OPEN RISK ENGINE

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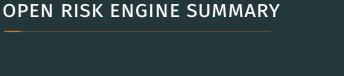


Open Risk Engine Summary

QuantLib Extension Library

Data Library

Analytics Library





- 1. is a transparent platform for pricing and risk analysis, serves as
 - · benchmarking, validation, training, teaching reference
 - · extensible foundation for tailored risk solutions
- 2. extends QuantLib (simulation models, instruments, engines)
- 3. adds contemporary risk analytics and value adjustments
- 4. adds simple interfaces for trade/market data and system config
- 5. adds simple launchers in Excel, LibreOffice, Python, Jupyter
- 6. is free/open software, provided under the Modified BSD License
- 7. is sponsored by Quaternion Risk Management (www.quaternion.com).



Basic Application/Launchers			
Risk Analytics			
Interfaces and Data Management			
QuantLib	QL Extension		
Boost Libraries			

TIMELINE



Milestones

· Beta Release: 11 July 2016

· Release: September 2016



ORE provides

- 1. Portfolio pricing, cash flows, sensitivity analysis, stress testing
- 2. Derivative portfolio analytics based on Monte Carlo simulation
 - Credit exposure evolution taking netting and collateral into account (EE, EPE, EEPE, PFE) supporting regulatory capital charge calculation under internal model methods
 - · Market risk measures (VaR, ES)
 - · Derivative value adjustments (CVA, DVA, FVA, COLVA)
- 3. Parametric (non-simulation) analytics for risk and capital
 - · Initial Margin methods to benchmark ISDA's SIMM
 - · SA-CCR, the new standard method for derivatives capital



ORE's initial product scope comprises Interest Rate and FX products

- · Interest Rate Swaps
- · Caps/Floors
- · Swaptions
- · Cross Currency Swaps
- · FX Forwards
- · FX Options

The simulation models applied in ORE are based on: Modern Derivatives Pricing and Credit Exposure Analysis Palgrave MacMillan 2015





ORE comes with extensive tests, examples and documentation

- Test suites with good coverage from the start
- · Various examples which demonstrate typical use cases
- · Several ways to launch ORE and visualise results
- · A detailed user guide covering examples and parametrisation
- · Comprehensive source code documentation



A series of further releases is scheduled, covering:

- · Sensitivity analysis, stress testing capability
- · Credit simulation, Credit Derivatives and Loan products
- · Default risk modeling and credit portfolio analysis
- · Inflation simulation and Inflation Derivatives
- · Equity simulation, Equity Derivatives
- · Commodity simulation, Commodity Derivatives
- · Open Risk Engine Book



Connect with ORE

- · Follow us on Twitter @OpenRiskEngine
- · Watch announcements on www.openriskengine.org

Once released:

- · Fetch ORE from github.com/openriskengine
- · Use ORE
- · Share feedback
- · Send pull requests



QUANTEXT - QUANTLIB EXTENSION LIBRARY



QuantExt adds supplementary building blocks to QuantLib

- · a cross asset model and associated pricing engines
- · rate helpers for bootstrapping cross currency and tenor basis curves
- · a few instruments like currency swaps, basis swaps and average OIS swaps
- · additional currencies and indexes



The directory structure is like in QuantLib

```
QuantExt / qle / cashflows
                  currencies
                  indexes
                   instruments
                  math
                  methods
                  models
                   pricingengines
                   processes
                  quotes
                  termstructures
QuantExt / test /
```

CODE STATISTICS



Library	Files	Lines of Code	Unit Test Cases
QuantLib	~ 2400	360k	646
QuantExt	~ 200	20k	36
OpenRiskEngineData	~ 160	20k	20
OpenRiskEngineAnalytics	~ 60	7k	21
Sum	~ 420	47k	77

CROSSASSETMODEL



QuantExt provides an implementation of a cross asset model

- · multi-Gaussian IR-FX (-INF-CR-EQ-COM)1
- exact discretization of the underlying stochastic process for large step simulations
- utilizing Joshi's Sobol Brownian bridge generator provided in QuantLib's market model implementation
- · analytic vanilla option engines for fast calibration
- extensible other models can be plugged in (Heston, multifactor LGM, stochastic basis models, ...)

¹INF, CR, EQ, COM will be part of later releases



Extensive test suite, e.g. for the model part

- consistency with finite difference and Gaussian1D pricing engines in QuantLib
- · recovery of analytical moments by Euler Monte Carlo
- · martingale property of deflated payoffs
- · repricing of calibration baskets with Monte Carlo

QUANTLIB AS A BACKBONE FOR XVA SIMULATIONS



QuantLib 1.8 can be used for efficient XVA simulations

- · no modifications in QuantLib necessary this is fantastic
- but we use workarounds at some places, which are efficient in practice, but not clean
- in the following we derive proposals for future QuantLib development from this

PROPOSAL #1 FLOATING TERMSTRUCTURES



We make extensive use of evaluation date shifts during simulation

- provide floating and fixed reference date term structures consistently throughout the library
- expose TermStructure::moving_ to make fixed and floating term structures distinguishable during run time²
- add floating lags for NPV and settlement date parameters in pricing engines, for example and notably in the DiscountingSwapEngine
- · provide fixed and floating bootstrap helpers

²note that in addition there are the term structures that manage their reference date themselves

PROPOSAL #2 QUOTES



Quotes are the central tool to apply scenarios to term structures during simulation

- · support quotes in ExchangeRateManager
- provide quote based constructors in term structures consistently

PROPOSAL #3 OBSERVABILITY



Observability is used to propagate quote updates to term structures and instruments during simulation

- · a naive use yields correct results, but may be slow
- deferral of notifications³ does not seem to speed up our simulation or even slows it down in cases
- · our workarounds are
 - disable Notifications and manually update term structures and instruments
 - · unregister coupons from evaluation date observation
- goal: can we tape the notification graph on a small subset of simulation paths (or one path) and derive a minimal set of objects that needs to be updated from that?

³introduced in OuantLib 1.8

PROPOSAL #4 SIMULATED FIXINGS



During simulation, future fixings have to be generated and published

- required fixings are implicitly known from pricing on the original evaluation date.
- no global notification of all observers⁴ necessary when adding a simulated fixing
- pathwise generation of future fixings and publishing them can be automated by an extension of Index
- · no need for changes in pricing engines
- · (almost) zero overhead when simulated fixings mode is disabled

⁴typically floating rate coupons





- OpenRiskEngineData is a C++11 library that manages market and trade data
- · Configured via API or XML (using RapidXML)
- Flexible curve bootstrap can be configured for Libor, OIS, XOIS, etc leaving the choice to users
- Curve configuration defined for all market curves (option surfaces/cubes) which maps to QL TermStructures
- · Lightweight portfolio data model
- · Again trade XML maps to QL Instruments

XML EXAMPLE



```
<Trade id="123456">
 <TradeType>Swap</TradeType>
                                               <ScheduleData>
 <Envelope>
                                                <Rules>
   <CounterParty>CP A</CounterParty>
                                                  <StartDate>20120530</StartDate>
   <NettingSetId>CP A NS 1</NettingSetId>
                                                  <EndDate>20160704</EndDate>
 </Envelope>
                                                  <Tenor>1Y</Tenor>
 <SwapData>
                                                  <Calendar>TARGET</Calendar>
   <LegData>
                                                  <Convention>
    <LegType>Fixed</LegType>
                                                    Following
    <Payer>true</Payer>
                                                  </Convention>
    <Currency>EUR</Currency>
                                                  <TermConvention>
    <Notionals>
                                                    Following
                                                  </TermConvention>
      <Notional>70000000</Notional>
                                                  <Rule>Forward</Rule>
    </Notionals>
    <DavCounter>30/360</DavCounter>
                                                  <EndOfMonth/>
                                                  <FirstDate>20120704</FirstDate>
    <PaymentConvention>
      Following
                                                  <LastDate/>
    </PaymentConvention>
                                                </Rules>
    <FixedLegData>
                                               </ScheduleData>
      <Rates>
                                             </LegData>
       <Rate>0.035000</Rate>
                                            </SwapData>
                                          </Trade>
      </Rates>
    </FixedLegData>
```



 Interface openriskengine::data::Market defines a complete set of all the market instruments and curves (as Handles to QL objects) needed for pricing

```
class Market {
   //...
   virtual Handle<YieldTermStructure> discountCurve(const string& ccy) = 0;
   virtual Handle<IborIndex> iborIndex(const string& indexName) = 0
   virtual Handle<Quote> fxSpot(const string& ccypair) = 0;
}
```

- TodaysMarket implements this interface using curves bootstrapped as on previous slide
- openriskengine::data::EngineFactory takes a Market and generates QuantLib::PricingEngines for the portfolio (Actual engine choice and parameters are configurable via API/XML)
- TodaysMarket + EngineFactory + Portfolio = T0 pricing



ANALYTICS LIBRARY



- OpenRiskEngineAnalytics is a smaller library built on top of QuantLib, QuantExt and OpenRiskEngineData.
- · Provides a framework for Monte-Carlo simulation of future NPVs, aggregation and (in the future) market risk sensitivities.
- · We use the following common definitions:
 - · DateGrid a set of future dates we wish to calculate exposure on
 - **Cube** the 3-D matrix of trade NPVs for the portfolio on each path and each date in the date grid
 - Scenario A set of simulated market data points represented as a set of QuantLib::Real values
 - ScenarioGenerator A class that combines a model, date grid and PRNG to generate Scenarios.
- · Scenarios can be generated by a CrossAssetModel, a Real world model or a set of defined sensitivities.

SCENARIOSIMMARKET



- analytics::ScenarioSimMarket is a concrete implementation of the data::Market interface that is Quote based.
- The method ScenarioSimMarket::update() retrieves a Scenario from a ScenarioGenerator and updates the underlying Quotes.
- When a portfolio's EngineFactory uses this Market, then all Instruments will be directly linked to the Market's TermStrutures and Quotes
- Therefore, to price under a scenario we simply call update()
 and then loop over the portfolio calling Instrument::NPV()
- This relies heavily on QuantLib's Lazy Object and Observer patterns.

LOOP ORDER



- · To compute a Cube, we essentially have three nested loops
- · Innermost loop is over portfolio \Rightarrow two options remain
- · Option 1 Outer Loop over Dates, then Paths
 - **Pro** Minimise date changes Rebuild static TermStructures at each date and so can use both floating or fixed reference dates.
 - **Con** Need to cache scenarios, creates a memory constraint on the number of paths we can run
 - Con Fixings are difficult to do properly
 - Con Need to maintain state for path dependant trades
- · Option 2 Outer Loop over Path
 - Pro Can price on a path and maintain fixings easily
 - Pro Can stream scenarios, no memory constraints
 - Con All TermStructures must have a floating reference date
 - Con Need to do multiple asof date changes, not cheap

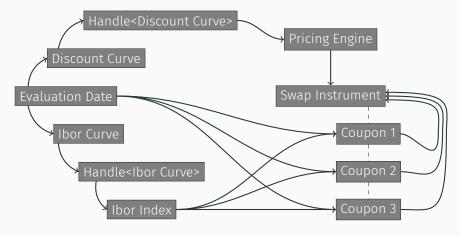


- · Settings::evaluationDate is observed a lot.
- · Analysis from an early version of OpenRiskEngine:
 - · 100 Fixed vs. Floating Swaps, Average maturity = 16.2 years
 - · Total of 3,778 Floating Rate Coupons
 - Single call to Settings::instance().evaluationDate() = d; takes 1,500 microseconds.
 - · 1,000 samples and 80 dates \Rightarrow 120 seconds.
 - · Update time is all notification, does not change even at later grid dates when trades are expired.
 - evaluationDate is observed by 4,915 observers.
 - · Total number of notifications is 34,848
 - · Each notification is fast (we are doing 24 per microsecond).
 - · However total number is massive (over 2.7 Billion)
 - · Deepest chain is of depth 6

OBSERVATION - SINGLE SWAP



- · There is a lot of overlap in the notification chain.
- · Consider a simple 3 coupon swap.



 \cdot Swap is notified 7 times (2n + 1) of a change in the eval date

OBSERVATION - SOLUTIONS



All of the following solutions are available in OpenRiskEngine

- 1. Do nothing.
 - · everything is working as designed and all values are correct
 - · it can be slow
- 2. Minimise notification chain
 - Reduce the notification chain by careful selection or implementation of market data objects
 - remove duplication by unregistering connected observers with common observables (e.g. floating rate coupon and index)
- 3. Disable all notifications
 - Use ObservableSettings::disableUpdates(false);
 - · Disable notifications and maintain a separate list of observers that require explicit notification
 - · Notification still preformed, but the large chains do not kick in.
- 4. Defer all notifications
 - Use ObservableSettings::disableUpdates(true);
 - Defer notifications until all market quotes and fixings have been updated. This is generally slower than (1)!



- · Swap exposure benchmark test runs a portfolio of vanilla swaps over 1,000 samples and 80 dates.
- · Cube generation time in seconds

Mode	1 Swap	100 Swaps
None	12.64	320.99
Minimise	12.46	227.91
Disable	11.4	229.45
Defer	13.32	349.07

