

One-period Portfolio Management Stochastic Optimization Model

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Abstract This paper studies portfolio management One-Period Stochastic Optimization model, under the unknown economic environment, obtains a simplex model of maximal utility function of final wealth.

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1 Introduction

The applications of the portfolio management model were widespread in finance industry since the 80's. There are a great deal of feasible mathematical models in fixed income derivative and balance sheet managements, which provide scientific decision-making of the portfolio management for the investment administration. However, in the results of citation [1] and [2], the studies on stochastic behavior of portfolio management have not been deeply discussed. The paper is concerned with a portfolio management problem in a simple situation. A certain value portfolio at time t_0 will have uncertainty at time t_1 for the uncertainty of the economic environment. We assume that there are l states of the economic circumstance. We use s_1, \dots, s_l to denote the state variables and p_1, \dots, p_l to denote the occurrence probability where $\sum_{i=1}^l p_i = 1, p_i \geq 0$ and $i=1, \dots, l$. Thus, a portfolio z_0 at time t_0 will have l likelihoods at time t_1 which are denoted with z^1, \dots, z^l . The uncertainty is induced by the uncertainty price on economic environment. We further assume that there are m securities in the market.

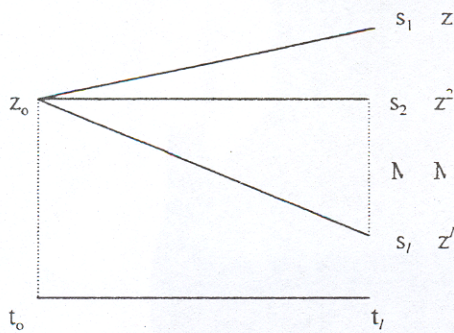


Figure 1

C_0 denotes the cash asset of the portfolio at time t_0 , and b_0 denotes a m dimension vector where each component denotes the amount of each security at time t_0 in the portfolio. We seek to reconstruct a decision-making: cash and the portfolio are hold to time t_1 , so that they can adapt to developing a fixed cash payment and maximizing utility function of final wealth.

2 Model

In this problem, there are 4 elements at time t_0 :

- (1) Vector x_0 denotes the amount of buying each security in the portfolio M .
- (2) Vector y_0 denotes the amount of selling each security in the portfolio b_0 .

(3) Vector z_0 denotes the amount of the securities under the primal decision.

(4) Scaler quantity v_0 denotes the amount of cash hold to time t_1 .

In the study of portfolio management, there are 2 relations: one is to invest current asset which will provide standby capital for the future cash flow p_1 ; the other is to adjust original portfolio to buy new assets.

When we make investment decision, cash asset is composed of original cash C_0 and the return $\zeta_0 y_0$ from selling y_0 of the original portfolio b_0 , where vector ζ_0 denotes the price of security which has been sold at time t_0 . The outflow of cash is composed of cash-holding v_0 and the cost of buy $\xi_0 x_0$ where vector ξ_0 denotes the price of security which has been bought at time t_0 . The portfolio at time t_0 has the following equilibrium constraints.

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{Cash} & C_0 + \zeta_0 y_0 = \xi_0 x_0 + v_0 \\ \text{Security quantity} & b_0 + x_0 = y_0 + z_0 \end{array}$$

The value of asset consists of cash $k_{\text{eff}} v_0$ and the value of portfolio $\zeta^s z_0$ at time t_1 where k_{eff} denotes continuous compounding.

The outflow of cash is composed of the payment p_1 and final value of the portfolio v^s .

Thus The portfolio at time t_1 also has the following equilibrium constraint.

$$k_{\text{eff}} v_0 + \zeta^s z_0 = P_1 + V^s \quad s \in S$$

If we use $U(\cdot)$ to denote the utility function of investor, maximal investment utility function model is as follows:

$$\begin{array}{l} \max EU(x_0, y_0, z_0, v_0, V^s) \\ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} C_0 + \zeta_0 y_0 = \xi_0 x_0 + v_0 \\ b_0 + x_0 = y_0 + z_0 \\ k_{\text{eff}} v_0 + \zeta^s z_0 = P_1 + V^s \\ x_0 \geq 0, y_0 \geq 0, z_0 \geq 0, v_0 \geq 0, V^s \geq 0 \\ s \in S \end{array} \right. \end{array}$$

There are $m+1+l$ constraints and $(3m+1)+l$ variables in the model.

Where

$$\begin{array}{ll} u_0 = (x_0, y_0, z_0, v_0)^T, & u^s = (z_0, V^s) \\ A_0 = \begin{pmatrix} -\xi_0 & \zeta_0 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & T^s = (0, 0, 0, k_{\text{eff}}) \\ f_0 = (-c_0, b_0)^T & R^s = \begin{pmatrix} \zeta^s & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ f_s = (P_1, 0)^T & \end{array}$$

These constraints can be denoted

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_0 & & & & \\ T^1 & R^1 & & & \\ M & & O & & \\ T^l & & & R^l & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_0 \\ u^1 \\ M \\ u^l \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_0 \\ f_1 \\ M \\ f_l \end{bmatrix}$$

We partition the matrix, then the model is as follows:

$$\begin{cases} A_0 u_0 = f_0 \\ T^s u_0 + R^s u^s = f_1 & \forall s \in S \\ u_0 \geq 0, u^s \geq 0 & s \in S \end{cases}$$

3 General Model

Generally, two-stage stochastic programming model E is as follows.
S is a strategy set, defined as following:

u_0 -the first period investment-decision vector based on known information at time $t=0$.

u_i^s -the next term decision according each strategy $s \in S$.

π_s -the probability of strategy $s \in S$.

$U(u_0, u_i^s)$ -utility of return which is the function of decisive variables.

Certainly $\forall s \in S$, u_i^s must be decided before observing the realization of strategy.

Decisive variables u_0, u_i^s must maximize beginning utility and satisfy all accounts, strategies, diversification of investment as well.

Matrix A_0, T_i^s, R_i^s denote general constraints, then we have stochastic optimization model E:

$$\begin{cases} \max EU(u_0, u_i^s) \\ A_0 u_0 = b_0 \\ R_i^s u_i^s + T_i^s u_0 = b_s & \forall s \in S \\ u_0 \geq 0 \\ u_i^s \geq 0 \forall s \in S \end{cases}$$

Note: because all constraint sets are used, we have a large $N-LP$ resolution. u_0 depends from future information set in each stage, so it is identical.

Last we can extend Stochastic programming model E to multi-term or multi-stage investment decision.

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