

06_statistical_arbitrage_with_cointegrated_pairs

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1 Statistical arbitrage with Cointegration

1.1 Pairs Trading & Statistical Arbitrage

Statistical arbitrage refers to strategies that employ some statistical model or method to take advantage of what appears to be relative mispricing of assets, while maintaining a level of market neutrality.

Pairs trading is a conceptually straightforward strategy that has been employed by algorithmic traders since at least the mid-eighties (Gatev, Goetzmann, and Rouwenhorst 2006). The goal is to find two assets whose prices have historically moved together, track the spread (the difference between their prices), and, once the spread widens, buy the loser that has dropped below the common trend and short the winner. If the relationship persists, the long and/or the short leg will deliver profits as prices converge and the positions are closed.

This approach extends to a multivariate context by forming baskets from multiple securities and trading one asset against a basket of two baskets against each other.

1.2 Pairs Trading in Practice

In practice, the strategy requires two steps:

1. **Formation phase:** Identify securities that have a long-term mean-reverting relationship. Ideally, the spread should have a high variance to allow for frequent profitable trades while reliably reverting to the common trend.
2. **Trading phase:** Trigger entry and exit trading rules as price movements cause the spread to diverge and converge.

Several approaches to the formation and trading phases have emerged from increasingly active research in this area, across multiple asset classes, over the last several years. The book outlines the key differences between them; the notebook dives into an example application.

1.3 Imports & Settings

```
[1]: import warnings
      warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
```

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[2]: from collections import Counter

      from time import time
```

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from pathlib import Path

import numpy as np
import pandas as pd

from pykalman import KalmanFilter
from statsmodels.tsa.stattools import coint
from statsmodels.tsa.vector_ar.vecm import coint_johansen
from statsmodels.tsa.api import VAR

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns

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[3]: idx = pd.IndexSlice
sns.set_style('whitegrid')

```

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[5]: def format_time(t):
      m_, s = divmod(t, 60)
      h, m = divmod(m_, 60)
      return f'{h:>02.0f}:{m:>02.0f}:{s:>02.0f}'

```

1.3.1 Johansen Test Critical Values

```

[6]: critical_values = {0: {'.9': 13.4294, '.95': 15.4943, '.99': 19.9349},
                        1: {'.9': 2.7055, '.95': 3.8415, '.99': 6.6349}}

[7]: trace0_cv = critical_values[0][.95] # critical value for 0 cointegration
      ↪relationships
      trace1_cv = critical_values[1][.95] # critical value for 1 cointegration
      ↪relationship

```

1.4 Load Data

```

[39]: DATA_PATH = Path '..', 'data')
STORE = DATA_PATH / 'assets.h5'

```

1.4.1 Get backtest prices

Combine OHLCV prices for relevant stock and ETF tickers.

```

[57]: def get_backtest_prices():
      with pd.HDFStore('data.h5') as store:
          tickers = store['tickers']

      with pd.HDFStore(STORE) as store:
          prices = (pd.concat([
              store['stooq/us/nyse/stocks/prices'],

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        store['stooq/us/nyse/etfs/prices'],
        store['stooq/us/nasdaq/etfs/prices'],
        store['stooq/us/nasdaq/stocks/prices']]
        .sort_index()
        .loc[idx[tickers.index, '2016':'2019'], :])
print(prices.info(null_counts=True))
prices.to_hdf('backtest.h5', 'prices')
tickers.to_hdf('backtest.h5', 'tickers')

```

```
[58]: get_backtest_prices()
```

```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
MultiIndex: 312863 entries, ('AA.US', Timestamp('2016-01-04 00:00:00')) to
('YUM.US', Timestamp('2019-12-31 00:00:00'))
Data columns (total 5 columns):
#   Column  Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -----  -
0   open    312863 non-null   float64
1   high    312863 non-null   float64
2   low     312863 non-null   float64
3   close   312863 non-null   float64
4   volume  312863 non-null   int64
dtypes: float64(4), int64(1)
memory usage: 13.2+ MB
None

```

1.4.2 Load Stock Prices

```
[11]: stocks = pd.read_hdf('data.h5', 'stocks/close').loc['2015':]
stocks.info()
```

```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
DatetimeIndex: 1258 entries, 2015-01-02 to 2019-12-31
Columns: 172 entries, AA.US to YUM.US
dtypes: float64(172)
memory usage: 1.7 MB

```

1.4.3 Load ETF Data

```
[12]: etfs = pd.read_hdf('data.h5', 'etfs/close').loc['2015':]
etfs.info()
```

```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
DatetimeIndex: 1258 entries, 2015-01-02 to 2019-12-31
Columns: 139 entries, AAXJ.US to YCS.US
dtypes: float64(139)
memory usage: 1.3 MB

```

1.4.4 Load Ticker Dictionary

```
[13]: names = pd.read_hdf('data.h5', 'tickers').to_dict()
```

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[14]: pd.Series(names).count()
```

```
[14]: 311
```

1.5 Precompute Cointegration

```
[15]: def test_cointegration(etfs, stocks, test_end, lookback=2):
    start = time()
    results = []
    test_start = test_end - pd.DateOffset(years=lookback) + pd.
    ↪DateOffset(days=1)
    etf_tickers = etfs.columns.tolist()
    etf_data = etfs.loc[str(test_start):str(test_end)]

    stock_tickers = stocks.columns.tolist()
    stock_data = stocks.loc[str(test_start):str(test_end)]
    n = len(etf_tickers) * len(stock_tickers)
    j = 0
    for i, s1 in enumerate(etf_tickers, 1):
        for s2 in stock_tickers:
            j += 1
            if j % 1000 == 0:
                print(f'\t{j:5,.0f} ({j/n:3.1%}) | {time() - start:.2f}')
            df = etf_data.loc[:, [s1]].dropna().join(stock_data.loc[:, [s2]].
            ↪dropna(), how='inner')
            with warnings.catch_warnings():
                warnings.simplefilter('ignore')
                var = VAR(df)
                lags = var.select_order()
                result = [test_end, s1, s2]
                order = lags.selected_orders['aic']
                result += [coint(df[s1], df[s2], trend='c')[1], coint(df[s2],
            ↪df[s1], trend='c')[1]]

            cj = coint_johansen(df, det_order=0, k_ar_diff=order)
            result += (list(cj.lr1) + list(cj.lr2) + list(cj.evec[:, cj.
            ↪ind[0]]))
            results.append(result)
    return results
```

1.5.1 Define Test Periods

```
[16]: dates = stocks.loc['2016-12':'2019-6'].resample('Q').last().index
      dates
```

```
[16]: DatetimeIndex(['2016-12-31', '2017-03-31', '2017-06-30', '2017-09-30',
                    '2017-12-31', '2018-03-31', '2018-06-30', '2018-09-30',
                    '2018-12-31', '2019-03-31', '2019-06-30'],
                    dtype='datetime64[ns]', name='date', freq='Q-DEC')
```

1.5.2 Run Tests

```
[17]: test_results = []
      columns = ['test_end', 's1', 's2', 'eg1', 'eg2',
                'trace0', 'trace1', 'eig0', 'eig1', 'w1', 'w2']

      for test_end in dates:
          print(test_end)
          result = test_cointegration(etfs, stocks, test_end=test_end)
          test_results.append(pd.DataFrame(result, columns=columns))

      pd.concat(test_results).to_hdf('backtest.h5', 'cointegration_test')
```

```
2016-12-31 00:00:00
    1,000 (4.2%) | 54.32
    2,000 (8.4%) | 105.25
    3,000 (12.5%) | 156.85
    4,000 (16.7%) | 208.33
    5,000 (20.9%) | 259.67
    6,000 (25.1%) | 310.20
    7,000 (29.3%) | 361.73
    8,000 (33.5%) | 415.96
    9,000 (37.6%) | 467.39
   10,000 (41.8%) | 519.14
   11,000 (46.0%) | 571.14
   12,000 (50.2%) | 623.57
   13,000 (54.4%) | 679.03
   14,000 (58.6%) | 731.01
   15,000 (62.7%) | 786.51
   16,000 (66.9%) | 838.69
   17,000 (71.1%) | 891.46
   18,000 (75.3%) | 947.83
   19,000 (79.5%) | 999.86
   20,000 (83.7%) | 1051.32
   21,000 (87.8%) | 1102.79
   22,000 (92.0%) | 1155.83
   23,000 (96.2%) | 1210.67
2017-03-31 00:00:00
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1,000	(4.2%)		51.45
2,000	(8.4%)		103.60
3,000	(12.5%)		154.91
4,000	(16.7%)		207.16
5,000	(20.9%)		259.57
6,000	(25.1%)		313.52
7,000	(29.3%)		367.18
8,000	(33.5%)		419.41
9,000	(37.6%)		472.77
10,000	(41.8%)		524.24
11,000	(46.0%)		576.73
12,000	(50.2%)		628.75
13,000	(54.4%)		680.14
14,000	(58.6%)		732.15
15,000	(62.7%)		788.75
16,000	(66.9%)		839.75
17,000	(71.1%)		891.21
18,000	(75.3%)		943.21
19,000	(79.5%)		994.23
20,000	(83.7%)		1045.09
21,000	(87.8%)		1099.81
22,000	(92.0%)		1152.24
23,000	(96.2%)		1204.35

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1,000	(4.2%)		60.72
2,000	(8.4%)		112.32
3,000	(12.5%)		163.92
4,000	(16.7%)		216.93
5,000	(20.9%)		268.05
6,000	(25.1%)		319.51
7,000	(29.3%)		371.52
8,000	(33.5%)		421.85
9,000	(37.6%)		477.16
10,000	(41.8%)		527.80
11,000	(46.0%)		578.79
12,000	(50.2%)		634.85
13,000	(54.4%)		685.60
14,000	(58.6%)		742.40
15,000	(62.7%)		797.58
16,000	(66.9%)		852.54
17,000	(71.1%)		904.22
18,000	(75.3%)		954.77
19,000	(79.5%)		1006.83
20,000	(83.7%)		1057.93
21,000	(87.8%)		1114.17
22,000	(92.0%)		1165.59
23,000	(96.2%)		1217.66

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1,000	(4.2%)		52.47
2,000	(8.4%)		104.40
3,000	(12.5%)		157.41
4,000	(16.7%)		208.44
5,000	(20.9%)		260.18
6,000	(25.1%)		313.08
7,000	(29.3%)		366.05
8,000	(33.5%)		418.07
9,000	(37.6%)		470.27
10,000	(41.8%)		522.26
11,000	(46.0%)		574.02
12,000	(50.2%)		625.88
13,000	(54.4%)		677.30
14,000	(58.6%)		729.59
15,000	(62.7%)		780.49
16,000	(66.9%)		836.47
17,000	(71.1%)		888.55
18,000	(75.3%)		940.25
19,000	(79.5%)		992.75
20,000	(83.7%)		1044.53
21,000	(87.8%)		1096.46
22,000	(92.0%)		1147.74
23,000	(96.2%)		1199.66

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2,000	(8.4%)		103.74
3,000	(12.5%)		155.49
4,000	(16.7%)		205.97
5,000	(20.9%)		247.07
6,000	(25.1%)		287.80
7,000	(29.3%)		328.58
8,000	(33.5%)		369.47
9,000	(37.6%)		410.48
10,000	(41.8%)		451.58
11,000	(46.0%)		492.52
12,000	(50.2%)		533.40
13,000	(54.4%)		574.31
14,000	(58.6%)		615.45
15,000	(62.7%)		656.33
16,000	(66.9%)		697.11
17,000	(71.1%)		737.81
18,000	(75.3%)		778.57
19,000	(79.5%)		819.32
20,000	(83.7%)		860.00
21,000	(87.8%)		901.04
22,000	(92.0%)		941.77
23,000	(96.2%)		982.65

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2,000	(8.4%)		81.99
3,000	(12.5%)		123.05
4,000	(16.7%)		164.06
5,000	(20.9%)		205.03
6,000	(25.1%)		246.91
7,000	(29.3%)		288.14
8,000	(33.5%)		329.00
9,000	(37.6%)		369.95
10,000	(41.8%)		411.02
11,000	(46.0%)		451.95
12,000	(50.2%)		493.00
13,000	(54.4%)		533.98
14,000	(58.6%)		574.80
15,000	(62.7%)		615.67
16,000	(66.9%)		656.63
17,000	(71.1%)		697.80
18,000	(75.3%)		738.80
19,000	(79.5%)		779.77
20,000	(83.7%)		820.54
21,000	(87.8%)		861.56
22,000	(92.0%)		902.40
23,000	(96.2%)		943.44

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4,000	(16.7%)		164.03
5,000	(20.9%)		205.11
6,000	(25.1%)		246.25
7,000	(29.3%)		287.36
8,000	(33.5%)		328.38
9,000	(37.6%)		369.17
10,000	(41.8%)		409.99
11,000	(46.0%)		450.90
12,000	(50.2%)		491.70
13,000	(54.4%)		532.74
14,000	(58.6%)		573.86
15,000	(62.7%)		614.66
16,000	(66.9%)		655.39
17,000	(71.1%)		696.38
18,000	(75.3%)		737.29
19,000	(79.5%)		778.26
20,000	(83.7%)		819.22
21,000	(87.8%)		860.34
22,000	(92.0%)		901.37
23,000	(96.2%)		942.38

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2,000	(8.4%)		82.08
3,000	(12.5%)		123.01
4,000	(16.7%)		163.90
5,000	(20.9%)		204.80
6,000	(25.1%)		245.65
7,000	(29.3%)		286.63
8,000	(33.5%)		327.57
9,000	(37.6%)		368.46
10,000	(41.8%)		409.37
11,000	(46.0%)		450.29
12,000	(50.2%)		491.42
13,000	(54.4%)		532.83
14,000	(58.6%)		574.23
15,000	(62.7%)		615.76
16,000	(66.9%)		657.23
17,000	(71.1%)		698.85
18,000	(75.3%)		740.13
19,000	(79.5%)		781.41
20,000	(83.7%)		822.40
21,000	(87.8%)		863.44
22,000	(92.0%)		904.50
23,000	(96.2%)		945.50

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1,000	(4.2%)		40.96
2,000	(8.4%)		81.97
3,000	(12.5%)		123.01
4,000	(16.7%)		164.11
5,000	(20.9%)		204.93
6,000	(25.1%)		245.70
7,000	(29.3%)		286.53
8,000	(33.5%)		327.35
9,000	(37.6%)		368.21
10,000	(41.8%)		409.12
11,000	(46.0%)		450.09
12,000	(50.2%)		490.97
13,000	(54.4%)		532.01
14,000	(58.6%)		573.02
15,000	(62.7%)		614.00
16,000	(66.9%)		655.01
17,000	(71.1%)		695.99
18,000	(75.3%)		736.99
19,000	(79.5%)		777.94
20,000	(83.7%)		818.69
21,000	(87.8%)		859.55
22,000	(92.0%)		900.84
23,000	(96.2%)		941.59

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1,000	(4.2%)		40.96
2,000	(8.4%)		82.02
3,000	(12.5%)		122.92
4,000	(16.7%)		163.86
5,000	(20.9%)		204.86
6,000	(25.1%)		245.87
7,000	(29.3%)		286.86
8,000	(33.5%)		327.88
9,000	(37.6%)		368.71
10,000	(41.8%)		409.61
11,000	(46.0%)		450.55
12,000	(50.2%)		491.47
13,000	(54.4%)		532.39
14,000	(58.6%)		573.34
15,000	(62.7%)		614.34
16,000	(66.9%)		655.35
17,000	(71.1%)		696.43
18,000	(75.3%)		737.54
19,000	(79.5%)		778.59
20,000	(83.7%)		819.64
21,000	(87.8%)		860.45
22,000	(92.0%)		901.25
23,000	(96.2%)		942.15

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1,000	(4.2%)		40.89
2,000	(8.4%)		81.79
3,000	(12.5%)		122.80
4,000	(16.7%)		163.57
5,000	(20.9%)		204.28
6,000	(25.1%)		245.06
7,000	(29.3%)		285.77
8,000	(33.5%)		326.56
9,000	(37.6%)		367.20
10,000	(41.8%)		407.91
11,000	(46.0%)		448.76
12,000	(50.2%)		489.38
13,000	(54.4%)		530.03
14,000	(58.6%)		570.77
15,000	(62.7%)		611.43
16,000	(66.9%)		652.08
17,000	(71.1%)		692.72
18,000	(75.3%)		733.67
19,000	(79.5%)		774.62
20,000	(83.7%)		815.65
21,000	(87.8%)		856.57
22,000	(92.0%)		897.49
23,000	(96.2%)		938.58

Reload Test Results

```
[18]: test_results = pd.read_hdf('backtest.h5', 'cointegration_test')
      test_results.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 262988 entries, 0 to 23907
Data columns (total 11 columns):
 #   Column      Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
 0   test_end    262988 non-null  datetime64[ns]
 1   s1          262988 non-null  object
 2   s2          262988 non-null  object
 3   eg1         262988 non-null  float64
 4   eg2         262988 non-null  float64
 5   trace0      262988 non-null  float64
 6   trace1      262988 non-null  float64
 7   eig0        262988 non-null  float64
 8   eig1        262988 non-null  float64
 9   w1          262988 non-null  float64
10   w2          262988 non-null  float64
dtypes: datetime64[ns](1), float64(8), object(2)
memory usage: 24.1+ MB
```

1.6 Identify Cointegrated Pairs

1.6.1 Significant Johansen Trace Statistic

```
[19]: test_results['joh_sig'] = ((test_results.trace0 > trace0_cv) &
                                (test_results.trace1 > trace1_cv))
```

```
[20]: test_results.joh_sig.value_counts(normalize=True)
```

```
[20]: False    0.947211
      True     0.052789
      Name: joh_sig, dtype: float64
```

1.6.2 Significant Engle Granger Test

```
[21]: test_results['eg'] = test_results[['eg1', 'eg2']].min(axis=1)
      test_results['s1_dep'] = test_results.eg1 < test_results.eg2
      test_results['eg_sig'] = (test_results.eg < .05)
```

```
[22]: test_results.eg_sig.value_counts(normalize=True)
```

```
[22]: False    0.91157
      True     0.08843
      Name: eg_sig, dtype: float64
```

1.6.3 Comparison Engle-Granger vs Johansen

```
[23]: test_results['coint'] = (test_results.eg_sig & test_results.joh_sig)
      test_results.coint.value_counts(normalize=True)
```

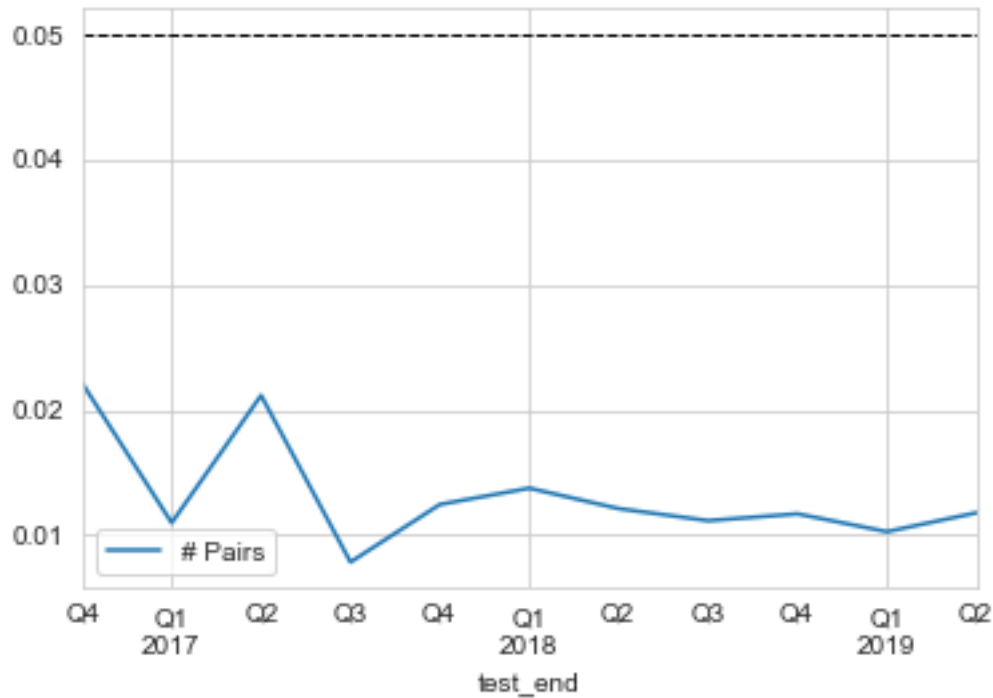
```
[23]: False    0.986775
      True     0.013225
      Name: coint, dtype: float64
```

```
[24]: test_results = test_results.drop(['eg1', 'eg2', 'trace0', 'trace1', 'eig0',
      ↪ 'eig1'], axis=1)
      test_results.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 262988 entries, 0 to 23907
Data columns (total 10 columns):
#   Column      Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   test_end    262988 non-null  datetime64[ns]
1   s1          262988 non-null  object
2   s2          262988 non-null  object
3   w1          262988 non-null  float64
4   w2          262988 non-null  float64
5   joh_sig     262988 non-null  bool
6   eg          262988 non-null  float64
7   s1_dep      262988 non-null  bool
8   eg_sig      262988 non-null  bool
9   coint       262988 non-null  bool
dtypes: bool(4), datetime64[ns](1), float64(3), object(2)
memory usage: 15.0+ MB
```

1.6.4 Comparison

```
[25]: ax = test_results.groupby('test_end').coint.mean().to_frame('# Pairs').plot()
      ax.axhline(.05, lw=1, ls='--', c='k');
```



1.6.5 Select Candidate Pairs

```
[26]: def select_candidate_pairs(data):
        candidates = data[data.joh_sig | data.eg_sig]
        candidates['y'] = candidates.apply(lambda x: x.s1 if x.s1_dep else x.s2,
        ↪axis=1)
        candidates['x'] = candidates.apply(lambda x: x.s2 if x.s1_dep else x.s1,
        ↪axis=1)
        return candidates.drop(['s1_dep', 's1', 's2'], axis=1)
```

```
[27]: candidates = select_candidate_pairs(test_results)
```

```
[28]: candidates.to_hdf('backtest.h5', 'candidates')
```

```
[29]: candidates = pd.read_hdf('backtest.h5', 'candidates')
        candidates.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 33661 entries, 7 to 23906
Data columns (total 9 columns):
#   Column      Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   test_end    33661 non-null  datetime64[ns]
1   w1          33661 non-null  float64
```

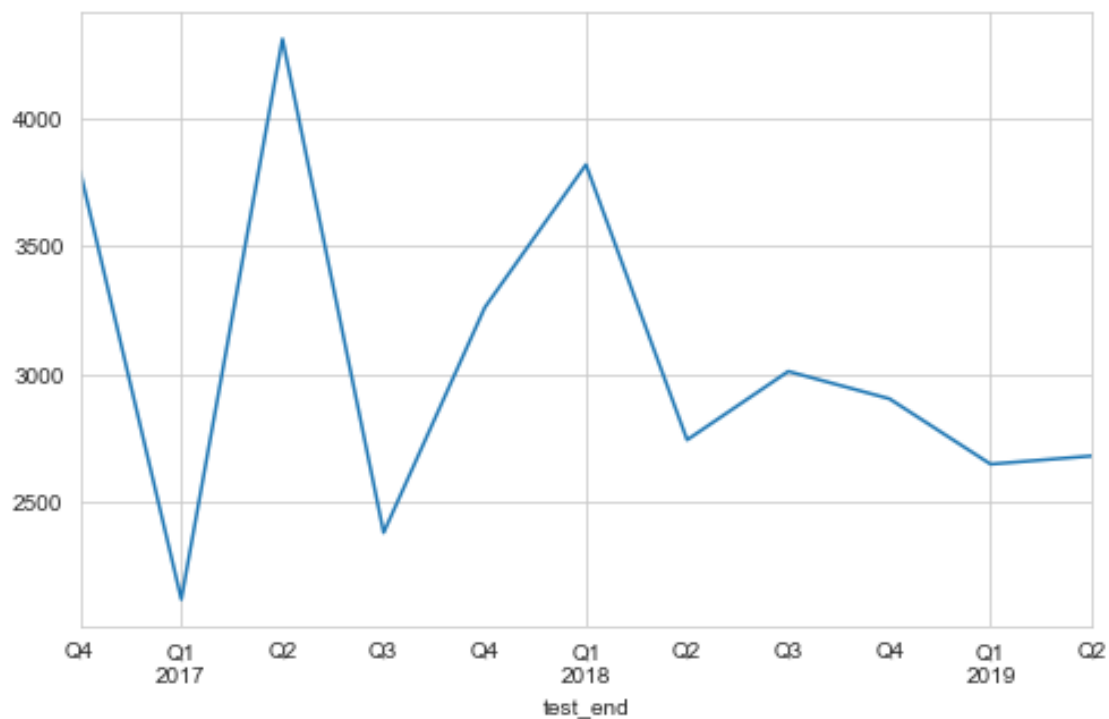
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2   w2          33661 non-null float64
3   joh_sig     33661 non-null bool
4   eg          33661 non-null float64
5   eg_sig     33661 non-null bool
6   coint      33661 non-null bool
7   y          33661 non-null object
8   x          33661 non-null object
dtypes: bool(3), datetime64[ns](1), float64(3), object(2)
memory usage: 1.9+ MB

```

Candidates over Time

```
[30]: candidates.groupby('test_end').size().plot(figsize=(8, 5))
```



Most Common Pairs

```
[31]: with pd.HDFStore('data.h5') as store:
      print(store.info())
      tickers = store['tickers']
```

```

<class 'pandas.io.pytables.HDFStore'>
File path: data.h5
/etfs/close          frame          (shape->[2516,139])
/stocks/close        frame          (shape->[2516,172])
/tickers             series         (shape->[1])

```

```
[32]: with pd.HDFStore('backtest.h5') as store:
        print(store.info())
```

```
<class 'pandas.io.pytables.HDFStore'>
File path: backtest.h5
/candidates                frame          (shape->[33661,9])
/cointegration_test         frame          (shape->[262988,11])
```

```
[33]: counter = Counter()
for s1, s2 in zip(candidates[candidates.joh_sig & candidates.eg_sig].y,
                  candidates[candidates.joh_sig & candidates.eg_sig].x):
    if s1 > s2:
        counter[(s2, s1)] += 1
    else:
        counter[(s1, s2)] += 1
```

```
[34]: most_common_pairs = pd.DataFrame(counter.most_common(10))
most_common_pairs = pd.DataFrame(most_common_pairs[0].values.tolist(),
    ↪ columns=['s1', 's2'])
most_common_pairs
```

```
[34]:
```

	s1	s2
0	T.US	VOX.US
1	FXF.US	MDLZ.US
2	FXF.US	NOV.US
3	FXF.US	RIG.US
4	AMJ.US	MDLZ.US
5	DIG.US	MDLZ.US
6	DJP.US	MDLZ.US
7	ERX.US	MDLZ.US
8	FXN.US	MDLZ.US
9	IYE.US	MDLZ.US

```
[59]: with pd.HDFStore('backtest.h5') as store:
        prices = store['prices'].close.unstack('ticker').ffill(limit=5)
        tickers = store['tickers'].to_dict()
```

```
[60]: cnt = pd.Series(counter).reset_index()
cnt.columns = ['s1', 's2', 'n']
cnt['name1'] = cnt.s1.map(tickers)
cnt['name2'] = cnt.s2.map(tickers)
cnt.nlargest(10, columns='n')
```

```
[60]:
```

	s1	s2	n	name1	\
1352	T.US	VOX.US	6		AT&T
384	FXF.US	MDLZ.US	5	INVESCO CURRENCYSHARES SWISS FRANC TRUST	
388	FXF.US	NOV.US	5	INVESCO CURRENCYSHARES SWISS FRANC TRUST	

```

391   FFX.US   RIG.US   5   INVESCO CURRENCYSHARES SWISS FRANC TRUST
532   AMJ.US   MDLZ.US   5           JPMORGAN ALERIAN MLP INDEX ETN
547   DIG.US   MDLZ.US   5           PROSHARES ULTRA OIL & GAS
549   DJP.US   MDLZ.US   5   IPATH BLOOMBERG COMMODITY INDEX TR ETN
571   ERX.US   MDLZ.US   5   DIREXION DAILY ENERGY BULL 2X SHARES
630   FXN.US   MDLZ.US   5           FIRST TRUST ENERGY ALPHADAX FUND
644   IYE.US   MDLZ.US   5           ISHARES US ENERGY ETF

```

```

                                name2
1352  VANGUARD COMMUNICATION SERVICES ETF
384                                     MONDELEZ INT
388                                NATIONAL OILWELL VARCO
391                                     TRANSOCEAN
532                                     MONDELEZ INT
547                                     MONDELEZ INT
549                                     MONDELEZ INT
571                                     MONDELEZ INT
630                                     MONDELEZ INT
644                                     MONDELEZ INT

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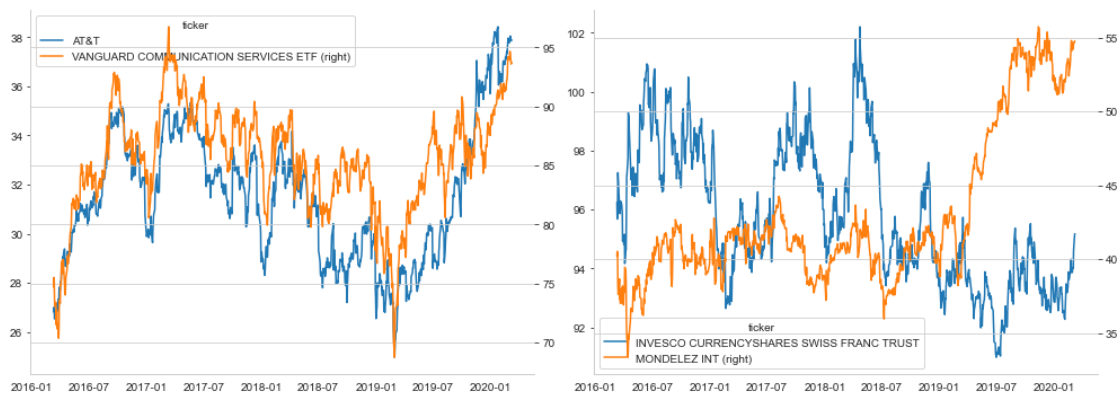
```

[63]: fig, axes = plt.subplots(ncols=2, figsize=(14, 5))
      for i in [0, 1]:
          s1, s2 = most_common_pairs.at[i, 's1'], most_common_pairs.at[i, 's2']
          prices.loc[:, [s1, s2]].rename(columns=tickers).
          ↪plot(secondary_y=tickers[s2],
                                ax=axes[i],
                                rot=0)

          axes[i].grid(False)
          axes[i].set_xlabel('')

      sns.despine()
      fig.tight_layout()

```



1.7 Get Entry and Exit Dates

1.7.1 Smooth prices using Kalman filter

```
[64]: def KFSmoothe(rprices):  
    """Estimate rolling mean"""  
  
    kf = KalmanFilter(transition_matrices=np.eye(1),  
                      observation_matrices=np.eye(1),  
                      initial_state_mean=0,  
                      initial_state_covariance=1,  
                      observation_covariance=1,  
                      transition_covariance=.05)  
  
    state_means, _ = kf.filter(rprices.values)  
    return pd.Series(state_means.flatten(),  
                     index=rprices.index)
```

```
[65]: smoothed_prices = rprices.apply(KFSmoothe)  
smoothed_prices.to_hdf('tmp.h5', 'smoothed')
```

```
[66]: smoothed_prices = pd.read_hdf('tmp.h5', 'smoothed')
```

1.7.2 Compute rolling hedge ratio using Kalman Filter

```
[67]: def KFHedgeRatio(x, y):  
    """Estimate Hedge Ratio"""  
    delta = 1e-3  
    trans_cov = delta / (1 - delta) * np.eye(2)  
    obs_mat = np.expand_dims(np.vstack([x, [np.ones(len(x))]]).T, axis=1)  
  
    kf = KalmanFilter(n_dim_obs=1, n_dim_state=2,  
                      initial_state_mean=[0, 0],  
                      initial_state_covariance=np.ones((2, 2)),  
                      transition_matrices=np.eye(2),  
                      observation_matrices=obs_mat,  
                      observation_covariance=2,  
                      transition_covariance=trans_cov)  
  
    state_means, _ = kf.filter(y.values)  
    return -state_means
```

1.7.3 Estimate mean reversion half life

```
[68]: def estimate_half_life(spread):  
    X = spread.shift().iloc[1:].to_frame().assign(const=1)  
    y = spread.diff().iloc[1:]
```

```

beta = (np.linalg.inv(X.T @ X) @ X.T @ y).iloc[0]
halflife = int(round(-np.log(2) / beta, 0))
return max(halflife, 1)

```

1.7.4 Compute Spread & Bollinger Bands

```

[69]: def get_spread(candidates, prices):
    pairs = []
    half_lives = []

    periods = pd.DatetimeIndex(sorted(candidates.test_end.unique()))
    start = time()
    for p, test_end in enumerate(periods, 1):
        start_iteration = time()

        period_candidates = candidates.loc[candidates.test_end == test_end,
→['y', 'x']]
        trading_start = test_end + pd.DateOffset(days=1)
        t = trading_start - pd.DateOffset(years=2)
        T = trading_start + pd.DateOffset(months=6) - pd.DateOffset(days=1)
        max_window = len(prices.loc[t: test_end].index)
        print(test_end.date(), len(period_candidates))
        for i, (y, x) in enumerate(zip(period_candidates.y, period_candidates.
→x), 1):
            if i % 1000 == 0:
                msg = f'{i:5.0f} | {time() - start_iteration:7.1f} | {time() -
→start:10.1f}'
                print(msg)
            pair = prices.loc[t: T, [y, x]]
            pair['hedge_ratio'] = KFHedgeRatio(y=KFSmoothing(prices.loc[t: T,
→y]),
                                                    x=KFSmoothing(prices.loc[t: T,
→x)))[:, 0]
            pair['spread'] = pair[y].add(pair[x].mul(pair.hedge_ratio))
            half_life = estimate_half_life(pair.spread.loc[t: test_end])

            spread = pair.spread.rolling(window=min(2 * half_life, max_window))
            pair['z_score'] = pair.spread.sub(spread.mean()).div(spread.std())
            pairs.append(pair.loc[trading_start: T].assign(s1=y, s2=x,
→period=p, pair=i).drop([x, y], axis=1))

            half_lives.append([test_end, y, x, half_life])
    return pairs, half_lives

```

```

[70]: candidates = pd.read_hdf('backtest.h5', 'candidates')
candidates.info()

```

```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 33661 entries, 7 to 23906
Data columns (total 9 columns):
#   Column      Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   test_end    33661 non-null  datetime64[ns]
1   w1           33661 non-null  float64
2   w2           33661 non-null  float64
3   joh_sig     33661 non-null  bool
4   eg           33661 non-null  float64
5   eg_sig      33661 non-null  bool
6   coint       33661 non-null  bool
7   y           33661 non-null  object
8   x           33661 non-null  object
dtypes: bool(3), datetime64[ns](1), float64(3), object(2)
memory usage: 1.9+ MB

```

```
[71]: pairs, half_lives = get_spread(candidates, smoothed_prices)
```

```

2016-12-31 3793
1000 | 180.5 | 180.5
2000 | 360.7 | 360.7
3000 | 536.6 | 536.6
2017-03-31 2118
1000 | 206.2 | 883.1
2000 | 415.7 | 1092.6
2017-06-30 4311
1000 | 244.6 | 1363.1
2000 | 486.8 | 1605.3
3000 | 750.6 | 1869.1
4000 | 989.5 | 2108.0
2017-09-30 2379
1000 | 271.5 | 2481.2
2000 | 538.0 | 2747.7
2017-12-31 3260
1000 | 706.0 | 3554.9
2000 | 2552.6 | 5401.5
3000 | 2927.6 | 5776.4
2018-03-31 3819
1000 | 354.2 | 6228.5
2000 | 652.1 | 6526.5
3000 | 954.5 | 6828.9
2018-06-30 2742
1000 | 299.7 | 7372.7
2000 | 595.4 | 7668.4
2018-09-30 3010
1000 | 292.7 | 8182.6
2000 | 588.5 | 8478.3

```

3000		883.9		8773.7
2018-12-31		2903		
1000		292.5		9069.4
2000		582.5		9359.4
2019-03-31		2647		
1000		295.1		9920.7
2000		588.3		10213.9
2019-06-30		2679		
1000		290.2		10693.5
2000		585.2		10988.6

1.7.5 Collect Results

Half Lives

```
[72]: hl = pd.DataFrame(half_lives, columns=['test_end', 's1', 's2', 'half_life'])
hl.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 33661 entries, 0 to 33660
Data columns (total 4 columns):
#   Column      Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   test_end    33661 non-null  datetime64[ns]
1   s1          33661 non-null  object
2   s2          33661 non-null  object
3   half_life   33661 non-null  int64
dtypes: datetime64[ns](1), int64(1), object(2)
memory usage: 1.0+ MB
```

```
[73]: hl.half_life.describe()
```

```
[73]: count      33661.000000
mean          25.199519
std           10.223437
min            1.000000
25%           20.000000
50%           24.000000
75%           28.000000
max          1057.000000
Name: half_life, dtype: float64
```

```
[74]: hl.to_hdf('backtest.h5', 'half_lives')
```

Pair Data

```
[75]: pair_data = pd.concat(pairs)
pair_data.info(null_counts=True)
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
DatetimeIndex: 4229473 entries, 2017-01-03 to 2019-12-31
Data columns (total 7 columns):
#   Column      Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   hedge_ratio  4229473 non-null float64
1   spread       4229473 non-null float64
2   z_score      4229473 non-null float64
3   s1           4229473 non-null object
4   s2           4229473 non-null object
5   period       4229473 non-null int64
6   pair         4229473 non-null int64
dtypes: float64(3), int64(2), object(2)
memory usage: 258.1+ MB
```

```
[76]: pair_data.to_hdf('backtest.h5', 'pair_data')
```

```
[77]: pair_data = pd.read_hdf('backtest.h5', 'pair_data')
```

1.7.6 Identify Long & Short Entry and Exit Dates

```
[78]: def get_trades(data):
    pair_trades = []
    for i, ((period, s1, s2), pair) in enumerate(data.groupby(['period', 's1', 's2']), 1):
        if i % 100 == 0:
            print(i)

        first3m = pair.first('3M').index
        last3m = pair.last('3M').index

        entry = pair.z_score.abs() > 2
        entry = ((entry.shift() != entry)
                  .mul(np.sign(pair.z_score))
                  .fillna(0)
                  .astype(int)
                  .sub(2))

        exit = (np.sign(pair.z_score.shift().fillna(method='bfill'))
                 != np.sign(pair.z_score)).astype(int) - 1

        trades = (entry[entry != -2].append(exit[exit == 0])
                  .to_frame('side')
                  .sort_values(['date', 'side'])
                  .squeeze())
        if not isinstance(trades, pd.Series):
            continue
```

```

try:
    trades.loc[trades < 0] += 2
except:
    print(type(trades))
    print(trades)
    print(pair.z_score.describe())
    break

trades = trades[trades.abs().shift() != trades.abs()]
window = trades.loc[first3m.min():first3m.max()]
extra = trades.loc[last3m.min():last3m.max()]
n = len(trades)

if window.iloc[0] == 0:
    if n > 1:
        print('shift')
        window = window.iloc[1:]
if window.iloc[-1] != 0:
    extra_exits = extra[extra == 0].head(1)
    if extra_exits.empty:
        continue
    else:
        window = window.append(extra_exits)

trades = pair[['s1', 's2', 'hedge_ratio', 'period', 'pair']].
→join(window.to_frame('side'), how='right')
trades.loc[trades.side == 0, 'hedge_ratio'] = np.nan
trades.hedge_ratio = trades.hedge_ratio.ffill()
pair_trades.append(trades)
return pair_trades

```

```
[79]: pair_trades = get_trades(pair_data)
```

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```
[80]: pair_trade_data = pd.concat(pair_trades)
      pair_trade_data.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
DatetimeIndex: 134450 entries, 2017-01-03 to 2019-10-04
Data columns (total 6 columns):
 #   Column      Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
 0   s1          134450 non-null object
 1   s2          134450 non-null object
 2   hedge_ratio 134450 non-null float64
 3   period      134450 non-null int64
 4   pair        134450 non-null int64
```

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5    side          134450 non-null  int64
dtypes: float64(1), int64(3), object(2)
memory usage: 7.2+ MB

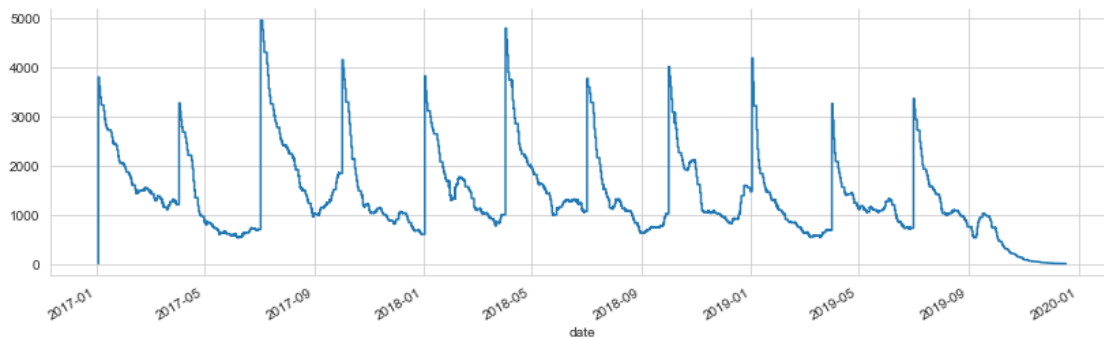
```

```
[81]: pair_trade_data.head()
```

```
[81]:
```

	s1	s2	hedge_ratio	period	pair	side
date						
2017-01-03	AA.US	ACWI.US	-0.533861	1	16	-1
2017-01-12	AA.US	ACWI.US	-0.533861	1	16	0
2017-01-03	AA.US	ACWX.US	-0.799916	1	54	-1
2017-01-12	AA.US	ACWX.US	-0.799916	1	54	0
2017-01-03	AA.US	DEM.US	-0.896395	1	376	-1

```
[84]: trades = pair_trade_data['side'].copy()
trades.loc[trades != 0] = 1
trades.loc[trades == 0] = -1
trades.sort_index().cumsum().plot(figsize=(14, 4))
sns.despine()
```



```
[83]: pair_trade_data.to_hdf('backtest.h5', 'pair_trades')
```