

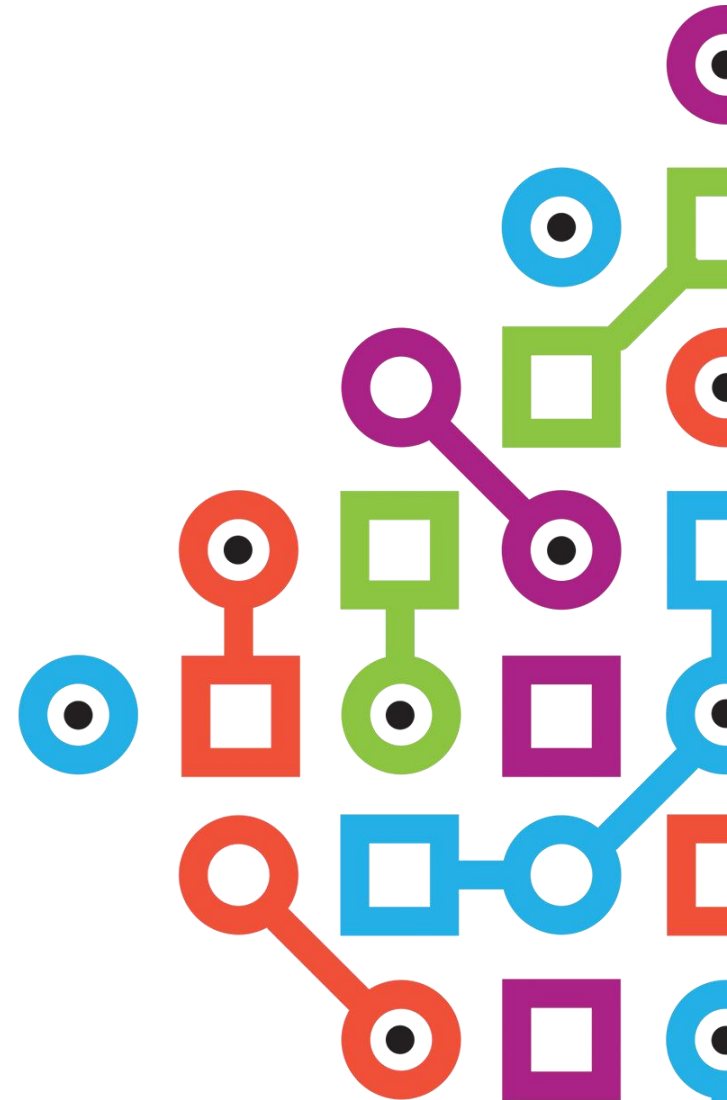
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# Notebook 1 – Portfolio Simulation Modeling

## Financial portfolio simulation modeling – example 1

- We want to invest \$1000 in the US stock market for 1 year:  $v_0 = 1000$
- Invest into the S&P 500 market index (index fund)
- Value of investment at the end of year 1:  $V_1$
- Market return over the time period  $[0,1)$  is  $r_{0,1}$

$$V_1 = v_0 + r_{0,1} \cdot v_0 = (1 + r_{0,1})v_0$$

- Generate scenarios for the market return over the year and compute  $V_1$ 
  - decide on the number of scenarios and the set of scenarios for  $r_{0,1}$
  - generate scenarios
    - ✓ use historic scenarios
    - ✓ draw randomly from historic scenarios (bootstrapping)
    - ✓ draw random numbers from the assumed distribution (Monte Carlo)
  - visualize and analyze the approximate probability distribution of  $V_1$
- In our example we assume that the **return of the market** over the next year follow **Normal distribution**

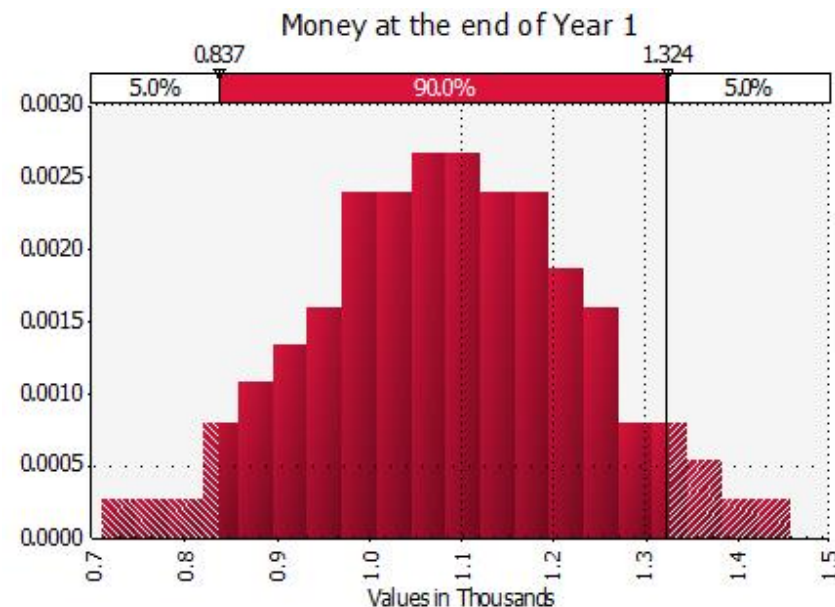
## Financial portfolio simulation modeling – example 1

- Between 1977 and 2007, **S&P 500** returned **8.79%** per year on average with a standard deviation of **14.65%**
- Generate **100 scenarios** for the market return over the next year (draw 100 random numbers from a Normal distribution with mean 8.79% and standard deviation of 14.65%):

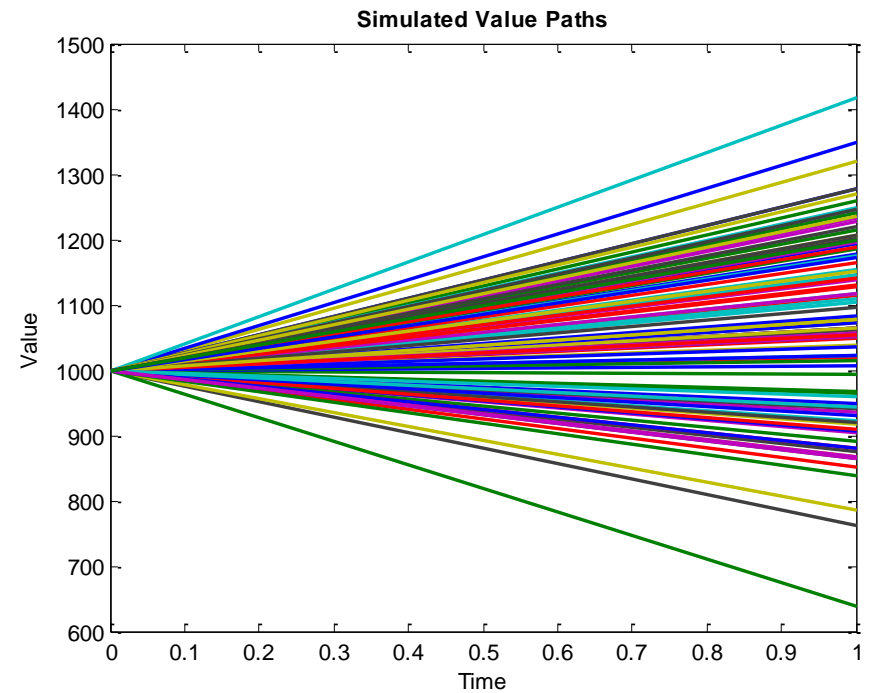
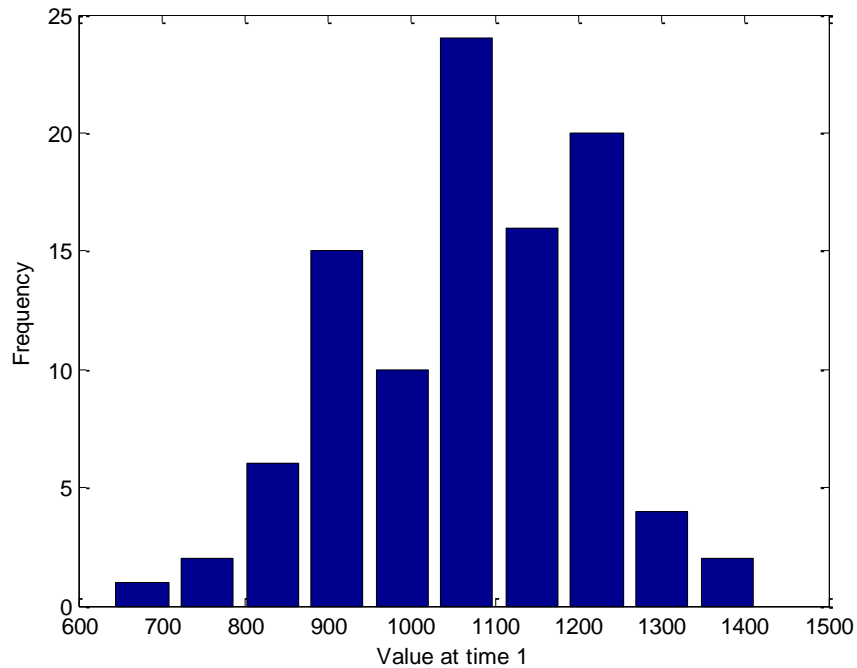
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r01 = random.normal(0.0879, 0.1465, 100)
0.099278
-0.004262
...
0.488364
-0.119054
```

- Compute and plot  $v_1 = (1 + r_{0,1})v_0$

Number of values	100
Mean	\$ 1,087.90
Std Deviation	\$ 146.15
Skewness	0.0034442
Kurtosis	2.871695
Mode	\$ 1,118.96
5% Perc	\$ 837.40
95% Perc	\$ 1,324.00
Minimum	\$ 708.81
Maximum	\$ 1,458.52



# Financial portfolio simulation modeling – example 1



## Why use simulation?

- **Example 1** illustrates very **basic Monte Carlo simulation system**
- **Simulation** allows us to **evaluate** (approximately) a **function of a random variable**
  - ❑ in example 1 the function is simple  $v_1 = (1 + r_{0,1})v_0$
  - ❑ given distribution of  $r_{0,1}$ , in some cases we can compute distribution of  $v_1$  in closed form, e.g., if  $r_{0,1}$  followed a Normal distribution, then  $v_1$  also follows a Normal distribution with mean  $(1 + \mu_{0,1})v_0$  and standard deviation  $\sigma_{0,1}v_0$
  - ❑ if  $r_{0,1}$  was not Normally distributed, or if the output variable  $v_1$  were a more complex function of the input variable  $r_{0,1}$ , it would be difficult and practically impossible to derive the probability distribution of  $v_1$  from the probability distribution of  $r_{0,1}$
- Other **advantages of simulation**:
  - ❑ simulation enables visualizing probability distribution resulting from compounding probability distributions of multiple input variables (**example 2**)
  - ❑ simulation allows incorporating correlations between input variables (**example 3**)
  - ❑ simulation is a low-cost tool for checking the effect of changing a strategy on an output variable of interest (**example 4**)
- Next, we **extend example 1** to illustrate such situations

## Financial portfolio simulation modeling – example 2

- You are planning for **retirement** and decide to **invest in the market** for the next **30 years** (instead of only the next year as in example 1). Your **initial capital** is still  $v_0 = 1000$
- Assume that every year your investment returns from investing into the S&P 500 will follow a Normal distribution with the mean and standard deviation as in example 1.
- Value of investment after 30 years:  $V_{30}$

- The return over 30 years will depend on the realization of 30 random variables

$$v_{30} = (1 + r_{0,1}) \cdot (1 + r_{1,2}) \cdot \dots \cdot (1 + r_{29,30}) \cdot v_0$$

$$r_{0,t} = (1 + r_{0,1})(1 + r_{1,2}) \dots (1 + r_{t-1,t}) - 1$$

$$v_{0,t} = (1 + r_{0,t})v_0$$

- **Observations:**

- ❑ sum of Normal random variables is Normal
- ❑ here we have multiplication of Normal random variables, is it Normal?



## Financial portfolio simulation modeling – example 2

- Between 1977 and 2007, **S&P 500** returned **8.79%** per year on average with a standard deviation of **14.65%**

- Simulate** 30 columns of 100 observations each of single period returns:

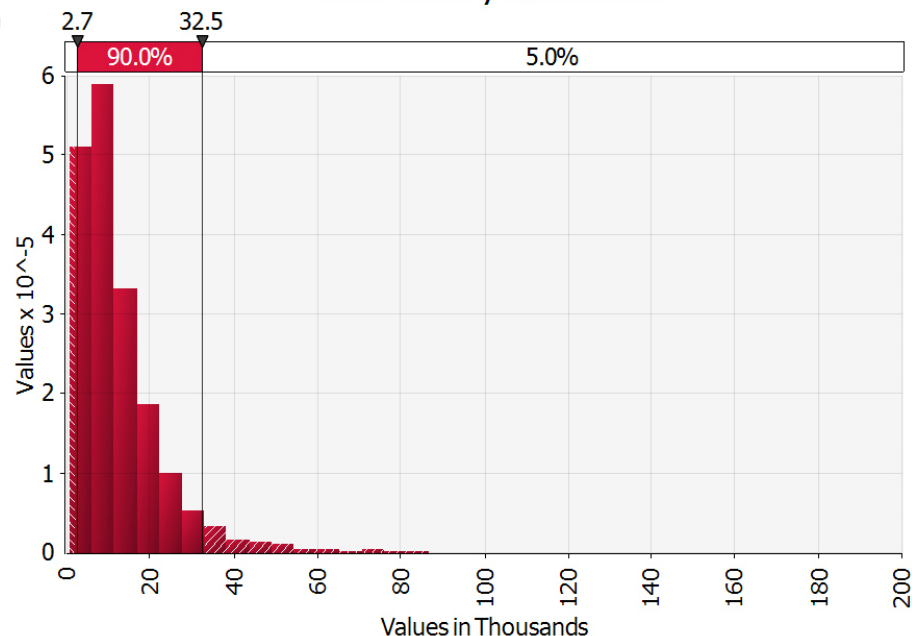
```
r_speriod30 = random.normal(0.0879, 0.1465, (100, 30))
```

```
0.323770  0.188574  ...  0.024316
0.060499  0.142391  ...  0.093383
...
-0.019156 -0.120207 ...  0.071931
0.289694  0.038724 ...  0.356291
```

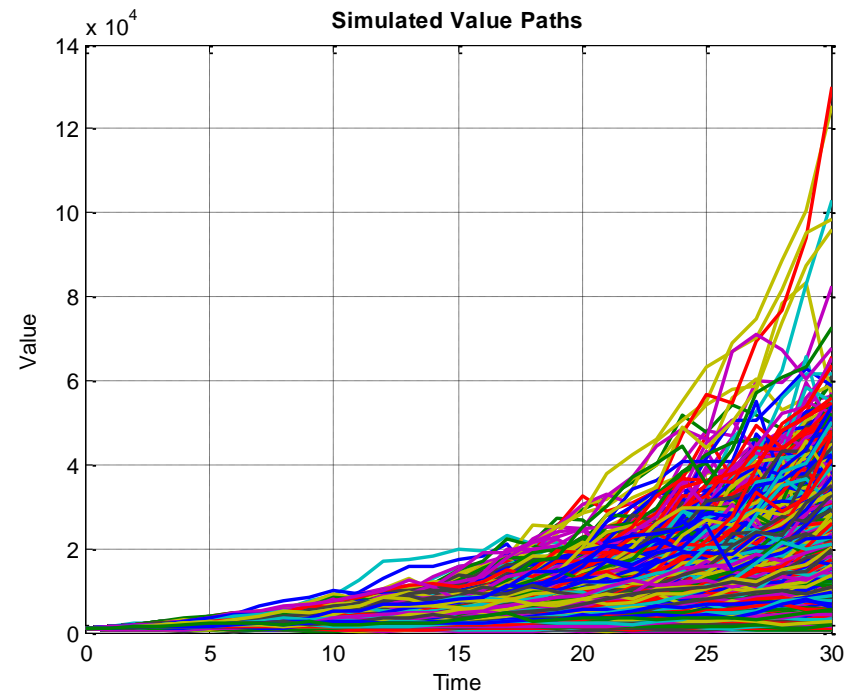
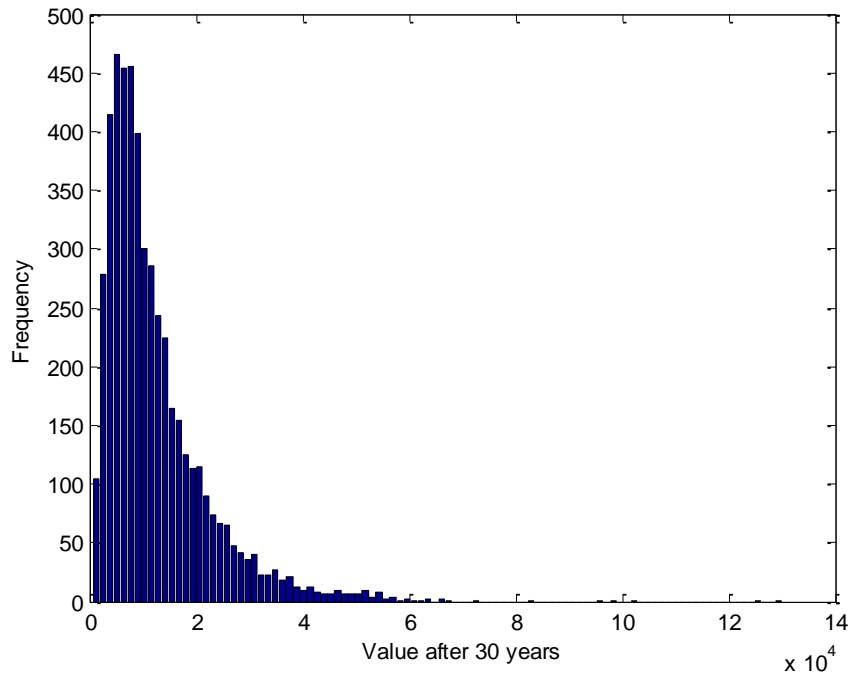
Total money in account

- Compute and plot  $v_{30} = (1 + r_{0,30})$

Number of values	5000
Mean	\$ 12,587.62
Std Deviation	\$ 10,948.39
Skewness	3.349066
Kurtosis	28.24214
Mode	\$ 4,458.97
5% Perc	\$ 2,655.55
95% Perc	\$ 32,481.38
Minimum	\$ 609.75
Maximum	\$194,355.00



## Financial portfolio simulation modeling – example 2



## Financial portfolio simulation modeling – example 3

- You are planning for **retirement** and decide to **invest in the market** for the next **30 years**. Your **initial capital** is  $v_0 = 1000$
- You have an opportunity to invest in **stocks** and **Treasury bonds**:
  - allocate 50% of your capital to the stock market (S&P 500 index fund) today
  - allocate 50% of your capital to bonds today
- Assume that every year your investment returns from investing into the S&P 500 and Treasury bonds will follow a Normal distribution with the mean and standard deviation as in **example 2** (for S&P 500), mean **4%** and standard deviation **7%** for bonds. Assume correlation **-0.2** between the stock market and the Treasury bond market.

- **Covariance matrix:**

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0.1465^2 & -0.2 \cdot 0.1465 \cdot 0.07 \\ -0.2 \cdot 0.1465 \cdot 0.07 & 0.07^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.0215 & -0.0021 \\ -0.0021 & 0.0049 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Value of investment after 30 years:  $V_{30}$

## Financial portfolio simulation modeling – example 3

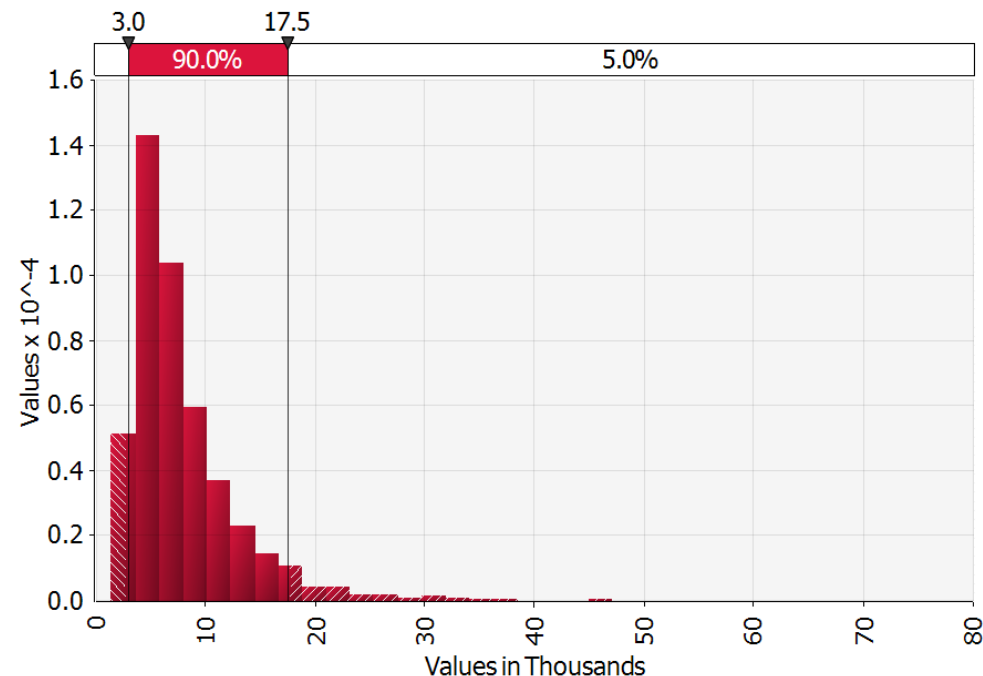
- **Simulate** 30 years of 100 observations each of single period correlated returns:

```
scenarios = random.multivariate_normal(mu, covMat, Ns)
for year in range(1, 31):
    scenarios = random.multivariate_normal(mu, covMat, Ns)
    stockRet *= (1 + scenarios[:,0])
    bondsRet *= (1 + scenarios[:,1])
```

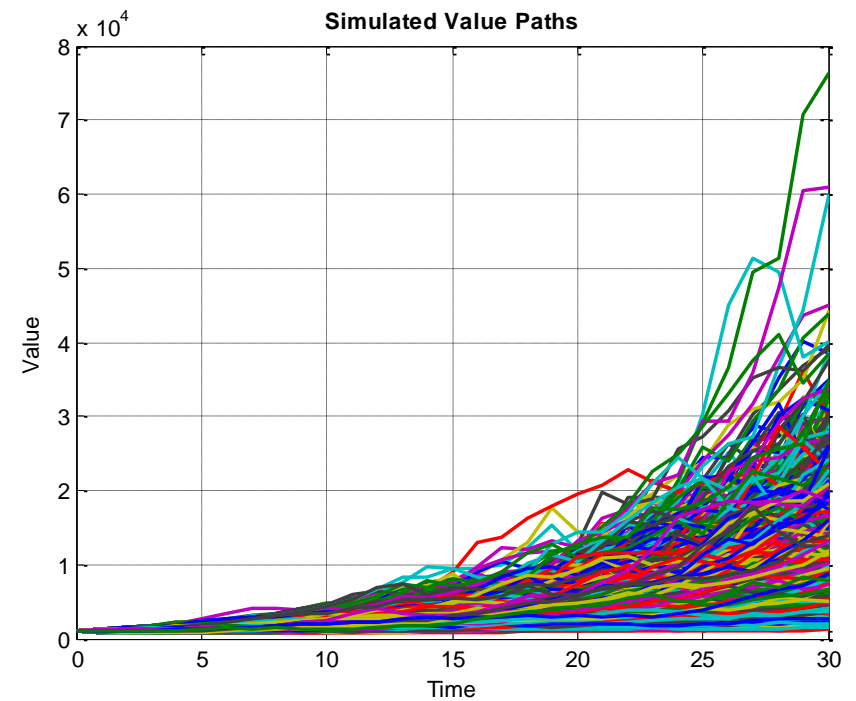
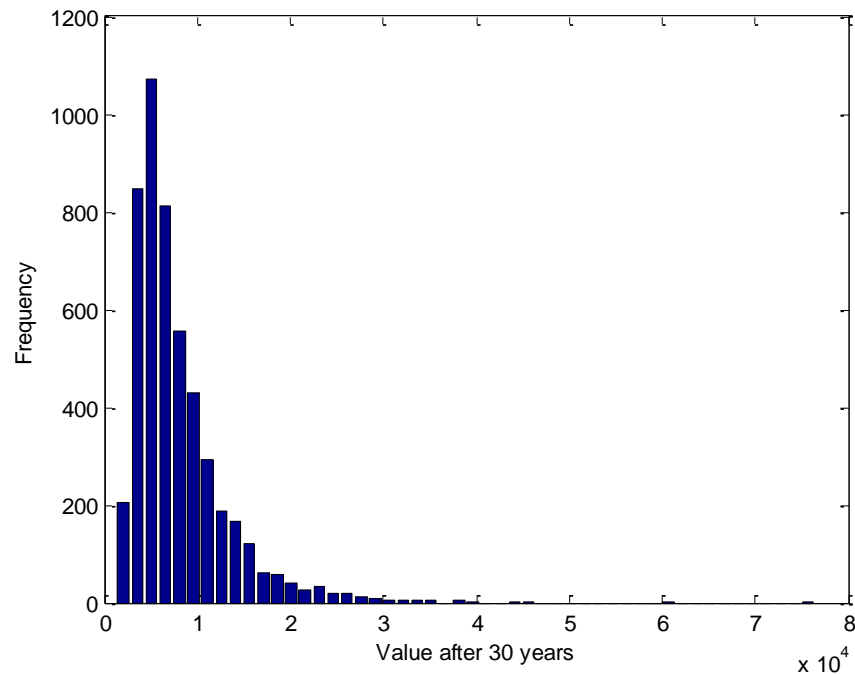
- Compute and plot  $v_{30} = 0.5v_0(1 + r_{0,30}^s) + 0.5v_0(1 + r_{0,30}^b)$

Total amount in account

Number of values	5000
Mean	\$ 7,892.80
Std Deviation	\$ 5,233.10
Skewness	2.921482
Kurtosis	20.48869
Mode	\$ 5,050.96
5% Perc	\$ 2,951.82
95% Perc	\$17,457.43
Minimum	\$ 1,408.63
Maximum	\$79,729.34



## Financial portfolio simulation modeling – example 3



## Financial portfolio simulation modeling – example 4

- Using scenario generation procedure from **example 3** for decision-making

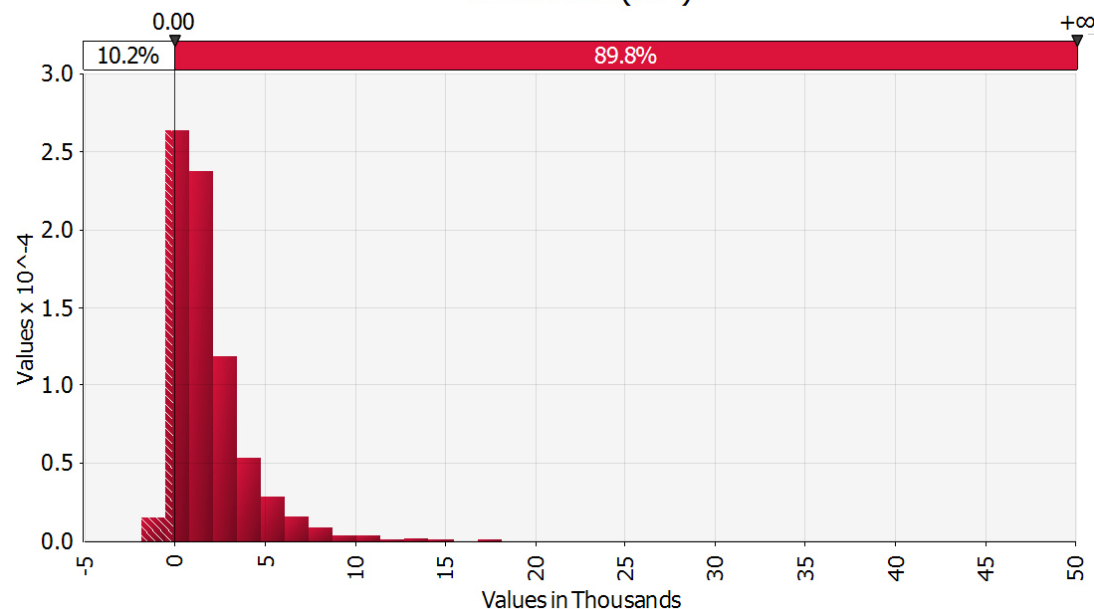
- **Compare portfolios:**

- ❑ 50-50 portfolio allocation in stocks and bonds (**Strategy A**)
  - ❑ 30-70 portfolio allocation in stocks and bonds (**Strategy B**)

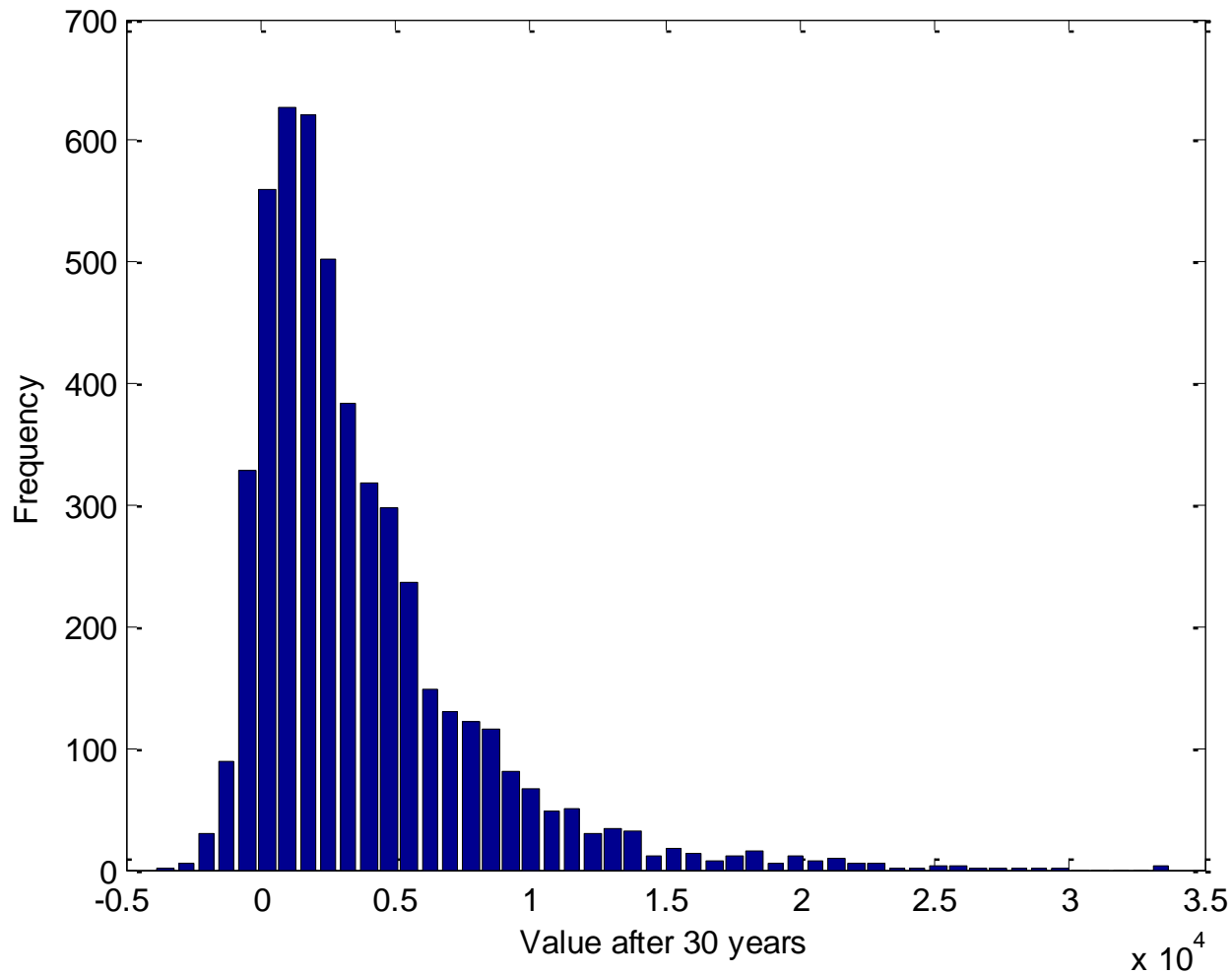
```
v30comp = []
for w in arange(0.2, 1.01, 0.2):
    v30comp += [w * v0 * stockRet + (1 - w) * v0 * bondsRet]
```

- Compute and plot  $v_{30} = w_s v_0 (1 + r_{0,30}^s) + w_b v_0 (1 + r_{0,30}^b)$

Number of values	5000
Mean	\$ 1,865.13
Std Deviation	\$ 2,214.87
Skewness	3.506451
Kurtosis	40.18968
Mode	\$ 687.75
5% Perc	\$ -254.41
95% Perc	\$ 6,027.23
Minimum	\$-1,829.78
Maximum	\$45,972.08



## Financial portfolio simulation modeling – example 4



# Notebook 2 – Option Valuation



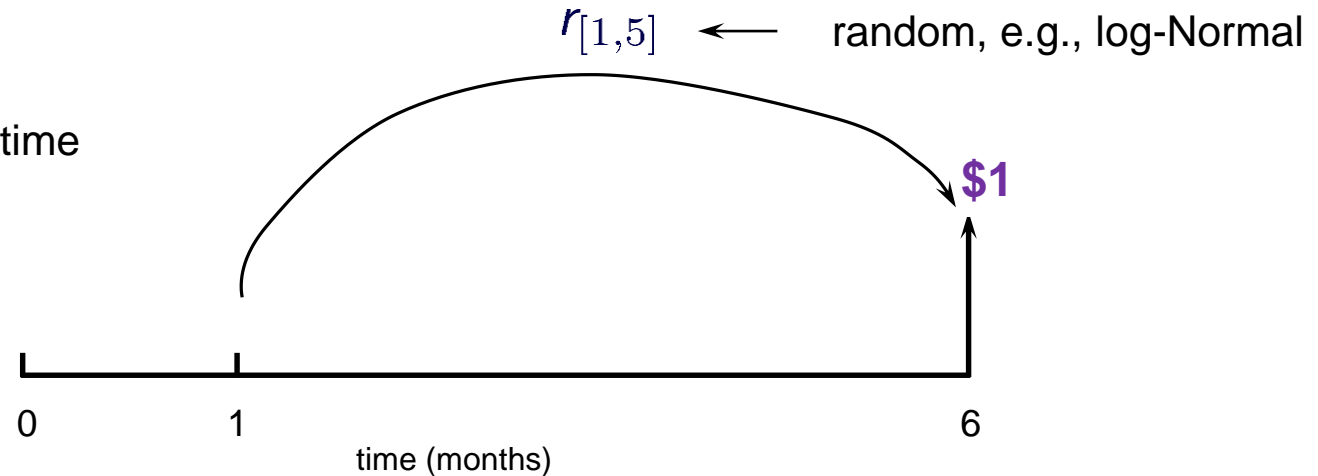
## Pricing bond – example

### 1. Model the risk factor: 5-month interest rate ( $r_{[1,5]}$ )

$t = 0$  – current time

$\tau = 1$  – risk horizon

$T = 6$  – bond maturity time



### 2. Compute the zero coupon bond price at time $\tau = 1$

uncertain value (price)

$$v_1 = f(r_{[1,5]})$$

$$= e^{-r_{[1,5]} \cdot \frac{5}{12}}$$

sampled value (price)

$$v_{i1} = f(r_{i[1,5]})$$

$$= e^{-r_{i[1,5]} \cdot \frac{5}{12}}$$

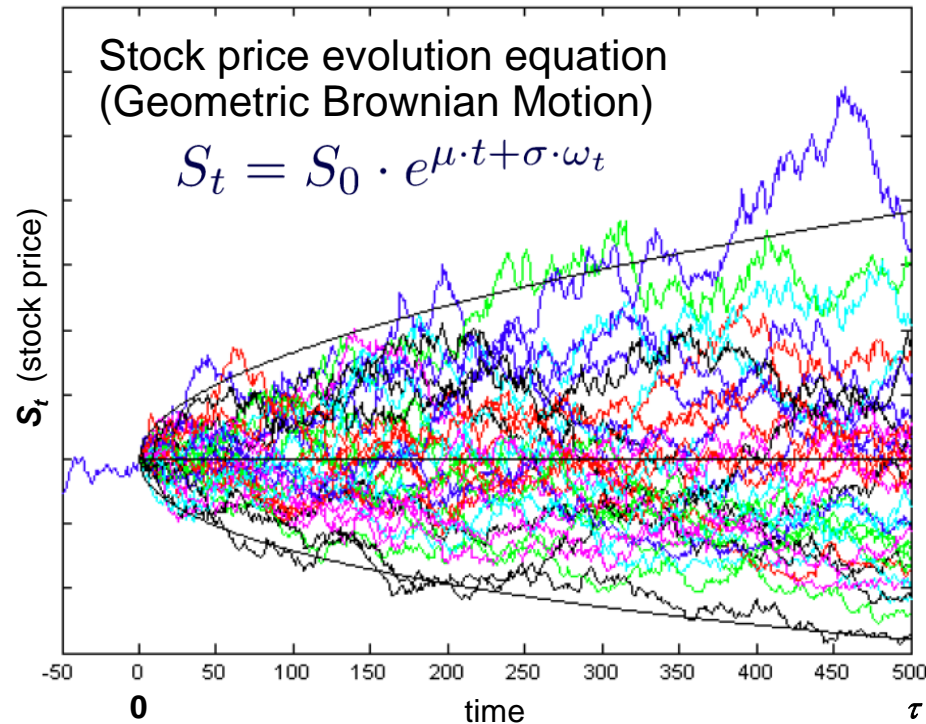
### 3. Compute the price at $\tau = 1$ if the bond pays a coupon $c$ at time $t = 3$

sampled value (price)

$$v_{i1} = f(r_{i[1,2]}, r_{i[1,5]}) = c \cdot e^{-r_{i[1,2]} \cdot \frac{2}{12}} + e^{-r_{i[1,5]} \cdot \frac{5}{12}}$$

## Pricing option – example

### 1. Model the risk factor: underlying stock price ( $S_t$ )



$\tau$  is the time at which we compute the option value  
 $T$  is the option maturity time

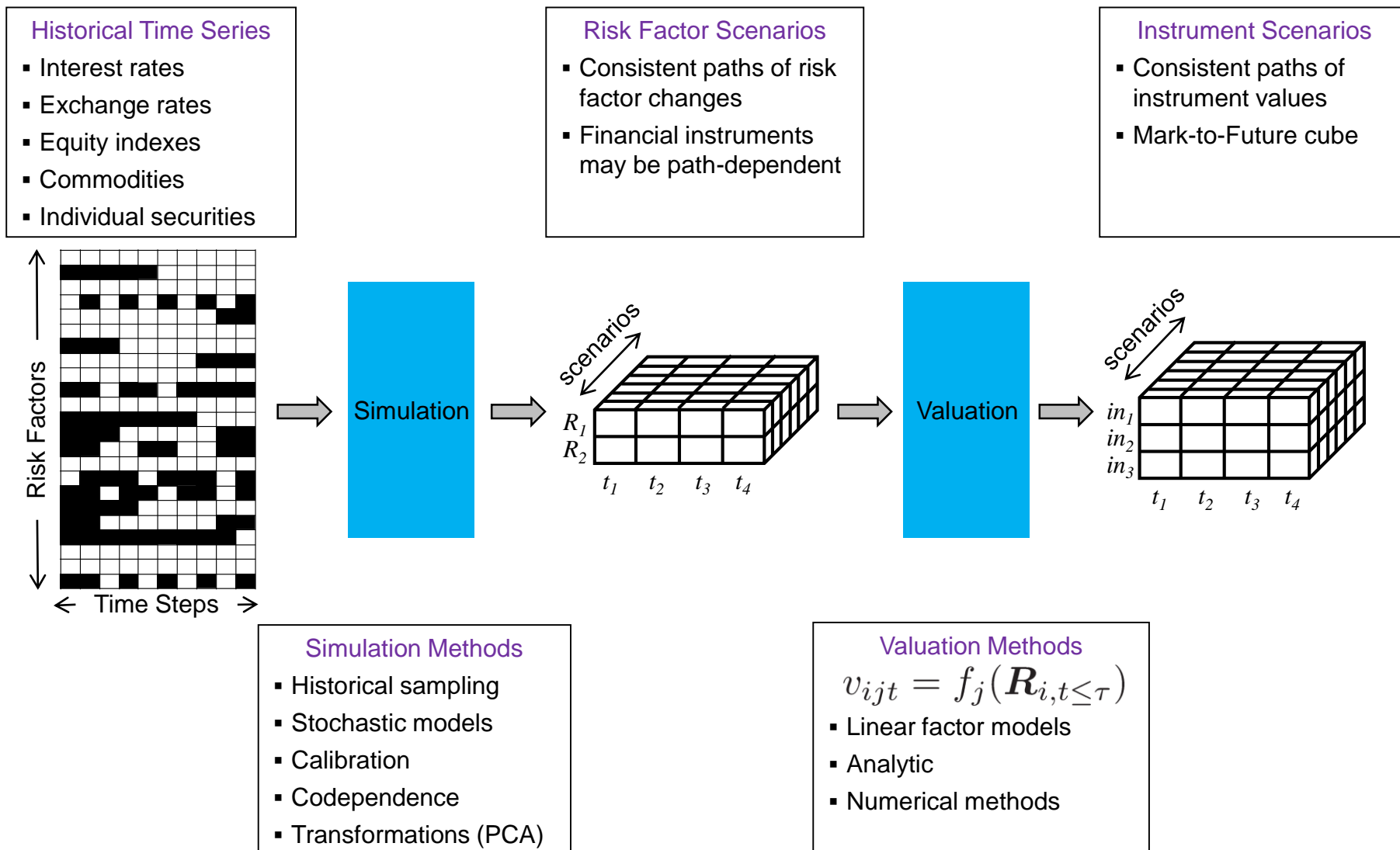
### 2. Model the risk factor: discount rate ( $r_{[\tau, T-\tau]}$ )

### 3. Compute option price for path (scenario) $i$ at time $\tau$

$$v_{i\tau} = f(r_{i[\tau, T-\tau]}, S_{i\tau}) \quad \leftarrow \text{European option, price with Black-Scholes formula}$$

$$v_{i\tau} = f(r_{i[\tau, T-\tau]}, S_{it_1}, S_{it_2}, \dots, S_{iT}) \quad \leftarrow \text{Asian option, price is path-dependent}$$

# Mark-to-Future framework



## Portfolio valuation

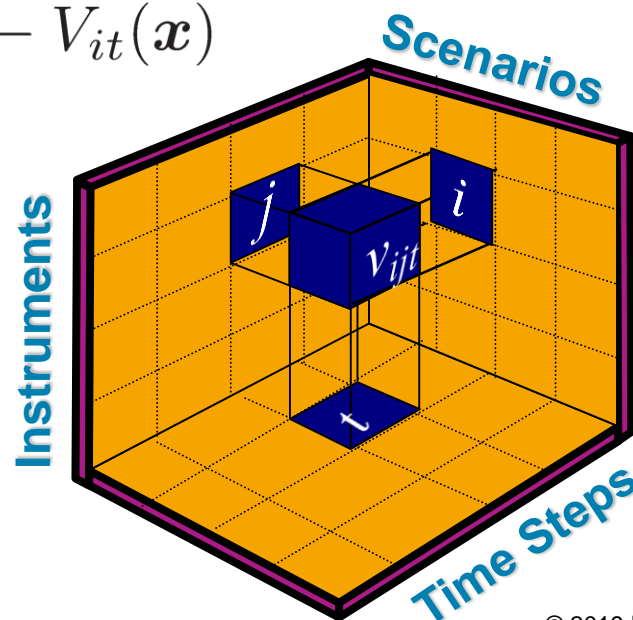
- A portfolio is a set of positions,  $\mathbf{x}$ , where  $x_j$  is the number of units of instrument  $j$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, N$
- From the instrument values in the MtF cube, the portfolio value at time  $t$  in scenario  $i$  is

$$V_{it}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^N v_{ijt} \cdot x_j$$

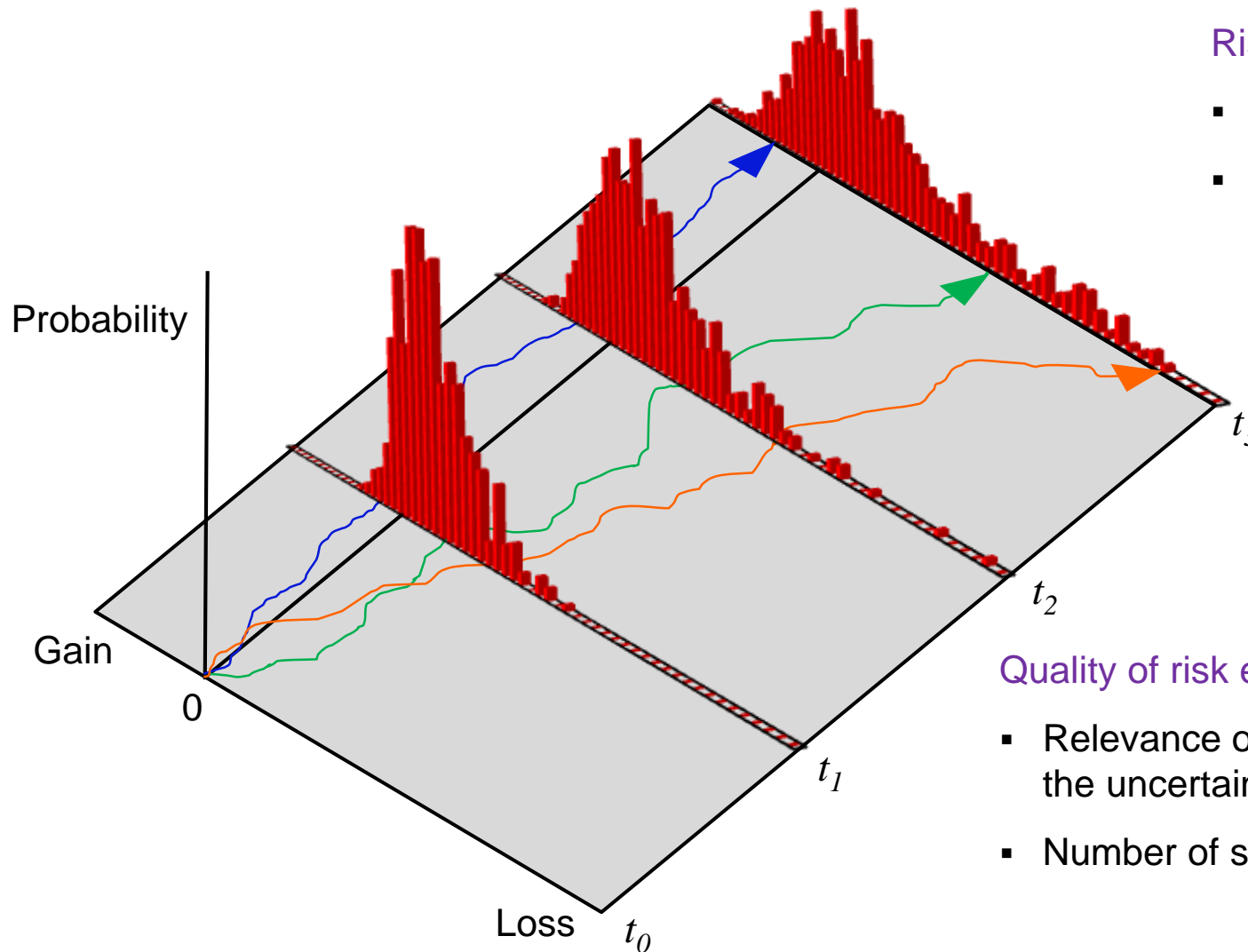
- Given the initial portfolio value, it is straightforward to compute changes in value (profits and losses) and returns in each scenario

loss  $\longrightarrow \ell_{it}(\mathbf{x}) = V_0(\mathbf{x}) - V_{it}(\mathbf{x})$

- An MtF cube can be used to value portfolios that hold any subset of its instruments
  - No need to re-simulate when positions change
  - $\mathbf{x}$  are decision variables in portfolio optimization



# Empirical portfolio loss distributions over time



## Risk

- Variance
- Tail-based risk measures

## Quality of risk estimates depends on

- Relevance of scenarios (capture the uncertainty)
- Number of scenarios

## Modeling asset price dynamics

■ Financial **time series** is a sequence of observations of the **values** of a financial **variable over time**:

- ❑ **asset price** (index level) or **asset value**
- ❑ **asset** (index) **return**
- ❑ **interest rate**
- ❑ **exchange rate**



S&P 500 index level between August 19, 2005 and August 19, 2009  
(weekly observations)

## Modeling asset price dynamics

■ Most important **time series properties** are **drift** and **volatility**:

- ❑ **drift** – **direction** of any observable **trend** in the time series (positive drift from August 2005 until middle of 2007, negative drift from middle of 2007 until the beginning of 2009)
- ❑ **volatility** – measure of **variation** over time, i.e., standard deviation or variance (volatility was smaller from August 2005 until middle of 2007 and increased dramatically between middle of 2007 and beginning of 2009)
- ❑ **volatility** to **drift** (volatility increases when price level increases, volatility decreases when price level increases, volatility remains constant independently of the current price level)
- ❑ **continuity** – is the time series smooth or there are jumps (quite smooth from August 2005 until middle of 2007 and dramatic drops in price levels between middle of 2007 and beginning of 2009, especially in the fall of 2008)



## Notation

- $S_t$  value of the underlying variable (price, interest rate, index level, etc.) at time  $t$
- $S_{t+1}$  value of the underlying variable (price, interest rate, index level, etc.) at time  $t+1$
- $w_t$  random error term observed at time  $t$  (it follows random Normal distribution  $\mathcal{N}(0, \sigma)$ )
- $\varepsilon_t$  realization of a standard Normal random variable  $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$  at time  $t$  (for modelling random error term)



## Geometric random walks

- Model **return** as

$$r_t = \mu + \sigma \cdot \epsilon_t \qquad r_t = \frac{S_{t+1} - S_t}{S_t}$$

- $\epsilon_0, \dots, \epsilon_t$  is a sequence of independent standard Normal random variables
- Returns are normally distributed, return over each time interval of length 1 has mean  $\mu$  and standard deviation  $\sigma$
- If we know price at time  $t$ , we can compute price at time  $t+1$  as

$$\begin{aligned} S_{t+1} &= S_t \cdot \frac{S_{t+1}}{S_t} = S_t \cdot \left( \frac{S_t}{S_t} + \frac{S_{t+1} - S_t}{S_t} \right) \\ &= S_t \cdot \left( 1 + \frac{S_{t+1} - S_t}{S_t} \right) = S_t \cdot (1 + r_t) \\ &= S_t + \mu \cdot S_t + \sigma \cdot S_t \cdot \epsilon_t \end{aligned}$$

## Geometric random walks

- Express price at time  $t$  in terms of known initial price at time 0

$$S_t = S_0 \cdot \frac{S_1}{S_0} \cdot \dots \cdot \frac{S_{t-1}}{S_{t-2}} \cdot \frac{S_t}{S_{t-1}} = S_0 \cdot (1 + r_0) \cdot \dots \cdot (1 + r_{t-1})$$

- **Problem:** product of Normal random variables is not a Normal random variable
- **Solution:** take logarithms of both sides of the equation and note that

$$\ln(1 + r_t) = \ln\left(1 + \frac{S_{t+1} - S_t}{S_t}\right) = \ln\left(\frac{S_{t+1}}{S_t}\right) = \ln(S_{t+1}) - \ln(S_t)$$

- Assume that log returns (not returns) are independent and follow Normal distribution with mean  $\mu$  and standard deviation  $\sigma$ :

$$\ln(1 + r_t) = \ln(S_{t+1}) - \ln(S_t) = \mu + \sigma \cdot \epsilon_t$$

- Now,  $\ln(S_t)$  is also Normally distributed ( $S_t$  is lognormal random variable)

$$\ln(S_t) = \ln(S_0) + \ln(1 + r_0) + \dots + \ln(1 + r_{t-1})$$

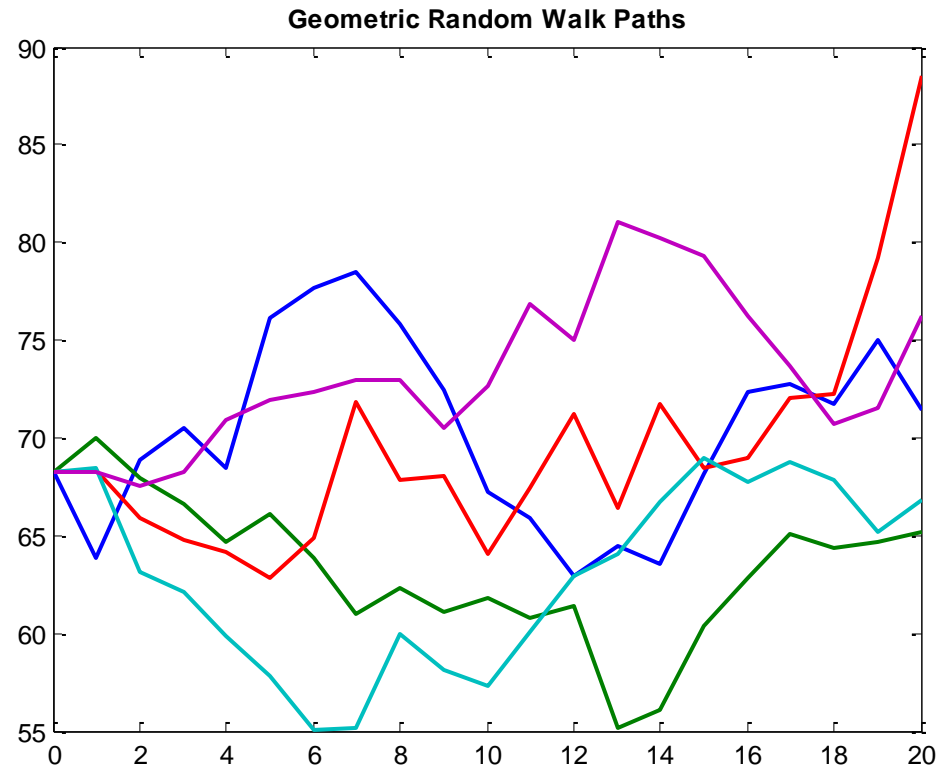
- We can compute closed-form expression for price

$$\ln(S_t) = \ln(S_0) + \left(\mu - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sigma^2\right) \cdot t + \sigma \cdot \sqrt{t} \cdot \epsilon$$

$$S_t = S_0 \cdot e^{(\mu - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sigma^2) \cdot t + \sigma \cdot \sqrt{t} \cdot \epsilon}$$

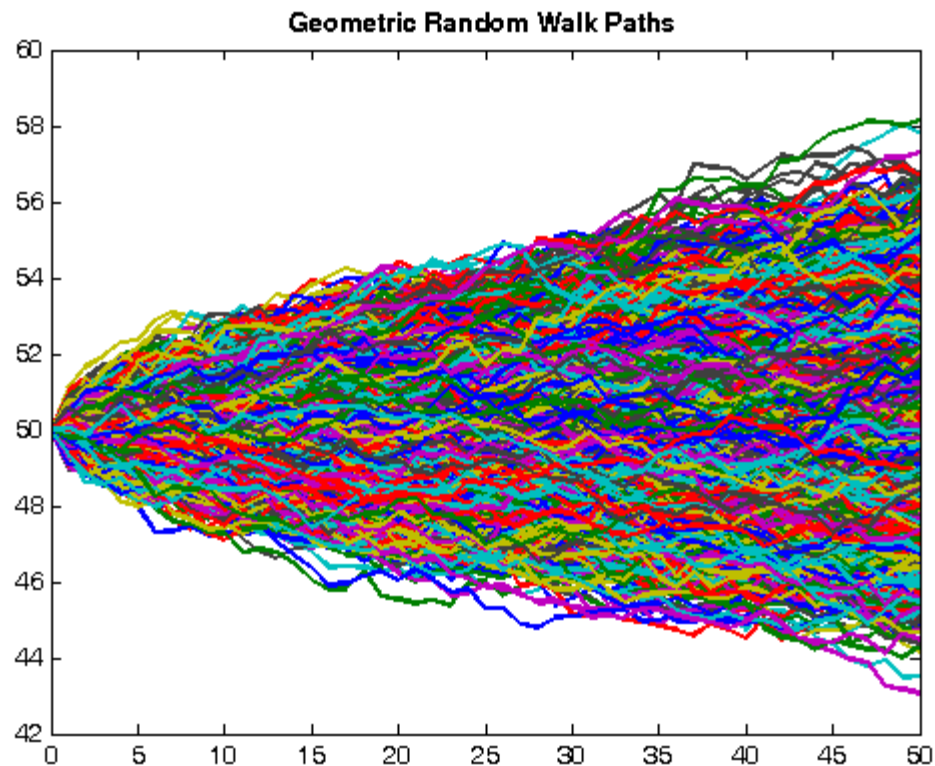
# Geometric random walks – example in Python

$$S_{t+1} = S_t \cdot e^{(\mu - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sigma^2) + \sigma \cdot \epsilon_t}$$



## Geometric random walks – example in Python

$$S_{t+1} = S_t \cdot e^{(\mu - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sigma^2) + \sigma \cdot \epsilon_t}$$



## Pricing European option

- Generate a specified number of simulated asset paths and then use those paths to price a standard European Put and Call option. The payoff of the options is given by:

$$P_{\text{call}}(T) = \max(S(T) - K, 0)$$

$$P_{\text{put}}(T) = \max(K - S(T), 0)$$

- $S(T)$  is the price of the underlying asset at maturity
- $K$  is the strike

## Pricing Asian option

- An **Asian option** is an example of an option that has a **path dependent payoff**. This makes it ideally suited for pricing using the Monte-Carlo approach.
- Generate a specified number of simulated asset paths and then use those paths to price a standard Asian Put and Call option. The payoff of the options is given by:

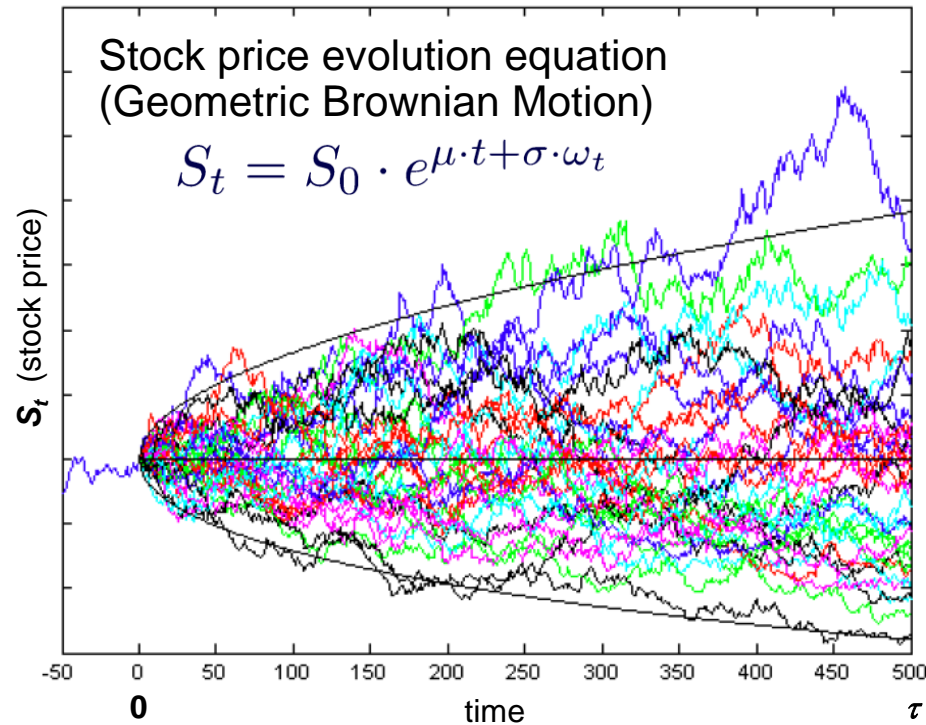
$$P_{\text{call}}(T) = \max(A(0, T) - K, 0)$$

$$P_{\text{put}}(T) = \max(K - A(0, T), 0)$$

- **$A(0, T)$**  is the average price of the underlying asset over the life of the option
- **$K$**  is the strike

## Pricing option – example

### 1. Model the risk factor: underlying stock price ( $S_t$ )



$\tau$  is the time at which we compute the option value  
 $T$  is the option maturity time

### 2. Model the risk factor: discount rate ( $r_{[\tau, T-\tau]}$ )

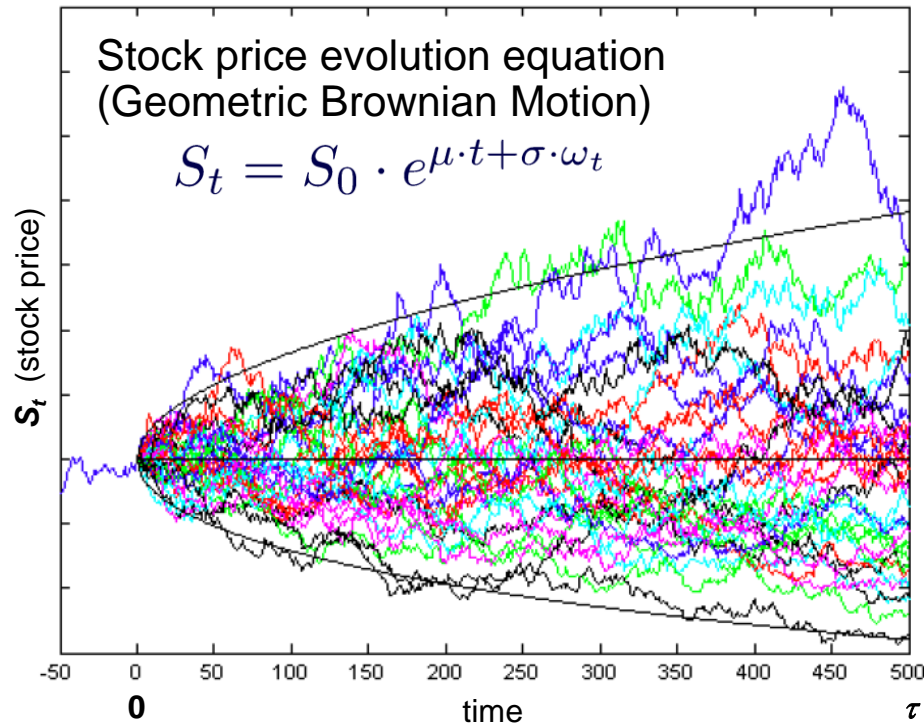
### 3. Compute option price for path (scenario) $i$ at time $\tau$

$$v_{i\tau} = f(r_{i[\tau, T-\tau]}, S_{i\tau}) \quad \leftarrow \text{European option}$$

$$v_{i\tau} = f(r_{i[\tau, T-\tau]}, S_{it_1}, S_{it_2}, \dots, S_{iT}) \quad \leftarrow \text{Asian option, price is path-dependent}$$

# Pricing option – example

## 1. Model the risk factor: underlying stock price ( $S_t$ )



## 2. Model the risk factor: discount rate ( $r_{[\tau, T-\tau]}$ )

## 3. Compute option price for path (scenario) $i$ at time $\tau$

$$v_{i\tau} = f(r_{i[\tau, T-\tau]}, S_{i\tau}) = \max(S_{iT} - K, 0) \cdot e^{r_{i[\tau, T-\tau]} \cdot (T-\tau)} \quad \leftarrow \text{European option}$$

$$v_{i\tau} = f(r_{i[\tau, T-\tau]}, S_{it_1}, S_{it_2}, \dots, S_{iT}) \quad \leftarrow \text{Asian option, price is path-dependent}$$

$$= \max(\text{mean}(S_{it_1}, S_{it_2}, \dots, S_{iT}) - K, 0) \cdot e^{r_{i[\tau, T-\tau]} \cdot (T-\tau)}$$





# **Notebook 3 – Speech-to-Text, Natural Language Understanding and Text-to-Speech**

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# Watson Speech-to-Text, Natural Language Understanding and Text-to-Speech

```
import IPython
IPython.display.Audio("sample.wav")
```



## Speech-to-Text

```
from watson_developer_cloud import SpeechToTextV1

# Instantiate the service using your credentials
service = SpeechToTextV1(
    username='72784511-6fe0-44bf-90e2-484acea841c8',
    password='a454oGGRDEWv'
)

audio_file = open("sample.wav", "rb")

result = service.recognize(audio_file, content_type="audio/wav")

result

{'result_index': 0,
 'results': [{'alternatives': [{'confidence': 0.994,
    'transcript': 'thunderstorms could produce large hail isolated tornadoes and heavy rain '}],
  'final': True}]}
```



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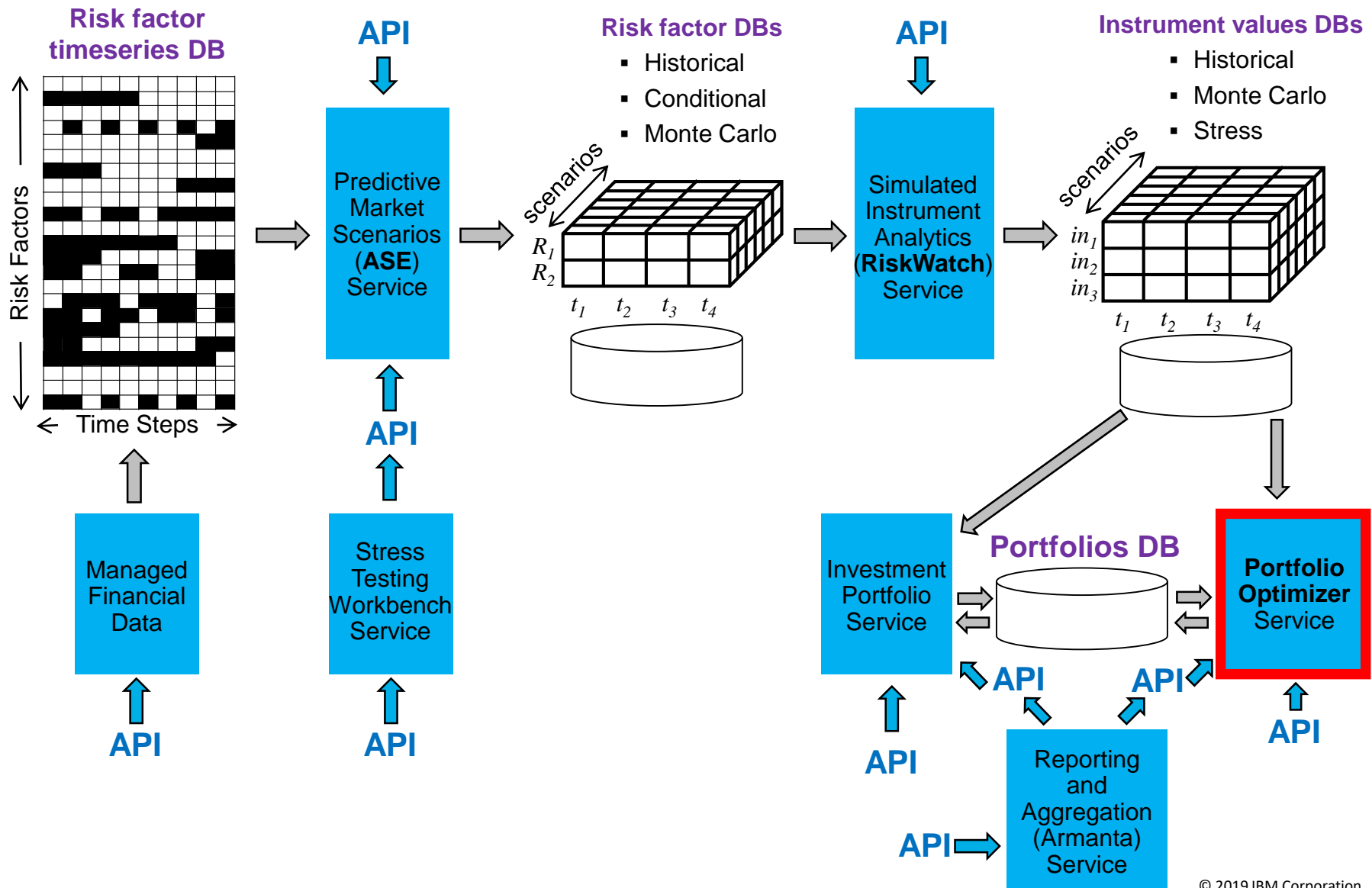
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## Objective function and constraints

```
"objectives": [  
  {  
    "sense":      "minimize",  
    "measure":    "variance",  
    "attribute":  "return",  
    "portfolio":  "Universe",  
    "TargetPortfolio": "Aggressive",  
    "timestep":   30,  
    "description": "minimize tracking error squared (variance of the difference between  
                  Universe portfolio and Aggressive benchmark returns) at time 30 days"  
  }  
],  
"constraints": [  
  {  
    "attribute":  "weight",  
    "portfolio":  "HighEnvironmental",  
    "InPortfolio": "Universe",  
    "relation":    "greater-or-equal"  
    "constant":    0.5,  
    "description": "Creating an average Environmental score of High"  
  },  
  {  
    "attribute":  "weight",  
    "members":    "Has Tobacco",  
    "relation":    "equal",  
    "constant":    0.0,  
    "description": "Excluding all securities which have the property Has Tobacco"  
  }  
]
```

# Notebook 5 – Cognitive Portfolio Optimization



## IBM Algo Optimizer interfaces 1 – JSON API

- IBM Algo Optimizer is built with the IBM ILOG CPLEX® library
- Interface allows users to construct optimization problems for financial risk management
- Problem can reference
  - Various financial attributes, e.g., value, return, cash flow, duration, beta, etc.
  - Multiple scenario sets

- Measures include

- Expectation
- Variance
- Linear or quadratic deviations from a target
- Expected shortfall (CVaR)

```
{  
  "measure": "expectation",  
  "attribute": "return",  
  "timestep": 30,  
  "relation": "greater-or-equal",  
  "constant": 0.0075,  
  "description": "expected return of the  
                  portfolio is at least 0.75%"  
}
```

- Possible to specify

- Cardinality restrictions
- Trading costs
- Soft constraints
- Multiple objectives

## IBM Algo Optimizer interfaces 2 – GUIs

<https://developer.ibm.com/code/journey/construct-a-socially-responsible-investment-portfolio/>

Portfolio Construction and Optimization

New Optimization

Let's build a portfolio of investments that meets your unique needs

We can start with your existing portfolio and the changes necessary to suit it to your needs

We can assume you're starting fresh, and build one for you using this process.

☒ I want to use my portfolio

☐ I want to build a portfolio from scratch

my\_portfolio

▼

Benchmark

Next, we'll need to select a benchmark portfolio whose properties we'll attempt to match. We'll be minimizing tracking error, or the difference between risk/return of the portfolio and this benchmark.

Aggressive

▼

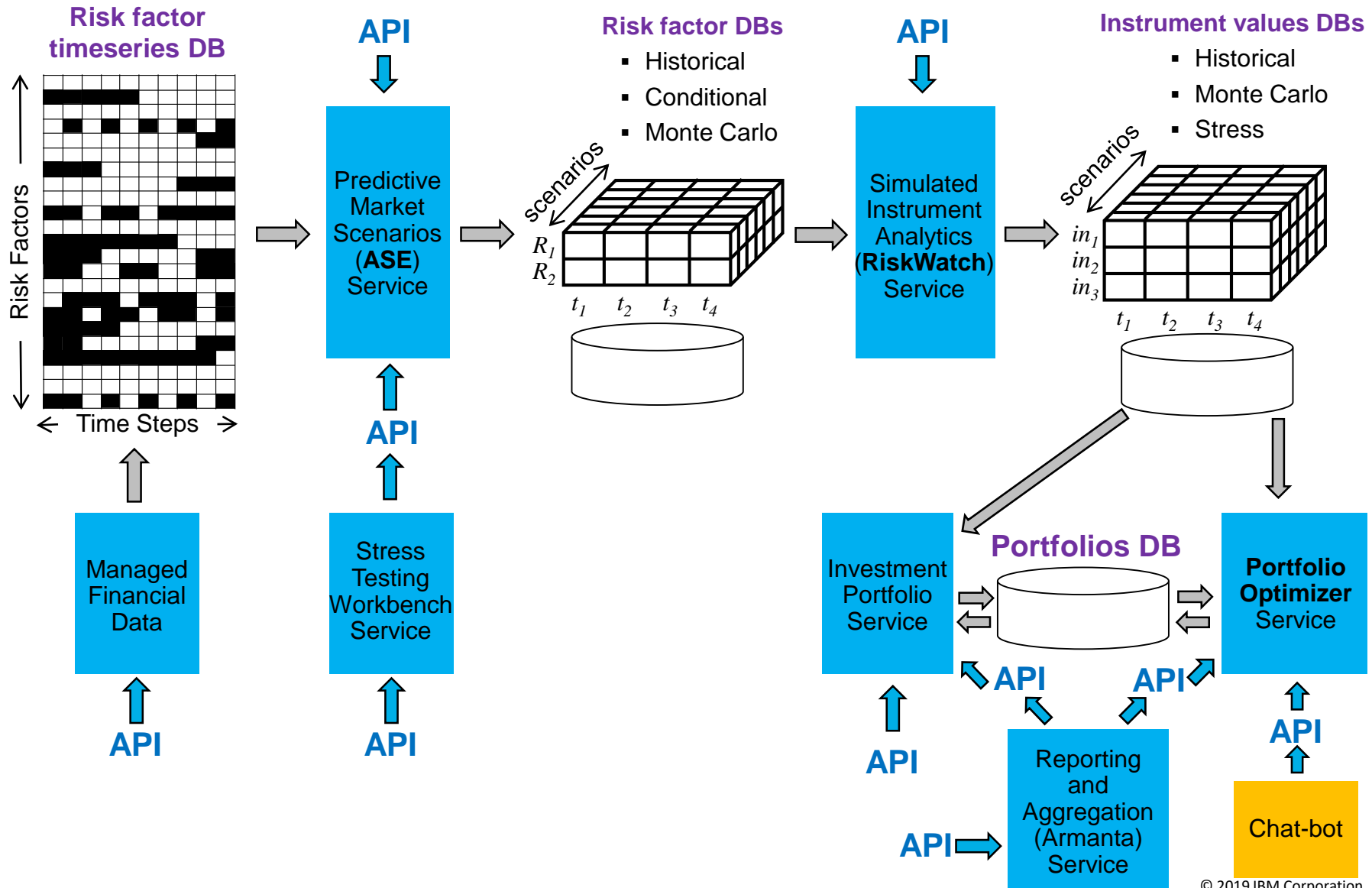
Specify any types of investments we'd like to expressly exclude from our analysis

Alcohol	Tobacco	Fossil Fuels	Gambling	Military
Any company with significant business operations that deal with Alcohol.	Any company with significant business operations that deal with Tobacco.	Any company with significant business operations that deal with Fossil Fuels.	Any company with significant business operations that deal with Gambling.	Any company with significant business operations that deal with Military.
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Add these stocks	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Add these stocks	<input type="radio"/> Add these stocks	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Add these stocks	<input type="radio"/> Add these stocks
<input type="radio"/> Remove these stocks	<input type="radio"/> Remove these stocks	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Remove these stocks	<input type="radio"/> Remove these stocks	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Remove these stocks

## IBM Algo Optimizer interfaces 3 – cognitive and AI



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Third Party

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### Watson Assistant (formerly Conversation)

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Watson Assistant a platform that allows developers and non-technical users to collaborate on building conversational AI-

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# Cognitive Portfolio Optimization Service: Watson NLU Service

## Watson Natural Language Understanding Service

investor preferences

My name is John. I am 34. I work in information technology sector. I would like to invest \$30000 in my RRSP this year. I would like highly diversified portfolio. I do not like having military and dirty assets in my portfolio. I care a lot about sustainable development.

### Watson Natural Language Understanding:

- ❑ Investing for long-term (34 years, RRSP) -> aggressive benchmark (stocks)
- ❑ Cash inflow of \$30000 into current portfolio
- ❑ Highly diversified portfolio -> weight of each asset  $\leq 5\%$  constraint
- ❑ No military or dirty assets -> weight of military and dirty assets = 0 constraint
- ❑ Care about sustainable development -> weight of sustainability assets  $\geq 50\%$
- ❑ Work in information technology -> weight of IT assets between 10% and 30%

# Chat-bot for portfolio selection

## Methodology



Watson Assistant,  
Natural Language  
Understanding

## Changing Approach: Converting problem into Chatbot

My name is John. I am 34 and want to invest for 10 years. I work in information technology sector so I want the weight of that sector to be greater than 20%. I would like to invest \$30000 in my RRSP this year. I would like a highly diversified portfolio. I do not like having military and tobacco assets in my optimized portfolio. I care a lot about sustainable development.



My name is John.

I am 34 and want to  
invest for 10 years.

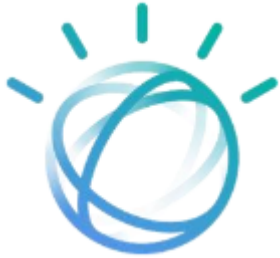
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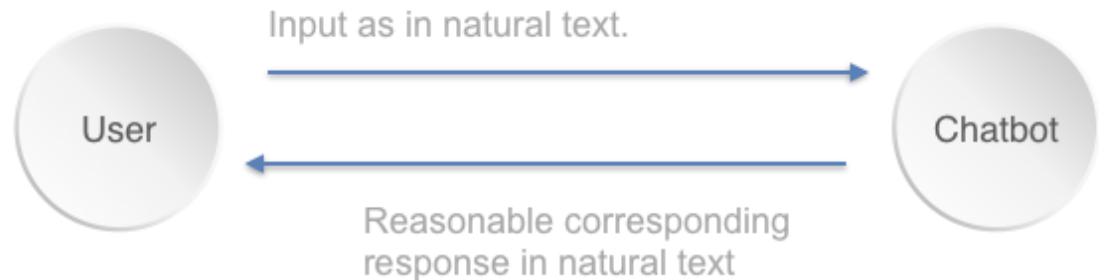


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**Specialized chatbot** is a relatively **easy to handle** Natural Language Processing task due to

- usually the user's input contains **a certain intent**
- entities and response is relatively fixed

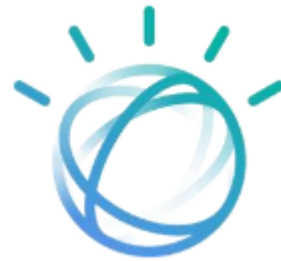
# Chat-bot for portfolio selection

## Methodology

## Watson Assistant, Natural Language Understanding



USER



Watson Assistant,  
Natural Language Understanding



Portfolio Optimization

I want to use an  
**aggressive**  
benchmark in the  
optimization process.

Natural Language Input



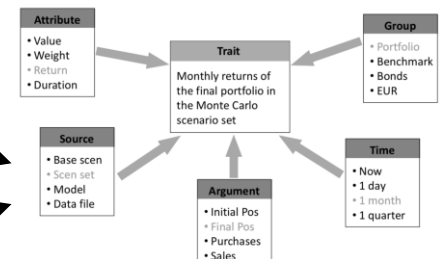
Intents Classifier  
(Neural Networks Model)

# benchmark\_selection



Entities Matching

@ benchmark: aggressive



{JSON}

Structured Optimization  
Request

# Chat-bot for portfolio selection

## Methodology



Watson Assistant  
**Intents Classifier**  
**(Neural Networks Model)**

## Watson Assistant: Intents Classifier

Using **neural networks model** to **classify** the natural text input as different intents or irrelevant. Manually set examples are provided along with the name of intent.

Currently the prototype has 18 intents:

### Constraints:

#allow\_short\_sell. #cash\_infusion. #constrain\_asset\_class.  
#constrain\_geography. #constrain\_risk\_score.  
#exclude\_features. #portfolio\_diversity. #social\_responsibility.

### Objectives:

#benchmark\_selection. #objectives\_stating.

### Holdings:

#edit\_entities..

### Chit-chat:

#goodbyes. #greetings. #help.

### Functions:

#feedback. #start\_optimization. #summarize\_constraints.

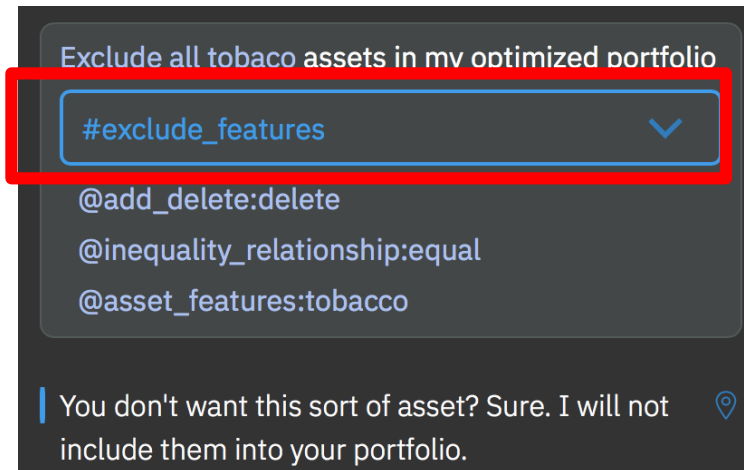
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## Methodology



Watson Assistant  
**Intents Classifier**  
(Neural Networks Model)

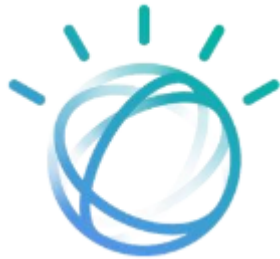
## Examples of Intents Classifier



- ☐ User examples (14) ▾
- ☐ cleanr assets only ✎
- ☐ contains no fuels asset ✎
- ☐ do not alcohol ✎
- ☐ do not include gambling ✎
- ☐ do not include military ✎
- ☐ do not want dirty asset ✎
- ☐ except from gambling ✎
- ☐ exclude alcohol assets ✎
- ☐ exclude military ✎
- ☐ hate militar ✎
- ☐ hate smoking ✎

# Chat-bot for portfolio selection


## Methodology



### Watson Assistant Intents Classifier (Neural Networks Model)


## Examples of Intents Classifier


I don't want any entertainment assets


**#exclude\_features** 


@response\_types:negative


I understand you may want to exclude assets with certain features from your portfolio. Which types of assets would you like to exclude? For example, you may wish to exclude military or tobacco assets.


☐ User examples (14) 


☐ cleanr assets only 


☐ contains no fuels asset 


☐ do not alcohol 


☐ do not include gambling 


☐ do not include military 


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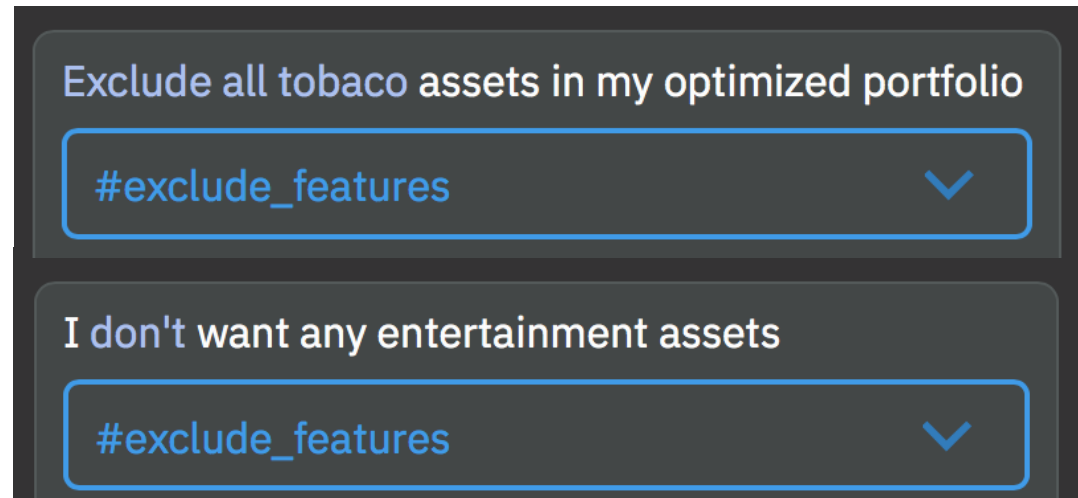
# Chat-bot for portfolio selection

## Methodology



Watson Assistant  
**Intents Classifier**  
(Neural Networks Model)

## Watson Assistant: Intents Classifier



These two examples appeared to be different, but they are recognized successfully by the model and tagged as **#exclude\_features**



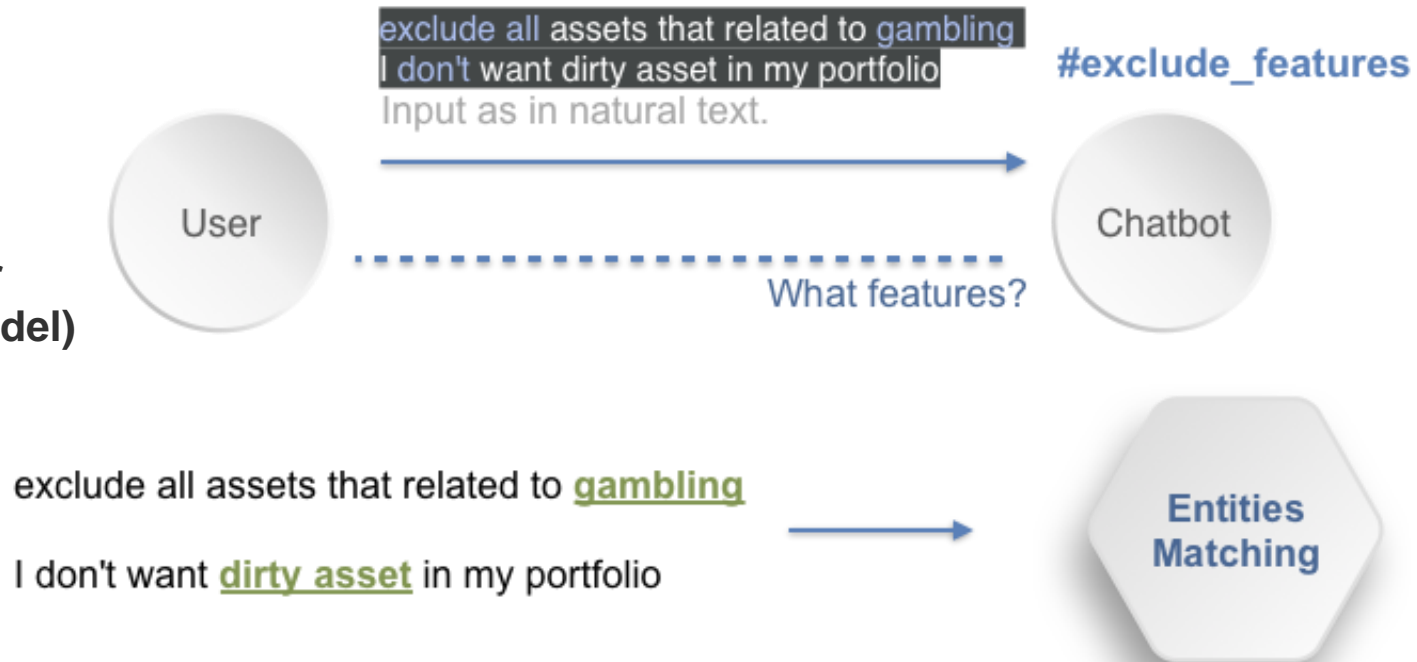
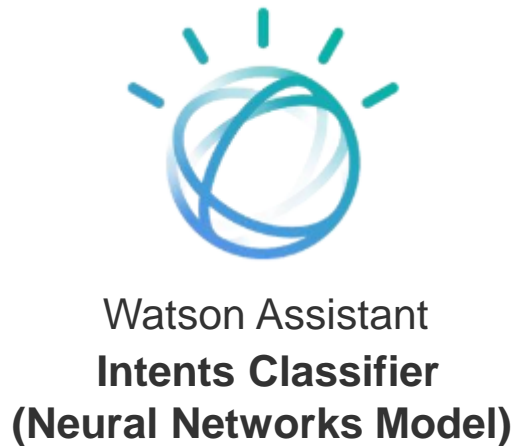
Pre-defined  
Dictionary

Do not heavily depend on the pre-defined dictionary.

# Chat-bot for portfolio selection

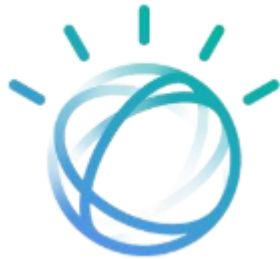
## Methodology

### Watson Assistant: Intents Classifier



# Chat-bot for portfolio selection

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Watson Assistant  
**Entities Matching**

## Watson Assistant: Entities Matching



Pre-defined  
Dictionary

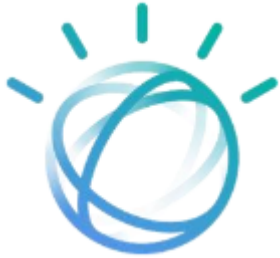
Searching for **pre-defined entities** in **precise matching or fuzzy matching**. Fuzzy matching regards changes of part of speech, some common typos as the same (fuzzy). Precise matching generally requires the entities to be appeared exactly as defined.

Currently the Cognitive Portfolio Optimizer Chatbot has 14 types of manually defined entities and **3 system trained entities (number, percentage, currency)**.



# Chat-bot for portfolio selection

## Methodology



Watson Assistant  
**Entities Matching**

## Watson Assistant: Entities Matching

### Precise Matching

<input type="checkbox"/> Entity values (2) ▾	Type	
<input type="checkbox"/> Oleksandr	Synonyms	Oleks
<input type="checkbox"/> Yuehuan	Synonyms	David, He

David

**@names:Yuehuan**

I didn't get your meaning.

Davi

I didn't understand. You can try rephrasing.

# Chat-bot for portfolio selection

## Methodology



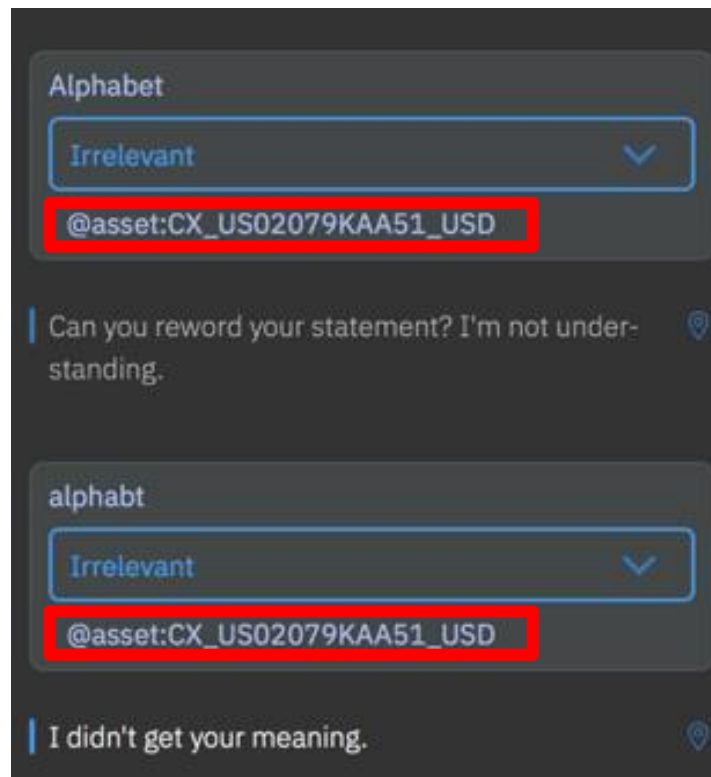
Watson Assistant  
Entities Matching

**Watson Assistant: Entities Matching** Entities type: asset  
Entities value:  
CX\_US02079KAA51\_USD

## Fuzzy Matching

Synonyms:  
ALPHABET, US02079KAA51,  
02079KAA5,  
ALPHABET INC

Fuzzy Matching: enabled



The screenshot shows two chat interactions. In the first, the user says 'Alphabet' and the bot responds with a dropdown menu showing 'Irrelevant' and a red box containing '@asset:CX\_US02079KAA51\_USD'. The bot then says 'Can you reword your statement? I'm not understanding.' In the second interaction, the user says 'alphabt' and the bot responds with a dropdown menu showing 'Irrelevant' and a red box containing '@asset:CX\_US02079KAA51\_USD'. The bot then says 'I didn't get your meaning.'

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### Watson Assistant: Entities Matching



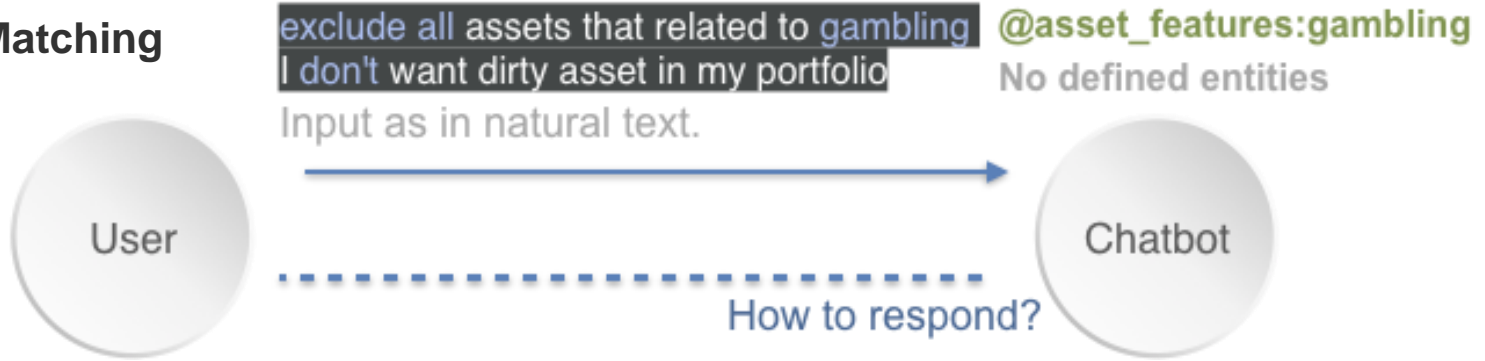
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&

**Entities Matching**

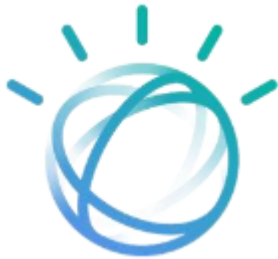


To generate responses, ask for more specific information or give error message, a dialogue flow is employed.



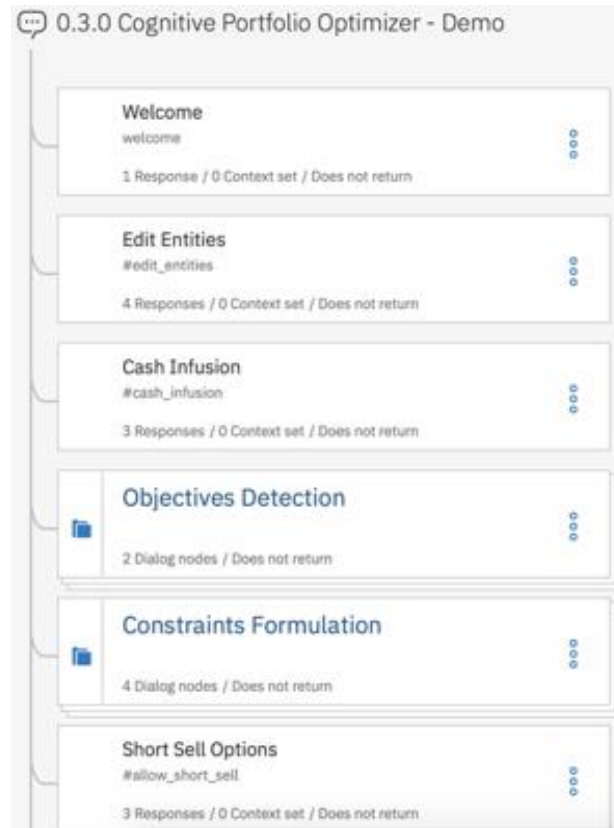
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## Methodology



Watson Assistant

## Watson Assistant: Dialogue Flow



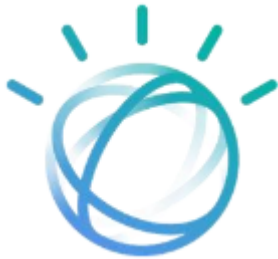
Dialogue flow is designed to help chatbot to generate response to the user.

The chatbot will scan each node in the dialogue flow and if its conditions are triggered, the corresponding response will be provided to the user.

Generally, an **anything\_else** node is added at the end of the dialogue flow and each hierarchy level of dialogue flow.

# Chat-bot for portfolio selection

## Methodology



Watson Assistant

Sometimes, to help the chatbot appear to be more humanlike, more than one response are provided for the exact same conditions to help varying the responses.

Random / Sequential

## Watson Assistant: Dialogue Flow

Edit Entities
Node name
Customize
X

---

If bot recognizes:

#edit\_entities    -    +    **Conditions to enter this node**

---

Then respond with:    **Conditions to trigger respond**

	If bot recognizes	Respond with		
1	@add_delete:add && @asset && @sy	Sure - I will add this asset into your h	⚙	🗑
2	@add_delete:delete && @asset && @	I will remove this asset from your poi	⚙	🗑
3	@add_delete:delete && @asset	I see that you would like to edit your	⚙	🗑
4	anything_else	Please specify whether you would lik	⚙	🗑

+ Add response

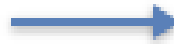
**Pre-defined responses**

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### Watson Assistant: Sample Dialogue Flow

@add\_delete:add &&  
@asset && @sys-  
number



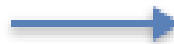
Sure - I will add this asset into your holdings!

@add\_delete:delete  
&& @asset && @sys-  
number



I will remove this asset from your portfolio.

@add\_delete:delete  
&& @asset



I see that you would like to edit your portfolio holdings. Please specify the name and quantity of the asset you would like to edit, along with whether you would like to add or remove this asset.

anything\_else

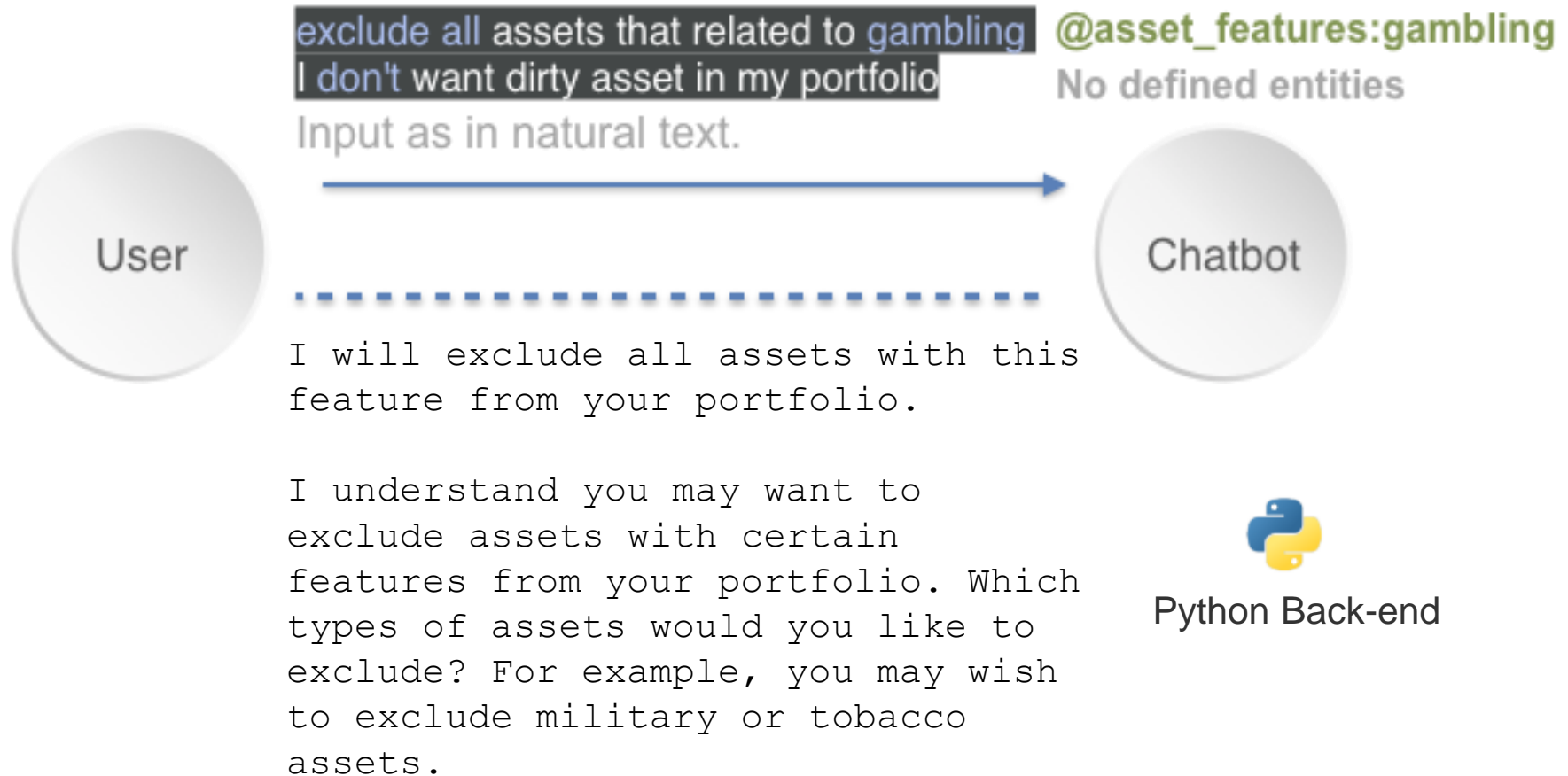


Please specify whether you would like to add or remove an asset from your portfolio, along with the asset name and quantity.

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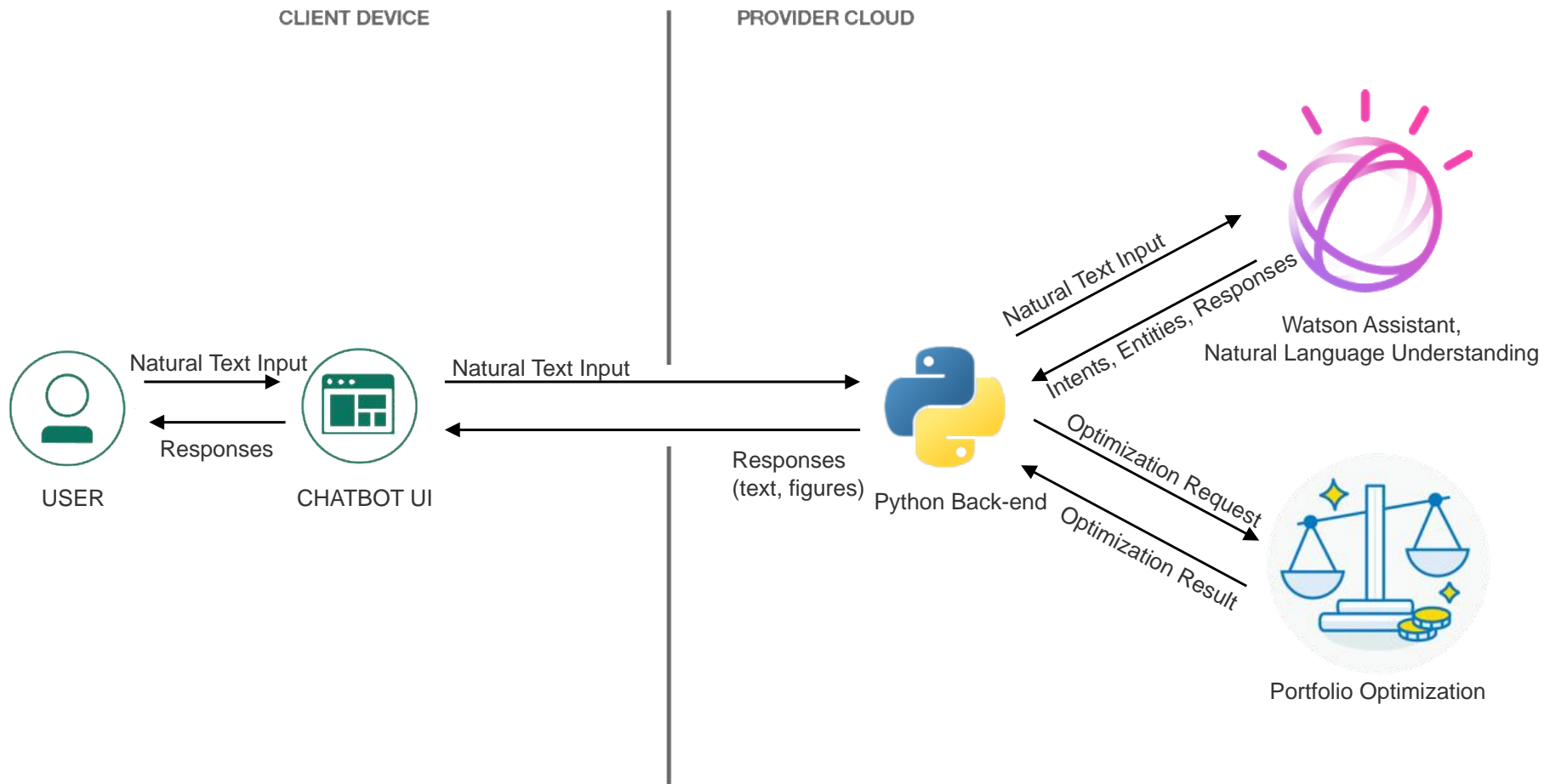
## Giving Responses and Inquiring Further Information



# Chat-bot for portfolio selection

## Application

## Cognitive Portfolio Optimization Service Work Flow








## Chat-bot for portfolio optimization




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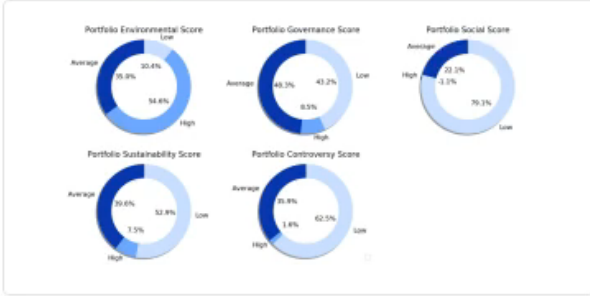


**watson-advisor**
APP


10:46 AM

Thursday, March 14th

PortfolioBreakdown




Friday, March 15th



**Oleksandr Romanko**
1:35 PM


Hi Watson

Today



**Oleksandr Romanko**
12:32 PM


Hi Watson



**watson-advisor**
APP


12:33 PM

Hi, I'm here to help you build a portfolio of investments with the features you care about. Please tell me your preferences and I'll incorporate them into your portfolio!



**Oleksandr Romanko**
1:28 PM


lets start from scratch





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Sure let's start over.



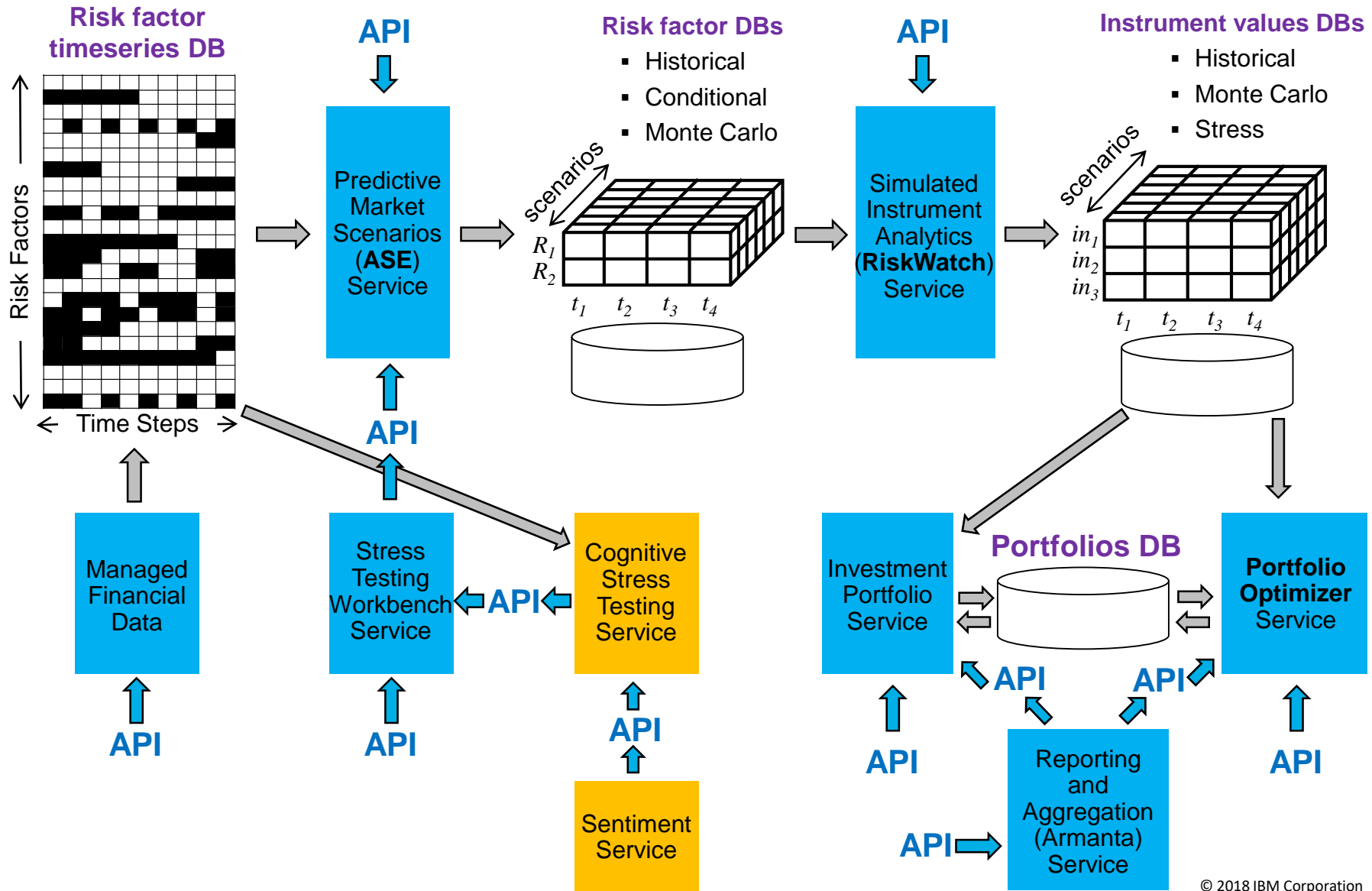



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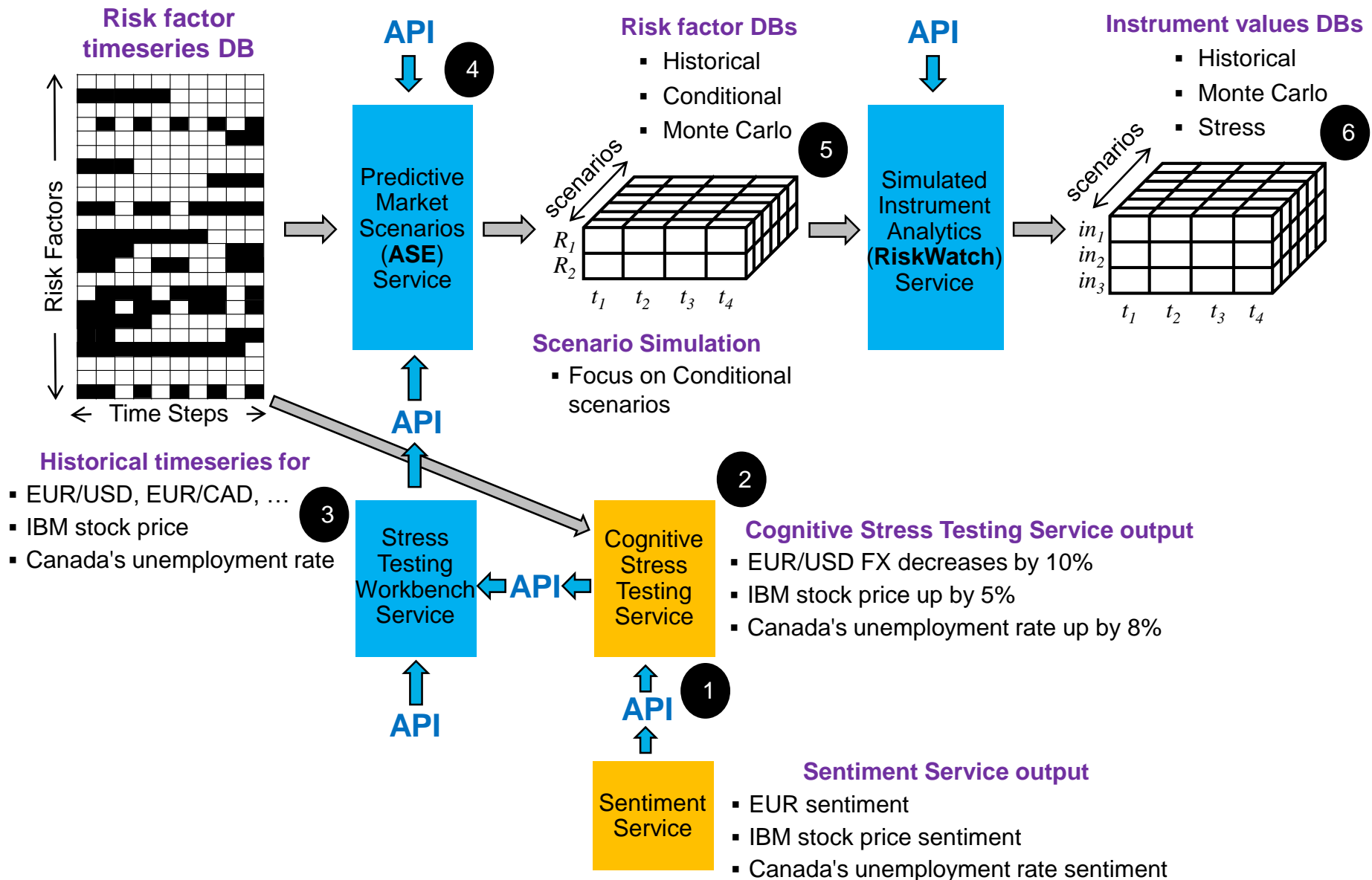
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## Natural Language Processing: 'bag of words' and sentiment analysis

examples (news articles)

All bears are lovely  
 Our tea was bad  
 That bear drinks with bear  
 The bear drinks tea  
 We love bears

features (word frequencies)					target
bear	tea	love	bad	drink	sentim
1	0	1	0	0	56%
0	1	0	1	0	-35%
2	0	0	0	1	-5%
1	1	0	0	1	4%
1	0	1	0	0	63%
$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_5$	$y$

bag of words

## Supervised machine learning algorithm:

- ☐ Linear regression
- ☐ Decision trees
- ☐ SVM regression
- ☐ k-NN regression
- ☐ Ensembles (random forests, XGBoost)
- ☐ Artificial neural nets (deep learning)

$$y = f_{\theta}(x) = f_{\theta}(x_1, \dots, x_5)$$

$$y = \theta_0 + \theta_1 \cdot x_1 + \theta_2 \cdot x_2 + \dots + \theta_5 \cdot x_5 + \epsilon$$

## Natural Language Processing: word frequency (Word Cloud)



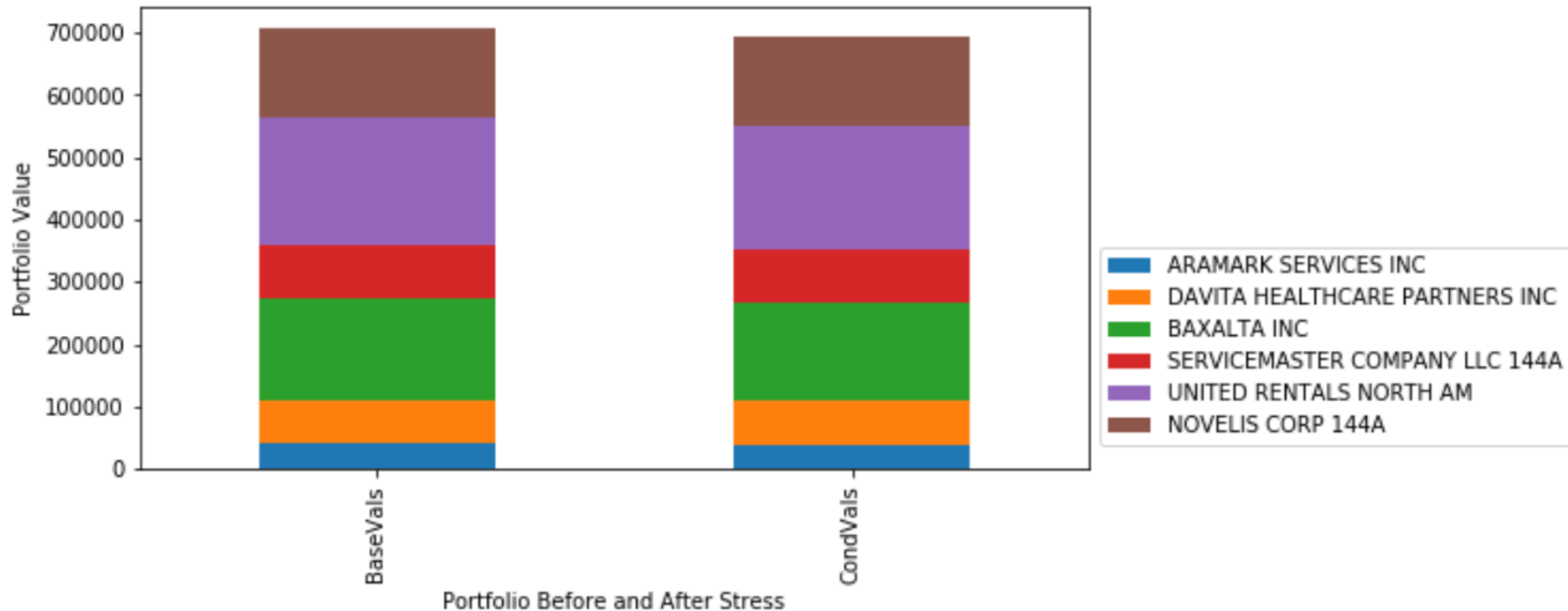
■ Positive Sentiment   ■ Neutral Sentiment   ■ Negative Sentiment

## Cognitive portfolio stress testing demo

Portfolio expected value before stress: \$707727.48

Portfolio expected value after stress : \$692936.21

Portfolio expected value changed by -2.1% under stress



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