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Class #8 – Linear Risks Identification and Sensitivity Analysis Lecturer: Luis A. B. G. Vicente

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Risk factors

Prices of financial instruments can be defined by a number of market or risk factors

These factors, in turn, are assumed to determine the expected return on an investment

More generically, we have $\Delta P = f(\Delta RF_1, \Delta RF_2, ..., \Delta RF_n)$ where:

 ΔP is the change in the price of the asset/instrument

f(.) is price sensitivity function

 $\Delta RF_1, \Delta RF_2, \dots, \Delta RF_n$ are the changes in the relevant risk factors











Exposures

Definition: the financial amount that is exposed to a unit change given a relevant risk factor

Mathematically, $E_{RF} = P \times \frac{\partial P}{\partial RF}$

Suppose the price of an hypothetical instrument is given by $P = 3 \times RF1 - 1.5 \times RF2 + 5$

Then, for a RUB 100 investment we would have:

$$E_{RF1} = P \times \frac{\partial P}{\partial RF1} = 300$$
This instrument entails an exposure of 300 RUB in RF1
$$E_{RF2} = P \times \frac{\partial P}{\partial RF2} = -150$$
This instrument entails an exposure of -150 RUB in RF2





Why is this concept so important for risk management?

It allows us to represent a large portfolio comprising different financial instruments by the means of a limited number of risk factors





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The general model

The rate of return of an asset is a random variable driven by a linear combination of other random variables plus noise

 $\Delta P = E_1 \times \Delta RF_1 + E_2 \times \Delta RF_2 + \dots + E_n \times \Delta RF_n + \psi$

 ψ correspond to changes that cannot be explained by ΔRF_1 , ΔRF_2 , ..., ΔRF_n





Interest rates

We have that $P = V \times e^{-rt}$

 $\Delta P = -t \times V \times e^{-rt}, E_r = -t \times P$

Important link: concept of duration

Different compounding rules lead to different first order derivatives

Suppose we have a debt with face value equal to 100 that matures in 6 months and r=10% pa

 $E_r = -50$ — Does this make any sense?





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Equities - CAPM

We have that $\Delta P = \alpha + \beta \times \Delta rm + \varepsilon$

 $E_{rm} = \beta \times P$

Important link: multifactor models

We can have multiple linear factors β_1 , β_2 , β_3 ,...

Suppose we have a share with price equal to 50 and β equal to 1.2

 $E_r = 60$ — Does this make any sense?





Equities - CAPM

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Derivatives – Black Scholes

From our previous class:

$$c = S \times N(d1) - K \times e^{-rt} \times N(d2)$$

$$p = K \times e^{-rt} \times N(-d2) - S \times N(-d1)$$

Delta $\Delta = \frac{\partial V}{\partial S}$ is the sensitivity to asset price. Gamma $\Gamma = \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial^2 S}$ is the sensitivity of delta to S Theta $\Theta = \frac{\partial V}{\partial t}$ is time rate of change of V

Vega v = $\frac{\partial v}{\partial \sigma}$ is the sensitivity of V to sigma (volatility)

Rho $\rho = \frac{\partial V}{\partial r}$ is the sensitivity of V to the interest rate

$$d1 = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{S}{K}\right) + \left(r + \sigma^2/2\right)t}{\sigma\sqrt{t}}$$
$$d2 = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{S}{K}\right) + \left(r - \sigma^2/2\right)t}{\sigma\sqrt{t}} = d1 - \sigma\sqrt{t}$$





Derivatives – Black Scholes

We know that $\Delta C = N(d1)$ and $\Delta P = N(d1) - 1$

 $E_s = \Delta C \times S$

Other derivatives and orders play an important role too

Suppose we call option with ΔC =0.5 and the underlying price is 80

 $E_s = 40$ — Does this make any sense?





Derivatives – Black Scholes

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Sensitivity analysis: single instruments and portfolios

Sensitivity analysis – classical "What if" analysis









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Suppose that you have a portfolio of 5 stocks:

- A = Price 85.00, quantity 300, β equal to 0.75
- B = Price 5.70, quantity 2 000, β equal to 1.54
- C = Price 33.05, quantity 800, β equal to 0.88
- D = Price 12.70, quantity 800, β equal to 0.54
- E Price 122.00, quantity 500, β equal to 1.20





Sensitivity analysis – classical "What if" analysis

So we can represent this portfolio as an aggregate exposure to the overall equity market

	Price	Quantity	β	Financial Volume	Exposure	Weight	β
Α	85.00	300	0.75	25,500.00	19,125.00	0.11	0.09
В	50.09	2000	1.54	100,180.00	154,277.20	0.45	0.69
С	33.05	800	0.88	26,440.00	23,267.20	0.12	0.10
D	12.70	800	0.54	10,160.00	5,486.40	0.05	0.02
Е	122.00	500	1.20	61,000.00	73,200.00	0.27	0.33
				223,280.00	275,355.80	1.00	1.23







Sensitivity analysis – classical "What if" analysis

Suppose we want a more "defensive" portfolio

	Price	Quantity	β	Financial Volume	Exposure	Weight	β
Α	85.00	300	0.75	25,500.00	19,125.00	0.11	L 0.09
В	50.09	0	1.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
С	33.05	800	0.88	26,440.00	23,267.20	0.12	0.10
D	12.70	8,688	0.54	110,340.12	59 <i>,</i> 583.67	0.49	0.27
Е	122.00	500	1.20	61,000.00	73,200.00	0.27	0.33
				223,280.12	175,175.87	1.00	0.78





Sensitivity analysis – classical "What if" analysis

Now suppose we have a Call on B, with Δ equal to 0.50

Hence, for every 1 RUB change in the price o B, the price of the call changes by 0.50 RUB

So by selling 1 000 options (going short) you could reduce your position in B by 25%

 $E_B = E_{S_B} + E_{O_B} = 2\ 000 \times 50.09 - 1\ 000 \times 50.09 \times 0.5=75\ 139.00$

This can be further translated into another index-equivalent exposure of 115 707.90

Weight	β	
0.13	0.10	
0.38	0.58	
0.13	0.12	
0.05	0.03	
0.31	0.37	
1.00	1.19	







Vassily Vassilyevich Kandinsky, Autumn in Bavaria, 1908

