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1. Exercice 1, Chapitre 6.
2. Illustration des intervalles de confiance construit avec une normale ou une student avec l'exemple `queueevent_ci.cpp`.
3. Illustration avec SSJ des intervalles de confiance pour des variables aléatoires discrètes.

The value-at-risk x_p corresponds to the $(1-p)$ -quantile of the loss function. We cannot use the normal approximation for computing a confidence interval, because $1-p$ is too close to 1. We therefore use the binomial confidence interval as follows. We first initialize j and k to the value $q = \lceil n(1-p) \rceil$, and the level of confidence to 0. We then iterative decrease j or increase k until the level becomes greater than or equal to $1 - \alpha$. Because we alternatively decrease j and increase k upon successive iterations, q is approximately $(j + k)/2$. Listing 1 presents the program computing the interval using this method. Figure ?? presents the output of the program. If we were asked to estimate x_p for $p = 0.001$ rather than $p = 0.01$, we would need more than 1,000 observations. Otherwise, the returned quantile will be the maximal loss value, and the program will not be able to get an upper bound for the confidence interval.

Listing 1 – Confidence interval for the value-at-risk

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import java.util.Arrays;
import umontreal.iro.lecuyer.probdist.*;
import umontreal.iro.lecuyer.randvar.*;
import umontreal.iro.lecuyer.rng.*;

public class VarPlain {
    int N          = 1000;           // Number of simulation runs
    int m          = 5;             // Number of assets
    double T       = 0.1;           // Time horizon
    double sigma2 = 0.3 * 0.3; // sigma^2
    double sigma = 0.3; // sigma : volatility
    double r = 0.05; // Drift parameter
    double s0 = 50; // Price of assets at time 0
    double bsigma = Math.sqrt(T); // sqrt of T
    double alpha = 0.05; // Confidence level of CI.
    double p = 0.01; // probability

    // Random stream for brownian motion
    RandomStream streamBrownian = new RandMrg();
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public void quantile() {
    double b; // Value of B(T)
    double[] loss = new double[N]; // Loss for each simulation
    for (int n = 0; n < N; n++) {
        loss[n] = 0.0;
        for (int j = 0; j < m; j++) {
            b = NormalDist.inverseF01 (streamBrownian.nextDouble())
                * bsigma;
            loss[n] += s0
                * (1.0 - Math.exp ((r - sigma2 / 2 ) * T + sigma * b));
        }
    }
    Arrays.sort (loss);
    // compute quantile
    int q = (int) Math.ceil (N * (1.0 - p));
    double xp = loss[q];
    double delta = NormalDist.inverseF01 (1.0 - alpha / 2.0)
        * Math.sqrt (N * (1.0 - p) * p);
    int j = (int) Math.floor (N * (1.0 - p) + 1.0 - delta);
    int k = (int) Math.floor (N * (1.0 - p) + 1.0 + delta);
    if (j < 0 || k >= N)
        System.out.println ("Could not find a normal confidence interval");
    else {
        System.out.println("Value of x_(" + p + ") = " + xp);
        System.out.println("95% normal confidence interval : [" + loss[j] +
            " , " + loss[k] + "]");
    }

    BinomialDist bdist = new BinomialDist (N, 1.0 - p);
    j = k = q;
    double level = 0;
    boolean left = true;
    while (level < 1.0 - alpha) {
        if (j == 0 && k == N - 1)
            break;
        if (j > 0 && (left || k == N - 1)) {
            --j;
            level += bdist.prob (j);
            left = false;
        }
        if (k < N - 1 && (!left || j == 0)) {
            level += bdist.prob (k);
            ++k;
            left = true;
        }
    }
    if (level < 1.0 - alpha)
        System.out.println ("Could not find a binomial confidence interval")
    else {
        System.out.println("Value of x_(" + p + ") = " + xp);
    }
}

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        System.out.println("95% binomial confidence interval : [" + loss[j]
                           " , "+ loss[k] + "]" );
    }
}

public static void main (String[] args) {
    VarPlain v = new VarPlain();
    v.quantile();
}
}

Value of x_(0.01) = 21.74
95% normal confidence interval : [20.20 , 27.10]

Value of x_(0.01) = 21.74
95% binomial confidence interval : [20.03 , 27.10]

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