Meeting Minutes

PWC ILab Teams Meeting on 22.12.2023, 9am

Agenda: Presentation of the Status Update of the Overall Project and further

Questions

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Last Meeting: 07.12.23 at 10am

Next Meeting: Online Teams Meeting on 12.01.2023 at 10:30am

Presentation of our Overall and Rolling PCA Results

Team

- Description of extended dataset: we have obtained all daily data sets that we will need for the final analysis (commodities, bond indices, equity indices, macro data)
- Random matrix method was added as an addition to the KMO test (results still need to be interpreted)
- PCA test was performed both ways: with and without a rolling window;
 the optimal window size still needs to be tested
- PCA without a rolling window identified 8 principal components explaining 90% of the variation
- Regression on macro data was performed to check whether the code is working, we still need to explore/refine the regression analysis as it has shown R-squared of 0,9

Open Topics and Adjustments to be made

Moemken

Remarks for KMO test and identifying the window size:

 Apply KMO not on the whole data set but start with a small window size and through the loop increase it by 1 day each time. Be careful not to get a window too big, maybe stop when KMO is at 0.85

Pauer

- Use financial papers as reference for KMO threshold
- Check which components heavily load on which input assets to understand what drives each PC then explain why its sometimes negative sometimes positive
- Use macro events and match them on movement
- Show a graph with average development of each asset group (instead of every individual variable) for a better visual and explain in more details what the inputs are
- Deal with autocorrelation in the regression; AR(1)

Additional requirements for the next meeting

Moemken

 Prepare a timeline for the next steps; what is going to be done by which date