FinTech 590 Quantitative Risk Management

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Introductions

Expectations

- Book
 - Options, Futures, and Other Derivatives Hull
 - Recommended: Elements of Financial Risk Management 2nd edition Christofferson (out of print, eTextbook available on Amazon).
- Class Participation
- Weekly Project
- Exam
- Grading
 - 40% Projects
 - o 60% Final Exam
- Office Hours

Course Schedule

Date	Topics	Weekly Project
1/5/2022	Introduction, Course Syllabus and Expectations, Review Univariate	No
	Statistics	
1/10/2022	Multivariate Statistics, Regression Models, Time Series	Yes
1/17/2022	No Class	
1/24/2022	Financial Data Common issues, Monte Carlo Methods	Yes
1/31/2022	Value at Risk, Delta Normal, Historical, Simulated	Yes
2/7/2022	Non-normal Monte Carlo, Gaussian Copula, Other risk measures	Yes
2/14/2022	Portfolio Construction and Risk. Factor Models, Risk Budgets,	Yes
	Optimization	
2/21/2022	Forward Curve Construction, Rates, FX	Yes
2/28/2022	Bond Valuation, Derivatives – Futures, Forwards, and Swaps	Yes
3/7/2022	No Class	
3/14/2022	Options, Valuation Methods and Greeks	Yes
3/21/2022	Scenario and Stress Testing, Credit and Other Types of Risk	No
3/28/2022	Speaker	No
4/4/2022	Speaker	No
4/11/2022	Speaker	No
4/18/2022	No Class	
4/25/2022	Final	

Weekly Projects and Final Exam

Weekly Projects

- 8 total 10 point scale
- 8 points Written Paper and Slides
- o 2 points code
- Programming Language of choice, C/C++, Python, Julia.

Final Exam

- No project last 3 weeks, instead work on your code to create a risk management library
- Open book final.
- Data + Questions + Your code library

Example Project

Projects and GitHub

- All class materials are in my GitHub –
 https://github.com/dompazz/FinTech590-RiskManagement
- All your code should be checked into GitHub by project due date.
 - I will pull all code repositories on the due date.
 - Put each week's code into a folder named "WeekXX" where XX is the week number
 - Your repo must be publicly viewable.
 - You must submit your repo address via Sakai as your homework this week.
 - Put any instructions to run your code in Readme.md in each week's folder.
 - Explain it like I know nothing.
 - Test everything. Ask a friend to test your code. If I cannot run it, you do not get credit

Risk Management

What is Risk Management

Risk management is the process of understanding and managing, to an acceptable level, the risk of loss to a company's earnings and balance sheet.

- Why?
- Types of Risk:
 - Market Risk*
 - Credit Risk*
 - Liquidity Risk
 - Operational Risk
 - Business Risk