is not

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balanced: the supermarket's profit > farmer's profit > manufacturer's profit. An incentive scheme is proposed to coordinate the supply chain. Under the revenue sharing contract setting, the dairy industry's total profit increased by 12.49%. Then Sarathi et al. [24] develops an integrated revenue sharing and quantity discounts contract for coordinating a supply chain dealing with short life-cycle products. Li and Wang [16], and Dong and Li [7] are some of the other researches that using revenue sharing contract approach on different aspects such as inventory, competition, risk adverse retailers, etc.

Revenue sharing contract model in this research proposed for supply chain coordination with the logistics outsourcing as third party between supplier and retailer. In the supply chain, TPLSP is being responsible for distribution processes to retailers. Collaboration has the characteristics to make sharing of information, risk, and profit [17]. According Simatupang [25], information sharing and incentive alignment is a method of coordination that can affect the performance of the supply chain. The impact of poor coordination is the high inventory costs, long delivery times, high transportation costs, high levels of loss and damage, and poor customer service [15]. Therefore, in this research the model apply incentive and punishment scheme in accordance with the logistics performance of TPLSP. The values of the parameters in the model are determined to increase each player profit in the supply chain and the win-win conditions can be achieved.

2. Model

In the model, the supply chain system consists of three participants: manufacturers as the suppliers, TPLSP, and retailers as seen in Figure 1. Logistics outsourcing are implemented to perform logistics activity of the supplier. Products will be delivered by TPLSP from manufacturers/ suppliers for selling season in retailers. There are three possible conditions: (1) centralized; (2) decentralized; and (3) decentralized supply chain under revenue sharing contracts. In centralized condition, all roles of supply chain are owned and controlled under the same firm, while in decentralized condition all parties could be from varies firms that collaborated in the supply chain. In the last condition, revenue sharing contracts are

implemented for all players in decentralized supply chain. The retailers' demand distribution is $N(\mu; \sigma)$. Then we denote F as the normal cumulative density function of $N(\mu; \sigma)$, and F^{-1} as the inverse normal cumulative density function. In this model, information of the demand distribution assumed to be known by all of players in supply chain.

Table 1. Notation for Formulation Model

Notation	Description
r	unit selling price
$D(r)$	demand level of end customer
Π_h	total supply chain profit in centralized condition
Π_{S-d}	total suppliers/ manufacturers profit in decentralized condition
Π_{R-d}	total retailers profit in decentralized condition
Π_{T-d}	total TPLSP profit in decentralized condition
Π_{S-rs}	total suppliers/ manufacturers profit in decentralized condition under revenue sharing contracts
Π_{R-rs}	total retailers profit in decentralized condition under revenue sharing contracts
Π_{T-rs}	total TPLSP profit in decentralized condition under revenue sharing contracts
Q^c	optimal order quantity in centralized condition
Q^d	optimal order quantity in decentralized condition
Q^{rs}	order quantity under revenue sharing contract
ω	wholesale price at supplier
c_u	understocking cost
c_o	overstocking cost
c_S	the marginal cost of suppliers
c_R	the marginal cost of retailers
c_T	the marginal cost of TPLSP
P	quoted logistics services price provided by TPLSP
ρ_T	negotiated penalty cost under-ordered quantity received on time
θ	ratio of under-ordered quantity received on time ($0 \leq \theta \leq 1$)
$N(\theta\mu; \theta\sigma)$	normal distribution function
φ_S	contract parameter ($1-\varphi_R$) determine the proportion of supplier revenue to be shared to TPLSP
φ_R	contract parameter ($1-\varphi_D$) determine the proportion of retailer revenue to be shared to supplier

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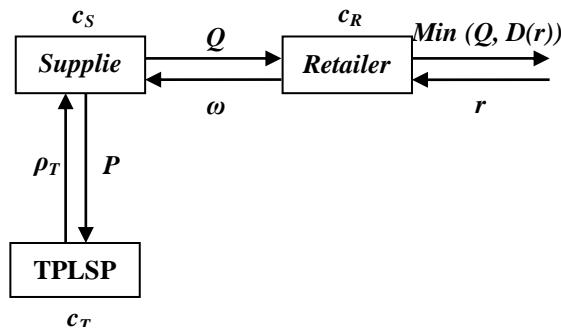


Figure 1. Model of logistics outsourcing for suppliers in two-echelon supply chain.

2.1. Model in Centralized Supply Chain

The condition of centralized supply chain defines the ideal condition, which all the parties throughout the supply chain are under the same firms, so the whole decision makings are in the same objective; to get the optimal solution for the firm itself. In the centralized supply chain, the supply chain expected profit is given by:

$$\Pi_h = r \min[Q^c, D_{(r)}] - (c_R + c_D + c_T)Q^c \quad (1)$$

The optimal order quantity is characterized by a balance between understock cost and overstock cost. The understock and overstock cost is given as follows:

$$c_u = r - (c_R + c_D + c_T) \quad (2)$$

$$c_o = c_R + c_D + c_T \quad (3)$$

So the optimal order quantity is as shown below:

$$Q^c = F^{-1} \frac{c_u}{c_u + c_o} = F^{-1} \frac{r - (c_R + c_D + c_T)}{r} \quad (4)$$

2.1. Model in Decentralized Supply Chain

Meanwhile under the decentralized condition, all the players make their own decision respectively. The supply chain performance become suboptimal, because each player wants to maximize their own profit, so the double marginalization occurred in the

supply chain.

The expected profit of retailer is given below:

$$\Pi_R^d = r \min[Q, D_{(r)}] - (\omega + c_R)Q \quad (5)$$

The understock cost is calculated as $c_u = r - (\omega + c_R)$ and the overstock cost $c_o = (\omega + c_R)$, so that the optimal order quantity is given as follow:

$$Q^d = F^{-1} \frac{c_u}{c_u + c_o} = F^{-1} \frac{[r - (\omega + c_R)]}{r} \quad (6)$$

For supplier, the expected profit is given as follows:

$$\Pi_S^d = \omega Q^d - ((1 - \theta)P - \theta \rho_T + c_S)Q^d \quad (7)$$

Likewise, for the TPLSP, the expected profit is given:

$$\Pi_T^d = ((1 - \theta)P - \theta \rho_T)Q^d - c_T Q^d \quad (8)$$

The order of decision making is described below:

- Supplier will determine the wholesale price ω_i to maximize their own profit as:

$$\omega = \max_{\omega} \Pi_S^d = \max_{\omega} \omega Q^d - ((1 - \theta)P - \theta \rho_T + c_S)Q^d \quad (9)$$

- Retailer will determine the optimal order quantity Q^d as:

$$Q^d = F^{-1} \frac{[r - (\omega + c_R)]}{r} \quad (10)$$

- The TPLSP will determine the logistics services price P to maximize their own profit and can be modeled as:

$$P = \max_P \Pi_T^d = \max_P ((1 - \theta)P - \theta \rho_T)Q^d - c_T Q^d \quad (11)$$

2.2. Model in Decentralized Supply Chain under Revenue Sharing Contract

Under revenue sharing contract, retailers will share certain fraction of their revenue to the suppliers. The parameter $(1 - \varphi_R)$ defines the certain fraction of retailers revenue shared to suppliers. So the expected profit of retailers is given below:

$$\Pi_R^{RS} = \varphi_R r \quad (12) \quad (3)$$

Likewise the suppliers will share certain fraction of their revenue to the TPLSP, so that the expected profit of suppliers is given as:

$$\Pi_S^{RS} = \varphi_D [(1 - \varphi_R)(r \min[Q, D_{(r)}]) + \omega Q] - ((1 - \alpha)P + \alpha \rho_T + c_D)Q \quad (13)$$

Meanwhile for the TPLSP the expected profit is given as:

$$\Pi_T^{RS} = (1 - \varphi_D)[(1 - \varphi_R)(r \min[Q, D_{(r)}]) + \omega Q] + ((1 - \alpha)P + \alpha \rho_T)Q - c_T(Q) \quad (14)$$

If each player try to maximize their own profits, so the equation of optimal order quantity as follows:

$$Q_R^{RS} = F^{-1} \frac{[\varphi_{RR}r - (\omega + c_R)]}{\varphi_{RR}r} \quad (15)$$

while the $c_u = \varphi_{RR}r - (\omega + c_R)$; $c_o = \omega + c_R$.

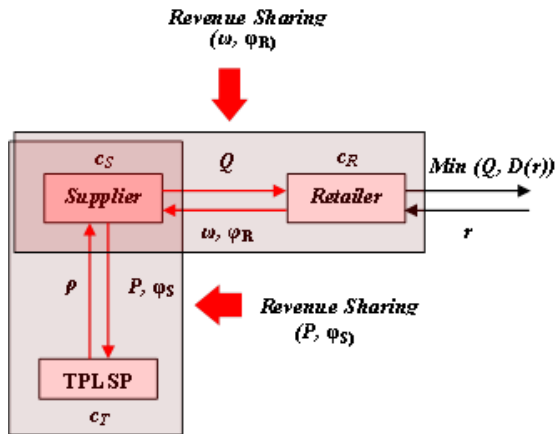


Figure 2. Supply chain under revenue sharing contract.

To obtain coordination in the supply chain, the contract parameters φ_R , φ_D , ω , and P are designed so that the contract can effectively coordinates all the players. To get the order quantity as $Q_R^{RS} = Q^c$, so we obtain the equations as follow:

$$F^{-1} \frac{[\varphi_{RR}r - (\omega + c_R)]}{\varphi_{RR}r} = F^{-1} \frac{r - (c_R + c_D + c_T)}{r} \quad (16)$$

$$\omega = (c_R + c_D + c_T)\varphi_R - c_R \quad (17)$$

$$P = (c_R + c_D + c_T)(\varphi_R + \varphi_D)(1 - \varphi_R) - c_T \quad (18)$$

Contract parameter φ_R and φ_D range between 0 to 1, so we can obtain the equations as follow:

$$\varphi_R > \frac{c_R}{c_R + c_D + c_T} \quad (19)$$

$$\varphi_D > \frac{\frac{1}{(1-\varphi_R)}(c_R + c_D)}{[c_R + c_D + c_T] - (\varphi_R + \varphi_D)} \quad (20)$$

The order of decision making is described below:

- Distributor will determine the wholesale price ω to maximize their own profit as:

$$\omega = \max_{\omega} \prod_D^{RS} \\ \omega = \max_{\omega} \varphi_D [(1 - \varphi_R)(r \min[Q^{RS}, D(r)]) + \omega Q^{RS}] - ((1 - \alpha)P + \alpha p_T) + c_D \quad (21)$$

- Retailer will determine the optimal order quantity Q^{RS} as:

$$Q_R^{RS} = Q^{RS} = F^{-1} \frac{[\varphi_{RR}r - (\omega + c_R)]}{\varphi_{RR}r} \quad (22)$$

- The TPLSP will determine the logistics services price P to maximize their own profit as:

$$P = \max_P \prod_T^{RS} \\ P = \max_P (1 - \varphi_D) [(1 - \varphi_R)(r \min[Q^{RS}, D(r)]) + \omega Q^{RS}] + ((1 - \alpha)P + \alpha p_T) Q^{RS} - c_T(Q^{RS}) \quad (23)$$

3. Numerical Experiment

Numerical experiments are performed to clarify the proposed model and verify if the model could obtain win-win condition in supply chain. The contract parameters are determined to coordinate all players. As seen in table 2, the numerical experiments use the similar data from the basic model by Giannoccaro and Pontrandolfo [9]. For the purpose of comparing the expected profit, in this research using different ratio of under-ordered quantity received on time ($0 \leq \theta \leq 1$).

Table 2. Problem Data

Variable	Value
c_R	1
c_T	2
c_S	4
ω	$2(P + c_S) = 16$
P	$2c_T = 4$
p_T	2
price r	30
demand $D(r)$	Normal distribution, $\mu=100$, $\sigma=30$

We can conclude from the numerical experiments results in figure 3, 4, and 5 that in the decentralized supply chain condition, all players (retailer, supplier, and TPLSP) receive higher profits under the revenue-sharing contract than without using the RS contract. The revenue sharing contract could coordinate the supply chain and obtain high supply chain performance, which indicate by high expected profit. If we compare all the players expected profit under RS contracts could be higher than

the expected profit without RS contracts. It means that RS contracts model has high desirability level for all supply chain players, which obtain higher profit than decentralized condition without RS contracts.

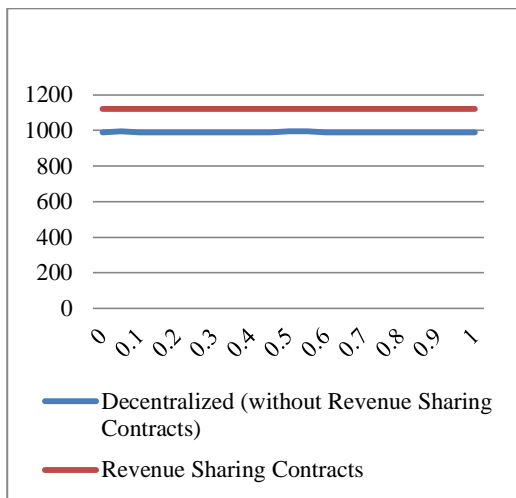


Figure 3. Retailer's expected profit under RS and without RS contract

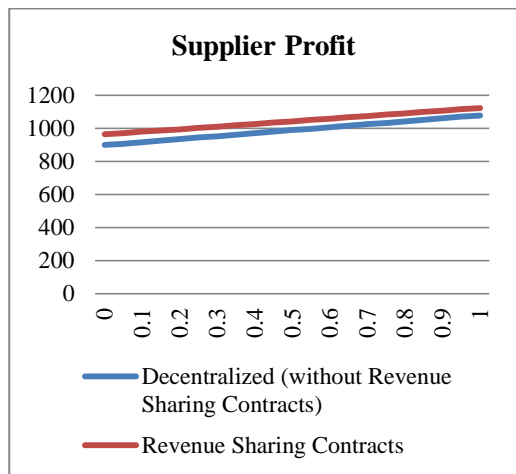


Figure 4. Supplier's expected profit under RS and without RS contract

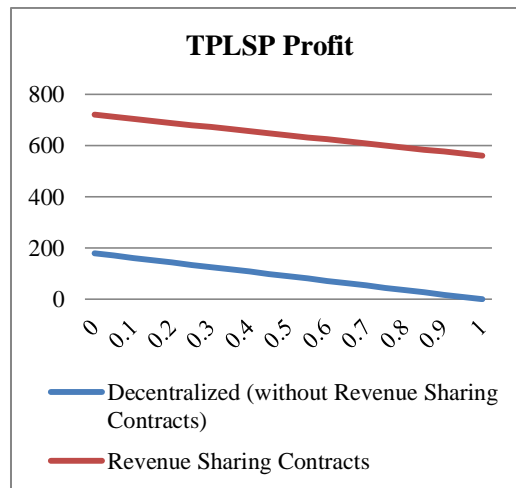


Figure 5. TPLSP's expected profit under RS and without RS contract

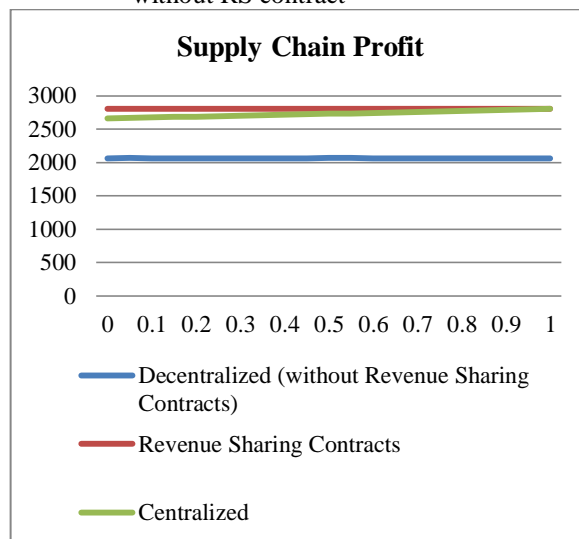


Figure 6. Supply chain's expected profit under RS and without RS contract

Not only from desirability level among all players in supply chain to collaborate into the contracts, even if we see from figure 6, the expected supply chain profit under RS contract could be higher than the ideal condition of centralized supply chain. It shows that the revenue sharing contract is helpful to coordinate the supply chain. Moreover, the incentive and punishment scheme for TPLSP could drive the punctuality of delivery. This scheme could increase logistics outsourcing performance in the supply chain. In the supplier and retailer's perspective, better coordination in supply chain could obtain high profit, due to its benefit to improve the effectiveness and

responsiveness to fulfil the customer demand.

4. Conclusion

Revenue sharing contracts model were developed to allocate the profit and to share the risk between players in the supply chain, specifically with the implementation of logistics outsourcing strategy in the supply chain. Moreover, to improve or maintain the performance of the TPLSP, in the model, there are penalty and incentive schemes in accordance to TPLSP performance. Numerical experiments were conducted to simulate the performance of the model to generate the expected profit of each player and the supply chain profit. From the expected profits obtained from numerical experiment, they show that the implementation of the revenue sharing contract model could gain the profit of each player and supply chain profit as a whole system. Moreover, the penalty and incentive schemes are applied in the model to improve the logistics outsourcing performance. They indicate that the revenue sharing contract model could be implemented in decentralized supply chain to coordinate the logistics outsourcing. With this coordination mechanism model, each player in the supply chain could act with the same objective to obtain the optimal solution for supply chain and it prevents double marginalization practice.

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