

Network Contagion NVI Computation Readme

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This document is meant to provide important additional information about the files and programs contained in the git repository for Collin and Fernando's NVI project. The portion of this project that uses Matlab simulations resides on the RAN, and has its own separate readme file.

Updating the data

The Stata do file `NtwkCntagn.do` will call nearly every script that needs to be run to completely update the data - and every script that needs to be run every time any data is updated. What follows is a step-by-step instruction of how to properly update the data using the `NtwkCntagn.do` file.

If you're doing this for the first time

1. Clone the git bare repository on the san at `/san/RDS/Work/cmf/b1cdj02/Fernando/Network_Contagion.git` into some other san location of your choice.
2. Sign up for a WRDS account.
3. Create a `.pgpass` file in your home directory of the WRDS cloud server at `wrds-cloud.wharton.upenn.edu`.
4. Change the `WRDS_meta.py` and `batch_pull.sh` to match your WRDS username/password and your own WRDS cloud directory structure.
5. Make sure you have access to the KMV default probability database. Email the research library to request access.
6. Update `RawY9C.stcmd` to path to your new directory.

Step-By-Step

Unless otherwise indicated, these are all done within the `NtwkCntagn.do` file.

1. If you haven't done it yet this quarter, run `ffunds.do` in Stata locally on your bank machine.
2. If you're doing a full update of everything set the global `wipe_temp` to 1. (Would not recommend doing this on the first run - makes code run for 2hours rather than 15minutes)
3. Change the name of this runthrough's log file by changing global `runthrough` tag.
4. Decide whether to change any of the NVI settings (globals `gamma_benchmark`, `gammas`, `delta_fixed`, `snapshot_date`, `bank_sample`)
5. If you're extending the endpoint of the series, change global `charts_end`.
6. If you're updating `permco_cusip.csv`, and you have already updated `WRDS_meta.py` and `batch_pull.sh` with your account info, set `changed_WRDS_files` to 1

7. If you're only outputting simulation data to use on the RAN, change global output_simulation_data to 1. This will skip running most scripts in the directory, so make sure you've run the do file with output_simulation_data = 0 first, to update things.
8. Run NtwkCntagn.do!

Some Things to Do Occassionally

1. See if FI has a new RSSID-Permco match posted online. If it does, change entity_permco_date accordingly. (Note that Sean Hundtofte, used to be the economist in charge of this data and it is unclear when someone will update it again)
2. See if there's a new version of Moody's KMV available. Could email the Research Library, or poke around the data dictionary. If there is, we'll have to decide whether to switch to the new version (can be quite different).
3. If you're extending the end of the series, you'll have to change Analysis_Y9C to deal with any variable changes. This is a major task. If we ever decide to extend the series, I would suggest checking with FI to see whether there's some way to overhaul the code in Analysis_Y9C. FI's reg_data_nc dataset qbhc_nc_clean.dta in theory does many of the same things we do, and would be maintained by the FI reg_data RA (who has better knowledge of everything than we do). However, we would need to put some work into making sure things would be consistent between the two. This would be a time-consuming task. FI's make_clean program is very, very long. If you decide to go the route of updating Analysis_Y9C using the unprocessed data, comparing the make_clean dataset to Analysis_Y9C in addition to using MDRM should expedite the update process
4. If you're extending the end of the series beyond 2016Q4, you'll also need new a few other data files which must be updated manually:
 - (a) input/rssd_hh_match_all.dta – BHC parent structure. Ask the reg_data FI RA for it (nicely).
 - (b) SIFMA aggregate dealer data. Ask Fernando about this - got it from the Research Library last time.
5. Make sure that the matching in Match_RSSID_MKMVID is going okay. I would periodically check to be sure that most of the big banks (e.g. the ones in the bank_sample global) aren't being dropped during the sample. You could plot the KMV default probability of those KMVIDs and make sure there aren't any strange breaks.

Directory of Scripts

File Name	Language	Where to run	Description
NtwkCntagn.do	Stata	San cluster	Main script for updating data and producing charts for paper. Sets global for use in other programs.
ffunds.do	Stata	Locally	Pulls flow of funds data from haver (hence must be run locally) and compiles balance sheet info on aggregate sector nodes. Run about once a quarter.
rssd_hh_gen	Stata	San cluster	Generates input/rssd_hh_match_all.dta. Completely regenerates the file and therefore is rather inefficient. Run overnight, independently from the other code.
Update_Data.do	Stata	San cluster	Primary script to update data. Performs ODBC data loads and executes WRDS_meta.py, if needed.
WRDS_meta.py	Python	San cluster	Interfaces with WRDS cloud server to pull Permco-CUSIP match. IMPORTANT: Must be customized with individual WRDS account info.

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WRDS_query.py	Python	WRDS Cloud	Helper file to execute WRDS cloud batch job for Permco-CUSIP match.
batch_pull.sh	Shell	WRDS Cloud	Helper file to execute WRDS cloud batch job for Permco-CUSIP match.
Match_RSSID_MKMVID.do	Stata	San cluster	Matches BHC FR-Y9C RSSID numbers to corresponding MKMVID in KMV default probability database (match goes RSSID – Permco – CUSIP – MKMVID). Will pull FI's permco-CUSIP link from web, to fill in gaps from WRDS pull.
CallDeposits.do	Stata	San cluster	Compile data on each BHC's amount of FDIC-insured deposits. This will be matched with FR-Y9C data.
drd_matching.do	Stata	San cluster	Use Moody's database of firm default events to find bankruptcies of firms in our FR-Y9C sample. Bankrupt firms will be excluded from NVI.
Analysis_Y9C.do	Stata	San cluster	Clean Raw KMV default probability data, process Fr-Y9C data to produce %in/%out numbers for each BHC.
compile_agg_sector.do	Stata	San cluster	Create data on aggregate sector nodes to include in NVI - particularly the sector aggregate probability of default
Model_series_processing	Stata	San cluster	Take in processed data to produce fields in interest from Glasserman - like the NVI, contagion index, and robustness exercises on the two.
Plots_Paper.do	Stata	San cluster	Produce tables and figures for use in paper
Plots_Appendix.do	Stata	San cluster	Archive of some old scripts for producing past figures and tables.
process_FOCUS.py	Python	San cluster	Process SIFMA files in input/ produce data on Top 1-10, 11-25 dealers that can be used to produce aggregate sector nodes.
RawY9C.stcmd	Stattransfer	San cluster	Convert sas7bdat file of non-classified FR-Y9C data from FI directory into a workable stata format.
format_sim_data.mat	Matlab	Locally	Convert excel file of simulation-ready NVI data into matlab database, for use in RAN matlab simulations.
sumary_stats.do	Stata	San cluster	Produce summary statistics tables of balance sheet breakdowns, for use in paper.