## Active Risk Allocation

IR portfolio optimisation as per 31 October 2022

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## Modern Portfolio Theory

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## Modern Portfolio Theory

Inconvenient facts

Return forecast are always wrong

- Asset covariances are unstable
- Autocorrelation do exist
- Markets are not always efficient

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## Modern Portfolio

Targeting return vs Risk Management *The traditional way:* Return targeting

- Based on expectations of future returns
  - Expectations are most often wrong
  - Fixed intervals for portfolio rebalancing
- Changes in risk/volatility not taken into consideration
- Assumes that assets move in stable patterns relative to each other
- In times of trend changes, portfolio is only rebalanced as trend estimates are revised

*The ARA way:* Volatility targeting

- Based on **existing** volatilities
  - No guesswork as the volatilities are available
  - Adaptive intervals for rebalancing determined by target volatility
- Adjusting to changes in risk
- Takes into consideration that correlation patterns change
- In times of trend changes, volatility changes force a portfolio rebalancing

# ARA optimisation

### Summary of process

- Decide on desired portfolio volatility band
  - 3.5-5%, 6-8% or 9-11% target
  - Depending on model input

#### □ Allocate between risk assets and non-risk assets

- Between 0 and 100% of portfolio may be allocated to risk assets
- Depending on model input

#### Calculate portfolio allocation

- Allocating assets in a way that no asset class gives a too large risk contribution (almost Risk Parity)
- Respecting overall volatility target
- Respecting overall allocation target

#### Daily follow up

- Daily calculation of expected portfolio volatility
- Daily supervision of OMRI and portfolio risk allocation
- Corrective action if necessary



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# ARA optimisation

IR Benchmark (baseline) Approximately a 60/40

## IR Medium risk model portfolio

Name	Class	Mid	ETF Proxy
IR Basis		25	Composite
	Aktier-EU	60	XSX6 DE
	Bonds-EU GOV	10	XGLE DE
	Bonds-DK MBS	10	Nyk dmb Composite
	Bonds-HY	15	IHYG DE
	Cash	5	XEIN:GR
IR Favoritter/IR Danske Aktier	r Aktier-DK	25	BIKF DC
IR Vækstlande	Aktier-GEM	20	BRIC LN
IR Erhverv	Bonds-HY	10	IHYG DE
IR Højrente	Bonds-HY	15	EMBE LN
Danske obligationer	Bonds-DK	5	NYK DMB Composite
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# ARA optimisation

### Performance

## IR optimised vs Baseline

Performance structurally challenged \*);

- as choice of assets correlate
- benchmark deviate from peers
- when US stocks outperform
- when USD strengthen

\*) Ref. analysis of 25.11.2021



## IR Asset Allocation timeline

Asset diversification absent through 2022

OPRA limits risk allocation



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## ARA portfolio

## November 2022

OPRA limits allocation to risk assets All parameters are currently negative.

## IR Medium risk model portfolio

	Limit used				Limit used
Name	Minimum	Prior	Allocation	Change	Maximum ETF proxy
Cash		20%	20%	0%	Cash
IR Basis		25%	20%	-5%	Composite
IR Danmark		24%	20%	-4%	BIKF DC
IR Vækstlande		5%	0%	-5%	BRIC LN
IR Short Stoxx		0%	0%	0%	XSSX DE
IR Erhverv		15%	5%	-10%	IHYG DE
IR Højrente		5%	25%	20%	EMBE LN
DK DMB		6%	10%	4%	Nyk Composite
		100.0%	100%	0%	

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