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## Do you have enough sensitivities?

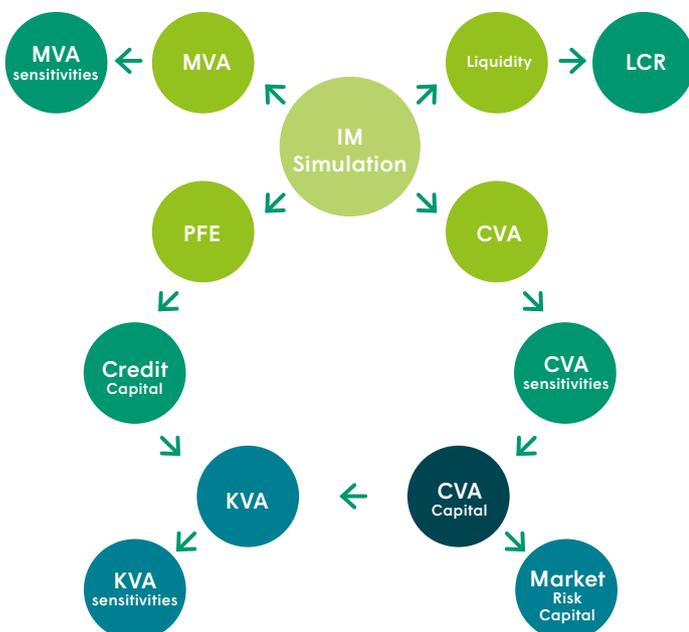
Sensitivities are essential to allow a bank to manage risk, make optimal trading decisions and increasingly to calculate capital. But do banks really have enough sensitivities available to them to optimally perform these functions?

Take credit valuation adjustment (CVA) – this is now part of every bank’s P&L and CVA sensitivities are crucial for hedging of CVA. However front office today is typically heavily constrained by the number of sensitivities they are able to calculate. FIS’ Adaptiv AAD can deliver all the sensitivities the CVA desk is able to consume.

CVA sensitivities are not only required for front office active CVA management. Under the revised advanced CVA capital requirements, CVA capital is a function of the CVA sensitivities – banks need at least hundreds or more CVA sensitivities, across all counterparties, not just non-collateralized counterparties. AAD is able to help banks compute CVA capital accurately and cost effectively.

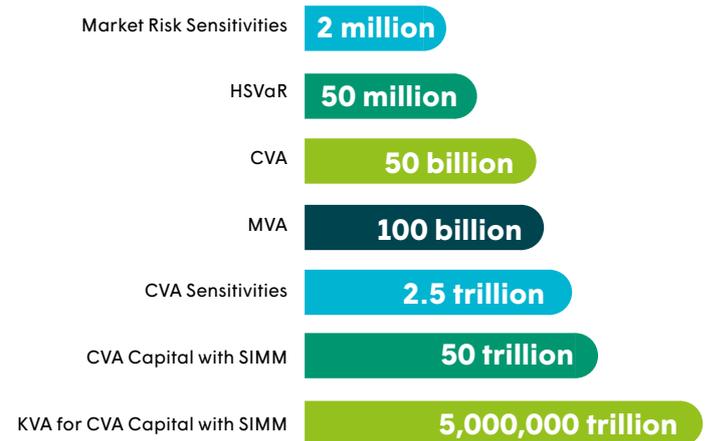
On another front, with the margin reform changes being phased in through 2020, initial margin must be computed and posted on most derivative portfolios using the ISDA SIMM. To accurately capture the future initial margin requirements and the funding cost of initial margin (i.e., MVA), or to model expected exposure for internal model capital, it’s required to calculate the ISDA SIMM forwards in

### How forward simulation of initial margin has far reaching implications



time across thousands of scenarios, necessitating billions of portfolio sensitivities. Approximation techniques might suffice, but a brute force forward SIMM simulation would be the most accurate way forwards. Adaptiv AAD can help achieve that.

And in the future, as capital valuation adjustment (KVA) becomes mainstream, the number of sensitivities required becomes even higher, with sensitivities required as the inputs to capital calculation and so KVA, which itself needs sensitivities calculated. The following graphic outlines the number of pricing calculations required using numerical sensitivities:



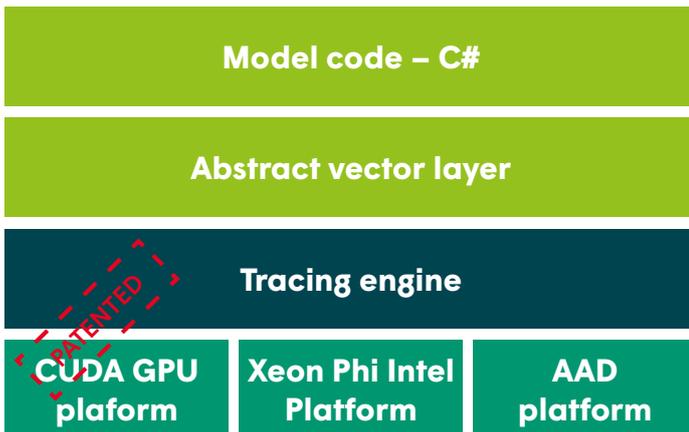
## What’s holding banks back?

XVA calculations like CVA, FVA and KVA are computationally expensive, so to keep costs under control, banks usually limit the number of sensitivities they calculate. But they still have to maintain hundreds or even thousands of computer cores to run even limited numbers of calculations. Moreover, these bump and run sensitivities are less accurate than analytic sensitivities, and many banks take shortcuts such as omitting sensitivities on collateralized portfolios and many of sensitivities they would ideally run. These approaches are neither efficient nor cost effective nor sustainable, especially once Basel’s latest CVA capital requirements come into effect.

## What’s the way forward?

Adjoint algorithmic differentiation (AAD) is an exciting mathematical technique for calculating super-fast sensitivities on complex mathematical computations. FIS has embedded AAD in the market leading Adaptiv Analytics engine to enable the calculation of thousands or even billions of sensitivities – quickly, accurately and cost effectively.

Adaptiv AAD produces exact mathematical derivatives – not approximations or estimates. And it can do this efficiently as it is built upon FIS' vectorization and GPU pedigree. Moreover, AAD is not a niche feature on Adaptiv Analytics, but is implemented in such a way that the entire Adaptiv Analytics engine is AAD-enabled, allowing super-fast sensitivities on all asset classes and more than 200 product types.



### Make the impossible possible

Calculate vastly more sensitivities at lightning speed to get a competitive advantage in XVA and capital. Manage this while reducing total cost of ownership.

### See the full and true picture – not an approximation

Adaptiv AAD can calculate a massive number of sensitivities and give you a huge amount of accurate information across interest rates, FX, equities, energy, commodities, and credit to reduce risk and increase profit.

### Be ready for the future

With banks becoming increasingly sensitive to the full set of valuation adjustments, you will need a way forward to model the higher order adjustments such as KVA on credit capital, CVA and even market risk capital. With Adaptiv AAD you'll have the infrastructure necessary to provide the sensitivities required to first calculate sensitivities needed for these KVAs and further to risk manage them.

## ADAPTIV AAD IN NUMBERS

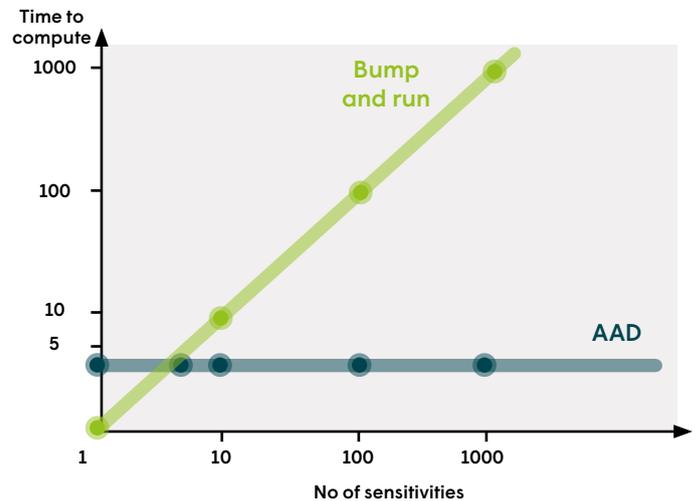
Twelve million valuations from **100 deals**

Some **1.2 billion** applications of chain rules

Smart memory compression reduces peak memory usage by **30 times**

**Zero lines** of valuation models code changed

**Normally, if it takes "x" amount of time to calculate a quantity, then it takes 1000x to compute 1000 sensitivities. With Adaptiv AAD, it's only 5x – no matter how many sensitivities you want.**



The Adaptiv AAD implementation is embedded in the Adaptiv Analytics framework, so all of our valuation models, as well as those written by our customers, will work without any changes. By extension, our customers' asset coverage extends to Adaptiv AAD all at once, not asset class by asset class. There's no additional code to implement, which eliminates extra time and cost. Adaptiv Analytics contains not just XVA calculations, but also SA-CCR, Sensitivity-based approach and liquidity adjusted expected shortfall for FRTB and ISDA SIMM, meaning AAD's power can be enabled on all of these calculations.

In addition, our proprietary memory compression technique reduces the memory consumption of AAD by orders of magnitude – giving you dramatic performance benefits without hitting memory barriers.

## Solution benefits

- Enables an XVA desk to manage P&L and optimize resources efficiently
- Massively reduces your hardware footprint and total cost of ownership
- Provides a path to effectively complying with latest CVA capital regulations
- Enables forward initial margin calculation via the accurate "brute force" calculation
- Provides a single, front- and middle-office platform for pricing, market and credit risk, capital and funding management

### About FIS

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