# Lecture 1 Introduction and Review

### **Outline**

- Introduction to financial econometrics
- Data features
- Review on probability and statistics
- Introduction to R



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http://cran.r-project.org/doc/manuals/R-intro.pdf

https://cran.r-project.org/doc/contrib/usingR.pdf



\*\*[SDA]**Statistics and Data Analysis for Financial Engineering** (2010) by David Ruppert [FTS] Tsay, R.S. (2010) Analysis of Financial Time Series, Third Edition, Wiley. [SFM] Franke, J., Härdle, W. K., Hafner, C. M.(2015) Statistics of Financial Markets An Introduction. Springer.

### Introduction

### What is ... financial econometrics?

Broadly speaking, it aims to study quantitative problems arising from finance. It uses statistical techniques and economic theory to address a variety of problems from finance. These include building financial models, estimation and inferences of financial models, volatility estimation, risk management, testing financial economics theory, capital asset pricing, derivative pricing, portfolio allocation, risk-adjusted returns, simulating financial systems, hedging strategies, among others (Fan, Jianging).

It involves intersection of statistical techniques and finance. It seeks to test models of how financial markets operate and how financial prices are determined. Conversely, new techniques in analysing financial data can lead to empirical facts inconsistent with existing theories, begging for new models or investment strategies. One distinguishing aspect of finance is the importance of risk, both in our models and empirical implementation. (Jeffrey R. Russell)





## **Course description**

This course will discuss econometrics methods and models that are appropriate for understanding, analysing and solving financial problems. Gain hands-on experience with financial data and learn about regression analysis, time series analysis, multivariate statistical methods and their applications to capital asset pricing, volatility analysis and forecast, risk management and trading strategy. Learn how to improve investment outcomes for yourself and/or clients.

Some related problems in finance:
 Are financial markets weak-form informationally efficient?
 Does CAPM represent superior model for the determination of returns on risky assets?
 How to model long-term relationships for asset returns?
 Explain the relationship among multiple financial instruments.
 Understand and measuring risks

What is difference between general econometrics and financial econometrics? The nature of data in finance issues is very different.

Determine the optimal hedge ratio in pairs trading.

### **Data**

Financial data are naturally <u>time series</u>.

Definition: A time series is a sequence of data points, measured typically at successive points in time spaced at uniform time intervals.

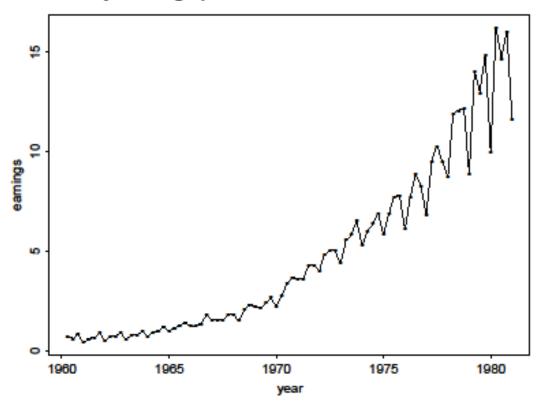
Examples of time series are the daily and the annual flow volume of the Nile River at Aswan.

### Examples of time series in finance:

- Quarterly earnings of Johnson & Johnson.
- Monthly interest rates of Singapore.
- Weekly exchange rate between U.S. Dollar vs Singapore Dollar.
- □ Daily closing value of the Strait Times Index (STI).
- ☐ *Intra-daily* (tick by tick) transaction prices of BA.

## **Quarterly earnings of Johnson & Johnson**

Quarterly earnings per share of Johnson & Johnson: 60-80

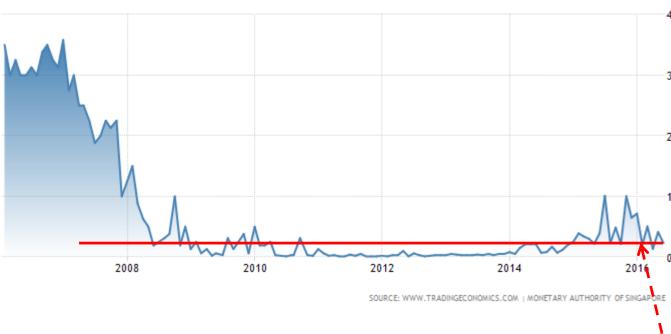


### An exponentially increasing trend, accompanied by seasonal variations.

Johnson & Johnson (JnJ) is an New Jersey-based multinational medical devices, pharmaceutical and consumer packaged goods manufacturer founded in 1886. Its common stock is a component of the Dow Jones Industrial Average and the company is listed among the Fortune 500.

## Monthly interest rates of Singapore

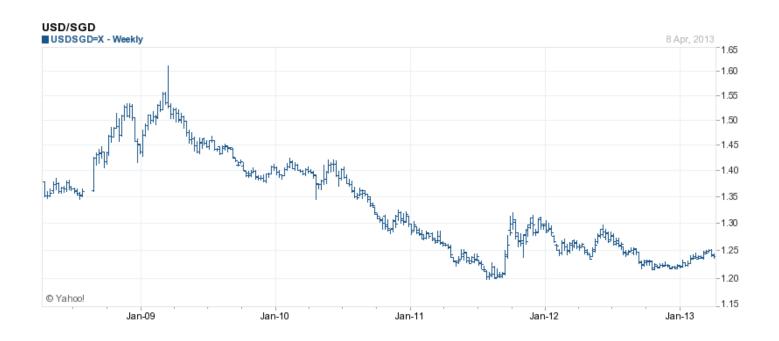
SINGAPORE AVERAGE OVERNIGHT INTEREST RATE



### There is no obvious pattern.

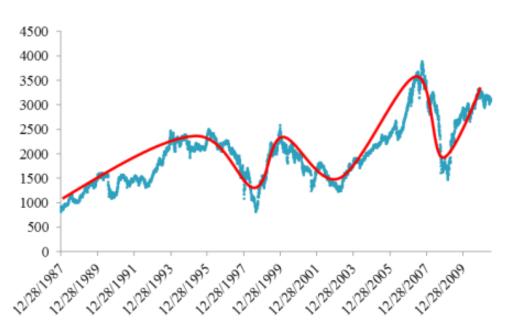
The benchmark interest rate in Singapore was last recorded at 0.23% (June 2016). Interest Rate in Singapore is reported by the Monetary Authority of Singapore. Historically, from 1988 until 2013, Singapore Interest Rate averaged 1.69 Percent reaching an all time high of 20 Percent in January of 1990 and a record low of -0.75 Percent in October of 1993. SIBOR is a reference rate based on the interest rates at which banks offer to lend unsecured funds to each other in the Singapore interbank market.

## Weekly exchange rate USD/SGD



An exponentially decreasing trend, after 2009.

## Daily closing value of the Strait Times Index



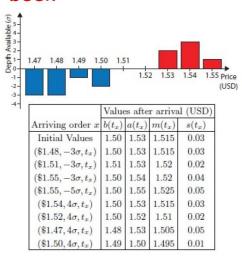
### There is cyclical component.

STI (Straits Times Index) prices exhibit a cyclical component along business cycle. The values dropped down around 1997, 2002 and 2008. The Asian financial crisis began in July 1997. During 2001–2003 there was economic recession in Singapore. During 2008 there was the global financial crisis.

# Intra-daily (tick by tick) transaction prices of BA

symbol	date	time	price	size
BA	05DEC2005	9:31:10	69.4500	60700
BA	05DEC2005	9:31:11	69.4500	100
BA	05DEC2005	9:31:11	69.4500	200
BA	05DEC2005	9:31:11	69.4500	2500
BA	05DEC2005	9:31:11	69.4500	100
BA	05DEC2005	9:31:11	69.4500	100
BA	05DEC2005	9:31:12	69.4500	1600
BA	05DEC2005	9:31:12	69.4500	1500
BA	05DEC2005	9:31:12	69.4500	1700
BA	05DEC2005	9:31:12	69.4500	100
BA	05DEC2005	9:31:13	69.4500	100
BA	05DEC2005	9:31:15	69.4500	100
BA	05DEC2005	9:31:18	69.4700	100
BA	05DEC2005	9:31:18	69.4500	100
BA	05DEC2005	9:31:19	69.4500	100
BA	05DEC2005	9:31:19	69.4500	100
BA	05DEC2005	9:31:27	69.4500	100

#### Limit order book



<sup>\*</sup>image from (Gould et al., 2013)

### Nature of financial data

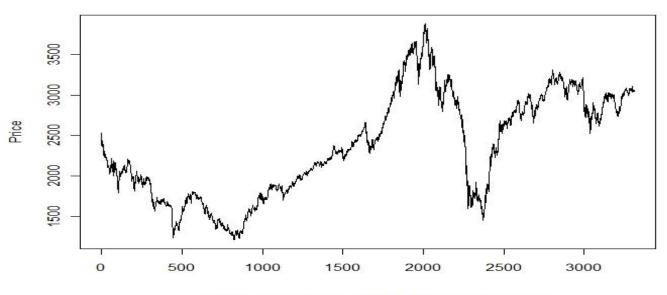
Financial data are naturally time series.

BUT financial data are observed at a much higher frequency than e.g. macro economic data or bio data.

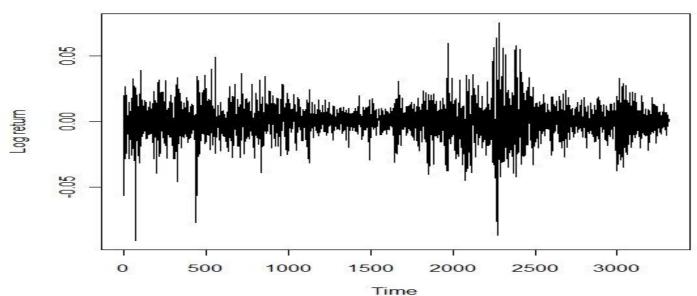
Also the properties of financial series differ. An important issue is whether the series has a unit root (thus its statistical property varies over time) and how to devise methods to estimate models when the variables are integrated of order one. In most cases, we observe prices most of the time, yet deal with asset or portfolio returns.

### **Returns of STI**





Time Series of STI log return



## Why returns?

Prices are generally found to be non-stationary (properties are changing over time).

Conventional statistics methods are appropriate for handling stationary data. Returns are found to be stationary, at least relative to prices.

### Financial data analysis is easy?

The analysis of financial data brings its own challenges. As you will see, financial returns possess some common properties that need to be incorporated in econometric models.

- ☐ returns of assets such as stocks and bonds exhibit time-varying volatility.
- ☐ financial returns can exhibit asymmetry in volatility.
- ☐ financial data are not normally distributed.

### We will learn

### Statistical/Econometric/IT techniques

that are appropriate for analysing, understanding and solving financial problems.



### What to do with financial data?

### Aggregation and Statistics

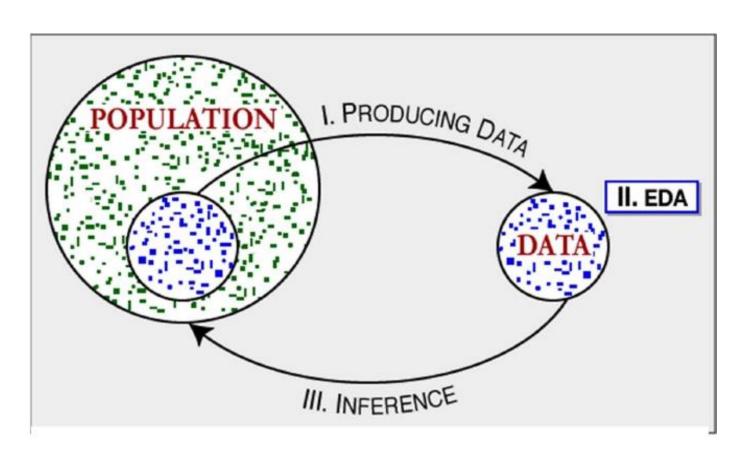
- Data warehouse and On-Line Analytical Processing (OLAP)
- Indexing, Searching, and Querying
  - Keyword based search
  - Pattern matching

Knowledge discovery via Statistical Modeling and Data Science:

- Discovery of useful, possibly unexpected, patterns in data
- Non-trivial extraction of implicit, previously unknown and potentially useful information from data
- Exploration & analysis, by automatic or semi-automatic means, of large quantities of data in order to discover meaningful patterns
- Formulation of relationships between variables in the form of mathematical equations to interpret the underlying mechanism and make forecast

## **Sampling**

Extract information from data to understand "real world" & enhance decision-making



## Literary Digest's survey in 1936

In the 1936 presidential election, Literary Digest mailed questionnaires to 10 million people (25% of voters at the time).

Selected from telephone books, club memberships, mail order lists, automobile ownership lists

2.4 million people responded.

The *Literary Digest* predicted an overwhelming victory of Landon over

Roosevelt: 57% to 43%.



Roosevelt won the election by a landslide – 62% to 38%.

# Statistical methods Methods Descriptive Statistics Statistical Methods Inferential Statistics Population?

Descriptive statistics Involves

- Collecting Data
- Presenting Data
- Characterizing Data

Purpose: Describe Data



$$\bar{X} = 30.5 \quad S^2 = 113$$

Inferential statistics Involves

- Estimation
- Hypothesis
- Testing

Purpose: Make Decisions About Population Characteristics

Population (Universe)

Sample: Portion of Population

Parameter: Summary Measure about Population

Statistic: Summary Measure about Sample

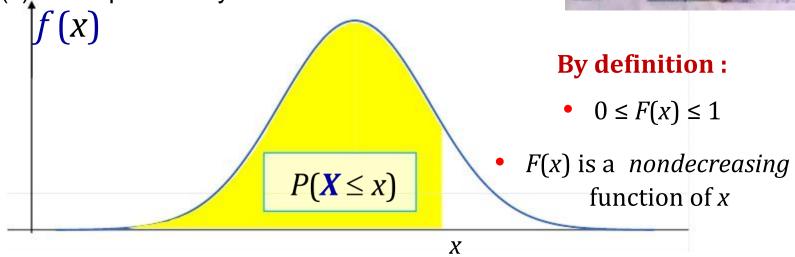
### **Cumulative Distribution Function (CDF)**

For a given x, the cumulative distribution function (cdf) F(x) of a

continuous r.v. X is defined by

$$F(x) = P(X \le x) = \int_{-\infty}^{x} f(t) dt.$$

F(x) is the probability that X does not exceed x.



It is also easy to see that:

$$P(X > x) = 1 - F(x), P(c \le X \le d) = F(d) - F(c)$$

Note: 
$$P(X \le x) = P(X < x)$$

# Normal distributions & Standard Normal distribution

We can use the N(0,1) table to compute probabilities for any r.v. that obeys a Normal distribution : $\mathbf{X} \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  . Why?

Because there is a special relationship between N(0,1) and  $N(\mu,\sigma^2)$ . If  $X \sim N(\mu,\sigma^2)$ , then the r.v. Z defined by N(0,1) obeys a standard Normal distribution.  $Z = (X - \mu)/\sigma$ 

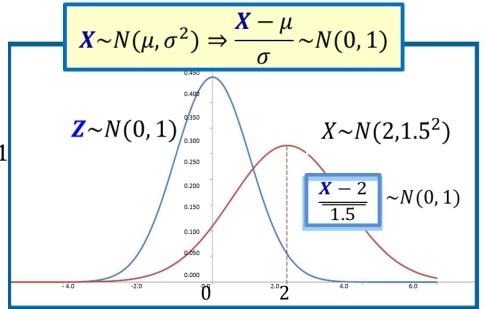
$$X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2),$$

$$E(Z) = E[(X - \mu)/\sigma] = [E(X) - \mu]/\sigma = 0$$

$$+ E(aX + b) = aE(X) + b$$

$$var(Z) = var[(X - \mu)/\sigma] = var(X)/\sigma^2 = 1$$

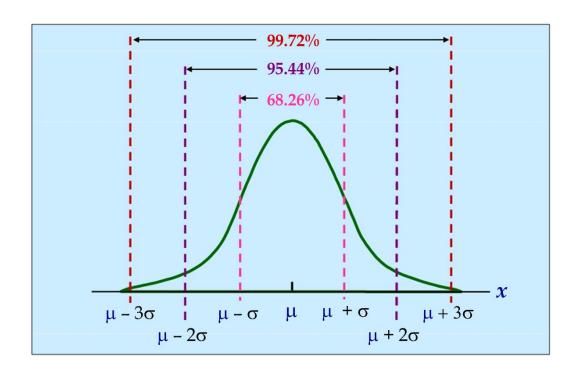
$$+ var(aX + b) = a^2 var(X)$$
Therefore  $Z \sim N(0, 1)$ 



### **Facts of normal distribution**

$$X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

of values of *X* are within 1 std deviation of its mean of values of *X* are within 2 std deviations of its mean of values of *X* are within 3 std deviations of its mean



### **Estimator**

Let  $X_1, X_2, ..., X_n$  be a random sample. Let  $\theta$  be the parameter of the statistical distribution describing a random variable (e.g., the mean and variance of stock returns).

 $\theta$  is estimated based on a sample.

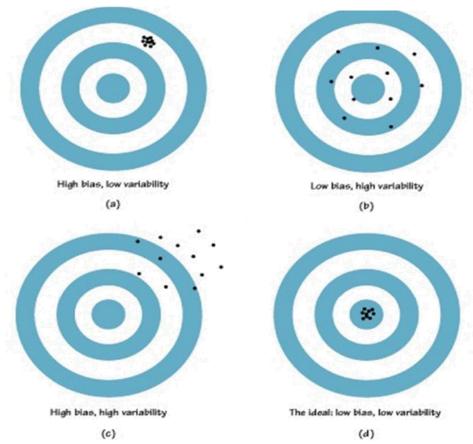
Let  $\tilde{\theta}$  be an estimator of  $\theta$ . Two criteria of a *good estimator* 

- (a) **Unbiasedness**, meaning,  $E[\tilde{\theta}] = \theta$
- (b) Small MSE (mean-square error)

MSE of 
$$\tilde{\theta}$$
 is defined by  $MSE[\tilde{\theta}] = E[(\tilde{\theta} - \theta)^2]$ 

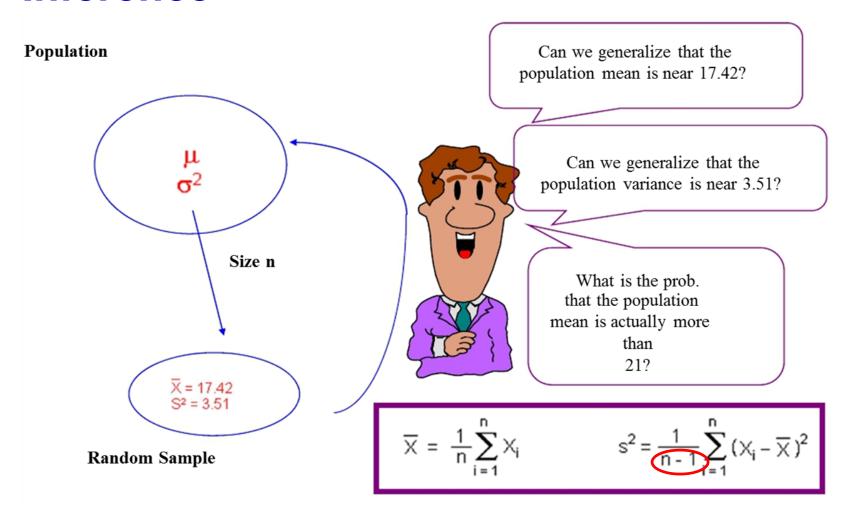
The estimator is said to be **efficient** if it is unbiased and has the minimum variance among all the unbiased estimators.

### **Good estimator**



To reduce the *variability*, use a larger sample. However bias can not be corrected by increasing the sample size! To reduce *bias*, use random sampling.

### Inference



## One-sided or two-sided hypothesis tests

An important application of statistics in finance is to test, based on sample data, a **hypothesis** concerning the population. Construct hypotheses for the following situations.

Return of fund manager A's portfolio is higher than that of the market

$$H_0: \mu_A = \mu_M$$
  $H_1: \mu_A > \mu_M$ 

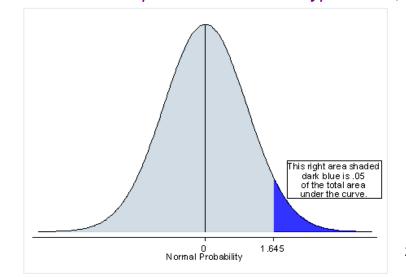
Volatility of Yen is higher than that of Euro

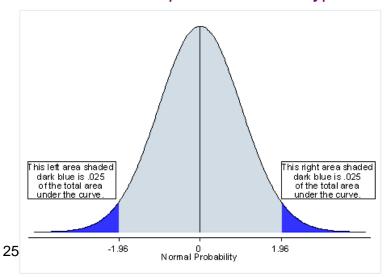
$$H_0: \sigma_Y^2 = \sigma_\epsilon^2$$
  $H_1: \sigma_Y^2 > \sigma_\epsilon^2$ 

Interest rate and stock return are uncorrelated

$$H_0: \rho = 0$$
  $H_1: \rho \neq 0$ 

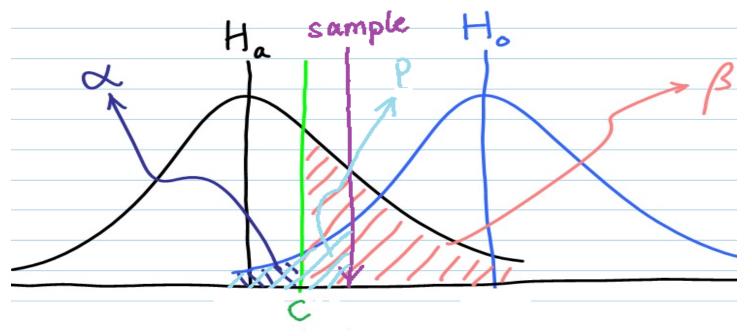
The first two examples are one-sided hypotheses, while the third example is two-sided hypotheses.





## P-values and significance level

The *P-value* is the probability of seeing the observed data (or something even less likely) *given* the null hypothesis. The risk to reject the null.



If p-value  $< \alpha$ , we reject the null hypothesis at the level of significance  $\alpha$  (or higher). Otherwise, we don't.

### R

- □ The R statistical programming language is a free open source package based on the S language developed by Bell Labs.
- □ The language is very powerful for writing programs.
- Many statistical functions are already built in.

### How to get R:

- http://www.r-project.org/
- Google: "R"
- Windows, Linux, Mac OS X, source

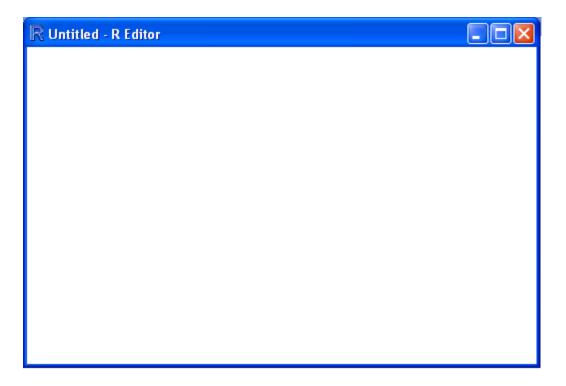
Files for introduction to R (source: Tyler K. Perrachione, Gabrieli Lab, MIT)

- http://web.mit.edu/tkp/www/R/R\_Tutorial\_Data.txt
- http://web.mit.edu/tkp/www/R/R\_Tutorial\_Inputs.txt

## **Getting Started**

- Opening a script.
- ☐ This gives you a script window.





## **Getting Started**

- Basic assignment and operations.
- □ Arithmetic Operations:
  - □ +, -, \*, /, ^ are the standard arithmetic operators.
- Matrix Arithmetic.
  - \* is element wise multiplication
  - □ %\*% is matrix multiplication
- Assignment
  - To assign a value to a variable use "<-"</p>

### **Math and variables**

### Math:

```
> 1 + 1
> 1 + 1 * 7
 (1 + 1) * 7
[1] 14
```

### Variables:

```
> x < -1
> (x + y) * z
```

### **Arrays**

```
> x < -c(0,1,2,3,4)
> x
[1] 0 1 2 3 4
> y <- 1:5
> y
[1] 1 2 3 4 5
> z <- 1:50
     1 2 3 4 5 6
                      7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15
                   21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30
           18
              19 20
[31] 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45
[46] 46 47 48 49 50
```

### Math on arrays

```
> x < -c(0,1,2,3,4)
 y <- 1:5
> z < - 1:50
> x + y
[1] 1 3 5 7 9
> x * A
   0 2 6 12 20
> x * z
        2 6 12 20 0 7 16 27 40 0
   12 26 42 60 0 17 36 57 80 0 22
[12]
[23]
   46 72 100 0 27 56 87 120 0 32 66
           0 37 76 117 160
[34]
   102 140
                                  42
                                     86 132
           47 96
[45]
    180
                  147 200
```

### **Functions**

```
> arc <- function(x) 2*asin(sqrt(x))</pre>
 > arc(0.5)
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    [1] 1.570796
 > x < -c(0,1,2,3,4)
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> arc(x)
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> plot(arc(Percents)~Percents,
+ pch=21, cex=2, xlim=c(0,1), ylim=c(0,pi),
+ main="The Arcsine Transformation")
> lines(c(0,1),c(0,pi),col="red",lwd=2)
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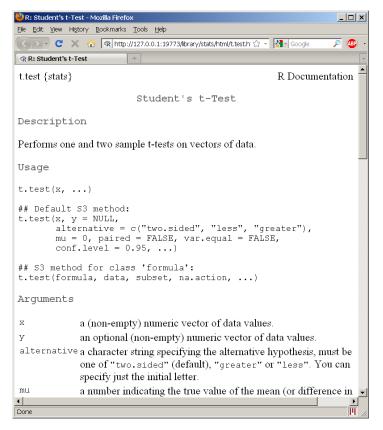
## **Getting help**

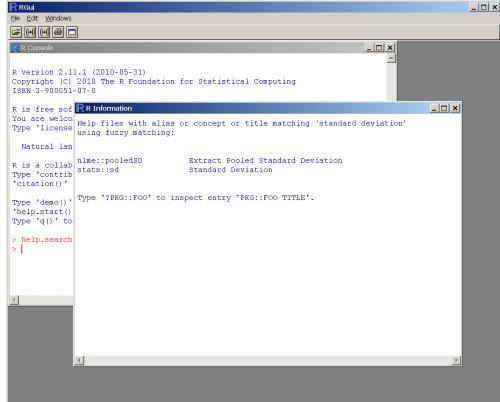
### How to use help in R?

- R has a very good help system built in.
- If you know which function you want help with simply use ?\_\_\_\_\_\_ with the function in the blank.
- □ Ex: ?hist.
- If you don't know which function to use, then use help.search("\_\_\_\_\_").
- □ Ex: help.search("histogram").

### **Getting help**

```
> help(t.test)
> help.search("standard deviation")
```





### Data analysis with R

Example experiment: Subjects learning to perform a new task:

- Two groups of subjects
  - ("A" and "B"; high and low aptitude learners)
- Two types of training paradigm
  - ("High variability" and "Low variability")
- Four pre-training assessment tests

Example data in "R\_Tutorial\_Data.txt"

Use setwd("c:/.../") to set working directory

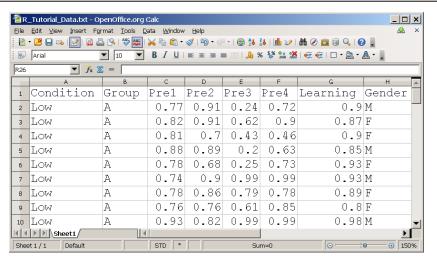


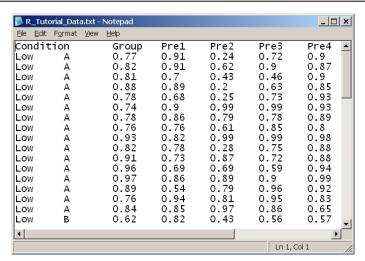
# **Importing data**

- How do we get data into R?
- Remember we have no point and click...
- □ First make sure your data is in an easy to read format such as CSV (Comma Separated Values).
- Use code:
  - myData <- read.table("path", sep=",", header=TRUE)</pre>

## Reading data from files

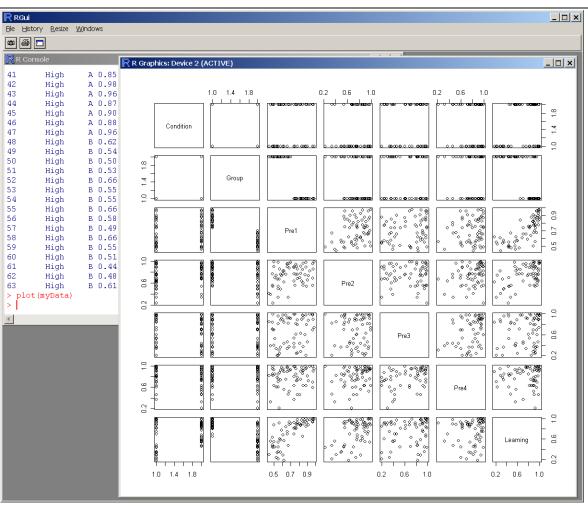
```
> myData <- read.table("R Tutorial Data.txt",
 header=TRUE, sep="\t")
 myData
  Condition Group Prel Pre2 Pre3 Pre4 Learning
               A 0.77 0.91 0.24 0.72
        Low
        Low A 0.82 0.91 0.62 0.90
        Low A 0.81 0.70 0.43 0.46
                                         0.90
       High B 0.44 0.41 0.84 0.82
                                        0.29
             в 0.48 0.56 0.83 0.85
62
       High
                                        0.48
63
               в 0.61 0.82 0.88 0.95
       High
```





## Visualizing datasets

> plot(myData)



- ☐ Use a logical operator to do this.
  - ==, >, <, <=, >=, <> are all logical operators.
  - Note that the "equals" logical operator is two = signs.
- Example:
  - □ myData[myData\$Group=="A"]
  - This will return the rows of myData where Group is "A".
  - Remember R is case sensitive!
  - This code does nothing to the original dataset.
  - D.M <- myData[myData\$Group=="A"] gives a dataset with the appropriate rows.</p>

```
> myData$Learning
[1] 0.90 0.87 0.90 0.85 0.93 0.93 0.89 0.80 0.98
[10] 0.88 0.88 0.94 0.99 0.92 0.83 0.65 0.57 0.55
[19] 0.94 0.68 0.89 0.60 0.63 0.84 0.92 0.56 0.78
[28] 0.54 0.47 0.45 0.59 0.91 0.98 0.82 0.93 0.81
[37] 0.97 0.95 0.70 1.00 0.90 0.99 0.95 0.95 0.97
[46] 1.00 0.99 0.18 0.33 0.88 0.23 0.75 0.21 0.35
[55] 0.70 0.34 0.43 0.75 0.44 0.44 0.29 0.48 0.28
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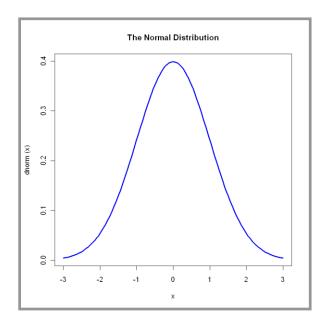
Group A (high aptitude) usually performs well with high marks.

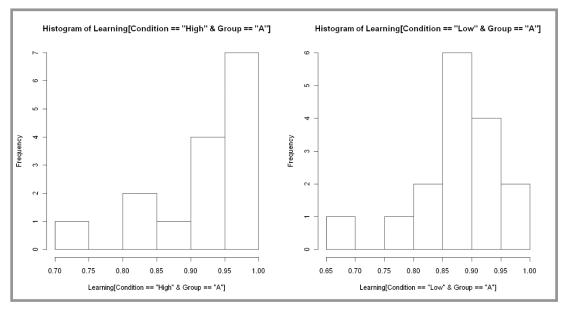
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> attach (myData)
> Learning
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> Learning[Group!="A"]
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[28] 0.44 0.44 0.29 0.48 0.28
Is the low performance of Group B due to the teaching paradigm offered?
> Condition[Group=="B"&Learning<0.5]</pre>
 [1] Low Low High High High High High High
[10] High High High High
Levels: High Low
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## Are my data normally distributed?

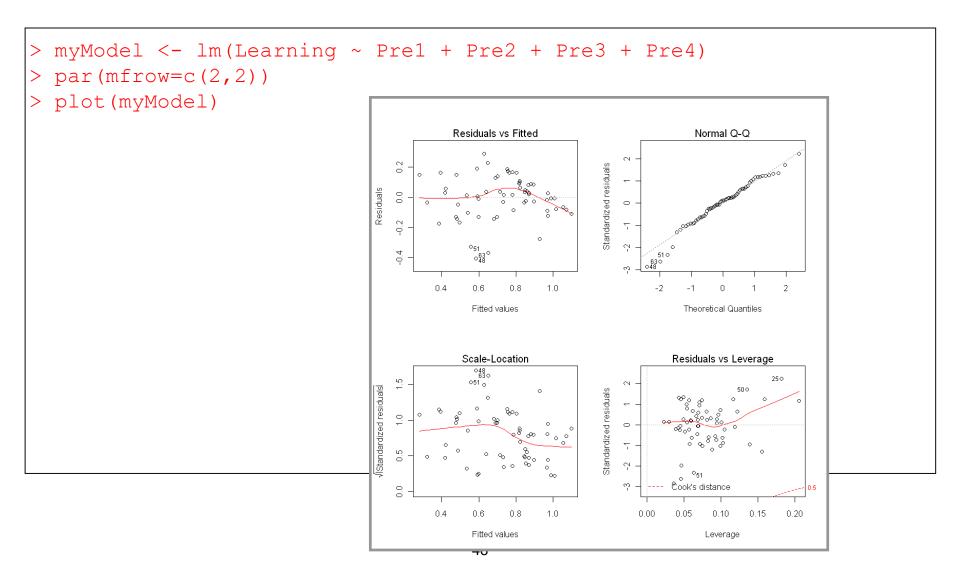
```
> plot(dnorm,-3,3,col="blue",lwd=3, main="The Normal Distribution")
> par(mfrow=c(1,2))
> hist(Learning[Condition=="High"&Group=="A"])
> hist(Learning[Condition=="Low"&Group=="A"])
```





## Are my data normally distributed?

```
> shapiro.test(Learning[Condition=="High"&Group=="A"])
        Shapiro-Wilk normality test
data: Learning[Condition == "High" & Group == "A"]
W = 0.7858, p-value = 0.002431
> shapiro.test(Learning[Condition=="Low"&Group=="A"])
        Shapiro-Wilk normality test
data: Learning[Condition == "Low" & Group == "A"]
W = 0.8689, p-value = 0.02614
```



```
> summary(myModel)
Call:
lm(formula = Learning ~ Pre1 + Pre2 + Pre3 + Pre4)
Residuals:
    Min 10 Median 30
                                    Max
-0.40518 -0.08460 0.01707 0.09170 0.29074
Coefficients:
          Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) -0.22037 0.11536 -1.910 0.061055.
Pre1 1.05299 0.12636 8.333 1.70e-11 ***
Pre2 0.41298 0.10926 3.780 0.000373 ***
Pre3 0.07339 0.07653 0.959 0.341541
Pre4 -0.18457 0.11318 -1.631 0.108369
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 '' 1
Residual standard error: 0.1447 on 58 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.6677, Adjusted R-squared: 0.6448
F-statistic: 29.14 on 4 and 58 DF, p-value: 2.710e-13
```

```
> step(myModel, direction="backward")
Start: AIC=-238.8
Learning ~ Pre1 + Pre2 + Pre3 + Pre4
      Df Sum of Sq RSS AIC
- Pre3 1 0.01925 1.2332 -239.81
<none>
            1.2140 -238.80
- Pre4 1 0.05566 1.2696 -237.98
- Pre2 1 0.29902 1.5130 -226.93
- Pre1 1 1.45347 2.6675 -191.21
Step: AIC=-239.81
Learning ~ Pre1 + Pre2 + Pre4
      Df Sum of Sq RSS AIC
- Pre4 1 0.03810 1.2713 -239.89
<none>
            1.2332 -239.81
- Pre2 1 0.28225 1.5155 -228.83
- Pre1 1 1.54780 2.7810 -190.58
```

```
Step: AIC=-239.89
Learning ~ Pre1 + Pre2
     Df Sum of Sq RSS AIC
<none> 1.2713 -239.89
- Pre2 1 0.24997 1.5213 -230.59
- Prel 1 1.52516 2.7965 -192.23
Call:
lm(formula = Learning ~ Pre1 + Pre2)
Coefficients:
(Intercept) Pre1 Pre2
   -0.2864 1.0629 0.3627
```

### **ANOVA:**

```
> myANOVA <- aov(Learning~Group*Condition)</pre>
> summary(myANOVA)
                Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)
Group
               1 1.8454 1.84537 81.7106 9.822e-13 ***
Condition 1 0.1591 0.15910 7.0448 0.0102017 *
Group: Condition 1 0.3164 0.31640 14.0100 0.0004144 ***
Residuals 59 1.3325 0.02258
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 '' 1
> boxplot(Learning~Group*Condition,col=c("#ffdddd","#ddddff"))
                                       A.High
                                              B.High
                                                      A.Low
                                                              B.Low
```

### ANOVA:

B.High.F A.Low.F B.Low.F A.High.M B.High.M A.Low.M B.Low.M

### **Outline of the course**

- 1. Introduction to R and review of Probability and Statistics.
- 2. Regression Analysis and Application.
- 3. CAPM, return based style analysis for hedge funds.
- 4. Modeling Univariate Time Series including stationarity and invertibility of ARMA process, identification tools.
- 5. Approaches to ARIMA Modeling and Forecasting
- 6. Autoregressive Conditional Heteroskedastic Models
- 7. Midterm
- 8. Value-at-Risk and Expected shortfall
- 9. Vector Autoregressive Models
- 10. Cointegration, Error Correction Models and Pairs Trading
- 11. Factor models: Principal Component Analysis and Factor Analysis with applications
- 12. Project presentation and review

### **Books**

#### **Textbook**

- 1. [SDA] Statistics and Data Analysis for Financial Engineering (2010) by David Ruppert and published by Springer. While the focus of this text is on statistics and data analysis, it is an excellent text, provides a good introduction to R and also overlaps with several topics in the course. If students are going to purchase a text then I recommend this one. It may be downloaded for free from NUS library E-Book website.
- 2. [FTS] Tsay, R.S. (2010) Analysis of Financial Time Series, Third Edition, Wiley. It may be downloaded for free from <a href="NUS library E-Book website">NUS library E-Book website</a>.
- 3. [SFM] Franke, J., Härdle, W. K., Hafner, C. M.(2015) Statistics of Financial Markets An Introduction. Springer. It may be downloaded for free from <a href="NUS">NUS</a> <a href="Ibrary E-Book website">Ibrary E-Book website</a>.

### **Books**

#### Other textbooks include:

- 3. J. Y. Campbell, A. W. Lo and A.C. MacKinlay (1996) <u>The Econometrics of Financial Markets</u>, Princeton University Press.
- 4 The econometrics of financial markets by John Y. Campbell, Andrew W. Lo, A. Craig MacKinlay (1997).
- 5. Time Series: Theory and Methods by Peter J. Brockwell and Richard A. Davis (2006)

## **Grading**

1. Midterm (20% of grade)

### 2. Group project (40% of grade)

Students up to <u>5 people</u> are working together on the project but each student MUST specify his or her own contribution.

The member information should be confirmed by 4 September 2019 at GoogleDocs (link provided in IVLE announcement).

### 3. Final exam (40% of grade)

Open-book, 2.5 Hours, 10 multiple choice questions and 2 essay questions

Bonus Points: You are strongly encouraged to ask/answer questions and implement R labs during lectures.



## Example of computer (R) lab and solutions

If you are unfamiliar with any of the R functions used below, then use R's help to learn about them; e.g., type ?rnorm to learn that rnorm generates normally distributed random numbers.

You should study each line of code, understand what it is doing, and convince yourself that the code does what is being requested.

Note that anything that follows a pound sign is a comment and is used only to annotate the code.

## **Example: R lab - Data Analysis**

Obtain the data set Stock\_FX\_bond.csv from IVLE or the book's website and put it in your working directory. Start R and read the data with the following command:

```
dat = read.csv("Stock_FX_bond.csv",header=TRUE)
```

The data set Stock\_FX\_bond.csv contains the volumes and adjusted closing (AC) prices of stocks and the S&P 500, yields on bonds. The next lines of code print the names of the variables in the data set, attach the data, and plot the adjusted closing prices of GM and Ford.

```
names(dat)
attach(dat)
par(mfrow=c(1,2))
plot(GM_AC)
plot(F_AC)
```

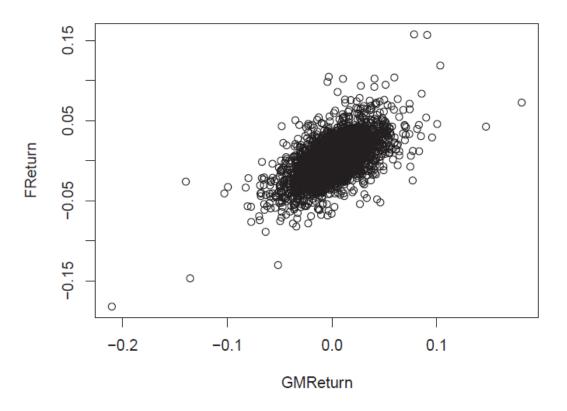
Run the code below to find the sample size (n), compute GM and Ford returns, and plot GM returns versus the Ford returns.

```
n = \dim(\text{dat})[1]
GMReturn = GM\_AC[2:n]/GM\_AC[1:(n-1)] - 1
FReturn = F\_AC[2:n]/F\_AC[1:(n-1)] - 1
par(\text{mfrow}=c(1,1))
plot(GMReturn,FReturn)
```

## **Example: R lab - Data Analysis**

**Problem 1**. Do the GM and Ford returns seem positively correlated? Do you notice any outlying returns? If yes, do outlying GM returns seem to occur with outlying Ford returns?

Answer: The plot below shows a strong positive correlation, and the outliers in GM returns seem to occur with outlying Ford returns.



## **Example: R lab - Data Analysis**

**Problem 2**. Compute the log returns for GM and plot the returns versus the log returns? How highly correlated are the two types of returns? (The R function cor computes correlations.)

Answer: The correlation is almost 1 and the plot below shows an almost perfect linear relationship.

> cor(GMLogReturn,GMReturn)

[1] 0.9995408

When you exit R, you can Save workspace image, which will create an R workspace file in your working directory. Later, you can restart R from within Windows and load this workspace image into memory by right-clicking on the R workspace file. When R starts, your working directory will be the folder containing the R workspace that was opened.

### **Excursion: Matrix**

Applied Multivariate Statistical Analysis (2015) by Härdle, Wolfgang Karl; Simar, Léopold, Springer. Chapter 2. Access to NUS library E-book.

A matrix is any doubly subscripted array of elements arranged in rows and columns.

$$A = egin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \ dots & \ddots & dots \ a_{m1} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} = \{A_{ij}\}$$

$$A = [a_1, a_2, \cdots, a_n] = \{a_j\}$$

Row vector is a [1 x n] matrix:

**Column vector** is an [m x 1] matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \dots \\ a_m \end{bmatrix} = \{a_i\}$$



### **Excursion: Matrix**

**Square Matrix** has the same number of rows and columns.

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 & 7 \\ 3 & 6 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Identity** matrix is square matrix with ones on the diagonal and zeros elsewhere.

$$I = egin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Transpose matrix: Rows become columns and columns become rows

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{A}' = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & \dots & a_{m1} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{m2} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_{1n} & a_{2n} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

### **Excursion: Matrix addition and subtraction**

A new matrix C may be defined as the additive combination of matrices A and B, where: C = A + B.  $\{C_{ij}\} = \{A_{ij}\} + \{B_{ij}\}$ 

All three matrices are of the same dimension!

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{bmatrix} \text{ then } \mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} + b_{11} & a_{12} + b_{12} \\ a_{21} + b_{21} & a_{22} + b_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A + B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ 8 & 10 \end{bmatrix} = C$$

Matrix subtraction: C = A - B is defined by  $\{C_{ij}\} = \{A_{ij}\} - \{B_{ij}\}$ 

## **Excursion: Matrix multiplication**

Matrices A and B have these dimensions:

Matrices A and B can be multiplied if c=s: [r x c] and [s x d] c=s

The resulting matrix will have the dimensions [rxd]:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}_{[2 \times 2]} \qquad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & b_{23} \end{bmatrix}_{[2 \times 3]}$$

$$\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}b_{11} + a_{12}b_{21} & a_{11}b_{12} + a_{12}b_{22} & a_{11}b_{13} + a_{12}b_{23} \\ a_{21}b_{11} + a_{22}b_{21} & a_{21}b_{12} + a_{22}b_{22} & a_{21}b_{13} + a_{22}b_{23} \end{bmatrix}$$
[2 x 3]

## **Excursion: Matrix inversion**

$$B^{-1}B = BB^{-1} = I$$

in scalar math

Like a reciprocal Like the number one in scalar math

Consider *n* equations in *n* variables: 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{ij}x_{j} = b_{i} \text{ or } Ax = b$$

The unknown values of x can be found using the inverse of matrix A $x = A^{-1}Ax = A^{-1}b$ such that

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$
Inverse
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
of
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$