Session 26: Gurobi Practice (Portfolio Optimization)

In this individual lab, you will practice your Gurobi coding skills by analyzing a large-scale portfolio optimization case.

1. Problem

Trojan investment is exploring new methods for updating its portfolio of US stocks based on mixed integer linear and quadratic optimization. In particular, it would like to optimize the trade-off between returns and risk, given the presence of transaction costs and managerial overhead. In particular, transaction cost implies that the new portfolio must not be too different from the current portfolio. Managerial overhead means that if the company invest in any stock, there should be a sufficiently large stake, and the number of stocks in the portfolio cannot be too large. The abstract formulation is given below.

Data:

- *S*: the set of stocks.
- w_i : the old weight of stock $i \in S$ before optimization. (The "weight" of a stock is % of total funds invested in the stock; weights of all stocks should add to one.)
- R_i : the expected annual return of stock $i \in S$.
- C_{ij} : the estimated covariance between stocks $i, j \in S$.
- σ_{target} : the maximum volatility of the final portfolio.
- Δ : the total movement allowed between the old weights and the new weights.
- *k*: the maximum # of stocks allowed in the portfolio.
- ϵ : the minimum non-zero weight allowed.

Decision variables:

- x_i : the new weight of stock *i*. (Continuous)
- δ_i : difference in weight for stock *i*. (Continuous)
- z_i : whether to use stock *i*. (Binary)

Objective and constraints: All summations are over the set *S* of stocks.

Maximize:
$$\sum_{i} R_{i}x_{i} \qquad \text{(Average Return)}$$
 subject to:
$$\text{(Valid weights)} \qquad \sum_{i} x_{i} = 1$$

$$\text{(Risk tolerance)} \qquad \sum_{i,j} C_{ij}x_{i}x_{j} \leq \sigma_{target}^{2}$$

$$\text{(Change in weights 1)} \qquad x_{i} - w_{i} \leq \delta_{i} \qquad \text{for each stock } i.$$

$$\text{(Change in weights 2)} \qquad -(x_{i} - w_{i}) \leq \delta_{i} \qquad \text{for each stock } i.$$

$$\text{(Change in weights 3)} \qquad \frac{1}{2}\sum_{i}\delta_{i} \leq \Delta$$

$$\text{(Non-negligible weights)} \qquad \epsilon z_{i} \leq x_{i} \leq z_{i} \qquad \text{for each stock } i.$$

$$\text{(Simplicity)} \qquad \sum_{i} z_{i} \leq k$$

$$\text{(Non-negativity)} \qquad x_{i} \geq 0$$

2. Data

The file "26-data.xlsx" (available on Github where you downloaded this file) contains two sheets. The sheet "s&p500" contains the stock prices of every stock on the S&P500 for 10 years. The sheet "oldPortfolio" contains the weights on the current portfolio. The following code can be used to load the data and calculate the returns R_i and covariances C_{ij} .

```
[1]: import pandas as pd
     import numpy as np
     oldPortfolio=pd.read_excel('26-data.xlsx',sheet_name='oldPortfolio'\
                                ,index_col=0)['Weight']
     oldPortfolio
Stock
AMGN
        0.306342
CNC
        0.231379
FFIV
        0.290586
FL
        0.019480
LEG
        0.152214
Name: Weight, dtype: float64
[2]: rawPrices=pd.read_excel('26-data.xlsx',sheet_name='s&p500'\
                             ,index_col=0).fillna(method='ffill')
     logPrices=np.log(rawPrices)
     priceChange=logPrices.diff(1).iloc[1:,:].fillna(0)
     C=priceChange.cov()*252
                                       # About 252 business days in a year
     R=priceChange.mean()*252
[3]: R.head()
MMM
        0.101382
AOS
        0.252184
ABT
        0.084367
ABBV
        0.096193
ACN
        0.141367
dtype: float64
[4]: C.iloc[:5,:5]
                                                   ACN
           MMM
                     AOS
                               ABT
                                        ABBV
      0.049054 0.042544 0.021191 0.008905 0.031119
MMM
AOS
      0.042544 0.098905 0.025834 0.010012 0.039423
ABT
      0.021191 0.025834 0.042142 0.012491
                                              0.023052
ABBV 0.008905 0.010012 0.012491 0.039773 0.008844
ACN
      0.031119 0.039423 0.023052 0.008844 0.063869
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3. Optimizing for Given Parameters

Solve the optimization problem for the following parameters. σ_{target} : 0.25; Δ : 0.3; k: 20; ϵ : 0.001. The code should save the result in an excel file "26-output.xlsx" with a single sheet, in the same format as the "oldPortfolio" sheet above.

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[19]: # Draft your formulation here
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Return: 0.25668085087449366
Risk: 0.2500017855103704
# stocks: 8.0
Change in portfolio: 0.3
[23]: # Display the optimal portfolio here
  Stock
          Weight
1 AMGN 0.239860
  CNC 0.231379
5 FFIV 0.209281
7 NFLX 0.186885
3 AVGO 0.054713
O ALGN 0.051099
   FL 0.019480
6
2 BHF 0.007303
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4. Tradeoff between multiple objectives

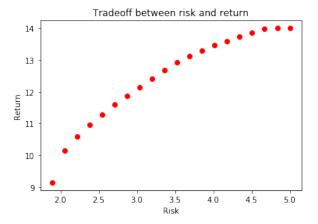
The following example illustrates how to analyze problems with multiple objectives. It is based on Q1 from session 23, or DMD Example 8.1.

Decision variables: Let *A*, *G*, *D* denote the fraction of total investment to put in the assets Advent, GSS, and Digital.

Objective and constraints:

```
Maximize:
                                                      11A + 14G + 7D
               subect to:
                                                           A + G + D = 1
               (Fractions)
              (Target risk) \sqrt{16A^2 + 22G^2 + 10D^2 + 6AG + 2GD - 10AD} < \sigma
                                                              A, G, D \ge 0
          (Nonnegativity)
[17]: from gurobipy import Model, GRB
      import numpy as np
      mod2=Model()
      sigma=GRB.INFINITY
      A=mod2.addVar()
      G=mod2.addVar()
      D=mod2.addVar()
      ret=11*A+14*G+7*D
      riskSquared=16*A*A+22*G*G+10*D*D+6*A*G+2*G*D-10*A*D
      mod2.setObjective(riskSquared)
      mod2.addConstr(A+G+D == 1)
      mod2.setParam('outputflag',False)
      mod2.optimize()
      print('Minimum risk possible:',np.sqrt(riskSquared.getValue()))
Minimum risk possible: 1.8928303077552984
[8]: mod2.setObjective(ret,sense=GRB.MAXIMIZE)
     riskConstraint=mod2.addConstr(riskSquared<=GRB.INFINITY)</pre>
     mod2.setParam('outputflag',False)
     mod2.optimize()
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```
print('Maximum possible return:',ret.getValue())
     print('Corresponding sigma:',np.sqrt(riskSquared.getValue()))
Maximum possible return: 13.99999999968766
Corresponding sigma: 4.690415759786275
[15]: sigmaList=np.linspace(1.893,5,20)
      retList=[]
      for sigma in sigmaList:
          riskConstraint.QCRHS=sigma**2
          mod2.optimize()
          retList.append(ret.getValue())
      import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
      plt.plot(sigmaList,retList,'ro')
      plt.title('Tradeoff between risk and return')
      plt.xlabel('Risk')
      plt.ylabel('Return')
      plt.show()
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(Optional) 4.1 Exercise

Analyze the tradeoff between return and risk (σ_{target}), as well as return and change in portfolio (Δ) in the problem for Trojan investment.

4.1.1 Tradeoff between return and risk

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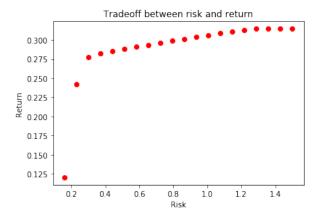
Minimum total std: 0.15926921686108744

[21]:

Maximum return: 0.3145448532023129

Corresponding total std: 1.257137907894366

[13]:



4.1.2 Tradeoff between return and transaction cost

[14]:

