

# RMSC4002 Tutorial 4

## Chapter 3

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### 1 Historical Simulation (nonparametric) Approach

```
d<-read.csv("stock.csv")      # read in data
x<-as.matrix(d)                # change to matrix
n<-nrow(x)                     # no. of obs

xn<-as.vector(x[n,])           # select the last obs
w<-c(40000,30000,30000)        # amount on each stock
p0<-sum(w)                     # total amount
ws<-w/xn                       # no. of shares bought at day n
ns<-n-1                        # no. of scenarios
hsim<-NULL                     # initialize hsim
for (i in 1:ns) {
  t<-xn*(x[i+1,]/x[i,])         # scenario i
  hsim<-rbind(hsim,t)           # append t to hsim
}

hsim<-as.matrix(hsim)          # change to matrix
ws<-as.matrix(ws)
ps<-as.vector(hsim%*%ws)        # compute portfolio value
loss<-p0-ps                     # compute loss
(VaRs<-quantile(loss,0.99))     # compute and display 1-day 99% VaR
3535.733
```

### 2 Model Building Approach

#### 2.1 Normal Distribution

```
t1<-as.ts(d$HSBC)              # change to time series
t2<-as.ts(d$CLP)
t3<-as.ts(d$CK)
u1<-(lag(t1)-t1)/t1             # compute u
u2<-(lag(t2)-t2)/t2
u3<-(lag(t3)-t3)/t3
u<-cbind(u1,u2,u3)              # form matrix u
S<-var(u)                       # sample cov. matrix
dp<-as.vector(u%*%w)            # Delta P
sdp<-sd(dp)                     # sd of portfolio (same as sqrt(w%*%S%*%w))
(VaRn<-qnorm(0.99)*sdp)         # compute and display 1-day 99% VaR
3062.165
```

## 2.2 Student's $t(v)$ Distribution

```
ku<-sum((dp/sdp)^4)/length(dp)-3      # sample excess kurtosis
v<-round(6/ku+4)                      # degree of freedom
VaRt<-qt(0.99,v)*sdp                 # 1-day 99% VaR
VaRt
4136.686
```

## 3 Approach via Extreme Value Theory

```
# EVT
u<-3.2      # threshold value
m<-mean(loss) # mean loss
s<-sd(loss)  # sd loss
z<-(loss-m)/s # standardize loss
zx<-z[z>u]   # select z>u
nu<-length(zx) # no. of zx

# define -log_likelihood function
log_lik<-function(p,dat) {      # parameter vector p=(xi,beta)
  length(dat)*log(p[2])+(1/p[1]+1)*sum(log((1+p[1]*dat/p[2])))
}

p0<-c(0.2,0.01)                # initial p0=(xi,beta)
res<-optim(p0,log_lik,dat=(zx-u)) # min -log_lik
(p<-res$par)                    # MLE p=(xi,beta)
[1] 0.6755755 0.3117039
> -res$value                    # max value
[1] -3.058536

q<-0.99
(VaR<-u+(p[2]/p[1])*((length(z)*(1-q)/nu)^(-p[1])-1))
[1] 3.056386

(VaRe<-m+VaR*s)                # 1-day 99% VaR using EVT
[1] 4000.848
```

## 4 Back Testing

```
n<-nrow(d)-1          # no. of obs. of u
nl<-n-250+1           # starting index for 250 days before n
x<-as.matrix(d[nl:n,]) # select the most recent 250 days
ps<-as.vector(x%*%ws)  # compute portfolio value
ps<-c(ps,sum(w))        # add total amount at the end
loss<-ps[1:250]-ps[2:251] # compute daily loss
sum(loss>VaRs)          # count the no of exceptions
0
sum(loss>VaRn)
0
sum(loss>VaRt)
0
sum(loss>VaRe)
0
```

## 5 VaR using EXCEL

In EXCEL, computing VaRs, VaRn and VaRt are rather simple and straight forward. EXCEL has built-in function NORMSINV() and TINV() to return the percentile points of normal and t distribution respectively.

- In the **hist-sim tab**, A2:C1044 are the closing prices of HSBC, CLP and CK. Column E2:E1043 is the scenario number.
- Enter the formula =A\$1044\*A3/A2 in F2 for computing the future closing price of HSBC based on the first scenario. Copy this formula to F2:H1043 for other stocks and scenarios.
- Enter 40000, 30000 and 30000 in N3:P3 to represent the amount of money spent on each stock and Q3 is the total amount. Enter =N3/A\$1044 in N4 to compute the number of shares for HSBC. Copy it to O4:P4 for other stocks.
- Enter the formula =SUMPRODUCT(F2:H2,\$N\$4:\$P\$4) in I2 and =\$Q\$3-I2 in J2 to compute the portfolio value and loss based on the first scenario. Copy them downward to I1043:J1043 for other scenarios.
- K2:K1043 contains the loss sorted in descending order. N6 is the 1-day 99% VaRs and is obtained by entering =PERCENTILE(K2:K1043,0.99).
- In the **model tab**, Columns A, B and C contains the closing prices and Columns E, F and G contains the corresponding returns. K2:M2 contains the amount spent on each stock.
- Enter =SUMPRODUCT(E2:G2,\$K\$2:\$M\$2) in H2 to compute the change in portfolio value  $\Delta P$ . Copy it downward to H1043 to form the distribution of  $\Delta P$ .
- Use the built-in covariance function to compute the Sample covariance matrix of  $u$  and store it in K5:M7.
- Enter the formula =SUMPRODUCT(MMULT(K2:M2,K5:M7),K2:M2) in K10 to compute the sample variance of  $\Delta P$  and =STDEV(H2:H1043) to compute the sample s.d. of  $\Delta P$ .
- Enter =NORMSINV(0.99) in K14 to return the 99% percentile of standard normal and =K14\*K12 in K15 to give 1-day 99% VaRn.
- For the student's t model, enter =KURT(H2:H1043) in K17 to compute the excess kurtosis of  $\Delta P$  and =ROUND(6/K17+4,0) in K18 to estimate the degree of freedom. Finally enter =TINV(0.02,6) in K20 to return the 99% percentile of t distribution and enter =K20\*K12 in K21 to give 1-day 99% VaRt.

- In the **EVT tab**,  $u_1, u_2, u_3, \Delta P$  and  $\text{Loss}(=-\Delta P)$  are stored in columns E to I respectively. The mean and sd of Loss are computed and stored in P3 and P4. Then we compute the standardized score of Loss by entering  $=(I2-\$P\$3)/\$P\$4$  in J2 and copy it down to J1043. Column K are the sorted value of Z.
- Suppose we choose  $u = 3.2$  in Q4. Then we can create the  $\text{Loss} > u$  in L2 to L7. Enter some initial values for  $\xi$  and  $\beta$  in O7 and P7, say 0.5 and 0.2.
- Enter the formula in M2  $=(1/(\$O\$7-1))*\text{LN}(1+\$O\$7*(L2-\$R\$4)/\$P\$7)-\text{LN}(\$P\$7)$  which used to compute the log-likelihood value.
- We compute the log-likelihood value in P9 by  $=\text{SUM}(M2:M7)$ . Use solver() to maximize P9 with variable cells O7 and P7 to obtain MLE.
- VaR of the Z in computed in P11 and the VaRe is computed in P12.
- In the **back-test tab**, columns A, B and C contain the closing prices. K2:M2 contain the amount spent on each stock. K3:M3 contains the number of shares of each stock.
- Enter  $=\text{SUMPRODUCT}(A2:C2,\$K\$3:\$M\$3)$  in D2 to compute the portfolio value and enter  $=D2-D3$  in E2 to compute the loss. Copy it downward to E1044 to give the portfolio value and loss on each day. Copy VaRs, VaRn, VaRt and VaRe in K6:K9.
- Finally we can find out the number of exceptions in the past 250 days by entering  $=(\$E794>\$K\$6)+0$  in F794, copy it down to F1043 and  $=\text{SUM}(F794:F1043)$  in F1096. Similarly for columns G and I.
- In the **ES tab**, the setup is similar.  $\Delta P$ , Loss and sorted Loss are in columns H, I and J respectively. M4:6 are the  $n, \omega, n\omega$ . In M8, enter  $=(\text{SUM}(J2:J11)/M4+(M5-10/M4)*J12)/M5$  to obtain the ES without the normality assumption.
- M10 and M11 are the mean and sd of Loss in column I. In M14, enter  $=M11*\text{NORMDIST}(\text{NORMINV}(1-M5,0,1),0,1,\text{FALSE})/M5+M10$  to obtain the ES under the normal model.

## 6 Exercises

**Exercise 2013-14 final Q3** Let  $u_t$  be the relative return of the daily closing stock price  $X$  at day  $t$ ,  $t = 1, \dots, n$ . Suppose that the closing prices of these three stocks on Dec 30th, 2012 are  $(79.9, 63, 1, 119.9)'$ . We compute the sample mean  $\bar{u} = (0.00050, 0.00087, 0.00138)'$ , and covariance matrix of stock A, B, and C from Jan 4, 2012 to Dec 30, 2012.

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 0.00022 & 0.00002 & 0.00009 \\ 0.00002 & 0.00005 & 0.00003 \\ 0.00009 & 0.00003 & 0.00020 \end{bmatrix}$$

We formed a portfolio P by buying 200 shares of stock A, 600 shares of stock B and 200 shares of stock C on Dec 30, 2012.

- Assume that  $u_t \sim N(\bar{u}, S)$  and denote the daily change in the portfolio value of P by  $\Delta P$ . Find the mean and standard deviation of  $\Delta P$ . What is the expected value of the portfolio P on Dec 31, 2012?
- Find the 1-day 99% VaR of  $\Delta P$ .
- Let the portfolio loss  $L \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ . Let  $q_\epsilon$  be the  $(1 - \epsilon)100\%$  1-day VaR. Prove that the expected shortfall is  $ES(q_\epsilon) = \sigma\phi(q_\epsilon)/\epsilon + \mu$ , where  $\phi(\cdot)$  is the probability density function of the standard normal distribution. Hence find the expected shortfall for the 1-day 99% VaR.