

## Metadata

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## Objectives

- Use numpy and functions to compute a stock's CAPM beta
- Perform sensitivity analysis to understand how the data points impact the beta estimate

## Background

In finance, CAPM is a single-factor regression model used for explaining and predicting excess stock returns.

There are better, more accurate models, but it has its uses.

For example, the **market beta** is a useful output.

Here is the formula for calculating the expected excess return:

$$E[R_i] - R_f = \beta_i(E[R_m] - R_f)$$

where:

$ER_i$  = expected return of stock i

$R_f$  = risk-free rate

$\beta_i$  = beta of the stock

$ER_m - R_f$  = market risk premium

Review the instructions below to complete the requested tasks.

**TOTAL POINTS: 10**

## Set Up

### Import NumPy

```
import numpy as np
```

### Define Risk-free Treasury rate

You will use this constant below.

```
R_f = 0.0175 / 252
```

## Data Preparation

We import the data and convert it into usable Numby arrays.

### Read in the market data

The values are closing prices, adjusted for splits and dividends.

The prefixes of the second two columns are based on the following codes:

- SPY is an ETF for the S&P 500 (i.e. the stock market as whole)
- AAPL stands for Apple

```
data_file = "capm_market_data.csv"
```

```
data_2D = np.array([row.strip().split(',') for row in open(data_file, 'r').readlines()])
```

### Separate columns from the data

```
COLS = np.str_(data_2D[0])
```

```
COLS
```

```
"['date' 'spy_adj_close' 'aapl_adj_close']"
```

### Separate columns by data types

Numpy wants everything in a data structure to be of the same type.

```
DATES = data_2D[1:, 0]
```

```
RETURNS = data_2D[1:, 1:].astype('float')
```

## Instructions

### Q1 (1 PT)

Print the first 5 rows of the RETURNS table.

```
# PRINT ROWS
```

### Q2 (1 PT)

Print the first five values from the SPY column in RETURNS.

Then do the same for the AAPL column.

Use one cell for each operation.

```
# PRINT VALUES FOR SPY
```

```
# PRINT VALUES FOR AAPL
```

### Q3 (1 PT)

Compute the excess returns by subtracting the constant `R_f` from `RETURNS`.

Save the result as numpy 2D array (i.e. a table) named `EXCESS`.

Print the LAST five rows from the new table.

```
# COMPUTE EXCESS
# PRINT ROWS
```

### Q 4 (1 PT)

Make a simple scatterplot using Matplotlib with SPY excess returns on the x-axis, AAPL excess returns on the y-axis.

Hint: Use the following code:

```
from matplotlib.pyplot import scatter

scatter(<x>, <y>)
```

Replace `<x>` and `<y>` with the appropriate vectors.

You may want to save the vectors for the SPY and AAPL columns as `x` and `y` respectively. This will make it visually easier to answer question 6.

```
# ENTER CODE
```

### Q5 (3 PTS)

Use the normal equation, listed below, to compute the Regression Coefficient Estimate of the data plotted above,  $\hat{\beta}_i$ .

Note that  $x^T$  denotes transpose of  $x$ .

$$\hat{\beta}_i = (x^T x)^{-1} x^T y$$

Use the Numpy functions for matrix to do this - multiplication, transpose, and inverse.

Note, however, that since  $x$  in this case a single column matrix, i.e. a vector, the result of  $x^T x$  will be a scalar, which is not invertable. So you can just invert the result by division, i.e.

$$\hat{\beta}_i = \frac{1}{x^T x} (x^T y)$$

Be sure to review what these operations do, and how they work, if you're a bit rusty.

**You should find that  $\hat{\beta}_i > 1$ .**

This means that the risk of AAPL stock, given the data, and according to this particular (flawed) model, is higher relative to the risk of the S&P 500.

*# ENTER CODE*

## Q6 (3 PTS)

### Measuring Beta Sensitivity to Dropping Observations (Jackknifing)

Let's understand how sensitive the beta is to each data point.

We want to drop each data point (one at a time), compute  $\hat{\beta}_i$  using our formula from above, and save each measurement.

Write a function called `beta_sensitivity()` with these specs:

- Take numpy arrays `x` and `y` as inputs.
- For each observation `i`, compute the beta without the current observation. You can use a `lambda` function for this.
- Return a list of tuples each containing the observation row dropped and the beta estimate, i.e. something like `(i, beta_est)`, depending how you've named your variables.

Hint: `np.delete(x, i)` will delete observation `i` from array `x`.

Call `beta_sensitivity()` and print the first five tuples of output.

*# ENTER FUNCTION*

*# CALL FUNCTION*

*# READ DATA*