The project is structured into three parts, risk, alpha, and optimization.

To begin with, risk is measured by monthly covariance and variance matrix. We select monthly active stocks to calculate the past years' covariance and variance matrix and shrinks the variance towards its target

In terms of alpha, this project adapts short-term mean-reversion of returns, short-term momentum of returns,

long-term value of market-to-book ratio, and long-term momentum of returns. To remove outliers and extreme values. we demean, standardize and winsorize every day each of these four alphas individually before blending them up with the specified weight

Once we prepare our monthly risk and alpha, we proceed to optimization. We use the quartic optimization which deducts trading cost and risk from alpha returns. The constraint is weight of each stock is between 0 to 1.

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In [3]:
                import pandas as pd
                import numpy as np
                import datetime
            5 import pickle
                # pickle.dump(alldata, outfile)
           8 # outfile.close()
9 # import the file "alldata" to check if it worked
10 filename = 'alldata_sol'
11 infile = open(filename,'rb')
           12 new_file = pickle.load(infile)
13 infile.close()
           14 print(new_file.keys())
          dict keys(['allstocks', 'namelist', 'industrylist', 'ibeslist', 'indexlist', 'isinlist'])
In [4]: 1 industry_list = new_file['industrylist']['industry'].unique()
2 industry_df = new_file['industrylist']
In [5]: 1 ## assign industry dummy, dimensions n * rho. n is the number of stock and rho is the number of industry
                for industry in industry_list:
                     industry df[industry] = (
                     industry_df[industry] = np.where(industry_df['industry'] == industry, 1 , 0)
            7 industry_df = industry_df.drop(columns=['industry','date','dscode'])
               print(industry_df)
           10 print(industry_df.shape)
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           [566 rows x 40 columns]
           (566, 40)
          Risk
In [6]:
            1 f = 'database.pkl'
               i = open(f,'rb')
nf = pickle.load(i)
             4 i.close()
Out[6]: dict_keys(['myday', 'price', 'tri', 'volume', 'mtbv', 'rec', 'isactivenow', 'tcost', 'cap'])
In [7]: 1 # get the index of first day of each month from 1998 - 2002
                myday = pd.DataFrame(pd.to datetime(nf['myday']))
               myday['year'] = myday['V1'].dt.year
myday['month'] = myday['V1'].dt.month
               first_day_index = []
for i in range(1998,2003):
                     for j in range(1,13):
           10
                          year_data = myday.loc[myday['year'] == i]
monthly_data = year_data.loc[year_data['month'] == j]
idx = int(monthly_data[monthly_data['year'] == i].index[0])
           13
                          first_day_index.append(idx)
In [8]: 1 # index of first day of the month
2 d = [print(x, end=', ') for x in first_day_index]
          245, 265, 285, 307, 326, 344, 365, 386, 407, 429, 451, 471, 491, 511, 531, 554, 574, 593, 615, 637, 659, 681, 702, 724, 745, 766, 787, 810, 828, 850, 871, 892, 915, 93 6, 958, 980, 999, 1021, 1041, 1063, 1082, 1104, 1124, 1146, 1169, 1189, 1212, 1234, 1251, 1273, 1293, 1313, 1334, 1356, 1376, 1399, 1421, 1442, 1465, 1486,
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In [10]: 1 # example of monthly active securities: the active securitie of 245th row which is Jan 1998
2 m = [print(monthly_active_dic[245])]

[1, 8, 9, 14, 17, 20, 21, 23, 26, 29, 31, 108, 110, 113, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 125, 132, 133, 138, 140, 144, 146, 147, 150, 151, 223, 224, 229, 234, 240, 241, 242, 244, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 259, 262, 264, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 272, 274, 291, 293, 295, 296, 299, 301, 305, 306, 308, 309, 318, 320, 342, 351, 355, 356, 357, 358, 369, 362, 363, 364, 366, 367, 368, 370, 371, 373, 374, 377, 379, 380, 382, 383, 384, 385, 388, 389, 393, 395, 395, 397, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 407, 408, 409, 401, 411, 413, 414, 416, 418, 419, 441, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 449, 452, 454, 458, 459, 460, 461, 464, 465, 466, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 480, 482, 483, 485, 489, 491, 492, 493, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 509, 512, 513, 514, 516, 517, 518, 520, 521, 522, 524, 526, 527, 536, 537, 543, 544, 545, 547, 548, 549, 551, 552, 558, 559, 560, 562, 564]

In [11]: 1 tri_df = pd.concat([nf['tri'], myday],axis = 1)
2 # backfill NaN with the first value
3 tri_df = tri_df.bfill(axis = 'rows')

1 shrink = [] 2 count = 0 In [12]: 3 shrinkage_covs = {} ## Covariance matrix is adjusted every month and included active stocks only. 8 for i in first day index: # get current year and current data
curr_data = tri_df.iloc[i,:]
curr_year = tri_df.iloc[i,:]['year'] 11 # get previous year and previous data pre_year = curr_year - 1
pre_data = tri_df.loc[tri_df['year'] == pre_year] # get previous active securities for the past year
pre_act_data = pre_data.iloc[:, monthly_active_dic[i]]
pre_act_data_mean = pre_data.iloc[:, monthly_active_dic[i]].mean() 20 21 # n is the numbes of stock and T is the numbes of days 23 n = pre act data.shape[1] T = pre_act_data.shape[0] 25 26 # calculate sample covariance without demean. S = 1/T (X X') = 1/ T sum_from_t_to_T (Xt Xt') S = np.dot(np.transpose(np.array(pre_act_data)), np.array(pre_act_data)) S = S / T 29 3.0 # calculate estimation error. omega square = 1/(T*(T-1)) sum from t = 1 to T |/Xt Xt' - S|/** 2 31 omega_square = 0 for j in range(len(pre_act_data)):
 squared_X = np.dot(np.transpose(np.array([pre_act_data.iloc[j,:]])), np.array([pre_act_data.iloc[j,:]]))
 distance = (squared_X - S) 33 34 35 36 37 omega_square += ((distance **2).sum()) 38 omega square = omega square / (T * (T-1)) 39 calculate shrinkage target. target = average of variance 41 shrinkage_target = (pre_act_data.var()).sum()/n # calculate dispersion. delta square = (norm of (S - shrinkage * I)) ** 2 - omega **2
delta square = ((S - shrinkage target * np.identity(n))**2).sum() - omega square 43 44 45 46 shrinkage_intensity = delta_square / (delta_square + omega_square) 47 shrink.append(shrinkage_intensity) $shrinkage_covs[i] = (1 - shrinkage_intensity) * np.dot(shrinkage_target, np.identity(n)) + (1 - shrinkage_target, np.identi$ 50 shrinkage_intensity * S

In [13]: 1 s = [print(x, end=', ') for x in shrink]

0.9998703235573941, 0.9998694663896874, 0.9998688044528415, 0.9998694290251778, 0.9998685907376671, 0.999868884521405, 0.999868838637115, 0.9998688730692297, 0.99986883360781063, 0.9998697799788795, 0.999869873952982, 0.9998697106556815, 0.9997709604958691, 0.9997713185079514, 0.999771870288715, 0.999771933317107, 0.9997719439335 386, 0.999771237298743, 0.999772040814417, 0.999772101479238, 0.9997720347730847, 0.9997721221650553, 0.9997720358720618, 0.9997718287448497, 0.99966434030306613, 0.9996780872772587895396879, 0.999858483960899, 0.9996782626198813, 0.9997798265198813, 0.99977985330082757, 0.999855330082757, 0.999855330082757, 0.999855330082757, 0.999855330082757, 0.9998594540030407457, 0.999774825391427, 0.999801209117172, 0.999801842206694, 0.9997972617203499, 0.9997899130911 8, 0.9997968108218581, 0.9997987720938322041816, 0.9997983826041816, 0.999779730088684, 0.999797882307911, 0.999746833408459, 0.9997468089727465, 0.9997470566284986, 0.999748112236281, 0.9997488626839456, 0.999751233111221, 0.9997520330571875, 0.99975148786 97095, 0.999749756370738,

Alpha

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1 # demean, standardize and winsorize data
2 # input is dataframe and output is np.array
In [14]:
               4 def demean standardize win(df):
                        for i in range(len(df)):
                             #calculate cross-industry mean on date i
                            mean = df.iloc[i,:].mean()
                            #calculate cross industry standard deviation on date i
                            std = df.iloc[i,:].std()
                             #standardlize ret by substracting cross-industry mean and then divided by standard deviation
                            df.iloc[i,:] = (df.iloc[i,:] - mean)/std
                        #winsorize data. If z score > 3, bring it down to 3. If z score < -3, bring it up to -3.
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                       df = np.where(df> 3, 3, df)
df = np.where(df < -3, -3, df)</pre>
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                       return df
            а
              1 import numpy as np
2 w1 = 0.50
In [15]:
              #arithmetic mean of past 21 days return
ari_ret = nf['tri'].rolling(21).mean()
                  # ari_ret = ari_ret.bfill(axis ='rows')
# fill nan with 0
             10 ari_ret = ari_ret.fillna(0)
             12 #calculate industry variable
             16 # dot product of arithmetic mean and industry variable
17 alpha_t = np.dot(-ari_ret, industry_var)
             19 alpharev = demean_standardize_win(pd.DataFrame(alpha_t))
In [16]: 1 print(alpharev)
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[0.26678904 0.52553136 0.0354849 ... 0.16769193 0.36885335 0.26939215]]
             (1504, 566)
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In [17]:
              1 w2 = 0.25
                  #arithmetic mean of past 45 days return
                  alpharec = nf['rec'].rolling(45).mean()
              6 # see function for more details
                  alpharec = demean_standardize_win(alpharec)
             In [18]: 1 print(alpharec.tail())
              2 print(alpharec.shape)
             1499 -0.366364 -0.366364 -0.366364 -1.917701 0.150748 0.667861 -0.883476 1500 -0.364470 -0.364470 -1.923336 0.155152 0.674774 -0.884092
            1501 -0.374842 -0.374842 -0.374842 -1.372536 0.152921 0.680684 -0.902605 1502 -0.382192 0.148006 -0.382192 -1.442587 0.148006 0.678203 -0.912389 1503 0.117224 0.117224 -0.413568 -1.475152 0.117224 0.648016 -0.413568
            7 8 9 ... 556 557 558

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             [5 rows x 566 columns] (1504, 566)
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              1 w3 = 0.15
2 alphaval = nf['mtbv']
In [19]:
              3 alphaval = demean_standardize_win(alphaval)
                 # alphaval = pd.DataFrame(alphaval).bfill(axis='row')
              6 alphaval = pd.DataFrame(alphaval).fillna(0)
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In [20]:
                 print(alphaval.tail())
print(alphaval.shape)
               1499 -0.096189 -0.012860 -0.441408 2.034646 -0.020796 -0.377920 -0.258879
               1500 -0.055241 -0.027866 -0.446325 2.083985 -0.031776 -0.377298 -0.26867

1501 -0.028607 -0.048197 -0.443901 1.996932 -0.036443 -0.377298 -0.263679

1502 -0.027222 -0.046805 -0.434537 2.091600 -0.035055 -0.360124 -0.250462
               1503 0.008576 -0.054471 -0.452457 2.116721 -0.042650 -0.350005 -0.243613
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        -0.02332
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        -0.047420
        -0.575382

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1502 -0.250462 -0.148633 -0.183882 -0.555949 -0.179965 -0.567698
1503 -0.239672 -0.172685 -0.172685 -0.550969 -0.176625 -0.574611
                [5 rows x 566 columns]
               (1504, 566)
               d
In [21]: 1 w4 = 0.1
                     #drop unnecessary columns
                     #updated_df = nf['tri'].drop(columns=['Year','date'])
updated_df = nf['tri']
#cumulative sum of last 11 months
                  alphamom = updated_df.rolling(11).sum()
alphamom = demean_standardize_win(alpha
                 8 alphamom = pd.DataFrame(alphamom).fillna(0)
In [22]: 1 print(alphamom.tail())
                 2 print(alphamom.shape)
               1499 -0.400469 -0.294335 -0.394852 -0.384865 -0.355408 -0.423679 -0.433365 1500 -0.400213 -0.294329 -0.394615 -0.384751 -0.365039 -0.423507 -0.432265 1501 -0.399822 -0.294239 -0.394315 -0.384453 -0.364547 -0.423289 -0.432565 1502 -0.399511 -0.294590 -0.3994105 -0.384443 -0.364326 -0.423213 -0.432278
               1503 -0.399098 -0.293832 -0.393755 -0.384012 -0.363708 -0.422909 -0.431827
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               [5 rows x 566 columns] (1504, 566)
In [23]: 1 alphablend = w1 * alpharev + w2 * alpharec + w3 * alphaval + w4 * alphamom
2 alphablend = demean_standardize_win(alphablend)
In [24]: 1 print(alphablend)
                 2 print(alphablend.shape)
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                 [-0.04954239 0.60759782 -0.47966229 ... 0.27540805 0.68061897
                    0.075230371
                 [ 0.26622586
                                       0.58347651 -0.50469323 ... 0.25460922 0.33512315
                    0.05158075]]
                (1504, 566)
               Optimization
In [25]:
                 1 import cyxopt
                     from cvxopt import matrix, solvers
                 4 ## showing the result instead of progress
5 # solvers.options['show_progress'] = False
6 # solvers.options['feastol'] = 1e-20
In [26]: 1 # total weights contain active stocks only. Create weights that have both active stocks and inactive stocks 2 # initiate a array with 0, lengh is equal to total securities
                      # loop through 60 months to get first day index
                     def fill_active_inactive_stocks(t, matrix):
    n = 566
                            x = np.array(np.zeros(n))
                            # find the index position of active stocks using index stored in monthly active dic
                           pos = monthly_active_dic[t]
                11
                            for i in range(0,len(pos)):
    x[pos[i]] = matrix[i]
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                            return x
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In [27]:
                  3 n = 566
                  4 daily_trading_constraint = 15
5 start = 245
6 T = 1504
                     # m controls monthly dynamic variables
                10 total_weights = []
11 for t in range(start, T):
                12
                            # get previous day row index
                13
                           t_{minus_1} = t - 1
                           # control monthly dynamic variables which are covariance matrix, numbers of active stocks,
                           # initial weight, and monthly active stocks
if m < len(first_day_index) and t == first_day_index[m]:</pre>
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                                 risk = matrix(shrinkage_covs[t],tc ='d')
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                                 # get monthly numbers of active stocks
numbers_of_active_stocks = len(monthly_active_dic[t])
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                                 # The CXVOPT solver only accepts matrices containing doubles,
                                 # and if a list containing only integers was supplied to the matrix constructor,
# it will create an integer matrix and eventual lead to a cryptic error.
                                 # it will create an integer matrix and eventual lead to a C. # dimension of initial weight is numbers of active stock * 1 # initial weight is 0 for every month w = matrix(np.zeros(numbers_of_active_stocks), tc='d')
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                                 monthly_active_stocks = monthly_active_dic[t]
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                                 # switch to next month
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                            # active stocks' alpha performance on day t =1
                           alpha = matrix(np.array([alphablend[t_minus_1][x] for x in monthly_active_stocks]),tc = 'd')
                40
                           # active stocks' cost which includes bid/offer spread cost and commission cost on the execution day, day t-1
tau = matrix(np.array([nf['tcost'].iloc[t_minus_1,:][x] for x in monthly_active_stocks]),tc='d')
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                           # solver's param, H
H = 2 * mu * matrix([[risk, - risk],[-risk,risk]],tc ='d')
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                           # solver's param, g
g1 = np.array(2* mu * np.dot(risk, w) - alpha + lam * tau)
g2 = np.array(-2* mu * np.dot(risk, w) + alpha + lam * tau)
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                           mask1 = np.isnan(q1)
                           g1[mask1] = np.interp(np.flatnonzero(mask1), np.flatnonzero(-mask1), g1[-mask1])
mask2 = np.isnan(g2)
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                           g2[mask2] = np.interp(np.flatnonzero(mask2), np.flatnonzero(-mask2), g2[-mask2])
                           g = matrix(np.vstack([g1, g2]), tc = 'd')
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                           # inequality constraint (Gx < h): 0 <= y, z <= 1, weight of singal equity is between 0 and 1 identity = matrix(np.identity(numbers_of_active_stocks), tc = 'd')
                           UB = matrix(np.array([2] * (numbers_of_active_stocks)), to = 'd')
LB = matrix(np.zeros(numbers_of_active_stocks), to = 'd')
A = matrix([[identity, - identity],[identity, - identity]])
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                           b = matrix([UB, LB])
                           # eqality constraint (Ax =b): daily trading volume is less than 15 m, long position and short position is equal
c1 = np.array([mu] * (numbers_of_active_stocks*2))
c1 = np.array([[mu] * (numbers_of_active_stocks*2)])
c2 = np.array([np.ones(numbers_of_active_stocks)])
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                67 #
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69 #
                             c3 = np.array([np.zeros(numbers_of_active_stocks)])
print(c1.shape, c2.shape, c3.shape)
                70 #
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                               \begin{tabular}{ll} \# \ C = matrix(np.vstack((np.hstack((c2, c3)), np.hstack((c3, c2)))), tc = 'd') \\ C = matrix(np.vstack((c1,np.hstack((c2, c3)), np.hstack((c3, c2)))), tc = 'd') \\ \end{tabular} 
                73 #
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76 #
                              print(C.size)
                              # d = matrix(np.array([daily_trading_constraint*2,0,0]), tc = 'd')
# d = matrix(np.array([0,0]), tc = 'd')
sol = solvers.qp(H,g, A, b)
                77 #
78 # #
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                           sol = solvers.qp(H,g, A, b)
y = sol['x'][:numbers_of_active_stocks]
z = sol['x'][numbers_of_active_stocks:]
                             calculate final weight x, x = w + y - z
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                           final_weights = w + y - z
                           #today's weights is initial weights of the next trading day
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                           w = final_weights
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                           # np.squeeze: show result instead of data type
                                 contain active stocks only. Create weights that have both active stocks and inactive stocks
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                            x = fill_active_inactive_stocks(first_day_index[m-1], np.squeeze(w))
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                           total weights.append(x)
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4: -9.7137e-02 -1.0486e-01

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7: -1.0124e-01 -1.0124e-01
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2e-16
  2: 1.1595e+00 -4.7124e-01
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9.3386e-04 -6.7572e-03
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 4: 9.3360e-04 -6.73/2e-03 8e-05 2e-16 2e-06

6: -3.1533e-03 -3.1541e-03 8e-05 2e-16 1e-09

7: -3.1537e-03 -3.1537e-03 8e-09 2e-16 8e-11
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In [28]: 1 n = 566
2 T = 1504
3 trade = np.zeros((T -len(total_weights), n))
print(trade)
5 print(trade.shape)
6 trade = np.vstack((trade, np.array(total_weights)))

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