

02_factor_loading

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1 Estimating Factor Loading

Galvao et al estimated quarterly factor loading from daily data.

1.1 Notebook setup

```
[1]: import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import sys
sys.executable
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[1]: '/Users/fanghema/Desktop/aaSTAT_5200/STAT_5200_final_project/env/bin/python'
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For now, we load in Galvao et al's replication data.

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[2]: data = pd.read_csv(
    '../data/processed/data_galvao.csv',
    index_col=0,
    parse_dates=True
)
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[3]: factors = ['Mkt-RF', 'SMB', 'HML', 'RMW', 'CMA']
assets = [col for col in data.columns if col != 'RF' and col not in factors]
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1.2 Factor Loading Function

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[4]: def calculate_factor_loading(
    input_df: pd.DataFrame,
    factors: list[str],
    assets: list[str],
) -> tuple[pd.DataFrame, pd.DataFrame]:
    """
    Given DataFrame of (non-excess) asset returns
    and factor returns,
    returns panel data of factor loadings

    Args:
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    input_df (pd.DataFrame): DataFrame indexed on date,
        with column names corresponding to assets
    factors (list[str]): list of factors
    assets (list[str]): list of risky assets

Returns:
    pd.DataFrame: panel data of factor loadings
    pd.DataFrame: modified returns dataframe with excess returns
    """

assert type(input_df.index) == pd.DatetimeIndex, "input_df has wrong index"
for factor in factors:
    assert factor in input_df.columns, f"missing factor {factor}"
for asset in assets:
    assert asset in input_df.columns, f"missing asset {asset}"
assert "RF" in input_df.columns, f"Missing risk free"

input_df.sort_index(inplace=True)
N = len(assets)
K = len(factors)
input_df['Quarter'] = input_df.index.to_period("Q")
T = input_df['Quarter'].nunique()

for col in assets:
    input_df[col] = input_df[col] - input_df["RF"]

cols = list(assets) + list(factors)

realized_covariance_matrices = np.zeros((N, K, T))

quarters = sorted(input_df['Quarter'].unique())
for i, quarter in enumerate(quarters):
    returns = (
        input_df.loc[
            input_df['Quarter'] == quarter,
            cols
        ]
        .values
    )
    Omega_hat_t = returns.T @ returns
    realized_covariance_matrices[:, :, i] = Omega_hat_t[:N, N:N+K]

beta_loading = pd.DataFrame(
    index = pd.MultiIndex.from_product([assets, factors]),
    columns = input_df['Quarter'].unique(),
)

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for i, asset in enumerate(assets):
    for j, factor in enumerate(factors):
        omega_i_j_series = realized_covariance_matrices[i, j, :]
        Y = omega_i_j_series[1:]
        X = (
            np.column_stack([
                np.ones(len(Y)),
                omega_i_j_series[:-1]
            ])
        )
        b = np.linalg.lstsq(X, Y, rcond=None)[0]
        delta0, delta1 = b
        beta_loading.loc[(asset, factor)] = delta0 + delta1 * \omega
↪ omega_i_j_series

return beta_loading, input_df

beta_loading, _ = calculate_factor_loading(data, factors=factors, assets=assets)

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[5]: beta_loading

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[5]:
      1963Q3      1963Q4      1964Q1      1964Q2      1964Q3  \
Agric Mkt-RF  30.361188  29.34117  30.059214  30.543622  30.323886
      SMB      1.816013      1.79645      1.741765      1.853506      1.473105
      HML     -1.600764     -3.201627     -1.574742      0.111486     -3.858092
      RMW     -1.466798      0.215607     -2.085727     -1.616463     -0.83943
      CMA     -3.153214     -2.825331     -3.644188     -2.283014     -4.513127
...
Other Mkt-RF  37.969554  45.784074  34.019282  34.391633  34.792978
      SMB     -1.998767     -2.640143     -0.85192     -0.306529     -0.633693
      HML     -0.917399      1.711179     -1.088099     -3.044638     -1.742651
      RMW     -1.124262     -2.770248     -2.015389     -2.132075     -3.193049
      CMA     -5.789944     -6.603539     -5.826818     -6.053781     -5.221453

      1964Q4      1965Q1      1965Q2      1965Q3      1965Q4  ...  \
Agric Mkt-RF  30.703206  31.228282  37.229192  32.067519  31.861254  ...
      SMB      2.00402      3.045183      4.653787      1.888597      5.220041  ...
      HML     -0.235879      0.086952     -1.560099     -0.679981      0.349221  ...
      RMW     -2.021263     -0.083306      0.020307      0.034482     -0.414664  ...
      CMA     -2.645516     -0.616308     -3.777817     -3.716449     -2.888483  ...
...
Other Mkt-RF  34.918142  35.850948  44.439513  35.915049  35.431179  ...
      SMB      1.262379      0.756938      7.587363      1.695747      2.722596  ...
      HML     -1.884642     -2.515519     -2.530227     -2.782289     -0.82352  ...
      RMW     -2.799131     -1.728237     -1.088422     -0.85667     -2.905094  ...
      CMA     -4.204414     -4.85491     -7.189725     -5.199381     -4.323135  ...

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		2012Q3	2012Q4	2013Q1	2013Q2	2013Q3 \
Agric	Mkt-RF	38.230127	44.228211	39.335887	48.107139	35.757627
	SMB	2.825341	2.55903	1.395667	6.672073	0.987797
	HML	-0.932763	-0.81881	0.285446	3.049976	-1.072834
	RMW	-2.202299	0.605827	-3.652465	-4.020965	-3.187997
	CMA	-4.54621	-5.343885	-2.406726	-2.818723	-1.857074
...	
Other	Mkt-RF	45.704996	49.68986	45.765309	55.216365	43.633398
	SMB	0.412122	-0.559866	1.345408	4.362684	1.628486
	HML	0.311998	1.521048	1.230703	2.823396	-0.727235
	RMW	-2.588129	-2.488581	-5.192548	-5.965385	-5.007897
	CMA	-5.914405	-4.596196	-3.697755	-4.133301	-3.866694
		2013Q4	2014Q1	2014Q2	2014Q3	2014Q4
Agric	Mkt-RF	38.445064	40.051037	39.497776	33.855069	45.157696
	SMB	3.595121	4.930176	4.457616	2.713055	3.671996
	HML	-2.233552	-3.741736	-4.58758	-3.889497	-3.510954
	RMW	-2.908149	-2.537573	-3.156205	-1.500751	-4.065958
	CMA	-3.305422	-3.470351	-5.198915	-3.512337	-4.358914
...	
Other	Mkt-RF	46.574096	49.724401	40.962994	42.389573	54.260984
	SMB	1.340596	2.8245	2.506789	0.791631	-1.422422
	HML	-2.7199	-2.724412	-3.61055	-4.402122	-3.550449
	RMW	-4.39195	-3.473228	-3.751173	-3.608661	-4.698762
	CMA	-5.743321	-5.302565	-5.333998	-5.560285	-5.226873

[235 rows x 206 columns]

1.3 Sanity Check

As a sanity check, we call our function on Galvao's original dataset, and compare the estimated beta loading against the original paper's beta loadings.

```
[6]: agric_betas = pd.read_csv("../gmo-files/omegareg1.txt",
                                sep=r"\s+",
                                header=None)
agric_betas.columns = factors
agric_betas
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[6]:      Mkt-RF      SMB      HML      RMW      CMA
0      3.60917  0.67097  0.32962 -0.66613 -1.01100
1      0.93072  0.61959 -2.20990  2.73658 -0.40266
2      2.81622  0.47597  0.37090 -1.91793 -1.92193
3      4.08822  0.76944  3.04584 -0.96883  0.60353
4      3.51122 -0.22962 -3.25128  0.60274 -3.53412
..      ...      ...      ...      ...      ...
201    24.83650  5.34350 -0.67420 -3.58130 -1.29340
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202 29.05360 8.84980 -3.06670 -2.83180 -1.59940
203 27.60080 7.60870 -4.40850 -4.08300 -4.80650
204 12.78370 3.02690 -3.30110 -0.73480 -1.67730
205 42.46310 5.54540 -2.70060 -5.92300 -3.24800

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[206 rows x 5 columns]

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[7]: beta_loading.loc['Agric'].T
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[7]:      Mkt-RF      SMB      HML      RMW      CMA
1963Q3 30.361188 1.816013 -1.600764 -1.466798 -3.153214
1963Q4 29.34117  1.79645 -3.201627  0.215607 -2.825331
1964Q1 30.059214 1.741765 -1.574742 -2.085727 -3.644188
1964Q2 30.543622 1.853506  0.111486 -1.616463 -2.283014
1964Q3 30.323886 1.473105 -3.858092 -0.83943 -4.513127
...
2013Q4 38.445064 3.595121 -2.233552 -2.908149 -3.305422
2014Q1 40.051037 4.930176 -3.741736 -2.537573 -3.470351
2014Q2 39.497776 4.457616 -4.58758 -3.156205 -5.198915
2014Q3 33.855069 2.713055 -3.889497 -1.500751 -3.512337
2014Q4 45.157696 3.671996 -3.510954 -4.065958 -4.358914

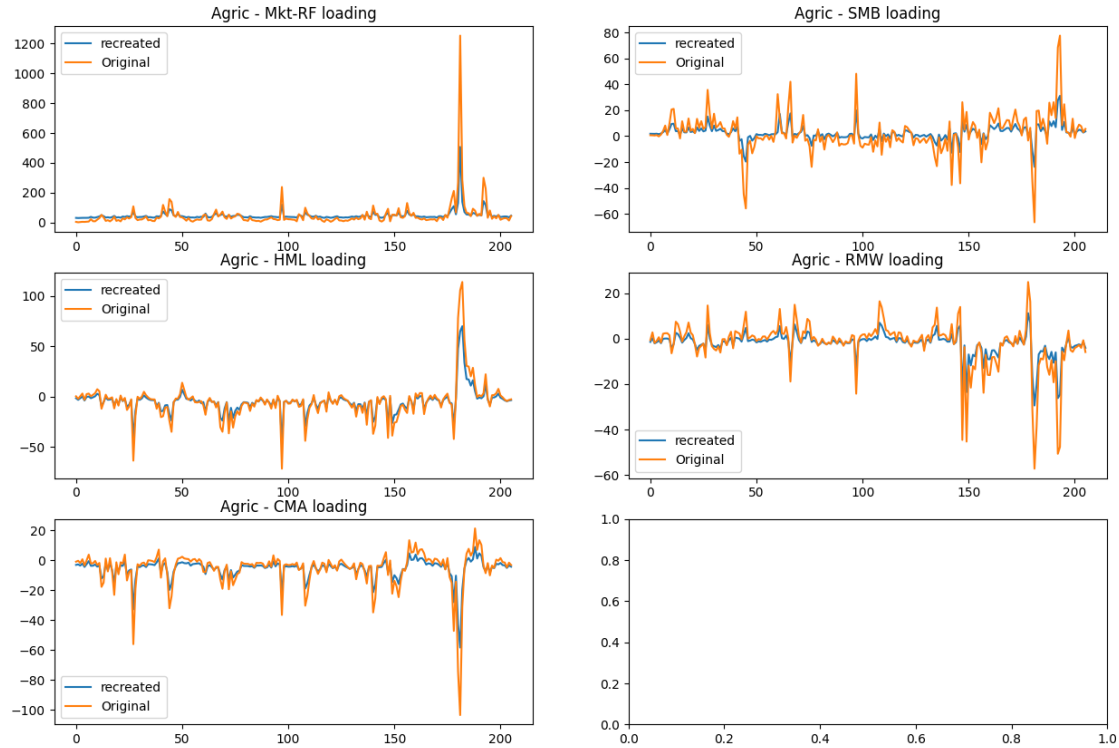
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[206 rows x 5 columns]

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[8]: fig, axes = plt.subplots(3, 2, figsize = (15, 10))
      axes = np.ravel(axes)
      for i, factor in enumerate(factors):
          axes[i].plot(
              beta_loading.loc['Agric'].T[factor].values, label='recreated'
          )
          axes[i].plot(
              agric_betas[factor], label="Original"
          )
          axes[i].legend()
          axes[i].set_title(f"Agric - {factor} loading")

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```
[9]: random_sample_assets = np.random.choice(47, 5, replace=False)

for rng in random_sample_assets:
    galvao_estimated_betas = pd.read_csv("../gmo-files/omegareg{rng + 1}.txt",
                                          sep=r"\s+",
                                          header=None)
    galvao_estimated_betas.columns = factors

    asset = assets[rng]

    fig, axes = plt.subplots(3, 2, figsize = (15, 10))
    axes = np.ravel(axes)
    for i, factor in enumerate(factors):
        recreated_arr = beta_loading.loc[asset].T[factor].values
        galvao_arr = galvao_estimated_betas[factor].values
        min_len = min(len(recreated_arr), len(galvao_arr))

        recreated_arr = recreated_arr[:min_len].astype(float)
        galvao_arr = galvao_arr[:min_len].astype(float)

        axes[i].plot(recreated_arr, label='recreated')
        axes[i].plot(galvao_arr, label='original')
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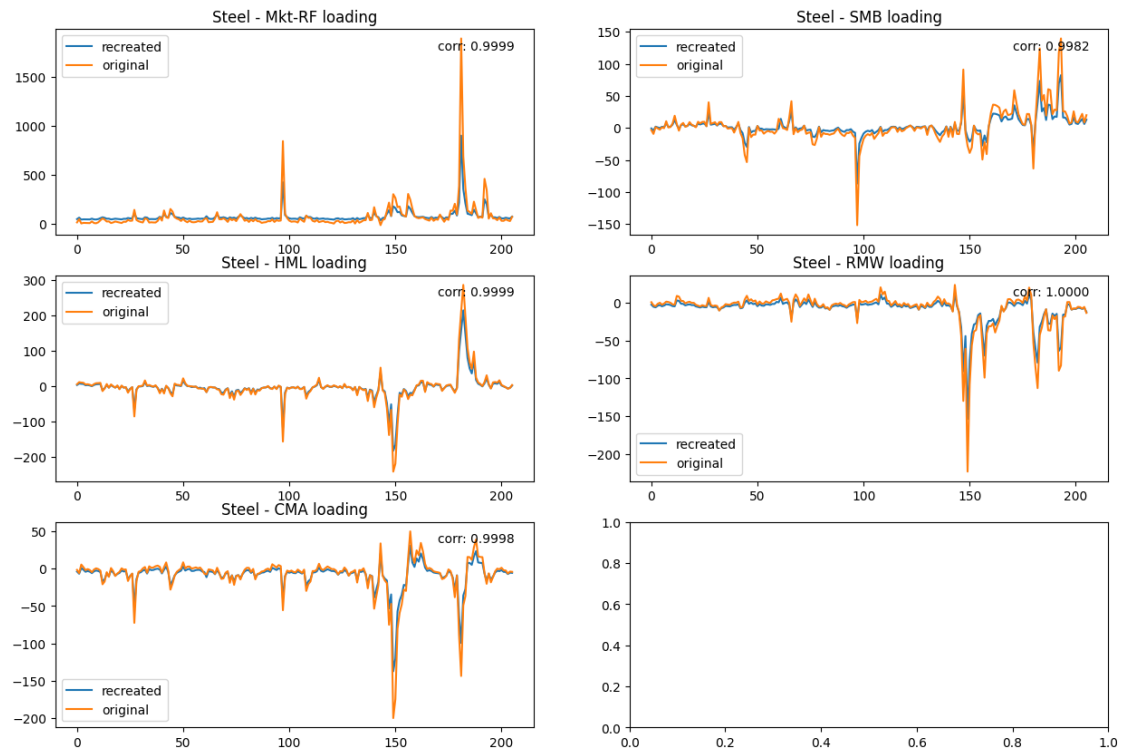
recreated_arr = np.asarray(recreated_arr, dtype=float)
galvao_arr     = np.asarray(galvao_arr, dtype=float)

corr = np.corrcoef(recreated_arr, galvao_arr)[0, 1]
axes[i].text(
    0.8, 0.9,
    f"corr: {corr:.4f}",
    transform = axes[i].transAxes,
)

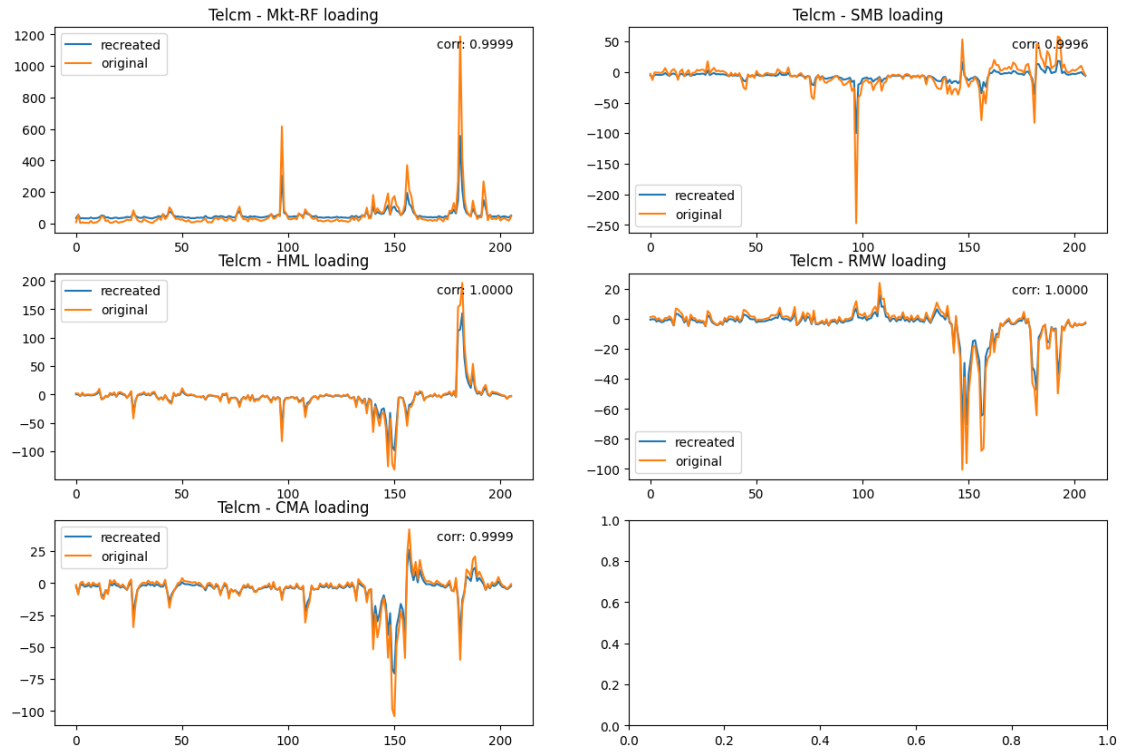
axes[i].legend()
axes[i].set_title(f"{asset} - {factor} loading")
fig.suptitle(f"{asset} Factor Loadings")
plt.show()

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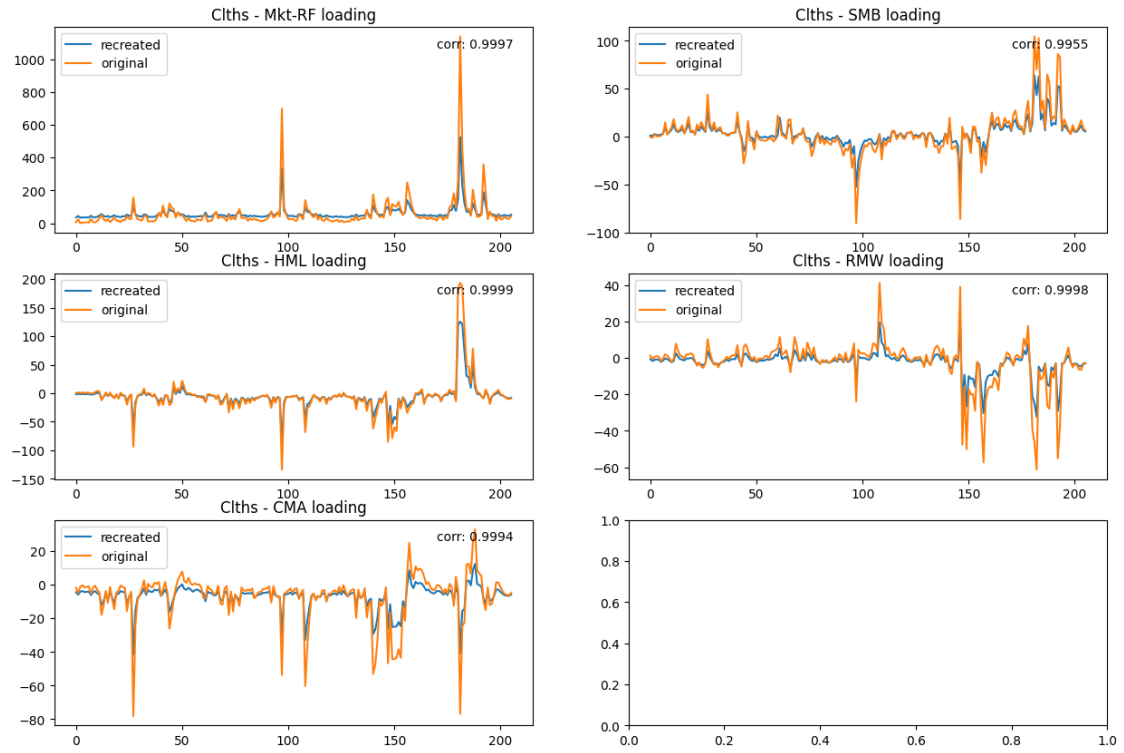
Steel Factor Loadings



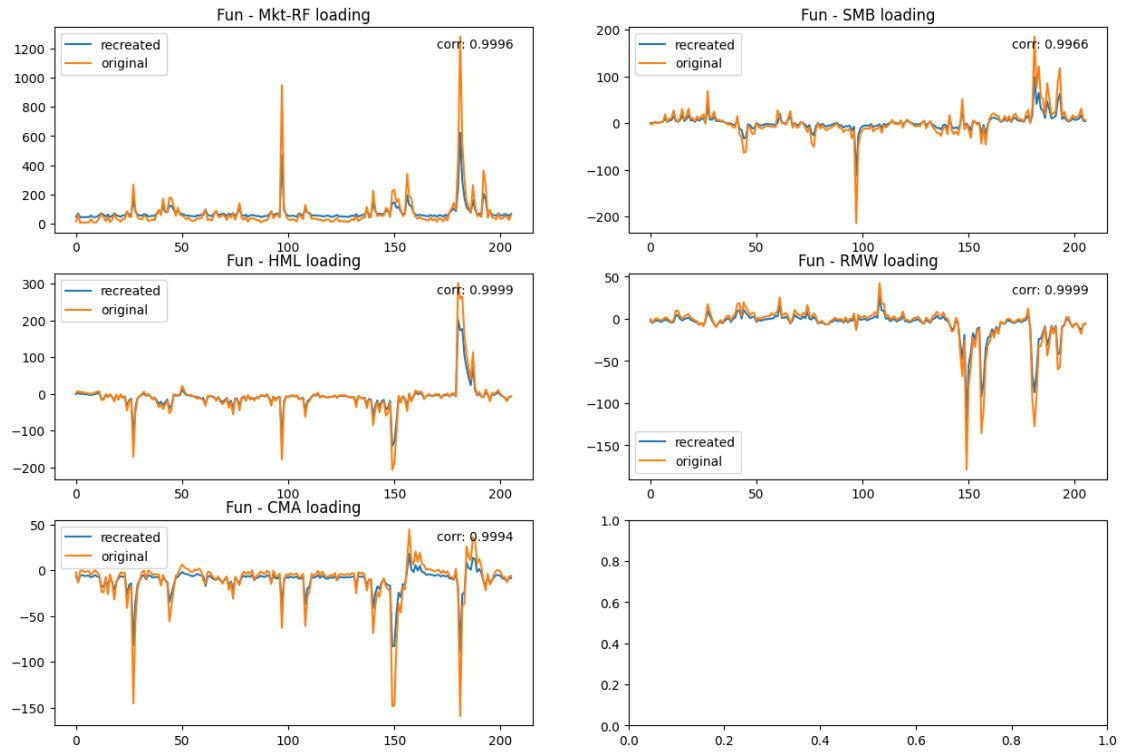
Telcm Factor Loadings



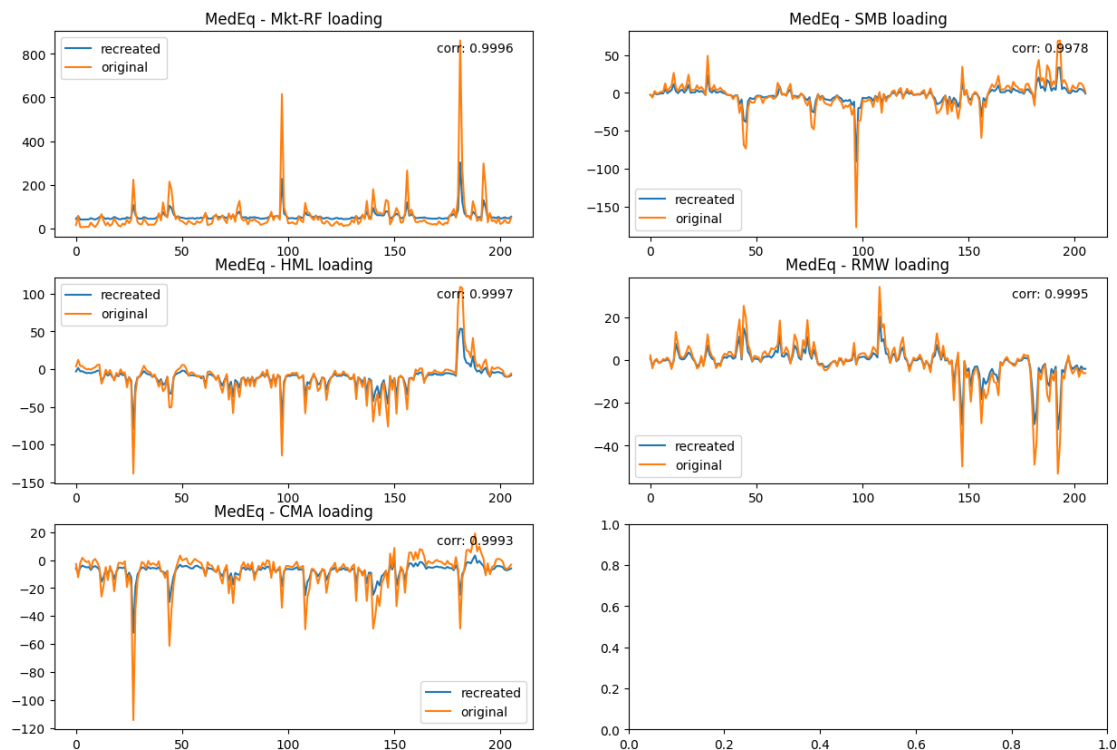
Clths Factor Loadings



Fun Factor Loadings



MedEq Factor Loadings



As a final check, we sample all 47 industries and all 5 factors, and compute correlation for each of the 235 factor loadings.

```
[10]: corr_df = pd.DataFrame(
    index = assets,
    columns = factors
)
for rng in range(47):
    galvao_estimated_betas = pd.read_csv(f"../gmo-files/omegareg{rng + 1}.txt",
        sep=r"\s+",
        header=None)
    galvao_estimated_betas.columns = factors
    asset = assets[rng]
    for i, factor in enumerate(factors):
        recreated_arr = beta_loading.loc[asset].T[factor].values
        galvao_arr = galvao_estimated_betas[factor].values
        min_len = min(len(recreated_arr), len(galvao_arr))
        recreated_arr = recreated_arr[:min_len].astype(float)
        galvao_arr = galvao_arr[:min_len].astype(float)
        corr = np.corrcoef(recreated_arr, galvao_arr)[0, 1]
        corr_df.loc[asset, factor] = corr
```

corr_df

[10]:

	Mkt-RF	SMB	HML	RMW	CMA
Agric	0.999567	0.983181	0.999695	0.99985	0.99928
Food	0.999763	0.997571	0.999783	0.999493	0.999491
Soda	0.999783	0.999295	0.999822	0.999621	0.999576
Beer	0.999574	0.994752	0.99978	0.999852	0.99884
Smoke	0.999736	0.999549	0.999402	0.999349	0.999224
Toys	0.999617	0.995785	0.999898	0.999834	0.999364
Fun	0.999625	0.996554	0.999913	0.999914	0.999411
Books	0.999854	0.997026	0.999914	0.999753	0.99961
Hshld	0.999651	0.999656	0.999402	0.99916	0.999419
Clths	0.999723	0.995539	0.999886	0.999774	0.999352
MedEq	0.999614	0.997811	0.999664	0.999511	0.999325
Drugs	0.999699	0.999531	0.999533	0.999346	0.999181
Chems	0.99978	0.998965	0.999699	0.99958	0.999367
Rubbr	0.999662	0.992089	0.999944	0.999864	0.999184
Txtls	0.99971	0.992501	0.99996	0.999876	0.999267
BldMt	0.999812	0.995168	0.999933	0.999798	0.999365
Cnstr	0.999757	0.993609	0.999937	0.999897	0.999613
Steel	0.999887	0.998155	0.99995	0.999958	0.999834
FabPr	0.999748	0.993327	0.999954	0.999933	0.999334
Mach	0.999813	0.995988	0.999885	0.999846	0.999717
ElcEq	0.999889	0.998191	0.999959	0.999946	0.999902
Autos	0.999871	0.99897	0.999914	0.999845	0.999871
Aero	0.999621	0.999025	0.999545	0.9995	0.998883
Ships	0.999509	0.997592	0.999663	0.999658	0.998928
Guns	0.999465	0.99883	0.999349	0.998671	0.99893
Gold	0.999831	0.998684	0.999574	0.998804	0.999737
Mines	0.99991	0.998093	0.999945	0.999834	0.999785
Coal	0.99989	0.996182	0.999942	0.999888	0.999861
Oil	0.999897	0.999347	0.999777	0.999629	0.999686
Util	0.999919	0.998231	0.999909	0.999868	0.999607
Telcm	0.999922	0.999602	0.999964	0.999953	0.999907
PerSv	0.999407	0.989068	0.999864	0.999848	0.999274
BusSv	0.999636	0.988335	0.999924	0.999896	0.999398
Hardw	0.999848	0.999784	0.999915	0.999926	0.999961
Chips	0.999682	0.99777	0.99992	0.999942	0.999919
LabEq	0.999613	0.995699	0.99986	0.999913	0.999741
Paper	0.999807	0.995968	0.999781	0.999533	0.999318
Boxes	0.999828	0.999584	0.999785	0.999628	0.999747
Trans	0.999567	0.993846	0.999848	0.999749	0.999098
Whlsl	0.999585	0.987305	0.999907	0.999842	0.999364
Rtail	0.999733	0.996232	0.999763	0.999307	0.999496
Meals	0.999088	0.994654	0.999521	0.999292	0.998722
Banks	0.999883	0.998357	0.999973	0.999891	0.999817

Insur	0.999834	0.99638	0.999924	0.999829	0.999498
RlEst	0.999602	0.985248	0.999954	0.999904	0.999029
Fin	0.999915	0.9973	0.999977	0.999942	0.999897
Other	0.999713	0.991885	0.999973	0.999934	0.999688

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[ ]: latex_table = corr_df.round(3).to_latex(
    index=True,
    header=True,
    float_format="%.3f",
    escape=False
)

print(latex_table)
```