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Macro II

PS 8

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Equity Premium Puzzle

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In [3]: # Importing Packages
import os
import pandas as pd
import isbnlib
import numpy as np
import time
import requests
from bs4 import BeautifulSoup
import datetime
import re
from sympy import symbols, Eq, solve
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Reading in the Data

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In [6]: data = pd.read_excel(r"C:\Users\jcholbro\OneDrive - University Of Houston\School_
data = data.drop(columns='Unnamed: 2')
data.head(12)
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Out[6]:

	year	qtr	Consumption	Equity	Bonds
0	1947	1	NaN	NaN	NaN
1	1947	2	0.010879	-0.050602	-0.008857
2	1947	3	-0.002750	0.046852	-0.019506
3	1947	4	-0.011554	-0.023406	-0.022647
4	1948	1	0.005972	-0.052005	-0.007556
5	1948	2	0.009992	0.115816	-0.007229
6	1948	3	-0.001184	-0.000729	-0.005773
7	1948	4	0.009247	-0.013445	0.005318
8	1949	1	0.003337	-0.010638	0.011746
9	1949	2	0.002030	-0.007460	0.009992
10	1949	3	-0.008156	0.064687	0.008320
11	1949	4	0.005727	0.078317	0.000861

Computing Moments from the Data

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In [18]: mu = np.mean(data.Consumption)
         delta = np.std(data.Consumption)
         ave_stocks = np.mean(data.Equity)
         ave_bonds = np.mean(data.Bonds)
         true_premium = ave_stocks-ave_bonds

         lambda1 = 1+mu+delta
         lambda2 = 1+mu-delta

         data['lag_consumption'] = data['Consumption'].shift(1)

         cov = data[['Consumption', 'lag_consumption']].cov()
         cov = cov.iloc[0,1]
         var = data['Consumption'].var()

         rho=(cov+var)/(2*var)
         phi=(1+rho)/2

         print('mu: ' + str(mu))
         print('delta: ' + str(delta))
         print('rho: ' + str(rho))
         print('phi: ' + str(phi))

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mu: 0.0045141897637948755
delta: 0.005570715863764123
rho: 0.6067036487176168
phi: 0.8033518243588085

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In [26]: phi1 = 1-phi
         phi2 = phi

         beta = 0.99
         sigma = 10

         #x, y = symbols('x y')
         w1, w2 = symbols('w1 w2')
         eq1 = beta*(phi1*w1*lambda1**(1-sigma)+phi2*w2*lambda2**(1-sigma))+beta*(phi1*lan
         eq2 = beta*(phi2*w1*lambda1**(1-sigma)+phi1*w2*lambda2**(1-sigma))+beta*(phi2*lan
         solve((eq1,eq2), (w1, w2))
         solution = solve((eq1,eq2), (w1, w2))

         s1=solution[w1]
         s2=solution[w2]
         returns_stocks = ((lambda1*(s1+1))/s1 + (lambda2*(s2+1))/s2)*(.5)
         returns_bonds = 1/(beta*(phi1*lambda1**(-sigma)+(phi2*lambda2**(-sigma))))

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1 a & b) Computing the Returns to Equity and Bonds

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In [28]: print('return equity:  '+ str((returns_stocks-1)*100)+'%')
print('return bonds:  '+ str((returns_bonds-1)*100)+'%')
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return equity:  5.61507754019193%
return bonds:  2.054896369982151%
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1 c) Is the unconditional equity premium close to that in the data?

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In [29]: premium = (returns_stocks-1)-(returns_bonds-1)
print(premium*100)
how_close = true_premium-premium
print(true_premium)
print(how_close)
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3.56018117020978
0.01651910470348718
-0.0190827069986106
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The Equity Premium is about 1% off from the true premium in the data. This could be due to misspecifying the parameters incorrectly in the model or not calibrating the model to the data moments correctly. We do however, have the correct implication from the model. The Return to Equity is higher than that of the return to bonds.

2) Habit Persistence

Here we specify the range of parameter values that we want to search through.

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In [31]: sigma_list = list(range(1,11))
beta_list = list(np.linspace(0.90,1.0,11))
delta_list = list(np.linspace(0.25,1.25,11))
results_rows = []
w1, w2 = symbols('w1 w2')
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In [32]: # Giant triple for loop to grid search through our parameter values
for beta in beta_list:
    for sigma in sigma_list:
        for delta in delta_list:
            results_col= {}

            #print(delta)
            #print(sigma)
            #print(beta)

            M1 = ((lambda1-delta)/(1-(delta/lambda1)))**(-sigma)
            M2 = ((lambda2-delta)/(1-(delta/lambda2)))**(-sigma)

            eq3 = beta*(phi1*w1*lambda1*M1+phi2*w2*lambda2*M2)+beta*(phi1*lambda1
            eq4 = beta*(phi2*w1*lambda1*M1+phi1*w2*lambda2*M2)+beta*(phi2*lambda1
            solve((eq3,eq4), (w1, w2))
            solution2 = solve((eq3,eq4), (w1, w2))
            s1=solution2[w1]
            s2=solution2[w2]

            returns_stocks = ((lambda1*(s1+1))/s1 + (lambda2*(s2+1))/s2)*(.5)

            returns_bonds = 1/(beta*(phi1*lambda1**(-sigma)+(phi2*lambda2**(-sigma)

            premium = returns_stocks-returns_bonds
            #print(premium)
            how_close = true_premium-premium

            results_col['model premium'] = premium*100
            results_col['data_premium'] = true_premium*100
            results_col['difference'] = how_close
            results_col['parameters'] = [beta,sigma, delta]
            results_rows.append(results_col)

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In [33]: table = pd.DataFrame(results_rows)
table.head(25)
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Out[33]:

	model premium	data_premium	difference	parameters
0	0.377692228627069	1.65191	0.0127421824172165	[0.9, 1, 0.25]
1	0.377692228627069	1.65191	0.0127421824172165	[0.9, 1, 0.35]
2	0.377692228627069	1.65191	0.0127421824172165	[0.9, 1, 0.45]
3	0.377692228627069	1.65191	0.0127421824172165	[0.9, 1, 0.55]
4	0.377692228627069	1.65191	0.0127421824172165	[0.9, 1, 0.65]
5	0.377692228627069	1.65191	0.0127421824172165	[0.9, 1, 0.75]
6	0.377692228627136	1.65191	0.0127421824172158	[0.9, 1, 0.8500000000000001]
7	0.377692228627069	1.65191	0.0127421824172165	[0.9, 1, 0.9500000000000001]
8	0.377692228627247	1.65191	0.0127421824172147	[0.9, 1, 1.05]
9	0.377692228627136	1.65191	0.0127421824172158	[0.9, 1, 1.15]
10	0.377692228627202	1.65191	0.0127421824172152	[0.9, 1, 1.25]

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In [45]: table['abs_difference'] = abs(table['difference'])
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In [46]:

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table['abs_difference'] = table['abs_difference'].astype(float)
table['abs_difference'].idxmin()
table.loc[table['abs_difference'].idxmin()]
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Out[46]:

model premium	1.74283745873896
data_premium	1.65191
difference	-0.00090927
parameters	[0.99, 5, 0.35]
abs_difference	0.00090927

Name: 1035, dtype: object

Best Parameters

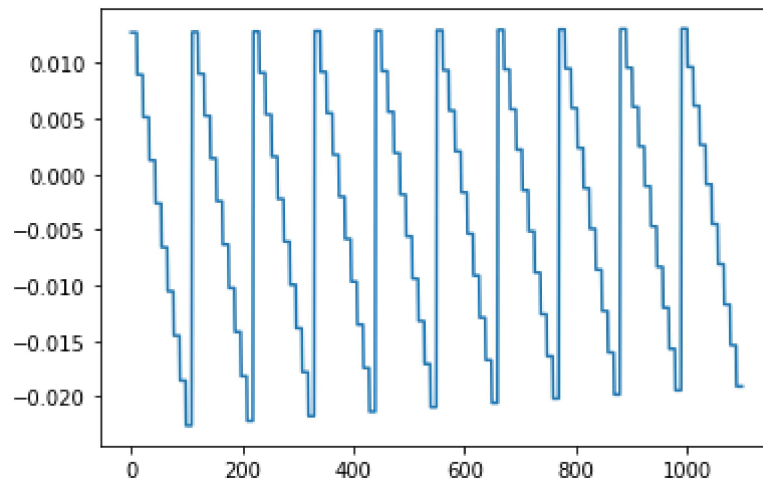
Beta = 0.99

Sigma = 5

Delta = 0.35

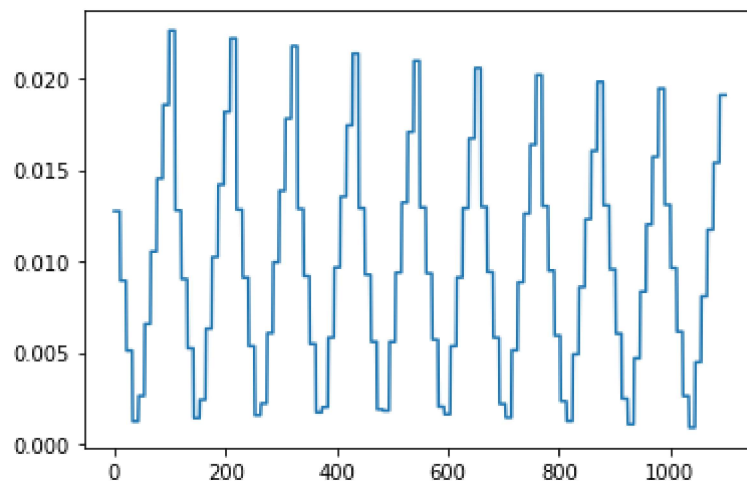
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In [40]: import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
plt.plot(table.difference)
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Out[40]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x2c4b792b608>]
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In [47]: plt.plot(table.abs_difference)
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Out[47]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x2c4b8647288>]
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