

Portfolio Risk Budgeting

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Portfolio Risk Optimization

- ◆ Risk budgeting of macro strategies with limited skill
- ◆ Issue-level portfolio optimization using the Lehman multi-factor risk model

Risk Budgeting of Macro Strategies



Arguments for Global Macro Strategies (“top-down” approach)

- ◆ Macro forces (rates, spreads, FX) largely determine index returns
 - ◆ Macro strategies involve changing exposures to the most basic drivers of index returns using the most liquid instruments
 - ◆ Ease of replication of index returns with derivatives demonstrates dominant role of macro positioning
 - ◆ A “bottom-up” approach across such diversified indices as the Global Aggregate would require a tremendous amount of resources and lead to many small and less liquid positions
- ✧ What combinations of macro strategies are the most risk-effective?

Strategy Simulation Example: FX Allocation, 20% skill

Asset	Ret (bp)	Long JPY	Long EUR	Long USD	Short JPY	Short EUR	Short USD
JPYcash	-24.5	4.5%	-2.7%	-2.4%	-4.5%	2.7%	2.4%
EURcash	27.7	-2.3%	5.4%	-2.4%	2.3%	-5.4%	2.4%
USDcash	-340.3	-2.3%	-2.7%	4.9%	2.3%	2.7%	-4.9%

Overall strategy:

Return (bp)	6.0	11.3	-16.6	-6.0	-11.3	16.6
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Selection Probabilities for:

0% skill	16.7%	16.7%	16.7%	16.7%	16.7%	16.7%
100% Skill	33.3%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%
20%	20.0%	20.0%	13.3%	13.3%	13.3%	20.0%
(R-Mean)^2	13.9	80.9	356.5	68.1	182.5	206.4
Mean Return	2.3					
Variance	141.2					
Volatility	11.9					

Performance Summary for Core Strategies (I)

January 1990 - December 2002

Skill Level	Global Duration			Market Duration			FX Overlay in G3 Currencies		
	Mean Outperf. (bp/yr)	Volat. (bp/yr)	Inform. Ratio	Mean Outperf. (bp/yr)	Volat. (bp/yr)	Inform. Ratio	Mean Outperf. (bp/yr)	Volat. (bp/yr)	Inform. Ratio
0%	0.0	44.9	0.00	0.0	44.7	0.00	0.0	52.5	0.00
5%	6.2	44.8	0.14	6.0	44.7	0.13	6.8	52.5	0.13
10%	12.3	44.7	0.28	12.0	44.6	0.27	13.6	52.3	0.26
15%	18.5	44.6	0.41	18.0	44.4	0.41	20.4	52.2	0.39
20%	24.6	44.3	0.56	24.0	44.2	0.54	27.2	51.9	0.52
40%	49.3	42.6	1.16	48.0	42.5	1.13	54.4	50.1	1.09
60%	73.9	39.5	1.87	72.0	39.6	1.82	81.6	46.9	1.74
80%	98.5	34.8	2.83	96.0	35.1	2.73	108.9	42.1	2.59
100%	123.2	27.5	4.48	120.0	28.3	4.23	136.1	34.9	3.90

- ◆ Achieved volatilities are close to the targeted 50 bp/year
- ◆ IR increases more than linearly with skill, because in addition to increase in mean outperf., we also see lower vol. at high skills

Performance Summary for Core-Plus Strategies: Long-Only, De-Meaned

Skill Level	<i>U.S. Credit</i> Aug 1988 - Dec 2002			<i>Euro Credit</i> Jan 1999 - Dec 2002			<i>Emerging Markets</i> Jan 1993 - Dec 2002			<i>U.S. High Yield</i> Aug 1988 - Dec 2002		
	Mean Outperf. (bp/yr)	Volat. (bp/yr)	Inform. Ratio	Mean Outperf. (bp/yr)	Volat. (bp/yr)	Inform. Ratio	Mean Outperf. (bp/yr)	Volat. (bp/yr)	Inform. Ratio	Mean Outperf. (bp/yr)	Volat. (bp/yr)	Inform. Ratio
0%	0.0	7.0	0.00	0.0	3.4	0.00	0.0	53.4	0.00	0.0	25.4	0.00
5%	0.5	7.0	0.08	0.3	3.4	0.08	4.7	53.1	0.09	2.2	25.4	0.09
10%	1.0	6.9	0.15	0.6	3.4	0.17	9.5	52.8	0.18	4.4	25.3	0.17
15%	1.6	6.9	0.23	0.9	3.4	0.25	14.2	52.4	0.27	6.6	25.2	0.26
20%	2.1	6.9	0.31	1.1	3.4	0.34	18.9	51.9	0.36	8.7	25.1	0.35
40%	4.2	6.7	0.63	2.3	3.3	0.70	37.9	49.7	0.76	17.5	24.5	0.71
60%	6.3	6.4	0.98	3.4	3.1	1.09	56.8	46.8	1.21	26.2	23.7	1.11
80%	8.4	6.1	1.38	4.6	2.9	1.55	75.7	43.1	1.76	35.0	22.5	1.55
100%	10.5	5.7	1.84	5.7	2.7	2.10	94.7	38.2	2.48	43.7	20.9	2.09

- ◆ Long-only strategies exhibit a nonzero mean return at 0% skill. This represents the trend over the time period of the study, and has been subtracted out
- ◆ Information ratios much lower than core strategies at given skill. For example, at 20% skill, all core strategies showed IR above 0.50
- ◆ Reason: “no shorts” constraint means inability to capitalize on negative views

Pair-Wise Performance Correlations Among Sample Pure Tilt Strategies

Market Duration Pairs		Pre-EMU	Post-EMU	Overall	Twist Pairs		Pre-EMU	Post-EMU	Overall
EUR-JPY	EUR-USD	0.29	-0.55	0.12	EUR Steepener	USD Steepener	0.04	0.53	0.23
EUR-JPY	EUR-GBP	0.10	-0.57	-0.01	EUR Steepener	JPY Steepener	0.09	-0.12	0.04
EUR-GBP	EUR-USD	0.33	0.53	0.37	USD Steepener	JPY Steepener	-0.03	-0.12	-0.06
EUR-CAD	EUR-USD	0.61	0.72	0.61	USD Steepener	USD-EUR	0.32	0.28	0.30
USD-JPY	USD-GBP	0.25	0.45	0.30	All 3 Steepeners	Long Glob Dur	0.10	0.23	0.14
Long Glob Dur	EUR-JPY	-0.32	0.47	-0.17	EUR Steepener	Long EUR FX	-0.22	0.14	-0.11
Long Glob Dur	EUR-USD	-0.51	-0.81	-0.59	USD Steepener	Long USD FX	-0.38	-0.28	-0.33
Long Glob Dur	EUR-GBP	-0.66	-0.64	-0.66	JPY Steepener	Long JPY FX	0.00	-0.05	-0.01
Long Glob Dur	USD-JPY	0.13	0.75	0.31					
Long Glob Dur	USD-GBP	-0.20	0.32	-0.09					

FX Pairs		Pre-EMU	Post-EMU	Overall	Core-Plus Pairs		Pre-EMU	Post-EMU	Overall
Long JPY FX	Long EUR FX	-0.55	-0.64	-0.56	Emerging Mkts	Long Glob Dur	0.24	-0.05	0.15
Long JPY FX	Long USD FX	-0.63	-0.50	-0.60	High Yield	Long Glob Dur	0.33	-0.08	0.18
Long USD FX	Long EUR FX	-0.30	-0.35	-0.32	Euro Credit	Long Glob Dur	-1.00	-0.31	-0.31
Long JPY FX	Long Glob Dur	0.07	0.04	0.06	Euro Credit	EUR Steepener	N/A	-0.38	-0.38
Long EUR FX	Long Glob Dur	-0.07	0.17	0.00	High Yield	USD Steepener	0.10	-0.28	-0.08
Long USD FX	Long Glob Dur	0.01	-0.23	-0.05	Emerging Mkts	USD Steepener	0.01	-0.22	-0.07
Long JPY FX	JPY-EUR	-0.11	-0.08	-0.11	Emerging Mkts	High Yield	0.63	0.51	0.49
Long EUR FX	EUR-USD	-0.23	-0.18	-0.22	US Credit	Long Glob Dur	-0.09	-0.35	-0.18
Long USD FX	USD-EUR	-0.17	-0.34	-0.21	US Credit	High Yield	0.55	0.77	0.67
					US Credit	Euro Credit	N/A	0.85	0.85
					US Credit	Long USD FX	0.31	0.20	0.24
					US Credit	USD-EUR	-0.19	-0.47	-0.30
					US Credit	USD Steepener	-0.26	-0.32	-0.29

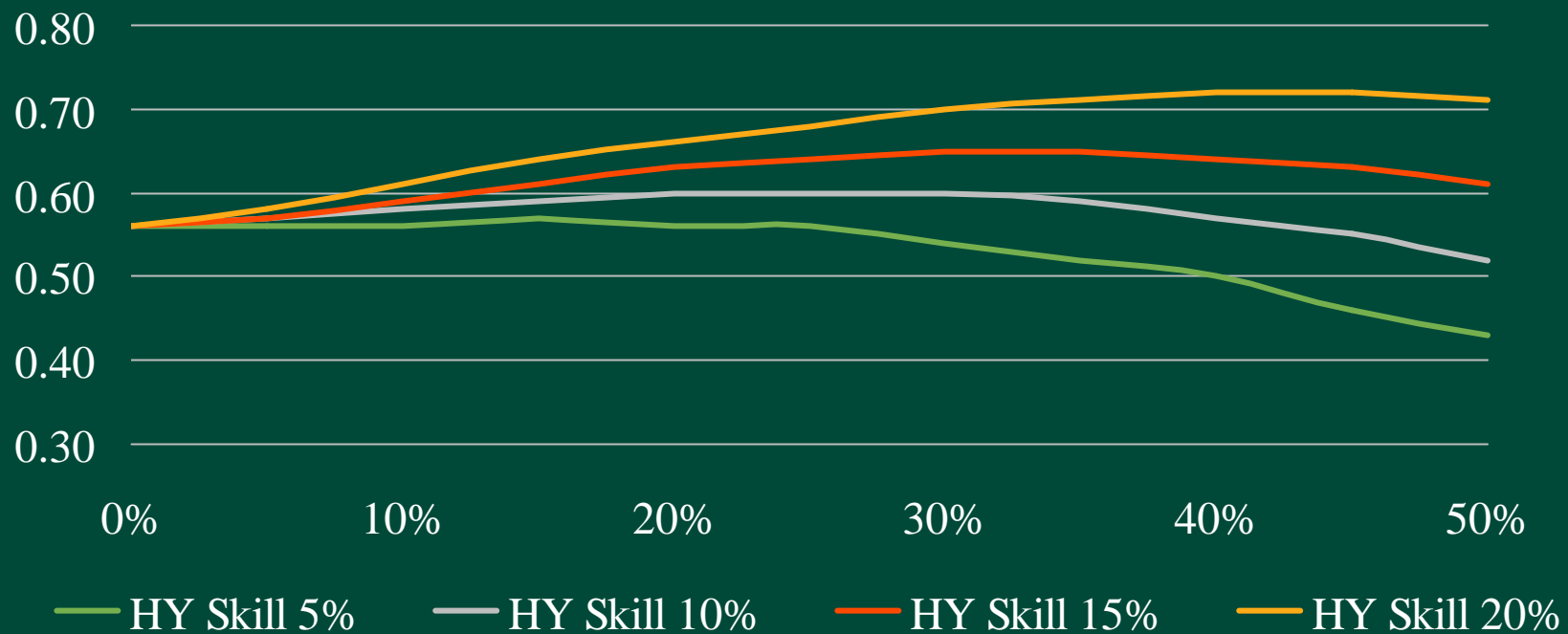
Performance of a Combination Strategy with Unequal Skills

Strategy	Mean Outperf. (bp/yr)	Volat. (bp/yr)	Inform. Ratio
Global Duration (20% skill)	25.6	46.3	0.553
High Yield (10% skill)	14.6	60.9	0.240
Blend (75% Global Duration, 25% High Yield)	28.6	47.8	0.599

Performance of a Combination Strategy as a Function of Weight and Skill Level

20% skill at Global Duration strategy; High Yield skill as shown

Information Ratio



- ♦ Optimal allocation to high yield depends on relative skill levels

The “Fundamental Law of Active Management”

- ◆ In previous “imperfect foresight” studies, we found performance to depend on the number of independent decisions in a strategy
- ◆ In *Active Portfolio Management* (1999, McGraw-Hill), Grinold and Kahn define the “fundamental law of active management”:

$$IR = IC \cdot \sqrt{BR}$$

- ◆ The “information coefficient” IC is defined as the correlation between forecast and realized returns, and corresponds roughly to our measure of skill
- ◆ The “breadth” BR of a strategy is defined as the number of independent decisions taken a year. For example, strategies that make a single decision each month have $BR=12$, and we should expect information ratio to equal $skill \cdot \sqrt{12}$

Lehman Brothers Risk Budgeting Tool

- ◆ What is outperformance (alpha) of a strategy?

$$IR = \frac{\alpha}{TE} \Rightarrow \alpha = TE \cdot SKILL \cdot \sqrt{BREADTH}$$

- ◆ The user provides skill levels for all strategies
- ◆ We set up an optimization process that maximizes the combined alpha subject to the overall risk budget (tracking error) constraint
- ◆ The optimization finds individual strategies' TE which in their turn determine position sizes in each strategy



Lehman Brothers Risk Budgeting Tool

Customized to the style of a U.S. Aggregate Index manager

- ◆ No pure duration positions – not viewed as efficient
- ◆ Yield curve view is a choice among many different bullet/barbell positions (2-5-10, 5-10-30, etc.)
- ◆ Long/short credit vs. Treasuries
- ◆ Long/short swap-based assets (agencies, MBS, ABS, CMBS) vs. Treasuries
- ◆ Long/short MBS vs. Agencies (within swaps-based assets)
- ◆ Long or neutral in various core-plus assets:
 - High yield
 - Emerging markets
 - Inflation-protected securities (TIPS)
 - Euro-denominated Treasuries



Lehman Brothers Risk Budgeting Tool

- ◆ Several factors help determine the optimal allocation
- ◆ Front page inputs:
 - Set of directional views
 - Skill levels assigned to each view
 - Risk budget (target tracking error)
- ◆ Important behind-the-scenes data:
 - Historical volatilities and correlations of strategy returns (computed for specific views, based on asset class returns)
 - Constraints of various types

Example 1: Base Case

10% skill at all strategies, Risk budget 125 bp

	Active Position	Skill/Confidence
U.S. Curve Exposure	Barbell 2-10-30 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	10 %
Investment Grade Credit	Long Credit <input type="checkbox"/>	10 %
Swap-Based Assets	Long Swap-Based Assets <input type="checkbox"/>	10 %
MBS vs. Agency	Long MBS vs. Agency <input type="checkbox"/>	10 %
Core-Plus Assets	HY Long High Yield <input type="checkbox"/>	10 %
	TIPS Long TIPS <input type="checkbox"/>	10 %
	EM Long Emerging Markets <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	10 %
Euro Treasury Exposure	Long All <input type="checkbox"/>	10 %
Total Risk Budget (Tracking Error, bp/yr)		125
Maximize	Portfolio Alpha <input type="checkbox"/>	
Total Portfolio TE (bp/yr)		125
Systematic	122	
Non-Systematic	27	
Portfolio Alpha		64
Information Ratio		0.51
Optimize		
Interactive Portfolio Positions Editor		
View Asset Correlation Matrix		
View Strategy Correlation Matrix		
View Pair Wise Combination Graph		
Print Summary Report		
Last optimization status: OK		

Asset	Active Position	Index %	Total Allocation	Chg vs. Current
USD Cash	0.00%	-	0.00%	-3.00%
Maturity cell 1-3	5.14%	18.04%	23.18%	17.44%
Maturity cell 3-7	0.00%	17.40%	17.40%	5.01%
Maturity cell 7-10	-10.96%	10.96%	0.00%	-27.48%
Maturity cell 10+	5.82%	15.10%	20.92%	12.92%
Investment Grade Credit	0.00%	27.46%	27.46%	8.89%
MBS	12.16%	34.17%	46.33%	24.33%
Agency	-12.16%	12.16%	0.00%	-14.84%
ABS/CMBS	0.00%	4.33%	4.33%	4.33%
High Yield	3.99%	0.00%	3.99%	-1.01%
TIPS	13.52%	0.00%	13.52%	13.52%
Emerging Markets	3.88%	0.00%	3.88%	-0.62%
EUR Trs 1-3	0.13%	0.00%	0.13%	-3.02%
EUR Trs 3-7	0.17%	0.00%	0.17%	-4.03%
EUR Trs 7-10	0.10%	0.00%	0.10%	-2.30%
EUR Trs 10+	0.09%	0.00%	0.09%	-2.05%

Strategy	Isolated TE (bp/yr)	R-squared	Contrib. to Var.
U.S. Curve Exposure	21.6	28.8%	9.7%
Investment Grade Credit	0.0	0.0%	0.0%
Swap-Based Assets	0.0	0.0%	3.3%
MBS vs. Agency	9.9	15.8%	
Long High Yield	43.4	60.7%	28.4%
Long TIPS	42.2	13.2%	12.9%
Long Emerging Markets	65.2	68.8%	45.4%
Euro Treasury Exposure	1.4	9.5%	0.4%

Broad Asset Allocation	Portfolio Benchmark	Difference	
Treasuries	0.00%	21.88%	-21.88%
Credit	27.46%	27.46%	0.00%
Swaps-based	50.66%	50.66%	0.00%
Out-of-Benchmark Assets	21.88%	0.00%	21.88%

Covariance matrix: **Equal Weight** 01/31/98 - 06/30/03

Example 2: Change Curve Strategy

More curve risk, less Core+ risk, better alpha and IR

	Active Position	Skill/Confidence
U.S. Curve Exposure	Barbell 2-mid-30 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	10 %
Investment Grade Credit	Long Credit <input type="checkbox"/>	10 %
Swap-Based Assets	Long Swap-Based Assets <input type="checkbox"/>	10 %
MBS vs. Agency	Long MBS vs. Agency <input type="checkbox"/>	10 %
Core-Plus Assets	HY Long High Yield <input type="checkbox"/> 10 % TIPS Long TIPS <input type="checkbox"/> 10 % EM Long Emerging Markets <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10 %	
Euro Treasury Exposure	Long All <input type="checkbox"/>	10 %
Total Risk Budget (Tracking Error, bp/yr)		125
Maximize	Portfolio Alpha <input type="checkbox"/>	
Total Portfolio TE (bp/yr)		125
Systematic	122	
Non-Systematic	27	
Portfolio Alpha		66
Information Ratio		0.53
Optimize		
Interactive Portfolio Positions Editor		
View Asset Correlation Matrix		
View Strategy Correlation Matrix		
View Pair Wise Combination Graph		
Print Summary Report		
Last optimization status: OK		

Asset	Active Position	Index %	Total Allocation	Chg vs. Current
USD Cash	0.00%	-	0.00%	-3.00%
Maturity cell 1-3	17.33%	18.04%	35.37%	29.63%
Maturity cell 3-7	-17.40%	17.40%	0.00%	-12.39%
Maturity cell 7-10	-8.54%	10.96%	2.42%	-25.06%
Maturity cell 10+	8.61%	15.10%	23.71%	15.71%
Investment Grade Credit	0.00%	27.46%	27.46%	8.89%
MBS	12.16%	34.17%	46.33%	24.33%
Agency	-12.16%	12.16%	0.00%	-14.84%
ABS/CMBS	0.00%	4.33%	4.33%	4.33%
High Yield	2.75%	0.00%	2.75%	-2.25%
TIPS	15.41%	0.00%	15.41%	15.41%
Emerging Markets	3.72%	0.00%	3.72%	-0.78%
EUR Trs 1-3	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-3.15%
EUR Trs 3-7	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-4.20%
EUR Trs 7-10	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-2.40%
EUR Trs 10+	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-2.14%

Strategy	Isolated TE (bp/yr)	R-squared	Contrib. to Var.
U.S. Curve Exposure	40.7	36.6%	20.6%
Investment Grade Credit	0.0	0.0%	0.0%
Swap-Based Assets	0.0	0.0%	3.5%
MBS vs. Agency	9.9	17.6%	
Long High Yield	30.0	55.9%	18.8%
Long TIPS	48.1	15.2%	15.7%
Long Emerging Markets	62.5	62.4%	41.3%
Euro Treasury Exposure	0.0	11.2%	0.0%

Broad Asset Allocation	Portfolio Benchmark	Difference
Treasuries	0.00%	21.88%
Credit	27.46%	27.46%
Swaps-based	50.66%	50.66%
Out-of-Benchmark Assets	21.88%	0.00%

Covariance matrix:	Equal Weight	01/31/98 - 06/30/03

Example 3: Low TE

Risk budget 60 bp; allocations don't hit 0 constraint in 7-10 year, Agency cells; better strategy diversification (bigger % of var to curve, swaps); higher IR

	Active Position	Skill/Confidence
U.S. Curve Exposure	Barbell 2-10-30 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	10 %
Investment Grade Credit	Long Credit <input type="checkbox"/>	10 %
Swap-Based Assets	Long Swap-Based Assets <input type="checkbox"/>	10 %
MBS vs. Agency	Long MBS vs. Agency <input type="checkbox"/>	10 %
Core-Plus Assets	HY Long High Yield <input type="checkbox"/>	10 %
	TIPS Long TIPS <input type="checkbox"/>	10 %
	EM Long Emerging Markets <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	10 %
Euro Treasury Exposure	Long All <input type="checkbox"/>	10 %
Total Risk Budget (Tracking Error, bp/yr)		60
Maximize	Portfolio Alpha <input type="checkbox"/>	
Total Portfolio TE (bp/yr)		60
Systematic	55	
Non-Systematic	24	
Portfolio Alpha		34
Information Ratio		0.57
Optimize		
Interactive Portfolio Positions Editor		
View Asset Correlation Matrix		
View Strategy Correlation Matrix		
View Pair Wise Combination Graph		
Print Summary Report		
Last optimization status: OK		

Asset	Active Position	Index %	Total Allocation	Chg vs. Current
USD Cash	0.00%	-	0.00%	-3.00%
Maturity cell 1-3	3.71%	18.04%	21.75%	16.01%
Maturity cell 3-7	0.00%	17.40%	17.40%	5.01%
Maturity cell 7-10	-7.92%	10.96%	3.04%	-24.44%
Maturity cell 10+	4.20%	15.10%	19.30%	11.30%
Investment Grade Credit	0.00%	27.46%	27.46%	8.89%
MBS	6.52%	34.17%	40.69%	18.69%
Agency	-5.05%	12.16%	7.11%	-7.73%
ABS/CMBS	0.14%	4.33%	4.47%	4.47%
High Yield	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-5.00%
TIPS	10.66%	0.00%	10.66%	10.66%
Emerging Markets	1.13%	0.00%	1.13%	-3.37%
EUR Trs 1-3	2.27%	0.00%	2.27%	-0.88%
EUR Trs 3-7	2.97%	0.00%	2.97%	-1.23%
EUR Trs 7-10	1.72%	0.00%	1.72%	-0.68%
EUR Trs 10+	1.53%	0.00%	1.53%	-0.61%

Strategy	Isolated TE (bp/yr)	R-squared	Contrib. to Var.
U.S. Curve Exposure	15.6	29.0%	16.6%
Investment Grade Credit	0.0	0.0%	0.0%
Swap-Based Assets	1.6	16.2%	4.9%
MBS vs. Agency	4.4	17.9%	
Long High Yield	0.0	0.0%	0.0%
Long TIPS	33.3	27.0%	34.1%
Long Emerging Markets	18.9	27.5%	19.6%
Euro Treasury Exposure	24.2	27.2%	24.9%

Broad Asset Allocation	Portfolio Benchmark	Difference
Treasuries	0.00%	21.88%
Credit	27.46%	27.46%
Swaps-based	52.26%	50.66%
Out-of-Benchmark Assets	20.28%	0.00%

Covariance matrix:	Equal Weight	01/31/98 - 06/30/03

LB Risk Budgeting Tool: Additional Options

History used, turnover constraint, idiosyncratic vols, index weights

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Index Weights and Curve Allocation Participation

Asset class	Index Weight	Maturity cells allocation				Total	
		1-3 yrs	3-7 yrs	7-10 yrs	10+ yrs		
USD Treasury	21.88%	7.45%	4.89%	2.40%	7.14%	21.88%	OK
Investment Grade Credit	27.46%	5.76%	8.63%	6.59%	6.48%	27.46%	OK
MBS	34.17%					0.00%	OK
Agency	12.16%	4.83%	3.88%	1.97%	1.48%	12.16%	OK
ABS/CMBS	4.33%					0.00%	OK
High Yield	0.00%					0.00%	OK
TIPS	0.00%					0.00%	OK
Emerging Markets	0.00%					0.00%	OK
EUR Treasury	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	OK
Total	100.00%						OK

Maturity cell 1-3: 18.04%
Maturity cell 3-7: 17.40%
Maturity cell 7-10: 10.96%
Maturity cell 10+: 15.10%

Idiosyncratic Volatility

Asset class	Vol (bp/yr)
USD Treasury	0
Investment Grade Credit	60
MBS	40
Agency	40
ABS/CMBS	40
High Yield	120
TIPS	12
Emerging Markets	240
EUR Treasury	12

Covariance Matrix

Equal Weight

Half-Life (yr) n/a

Beginning Date: 01/31/92
Ending Date: 06/30/03

Edit Special Selections

Current Portfolio: Allocation Weights

	Index Weight	Maturity cells allocation				Total	
		1-3 yrs	3-7 yrs	7-10 yrs	10+ yrs		
USD Cash	3.00%					3.00%	
USD Treasury	20.20%	1.88%	5.74%	9.47%	3.11%	20.20%	OK
Investment Grade Credit	18.57%	3.86%	2.13%	12.58%	0.00%	18.57%	OK
MBS	22.00%					0.00%	OK
Agency	14.84%	0.00%	4.52%	5.43%	4.89%	14.84%	OK
ABS/CMBS	0.00%					0.00%	OK
High Yield	5.00%					0.00%	OK
TIPS	0.00%					0.00%	OK
Emerging Markets	4.50%					0.00%	OK
EUR Treasury	11.89%	3.15%	4.20%	2.40%	2.14%	11.89%	OK
Total	100.00%						OK

Maturity cell 1-3: 5.74%
Maturity cell 3-7: 12.39%
Maturity cell 7-10: 27.48%
Maturity cell 10+: 8.00%

Current Portfolio: Active Positions and Turnover Limits

		Turnover Limit
Maturity cell 1-3	-12.30%	1000.00%
Maturity cell 3-7	-5.01%	1000.00%
Maturity cell 7-10	16.52%	1000.00%
Maturity cell 10+	-7.10%	1000.00%
EUR Trs 1-3	3.15%	1000.00%
EUR Trs 3-7	4.20%	1000.00%
EUR Trs 7-10	2.40%	1000.00%
EUR Trs 10+	2.14%	1000.00%
Investment Grade Credit	-8.89%	10.00%
MBS	-12.17%	15.00%
Agency	2.68%	15.00%
ABS/CMBS	-4.33%	10.00%
High Yield	5.00%	5.00%
TIPS	0.00%	1000.00%
Emerging Markets	4.50%	5.00%

Systematic TE: 51
Non-Systematic TE: 20
Total TE: 55

Manual input areas

Global Risk Model





Why Do We Need a Risk Model?

- ◆ Quantify the market risk embedded in a portfolio
 - In absolute terms: expected volatility of the portfolio total returns
 - In relative terms: tracking error volatility
- ◆ Attributes ex-ante risk to major decisions implemented by fund managers
 - Currency allocation
 - Interest rate management: duration and yield curve exposure
 - Swap spreads
 - Interest rate volatility
 - Credit allocation
 - Name and security selection
- ◆ Can be used in
 - Monitoring active risk
 - Portfolio optimisation
 - Risk Budgeting
 - Scenario analysis

Lehman's Model Framework

- ◆ The return of any particular fixed income security can be decomposed linearly:

$$R_{i,(t+1)} = \mu_{i,t} + L_{i,t} \cdot f_{(t+1)} + \varepsilon_{i,(t+1)}$$

The diagram illustrates the components of the return equation. Two green ovals, labeled "Risk Loading" and "Risk Factor", are positioned below the equation. Arrows point from the "Risk Loading" oval to the $L_{i,t}$ term and from the "Risk Factor" oval to the $f_{(t+1)}$ term in the equation $R_{i,(t+1)} = \mu_{i,t} + L_{i,t} \cdot f_{(t+1)} + \varepsilon_{i,(t+1)}$.

- ◆ This general framework has been used in our risk modeling work since the early 90's and has proved robust, flexible, and intuitive

Categories of Risk factors

Category	Factor	Sensitivity
Currency	Change in spot exchange rate	Market value
Yield curve	Yield changes for key tenors of the respective Treasury par curve	Key rate duration
	Square of yield change	Convexity
Volatility	Change in Swaption volatility/latent factor	Volatility duration
Swap spreads	Changes in swap spreads for key tenors	Spread duration
Spread	Systematic change in spread across an entire sector/quality cell	Spread duration
	Change in spread curve slope	$\text{Sprd Durt} * \text{Norm Life}$
	Change in spread level premium	$\text{Sprd Durt} * \text{Norm OAS Level}$
	Geographic factors (US vs. Non-US issuers)	Spread duration
Non-systematic spread	Issue/issuer-specific spread change	Spread duration

Indicative Number of Systematic Risk Factors

Factor	All	USD	EUR	GBP	JPY	Other	Core
Currency	18	-	1	1	1	15	8
Curve	58	7	7	7	8	29	23
Volatility	8	6	1	1			3
Swap Spreads	26	6	4	4	7	5	8
IG Spread	148	75	37	24	12		16
HY Spread	18	18					
Totals	276	112	50	37	28	49	58

Yield Curve and Volatility Factors for Major Currencies

Currency	Yield Curve	Swap Spreads	Volatility
USD	6 Months 2, 5, 10, 20, 30 Yrs Convexity	6 Months 2, 5, 10, 20, 30 Yrs	6 Factors: Treasury, Agency, IG Corp, HY Corp, Short & Long MBS
EUR, GBP	6 Months 2, 5, 10, 20, 30 Yrs Convexity	2, 5, 10, 30 Yrs	5 x 5 Swaption
JPY	6 Months, 2, 5, 7, 10, 20, 30 Yrs Convexity	6 Months, 2, 5, 7, 10, 20, 30 Yrs	—

Spread Factors Dollar Risk Model

Gov	Other Spread Markets	Corporate Credit
Treasury Agy_farm Agy_fhlb Agy_fhlmc Agy_fnma Agy_other	10 MBS buckets 4 CMBS buckets 6 ABS buckets Non-Corp Aaa/Aa Non-Corp A Non-Corp Baa	24 IG buckets across 3 qualities and 8 sectors: Banking, Finance, Basic, Energy, Cyclical, Non-Cyclical, Communication, Utility 11 HY buckets, one for each of: Basic, Cyclical, ConsumerGoods, Communications, Energy, Finance, Medical, Non-Cyclical, Technology, Transport, Utility
	2 geographic factors	
	2 Spread Slope Factors	Spread Slope Factor
	2 Spread Level Factors	Spread Level Factor



US MBS Risk Factors (12 Factors)

MBS Volatility Factors

Short volatility

Long volatility

MBS Spread Factors

New discounts

New current coupon

New premiums

Seasoned current coupon

Seasoned premiums

30-year GNMA

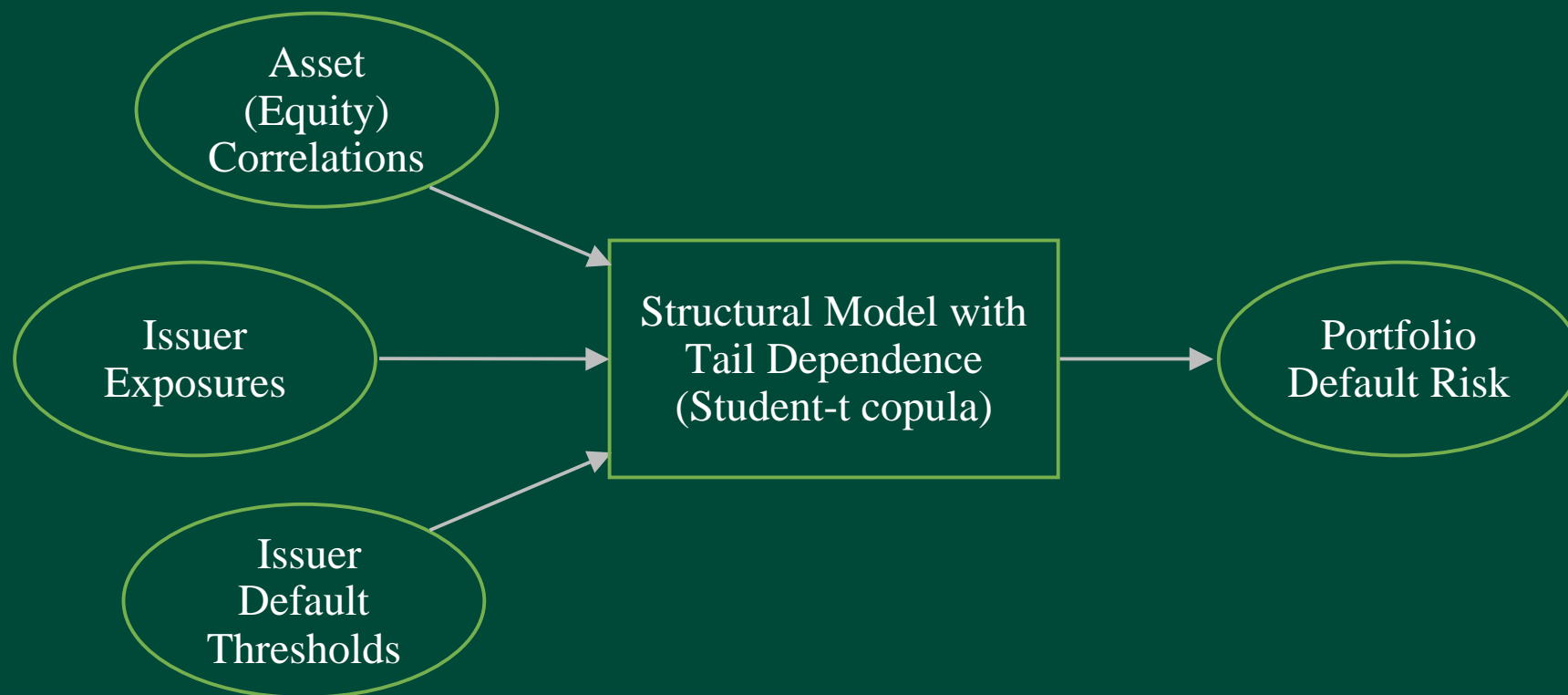
15-year FNMA/FHLMC

15-year GNMA

Balloon FNMA/FHLMC

Default Risk: Portfolio

- ◆ Default risk at the portfolio level considers correlations among issuer default events, which make default a systematic risk



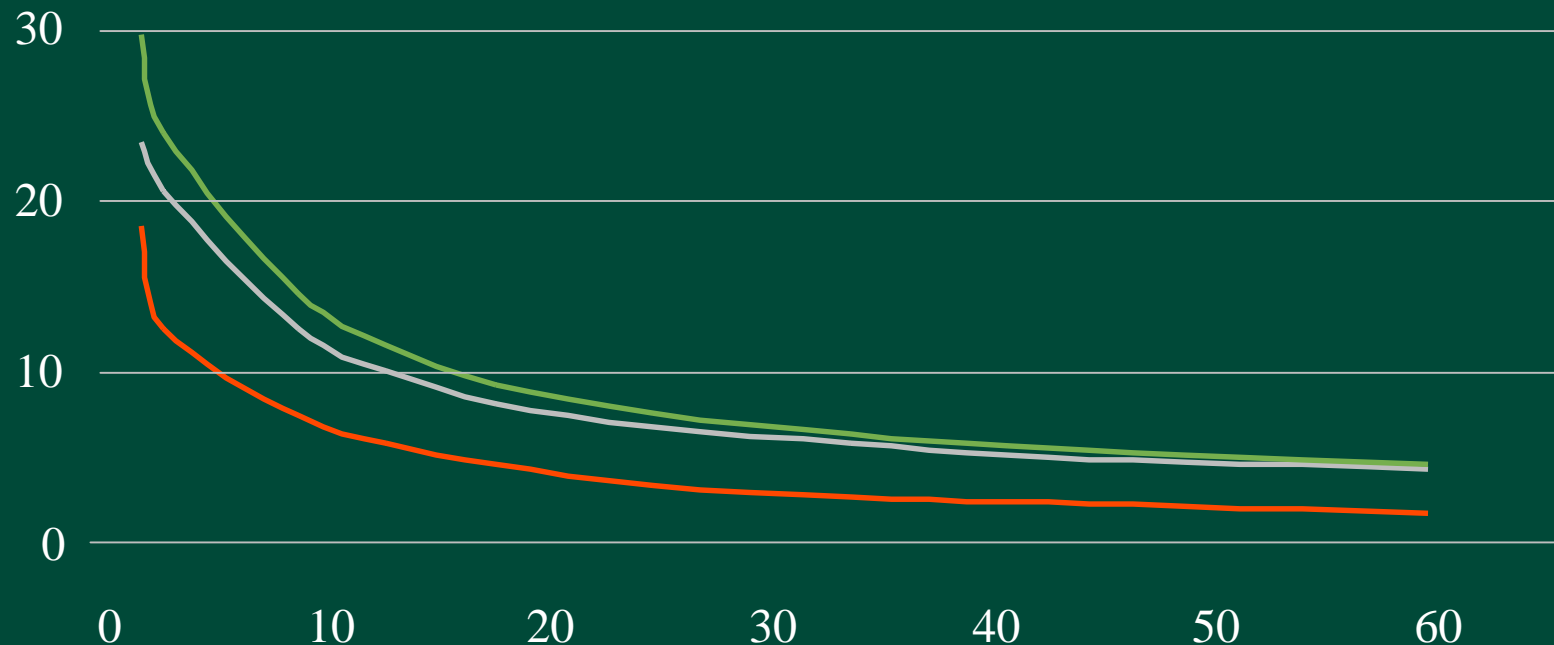
Calculation of Variance due to Special Risk (Issue-Specific Model)

	Portfolio Weights	Benchmark Weights	Contribution to Issue- Specific Risk
Issue 1	w_{P_1}	w_{B_1}	$(w_{P_1} - w_{B_1})^2 SD_1^2 \sigma_{\varepsilon_1}^2$
Issue 2	w_{P_2}	w_{B_2}	$(w_{P_2} - w_{B_2})^2 SD_2^2 \sigma_{\varepsilon_2}^2$
Issue N	w_{P_N}	w_{B_N}	$(w_{P_N} - w_{B_N})^2 SD_N^2 \sigma_{\varepsilon_N}^2$
Total Issue-Specific Risk			$\sum_{i=1}^N (w_{P_i} - w_{B_i})^2 SD_i^2 \sigma_{\varepsilon_i}^2$
Total Issuer-Specific Risk			$\sum_{i=1}^N \left\{ \sum_{j \in S_i} w_{P_j} SD_j \sigma_{\varepsilon_{i,j}} - \sum_{j \in S_i} w_{B_j} SD_j \sigma_{\varepsilon_{i,j}} \right\}^2$

Risk Model Application: Effect of Diversification on Index Tracking

Portfolio Tracking Error vs. LB Euro Aggregate Index

Tracking Error (bps / month)



Number of Securities in the Portfolio

— Total — Non-Systematic — Systematic

Risk Model Application: Risk Budgeting

Comparing Risk of Diverse Market Exposures

Risk (bp/month) when deviating from the Sterling Aggregate Index

	20% Ovwht Non-Gilt	0.5 yr Duration Extension
Sources of tracking error		
Term structure	1.5	9.8
Non-term structure	3.4	4.5
Swap spreads	3.6	2.3
Credit spreads	3.6	4.4
Non-systematic	11.3	7.2
Total TE	11.9	11.6

POINT: Tracking Error Report

What are the Sources of Risk?

Global Risk Model				Glossary		
User-defined Parameters	Portfolio/Benchmark Comparison	Tracking Error	Factor Exposure - Full Details	Portfolio Issue-Specific Risk	Credit Tickers	Warnings & Exclusions
Tracking Error, 10/31/2003						
Portfolio : GRMRV			Benchmark : Global Agg			
Global Risk Factor	Isolated TEV	Cumulative TEV	Difference in cumulative	Percentage of tracking error variance	Portfolio beta	
Global:						

Currency	19.1	19.1	19.1	53.8	1.1	
Yield Curve	8.95	22.98	3.88	19.42	0.96	
Swap Spreads	0.99	22.73	-0.25	-0.9	1.04	
Volatility	0.15	22.74	0.01	0.06	1.05	
Investment-Grade Spreads	2.33	22.85	0.11	0.91	1.01	
~~ Treasury Spreads	1.14	22.66	-0.09	-0.28	1.44	
~~ Credit and Agency Spreads	1.61	22.85	0.2	1.04	1.02	
~~ MBS/Securitized	0.98	22.9	0.04	0.16	0.93	
~~ CMBS/ABS	0.37	22.85	-0.05	-0.01	1.75	
High Yield Spreads	6.97	25.61	2.76	11.82		
Systematic risk	25.61	25.61	0.0	85.1	1.05	
Idiosyncratic risk	8.38	26.94	1.34	9.11		
Default risk	6.68	27.76	0.82	5.79		
Total risk (bp/month)		27.76	0.0	100.0		
Portfolio volatility (bp/month)					127.93	
Benchmark volatility (bp/month)					119.34	

- ◆ Upper part of report shows Global Risk Factors
- ◆ Lower part shows Risk Factors grouped by currency bloc (not shown)

POINT: Tracking Error Report

What is the Portfolio's Sensitivity to Risk Factors?

Global Risk Model						Glossary			
User-defined Parameters	Portfolio/Benchmark Comparison		Tracking Error	Factor Exposure - Full Details		Portfolio Issue-Specific Risk		Credit Tickers	Warnings & Exclusions
Factor Exposure - Full Details, 10/31/2003									
Portfolio : GRMRV				Benchmark : Global Agg					
Factor name	Sensitivity/exposure	Portfolio exposure	Benchmark exposure	Net exposure	Factor volatility	TE impact of an isolated 1 std. dev. up change	TE impact of a correlated 1 std. dev. up change	Marginal contribution to TEV	Percentage of tracking error variance
CURRENCY:									

USD Currency	MV%	37.66	42.2	-4.53	0.0	-0.0		0.0	-0.0
CAD Currency	MV%	2.6	1.8	0.8	2.12	1.69	11.47	0.243	2.51
EUR Currency	MV%	34.17	30.41	3.76	2.97	11.16	21.17	0.628	30.61
GBP Currency	MV%	3.7	4.16	-0.46	2.76	-1.26	17.8	0.49	-2.91
DKK Currency	MV%	0.68	0.53	0.15	3.44	0.52	20.38	0.7	1.38
SEK Currency	MV%	0.37	0.5	-0.13	3.21	-0.43	20.13	0.646	-1.11
NOK Currency	MV%	1.96	0.13	1.83	3.54	6.47	20.89	0.739	17.54
JPY Currency	MV%	16.52	18.82	-2.31	2.72	-6.29	4.26	0.116	-3.41
KEY RATES AND CONVEXITY:									


USD 6M key rate	KRD (Yr)	0.071	0.064	0.0060	19.67	-0.12	3.62	-0.712	-0.06
USD 2Y key rate	KRD (Yr)	0.19	0.268	-0.078	32.22	2.53	15.62	-5.032	5.11
USD 5Y key rate	KRD (Yr)	0.411	0.485	-0.074	40.44	2.99	18.08	-7.314	7.01
USD 10Y key rate	KRD (Yr)	0.459	0.56	-0.101	37.35	3.79	17.76	-6.632	8.71
USD 20Y key rate	KRD (Yr)	0.196	0.377	-0.18	31.39	5.66	16.7	-5.241	12.28
USD 30Y key rate	KRD (Yr)	0.153	0.173	-0.02	29.56	0.6	15.94	-4.713	1.29
USD Convexity	OAC (Yr^2/100)	-0.18	-0.094	-0.086	5.87	-0.51	3.15	0.185	-0.21
CAD 6M key rate	KRD (Yr)	0.0070	0.0010	0.0060	22.81	-0.14	8.01	-1.828	-0.14
CAD 2Y key rate	KRD (Yr)	0.021	0.0090	0.011	32.18	-0.37	12.15	-3.909	-0.58
CAD 5Y key rate	KRD (Yr)	0.0010	0.025	-0.024	29.89	0.7	13.08	-3.91	1.19
CAD 10Y key rate	KRD (Yr)	0.047	0.038	0.0090	25.32	-0.23	12.14	-3.073	-0.31

- Report lists sensitivities to all risk factors to which portfolio or benchmark are exposed
- The volatility of each risk factor is shown. TE impact of risk factor = **Net exposure X Factor volatility**

POINT: Issuer Specific Risk

How much Idiosyncratic Risk is There?

- ♦ All bonds of a single issuer (grouped by ticker) are grouped together
- ♦ Issuers are sorted by idiosyncratic risk exposures

Global Risk Model										Glossary		
User-defined Parameters		Portfolio/Benchmark Comparison		Tracking Error		Factor Exposure - Full Details		Portfolio Issue-Specific Risk		Credit Tickers	Warnings & Exclusions	
Credit Tickers, 10/31/2003												
Portfolio : GRMRV						Benchmark : Global Agg						
Ticker	Name	Sector	Rating	Currency	# issues in portfolio	Portfolio weight	Benchmark weight	Net weight	Net contribution to OASD	Systematic risk	Idiosyncratic risk	
CREDIT												

AWE	AT&T WIRELESS SVCS INC-GLOBAL	Industrial	BAA2	USD	1	1.5	0.06	1.45	0.092	3.84	3.66	
NXTL	NEXTEL COMM	Industrial	B2	USD	1	0.28	0.0	0.28	0.018	2.07	2.72	
NRUC	NATIONAL RURAL UTILS CFC-GLOBA	MULTIPLE	A1 A2	USD EUR	1	1.13	0.05	1.07	0.134	4.34	2.61	
QUS	QWEST SERVICES CORP	Industrial	CAA1	USD	1	0.22	0.0	0.22	0.0080	0.67	2.51	
TYC	TYCO INTL GROUP SA	Industrial	BA2	USD	1	0.48	0.0	0.48	0.03	0.85	2.3	
THC	TENET HEALTHCARE CORP	Industrial	BA3	USD	1	0.38	0.0	0.38	0.025	0.69	1.73	
NSC	NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORP	Industrial	BAA2	USD	1	0.75	0.03	0.71	0.08	2.52	1.69	
DT	DEUTSCHE TELEKOM INT FIN-GLOBA	MULTIPLE	BAA3	USD EUR GBP JPY	1	0.83	0.26	0.57	0.038	1.9	1.65	
GM	GENERAL MOTORS ACPT CORP	MULTIPLE	BAA2	USD EUR GBP JPY	0	0.0	0.42	-0.42	-0.022	0.56	0.67	



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