

Module 7.1

Static Risk Measures
Centered Differencing

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Derivatives Review

- Suppose y is a function of other variables

$$y = f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

- Total derivative with respect to x_1

$$\frac{dy}{dx_1} = \frac{df(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)}{dx_1}$$

- Total derivative of y with respect to x_1 . Thus, if any other variables, say x_2 , is a function of x_1 , then the total derivative must incorporate this embedded functionality



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Partial Derivatives

- Partial derivative with respect to x_1

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x_1} = \frac{\partial f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)}{\partial x_1}$$

- We assume all other embedded functionality is ignored.



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Derivatives Review

- Suppose

$$y = f[x_1, x_2(x_1), \dots, x_n]$$

- Total derivative

$$\frac{dy}{dx_1} = \frac{\partial f[x_1, x_2(x_1), \dots, x_n]}{\partial x_1} + \frac{\partial f[x_1, x_2(x_1), \dots, x_n]}{\partial x_2} \frac{dx_2}{dx_1}$$

- Partial derivative

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x_1} = \frac{\partial f[x_1, x_2(x_1), \dots, x_n]}{\partial x_1}$$



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Embedded Functionality

- Many finance-related functions have embedded functionality
- A stock price may be a function of volatility
 - In many cases, if volatility rises, then a particular stock price will decline
 - option valuation models depend on both the stock price as well as volatility
 - Embedded functionality is often ignored



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Central Finance Concepts

- Many quant tasks involve computing numerical derivatives
- Review applications of numerical derivatives in finance



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Compound OVM Challenge

$$CO(S, t, T_1, T_2, t_U, t_C, t_U) = t_C t_U S_t B_{t, T_2, \delta} B_{t, T_2, -\delta} N_2(t_C t_U d_{11}, t_U d_{12}; t_C \rho) \\ - t_C t_U X_U B_{t, T_2, \delta} B_{t, T_2, -\delta} N_2(t_C t_U d_{21}, t_U d_{22}; t_C \rho) - t_C X_C B_{t, T_1, \delta} N(t_C t_U d_{21})$$

$$N_2(a, b; \rho) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^a \int_{-\infty}^b \frac{\exp\left\{-\frac{z_1^2 - 2\rho z_1 z_2 + z_2^2}{2(1-\rho^2)}\right\}}{2\pi\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} dz_1 dz_2 \quad d_{21} \equiv \frac{\ln\left(\frac{S_t B_{t, T_2, -(r-\delta)}}{S_t^*}\right) - \frac{\sigma_{t, T_2}^2}{2}}{\sigma_{t, T_2}} \quad d_{22} \equiv \frac{\ln\left(\frac{S_t B_{t, T_2, -(r-\delta)}}{X_U}\right) - \frac{\sigma_{t, T_2}^2}{2}}{\sigma_{t, T_2}}$$

$$d_{11} \equiv \frac{\ln\left(\frac{S_t B_{t, T_2, -(r-\delta)}}{S_t^*}\right) + \frac{\sigma_{t, T_1}^2}{2}}{\sigma_{t, T_1}} = d_{21} + \sigma_{t, T_1} \quad d_{12} \equiv \frac{\ln\left(\frac{S_t B_{t, T_2, -(r-\delta)}}{X_U}\right) + \frac{\sigma_{t, T_2}^2}{2}}{\sigma_{t, T_2}} = d_{22} + \sigma_{t, T_2}$$



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Estimating Greeks

- Need to validate candidate solution
- Need estimates:
 - Delta (dCO/dS ?)
 - Gamma
 - Theta
 - Vega
 - Rho
- Analytic or numerical?



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Other Numerical Derivatives

- Duration and convexity
- Yield volatility estimates from price volatility
- Option pricing model standard 'greeks,' delta, gamma, theta, vega, and rho
- Option pricing model advanced 'greeks,' vanna, charm, speed, zomma, color, vomma, DvegaDtime, ultima, and so forth
- Linear model and VaR (delta-VaR, delta-gamma-VaR, and so forth)
- Merton's default probabilities (delta estimate)
- Exotic option 'greeks'
- Local volatility models (volatility surface estimation)
- Marginal contribution to expected return and risk



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Quantitative Finance Materials

- Univariate Taylor series
- Centered differencing (Eberly)
 - Review formulas
 - Applications
- Illustrated with R code
- Application to other derivatives



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Univariate Taylor Series

- Assume $f(x)$ is a continuous function
 - $-\infty < x < \infty$
 - $-\infty < f(x) < \infty$
 - $f(x_0)$ has derivatives of all orders
- Taylor series of f about the number x_0 is

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(x_0)}{n!} h^n \quad f^{(n)}(x_0) \equiv \left. \frac{d^n f(x)}{dx^n} \right|_{x=x_0}$$

where $h = x - x_0$, "small positive value"



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Centered Differencing (Eberly)

Theorem 1: Numerical derivatives approximation theorem for dth order derivatives

If

$$f^{(d)}(x) = \frac{d!}{h^d} \sum_{n=0}^{d+p-1} \left(\sum_{i=i_{\min}}^{i_{\max}} C_i \right) \frac{h^n}{n!} f^{(n)}(x_0) \quad (\text{dth order derivative})$$

then

$$f^{(d)}(x) = \frac{d!}{h^d} \sum_{i=i_{\min}}^{i_{\max}} C_i f(x + ih) + O(h^p) \quad (\text{Approximation theorem equation})$$

where $h = x - x_0$, $p > 0$ (small), $p > 0$ denotes integer order of error, d denotes the integer derivative order, i_{\max} , and i_{\min} denote extreme indices, C_i denotes some coefficients where $C = \{C_{\min}, \dots, C_{\max}\}$ denotes the template of approximation.



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Order 1

Numerical derivative order of accuracy 1

First derivative: $d = 1, p = 2$

$$f'(x) \approx \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h}$$

Second derivative: $d = 2, p = 1$

$$f''(x) \approx \frac{f(x+h) - 2f(x) + f(x-h)}{h^2}$$



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Order 2

Numerical derivative order of accuracy 2

First derivative: $d = 1, p = 4$

$$f'(x) \approx \frac{-f(x+2h) + 8f(x+h) - 8f(x-h) + f(x-2h)}{12h}$$

Second derivative: $d = 2, p = 3$

$$f''(x) \approx \frac{-f(x+2h) + 16f(x+h) - 30f(x) + 16f(x-h) - f(x-2h)}{12h^2}$$



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Order 3

Numerical derivative order of accuracy 3

First derivative: $d = 1, p = 6$

$$f'(x) \approx \frac{f(x+3h) - 9f(x+2h) + 45f(x+h) - 45f(x-h) + 9f(x-2h) - f(x-3h)}{60h}$$

Second derivative: $d = 2, p = 5$

$$f''(x) \approx \frac{f(x+3h) - 13.5f(x+2h) + 13.5f(x+h) - 24.5f(x) + 13.5f(x-h) - 13.5f(x-2h) + f(x-3h)}{90h^2}$$



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Order 4

Numerical derivative order of accuracy 4

First derivative: $d = 1, p = 8$

$$f'(x) \approx \frac{1}{h} \left[\frac{f(x-4h)}{280} - \frac{4f(x-3h)}{105} + \frac{f(x-2h)}{5} - \frac{4f(x-h)}{5} + 0f(x) + \frac{4f(x+h)}{5} - \frac{f(x+2h)}{5} + \frac{4f(x+3h)}{105} - \frac{f(x+4h)}{280} \right]$$

Second derivative: $d = 2, p = 7$

$$f''(x) \approx \frac{2}{h^2} \left[\frac{f(x-4h)}{1,120} + \frac{4f(x-3h)}{315} - \frac{f(x-2h)}{10} + \frac{4f(x-h)}{5} - \frac{205f(x)}{144} + \frac{4f(x+h)}{5} - \frac{f(x+2h)}{10} + \frac{4f(x+3h)}{315} - \frac{f(x+4h)}{1,120} \right]$$

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Order 4, 8th Derivative

■ Just for fun ...

$$f^{(8)}(x) \approx \frac{40,320}{h^8} \left[\frac{f(x-4h)}{40,320} - \frac{f(x-3h)}{5,040} + \frac{f(x-2h)}{1,440} - \frac{f(x-h)}{720} + \frac{f(x)}{576} - \frac{f(x+h)}{720} + \frac{f(x+2h)}{1,440} - \frac{f(x+3h)}{5,040} + \frac{f(x+4h)}{40,320} \right]$$



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Illustration with Modified Duration (First Derivative, 1%)

```
> BONDInputData$ChangeInYTM = 1.0
> FD1 <- BondFD(BONDInputData)
> BONDInputData$Order <- 2
> FD2 <- BondFD(BONDInputData)
> BONDInputData$Order <- 3
> FD3 <- BondFD(BONDInputData)
> BONDInputData$Order <- 4
> FD4 <- BondFD(BONDInputData)
> MDDur <- Duration(BONDInputData)
> FD <- -MDDur*BondValue(BONDInputData)/100
> MDDur
[1] 8.710204
> Error1 <- FD1 - FD; Error2 <- FD2 - FD; Error3 <- FD3 - FD; Error4 <- FD4 - FD
> Error1; Error2; Error3; Error4
[1] -146.9193
[1] 0.3773835
[1] -0.001237588
[1] 4.925503e-06
```

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Illustration with Modified Duration (FD, 0.1%)

```
> #
> # Change YTM by 10 basis points
> #
> BONDInputData$ChangeInYTM = 0.1
> FD1 <- BondFD(BONDInputData)
> BONDInputData$Order <- 2
> FD2 <- BondFD(BONDInputData)
> BONDInputData$Order <- 3
> FD3 <- BondFD(BONDInputData)
> BONDInputData$Order <- 4
> FD4 <- BondFD(BONDInputData)
> MDDur <- Duration(BONDInputData)
> FD <- -MDDur*BondValue(BONDInputData)/100
> Error1 <- FD1 - FD; Error2 <- FD2 - FD; Error3 <- FD3 - FD; Error4 <- FD4 - FD
> Error1; Error2; Error3; Error4
[1] 1.449371e-08
[1] 3.768281e-05
[1] 1.263106e-08
[1] 1.449371e-08
```

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Illustration with Modified Duration (FD, 0.01%)

```
> #
> # Change YTM by 1 basis points
> #
> BONDInputData$ChangeInYTM = 0.01
> FD1 <- BondFD(BONDInputData)
> BONDInputData$Order <- 2
> FD2 <- BondFD(BONDInputData)
> BONDInputData$Order <- 3
> FD3 <- BondFD(BONDInputData)
> BONDInputData$Order <- 4
> FD4 <- BondFD(BONDInputData)
> MDDur <- Duration(BONDInputData)
> FD <- -MDDur*BondValue(BONDInputData)/100
> Error1 <- FD1 - FD; Error2 <- FD2 - FD; Error3 <- FD3 - FD; Error4 <- FD4 - FD
> Error1; Error2; Error3; Error4
[1] 1.212175e-08
[1] 5.558832e-09
[1] 1.67347e-09
[1] 1.212175e-08
```

Machine error appears
impacts order 3 and 4

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Illustration with Modified Duration (FD, 0.000001%)

```
> #
> # Change YTM by 0.000001 basis points
> #
> BONDInputData$ChangeInYTM = 0.00000001
> FD1 <- BondFD(BONDInputData)
> BONDInputData$Order <- 2
> FD2 <- BondFD(BONDInputData)
> BONDInputData$Order <- 3
> FD3 <- BondFD(BONDInputData)
> BONDInputData$Order <- 4
> FD4 <- BondFD(BONDInputData)
> MDDur <- Duration(BONDInputData)
> FD <- -MDDur*BondValue(BONDInputData)/100
> Error1 <- FD1 - FD; Error2 <- FD2 - FD; Error3 <- FD3 - FD; Error4 <- FD4 - FD
> Error1; Error2; Error3; Error4
[1] -0.01492698
[1] -0.0141236
[1] -0.02304877
[1] -0.01492698
```

Machine error dominates

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Other 'greeks'

Parameter	S	t	σ	r	X	δ
First Order Derivatives						
Value (O)	Delta (Δ)	Theta (θ)	Vega (v)	Rho (ρ)	dOdX	dOd δ
Elasticity	Lambda (λ)	O δ %	O σ %	O ρ %	O δ X%	O δ %
Selected Second Order Derivatives						
Delta (Δ)	Gamma (Γ)	Charm	Vanna	d Δ dr	d Δ dX	d Δ d δ
Theta (θ)		dbdt	Veta	d θ dr	d θ dX	d θ d δ
Vega (v)			Vomma	Ver	dvdX	dvd δ
Rho (ρ)				dpdr	d ρ dX	d ρ d δ
dOdX					(dOdX)dX	(dOdX)d δ
dOd δ						(dOd δ)d δ
Selected Third Order Derivatives						
Gamma (Γ)	Speed (γ)	Color (γ)	Zomma (γ)	d Γ dr	d Γ dX	d Γ d δ
dbdt		(d θ)d δ	(d θ)d δ	(d θ)d δ	(d θ)d δ	(d θ)d δ
Vomma			Ultima (γ)	dVommadr	dVommadX	dVommad δ
dpdr				(d ρ)d δ	(d ρ)d δ	(d ρ)d δ
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Summary

- Numerical derivative estimation techniques useful in finance
- Several finance applications of numerical derivatives
- Introduced centered differencing
 - Review formulas
 - Applications



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