WRDS database

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1 WRDS database use case

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1.1 Package

1. Required package from WRDS

[]: import wrds

1.2 Connection

2. Make connection to WRDS database via the API

In connection function wrds_username is the login username on WRDS website. The password will be prompted on the first excution. By running create_pgpass_file(), the input of password can be skipped for next time.

```
[]: conn = wrds.Connection(wrds_username='chenglu')
```

Loading library list...
Done

1.3 Database

3. Check all available libraries in WRDS

There 252 libraries (database) available in WRDS (2022/01/11). In this tutorial we consider the CRSP(Center for Research in Security Prices). A brief view of part of CRSP database is shown below.

Product	Description
crsp_a_ccm	CRSP/Compustat Merged (Annual)
$\operatorname{crsp_a_indexes}$	CRSP Indexes (Annual)
crsp a_stock	CRSP Stock (Annual)

Product	Description
crsp_a_stock10	CRSP10 is a variation of the CRSP Stock database and holds 10 years of monthly history.
crsp_a_stock62 crsp_a_treasuries	CRSP Stock 1962 (Annual) CRSP Treasuries (Annual)
crsp_a_ziman	CRSP Ziman Real Estates (Annual)

```
[]: library_list = conn.list_libraries()
print(library_list[0:5])
```

['bank', 'compbd', 'compgd', 'compnad', 'compsegd']

1.4 Tables

4. Check available tables within CRSP

CRSP database focus on the stock data on the U.S. market. There are 42 tables within CRSP database. (2022/01/11) A sample description of the sub-table is listed here. More details can be found in CRSP website

Table	Description
dse	Daily Stock - Events
dseall	None
dsedelist	CRSP Daily Stock Event - Delisting
dsedist	CRSP Daily Stock Event -Distribution
dseexchdates	None
dsenames	CRSP Daily Stock Event - Name History
dsenasdin	CRSP Daily Stock Event - NASDAQ Information
dseshares	CRSP Daily Stock Event - Shares Outstanding
dsf	Daily Stock - Securities
dsfhdr	Daily Stock - Header Information with Date Ranges
dsi	$Stock - Market \ Indexes \ Daily \ NYSE/AMEX/NASDAQ/ARCA$

```
[]: table_list = conn.list_tables(library='crsp_a_stock')
print(table_list[0: 10])
```

```
['dse', 'dseall', 'dsedelist', 'dsedist', 'dseexchdates', 'dsenames', 'dsenasdin', 'dseshares', 'dsf', 'dsfhdr']
```

1.5 Stock Data

5. Daily stock data

The main table we look into is dse, which stands for daily stock events. It containts the stock price, stock return and etc. A brief description is shown below. More details in CRSP website.

Variable Name	Type	Length	Description
ask	double	53	Ask
askhi	double	53	Ask or High Price
bid	double	53	Bid
bidlo	double	53	Bid or Low Price
cfacpr	double	53	Cumulative Factor to Adjust Prices
cfacshr	double	53	Cumulative Factor to Adjust Shares/Vol
cusip	string	8	CUSIP Header
date	date		Date of Observation
hexcd	double	53	Exchange Code Header
hsiccd	double	53	Standard Industrial Classification Code
issuno	double	53	Nasdaq Issue Number
numtrd	double	53	Number of Trades
openprc	double	53	Price Alternate
permco	double	53	PERMCO
permno	double	53	PERMNO
prc	double	53	Price or Bid/Ask Average
ret	double	53	Returns
retx	double	53	Returns without Dividends
shrout	double	53	Shares Outstanding
vol	double	53	Volume

```
[]: data = conn.get_table(library='crsp', table='dse', obs=3)
data
```

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```

[3 rows x 50 columns]

6. Permno code

The permo code is an identifier in CRSP database given to each stock. One can look up related information and data about one stock using its permo code. One company's name and its ticker name can change over time. The table dsenames contains the history of this kind of information

for each stock.

```
[]: data = conn.get_table(library='crsp', table='dsenames', obs=3)
     data.head()
[]:
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                                                                      ncusip ticker
         permno
                      namedt
                                nameendt
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     [3 rows x 21 columns]
```

7. stock data download

It's a two-step procedure to download the stock daily data from CRSP. First, a permo code is obtained for a given stock symbol name. Second, we can use the permo code to query the dse table to download daily data.

```
[]: query = "\
    SELECT * \
    FROM crsp.dsenames \
    WHERE ticker = 'AMZN'\
    "

    ticker_history = conn.raw_sql(query)
    ticker_history
```

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[]:
         permno
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                                           02313510
     [4 rows x 21 columns]
[]: query = "\
     SELECT *\
     FROM crsp.dsf \
     WHERE permno = 14593 \
     AND date BETWEEN '1996-01-01' AND '2020-01-01'"
     stock_daily_data = conn.raw_sql(query)
     stock_daily_data.head()
[]:
           cusip
                   permno
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                                           hexcd hsiccd
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     0 03783310
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     2 03783310
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     2 32.375
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```

1.6 Example

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31.625

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Following example shows a concrete usage of CRSP.

1423.0

2281.0

Download Dow 30 constitutes daily stock data as an example of WRDS API

0.007843

0.000000

2208.0 -0.017510

3408.0 0.085149

1162.0 0.010949

- 1. Full list of Dow 30
- 2. Ticker to PERMNO map
- 3. Pannel data

4. Long table to wide table

```
[]: import pandas as pd import yahoo_fin.stock_info as si
```

1.6.1 1. Full list of Dow 30

Download Dow 30 stocks ticker names from wiki page using package yahoo_fin. It's different from the famous yfinance. The documentation of yahoo_fin can be found here.

```
[]: dow_tickers_df = si.tickers_dow(True)
  dow_tickers_list = si.tickers_dow()
  dow_tickers_df.head()
```

```
[]:
                  Company Exchange Symbol
                                                           Industry
                                                                      Date added \
                       ЗМ
                              NYSE
                                                       Conglomerate
                                                                      1976-08-09
     0
                                       MMM
        American Express
                              NYSE
                                       AXP
                                                Financial services
                                                                      1982-08-30
     1
     2
                                      AMGN
                    Amgen
                            NASDAQ
                                                  Biopharmaceutical
                                                                      2020-08-31
     3
                    Apple
                            NASDAQ
                                      AAPL
                                            Information technology
                                                                      2015-03-19
     4
                   Boeing
                                             Aerospace and defense
                              NYSE
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```

1.6.2 2. Ticker to PERMNO map

4

```
[]: dow_tickers_tuple_str = str(tuple(dow_tickers_list))

query = "\
SELECT *\
FROM crsp.dsenames \
WHERE ticker in {} \
AND nameendt = '2020-12-31' \
".format(dow_tickers_tuple_str)

ticker_history = conn.raw_sql(query)
ticker_history.head()
```

NaN

4.01%

```
[]:
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                     namedt
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                             2020-12-31
                                                                03783310
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     1 14008.0
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                                                   3.0
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                                                                            AMGN
                             2020-12-31
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     2 59176.0
                 2020-05-01
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                                          11.0
                                                   1.0 6029.0
                                                                 02581610
                                                                             AXP
     3 19561.0 2004-06-10
                             2020-12-31
                                          11.0
                                                   1.0 3721.0
                                                                09702310
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     [5 rows x 21 columns]
    create a map to convert ticker names to permno code
[]: ticker_permno_df = ticker_history[['permno', 'ticker']]
     ticker_to_permno_map = ticker_permno_df.set_index('ticker')
     permno_to_ticker_map = ticker_permno_df.set_index('permno')
[]: not_complete_permno_list = [18428, 76076, 86868, 90215, 92611]
     permno_to_ticker_map.loc[not_complete_permno_list]
[]:
            ticker
     permno
     18428
               DOW
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11.0

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1.6.3 3. Pannel data of Dow 30

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CRM

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92611

18542.0 2017-01-26 2020-12-31

Query dse to get Dow 30 stocks' daily data from 1990 to 2019. Download data is a pannel data. One complete time series for one stock followed by another one.

```
[]: dow_permno_tuple_str = str(tuple(ticker_to_permno_map.loc[dow_tickers_list].

→values.reshape((1, -1))[0].tolist()))

query = "\
SELECT *\
FROM crsp.dsf \
WHERE permno in {} \
```

```
".format(dow_permno_tuple_str)
    dow_df = conn.raw_sql(query)
    dow_df.head()
[]:
                                   issuno hexcd hsiccd
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          cusip
                  permno
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       59491810
                 10107.0
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                                  10539.0
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                                                 7370.0 1990-01-02
    0
                                                                     86.125
    1 59491810
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                                             3.0 7370.0 1990-01-03 88.500
    2 59491810
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                 337.0 0.015342
```

AND date BETWEEN '1990-01-01' AND '2020-01-01'\

1.6.4 4. Dow 30 ret dataframe

Convert pannel data to dataframe, which use timestamp as index and permno code as column names.

```
[]: dow_df = dow_df.set_index(['permno', 'date'])
    dow_ret_df = dow_df['ret']
    dow_ret_df = dow_ret_df.unstack().T
    dow_ret_df.head()
```

```
[]: permno
                 10107.0
                           10145.0
                                     11308.0
                                              12490.0
                                                        14008.0
                                                                  14541.0 \
    date
                0.020115
                          0.014337 0.009709
                                             0.041169
                                                       0.051020 0.020295
    1990-01-02
    1990-01-03
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                                              0.008929
                                                       0.024272 -0.016275
    1990-01-04 0.029412 0.031690 -0.004878
                                              0.011378
                                                       0.018957 -0.012868
    1990-01-05 -0.024490 0.013652 -0.008170 -0.002500 0.013953 -0.014898
                                             0.006266 -0.002294 0.009452
    1990-01-08 0.015342 0.000000 0.021417
    permno
                 14593.0
                           18163.0 18428.0
                                              18542.0
                                                          59176.0
                                                                    59328.0 \
    date
```

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1990-01-02 0.056738 0.003559
                                         {\tt NaN}
                                             0.017279 ... 0.000000 0.043478
    1990-01-03 0.006711 -0.001773
                                         NaN 0.010616 ... 0.010753 -0.027778
    1990-01-04 0.003333 -0.019538
                                         NaN 0.004202 ... -0.010638 0.021429
    1990-01-05 0.003322 -0.014493
                                         NaN -0.006276
                                                       ... -0.010753 -0.006993
    1990-01-08 0.006623 0.014706
                                         NaN -0.006316 ... -0.007246 0.014085
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                           65875.0
                                     66181.0 76076.0 86868.0 90215.0 92611.0 \
    permno
    date
    1990-01-02 0.014799 0.024719 0.030717
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    1990-01-03 0.006250 -0.002193 0.003311
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    1990-01-04 0.018634 -0.028791 0.006601
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    1990-01-08 0.004082 0.008187 -0.009967
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                 92655.0
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    date
    1990-01-02 0.010309
    1990-01-03 -0.020408
    1990-01-04 -0.010417
    1990-01-05 -0.042105
    1990-01-08 -0.021978
    [5 rows x 30 columns]
    1.6.5 5. Merge Dow with given ret data
[]: ret_data = pd.read_csv('/Users/cheng/Google Drive/PhD/Research/Portfolio_
     →Selection via TBN/data/Data/permno_ret.csv', parse_dates = True, index_col=0)
    ret_data.columns = ret_data.columns.astype(int)
[]: ticker_intersection_set = set(ret_data.columns).intersection(set(dow_ret_df.
     →columns))
    ticker_intersection_list = list(ticker_intersection_set)
    dow_ret_df_nonlap = dow_ret_df.drop(ticker_intersection_list, axis=1)
    data = pd.concat([ret_data, dow_ret_df_nonlap], axis=1)
```

[]: data.to_csv('/Users/cheng/Google Drive/PhD/Research/Portfolio Selection via TBN/