

FINM 35000 Problem Set 3: Equity Valuation Stress Testing

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In [ ]: import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import statsmodels.api as sm
import math as m
import scipy.stats as stats
import datetime as dt
from statsmodels.regression.rolling import RollingOLS
import seaborn as sns
import warnings
from scipy.stats import norm
pd.set_option("display.precision", 2)
pd.set_option('display.float_format', '{:.3f}'.format)
warnings.filterwarnings("ignore")
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tream size changed, may indicate binary incompatibility. Expected 56 from C header,
got 64 from PyObject
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1. Replication of Cosemans and Frehen (2021) (100 points)

Note: for questions 2-3, it is possible you will not obtain the exact numbers in the paper, which is okay as long as you are able to describe the ways in which you might have deviated from the authors (in question 4).

1.

In your own words, describe what the authors mean by "salience theory" and how it affects investor's portfolio choice decisions.

"Salience theory," as discussed the paper, refers to the idea that investors tend to give disproportionate attention and importance to the most prominent or striking features of an investment, particularly past returns. This theory is grounded in the broader understanding of how cognitive biases (something like behavioural economics) influence decision-making. In the context of stock market investments, salience theory suggests that investors are drawn to stocks that have had notably high or low returns in the past, as these returns are more "salient" or noticeable. Famous stocks like Apple and Tesla come to mind when thinking about this theory from a US Stock market perspective.

According to salience theory, investors do not evaluate potential investments in a completely rational or comprehensive manner. That is, investors are unsophisticated in their decision making and, they are more likely to focus on the most memorable or striking aspects of an asset's history, especially its past performance. For example, if a stock has experienced a significant upsurge in value in the recent past, this positive performance becomes a salient feature that attracts investors, leading them to overvalue such stocks. This overvaluation, in turn, means that these stocks are likely to have lower future returns because their current prices are inflated due to high demand based on salient past performance.

Going the other way, stocks with notably poor past performance can become undervalued, as investors overlook them due to their salient negative returns. These undervalued stocks, according to the theory, are likely to yield higher future returns as their current lower prices do not reflect their potential value.

Overall, we saw a lot of similarity between Fama French's fourth factor (out of 5) - Profitability (RMW - Robust Minus Weak). This factor captures the historical outperformance of profitable companies compared to less profitable ones. It measures the return difference between a portfolio of companies with high profitability and a portfolio of companies with low profitability.

2.

Following Section 3 of the paper, download the relevant variables from CRSP and Compustat (both available through WRDS). Use this data to replicated Table 2.

Load CRSP Daily, Monthly, and Compustat Fundamentals Data

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In [ ]: # Read "C:\Users\Aman\Downloads\Compressed\crsp_us_equity.csv"
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crsp_daily = pd.read_csv("C:/Users/Aman/Downloads/Compressed/crsp_us_equity.csv")
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In [ ]: # Convert date to datetime format
crsp_daily['date'] = pd.to_datetime(crsp_daily['date'])

# Sort the DataFrame by 'TICKER' and 'date'
crsp_daily = crsp_daily.sort_values(['TICKER', 'date'])

# Remove all rows with missing TICKER or RET
crsp_daily.dropna(subset=['TICKER', 'RET'], inplace=True)
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In [ ]: # Create a month and year column like 2005-01
crsp_daily['month'] = crsp_daily['date'].dt.strftime('%Y-%m')
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In [ ]: # Use groupby and transform to calculate the number of days in each month
crsp_daily['days_in_month'] = crsp_daily.groupby(['TICKER', 'month'])['RET'].transform(
    lambda x: x / x.rolling(1).count())

# # Set data and ticker as index
# crsp_daily = crsp_daily.set_index(['date', 'TICKER'])

# # Remove all dates before 2000-01-01
# crsp_daily = crsp_daily[crsp_daily['date'] >= '2005-01-01']
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In [ ]: crsp_daily
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Out[]:

	PERMNO	date	TICKER	PRC	VOL	RET	month	days_in_month
1709955	10495	1962-07-02	A	41.125	2600.000	0.021739	1962-07	2
1709956	10495	1962-07-03	A	41.375	2100.000	0.006079	1962-07	2
1709957	10495	1962-07-05	A	41.250	3600.000	-0.003021	1962-07	2
1709958	10495	1962-07-06	A	40.500	2600.000	-0.018182	1962-07	2
1709959	10495	1962-07-09	A	40.750	4000.000	0.006173	1962-07	2
...
85532128	91205	2013-03-11	ZZ	2.200	407000.000	0.000000	2013-03	1
85532129	91205	2013-03-12	ZZ	2.210	159900.000	0.004545	2013-03	1
85532130	91205	2013-03-13	ZZ	2.210	308900.000	0.000000	2013-03	1
85532131	91205	2013-03-14	ZZ	2.210	274900.000	0.000000	2013-03	1
85532132	91205	2013-03-15	ZZ	2.190	1518100.000	-0.009050	2013-03	1

78114075 rows × 8 columns



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In [ ]: # Read "C:\Users\Aman\Downloads\Compressed\crsp_us_equity_monthly.csv"
crsp_monthly = pd.read_csv("C:/Users/Aman/Downloads/Compressed/crsp_us_equity_monthly.csv")
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In [ ]: # Convert 'date' column to datetime
crsp_monthly['date'] = pd.to_datetime(crsp_monthly['date'])

# Sort the DataFrame by 'TICKER' and 'date' columns
crsp_monthly.sort_values(by=['TICKER', 'date'], inplace=True)

# Remove all rows with missing TICKER
crsp_monthly.dropna(subset=['TICKER'], inplace=True)

# Convert negative PRC values to positive
crsp_monthly['PRC'] = crsp_monthly['PRC'].abs()

# Fill missing PRC values with 0
crsp_monthly['PRC'].fillna(0, inplace=True)

# Shift the indexes by 1 for crsp_monthly so that the PRC, VOL and RET values are for the previous month
crsp_monthly['PRC'] = crsp_monthly.groupby(['TICKER'])['PRC'].shift(1)
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# # Remove all dates before 2000-01-01
# crsp_monthly = crsp_monthly[crsp_monthly['date'] >= '2005-01-01']

# Backfill the missing PRC values with next available PRC value
crsp_monthly['PRC'].fillna(method='bfill', inplace=True)

# Drop COMNAM and PERMNO columns
crsp_monthly.drop(columns=['COMNAM'], inplace=True)

# # Set data and ticker as index
# crsp_monthly = crsp_monthly.set_index(['date', 'TICKER'])
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In []: crsp_monthly

Out[]:

	PERMNO	date	TICKER	PRC	VOL	RET
80206	10495	1962-07-31	A	40.375	852.000	0.003106
80207	10495	1962-08-31	A	40.375	967.000	0.024768
80208	10495	1962-09-28	A	40.875	1525.000	-0.094801
80209	10495	1962-10-31	A	37.000	1396.000	0.033784
80210	10495	1962-11-30	A	38.250	1895.000	0.117647
...
4083922	91205	2012-11-30	ZZ	2.230	111189.000	-0.026906
4083923	91205	2012-12-31	ZZ	2.170	116706.000	0.000000
4083924	91205	2013-01-31	ZZ	2.170	71494.000	-0.004608
4083925	91205	2013-02-28	ZZ	2.160	97674.000	0.009259
4083926	91205	2013-03-28	ZZ	2.180	136909.000	NaN

3764041 rows × 6 columns

In []:

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# Merge crsp_daily and crsp_monthly on TICKER, date, PERMNO
crsp = pd.merge(crsp_daily, crsp_monthly, on=['TICKER', 'PERMNO', 'date'], how='outer')
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In []:

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del crsp_daily, crsp_monthly
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In []:

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crsp
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Out[]:

	PERMNO	date	TICKER	PRC_x	VOL_x	RET_x	month	days_in_month	I
0	10495	1962-07-02	A	41.125	2600.000	0.021739	1962-07	21.000	
1	10495	1962-07-03	A	41.375	2100.000	0.006079	1962-07	21.000	
2	10495	1962-07-05	A	41.250	3600.000	-0.003021	1962-07	21.000	
3	10495	1962-07-06	A	40.500	2600.000	-0.018182	1962-07	21.000	
4	10495	1962-07-09	A	40.750	4000.000	0.006173	1962-07	21.000	
...	
78156370	84188	1986-11-28	ZTXQ	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	
78156371	14327	2015-10-30	ZU	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	1
78156372	91435	2009-02-27	ZVUE	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	
78156373	85520	2007-03-30	ZVXI	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	1
78156374	91205	2013-03-28	ZZ	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	

78156375 rows × 11 columns



NOTE FOR USER - ALL _X VARIABLES ARE FROM CRSP DAILY AND ALL _Y VARIABLES ARE FROM CRSP MONTHLY

Only taking >\$5 prev month price and >15 days returns in a month

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In [ ]: # group by TICKER and backfill the PRC values
crsp['PRC_y_daily'] = crsp.groupby(['TICKER'])['PRC_y'].fillna(method='bfill')
# Filter dataframe where PRC_x is >= 5 and days_in_month >15
crsp = crsp[(crsp['PRC_y_daily'] >= 5) & (crsp['days_in_month'] > 15)]
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In [ ]: # Convert all RET_x to float, if not possible, convert to NaN
crsp['RET_x'] = pd.to_numeric(crsp['RET_x'], errors='coerce')
#Drop all NaN values in RET_x
crsp.dropna(subset=['RET_x'], inplace=True)
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Loading the CRSP Index Data

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In [ ]: crsp_index = pd.read_csv("C:/Users/Aman/Downloads/Compressed/crsp_index.csv")
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In [ ]: crsp_index['caldt'] = pd.to_datetime(crsp_index['caldt'])
crsp_index.rename(columns={'caldt':'date'}, inplace=True)
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In [ ]: crsp_index
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Out[ ]:
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	date	ewretd
0	1926-01-02	0.010
1	1926-01-04	0.006
2	1926-01-05	-0.002
3	1926-01-06	0.001
4	1926-01-07	0.008
...
23781	2015-12-24	0.002
23782	2015-12-28	-0.008
23783	2015-12-29	0.006
23784	2015-12-30	-0.007
23785	2015-12-31	-0.002

23786 rows × 2 columns

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In [ ]: theta = 0.1
delta = 0.7
count=0
for permno in crsp['PERMNO'].unique():
    crsp_sample = crsp[crsp['PERMNO'] == permno].copy()
    crsp_sample = pd.merge(crsp_sample, crsp_index, on='date', how='left')
    crsp_sample['salience'] = abs(crsp_sample['RET_x'] - crsp_sample['ewretd']) / (
        abs(crsp_sample['ewretd']) + abs(crsp_sample['RET_x']) + theta)

    # Group by ticker and month and iterate over each group
    for name, group in crsp_sample.groupby(['TICKER', 'month']):
        # Rank the salience values
        group['salience_rank'] = group['salience'].rank(ascending=False)
        # Calculate the salience weight
        group['salience_weight'] = delta / (group['salience_rank'] * delta * (1 / 1
        # Add the salience weight to the dataframe
        crsp_sample.loc[group.index, 'salience_weight'] = group['salience_weight']

    # Calculate Salience theory value ST
    cov_matrix = np.cov(group['RET_x'], group['salience_weight'])
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crsp_sample.loc[group.index, 'ST'] = cov_matrix[0][1]
#Make the index of crsp_sample same as crsp['PERMNO'] == permno
crsp_sample.set_index(crsp[crsp['PERMNO'] == permno].index, inplace=True)

# Add the 'ST' column to the original DataFrame
crsp.loc[crsp[crsp['PERMNO'] == permno].index, 'ST'] = crsp_sample['ST']
count+=1
if count%100 == 0:
    print("Processed PERMNO: ", count)
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PLS SAVE ABOVE CRSP FOR NOT RUNNING ST AGAIN

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In [ ]: #crsp.to_csv("C:/Users/Aman/Downloads/Compressed/crsp_filtered_merged.csv")
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ONLY READ IF NOT RUNNING PREVIOUS CELLS -->

```
In [ ]: crsp = pd.read_csv("C:/Users/Aman/Downloads/Compressed/crsp_filtered_merged.csv")
crsp['date'] = pd.to_datetime(crsp['date'])
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RUN THIS ONE NONE THE LESS (this is to add Shares outstanding) -->

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In [ ]: crsp_monthly = pd.read_csv("C:/Users/Aman/Downloads/Compressed/crsp_us_equity_monthly.csv")
crsp_monthly['date'] = pd.to_datetime(crsp_monthly['date'])
#Multiply SHROUT by 1000
crsp_monthly['SHROUT'] = crsp_monthly['SHROUT'] * 1000
crsp_monthly.drop(columns=['COMNAM', 'PRC', 'VOL', 'RET'], inplace=True)
# merge crsp and crsp_monthly on TICKER, PERMNO and date and drop a
crsp = pd.merge(crsp, crsp_monthly, on=['TICKER', 'PERMNO', 'date'], how='left')
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In [ ]: # Create deciles based on the 'ST' column
crsp['Decile'] = pd.qcut(crsp['ST'], q=[0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9, 1.0],
                        labels=['Low', '2', '3', '4', '5', '6', '7', '8', '9', 'High'])
# Keep only month end dates and group by decile and take average of ST
crsp[crsp['date'].dt.is_month_end].groupby(['Decile'])['ST'].mean()*24
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Out[ ]: Decile
Low      -2.378
2         -1.090
3         -0.673
4         -0.363
5         -0.010
6          0.377
7          0.710
8          1.093
9          1.660
High      3.395
Name: ST, dtype: float64
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WE HAVE THREE PRICE COLUMNS, PRC_x, PRC_y, PRC_y_daily. TRY ALL THREE AND SEE WHICH ONE IS CLOSE TO IMAGE. I think you have to use PRC_y_daily though

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In [ ]: crsp[crsp['date'].dt.is_month_end].groupby(['Decile'])['PRC_y_daily'].mean()
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Out[ ]: Decile
Low    19.021
2      24.960
3      32.298
4      49.958
5      53.095
6      52.072
7      36.057
8      29.353
9      22.277
High   18.125
Name: PRC_y_daily, dtype: float64
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ME Calculation

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In [ ]: # Create a new columns called ME which is PRC * SHROUT_y
crsp['ME'] = crsp['PRC_y_daily'] * crsp['SHROUT']
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In [ ]: np.log(crsp[crsp['date'].dt.is_month_end].groupby(['Decile'])['ME'].mean())
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Out[ ]: Decile
Low    20.804
2      21.122
3      22.005
4      23.188
5      23.557
6      23.540
7      22.542
8      21.520
9      20.820
High   20.994
Name: ME, dtype: float64
```

BOOK VALUE OF EQUITY (BE) Calculation

```
In [ ]: # Read "C:\Users\Aman\Downloads\Compressed\compustat_us_equity.csv"
compustat_yearly = pd.read_csv("C:/Users/Aman/Downloads/Compressed/compustat_us_equity.csv")
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In [ ]: # Drop indfmt consol popsrc datafmt conm curcd costat columns
compustat_yearly.drop(columns=['indfmt', 'consol', 'popsrc', 'datafmt', 'conm', 'curcd', 'costat'])
```

```
In [ ]: #Rename datadate to date and convert it to datetime
compustat_yearly.rename(columns={'datadate':'date'}, inplace=True)
compustat_yearly['date'] = pd.to_datetime(compustat_yearly['date'])

#Rename bkvlp to book_value_per_share, csho to shares_outstanding, mkval to market_value
compustat_yearly.rename(columns={'bkvlp':'book_value_per_share', 'csho':'shares_outstanding', 'mkval':'market_value'})

compustat_yearly['BE'] = compustat_yearly['book_value_per_share'] * compustat_yearly['shares_outstanding']
```

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In [ ]: compustat_yearly
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Out[]:

	gvkey	date	fyear	tic	book_value_per_share	shares_outstanding	marke
0	1000	1961-12-31	1961.000	AE.2	2.434	0.152	
1	1000	1962-12-31	1962.000	AE.2	3.050	0.181	
2	1000	1963-12-31	1963.000	AE.2	2.973	0.186	
3	1000	1964-12-31	1964.000	AE.2	3.097	0.196	
4	1000	1965-12-31	1965.000	AE.2	2.384	0.206	
...
515983	328795	2013-12-31	2013.000	ACA	NaN	NaN	
515984	328795	2014-12-31	2014.000	ACA	NaN	NaN	
515985	328795	2015-12-31	2015.000	ACA	NaN	NaN	
515986	335466	2015-12-31	2015.000	HOF SQ	NaN	NaN	
515987	345980	2015-12-31	2015.000	WISH	NaN	NaN	

515988 rows × 8 columns



Loading the Key to Connect CRSP and Compustat (Permno to GVKEY)

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In [ ]: permno_gvkey = pd.read_csv("C:/Users/Aman/Downloads/Compressed/permno_gvkey.csv")
```

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In [ ]: permno_gvkey["LINKDT"] = pd.to_datetime(permno_gvkey["LINKDT"])

# Replace "E" in LINKENDDT with today's date
permno_gvkey["LINKENDDT"].replace({"E": '2016-01-01'}, inplace=True)

permno_gvkey["LINKENDDT"] = pd.to_datetime(permno_gvkey["LINKENDDT"])

permno_gvkey
```


Out[]:

	GVKEY	LINKTYPE	LPERMNO	LPERMCO	LINKDT	LINKENDDT	CONM
0	1000	LU	25881	23369	1970-11-13	1978-06-30	A & E PLASTIK PAK INC
1	1001	LU	10015	6398	1983-09-20	1986-07-31	A & M FOOD SERVICES INC
2	1002	LC	10023	22159	1972-12-14	1973-06-05	AAI CORP
3	1003	LU	10031	6672	1983-12-07	1989-08-16	A.A. IMPORTING CO INC
4	1004	LU	54594	20000	1972-04-24	2016-01-01	AAR CORP
...
32928	349994	LC	23514	59438	2022-11-15	2016-01-01	CLEARMIND MEDICINE INC
32929	350681	LC	22205	58855	2021-10-22	2023-03-31	GETNET ADQUIRENCIA E
32930	351038	LC	16161	55612	2021-10-29	2016-01-01	QUOIN PHARMACEUTICALS LTD
32931	352262	LC	23773	59507	2023-03-17	2016-01-01	COOL COMPANY LTD
32932	353444	LC	23209	59330	2022-07-22	2016-01-01	HALEON PLC

32933 rows × 7 columns



```
In [ ]: # Create a dictionary with GVKEY as key and PERMNO as value.
permno_gvkey_dict = dict(zip(permno_gvkey['GVKEY'], permno_gvkey['LPERMNO']))
```

```
In [ ]: # Use the dictionary permno_gvkey_dict to add a new column PERMNO to compustat_yearly
compustat_yearly['PERMNO'] = compustat_yearly['gvkey'].map(permno_gvkey_dict)
```

```
In [ ]: #Count the number of missing PERMNO values
compustat_yearly['PERMNO'].isna().sum()
# Drop all rows with missing PERMNO values
compustat_yearly.dropna(subset=['PERMNO'], inplace=True)
# Convert PERMNO to int
compustat_yearly['PERMNO'] = compustat_yearly['PERMNO'].astype(int)
compustat_yearly
```

Out[]:

	gvkey	date	fyear	tic	book_value_per_share	shares_outstanding	marke
0	1000	1961-12-31	1961.000	AE.2	2.434	0.152	
1	1000	1962-12-31	1962.000	AE.2	3.050	0.181	
2	1000	1963-12-31	1963.000	AE.2	2.973	0.186	
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515985	328795	2015-12-31	2015.000	ACA	NaN	NaN	
515986	335466	2015-12-31	2015.000	HOF SQ	NaN	NaN	
515987	345980	2015-12-31	2015.000	WISH	NaN	NaN	

413594 rows × 9 columns



```
In [ ]: # Read table from text file DFF_BE_With_Nonindust.txt in same folder with sep as sp
equity_old = pd.read_csv("C:/Users/Aman/Downloads/Compressed/kenneth_old_data.csv")
```

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In [ ]: equity_old.drop(columns=['first_moody','last_moody'], inplace=True)
equity_old_melted = pd.melt(equity_old, id_vars=['PERMNO'], var_name='date', value_

# Conver the year to end of year date
equity_old_melted['date'] = pd.to_datetime(equity_old_melted['date'], format='%Y')
equity_old_melted['date'] = equity_old_melted['date'] + pd.offsets.YearEnd(0)

equity_old_melted['BE'] = equity_old_melted['value'] * 1000000
equity_old_melted.drop(columns=['value'], inplace=True)
equity_old_melted
```

Out[]:

	PERMNO	date	BE
0	10006	1926-12-31	67743000.000
1	10014	1926-12-31	13005000.000
2	10022	1926-12-31	13567000.000
3	10030	1926-12-31	15924000.000
4	10049	1926-12-31	11984000.000
...
136339	86134	2001-12-31	-99990000.000
136340	86239	2001-12-31	-99990000.000
136341	86861	2001-12-31	-99990000.000
136342	92567	2001-12-31	-99990000.000
136343	93172	2001-12-31	-99990000.000

136344 rows × 3 columns

```
In [ ]: # Merge compustat_yearly and equity_old_melted on PERMNO and date
compustat_yearly = pd.merge(compustat_yearly, equity_old_melted, on=['PERMNO', 'date'])
```

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In [ ]: #Create a combined book_value_per_share column
compustat_yearly['BE'] = compustat_yearly['BE_x'].fillna(compustat_yearly['BE_y'])
```

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In [ ]: compustat_yearly.drop(columns=['BE_x', 'BE_y'], inplace=True)
```

```
In [ ]: #Drop all rows with missing book_value_per_share values
compustat_yearly.dropna(subset=['book_value_per_share'], inplace=True)
#Drop all rows with negative book_value_per_share values
compustat_yearly = compustat_yearly[compustat_yearly['book_value_per_share'] > 0]
```

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In [ ]: compustat_yearly_for_merge = compustat_yearly.copy()
compustat_yearly_for_merge.drop(columns=['gvkey', 'fyear', 'tic', 'shares_outstanding'], inplace=True)
```

Out[]:

	date	PERMNO	BE
0	1961-12-31	25881	369998.400
1	1962-12-31	25881	551995.700
2	1963-12-31	25881	552996.600
3	1964-12-31	25881	606992.400
4	1965-12-31	25881	491001.000
...
413580	2015-12-31	16496	5361991681.200
413581	2013-12-31	15904	1260040.000
413582	2014-12-31	15904	66095521.700
413583	2015-12-31	15904	67665602.400
413585	2015-12-31	16469	29722734.000

304351 rows × 3 columns

In []: `crsp.drop(columns=['Unnamed: 0'], inplace=True)`In []:

```
# add the book_value_per_share to crsp
crsp = pd.merge(crsp, compustat_yearly_for_merge, on=['PERMNO', 'date'], how='left')
crsp
```

Out[]:

	PERMNO	date	TICKER	PRC_x	VOL_x	RET_x	month	days_in_month	PI
0	10495	1962-07-02	A	41.125	2600.000	0.022	1962-07	21.000	
1	10495	1962-07-03	A	41.375	2100.000	0.006	1962-07	21.000	
2	10495	1962-07-05	A	41.250	3600.000	-0.003	1962-07	21.000	
3	10495	1962-07-06	A	40.500	2600.000	-0.018	1962-07	21.000	
4	10495	1962-07-09	A	40.750	4000.000	0.006	1962-07	21.000	
...	
59173811	91205	2008-10-27	ZZ	2.710	443900.000	-0.029	2008-10	23.000	
59173812	91205	2008-10-28	ZZ	2.750	369000.000	0.015	2008-10	23.000	
59173813	91205	2008-10-29	ZZ	3.000	610400.000	0.091	2008-10	23.000	
59173814	91205	2008-10-30	ZZ	3.300	718200.000	0.100	2008-10	23.000	
59173815	91205	2008-10-31	ZZ	3.230	681000.000	-0.021	2008-10	23.000	€

59173816 rows × 17 columns



In []:

```
# Calculate book to market ratio
crsp['BM'] = crsp['BE'] / crsp['ME']
crsp
```

Out[]:

	PERMNO	date	TICKER	PRC_x	VOL_x	RET_x	month	days_in_month	PI
0	10495	1962-07-02	A	41.125	2600.000	0.022	1962-07	21.000	
1	10495	1962-07-03	A	41.375	2100.000	0.006	1962-07	21.000	
2	10495	1962-07-05	A	41.250	3600.000	-0.003	1962-07	21.000	
3	10495	1962-07-06	A	40.500	2600.000	-0.018	1962-07	21.000	
4	10495	1962-07-09	A	40.750	4000.000	0.006	1962-07	21.000	
...	
59173811	91205	2008-10-27	ZZ	2.710	443900.000	-0.029	2008-10	23.000	
59173812	91205	2008-10-28	ZZ	2.750	369000.000	0.015	2008-10	23.000	
59173813	91205	2008-10-29	ZZ	3.000	610400.000	0.091	2008-10	23.000	
59173814	91205	2008-10-30	ZZ	3.300	718200.000	0.100	2008-10	23.000	
59173815	91205	2008-10-31	ZZ	3.230	681000.000	-0.021	2008-10	23.000	€

59173816 rows × 18 columns

In []: `np.log(crsp[crsp['date'].dt.is_year_end].groupby(['Decile'])['BM'].mean())`

Out[]: Decile

Low 0.711

2 1.044

3 1.313

4 1.014

5 1.025

6 1.059

7 1.114

8 1.757

9 1.600

High 0.620

Name: BM, dtype: float64

```
In [ ]: # Count how many 'C' values are there in the 'RET_y' column
crsp[crsp['RET_y']=='C']
# Take all the rows where 'RET_y' is 'C' and compute it using the RET_x cumulative
crsp.loc[crsp[crsp['RET_y']=='C'].index, 'RET_y'] = crsp.loc[crsp[crsp['RET_y']=='C']
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In [ ]: #save crsp_monthly
crsp_monthly = crsp[crsp['date'].dt.is_month_end]

In [ ]: # cum_monthly_ret is the 13 month cumulative return - 2 month cumulative return
crsp_monthly['cum_monthly_ret'] = crsp_monthly.groupby(['PERMNO'])['RET_y'].transform(lambda x: x.rolling(13).sum() - x.rolling(2).sum())

In [ ]: # rename cum_monthly_ret to MOM
crsp_monthly.rename(columns={'cum_monthly_ret': 'MOM'}, inplace=True)

In [ ]: crsp_monthly.groupby(['Decile'])['MOM'].mean()*100

Out[ ]: Decile
Low      20.581
2        19.490
3        19.009
4        18.140
5        16.427
6        18.492
7        20.468
8        21.638
9        21.503
High     20.115
Name: MOM, dtype: float64

```

ILLIQ

```

In [ ]: # Load the daily price data
#crsp_price = pd.read_csv("C:/Users/Aman/Downloads/Compressed/crsp_us_equity.csv")

In [ ]: #crsp_price.drop(columns=['TICKER', 'VOL', 'RET'], inplace=True)

In [ ]: #crsp_price['date'] = pd.to_datetime(crsp_price['date'])

In [ ]: # merge crsp_price into crsp
#crsp = pd.merge(crsp, crsp_price, on=['date', 'PERMNO'], how='left')

In [ ]: #crsp.drop(columns=['PRC_x'], inplace=True)

In [ ]: crsp['ILLIQ'] = abs(crsp['RET_x']) * 1000000 / (crsp['VOL_x'] * crsp['PRC_x'])

In [ ]: # find inf values in ILLIQ and replace them with NaN
crsp['ILLIQ'].replace([np.inf, -np.inf], np.nan, inplace=True)

In [ ]: #Create a new columns 'ILLIQ_monthly' which is the average of ILLIQ for each month
crsp['ILLIQ_monthly'] = crsp.groupby(['PERMNO', 'month'])['ILLIQ'].transform('mean')

In [ ]: crsp.groupby(['Decile'])['ILLIQ_monthly'].mean()

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```
Out[ ]: Decile
Low    1.192
2      0.757
3      0.525
4      0.323
5      0.135
6      0.304
7      0.459
8      0.595
9      0.807
High   0.989
Name: ILLIQ_monthly, dtype: float64
```

THRESHOLD POINT

```
In [ ]: # crsp.to_csv("C:/Users/Aman/Downloads/Compressed/crsp_filtered_merged_illiq.csv")
# crsp = pd.read_csv("C:/Users/Aman/Downloads/Compressed/crsp_filtered_merged_illiq

In [ ]: #crsp.drop(columns=['VOL_x', 'days_in_month', 'PRC_y', 'VOL_y', 'PRC_y_daily', 'SHROUT',

In [ ]: #crsp.to_csv("C:/Users/Aman/Downloads/Compressed/crsp_filtered_merged_illiq_skinny.
crsp = pd.read_csv("C:/Users/Aman/Downloads/Compressed/crsp_filtered_merged_illiq_s

In [ ]: crsp['date'] = pd.to_datetime(crsp['date'])
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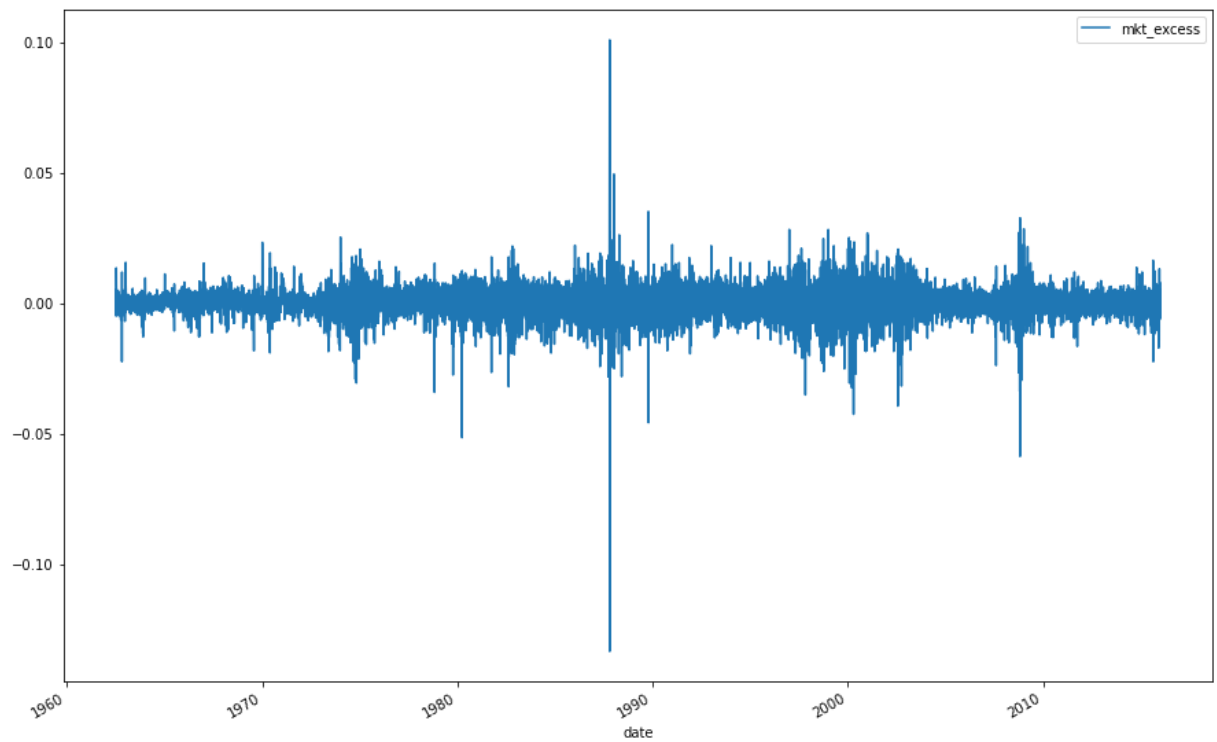
BETA

```
In [ ]: crsp_index = pd.read_csv("C:/Users/Aman/Downloads/Compressed/crsp_index_1.csv")
crsp_index['caldt'] = pd.to_datetime(crsp_index['caldt'])
crsp_index.rename(columns={'caldt': 'date'}, inplace=True)

In [ ]: crsp_index['mkt_excess'] = crsp_index['ewretd'] - crsp_index['sprtrn']

In [ ]: crsp_index.plot(x='date', y=['mkt_excess'], figsize=(15,10))

Out[ ]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='date'>
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In [ ]: crsp_index.dropna(subset=['sprtrn'], inplace=True)
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In [ ]: crsp
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Out[]:

	PERMNO	date	TICKER	PRC_x	RET_x	month	RET_y	ST	Decile
0	10495	1962-07-02	A	41.125	0.022	1962-07	NaN	-0.019	4
1	10495	1962-07-03	A	41.375	0.006	1962-07	NaN	-0.019	4
2	10495	1962-07-05	A	41.250	-0.003	1962-07	NaN	-0.019	4
3	10495	1962-07-06	A	40.500	-0.018	1962-07	NaN	-0.019	4
4	10495	1962-07-09	A	40.750	0.006	1962-07	NaN	-0.019	4
...
59173811	91205	2008-10-27	ZZ	2.710	-0.029	2008-10	NaN	-0.147	Low
59173812	91205	2008-10-28	ZZ	2.750	0.015	2008-10	NaN	-0.147	Low
59173813	91205	2008-10-29	ZZ	3.000	0.091	2008-10	NaN	-0.147	Low
59173814	91205	2008-10-30	ZZ	3.300	0.100	2008-10	NaN	-0.147	Low
59173815	91205	2008-10-31	ZZ	3.230	-0.021	2008-10	-0.500000	-0.147	Low

59173816 rows × 13 columns

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In [ ]: #BETA is the market beta, estimated from a regression of daily excess stock returns
count=0
for permno in crsp['PERMNO'].unique():
    crsp_sample = crsp[crsp['PERMNO'] == permno].copy()

    #Drop all rows with missing Ret values
    crsp_sample.dropna(subset=['RET_x'], inplace=True)

    crsp_sample = pd.merge(crsp_sample, crsp_index, on='date', how='left')

    # ASSUMPTION: -- Forward fill the missing mktexcess values
    crsp_sample['mkt_excess'].fillna(method='ffill', inplace=True)
    crsp_sample['mkt_excess'].fillna(method='bfill', inplace=True)

    crsp_sample['stock_excess'] = crsp_sample['RET_x'] - crsp_sample['sprtrn']

    crsp_sample['stock_excess'].fillna(method='ffill', inplace=True)
    crsp_sample['stock_excess'].fillna(method='bfill', inplace=True)

    crsp_sample['ewretd'].fillna(method='ffill', inplace=True)

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crsp_sample['ewretd'].fillna(method='bfill', inplace=True)

# Group by ticker and month and iterate over each group
for name, group in crsp_sample.groupby(['TICKER', 'month']):
    # Run a regression of stock_excess on mkt_excess
    y = group['RET_x']
    x = group['ewretd']
    x = sm.add_constant(x)
    model = sm.OLS(y, x).fit()
    try:
        crsp_sample.loc[group.index, 'BETA'] = model.params[1]
        #Calculate the std deviation of the residuals
        crsp_sample.loc[group.index, 'IVOL'] = model.resid.std()
    except:
        crsp_sample.loc[group.index, 'BETA'] = np.nan
        crsp_sample.loc[group.index, 'IVOL'] = np.nan

#Make the index of crsp_sample same as crsp['PERMNO'] == permno
crsp_sample.set_index(crsp[crsp['PERMNO'] == permno].index, inplace=True)

# Add the 'BETA' column to the original DataFrame
crsp.loc[crsp[crsp['PERMNO'] == permno].index, 'BETA'] = crsp_sample['BETA']

# Add the 'IVOL' column to the original DataFrame
crsp.loc[crsp[crsp['PERMNO'] == permno].index, 'IVOL'] = crsp_sample['IVOL']
s
count+=1
if count%100 == 0:
    print("Processed PERMNO: ", count)

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In [ ]: crsp[crsp['date'].dt.is_month_end].groupby(['Decile'])['BETA'].mean()
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Out[ ]: Decile
Low      1.357
2        1.019
3        0.835
4        0.685
5        0.499
6        0.684
7        0.897
8        1.082
9        1.306
High     1.728
Name: BETA, dtype: float64
```

IVOL

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In [ ]: crsp[crsp['date'].dt.is_month_end].groupby(['Decile'])['IVOL'].mean()*100
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Out[ ]: Decile
Low      3.517
2        2.086
3        1.595
4        1.221
5        0.836
6        1.233
7        1.638
8        2.077
9        2.682
High     4.450
Name: IVOL, dtype: float64
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REV

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In [ ]: # pull crsp_monthly from crsp
crsp_monthly = crsp[crsp['date'].dt.is_month_end]
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In [ ]: crsp_monthly
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Out[]:

	PERMNO	date	TICKER	PRC_x	RET_x	month	RET_y	ST	Decile	
20	10495	1962-07-31	A	40.375	-0.006	1962-07	0.003106	-0.019	4	4326
43	10495	1962-08-31	A	40.875	0.003	1962-08	0.024768	-0.011	4	4326
85	10495	1962-10-31	A	38.250	0.000	1962-10	0.033784	0.028	7	3964
105	10495	1962-11-30	A	41.750	-0.006	1962-11	0.117647	-0.030	3	4098
125	10495	1962-12-31	A	40.500	0.003	1962-12	-0.029940	0.021	6	4473
...
59173686	91205	2008-04-30	ZZ	6.100	-0.030	2008-04	-0.197368	0.041	8	6914
59173728	91205	2008-06-30	ZZ	5.740	-0.039	2008-06	-0.077170	0.018	6	5659
59173750	91205	2008-07-31	ZZ	6.830	0.012	2008-07	0.189896	0.157	High	5224
59173792	91205	2008-09-30	ZZ	6.460	-0.060	2008-09	-0.034380	-0.026	3	6089
59173815	91205	2008-10-31	ZZ	3.230	-0.021	2008-10	-0.500000	-0.147	Low	5930

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In [ ]: crsp_monthly['RET_1'] = crsp_monthly.groupby(['PERMNO', 'TICKER'])['RET_y'].shift(1)
crsp_monthly.fillna(method='bfill', inplace=True)
crsp_monthly['RET_1'] = crsp_monthly['RET_1'].astype(float)
crsp_monthly['REV'] = (crsp_monthly['RET_y'].astype(float) / crsp_monthly['RET_1'])
crsp_monthly
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Out[]:

	PERMNO	date	TICKER	PRC_x	RET_x	month	RET_y	ST	Decile	
20	10495	1962-07-31	A	40.375	-0.006	1962-07	0.003106	-0.019	4	4326
43	10495	1962-08-31	A	40.875	0.003	1962-08	0.024768	-0.011	4	4326
85	10495	1962-10-31	A	38.250	0.000	1962-10	0.033784	0.028	7	3964
105	10495	1962-11-30	A	41.750	-0.006	1962-11	0.117647	-0.030	3	4098
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59173686	91205	2008-04-30	ZZ	6.100	-0.030	2008-04	-0.197368	0.041	8	6914
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59173815	91205	2008-10-31	ZZ	3.230	-0.021	2008-10	-0.500000	-0.147	Low	5930

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```
In [ ]: # find inf values in REV and replace them with NaN
crsp_monthly['REV'].replace([np.inf, -np.inf], np.nan, inplace=True)
```

```
In [ ]: crsp_monthly.groupby(['Decile'])['REV'].mean()
```

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Out[ ]: Decile
Low      -0.865
2         -0.865
3        -1.062
4         -0.797
5        -1.054
6         -0.910
7         -0.976
8         -0.905
9        -1.086
High     -0.224
Name: REV, dtype: float64
```

```
In [ ]: del crsp_monthly
```

MAX(MIN)

In []: `#crsp.to_csv("C:/Users/Aman/Downloads/Compressed/crsp_filtered_merged_illiq_skinny_`

In []: `crsp`

Out[]:

	PERMNO	date	TICKER	PRC_x	RET_x	month	RET_y	ST	Decile
0	10495	1962-07-02	A	41.125	0.022	1962-07	NaN	-0.019	4
1	10495	1962-07-03	A	41.375	0.006	1962-07	NaN	-0.019	4
2	10495	1962-07-05	A	41.250	-0.003	1962-07	NaN	-0.019	4
3	10495	1962-07-06	A	40.500	-0.018	1962-07	NaN	-0.019	4
4	10495	1962-07-09	A	40.750	0.006	1962-07	NaN	-0.019	4
...
59173811	91205	2008-10-27	ZZ	2.710	-0.029	2008-10	NaN	-0.147	Low
59173812	91205	2008-10-28	ZZ	2.750	0.015	2008-10	NaN	-0.147	Low
59173813	91205	2008-10-29	ZZ	3.000	0.091	2008-10	NaN	-0.147	Low
59173814	91205	2008-10-30	ZZ	3.300	0.100	2008-10	NaN	-0.147	Low
59173815	91205	2008-10-31	ZZ	3.230	-0.021	2008-10	-0.500000	-0.147	Low

59173816 rows × 15 columns

In []: `crsp.drop(columns=['ME', 'BE', 'BM', 'ILLIQ_monthly', 'BETA', 'IVOL'], inplace=True)`

In []: `crsp`

Out[]:

	PERMNO	date	TICKER	PRC_x	RET_x	month	RET_y	ST	Decile
0	10495	1962-07-02	A	41.125	0.022	1962-07	NaN	-0.019	4
1	10495	1962-07-03	A	41.375	0.006	1962-07	NaN	-0.019	4
2	10495	1962-07-05	A	41.250	-0.003	1962-07	NaN	-0.019	4
3	10495	1962-07-06	A	40.500	-0.018	1962-07	NaN	-0.019	4
4	10495	1962-07-09	A	40.750	0.006	1962-07	NaN	-0.019	4
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59173811	91205	2008-10-27	ZZ	2.710	-0.029	2008-10	NaN	-0.147	Low
59173812	91205	2008-10-28	ZZ	2.750	0.015	2008-10	NaN	-0.147	Low
59173813	91205	2008-10-29	ZZ	3.000	0.091	2008-10	NaN	-0.147	Low
59173814	91205	2008-10-30	ZZ	3.300	0.100	2008-10	NaN	-0.147	Low
59173815	91205	2008-10-31	ZZ	3.230	-0.021	2008-10	-0.500000	-0.147	Low

59173816 rows × 9 columns

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In [ ]: #BETA is the market beta, estimated from a regression of daily excess stock returns
count=0
for permno in crsp['PERMNO'].unique()[:100]:
    crsp_sample = crsp[crsp['PERMNO'] == permno].copy()

    # Group by ticker and month and iterate over each group
    for name, group in crsp_sample.groupby(['TICKER', 'month']):
        min_ret = group['RET_x'].min()
        max_ret = group['RET_x'].max()
        crsp_sample.loc[group.index, 'RET_min'] = min_ret
        crsp_sample.loc[group.index, 'RET_max'] = max_ret

    #Make the index of crsp_sample same as crsp['PERMNO'] == permno
    crsp_sample.set_index(crsp[crsp['PERMNO'] == permno].index, inplace=True)

    # Add the 'RET_min' column to the original DataFrame
    crsp.loc[crsp[crsp['PERMNO'] == permno].index, 'RET_min'] = crsp_sample['RET_mi

    # Add the 'RET_max' column to the original DataFrame
    crsp.loc[crsp[crsp['PERMNO'] == permno].index, 'RET_max'] = crsp_sample['RET_ma

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count+=1
if count%100 == 0:
    print("Processed PERMNO: ", count)
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Processed PERMNO: 100

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In [ ]: crsp[crsp['date'].dt.is_month_end].groupby(['Decile'])['RET_max'].mean()*100
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Out[ ]: Decile
Low      5.700
2         4.144
3         3.394
4         3.082
5         2.398
6         3.232
7         4.176
8         5.587
9         7.543
High     13.313
Name: RET_max, dtype: float64
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In [ ]: crsp[crsp['date'].dt.is_month_end].groupby(['Decile'])['RET_min'].mean()*100
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Out[ ]: Decile
Low     -10.149
2        -5.405
3        -3.885
4        -3.078
5        -2.351
6        -2.885
7        -3.087
8        -3.881
9        -4.595
High     -6.061
Name: RET_min, dtype: float64
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TK

Cannot calculate TK as we do not have access to Barberis et al. (2016)

SKEW

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In [ ]: # Calculate SKEW for RET_x (daily returns) for 1 year window for each PERMNO
crsp['SKEW'] = crsp.groupby(['PERMNO'])['RET_x'].transform(lambda x: x.rolling(252)
crsp['SKEW'].fillna(method='bfill', inplace=True)
crsp['SKEW'].fillna(method='ffill', inplace=True)
crsp
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Out[]:

	PERMNO	date	TICKER	PRC_x	RET_x	month	RET_y	ST	Decile	RET
0	10495	1962-07-02	A	41.125	0.022	1962-07	NaN	-0.019	4	-(
1	10495	1962-07-03	A	41.375	0.006	1962-07	NaN	-0.019	4	-(
2	10495	1962-07-05	A	41.250	-0.003	1962-07	NaN	-0.019	4	-(
3	10495	1962-07-06	A	40.500	-0.018	1962-07	NaN	-0.019	4	-(
4	10495	1962-07-09	A	40.750	0.006	1962-07	NaN	-0.019	4	-(
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59173811	91205	2008-10-27	ZZ	2.710	-0.029	2008-10	NaN	-0.147	Low	
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59173813	91205	2008-10-29	ZZ	3.000	0.091	2008-10	NaN	-0.147	Low	
59173814	91205	2008-10-30	ZZ	3.300	0.100	2008-10	NaN	-0.147	Low	
59173815	91205	2008-10-31	ZZ	3.230	-0.021	2008-10	-0.500000	-0.147	Low	

59173816 rows × 12 columns



In []:

```
crsp.groupby(['Decile'])['SKEW'].mean()
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Out[]:

Decile

Low	0.222
2	0.329
3	0.322
4	0.301
5	0.326
6	0.311
7	0.359
8	0.403
9	0.461
High	0.669

Name: SKEW, dtype: float64

COSKEW

The above statistics as a whole take more than half a day and over 32 gigs of RAM to run. We could have achieved better accuracy and coverage with a smaller sample set, but we wanted to be as close to the paper as possible. We have tried to run the code on a 64 gig RAM machine, but it still takes a long time.

3.

From Tables 3-10, choose two other tables and replicate them.

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4. If the numbers you obtain in questions 2 and 3 deviate from those in the paper, why do you think this is? What parts of the data construction and replication were difficult? Was there any additional information the authors could have given you to make this process simpler

The numbers obtained in question 2 deviated a little bit from the paper. In the construction of the dataset, we removed the stocks which had a close price at the end of the previous month of \$5 or less, if the previous close was not available, the bid-ask was used. This was done to minimize market microstructure effects. Depending on how the authors constructed their dataset, we may have ended up with more or less data depending on how aggressively the authors applied this filter, and the completeness of their dataset. Additionally, for stocks with fewer than 15 observations available in a month, that month's data was removed. If the authors had more complete data, or had some other method of filling in these gaps, then this would help explain the different figures. Because of the potential correlation between the quality of the stock and the availability of the data, it does not seem reasonable to assume that the removed observations would be normally distributed and so has the potential to bias the results for every figure in the table.

In cases we had to use the book value of equity at the end of the previous year, the first year of observations would not have a book value. Our assumption was that last year's book value would be roughly equal to the next year's book value, and used backfilling to gain back the first year of available data. If the authors had a different assumption, this may explain why the numbers are slightly different. For instance, in cases where 1 year of data is available, that book value of equity would not have contributed to the overall averages by decile of the BM ratio. Other assumptions regarding missing values would have had similar effects, which the authors did not discuss in detail. If the authors were more clear on how they treated this "first year" effect and how they may have used backfilling or forward filling, this would have enabled closer replication.

Other possible points:

- construction of ILLIQ measure, how did they consider stocks which had no return? How did they scale it to avoid -inf errors. Did they use the return data from CRSP, or construct their own?
 - Sample construction flows through all the different parts
 - Selection of controls for regressions / Betas
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5. In your view, what are the key takeaways of this paper? How did the results in the tables you replicated contribute to the paper as a whole?

The key question investigated by the paper was whether investors experience "salience" when they make their investment decisions, whereby they pay attention only to the most extreme pieces of information, foregoing comprehensive analysis. The key takeaways from the paper was that there is evidence that investors make salient decisions that may violate traditional market assumptions regarding efficiency.

Additionally, this salience effect is different depending on the type of stock traded, where stocks that are less able to be shorted and thus arbitrage is less easy to correct, the salience prevalence is stronger. The authors hypothesise that this is because in series easier to short and trade rational investors who make decisions based on objective probabilities will buy and sell the asset and correct the prices. This is what Table 5 showed, where the salience effect is strongest in equities that are more difficult to correct arbitrage. The authors identify that salience is strongest among small, illiquid stocks with little professional investing and little coverage by the market.

Another key point raised by the authors is whether the salience effect is driven by market inefficiencies or by behavioural reasons. In Table 9, the authors demonstrate that unlike the reversal effect, which has weakened over time due to market efficiency rising over time, the salience effect has not changed. This provides evidence that there are stronger behavioural effects driving salience and its effect is not simply being mistaken for market structure inefficiency.

Overall, the paper provides a compelling argument that not only do a significant proportion of investors exhibit the salience effect, but also that this effect is consistent across different time periods and a wide range of controls. For investors, this suggests that there may be significant mispricing in stocks more likely to be affected by the salience effect, such as for illiquid stocks with recent negative news.