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TITLE: Investment Assignment IV

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Question1

The code below is to transfer the regression result to a standard form and put the star signal of p-value. And we also write the macro code table(d_p) which is more convenient.

```
%macro table(d_p);
data dp;
  set &d_p;
  tvalue2=put(tvalue,7.2);
  if probt<0.1 then p='*  ';
  if probt<0.05 then p='** ';
  if probt<0.01 then p='***';
  T=compress('['||tvalue2||']');
  PARAM=compress(put(estimate,7.3)||p);
run;
proc transpose data=dp out=dp1;
  var param T p;
  by variable;
run;
proc reg data=d3;
  title '1972.01-1982.12 Regression results';
  model ret=delta_offer market_power;
  ODS OUTPUT ParameterEstimates=parms_out;
run;
* outest=reg tableout noprint;
quit;
options mautosource SASAUTOS='D:\investment\data\Lecture 3';
%table(parms_out);
```

The table are shown below:

| Variable | _NAME_ | COL1 |
|--------------|--------|-----------|
| Intercept | PARAM | 12.922*** |
| . | T | [5.75] |
| . | p | *** |
| delta_offer | PARAM | 40.001*** |
| . | T | [4.18] |
| . | p | *** |
| market_power | PARAM | 8.797 |
| . | T | [0.09] |
| . | p | |

| Variable | _NAME_ | COL1 |
|--------------|--------|------------|
| Intercept | PARAM | 15.415*** |
| . | T | [19.88] |
| . | p | *** |
| delta_offer | PARAM | 406.570*** |
| . | T | [13.66] |
| . | p | *** |
| market_power | PARAM | -180.05 |
| . | T | [-4.57] |
| . | p | |

| Variable | _NAME_ | COL1 |
|--------------|--------|-----------|
| Intercept | PARAM | 12.237*** |
| . | T | [13.99] |
| . | p | *** |
| delta_offer | PARAM | 39.878*** |
| . | T | [10.08] |
| . | p | *** |
| market_power | PARAM | -11.925 |
| . | T | [-0.58] |
| . | p | |

| Variable | _NAME_ | COL1 |
|--------------|--------|-----------|
| Intercept | PARAM | 14.173*** |
| . | T | [19.88] |
| . | p | *** |
| delta_offer | PARAM | 56.323*** |
| . | T | [23.06] |
| . | p | *** |
| market_power | PARAM | 49.632* |
| . | T | [1.87] |
| . | p | * |

| Variable | _NAME_ | COL1 |
|--------------|--------|------------|
| Intercept | PARAM | 16.924*** |
| . | T | [9.13] |
| . | p | *** |
| delta_offer | PARAM | 112.931*** |
| . | T | [24.46] |
| . | p | *** |
| market_power | PARAM | 444.108*** |
| . | T | [6.50] |
| . | p | *** |

| Variable | _NAME_ | COL1 |
|--------------|--------|------------|
| Intercept | PARAM | 25.184*** |
| . | T | [12.63] |
| . | p | *** |
| delta_offer | PARAM | 129.463*** |
| . | T | [29.55] |
| . | p | *** |
| market_power | PARAM | 24.981 |
| . | T | [0.69] |
| . | p | |

| Variable | _NAME_ | COL1 |
|--------------|--------|-----------|
| Intercept | PARAM | 14.619*** |
| . | T | [19.58] |
| . | p | *** |
| Age | PARAM | -0.120*** |
| . | T | [-5.00] |
| . | p | *** |
| Delta_offer | PARAM | 44.840*** |
| . | T | [14.88] |
| . | p | *** |
| Market_power | | -69.142** |
| | | [-2.52] |
| | | ** |

| Variable | _NAME_ | COL1 |
|--------------|--------|-----------|
| Intercept | PARAM | 19.029*** |
| . | T | [18.30] |
| . | p | *** |
| Age | PARAM | 45.145*** |
| . | T | [15.13] |
| . | p | *** |
| Delta_offer | PARAM | -3.045*** |
| . | T | [-7.37] |
| . | p | *** |
| Market_power | | -64.164* |
| | | [-1.82] |
| | | * |

| Variable | _NAME_ | COL1 |
|-----------|--------|-----------|
| Intercept | PARAM | 15.125*** |
| . | T | [17.70] |

| | | |
|--------------|-------|------------|
| . | p | *** |
| Age | PARAM | 47.596*** |
| . | T | [12.98] |
| . | p | *** |
| Delta_offer | PARAM | -170.04*** |
| . | T | [-3.95] |
| . | p | *** |
| Market_power | | -0.000* |
| | | [-0.15] |

| Variable | _NAME_ | COL1 |
|--------------|--------|-----------|
| Intercept | PARAM | 21.208*** |
| . | T | [15.49] |
| . | p | *** |
| Age | PARAM | 48.123*** |
| . | T | [13.29] |
| . | p | *** |
| Delta_offer | PARAM | -2.428*** |
| . | T | [-5.64] |
| . | p | *** |
| Market_power | | -64.371 |
| | | [-1.39] |

Question2

The first step is to merge all datasets together: first we the import parameter dataset: dp, market return and dsf_all, and we use proc sql to merge them together by matching &permno and date. Note that macro variable &dp can't be used in proc sql so we have to import it at the work space.

```
%macro event_study(d_p, permno_p, date_p, lwindow, rwindow, graph_p, title_p);  
libname worklib 'D:\investment\data\lecture4';  
*merge all data together;  
data dp;  
    set worklib.&d_p;  
run;  
data ret;  
    set worklib.dsfa_all;  
run;  
data mret;  
    set worklib.Mktret_daily;  
run;  
proc sql;  
    create table d as select distinct  
        dp.*,  
        ret.date,  
        ret.ret  
    from dp left join ret  
    on dp.&permno_p=ret.permno  
    order by &permno_p, date;  
quit;  
proc sql;  
    create table d1 as select distinct  
        d.*,  
        mret.vwretd  
    from d left join mret  
    on d.date = mret.date  
    order by &permno_p, date;  
quit;
```

```
proc sort data=d1;
    by &permno_p &date_p;
run;
*get the num_before;
proc means data=d1 noprint;
    var &permno_p;
    by &permno_p &date_p;
    output out=d_stats
    n=num_before;
    where DATE<&date_p;
run;
*get rel_day;
data d2;
    merge d1 d_stats(keep=&permno_p &date_p num_before);
    by &permno_p &date_p;
    if first.&date_p then
        rel_day=-num_before;
    else
        rel_day= rel_day +1;
        retain rel_day;
    label num_before= 'num_before';
run;
*keep (lwindow,rwindow) data and calculate car;
data d3;
    set d2;
    by &permno_p;
    if &lwindow<=rel_day<=&rwindow;
    ar=ret-vwretd;

data d3;
    set d3;
    by &permno_p;
```

Then we get the num_before and relative day by substituting permno and date variables to macro variables

Next, we use &lwindow and &rwindow to get the window period.

How to Calculate abnormal return and accumulative is just like assignment 2.

The last step is to print statistical table and graph if the value of graoh_p is 1.

Note that we enclose the fixed parts in title with single quotes and in graph part

```

proc means data=d3 noprint;
    var ar car;
    output out=d_stats1
    mean(ar)=mean_ar
    t(ar)=t_ar
    mean(car)=acar
    t(car)=t_car
    n(ar)=n_ar;
    by rel_day;
run;
proc print data=d_stats1 label noobs;
    title 'Event:' &title_p '-Abnormal Returns';
    var rel_day mean_ar t_ar acar t_car n_ar;
    label
    rel_day="Day"
    mean_ar="Average MAR(%)"
    t_ar="t-statistic"
    acar="Average CMAR(%)"
    t_car="t-statistic"
    n_ar="N";
run;
%if &graph_p=1 %then
%do;
    symbol1
    color=green interpol=spline width=1 value=square;
    axis1
    label=("Event Time")
    order=&lwindow to &rwindow by 1
    width=3;
    axis2
    label=("Acummulative Abnormal Return %")
    width=3;
run;
proc gplot data=d_stats1;
    title 'Event:' &title_p '-CAR';
    plot acar*rel_day/haxis=axis1 vaxis=axis2;
run;
quit;
%end;
%mend event_study;

```

the axis could vary with the value of car so we don't need to use "order ...by" command.

Finally we separate the macro code and main code, use the main code file to call the six event_study functions at once:


```

options ls=72 mautosource SASAUTOs='F:\Investment\Code' mprint;
%event_study(ipo_ev,permno,recdats,-5,5,1,Initial Rec After
Ipos);
%event_study(quiet_ev,permno,quiet_period_end,-5,5,0,Quiet
Periods);
%event_study(seo_ev,permno,file_date_sas,-10,10,1,SEOs);
%event_study(added_sp500_ev,permno,anndate_sas,-
10,10,1,Announcement of inclusion in the SP500);
%event_study(added_sp500_ev,permno,effdate_sas,-
10,10,1,Effective inclusion in the SP500);
%event_study(merger_ev,target_permno,ann_date,-10,10,1,Merger
Targets);

```

Event 1: Initial recommendation after IPOs.

```

%event_study(ipo_ev,permno,recdats,-5,5,1,Initial Rec After Ipos);

```

Figure 1 summarizes this analysis by plotting the CMARs over a 10-day (-5,+5) window. Day 0 is the event day. Table below presents the average market-adjusted returns. The T-stats tests the null hypothesis that the percentage of abnormal returns is the same as zero in the estimation period assuming independence.

The t-stats of CMAR are all significant. There is a clear clustering of significant abnormal returns in the days surrounding the Initial recommendation of the initial public offer companies. Table below also shows that significant abnormal returns begin to occur several days before the event. The single largest daily abnormal return, 0.8 percent, occurs on day - 2, and abnormal returns are positive and significant on every day in the (- 5,-1) window. It is strange, we will discuss it later. In contrast, abnormal returns decrease to 0.19 percent on day 1, and continue to decrease in the (1, 4) window. We can also observe it from the figure below. As shown, the cumulative market-adjusted increase in value is about three percent. It also reinforces our earlier observations regarding the pre-event run-up in prices. After the event day, the CMAR curve began to go down. Thus, it appears that analyst is driving the abnormal returns documented in Table below.

The single largest daily abnormal return, 0.8 percent, occurs on day - 2, and abnormal returns are positive and significant on every day in the (- 5,-1) window. It is strange. Two potential (and nonexclusive) explanations for the market's apparent clairvoyance regarding initiations are (1) analyst behavior is highly predictable and (2) there is information leakage.

Event: Initial Rec After Ipos -Abnormal Returns

| Day | Average MAR(%) | t-statistic | Average CMAR(%) | t-statistic | N |
|-----|----------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|------|
| -5 | 0.37833 | 2.45877 | 0.37833 | 2.45877 | 1783 |
| -4 | 0.64949 | 4.53637 | 1.02719 | 4.70254 | 1788 |
| -3 | 0.52634 | 3.45193 | 1.55590 | 5.70368 | 1793 |
| -2 | 0.83908 | 5.36855 | 2.38914 | 7.55990 | 1795 |
| -1 | 0.76176 | 4.59419 | 3.15240 | 8.84736 | 1799 |
| 0 | 0.21632 | 1.19986 | 3.34711 | 8.45721 | 1808 |
| 1 | 0.19636 | 1.21229 | 3.55177 | 8.36756 | 1808 |
| 2 | -0.27902 | -1.91980 | 3.28302 | 7.24336 | 1808 |
| 3 | -0.11823 | -0.83768 | 3.15888 | 6.69228 | 1808 |
| 4 | -0.38751 | -2.70005 | 2.79741 | 5.70977 | 1808 |
| 5 | -0.08841 | -0.63361 | 2.73169 | 5.32158 | 1808 |

Figure 1. Printed output, macro event_study, for IPO sample

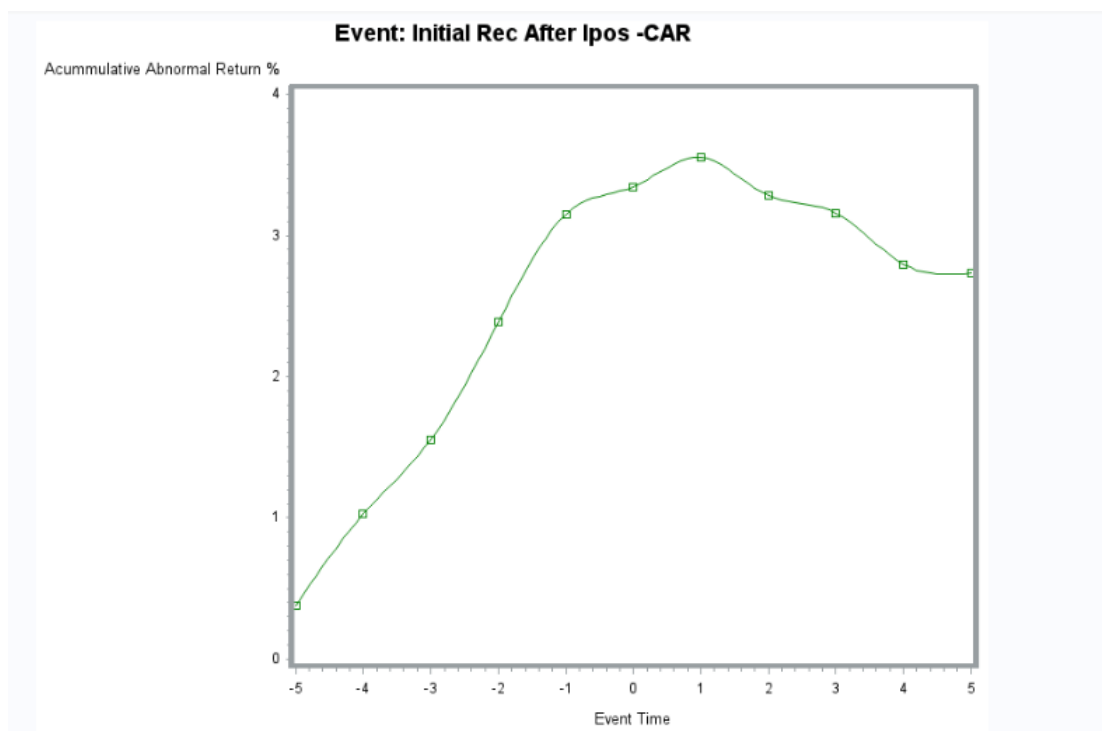


Figure 2. Graph output, macro event_study, for IPO sample

Event 2: End of quiet periods.

```
%event_study(quiet_ev,permno,quiet_period_end,-5,5,1,Quiet Periods);
```

This figure plots cumulative market-adjusted returns for the samples surrounding the end of the quiet period. Day 0 is the event day. Table below presents the average market-adjusted returns. The T-stats tests the null hypothesis that the percentage of abnormal returns is the same as zero in the estimation period assuming independence.

The t-stats of CMAR are all significant. There is a clear clustering of significant abnormal returns in the days surrounding the end of the quiet period. Table below also shows that significant abnormal returns begin to occur several days before the end of the quiet period. The single largest daily abnormal return, 1.44 percent, occurs on day - 1, and abnormal returns are positive and significant on every day in the (- 5,0) window. In contrast, abnormal returns decrease to 0.11 percent on day 1, and continue to decrease in the (1, 5) window. We can also observe it from the figure below, after the event day, the CMAR line began to go down.

As with the price drops associated with lockup expirations, the significant abnormal returns in Table below at the end of the quiet period appear to **be inconsistent with market efficiency** because the relevant dates are known ahead of time with complete certainty. The fact that the abnormal returns occur in advance of the event date is similarly puzzling.

| Event: Quiet Periods -Abnormal Returns | | | | | |
|--|----------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|------|
| Day | Average MAR(%) | t-statistic | Average CMAR(%) | t-statistic | N |
| -5 | 0.41434 | 2.68713 | 0.41434 | 2.6871 | 2011 |
| -4 | 0.30691 | 2.29755 | 0.72125 | 3.5783 | 2011 |
| -3 | 0.55585 | 4.15759 | 1.27710 | 5.2949 | 2011 |
| -2 | 0.88607 | 6.36990 | 2.16317 | 7.6415 | 2011 |
| -1 | 1.43837 | 9.52876 | 3.60154 | 11.3871 | 2011 |
| 0 | 0.50697 | 3.18967 | 4.09070 | 11.7955 | 2010 |
| 1 | 0.11320 | 0.73733 | 4.20390 | 11.4946 | 2010 |
| 2 | 0.07760 | 0.53365 | 4.28150 | 11.0017 | 2010 |
| 3 | -0.09698 | -0.72162 | 4.18452 | 10.0850 | 2010 |
| 4 | -0.07122 | -0.51197 | 4.11330 | 9.5247 | 2010 |
| 5 | -0.47123 | -3.31894 | 3.64208 | 8.0154 | 2010 |

Figure 3. Printed output, macro event_study, for Quiet Periods sample

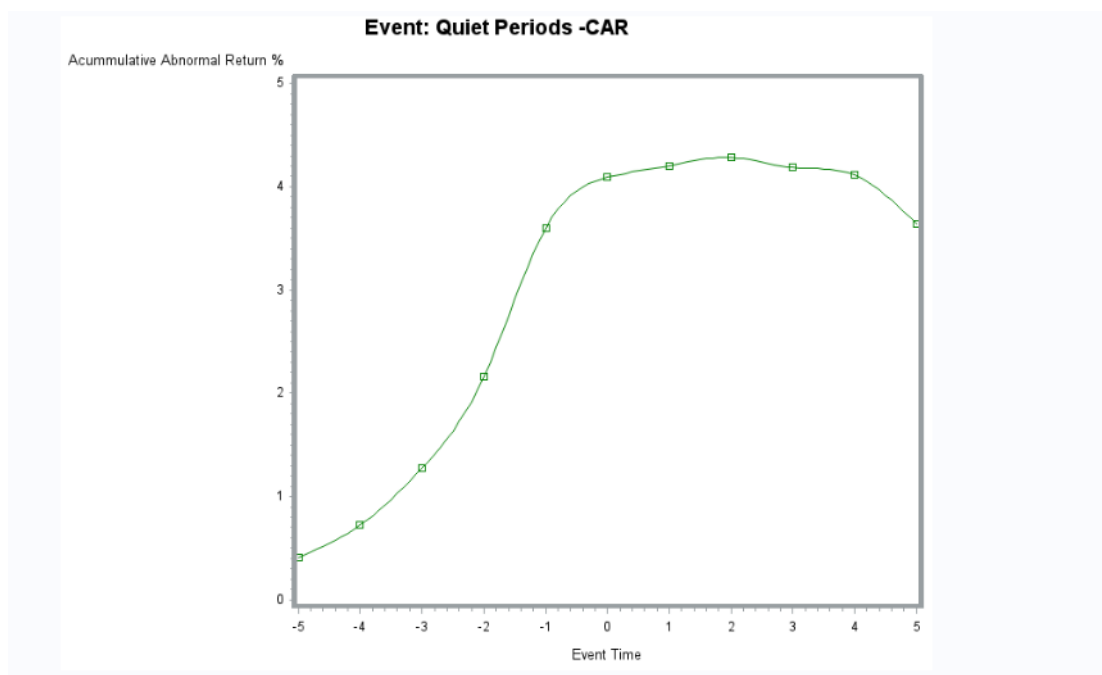


Figure 4. Graph output, macro event_study, for Quiet Periods sample

Event 3: Seasoned Equity Offerings.

```
%event_study(seo_ev, permno, file_date_sas, -10, 10, 1, SEOs);
```

This figure is quite strange. It plots cumulative market-adjusted returns for the samples surrounding the Seasoned Equity Offerings (not all SEOs). Day 0 is the event day. Table below presents the average market-adjusted returns. The T-stats tests the null hypothesis that the percentage of abnormal returns is the same as zero in the estimation period assuming independence.

As we can see, the curve experienced a sharp drop and then increased rapidly, with CMAR reaching its lowest point on the event day. The sharp decline comes from the increase in the number of shares outstanding after the issuance of new shares, the supply increases. But it is quite strange why it occurs on day -1 instead of day 0, It means that considering the decline in the value of a stock, some investors sell their stocks in advance. After that, it experienced a rapidly increase. Maybe it's because investors see it as a sign of the company's ability to raise capital and therefore have more confidence in the company.

And what we found is the same thing as the first event, investors react in advance to what is going to happen. Also, we have two potential (and nonexclusive) explanations for the market's apparent clairvoyance regarding initiations are (1) this behavior is highly predictable and (2) there is information leakage.

| Event: SEOs -Abnormal Returns | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|----------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|------|
| Day | Average MAR(%) | t-statistic | Average CMAR(%) | t-statistic | N |
| -10 | 0.06784 | 0.93931 | 0.61101 | 3.30623 | 2991 |
| -9 | 0.19504 | 2.60751 | 0.80466 | 4.05575 | 2992 |
| -8 | 0.05465 | 0.78778 | 0.85709 | 4.07904 | 2992 |
| -7 | 0.13044 | 1.86632 | 0.99220 | 4.55081 | 2992 |
| -6 | 0.25828 | 3.12515 | 1.24164 | 5.29988 | 2992 |
| -5 | 0.06629 | 0.90745 | 1.30959 | 5.43456 | 2992 |
| -4 | 0.06555 | 0.80016 | 1.36058 | 5.39041 | 2991 |
| -3 | -0.16806 | -2.32642 | 1.19086 | 4.55186 | 2991 |
| -2 | -0.27475 | -3.59596 | 0.91491 | 3.39759 | 2989 |
| -1 | -0.59762 | -7.40357 | 0.27362 | 0.97137 | 2936 |
| 0 | -0.59126 | -6.51241 | -0.27370 | -0.92455 | 2926 |
| 1 | 0.22202 | 2.53813 | -0.07148 | -0.23571 | 2946 |
| 2 | 0.28716 | 4.69863 | 0.23211 | 0.75075 | 2950 |
| 3 | 0.16057 | 2.61385 | 0.40243 | 1.28515 | 2951 |
| 4 | 0.14024 | 2.16907 | 0.52830 | 1.65737 | 2949 |
| 5 | 0.11380 | 1.82152 | 0.65911 | 2.02057 | 2949 |
| 6 | 0.13213 | 2.07112 | 0.78945 | 2.34684 | 2949 |
| 7 | 0.16348 | 2.58572 | 0.96529 | 2.85134 | 2949 |
| 8 | 0.14275 | 2.28500 | 1.11365 | 3.21810 | 2949 |
| 9 | 0.10095 | 1.62008 | 1.24103 | 3.52428 | 2949 |
| 10 | 0.11482 | 1.85378 | 1.34858 | 3.75776 | 2949 |

Figure 5. Printed output, macro event_study, for SEOs sample

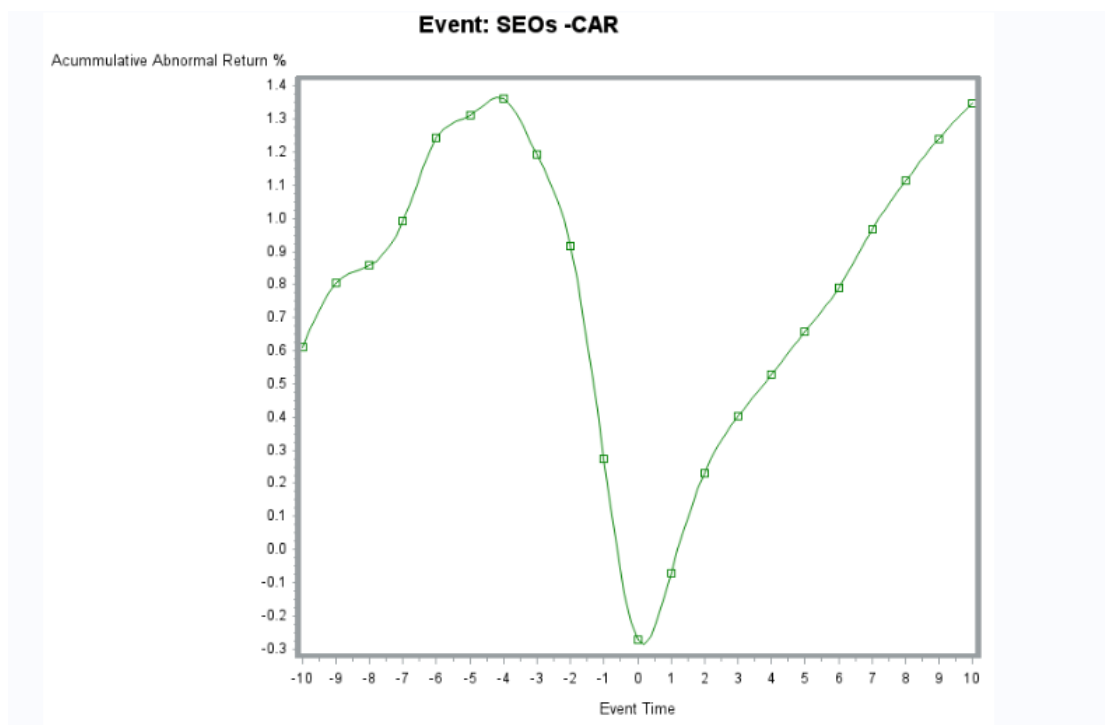


Figure 6. Graph output, macro event_study, for SEOs sample

Event 4: Announcement of inclusion in the S&P 500.

```
%event_study(added_sp500_ev,permno,anndate_sas,-10,10,1,Announcement  
of inclusion in the SP500);
```

| Event: Announcement of inclusion in the SP500 -Abnormal Returns | | | | | |
|---|----------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|-----|
| Day | Average MAR(%) | t-statistic | Average CMAR(%) | t-statistic | N |
| -10 | 0.06620 | 0.5624 | 0.06981 | 0.57948 | 570 |
| -9 | 0.14539 | 1.3259 | 0.21520 | 1.45131 | 570 |
| -8 | -0.13849 | -1.3797 | 0.07670 | 0.44393 | 570 |
| -7 | -0.11531 | -1.0777 | -0.03861 | -0.18587 | 570 |
| -6 | 0.04355 | 0.3875 | 0.00494 | 0.02030 | 570 |
| -5 | -0.08252 | -0.7981 | -0.07758 | -0.30832 | 570 |
| -4 | 0.15577 | 1.5589 | 0.07819 | 0.29106 | 570 |
| -3 | 0.20716 | 1.8639 | 0.28535 | 0.98330 | 570 |
| -2 | 0.10798 | 1.1240 | 0.39333 | 1.32245 | 570 |
| -1 | 0.07338 | 0.6809 | 0.46671 | 1.52516 | 570 |
| 0 | 0.41251 | 3.5507 | 0.87607 | 2.70759 | 571 |
| 1 | 1.97535 | 11.2192 | 2.85302 | 7.53592 | 571 |
| 2 | -0.11071 | -1.0381 | 2.73992 | 7.05994 | 571 |
| 3 | 0.31599 | 2.7780 | 3.06135 | 7.44514 | 571 |
| 4 | -0.00147 | -0.0118 | 3.05971 | 7.14882 | 571 |
| 5 | 0.11002 | 0.9644 | 3.17167 | 7.12237 | 571 |
| 6 | 0.04959 | 0.4972 | 3.22004 | 6.97584 | 571 |
| 7 | 0.03364 | 0.3345 | 3.25682 | 6.90805 | 571 |
| 8 | -0.01266 | -0.1239 | 3.24405 | 6.82224 | 571 |
| 9 | 0.03300 | 0.2652 | 3.27523 | 6.67809 | 571 |
| 10 | -0.10317 | -1.0879 | 3.17083 | 6.33950 | 571 |

Figure 7. printed out, macro event_study, for announcement of inclusion in the S&P 500

The fourth event is firms' announcement of inclusion in the S&P 500.

Figure 7 prints out the result of the average market-adjusted returns for this event. The t-statistic tests the null hypothesis that the percentage of abnormal returns equals zero in the estimation period assuming independence. Day 0 is the day that firms announce they will be included in the S&P 500. We can see that from day 0 to day 1, there exists a sharp increase in abnormal returns, about 2.4%. And these two days' t-statistics show that these two days' abnormal returns are very significant. During other periods except day 0 and day 1, according to t-statistics and value of abnormal returns, we can find abnormal returns are not so obvious and significant.

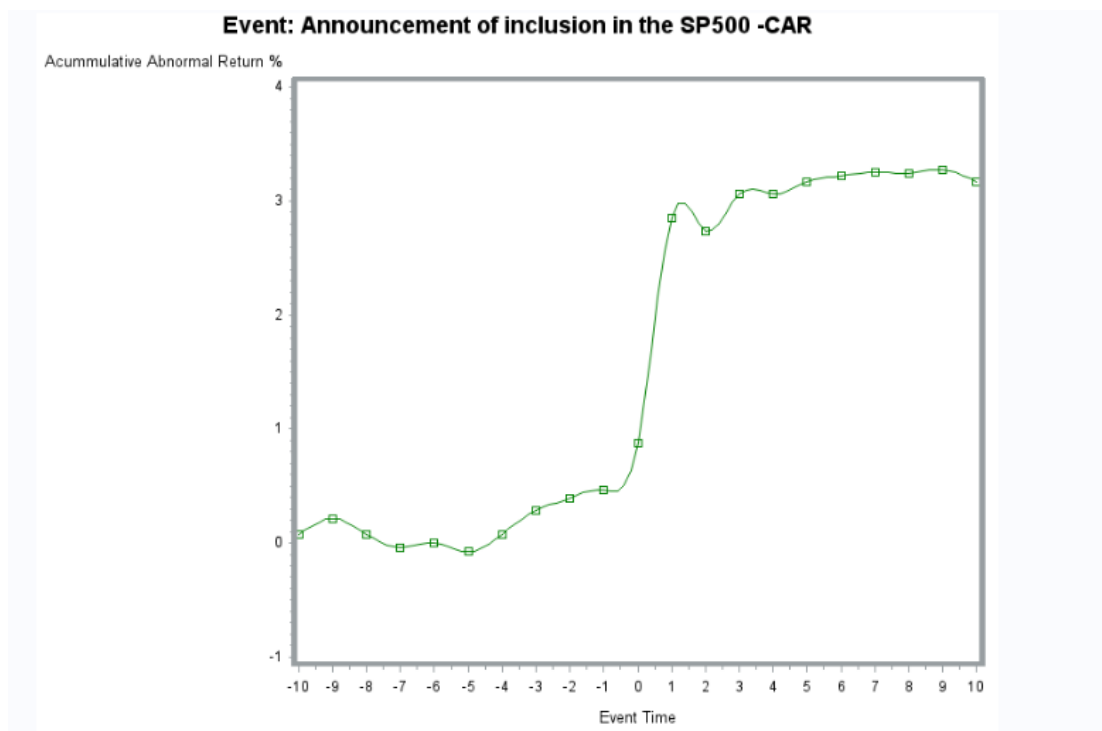


Figure 8. graph output, macro event_study, for announcement of inclusion in the S&P 500

This figure 8 plots cumulative market-adjusted returns for the event we study, announcement of inclusion in the S&P 500. Day 0 is the event day. The window $[-10, +10]$ is plotted. Similar to figure 7 and more obviously, we can see that there exists a sharp increase in abnormal returns from day 0 to day 1, about 2.4%. And during other periods except day 0 and day 1, abnormal returns are not so obvious and significant, which shows a relatively flat curve.

We all know S&P 500 Index is a market-capitalization-weighted index of the 500 largest U.S. publicly traded companies. Therefore, the inclusion of S&P 500 Index is a piece of good news for firms. That is why after the announcement, firms' abnormal returns will increase so much.

Event 5: Effective inclusion in the S&P 500.

```
%event_study(added_sp500_ev, permno, effdate_sas, -10, 10, 1, Effective
inclusion in the SP500);
```


| Event: Effective inclusion in the SP500 -Abnormal Returns | | | | | |
|---|----------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|-----|
| Day | Average MAR(%) | t-statistic | Average CMAR(%) | t-statistic | N |
| -10 | 0.02950 | 0.31013 | 0.03311 | 0.33298 | 570 |
| -9 | -0.02482 | -0.24058 | 0.00830 | 0.05859 | 570 |
| -8 | -0.02467 | -0.25451 | -0.01638 | -0.09184 | 570 |
| -7 | 0.22679 | 1.91384 | 0.21041 | 0.95656 | 570 |
| -6 | 0.18920 | 1.72662 | 0.39961 | 1.67354 | 570 |
| -5 | 0.05995 | 0.56798 | 0.45956 | 1.76213 | 570 |
| -4 | 0.60026 | 4.72990 | 1.05982 | 3.69794 | 570 |
| -3 | 0.48896 | 4.30975 | 1.54878 | 4.95385 | 570 |
| -2 | 0.25633 | 2.52413 | 1.80511 | 5.63898 | 570 |
| -1 | 0.71296 | 5.72360 | 2.51807 | 7.31499 | 570 |
| 0 | 1.38044 | 8.05419 | 3.89706 | 9.65841 | 571 |
| 1 | -0.49178 | -4.43269 | 3.40255 | 8.45192 | 571 |
| 2 | -0.22137 | -2.24549 | 3.17860 | 7.57218 | 571 |
| 3 | -0.19969 | -1.81770 | 2.98345 | 6.99242 | 571 |
| 4 | -0.02622 | -0.23900 | 2.95701 | 6.91480 | 571 |
| 5 | 0.07357 | 0.78901 | 3.03245 | 6.93642 | 571 |
| 6 | -0.12744 | -1.27577 | 2.90347 | 6.49280 | 571 |
| 7 | 0.10704 | 0.97698 | 3.01378 | 6.47398 | 571 |
| 8 | -0.02310 | -0.22026 | 2.99056 | 6.22305 | 571 |
| 9 | 0.06095 | 0.57005 | 3.04975 | 6.33096 | 571 |
| 10 | -0.07816 | -0.80449 | 2.97039 | 6.00192 | 571 |

Figure 9. printed out, macro event_study, for effective inclusion in the S&P 500

The fifth event is firms' effective inclusion in the S&P 500.

Figure 9 prints out the result of the average market-adjusted returns for this event. The t-statistic tests the null hypothesis that the percentage of abnormal returns equals zero in the estimation period assuming independence. Day 0 is the day that firms are effectively included in the S&P 500. We can see that from day -4 to day 0, there exists a persistent increase in abnormal returns, about total 3.5%. And these two days' t-statistics show that these two days' abnormal returns are very significant.

Before the event day, there already exists some significant abnormal returns gradually. This phenomenon shows that there may be information leakage and the market is not strong efficient, but semi-strong efficient market.

After the event day, firms perform persistent negative abnormal returns during day 1 to day 4. This phenomenon shows that to some extent, investors overreact the event of merger. After the event happens, market goes back to a right position.

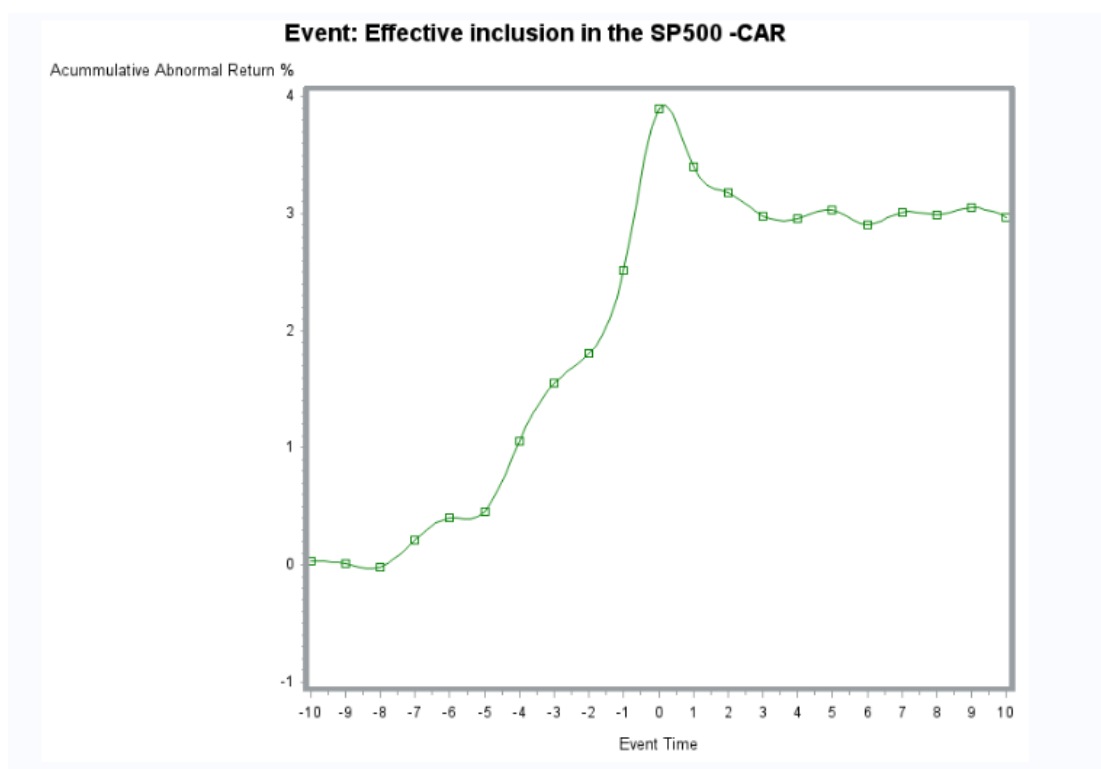


Figure 10. graph out, macro event_study, for effective inclusion in the S&P 500

This figure 10 plots cumulative market-adjusted returns for the event we study, announcement of inclusion in the S&P 500. Day 0 is the event day. The window $[-10, +10]$ is plotted. Similar to figure 9 and more obviously, we can see that there exists a persistent increase in abnormal returns from day -4 to day 0, about 3.5%.

After the event day, firms perform persistent negative abnormal returns during day 1 to day 4. This phenomenon shows that to some extent, investors overreact the event of inclusion in the S&P 500 Index. After the event happens, market goes back to a right position.

The reason which is same as event 4, is that S&P 500 Index is a market-capitalization-weighted index of the 500 largest U.S. publicly traded companies. Therefore, the inclusion of S&P 500 Index is a piece of good news for firms. That is why after the announcement, firms' abnormal returns will increase so much.

Event 6: Merger Targets.

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%event_study(merger_ev, target_permno, ann_date, -10, 10, 1, Merger
Targets);
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| Event: Merger Targets -Abnormal Returns | | | | | |
|---|----------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|------|
| Day | Average MAR(%) | t-statistic | Average CMAR(%) | t-statistic | N |
| -10 | -0.20083 | -1.5030 | -0.20083 | -1.5030 | 1280 |
| -9 | -0.09433 | -0.5669 | -0.29516 | -1.4687 | 1280 |
| -8 | -0.08841 | -0.6356 | -0.38356 | -1.6621 | 1280 |
| -7 | -0.13028 | -0.8984 | -0.51384 | -1.8827 | 1280 |
| -6 | 0.11342 | 0.7421 | -0.40042 | -1.3351 | 1280 |
| -5 | -0.32915 | -1.9009 | -0.72957 | -2.0929 | 1280 |
| -4 | 0.26825 | 1.1797 | -0.46132 | -1.2121 | 1280 |
| -3 | 0.11930 | 0.7813 | -0.33559 | -0.8322 | 1279 |
| -2 | 0.27243 | 1.4427 | -0.06316 | -0.1409 | 1279 |
| -1 | 0.18516 | 1.1265 | 0.12200 | 0.2518 | 1279 |
| 0 | 6.65716 | 13.4047 | 6.82833 | 9.8421 | 1279 |
| 1 | 2.05040 | 7.1576 | 8.97666 | 12.3127 | 1276 |
| 2 | 0.14162 | 1.1197 | 9.16188 | 12.4640 | 1274 |
| 3 | 0.10148 | 0.8574 | 9.25928 | 12.5516 | 1274 |
| 4 | 0.14853 | 1.3727 | 9.41241 | 12.6594 | 1274 |
| 5 | 0.02409 | 0.2146 | 9.45012 | 12.4720 | 1273 |
| 6 | 0.06259 | 0.5845 | 9.52629 | 12.4159 | 1272 |
| 7 | 0.01769 | 0.1658 | 9.54510 | 12.1851 | 1272 |
| 8 | -0.05179 | -0.4218 | 9.49280 | 11.9577 | 1272 |
| 9 | -0.06555 | -0.6612 | 9.42757 | 11.8184 | 1272 |
| 10 | 0.05433 | 0.5084 | 9.58586 | 12.0026 | 1270 |

Figure 11. printed out, macro event_study, for Merger Targets

The sixth event is firms' announcement of merger.

Figure 11 prints out the result of the average market-adjusted returns for this event. The t-statistic tests the null hypothesis that the percentage of abnormal returns equals zero in the estimation period assuming independence. Day 0 is the event day that firms make an announcement. We can see that from day -1 to day 1, there exists a sharp increase in abnormal returns, which is 8.8%. And these days' t-statistics show that these days' abnormal returns are very significant.

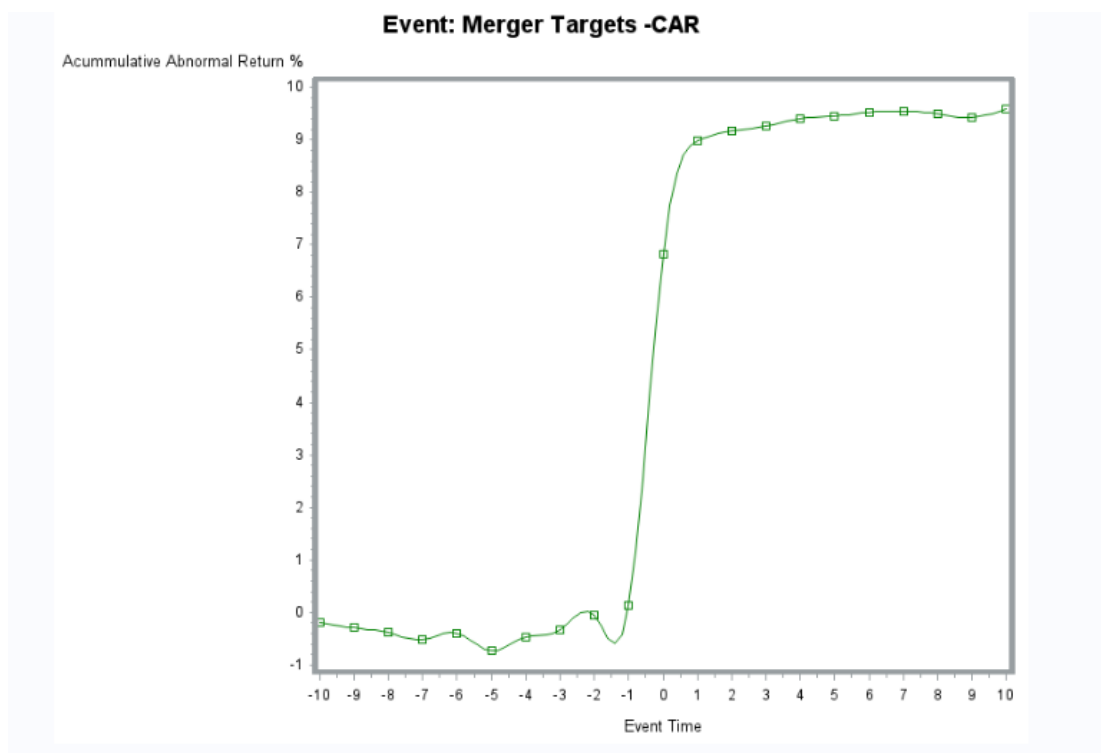


Figure 12. graph out, macro event_study, for Merger Targets

This figure 12 plots cumulative market-adjusted returns for the event we study, firms' announcement of merger. Day 0 is the event day. The window $[-10, +10]$ is plotted. Similar to figure 11 and more obviously, we can see that there exists a sharp increase in abnormal returns from day -1 to day 1, about 8.8%. This abnormal return is very huge. And we can also see before day -1 and after day 1, the abnormal returns are relatively zero, which show that the curve of accumulative abnormal returns is nearly flat during these periods.

Merger means the act or the process of merging two or more parts into a single unit. From investors' perspective, merger means a piece of good news for the firms because after merger, firm's scale will become larger or that means firms will participate in some new industry field. These changes will enhance firms' competitiveness, improve firms' management. And firms will have a better development prospect. Thus, they will have a rising expectation for the stocks and want to buy more. This action will induce an increase of the stock price and generate abnormal returns.