# DSC5211C - QRM Workshop9

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#### 1. TASK 1: Probabilistic constraints

VARIABLE var.L

# A. Optimal policy for

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<mark>1%</mark>
```

```
---- 53 VARIABLE x.L fraction of portfolio invested in asset i
 aapl 0.197, mcd 0.051, qqq 0.455, spy 0.296
        53 VARIABLE e_return.L
                                        = 0.020 expected return of th
          VARIABLE variance.L = 3.261921E-4 variance of portfolio

VARIABLE var.L = -0.042 value at risk
---- 53 VARIABLE x.L fraction of portfolio invested in asset i
aapl 0.197, mcd 0.051, qqq 0.455, spy 0.296
       53 VARIABLE e_return.L = 0.020 expected return of th
                                                       e portfolio
          VARIABLE variance.L = 3.261921E-4 variance of portfolio
VARIABLE var.L = -0.030 value at risk
10%
       53 VARIABLE x.L fraction of portfolio invested in asset i
aapl 0.197, mcd 0.051, qqq 0.455, spy 0.296
       53 VARIABLE e_return.L = 0.020 expected return of th
                                                        e portfolio
           VARIABLE variance.L = 3.261921E-4 variance of portfolio
VARIABLE var.L = -0.023 value at risk
```

-0.023 value at risk

- B) Risk neutral optimal policy only focuses on expected return. Risk averse policy seeks to decrease probability of a loss. The risk averse policy therefore focuses on a fixed probability of loss ( $\beta$ ). By fixing  $\beta$ , the portfolio can be varied.
- C) Decreasing target annual return will result in lower expected monthly return but also reduced risk (VAR). This is achieved through diversifying the portfolio. Increasing the target annual return results in higher expected monthly return but also increased risk (VAR). This results in focusing the entire portfolio in the single highest return stock (AAPL).

If we are to increase the target return to 1%, we would put all our funds to just APPL that gives the highest return. If we are to decrease the target return to 0.1%, we would put our funds across all other 4 stocks (MCD, QQQ, SPY, TLT) except APPL

# Target 0.1

```
53 VARIABLE x.L fraction of portfolio invested in asset i
aapl 1.000
        53 VARIABLE e_return.L
                                               0.029 expected return of th
                                                      e portfolio
           VARIABLE variance.L = VARIABLE var.L =
                                               0.002 variance of portfolio
           VARIABLE var.L
                                               -0.184 value at risk
0.05
aapl 1.000
       53 VARIABLE e_return.L
                                                 0.029 expected return of th
                                                        e portfolio
           VARIABLE variance.L
                                                 0.002 variance of portfolio
           VARIABLE var.L
                                                 -0.134 value at risk
```

#### 0.025

```
aapl 0.429, qqq 0.57l

---- 53 VARIABLE e_return.L = 0.025 expected return of th e portfolio

VARIABLE variance.L = 7.308163E-4 variance of portfolio

VARIABLE var.L = -0.063 value at risk
```

### 0.01

```
mcd 0.185, qqq 0.183, spy 0.588, tlt 0.043

---- 53 VARIABLE e_return.L = 0.014 expected return of th e portfolio

VARIABLE variance.L = 1.583893E-4 variance of portfolio

VARIABLE var.L = -0.026 value at risk
```

#### 0.001

# 2. TASK 2 - CV@R Optimization

# A. Optimal policy

#### 0.9

```
spy 0.481, aapl 0.073, mcd 0.176, qqq 0.268, tlt 0.001

---- 82 VARIABLE e_return.L = 0.016 expected return of th e portfolio

VARIABLE var.L = -3.66099E-4 value at Risk

VARIABLE cvar.L = 0.005 conditional value at risk
```

As beta increases, the portfolio reduces AAPL stock and increase proportion of SPY. The portfolio expected monthly return remains stable but the CVAR increases

B) Increasing the number of scenarios will result in the VAR remaining the same but CVAR increasing. This is because the CVAR is focused on the outliers. As the number of scenarios increases, there is increasing chance of larger outliers.

## Beta = 0.99 and scenario = 1000

```
      spy 0.522, aapl 0.035, mcd 0.166, qqq 0.243, tlt 0.035

      ---- 82 VARIABLE e_return.L
      = 0.015 expected return of th e portfolio

      VARIABLE var.L
      = 0.012 value at Risk

      VARIABLE cvar.L
      = 0.015 conditional value at risk
```

#### Beta = 0.99 and scenario = 100

```
spy 0.600, mcd 0.143, qqq 0.240, tlt 0.017

---- 82 VARIABLE e_return.L = 0.014 expected return of th e portfolio

VARIABLE var.L = 0.012 value at Risk

VARIABLE cvar.L = 0.012 conditional value at risk
```

C) As SPY represents a market index, you would typically expect the majority of stocks to be correlated with the market. As such, the correlation matrix will be adjusted so that the SPY correlation is always +'ve.

#### **ORIGINAL Corr**

```
Parameters ro(i) correlation matrix between spy and the other securities
/aapl 0.270
mcd -0.337
qqq -0.123
spy 1.000
tlt 0.090/;
```

Once correlation matrix has been adjusted to show positive correlation between SPY and the other stocks, the solution shows increased apportionment to the index funds (SPY and QQQ) as these typically have lower variance than individual stocks.

```
Parameters ro(i) correlation matrix between spy and the other securities

/aapl 0.270

mcd 0.337

qqq 0.123

spy 1.000

tlt 0.090/;
```

When the correlation changed as below (all 0.001 vs. SPY), the SPY proportion is still around 45%, but the remaining AAPL, MCD and QQQ are more equally distributed. TLT has negative return, therefore, the proportion is immaterial.

```
Parameters ro(i) correlation matrix between spy and the other securities

/aapl 0.001
mcd 0.001
qqq 0.001
spy 1.000
tlt 0.001/;

---- 82 VARIABLE x.L fraction of portfolio invested in asset i
spy 0.455, aapl 0.118, mcd 0.123, qqq 0.273, tlt 0.031
---- 82 VARIABLE e_return.L = 0.017 expected return of th
e portfolio
VARIABLE var.L = 0.006 value at Risk
VARIABLE cvar.L = 0.012 conditional value at
risk
```