

# FRTB : Econometric

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## Abstract

The aim of this document is to provide some technical elements required for the Fundamental Review of the Trading Book (FRTB) in the historical simulation framework.

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# 1 Introduction

## 1.1 Problem formulation

Defined by the Basel Committee of Banking Supervision, the FRTB aims to improve the Basel 2.5 regulation rules and to build a new market risk framework as a response to the financial crisis. These new standards address a number of issues such as capital arbitrage between booking and trading books as well as undercapitalization of the trading book.

Minimum capital requirements

- définir les risques factors
- Comment déformer les risk factors (contraintes technique (nb rf) et fonctionnelle (pertinence de la déformation intra et cross rf))
- Mesure et application des déformations

However, because of the multitude of financial variables with different properties, define the function  $f$  is not an easy task.

how to measure past evolution of risk factors to apply deformations on their current state.

## 1.2 Notations and Definitions

$D(t, T)$  : Stochastic discount factor at time  $t$  for the maturity  $T$ .

$P(t, T)$  :  $T$ -maturity zero coupon bond value at time  $t \leq T$ .

$L(T_R, T_S, T_S + \tau)$  : Simply compounded Libor rate resetting at time  $T_R$  for the start date  $T_S$  and the tenor  $\tau$ .

$S(T_R, T_S, T_E)$  : Swap rate resetting at time  $T_R$  for the start date  $T_S$  and the end date  $T_E$ .

# 2 Market Risk Modelling

## 2.1 Interest Rate Securities

La modélisation du marché des taux d'intérêts suppose l'existence d'un actif de marché traitable, l'obligation zéro coupon. Les instruments de taux classiques s'en déduisant, la courbe des taux zéro coupon permet donc d'en appréhender leur évolution dans le temps. En réalité,

## **2.2 Single Rate Derivatives**

## **2.3 Multi Rate Derivatives**

# **3 Risk factors Econometrics**

## **3.1 Yield Curve**

As seen in the previous section, the yield curve represents the global risk factor for all interest rate instruments ( including derivatives by extension ).

### **3.1.1 Par-Point**

In this approach, all pillars of the yield curve are considered independents and the econometrics are directly applied to their facial values. Now, the question is how to compare theses values at different dates. In fact, ( selon la date d'observation et la description des instruments (business days vs calendar days), on peut avoir d'es instrument differents)

The first way is to extract zero coupon curves from past dates and use them to value the current yield curve. (ajouter graph)

The second way is to consider that rates with sliding maturities such as money market and swap rates can be compared regardless the date of observation. For other rates induced by rolling securities such as Euribor futures whose maturities are fixed dates, an immediate comparison is impossible. An alternative can be to compute the current value of theses rates from the past yield curves using some interpolation rules.

### 3.1.2 Forward Rate

### 3.1.3 Term Structure

## 3.2 Volatility Smile

### 3.2.1 SABR

### 3.2.2 Gaussian Implied volatility

## 3.3 Correlation Smile

## 4 Historical Simulation Framework

Historical simulation is a method which assumes that future evolution of a variable rely on its past evolution. In a financial context, for a given time horizon  $\alpha$  and a risk factor  $R$  whose level at time  $t$  is noted  $R_t$ , this translates into

$$R_{t+1} = f_R(R_t, R_{s+h}, R_s), \quad t - \alpha \leq s < t - h$$

with respectively  $h = 1$  for  $VaR$  and  $h = 10$  for  $ES$ .

However, because of the multitude of financial variables with different properties, define the function  $f$  is not an easy task.

$(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  premier critère espace des variable, deuxième critère fruchard, on reprend les notations et on recherche les endomorphismes et monotonie

### 4.1 Absolute returns

The absolute return is defined as

$$\begin{aligned} X_{t+1} &= X_t + X_{s+h} - X_s \\ &= X_t + \delta_A \end{aligned}$$

### 4.2 Relative returns

The relative return is defined as

$$\begin{aligned} X_{t+1} &= X_t \cdot \left( \frac{X_{s+h}}{X_s} \right) \\ &= X_t + \delta_R, \quad \delta_R = X_t \cdot \frac{(X_{s+h} - X_s)}{X_s} \end{aligned}$$

### 4.3 Absolute-Relative returns

#### 4.3.1 Convexe combination

The most simple way to define an absolute-relative return is to use a convexe combination between theses two shocks with  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$

$$\delta_{AR} = \lambda.\delta_A + (1 - \lambda).\delta_R$$

#### 4.3.2 p-Space

The Lambert function is the inverse function of

$$y = x.\exp(x) \iff x = W(y)$$

using this function, it is possible to define a p-variable  $Y_t$  by

$$Y_t = p.X_t + (1 - p).\ln(X_t)$$

and then

$$X_t = \begin{cases} Y_t, & p = 1 \\ \exp(Y_t), & p = 0 \\ \left(\frac{1-p}{p}\right).W\left(\frac{p}{1-p}.\exp\left(\frac{Y_t}{1-p}\right)\right), & p \in ]0, 1[ \end{cases}$$

$$y_1' = y_1 + y_2 - y_3$$

and then retrieve  $\delta_{AR}$  by

$$\delta_{AR} = f^{-1}(y_1') - x_1$$

### 4.4 Case of bounded risk factors