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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1 import pandas as pd
2 import numpy as np
  In [ ]:
               3 import datetime
               5 import pickle
                  # pickle.dump(alldata, outfile)
                  # outfile.close()
# 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())
              industry_list = new_file['industrylist']['industry'].unique()
industry_df = new_file['industrylist']
In [1751:
In [176]: 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] = 0
industry_df[industry] = np.where(industry_df['industry'] == industry, 1 , 0)
                  industry_df = industry_df.drop(columns=['industry','date','dscode'])
                  print(industry_df)
print(industry_df.shape)
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In [177]:
              1 f = 'database.pkl
              2 i = open(f,'rb')
3 nf = pickle.load(i)
               4 i.close()
5 nf.keys()
Out[177]: dict_keys(['myday', 'price', 'tri', 'volume', 'mtbv', 'rec', 'isactivenow', 'tcost', 'cap'])
In [178]: 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):
                            Jin range(1/13);
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])
first_day_index.append(idx)
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In [179]: 1 # index of first day of the month
2 d = [print(x, end=', ') for x in first\_day\_index]

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In [182]: 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')
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In [183]:
              1 shrink = []
                  count = 0
                 shrinkage_covs = {}
              5  ## Covariance matrix is adjusted every month and included active stocks only.
6  ## S is sample covariance without demean
              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']
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                        # get previous year and previous data
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                       pre_year = curr_year - 1
pre_data = tri_df.loc[tri_df['year'] == pre_year]
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                      # get previous active securities for the past year
pre_act_data = pre_data.iloc[:, monthly_active_dic[i]]
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                         pre_act_data_mean = pre_data.iloc[:, monthly_active_dic[i]].mean()
             20 #
                       # n is the numbes of stock and T is the numbes of days
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                      n = pre_act_data.shape[1]
T = pre_act_data.shape[0]
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                       # calculate sample covariance without demean. S = 1/T (X X') = 1/T sum_from_t_to_T (Xt Xt')
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                       S = np.dot(np.transpose(np.array(pre_act_data)), np.array(pre_act_data))
                       S = S / T
             29
                       # calculate estimation error. omega square = 1/(T * (T-1)) sum_from t = 1 to T \mid |Xt | Xt' - S| | ** 2
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                       omega square = 0
                       for i in range(len(pre act data)):
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                            j In Index[clentple_act_uata]);
squared_X = np.dot(np.transpose(np.array([pre_act_data.iloc[j,:]])), np.array([pre_act_data.iloc[j,:]]))
distance = (squared_X - S)
omega_square += ((distance **2).sum())
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                       omega square = omega square / (T * (T-1))
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                        # calculate shrinkage target. target = average of variance
                       shrinkage_target = (pre_act_data.var()).sum()/n
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                             \# \ calculate \ dispersion. \ delta \ square = (norm \ of \ (S - shrinkage * I)) ** 2 - omega ** 2 \\ delta_square = ((S - shrinkage_target * np.identity(n))** 2).sum() - omega_square 
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                       shrinkage intensity = delta square / (delta square + omega square)
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                       shrink.append(shrinkage intensity)
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                       shrinkage_covs[i] = (1 - shrinkage_intensity) * np.dot(shrinkage_target, np.identity(n))+\
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                                                 shrinkage_intensity * S
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In [184]: 1 s = [print(x, end=', ') for x in shrink]

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## Alpha

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1 # demean, standardize and winsorize data
In [185]:
                    2 # input is dataframe and output is np.array
                    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
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                                      std = df.iloc[i,:].std()
                                       \# standard lize \ ret \ by \ substracting \ cross-industry \ mean \ and \ then \ divided \ by \ standard \ deviation \ df.iloc[i,:] = (df.iloc[i,:] - mean)/std 
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                               #winsorize data. If z score > 3, bring it down to 3. If z score < -3, bring it up to -3. df = np.where(df> 3, 3, df) df = np.where(df < -3, -3, df)
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                               return df
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In [186]: 1 import numpy as np
                       w1 = 0.50
                       #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
ari_ret = ari_ret.fillna(0)
                  11 | #calculate industry variable
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                  # dot product of arithmetic mean and industry variable
alpha_t = np.dot(-ari_ret, industry_var)
                  19 alpharev = demean standardize win(pd.DataFrame(alpha t))
In [187]: 1 print(alpharev)
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In [188]:
                    1 w2 = 0.25
                       #arithmetic mean of past 45 days return
                       alpharec = nf['rec'].rolling(45).mean()
                            see function for more details
                   7 alpharec = demean_standardize_win(alpharec)
                    9 #fill NAN with 0
                  # alpharec = pd.DataFrame(alpharec).bfill(axis='row')
alpharec = pd.DataFrame(alpharec).fillna(0)
In [189]: 1 print(alpharec.tail())
                   2 print(alpharec.shape)
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w3 = 0.15
In [190]:
                 alphaval = nf['mtbv']
                 alphaval = demean_standardize_win(alphaval)
                # alphaval = pd.DataFrame(alphaval).bfill(axis='row')
              6 alphaval = pd.DataFrame(alphaval).fillna(0)
In [191]: 1 print(alphaval.tail())
              2 print(alphaval.shape)
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            [5 rows x 566 columns] (1504, 566)
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In [192]:
              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(alphamom)
alphamom = pd.DataFrame(alphamom ).fillna(0)
In [193]: 1 print(alphamom.tail())
              2 print(alphamom.shape)
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              2 print(alphablend.shape)
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                0.05158075]]
             (1504, 566)
            Optimization
                 import cvxopt
In [196]:
                 from cvxopt import matrix, solvers
                 ## showing the result instead of progress
                 # solvers.options['show_progress'] = False
# solvers.options['feastol'] = 1e-20
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In [197]:
              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):
                       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]
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                       for i in range(0,len(pos)):
    x[pos[i]] = matrix[i]
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                        return x
  In [ ]: 1 mu = 10
                2 lam = 5
                4 daily_trading_constraint = 15
5 start = 245
6 T = 1504
                8 # m controls monthly dynamic variables
              10 total_weights = []
              for t in range(start, T):

# get previous day row index
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                         t_minus_1 = t - 1
              14
                         # control monthly dynamic variables which are covariance matrix, numbers of active stocks,
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                         # initial weight, and monthly active stocks
if m < len(first_day_index) and t == first_day_index[m]:</pre>
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                               # get monthly shrinkage covariance
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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])
              2.4
                              # 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.
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                              \# dimension of initial weight is numbers of active stock * 1 \# initial weight is 0 for every month
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                              w = matrix(np.zeros(numbers_of_active_stocks), tc='d')
                              monthly active stocks = monthly active dic[t]
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                               # switch to next month
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                              m+=1
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                         # active stocks' alpha performance on day t -1
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                         alpha = matrix(np.array([alphablend[t_minus_1][x] for x in monthly_active_stocks]),tc = 'd')
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                         # 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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                         # fill nan with the closet value
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                         mask1 = np.isnan(g1)
                         g1[mask1] = np.interp(np.flatnonzero(mask1), np.flatnonzero(-mask1), q1[-mask1])
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                        gatmanks; np.interp(np.flatnonzero(mask2), np.flatnonzero(-mask2), g2[-mask2])
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                         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.arqy([2] * (numbers_of_active_stocks)), tc = 'd') LB = matrix(np.areos(numbers_of_active_stocks),tc= 'd')
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                         A = matrix([[identity, - identity],[identity, - identity]])
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                         b = matrix([UB, LB])
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                         # eqality constraint (Ax =b): daily trading volume is less than 15 m, long position and short position is equal
cl = np.array([mu] * (numbers_of_active_stocks*2))
cl = np.array([fmu] * (numbers_of_active_stocks*2)])
c2 = np.array([np.ones(numbers_of_active_stocks)])
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                           c3 = np.array([np.zeros(numbers_of_active_stocks)])
print(c1.shape, c2.shape, c3.shape)
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                           \# 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')
               74 #
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76 #
                            d = matrix(np.array([daily_trading_constraint*2,0 ,0]), tc = 'd')
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78 # #
                           # d = matrix(np.array([0,0]), tc = 'd')
sol = solvers.qp(H,g, A, b)
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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:]
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                            calculate final weight x, x = w + y - z
                         final weights = w + y - z
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                         #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
# w 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))
                         total_weights.append(x)
```