SFM01 - VaR - blockmaxima - backtesting

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Data source: http://en.boerse-frankfurt.de

Data range: all the trading days from 2002 - 01 - 01 to 2016 - 06 - 30, daily data.

Data files: Bayer - close - 0216.txt, Bmw - close - 0216.txt, Siemens - close - 0216.txt.

Steps of procedure:

1.construct a portfolio: V = Bayer + Bmw + Siemens.

2. Calculate the VaR of the portfolio by using Block Maxima Model.

(1) Decompose negative returns $\{X_t\}_{t=1}^T$ into k non-overlapping sets.

(2) Define $\{Z_j\}_{j=1}^k$ where $Z_j = max\{X_{(j-1)n+1}, ..., X_{jn}\}.$

(3) For $\{Z_j\}_{j=1}^k$, fit generalized extreme value distribution $G_{\gamma}(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma})$.

(4) VaR at α : $VaR(\alpha) = \mu + \frac{\sigma}{\gamma}[(-log(1-\alpha^n))^{-\gamma} - 1].$

T denotes the number of observations.

- 3.Backtesting with Moving Window Method.
- (1) Daily P&L of the portfolio from 2002 01 01 to 2016 06 30.
- (2) Static windows of size h = 250 scrolling in time t for VaR estimation $\{X_t\}_{t=s-h+1}^s$ for s = h, ..., T.
- (3)Moving window results: Estimates of the parameters of $G_{\gamma}(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma})$ by MLE, that is, $\{\hat{\mu}_t\}_{t=h}^T$,
- $\{\hat{\sigma}_t\}_{t=h}^T$, $\{\hat{\gamma}_t\}_{t=h}^T$, and $\{\widehat{VaR}_{1-\alpha_t}^t\}_{t=h}^T$.
- (4) Take the opposites of $\{\widehat{VaR}_{1-\alpha}^t\}_{t=h}^T$ and find the outliers.
- 4. Calculate exceedances ratio

$$\hat{\alpha} = \frac{1}{T - h} \sum_{t=h+1}^{T} I\{X_t < -\widehat{VaR}_{1-\alpha}^t\}$$

- 5.Realizations by R and Matlab.
- (1) Value-at-Risk estimation at $\alpha = 0.05$ level for portfolio, with size of moving window h = 250 and size of block n = 16.
- (2)Backtesting result with R: $\hat{\alpha} = 0.0495$.
- (3)Backtesting result with Matlab: $\hat{\alpha} = 0.0501$.
- (4) The difference is caused by the different estimation procedure of GEV in the two softwares.

Block Maxima Model

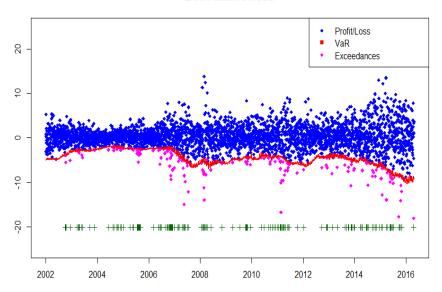


Figure 1: VaR - BBM - backtesting - R

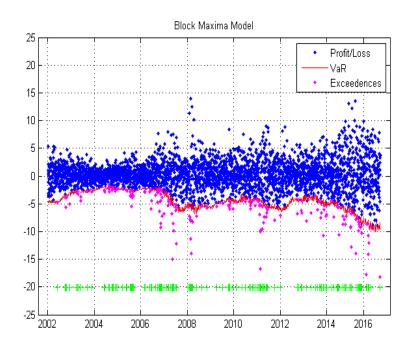


Figure 2: VaR - BBM - backtesting - Matlab