Stein_QTS_Project

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1 QTS Final Version

```
[]: from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
     import pandas as pd
     import numpy as np
     import functools
     import statistics
     import math
     import os
     from datetime import datetime, timedelta
     import random
     import scipy as sp
     import warnings
     import gzip
     from collections import Counter
     from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
     from sklearn import linear_model
     warnings.filterwarnings("ignore", category=UserWarning, module="pandas")
     pd.options.mode.chained_assignment = None
     import statsmodels
     from statsmodels.regression.rolling import RollingOLS
     import requests
     import matplotlib as mpl
     import statsmodels.formula.api as smf
     import statsmodels.api as sm
     import seaborn as sns
     import scipy.stats as stats
     plt.style.use('seaborn')
     mpl.rcParams['font.family'] = 'serif'
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2 Senate and House of Representatives Trading Data

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data_senate = data_senate.sort_index()
     data_senate = data_senate.dropna(subset=['ticker'])
     data_senate
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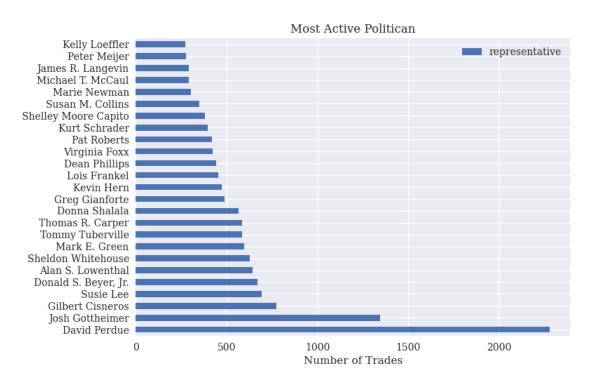
data_senate = data_senate.set_index(data_senate['disclosure_date'])

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[]: data_house = pd.read_csv('C:/Users/dcste/OneDrive/Economics_Research/

→Economics_Research/all_transactions_house (2).csv')
     data_house['disclosure_date'] = pd.to_datetime(data_house['disclosure_date'])
     data_house = data_house.set_index(data_house['disclosure_date'])
     data_house = data_house.sort_index()
     data_house = data_house.dropna(subset=['ticker'])
     data_house = data_house[data_house['ticker'] != "--"]
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[]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x1d6bbd9c100>



3 Importing Important Economic & Financial Variables

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[]: import quandl
    import fredapi
    apikey = 'J fXGeVW zC6RaDeJSQv'
    quandl.ApiConfig.api key = apikey
    api fred = 'caf2a437b55be8f56406870c1bed3521'
    fred = fredapi.Fred(api_key= api_fred)
[]: period_begin = '2004-01-01'
    end_date = data.index[-1]
[]: market = quandl.get_table('QUOTEMEDIA/PRICES', ticker = 'SPY',qopts = ____
     ⇔end_date}).set_index('date').sort_index()
    MARKET RETURNS = market.resample('M').last().pct change()
    MARKET_RETURNS.columns = ['MKT_RETS']
    interest_rates = quandl.get('YC/USA', start_date = period_begin,end_date = ___
     ⇔end_date) [['1-Month', '3-Month', '10-Year']]*(1/100)
    interest_rates['term_spread'] =__
     ⇔interest_rates['10-Year']-interest_rates['3-Month']
    interest_rates = interest_rates.resample('M').last()
    spy_earnings_yield = quandl.get('MULTPL/SP500_EARNINGS_YIELD_MONTH', start_date_
     consumer sentiment = quandl.get('UMICH/SOC1',start date = period begin,
     ⇔end_date= end_date).rename(columns={'Value':'Industrial_Production'}).
     →pct_change().fillna(0)
[]: oil = quandl.get('OPEC/ORB', start_date = period_begin, end_date=end_date).

¬rename(columns={'Value':'OPEC_Crude_Price'})
    oil = oil.resample('M').last()
    oil_change = oil.pct_change()
    inflation = quandl.get('RATEINF/CPI_USA', start_date = '2002-01-01', end_date = __
     ⇔end_date).rename(columns={'Value':'CPI'})
    inflation_rets = inflation.pct_change()
    inflation['inflation_shift'] = inflation.shift(12)
    inflation['YoY_Change'] = (inflation['CPI']/inflation['inflation_shift'])-1
    inflation.dropna(inplace=True)
[]: # Downloading AAA and BAA corporate bond yield from FRED WEBSIDE
    AAA = pd.DataFrame(fred.get_series('DAAA'), columns = ['AAA_Yield'])*(1/100)
    BAA = pd.DataFrame(fred.get_series('DBAA'), columns=['BAA_Yield'])*(1/100)
    corporate_bond_yields = BAA.join(AAA, how = 'inner')
    corporate_bond_yields = corporate_bond_yields.fillna(corporate_bond_yields.
      →mean())
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corporate_bond_yields['dsspread'] = corporate_bond_yields.BAA_Yield -

⇔corporate_bond_yields.AAA_Yield

corporate_bonds = corporate_bond_yields.resample('M').last()
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mprices = market.resample('M').last()
spy_mend_eps = spy_earnings_yield.resample('M').last()
spy_mend_eps = spy_mend_eps.rolling(12).sum()
EPRATIO = pd.DataFrame(np.log(spy_mend_eps).values - np.log(mprices).values,__
columns=['EPRATIO'], index = mprices.index)
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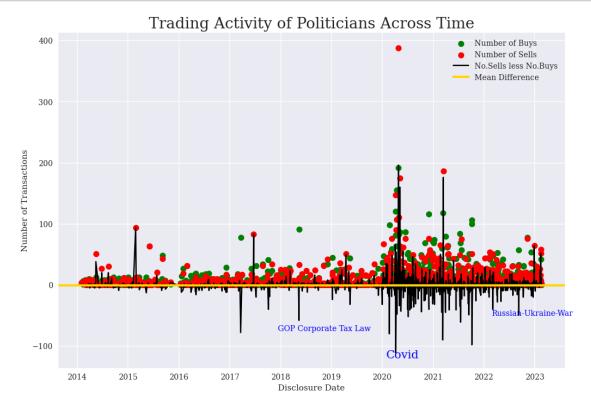
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[]: TB3_Rate_Lag1 = interest_rates[['3-Month']].shift(3)
     TB3_Rate_Lag1.columns = ['Three_M_TBill_Lag3']
     tsspread_lag1 = interest_rates[['term_spread']].shift(3)
     tsspread_lag1.columns = ['term_spread_lag3']
     dsspread lag1 = corporate bonds[['dsspread']].shift(6)
     dsspread_lag1.columns = ['dsspread_lag6']
     epratio_lag1 = EPRATIO.shift(1)
     epratio lag1.columns = ['epratio lag1']
     consumer_sentiment_lag1 = consumer_sentiment.shift(3)
     oil_lag = oil_change.shift(2)
     oil_lag.columns = ['Oil_Rets_lag2']
     oil_rets_sq = (oil_change.shift(2))**2
     oil_rets_sq.columns =['Oil_Rets_Squared']
     inflation_lag2 = inflation[['YoY_Change']].shift(2)
     inflation_lag2.columns = ['Inflation_YOY_lag2']
     inflation_yoy_sq = (inflation[['YoY_Change']].shift(2))**2
     inflation_yoy_sq.columns = ['Inflation_YOY_Squared']
     consumer_sentiment_lag1.columns = ['UMICH_Consumer_Sentiment_lag3']
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3.1 Importing Tickers

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[]: # Getting Funding Rates for taking short positions
          repo = (quandl.get('YC/USA1M', start_date = '2000-01-01', end_date = '1000-01-01', end_date = '1000-01', end_date = '1000-0
             4'2023-03-01', returns = 'pandas')-1)*(1/100)
          repo.columns = ['Funding Rate']
[]: def filter_trade_type(trade_type:str):
                   if trade_type == 'Purchase':
                            trade_type = 'Buy'
                   elif trade_type == 'purchase':
                            trade_type = 'Buy'
                   elif trade_type == 'sale':
                            trade_type = 'Sell'
                   elif trade_type == 'Sale (Partial)':
                            trade_type = 'Sell'
                   elif trade_type == 'sale_partial':
                            trade_type = 'Sell'
                   elif trade_type == 'Sale (Full)':
                            trade type = 'Sell'
                   elif trade_type == 'sale_full':
                            trade_type = 'Sell'
                   return trade_type
[]: data_copy = data.copy()
[]: data_copy['type'] = data_copy['type'].apply(filter_trade_type)
          data_copy = data_copy[(data_copy.type == "Buy") | (data_copy.type == "Sell")]
               • Constructing PTI Person-Based-Trading Index
[]: PTI_df = data_copy[['transaction_date', 'ticker', 'type']]
          p = data_copy[['ticker','type','representative']]
          p['Date'] = p.index
          trades_grouped = p.groupby([pd.
            Grouper(key='Date'), 'representative', 'ticker', 'type']).nunique().
            →reset_index()
          trades_grouped = trades_grouped.pivot_table(index = 'Date',columns='type',u
             ⇔values='ticker',aggfunc='count').fillna(0)
[]: # Use Trades Grouped to Calculate Trading Index
          trades_grouped['Difference'] = trades_grouped['Buy']-trades_grouped['Sell']
          trades_grouped['No_Trades'] = trades_grouped['Buy'] + trades_grouped['Sell']
[]: buys_sells = PTI_df.pivot_table(index = PTI_df.index,__

¬columns='type',values='ticker',aggfunc='count')
          buys_sells = buys_sells.fillna(0)
          buys_sells['Difference'] = buys_sells['Buy'] - buys_sells['Sell']
          buys_sells['No_Trades'] = buys_sells['Buy'] + buys_sells['Sell']
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[]: plt.figure(figsize=(12,8))
     plt.scatter(buys_sells.index,buys_sells.Buy, c = 'green', label = 'Number of_
      ⇔Buys', linewidth = 1)
     plt.scatter(buys_sells.index,buys_sells.Sell, c = 'red', label = 'Number of_
      ⇔Sells', linewidth = 1)
     plt.plot(buys_sells.Sell- buys_sells.Buy,c='black',label= 'No.Sells less No.
     plt.axhline((buys_sells.Sell-buys_sells.Buy).mean(), label = 'Mean Difference', __
      →linewidth = 3,color = 'gold')
     plt.text(pd.to_datetime('2020-01-30'), -120,'Covid', c = 'blue', fontsize = 15)
     plt.text(pd.to_datetime('2022-02-24'),-50,'Russian-Ukraine-War', c = 'blue',_
      \rightarrowfontsize = 10)
     plt.text(pd.to_datetime('2017-12-15'),-75,'GOP Corporate Tax Law', c = 'blue', u
      ofontsize = 10)
     plt.legend(loc =0)
     plt.xlabel('Disclosure Date')
     plt.ylabel('Number of Transactions')
     plt.title('Trading Activity of Politicians Across Time', fontsize = 20)
     plt.savefig('Trading_Activity.png')
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• As you can see from the chart above there are spikes in the **Number of Buys** and **Number of Sells** on any given disclosure date. It begs the question of why? It is human nature that when it comes to money - generally speaking- we are always motiviated in our self interest. Yes,

the **STOCK ACT** is *supposed* to prohibit members of Congress and employees of Congress from using priviate information derived from their official positions for their personal benefit. In the court of law, proving such insider trading is probably impossible and not a top priority for the Department of Justice. With that being said, I believe we can find a predictive signal from aggregate *buying* and *selling* activity of United States Politicians.

- Since politicians are privy to sensitive economic, geopolitical, and other important information before others know, we can get a better understanding of their psychological mindset. *Buying* and *Selling* relate to fear and greed. If politicians know sensitive macroeconomic information, they will without a doubt react emotionally through buying and selling out of greed or fear.
- For example, even though many investors *knew* about Covid-19, **many investors did not know** just how bad it would affect the global economy. However, being that politicians are surrouded by top scientists and the most up-to-date information, they have a better perspective on the gravity of the situation. It would make sense they would trade on this knowledge by selling off assets and raising cash to protect their money.
- ullet In the following week, month, or even quarter markets will begin to price-in this negative sentiment.

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[]: pti_index.describe()
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[]: PTI_lag1 = pti_index[['Z_PTI_Index']].shift(2)
     PTI_lag1.columns = ['Z_PTI_Lag2']
     #PTI laq1['Z PTI Index Shift 3'] = pti index[['Z PTI Index']].shift(3)
     #PTI_lag1.columns = ['Z_PTI_Lag2', 'Z_PTI_Lag3']
     MARKET_lag1 = MARKET_RETURNS.shift(1)
     MARKET lag1.columns = ['MKT Rets Lag1']
     MARKET_lag2 = MARKET_RETURNS.shift(2)
     MARKET lag2.columns = ['MKT Rets lag2']
     MARKET_lag3 = MARKET_RETURNS.shift(3)
    MARKET lag3.columns = ['MKT Rets Lag3']
     MARKET lag4 = MARKET RETURNS.shift(4)
     MARKET_lag4.columns = ['MKT_Rets_lag4']
     MARKET_lag6 = MARKET_RETURNS.shift(6)
     MARKET_lag6.columns = ['MKT_Rets_Lag6']
     MARKET_lag9 = MARKET_RETURNS.shift(9)
     MARKET_lag9.columns = ['MKT_Rets_Lag9']
     MARKET_lag12 = MARKET_RETURNS.shift(12)
     MARKET_lag12.columns = ['MKT_Rets_Lag12']
     MARKET_Lag24 = MARKET_RETURNS.shift(24)
     MARKET_Lag24.columns = ['MKT_Rets_Lag24']
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[]: DATA_MATRIX = PTI_lag1

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[]: DATA MATRIX = DATA MATRIX.merge(MARKET RETURNS,left index=True,right index=True)
     DATA_MATRIX = DATA_MATRIX.merge(MARKET_lag1, left_index=True, right_index=True)
     DATA_MATRIX = DATA_MATRIX.merge(MARKET_lag2, left_index=True, right_index=True)
     DATA MATRIX = DATA MATRIX.merge(MARKET lag3, left_index=True, right_index=True)
     DATA MATRIX = DATA MATRIX.merge(MARKET lag4, left_index=True, right_index=True)
     DATA MATRIX = DATA MATRIX.merge(MARKET lag6, left_index=True, right_index=True)
     DATA_MATRIX = DATA_MATRIX.merge(MARKET_lag12, left_index=True, right_index=True)
     DATA MATRIX = DATA_MATRIX.merge(MARKET_Lag24, left_index=True, right_index=True)
     # Adding Macroeconomic and other Important Financial Variables
     DATA_MATRIX = DATA_MATRIX.merge(TB3_Rate_Lag1, left_index=True,_
      →right_index=True)
     DATA MATRIX = DATA MATRIX.merge(tsspread lag1, left index=True,
      →right_index=True)
     DATA_MATRIX = DATA_MATRIX.merge(dsspread_lag1, left_index=True,__
      →right_index=True)
     DATA_MATRIX = DATA_MATRIX.merge(epratio_lag1, left_index=True, right_index=True)
     DATA_MATRIX = DATA_MATRIX.merge(oil_lag, left_index=True, right_index=True)
     DATA_MATRIX = DATA_MATRIX.merge(oil_rets_sq, left_index=True, right_index=True)
     DATA_MATRIX = DATA_MATRIX.merge(inflation_lag2, left_index=True,_

¬right_index=True)
     DATA_MATRIX = DATA_MATRIX.merge(inflation_yoy_sq, left_index=True,_
      →right index=True)
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DATA_MATRIX = DATA_MATRIX.merge(consumer_sentiment_lag1, left_index=True,_
      →right_index=True)
[]: corr_mat = DATA_MATRIX.corr()
     corr_mat = pd.DataFrame(corr_mat.unstack().sort_values(),__

¬columns=['Correlation'])
     corr_mat = corr_mat.loc[corr_mat.Correlation != 1]
[]: corr_mat
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     epratio_lag1
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     std
              0.252956
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PTI_Index 2015-08-31 dtype: datetime64[ns]

- The average monthly change of aggregate buying and selling of politicians since 2014 is 1.242%. This means that on average, politicians were generally buying more by 1.242% than selling. The standard deviation of the index is 25.29%. Even though there was significant trading levels starting at the onset of the pandemic, the greatest percent changes in absolute values of the PTI Index happened at the beginning of 2015 and end of 2015. I believe the spike in selling in early 2015 was closely related to the sharp rise of OIL Prices during early 2015.
- The sharp increase in the PTI index in the month of August 2015 could potentially be related to China's decision to weaken the Yuan in hopes of fostering further GDP growth and exportation of their cheap goods. Politicians may have reacted positively at this news.

[]: DATA_MATRIX.describe()

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3.2 Regression

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[]: DATA_MATRIX.columns

[]: results.summary()

[]: <class 'statsmodels.iolib.summary.Summary'>

OLS Regression Results

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Dep. Variable:	MKT_RETS	R-squared:	0.266	
Model:	OLS	OLS Adj. R-squared:		0.152
Method:	Least Squares	F-statistic:		2.330
Date:	Tue, 07 Mar 2023	Prob (F-statis	stic):	0.00862
Time:	00:02:11	Log-Likelihood	1 :	194.70
No. Observations:	105	AIC:		-359.4
Df Residuals:	90	BIC:		-319.6
Df Model:	14			
Covariance Type:	nonrobust			
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Intercept	0.08	0.059	1.394	0.167
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Z PTI Lag2	0.01	0.004	2.464	0.016

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MKT_Rets_Lag1	-0.3278	0.106	-3.099	0.003
-0.538 -0.118				
MKT_Rets_lag2	-0.2698	0.124	-2.174	0.032
-0.516 -0.023				
MKT_Rets_Lag3	-0.1569	9 0.117	-1.343	0.183
-0.389 0.075				
MKT_Rets_lag4	-0.1748	0.124	-1.412	0.161
-0.421 0.071				
Three_M_TBill_Lag3	-1.2488	3 1.020	-1.224	0.224
-3.275 0.778				
term_spread_lag3	-2.2658	3 1.413	-1.603	0.112
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dsspread_lag6	-2.119	1 2.242	-0.945	0.347
-6.573 2.335				
epratio_lag1	0.010	5 0.023	0.448	0.655
-0.036 0.057				
Oil_Rets_lag2	0.051	2 0.038	1.364	0.176
-0.023 0.126				
Oil_Rets_Squared	0.1559	9 0.104	1.492	0.139
-0.052 0.363				
Inflation_YOY_lag2	0.997	1.049	0.951	0.344
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Inflation_YOY_Squared	-14.1639	9.933	-1.426	0.157
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UMICH_Consumer_Sentiment_lag3	0.218	5 0.092	2.370	0.020
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Omnibus:	33.862	 Durbin-Watso		1.919
Prob(Omnibus):	0.000	Jarque-Bera		75.694
Skew:		Prob(JB):	(52).	3.66e-17
Kurtosis:	6.352	Cond. No.		4.85e+03
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Notes:

- [1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly specified.
- [2] The condition number is large, 4.85e+03. This might indicate that there are strong multicollinearity or other numerical problems.

3.3 Model OLS Statisitics

	Beta_Coefficients	SE	t_stat	pval
Intercept	0.0823	0.05903	1.39422	0.16668
Z_PTI_Lag2	0.01075	0.00436	2.46382	0.01565
MKT_Rets_Lag1	-0.32779	0.10576	-3.09937	0.00259
MKT_Rets_lag2	-0.26984	0.1241	-2.17437	0.0323
MKT_Rets_Lag3	-0.15693	0.11687	-1.34279	0.18272
MKT_Rets_lag4	-0.17476	0.12374	-1.41229	0.16131
$Three_M_TBill_Lag3$	-1.2488	1.01994	-1.22438	0.22401
$term_spread_lag3$	-2.26582	1.41304	-1.6035	0.11233
dsspread_lag6	-2.11906	2.24185	-0.94523	0.34707
epratio_lag1	0.01047	0.02339	0.4477	0.65544
Oil_Rets_lag2	0.0512	0.03754	1.36384	0.17602
Oil_Rets_Squared	0.15586	0.10449	1.49167	0.13928
Inflation_YOY_lag2	0.99759	1.04922	0.95079	0.34426
Inflation_YOY_Squared	-14.1639	9.9331	-1.42593	0.15735
$UMICH_Consumer_Sentiment_lag3$	0.21848	0.09219	2.36977	0.01994

- The coefficient on **Z-PTI** is very statistically significant. Thus, holding other factors fixed, a one-standard devation or roughly a 25% increase in the PTI index will on average increase market returns by 100 basis points.
- This partial effect is very large, however, one major problem I will have to address when I forcast future returns is that I will never know the **true distribution of the PTI Index**. This will force me to regress on the 2-month lagged PTI_index instead of the z-scored PTI_Index.

3.4 Eplanation of other Variables

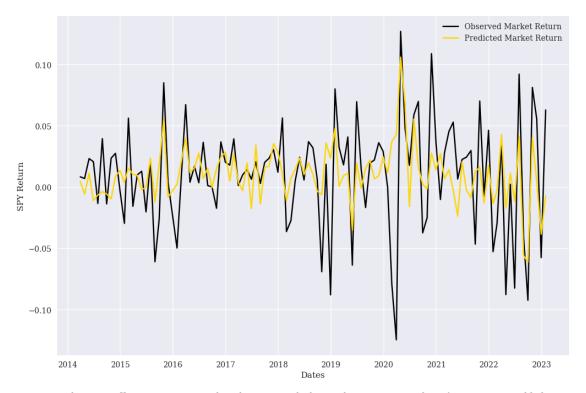
- Above you can see that I controlled for the lagged market returns to try and control for serial correlation between ε_t and $\hat{r}_{spy,t}$.
- The negative coefficients on three month treasury bill rates, default spreads (defined as BAA yields less AAA yields) both make economic sense. If yields rise, the present value of all future discounted cashflows declines. This would cause returns to decline negatively, as investors would sell off equities and allocate more to fixed-income. Additionally, higher yields indicate increased risk. When risk aversion increases, it would economically make sense there would be a sell-off in assets.
- I wanted to square Oil returns and Inflation returns to uncover either increasing/decreasing marginal effects. It turns out that on average, 2-month lagged oil price percent changes have an increasing marginal effect. This was surprising to me, but the effect is *small*. The coefficient on inflation tells an interesting and economically logical story. While small year over year changes in inflation mean the market environment is stable, drastic increases in inflation actually will without a doubt hurt future one-month spy returns. In fact, the average partial effect of inflation can be characterized as $\frac{\partial r_{spy,t}}{\partial infl_{t-2}} = .99752 28.3278 \cdot r_{infl,t-2}$. This means if $r_{infl,t-2} > 3.5213\%$, then **expected future market returns will decline**.
- There is no meaningful interpretation from the intercept.

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[]: smf.ols('MKT_RETS~MKT_Rets_Lag1', data =DATA_MATRIX ).fit(disp = 0).summary()
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[]: <class 'statsmodels.iolib.summary.Summary'> OLS Regression Results Dep. Variable: MKT RETS R-squared: 0.038 Model: OLS Adj. R-squared: 0.029 Least Squares F-statistic: Method: 4.185 Date: Tue, 07 Mar 2023 Prob (F-statistic): 0.0432 00:08:02 Log-Likelihood: Time: 188.30 No. Observations: 109 AIC: -372.6Df Residuals: 107 BIC: -367.2Df Model: 1 Covariance Type: nonrobust ______ coef std err t P>|t| [0.025] 0.975] Intercept 0.0116 0.004 2.729 0.007 0.003 0.020 MKT_Rets_Lag1 -0.1952 0.095 -2.046 0.043 -0.384______ Omnibus: 12.424 Durbin-Watson: 2.043 Prob(Omnibus): Jarque-Bera (JB): 0.002 13.373 Skew: -0.728 Prob(JB): 0.00125 Cond. No. Kurtosis: 3.908 23.0 ______ [1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly specified. 11 11 11 []: predictions = pd.DataFrame(results.fittedvalues,__ →columns=['Forecasted_Market_Return']) observed_values = DATA_MATRIX[['MKT_RETS']] dependendent_variables = predictions.join(observed_values, how = 'inner') errors = pd.DataFrame(results.resid,columns=['Residuals'])

[]: dependendent_variables.corr() []: Forecasted_Market_Return MKT_RETS

[]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x1d6c3425580>

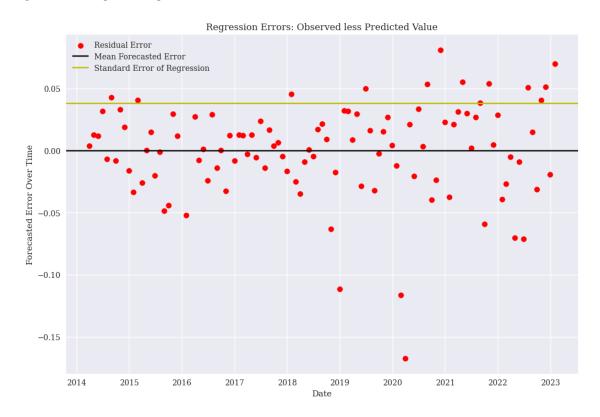


 $Correlation \ Coefficient \ Between \ Predicted \ returns \ and \ Observed \ Returns \ is \ equal \ to \ 51.57\% \ on \ a \ monthly \ basis$

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[]: plt.figure(figsize=(12,8))
   plt.scatter(errors.index,errors, label = 'Residual Error', c = 'red')
   plt.axhline(0,label = 'Mean Forecasted Error', c= 'black')
   plt.axhline(errors.std().values, label = 'Standard Error of Regression', c = 'y')
   plt.title('Regression Errors: Observed less Predicted Value')
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plt.xlabel('Date')
plt.ylabel('Forecasted Error Over Time')
plt.legend(loc = 0)
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[]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x1d6c6047dc0>



3.5 Test for Serial Correlation

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[]: errors['Residual_Lag'] = errors.Residuals.shift(1)
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[]: smf.ols(formula='Residuals~Residual_Lag',data = errors).fit(disp =0).summary()
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[]: <class 'statsmodels.iolib.summary.Summary'>

OLS Regression Results

Dep. Variable:	Residuals	R-squared:	0.001
Model:	OLS	Adj. R-squared:	-0.009
Method:	Least Squares	F-statistic:	0.06080
Date:	Tue, 07 Mar 2023	Prob (F-statistic):	0.806
Time:	02:45:37	Log-Likelihood:	192.39
No. Observations:	104	AIC:	-380.8

Df Residuals: 102 BIC: -375.5

Df Model: 1
Covariance Type: nonrobust

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Intercept -1.8686 Residual_Lag 0.0		004 -0.0 101 0.2		 -0.007 -0.175	0.007 0.224
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Notes:

[1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly specified.

4 Model 2 | Probit Regression Model

- Below is the probit regression model where I attempt to *predict* the one-month direction of spy returns. I define a *postive* market return as 1 and *negative* market return as 0.
- ullet X are the same independend variables from the regression equation.
- $P(r_{spy,t} = 1 \ X) = (x) = _{-\infty}^{x} \ (v), dv$

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[]: probit_matrix = PTI_lag1
[]: probit_matrix = probit_matrix.merge(direction_df,left_index=True,_u
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right_index=True)

probit_matrix = probit_matrix.merge(MARKET_lag1, left_index=True, □

oright_index=True)

probit_matrix = probit_matrix.merge(MARKET_lag2, left_index=True, □

oright_index=True)
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probit_matrix = probit_matrix.merge(MARKET_lag3, left_index=True,_
      →right_index=True)
     probit_matrix = probit_matrix.merge(MARKET_lag4, left_index=True,__
      →right index=True)
     probit_matrix = probit_matrix.merge(MARKET_lag6, left_index=True,_u
      →right_index=True)
     probit_matrix = probit_matrix.merge(MARKET_lag12, left_index=True,_
      →right index=True)
     probit_matrix = probit_matrix.merge(MARKET_Lag24, left_index=True,__
      →right_index=True)
     # Adding Macroeconomic and other Important Financial Variables
     probit_matrix = probit_matrix.merge(TB3_Rate_Lag1, left_index=True,_
      →right_index=True)
     probit_matrix = probit_matrix.merge(tsspread_lag1, left_index=True,__
      →right_index=True)
     probit_matrix = probit_matrix.merge(dsspread_lag1, left_index=True,_
      →right_index=True)
     probit_matrix = probit_matrix.merge(epratio_lag1, left_index=True,_
      →right_index=True)
     probit_matrix = probit_matrix.merge(oil_lag, left_index=True, right_index=True)
     probit_matrix = probit_matrix.merge(oil_rets_sq, left_index=True,_
      →right_index=True)
     probit_matrix = probit_matrix.merge(inflation_lag2, left_index=True,_u
      →right_index=True)
     probit_matrix = probit_matrix.merge(inflation_yoy_sq, left_index=True,__
      →right_index=True)
     probit_matrix = probit_matrix.merge(consumer_sentiment_lag1, left_index=True,_u
      →right_index=True)
[]: reg_probit = smf.probit(formula='Direction ~ Z_PTI_Lag2+MKT_Rets_Lag1_u
      HKT_Rets_lag2 ++ MKT_Rets_Lag3+MKT_Rets_lag4+Three_M_TBill_Lag3 +\
         term_spread_lag3 + dsspread_lag6_
      →+epratio_lag1+0il_Rets_lag2+0il_Rets_Squared+Inflation_Y0Y_lag2+Inflation_Y0Y_$quared+UMICH
      →data = probit_matrix)
     results_probit = reg_probit.fit(disp = 0)
[]: results_probit.summary()
[]: <class 'statsmodels.iolib.summary.Summary'>
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                               Probit Regression Results
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Probit Df Residuals:

Df Model:

Direction

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No. Observations:

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Dep. Variable:

Model:

Method:

Time: converged: Covariance Type:	Tue, 07 Mar 2023 01:41:35 True nonrobust	Log-Likeliho LL-Null: LLR p-value:	od:	0.1392 -54.841 -63.711 0.2188
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	4 40	0.000	0.700	0.400
Intercept -2.611 5.549	1.46	39 2.082	0.706	0.480
	0.25	0.163	1.538	0.124
Z_PTI_Lag2 -0.069 0.569	0.20	0.103	1.556	0.124
MKT_Rets_Lag1	-7.59	38 4.217	-1.802	0.072
-15.865 0.667	1.00	1.217	1.002	0.012
MKT_Rets_lag2	-10.85	35 4.953	-2.191	0.028
-20.561 -1.146				
MKT_Rets_Lag3	-8.07	76 4.551	-1.775	0.076
-16.998 0.843				
MKT_Rets_lag4	-9.37	71 4.488	-2.089	0.037
-18.174 -0.580				
Three_M_TBill_Lag3	-17.02	25 37.060	-0.459	0.646
-89.659 55.614				
term_spread_lag3	-31.87	42 50.761	-0.628	0.530
-131.363 67.615				
dsspread_lag6	-24.18	80.512	-0.300	0.764
-181.989 133.612	0.17	0 700	0.016	0.000
epratio_lag1 -1.391 1.735	0.17	21 0.798	0.216	0.829
Oil_Rets_lag2	1.84	48 1.525	1.210	0.226
-1.144 4.834	1.01	1.020	1.210	0.220
Oil_Rets_Squared	4.29	6.819	0.630	0.529
-9.069 17.661				
Inflation_YOY_lag2	54.91	72 37.924	1.448	0.148
-19.413 129.248				
Inflation_YOY_Squared	-792.92	22 372.426	-2.129	0.033
-1522.864 -62.980				
UMICH_Consumer_Sentim -2.130 10.715	ent_lag3 4.29	28 3.277	1.310	0.190
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[]: coef_names = results_probit.model.exog_names coef_names = np.delete(coef_names,0) # Calculating Average Partial Effect

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ape_probit = results_probit.get_margeff().margeff
table_probit = pd.DataFrame({'coef_names': coef_names, 'APE_Probit':ape_probit})
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	coef_names	APE_Probit
0	Z_PTI_Lag2	0.0741154
1	MKT_Rets_Lag1	-2.24925
2	MKT_Rets_lag2	-3.21264
3	MKT_Rets_Lag3	-2.39097
4	MKT_Rets_lag4	-2.77562
5	$Three_M_TBill_Lag3$	-5.03869
6	$term_spread_lag3$	-9.43479
7	$dsspread_lag6$	-7.15978
8	epratio_lag1	0.050934
9	Oil_Rets_lag2	0.546073
10	Oil_Rets_Squared	1.27152
11	Inflation_YOY_lag2	16.2555
12	Inflation_YOY_Squared	-234.706
13	$UMICH_Consumer_Sentiment_lag3$	1.27066

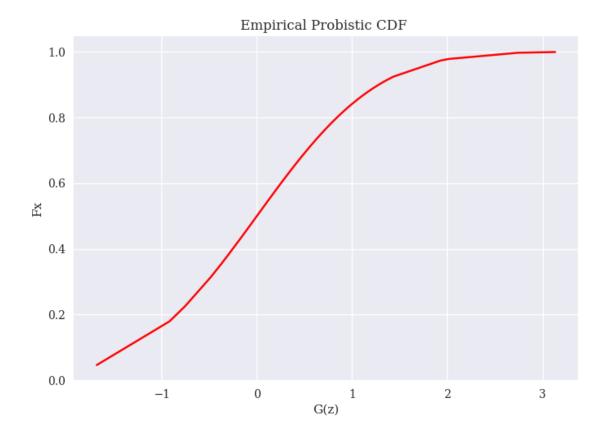
- The table above lists the average partial effects of the probit model. For the Z-scored PTI Index, the average partial effect of a one standard deviation increase in buying activity increases the probability of a *positive* market return next month by $\phi(.074115 \cdot 1) \phi(.074115 \cdot 0) = 2.95\%$
- This partial effect is not that large from a probabilistic standpoint. Considering the fact that approximately 68% of all observations lie within 1 standard deviation, it is **not likely the** affect of the **Z**-scored PTI Index will affect my trading strategy returns.
- Even a three standard deviation movement in Z_PTI only increases the probability of a positive return by 8.79%. Compared to other variables, the average partial effect of Z_PTI is small.

4.1 Full Probit Model Accuracy

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[]: xb_probit = results_probit.fittedvalues
  factor_probit = stats.norm.cdf(xb_probit)
  cdf_norm = results_probit.fittedvalues.sort_values()

[]: plt.plot(cdf_norm, stats.norm.cdf(cdf_norm), c = 'r')
  plt.ylabel('Fx')
  plt.xlabel('G(z)')
  plt.title('Empirical Probistic CDF ')

[]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Empirical Probistic CDF ')
```



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[]: sns.countplot(x = 'Direction', data = direction_df,palette='hls')
plt.xlabel('0:Negative Monthly Return; 1: Positive Monthly Return')
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[]: Text(0.5, 0, '0:Negative Monthly Return; 1: Positive Monthly Return')



The percent of positive monthly returns since March 2014 is 66.52% The percent of negative monthly returns since March 2014 is 33.48%

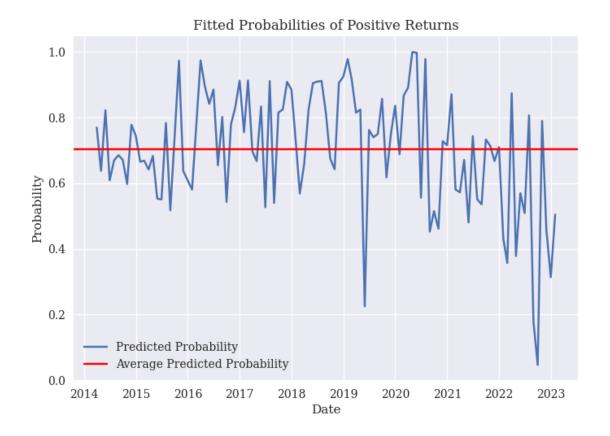
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[]: def probit_filter(df, threshold:float):
    if df > threshold:
        prob = 1
    else:
        prob = 0
    return prob
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[]: xb_probit['Predicted Direction'] = xb_probit.Predicted Probability.
      →apply(probit_filter, threshold = .5)
[]: print(f'The full in sample accuracy is {100*np.round(len(xb_probit.
      ⇔loc[xb_probit.Direction == xb_probit.Predicted_Direction])/
      →len(xb_probit),5)}%')
     print(f'The full in sample error is {100*np.round(len(xb_probit.loc[xb_probit.
      Direction != xb_probit.Predicted_Direction])/len(xb_probit),5)}%')
    The full in sample accuracy is 75.238%
    The full in sample error is 24.762%
[]: print(f'The probability of predicting positive returns is {100*np.
      ⇔round(len(xb_probit.loc[(xb_probit.Direction == 1)&(xb_probit.
      →Predicted_Direction == 1)])/len(xb_probit.loc[xb_probit.Direction_
      \hookrightarrow ==1]),5)}%')
     print(f'The probability of predicting negative returns is {100*np.
      oround(len(xb_probit.loc[(xb_probit.Direction == 0)&(xb_probit.
      →Predicted_Direction == 0)])/len(xb_probit.loc[xb_probit.Direction_
      ==0]),5)}%')
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The probability of predicting positive returns is 95.946%. The probability of predicting negative returns is 25.806%.

• The probit regression's accuracy of predicting future positive returns is due to a combina

[]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x1d6c32793d0>



[]: # xb_probit.loc[xb_probit.Direction == 1].mean()

[]: Predicted_Probability 0.750519
Direction 1.000000
Predicted_Direction 0.959459

dtype: float64

[]: xb_probit[xb_probit.Direction == 0].mean()

[]: Predicted_Probability 0.588128
Direction 0.000000
Predicted_Direction 0.741935

dtype: float64

• While my predicted probabities from the probit model do correlate to observed market returns, there is still bias in my model. Particularly, the probit model generally always predicts positive market returns. This will definitely pose a challenge for when I run a rolling probit model. Just as in the full-regression model, I found evidence that the residuals always underestimate the observed return. I suspect this is the issue in the probit regression, and since 66% of all months generate positive returns, I am not surprised that full-probit regression does a poor job at predicting future market downturns.

• In order to correct for this, I will devise an an expanding regression model and an error correction model to correct for the biaseness in predicting only the negative predicted directions.