

X-HEC/Natixis Data Challenge - Kick off

January 04th 2023





X-HEC Data Challenge Kick off - Agenda

15:00-15:15	Groupe BPCE & Global Financial Services Corporate presentation
15:15-15:45	Use Case n°1 : IT Porto Optimization of IT Infrastructure Consumption
15:45-16:15	Use Case n°2 : Entreprise Risk Management Derivatives Deep Hedging
16:15-16:25	Questions & Answers
16:25-16:30	Conclusion



At the heart of Groupe BPCE



GROUPE BPCE

Retail Banking and Related Business Lines

- Banking & financial services
- Advisory services & specialized financing
- Insurance
- ▶ Digital & Payment solutions









Global Financial Services

- ▶ Asset & Wealth Management
- Corporate & Investment Banking





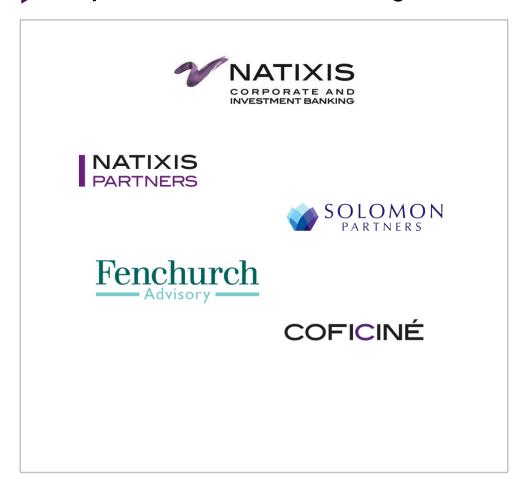
+ a large brand portfolio (eg. Natixis Wealth Management, Natixis Interépargne)

A strong brand portfolio – selected examples

Asset & Wealth Management



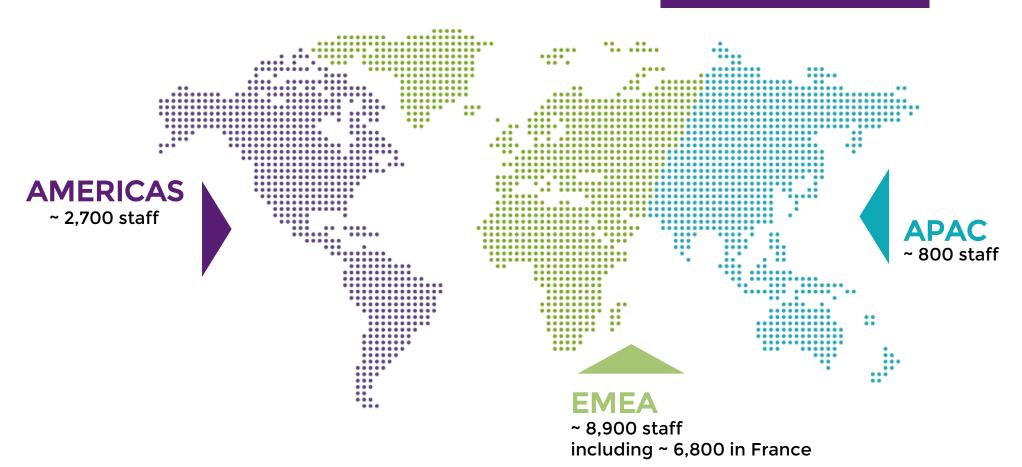
▶ Corporate & Investment Banking



A global presence

~ 12,500 employees across

35 countries



Key figures in 2021*



2021 net revenues with a balanced contribution between GFS' two businesses



Increase in revenues in 2021 vs. 2020



Gross operating income generated in 2021



In 2021, robust commercial activity, buoyed by an upbeat market environment

Global Financial Services businesses draw on Groupe BPCE's solid financial ratings:





Moody's



FitchRatings



R&I Rating and Investment Information, Inc.



^{*} Data before integration of the effects of the Pléiade project

Common drivers and business ambitions

Three common drivers for 2024

- #diversify for the benefit of our clients and development
- #commit to the energy transition and to responsible finance
- #transform to deliver sustainable value



Reinforce Natixis Investment Managers' position as a global leader in asset management



Become the go-to bank for our clients in selected and diversified areas of expertise

A strong corporate culture

entrepreneurial mindset

collective intelligence

sustainable impact

All our teams at Global Financial Services share the same mindset and common singularities, across our businesses:



They think and act as entrepreneurs, constantly pursuing client satisfaction with a view to meeting their expectations and offering them strong growth prospects.



They are convinced that collective intelligence is the key to unlocking their full potential.



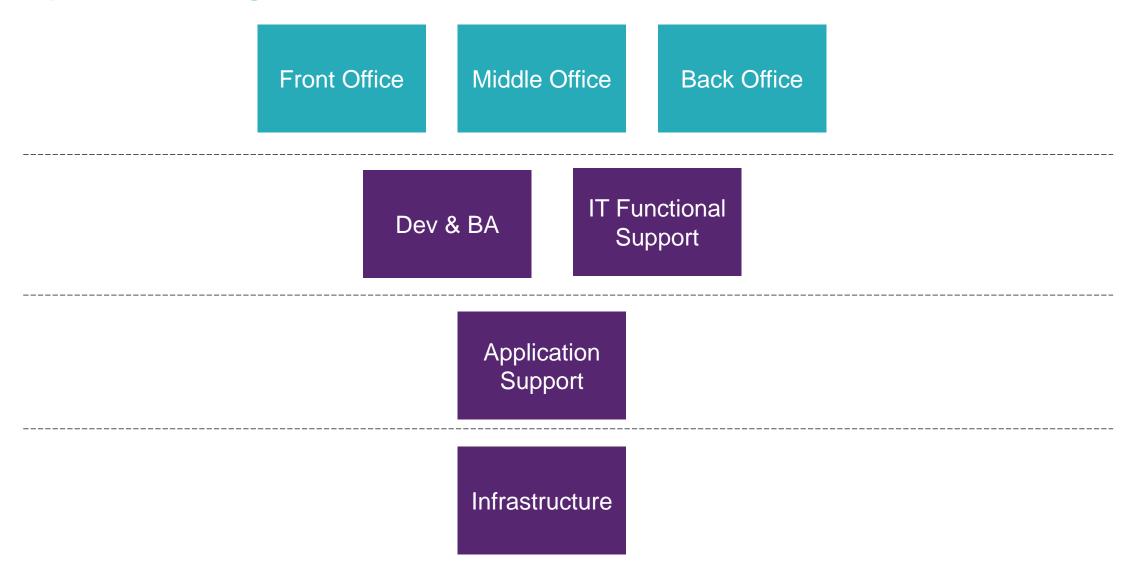
They are rooted in the real world and are determined to have a sustainable impact.

O2 IT Porto Optimization of IT Infrastructure Consumption

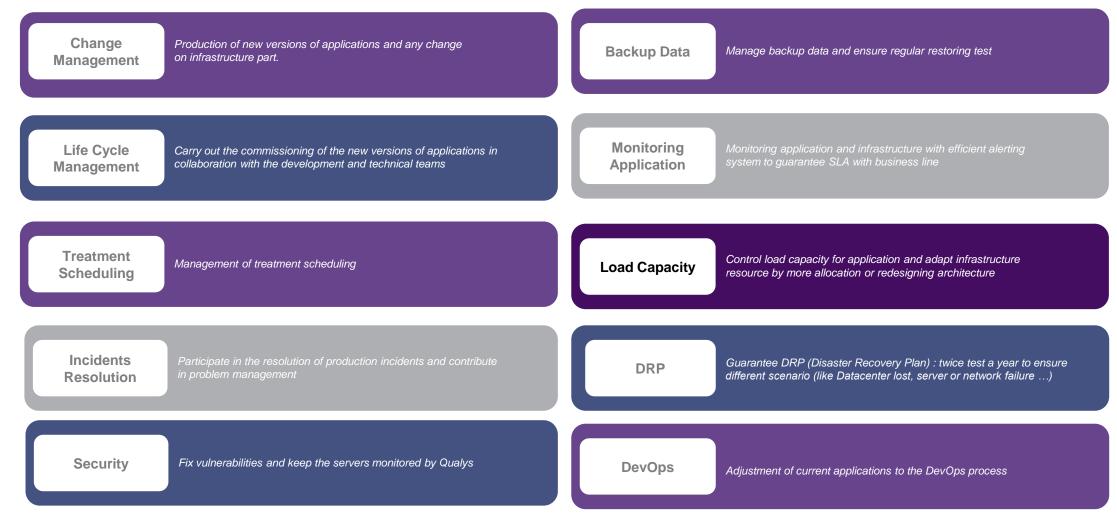


AM & CIB Application Support team

Simplified Bank organization between Businesses and IT



Application Support missions



GLOBAL FINANCIAL SERVICES

CIB & AM Application Support Teams Organization

User support

Databases

Global Markets

Financing

Global Trade

Asset Management



Use Case

Optimization of IT Infrastructure Consumption

Optimization of IT Infrastructure Consumption - Tool

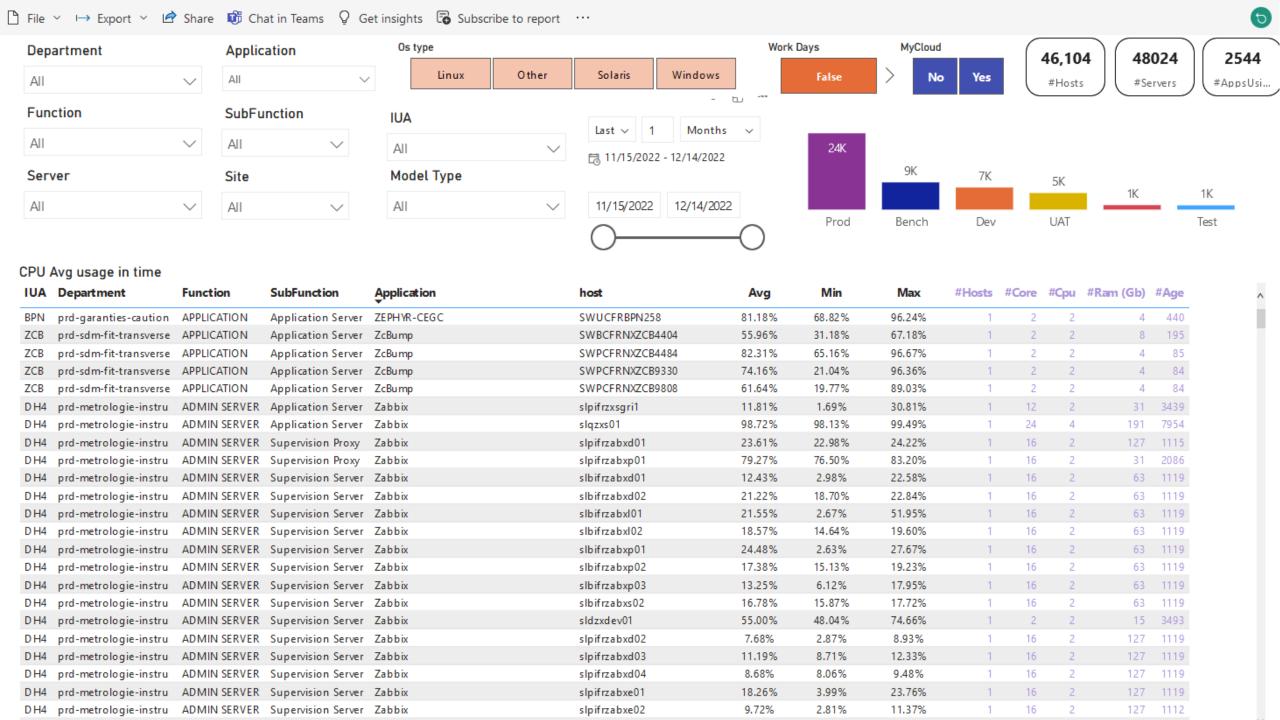
Infrastructure Optimization Control (or IOC) tool created in 2021 acquires and displays servers' data on CPU and RAM

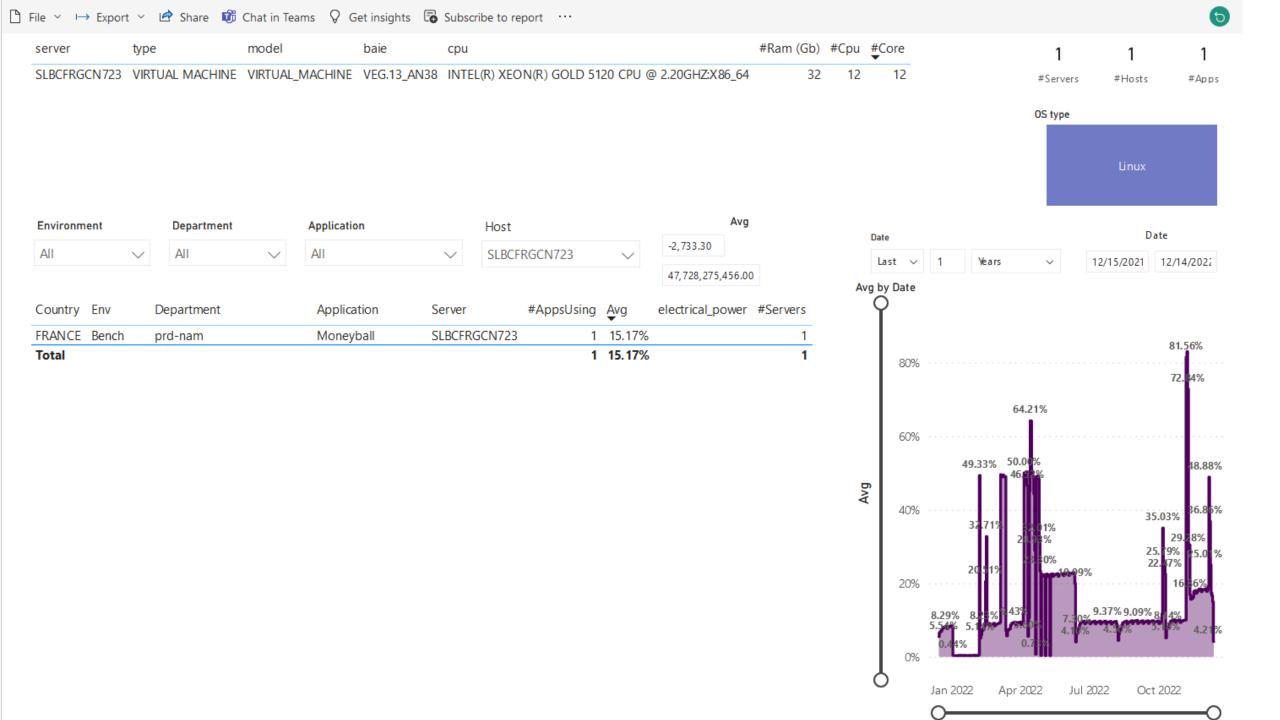
Data stored

- Servers' features acquired from a referential called Cockpit (core, RAM size, date, environment, etc)
- Data related to servers is historized from a monitoring tool called Zabbix into IOC database. It stores min, max, avg of the aggregated day
- First historization made on May 27th, 2021

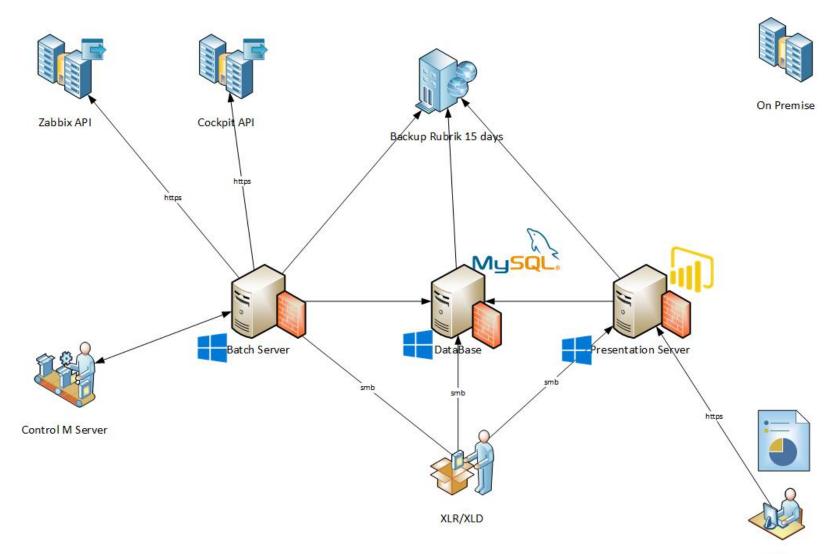
Display

- Power Bl
- Able to get multiple filtering (department, application, OS, date etc)





Optimization of IT Infrastructure Consumption - Architecture



Optimization of IT Infrastructure Consumption – Data acquired until now

Data

- BPCE and Natixis servers
- 48 000 servers
- 32 millions lines of data (CPU and RAM)

Use case data scope

- Teams involved: CIB and Asset Management application support across 12 teams
- More than 5000 virtual servers
- 3,8 millions lines of data

Optimization of IT Infrastructure Consumption

Use case synthesis

As the Application Support department for CIB and Asset Management, part of our mission is to adapt our infrastructure resources and identify idle servers or on the opposite undersized ones. In the first case, it would enable to create savings and be greener; in the second case, it would help to improve the performance of our processes.

After more than one and a half year of data acquisition, it is now time to be able to spot virtual servers which need to be modified by implementing some optimization models. We ask you to help us study and find models which would allow to get the list of servers to be optimized (today we can only observe raw data in the tool). Those would be therefore integrated later in the IOC tool for decision making purposes.

Guidelines

- 1. **Preliminary thoughts:** Review the data tables to try to understand how the servers are linked with the consumption, price and configuration.
- Quantitative analysis: Use the data at your disposal to
 - Identify servers being idle on CPU or consuming low RAM quantity
 - Identify servers being undersized on CPU or consuming high RAM quantity
 - Detect patterns to see if some servers show unusual activity and need to be either increased or decreased
- 3. Qualitative interpretations: Interpret your results to offer a list of servers to be optimized according to the right configuration, as well as a list of servers presenting unusual behaviors. Raise any data inconsistency if you find some (missing data, incoherency etc.).

Expected business value

Impact

- Able to decrease cost and be greener on oversized servers
- Improve the undersized servers' performance

- Model(s) to identify servers to be increased/decreased
- Target configuration & cost associated
- 1 Pattern model with unusual behavior

Data Challenge Use CaseOptimization of IT Infrastructure Consumption

- A high-level understanding of the data and the Application Support teams constraints (ex: primary and backup servers, disaster recovery plan)
 - Expected deliverables: Being able to map the data between tables available and gather Application Support teams prerequisites
 - Data source: Cockpit, Zabbix tables
- **Drill down analysis** getting the appropriate criteria and define methodologies you will use (formula, algorithm, artificial intelligence etc)
 - Expected deliverables: Find and define criteria to modify the servers configuration (trigger levels, period)
 - Data source: Cockpit, Zabbix tables
- **Recommendation proposals:** provide a list of what needs to be modified, how, as well as cost decrease/increase.
 - Expected deliverables: Recommendation of target configuration (numbers of cores, RAM size) and its associated costs
 - Data source: Cockpit, Zabbix, MyCloud tables
- Methodology: detail the methodology of the above so that it can be replicated and implemented as a working tool for Natixis' 4. Application Support teams and provide ideas for future areas to be developed
 - Expected deliverables: Detailed overview of methodology and tools used. The models will have to be able to adapt to changing configurations table (MyCloud table)
 - Data source: No specific additional data source

Data Overview

INTERNAL SOURCES (NATIXIS)

- Perimeter: AM and CIB servers handled by 12 Application Support teams
- **Servers:** virtual servers as they are easy to decrease/increase. X servers
- **Data servers**: 3,8 million rows representing 1,5 years of data from referential and monitoring sources (Cockpit, Zabbix, MyCloud)

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Entreprise Risk Management Derivatives Deep Hedging



Risk Supervision Division

Enterprise Risk Management

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Missions of Risk Supervision Division

The Risk Division translates the bank's strategic view and its risk appetite into risks policies and develops a risks portfolio management

It drives the Risk branch on the entirety of the Natixis Bank perimeter

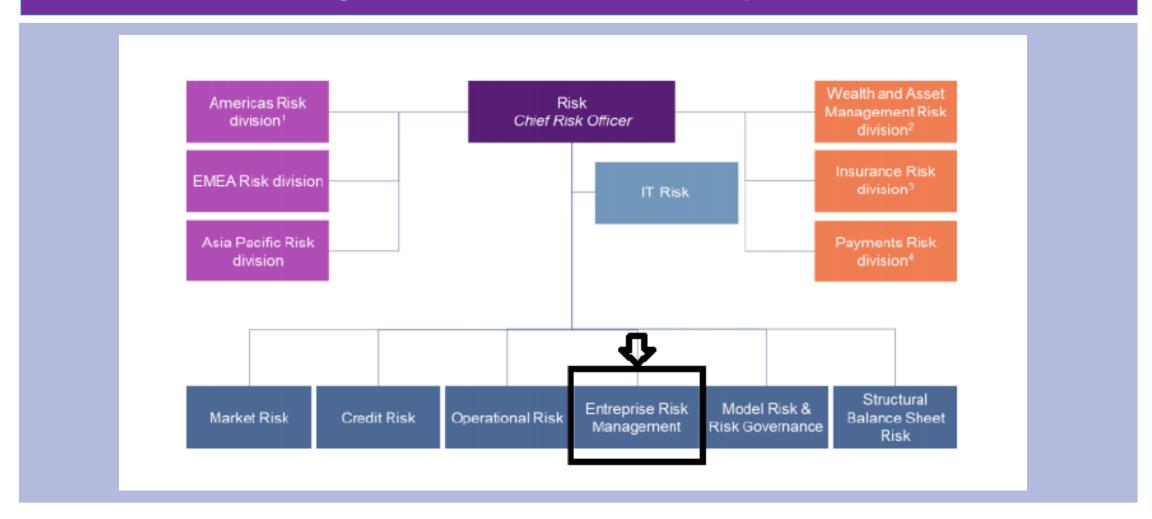
The Risk Division ensures the relationship with the regulatory authority, rating agencies and BPCE on risks issues to ensure the reliability of communication

It possesses a double control role for the Executive Committee and the regulatory authorities

It acts as a consultancy for businesses, as partners for their development while abiding by the independence principle

Risk Division

Organization chart of Natixis Risk Department



ERM Division's main missions

Identify potential

risks by relying on risk measures and strong interactions with the whole Risk Division Be responsible for the Natixis' risk appetite framework and its overall consistency; manage its operational integration in all Natixis' management systems

Define the Natixis stress-testing framework for all type of risks Be responsible for a Natixis **risk modelling and methodologies** to

measure risks whatever the type of risks and the type of measures; Supervision of Risks
Division the Internal
Capital Adequacy
Assessment Processes

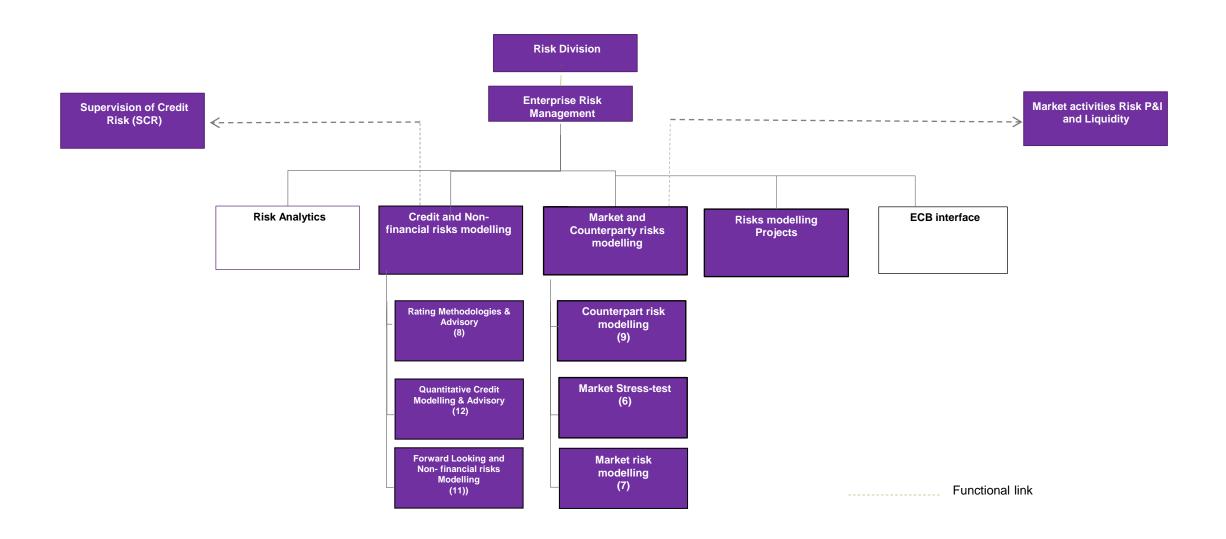
(ICAAP) mainly those related to Risk to Capita and ILAAP

Manage significant transversal projects with strong link with Risk measure

Coordinate
regulatory watch and
lobbying on risk
subjects

Be the Natixis Risk Division's interface for the different regulators (ECB, FED, PRA...)

Enterprise Risk Management (ERM)



ERM innovation framework

ERM QUANTMINDS (monthly) Crucial and top-notch training 3 – Ph.D. Programs Student Internships Development of Academic Partnerships Data Challenges



Use Case Derivatives Deep Hedging

Derivatives Hedging

- Derivatives hedging has important applications in risk management. In its most simple form, options hedging is a trading strategy in a security and a risk-free bank account
- An option written on the security is hedged by this strategy if the strategy is self-financing, and replicates the price of the option at all times and in all states of the world
- In the simple Black Scholes model, where only one source of uncertainty is present, it can be shown that such strategies do exist and a closed formula can be found for the proportion of wealth that should be invested in the underlying security (the delta).

Derivatives Deep Hedging

- Recent progress achieved in data science and deep learning make a model independent approach for hedging possible
- These hedging approaches well known as deep hedging are machine learning algorithms able to consider market frictions as well as trading constraints without using risk sensitivities metrics computed by pricing models
- The objective of the challenge is to replace classical hedging strategies founded on the calculation of risk sensitivities (Greeks) by machine learning algorithms (ML).

Hedging under Black & Scholes Model

- The Black & Scholes Model is still an industry widespread model used by traders to hedge vanilla options.
- The goal is to hedge a short call option position of maturity 30 days with daily rebalancing

$$F(S_T) = (S_T - K)^+$$

• The price process S_T will be simulated under the Black & Scholes framework:

$$S_t = S_0 \times \exp\left(\left(r - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}\right)t + \sigma\sqrt{t} \times \varepsilon\right)$$
 where $\varepsilon \sim N(0,1)$

Hedging under Black & Scholes Model

Mathematical formulation of discrete hedge

- O The hedging strategy is organized over discrete times $0=t_0 < t_1 < \cdots < t_{n-1} < t_n$
- The main objective is to look at the best discrete stochastic called hedging strategy and defined by:

$$\delta = (\delta_0, \delta_1, \dots, \delta_{n-1})$$

 To both comply with the self-financing condition and thus to minimize the losses (i.e., the negative values) of the following quantity called **profit and** loss (P&L):

$$(\delta.S)_T - F(S_T) = \sum_{k=0}^n \delta_{k-1} \cdot (S_{t_k} - S_{t_{k-1}}) - (S_T - K)^+, \, \delta_{-1} = 0$$

Hedging under Black & Scholes Model

Derivatives Hedging and Transaction Costs

In practice any purchase of instruments implies transaction costs and must be taken into account by the trader to limit his losses:

$$P\&L(T,\delta) = \sum_{i=0}^{n} \delta_{i-1}. \left(S_{t_i} - S_{t_{i-1}} \right) - c \times \sum_{k=0}^{n} S_k. \left| \delta_{t_i} - \delta_{t_{i-1}} \right| - (S_T - K)^+$$

The proportional transaction costs can be given as follows:

$$C_T(\delta) = c \times \sum_{k=0}^{n} S_k \cdot \left| \delta_{t_i} - \delta_{t_{i-1}} \right|$$

• The goal of the deep hedging is to minimize the losses of the $P\&L(T,\delta^{\theta})$ by choosing the best hedging strategy δ^{θ}

Hedging under Black & Scholes Model

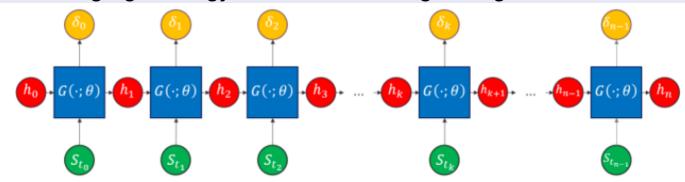
- The goal of the deep hedging is to minimize the losses of the $P\&L(T, \delta^{\theta})$ by choosing the best hedging strategy δ^{θ}
- Set $L_T = F(S_T) + C_T(\delta) (\delta.S)_T$ and it refers to reverse P&L and losses are counted positively
- From the Expected Shortfall (ES) definition, we propose the following risk measure :

$$\rho_{\beta}(L) = \frac{1}{1+\beta} (ES_{50\%}[L] + \beta \times ES_{99\%}[L])$$

• The parameter β is a hyperparameter chosen arbitrary. We choose $\beta=1$ to consider extreme losses

Deep Hedging using Feed Forward Neural Networks

 One example of deep hedging is to use feed forward neural networks (FFNN) to derive the hedging strategy, with the followingsetting:



Source: Mazars – Deep Hedging – Application of deep learning to hedge financial derivatives

- Each FFNN G_i outputs the δ_i of day i by using the information S_{t_i} as input.
- The parameters of the FFNN are calibrated so as to minimize the overall loss metric $\rho_{\beta}(L) = \frac{1}{1+\beta} (ES_{50\%}[L] + \beta \times ES_{99\%}[L])$ ($\beta = 1$ in our case) on the training trajectories.

Data description (Setting n° 1: Black & Scholes)

20 000 paths

10 000 training

10 000 test

One path corresponds to a simulation on 30 days: vector of 30 elements representing the evolution of the underlying price

Black Scholes case: one hedging instrument (the underlying S_t)

Data file:

- 20 000 rows
- 1 row = 1 path of 30 points
- Each point i represents the underlying price at day i.

Data description (Setting n° 2: Heston)

20 000 paths 10 000 training 10 000 test

One path corresponds to a simulation on 30 days: vector of 30 elements representing the evolution of the underlying price

Heston case: Two hedging instruments: the underlying S_t and a variance swap σ_t

Data file:

- 20 000 rows
- 1 row = 1 path of 30*2 points
- S_i represents the underlying price at day i. Var_i represents the underlying price at day i.

Algorithms performance evaluation

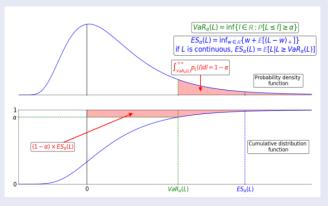
• The performance of the algorithms is evaluated on P&L statistics given by the strategies on a subset of 10 000 paths. The metric to minimize is:

$$\rho(L) = \frac{1}{2} (ES_{50\%}[L] + ES_{99\%}[L])$$

Where:

- L represents the loss incurred at the end of a simulation path (of 30 days) by implementing the strategy given by the submitted deltas. It is the opposite of P&L (losses counted positively, gains negatively)
- \circ ES_{\alpha}[L] is the expected shortfall of the losses, which is simply the average loss of the worst $(1-\alpha)\%$ losses (example $\alpha=99\%$ corresponds to the worst 1% losses):

$$ES_{\alpha}[L] = \frac{1}{(1 - \alpha N)} \sum_{L_i \ge VaR_{\alpha}[L]} L_i$$
With $L_i = -P\&L(T, \delta^i)$



QUESTIONS ANSWERS SESSION





Data Challenge Timeline

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