

**Problem Set 3**  
**MFE 402: Econometrics**  
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This problem set is designed to review material on the multiple regression model and time series. Include both your R code and output in your answers.

## Question 1

Using a sequence of simple regressions computed in R, show how to obtain the multiple regression coefficient on  $P_2$  in the multi dataset from the `DataAnalytics` package.

ANS: Run the following code:

```
library(DataAnalytics)
data(multi)
e_2.1 = lm(p2~p1,data = multi)$residuals
lm(Sales ~ e_2.1, data = multi)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Sales ~ e_2.1, data = multi)
##
## Coefficients:
## (Intercept)      e_2.1
##      517.1      108.8
```

Verify using Multi-linear Regression:

```
out=with(multi,
  lm(Sales~p1+p2)
)
lmSumm(out)
```

```
## Multiple Regression Analysis:
##      3 regressors(including intercept) and 100 observations
##
## lm(formula = Sales ~ p1 + p2)
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std Error t value p value
## (Intercept)   115.70     8.548   13.54      0
## p1            -97.66     2.669  -36.60      0
## p2             108.80     1.409   77.20      0
## ---
## Standard Error of the Regression:  28.42
## Multiple R-squared:  0.987  Adjusted R-squared:  0.987
## Overall F stat: 3717.29 on 2 and 97 DF, pvalue= 0
```

The coefficient is 108.8

## Question 2

Use matrix formulas and R code – i.e., use `%*%` not `lm` – to reproduce the least squares coefficients and standard errors shown on slide 17 of Chapter II. The `countryret` dataset is in the `DataAnalytics` package.

```
data(countryret)
y = countryret$usa
x = cbind(rep(1,length(y)),countryret$canada,countryret$uk,
          countryret$australia,countryret$france,countryret$germany,
          countryret$japan)
y <- as.matrix(y,ncol=1)
x <- as.matrix(x, ncol=6)
b <- chol2inv(chol(crossprod(x))) %*% crossprod(x,y)
e <- y - x%*%b
ssq <- sum(e*e)/(length(y)-ncol(x))
var_b <- ssq * chol2inv(chol(crossprod(x)))
std_err <- sqrt(diag(var_b))
names(std_err) <- c("intercept", "canada","uk","australia", "france","germany","japan")
```

Coefficients

```
b <- as.vector(b)
names(b) <- c("intercept", "canada","uk","australia", "france","germany","japan")
b
```

```
##      intercept      canada          uk      australia      france
## 0.006135614 0.444362109 0.225690196 -0.056688434 0.166742081
##      germany      japan
## -0.064792831 -0.051027942
```

Standard Errors

```
std_err

##      intercept      canada          uk      australia      france      germany
## 0.00230897 0.06958673 0.06491489 0.05036627 0.06133779 0.05723881
##      japan
## 0.03461495
```

Verify Using `lm`

```
out = lm(usa~canada + uk + australia + france + germany + japan, data=countryret)
lmSumm(out)
```

```
## Multiple Regression Analysis:
##      7 regressors(including intercept) and 107 observations
##
## lm(formula = usa ~ canada + uk + australia + france + germany +
##      japan, data = countryret)
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std Error t value p value
## (Intercept) 0.006136 0.002309   2.66  0.009
## canada      0.444400 0.069590   6.39  0.000
## uk          0.225700 0.064910   3.48  0.001
## australia   -0.056690 0.050370  -1.13  0.263
## france      0.166700 0.061340   2.72  0.008
## germany     -0.064790 0.057240  -1.13  0.260
```

```
## japan      -0.051030  0.034610   -1.47   0.144
## ---
## Standard Error of the Regression:  0.02257
## Multiple R-squared:  0.566  Adjusted R-squared:  0.54
## Overall F stat: 21.74 on 6 and 100 DF, pvalue= 0
```

### Question 3

Run the regression of VWNFX on vwretd.

- Compute a 90% prediction interval for VWNFX when  $\text{vwretd} = 0.05$  using the formulas in the class notes.
- Check your work in part (a) by computing a 90% prediction interval using R's `predict` command.

(a)

```
library(reshape2)
data(Vanguard)
data(marketRf)
vwretd_date <- marketRf[c("date", "vwretd")]
VWNFX <- subset(Vanguard, ticker == "VWNFX")
vanguard_reshaped <- dcast(VWNFX, date ~ ticker, value.var = "mret")
merged_data <- merge(vanguard_reshaped, vwretd_date, by = "date")
out <- lm(VWNFX ~ vwretd, data = merged_data)
lmSumm(out)
```

```
## Multiple Regression Analysis:
##      2 regressors(including intercept) and 336 observations
##
## lm(formula = VWNFX ~ vwretd, data = merged_data)
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std Error t value p value
## (Intercept)  0.001074  0.0009468    1.13   0.257
## vwretd       0.889100  0.0207300   42.90   0.000
## ---
## Standard Error of the Regression:  0.01698
## Multiple R-squared:  0.846  Adjusted R-squared:  0.846
## Overall F stat: 1840.19 on 1 and 334 DF, pvalue= 0
```

Standard error of the regression is 0.01698 Using the formula for  $s_{pred}$ :

$$s_{pred} = s \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{N} + \frac{(X_f - \bar{X})^2}{\sum_{i=0}^N (X_i - \bar{X})^2}}$$

```
b_1 <- out$coefficients[2]
b_0 <- out$coefficients[1]
x_i <- merged_data$vwretd
x_bar <- mean(merged_data$vwretd)

x_f <- 0.05
N <- 336
df <- N-2

y.hat <- b_0 + b_1 * merged_data$vwretd
x <- merged_data$vwretd
```

```

s_square <- sum((merged_data$VWNFX - y.hat)^2)/(df)
s <- sqrt(s_square)
denominator <- sum((x_i - x_bar)^2)

spred <- s * sqrt(1 + (1/N) + (x_f - (x_bar))^2 / denominator )

t_value <- qt(0.95, df = 334)
fittedV <- b_0 + b_1 * x_f
upper <- b_0 + b_1 * x_f + t_value * spred
lower <- b_0 + b_1 * x_f - t_value * spred
predict_res <- data.frame(as.numeric(lower), as.numeric(upper), as.numeric(fittedV))
colnames(predict_res) <- c("Lower", "Upper", "Fitted")
predict_res

```

```

##           Lower      Upper      Fitted
## 1 0.01744646 0.07361465 0.04553055

```

(b) verify using predict

```

predict(out, new = data.frame(vwretd=0.05),int="prediction", level=0.9)

```

```

##           fit      lwr      upr
## 1 0.04553055 0.01744646 0.07361465

```

## Question 4

Define the mean return vector and the symmetric variance-covariance matrix for 3 assets as follows:

$$\mu = \begin{bmatrix} 0.010 \\ 0.015 \\ 0.025 \end{bmatrix} \quad \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0016 & 0.0010 & 0.0015 \\ & 0.0020 & 0.0019 \\ & & 0.0042 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Compute the correlation matrix of these three assets from the variance-covariance matrix  $\Sigma$  by dividing the  $(i, j)$  element of  $\Sigma$  by  $\sigma_i$  and  $\sigma_j$ . You must use matrix operations (e.g., `diag()`, `X*Y`, or `X%*%Y`) in your answer. You may not use a loop and you may not use the R function `cov2cor`.
- Compute the mean and standard deviation of a portfolio made from these assets with weights  $(0.3, 0.4, 0.3)$

(a) Initialize matrix  $\mu$  and  $\Sigma$

```

mu <- matrix(c(0.01,0.015,0.025))
covariance_mat <- matrix(c(0.0016, 0.0010, 0.0015,
                          0,0.0020,0.0019,0,0,0.0042), nrow=3, ncol=3, byrow=TRUE)
variance <- matrix(diag(covariance_mat))
sigma <- sqrt(variance)
D <- sigma %*% t(sigma)
covariance_mat * (1/D)

```

```

##           [,1]      [,2]      [,3]
## [1,]      1 0.559017 0.5786376
## [2,]      0 1.000000 0.6555623
## [3,]      0 0.000000 1.0000000

```

verify using cov2cor

```

cov2cor(covariance_mat)

```

```
##      [,1]      [,2]      [,3]
## [1,]    1 0.559017 0.5786376
## [2,]    0 1.000000 0.6555623
## [3,]    0 0.000000 1.0000000
```

(b)

```
covariance_mat <- matrix(c(0.0016, 0.0010, 0.0015, 0.001,
                           0.0020,0.0019,0.0015,0.0019,0.0042), nrow=3, ncol=3, byrow=TRUE)
weights <- matrix(c(0.3,0.4,0.3), nrow = 3, ncol=1)
expected_ret <- t(weights) %*% mu
variance_port <- t(weights) %*% covariance_mat %*% weights
sd_port <- sqrt(variance_port)
qn4_res <- data.frame(expected_ret, sd_port)
colnames(qn4_res) <- c("Expected Return", "Standard Deviation")
qn4_res
```

```
##      Expected Return Standard Deviation
## 1              0.0165              0.04252058
```

## Question 5

Using the same data as in Question 3 above and following the lecture slides (Chapter 3, section g), test the general linear hypothesis that  $\beta_{up} = \beta_{down}$  in the following regression. Note that if you account for the NA values properly, you should get a slightly different result than what is presented in the lecture slides.

$$VWNFX_t = \alpha + \beta_{up} * vwretd_t^+ + \beta_{down} * vwretd_t^- + \varepsilon_t$$

```
data(Vanguard)
van <- Vanguard[,c(1,2,5)]
v_resaped <- dcast(van,date~ticker, value.var = "mret")
reshaped_cleaned <- v_resaped[-which(is.na(v_resaped$VWNFX)),]
data(marketRf)
Van_mkt <- merge(reshaped_cleaned,marketRf, by="date")
mkt_up <- ifelse(Van_mkt$vwretd > 0,1,0)
Van_mkt$upvw <- mkt_up * Van_mkt$vwretd
Van_mkt$dwnvw <- (1-mkt_up) * Van_mkt$vwretd
mkt_timing <- lm(VWNFX~upvw+dwnvw, data = Van_mkt)
lmSumm(mkt_timing)
```

```
## Multiple Regression Analysis:
##      3 regressors(including intercept) and 336 observations
##
## lm(formula = VWNFX ~ upvw + dwnvw, data = Van_mkt)
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std Error t value p value
## (Intercept)  0.001526  0.001486   1.03   0.305
## upvw         0.876200  0.038740  22.62   0.000
## dwnvw        0.901600  0.037830  23.83   0.000
## ---
## Standard Error of the Regression:  0.017
## Multiple R-squared:  0.846 Adjusted R-squared:  0.846
## Overall F stat: 917.85 on 2 and 333 DF, pvalue= 0
```

```

R <- matrix(c(0,1,-1), byrow=TRUE, nrow=1)
r <- c(0)
X <- cbind(c(rep(1, nrow(Van_mkt))), Van_mkt$supvw, Van_mkt$dwnvw)
b <- as.vector(mkt_timing$coef)
QFmat <- chol2inv(chol(crossprod(X)))
QFmat <- R%*%QFmat%*%t(R)
Violation <- R%*%b - matrix(r, ncol=1)
fnum <- t(Violation)%*%chol2inv(chol(QFmat))%*%Violation
n_minus_k <- nrow(Van_mkt) - length(b)
fdenom <- nrow(R)*sum(mkt_timing$resid ** 2)/n_minus_k
f <- fnum/ fdenom
pvalue <- 1 - pf(f, df1 = nrow(R), df2 =n_minus_k)
qn5_res <- data.frame(f , pvalue)
colnames(qn5_res) <- c("F", "P value")
qn5_res

```

```

##           F    P value
## 1 0.1558804 0.6932308

```

Given as fvalue is small and pvalue is bigger than 5% CI, we fail to reject the hypothesis.

## Question 6

Retrieve the Apple stock price series using the `quantmod` package (as done in the notes). Plot the autocorrelations of the difference in log prices.

```
library(quantmod)
```

```

## Loading required package: xts
## Loading required package: zoo
##
## Attaching package: 'zoo'
##
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##      as.Date, as.Date.numeric
## Loading required package: TTR
## Version 0.4-0 included new data defaults. See ?getSymbols.
getSymbols(Symbols = 'AAPL')

## 'getSymbols' currently uses auto.assign=TRUE by default, but will
## use auto.assign=FALSE in 0.5-0. You will still be able to use
## 'loadSymbols' to automatically load data. getOption("getSymbols.env")
## and getOption("getSymbols.auto.assign") will still be checked for
## alternate defaults.
##
## This message is shown once per session and may be disabled by setting
## options("getSymbols.warning4.0"=FALSE). See ?getSymbols for details.
##
## WARNING: There have been significant changes to Yahoo Finance data.
## Please see the Warning section of '?getSymbols.yahoo' for details.
##

```

```
## This message is shown once per session and may be disabled by setting
## options("getSymbols.yahoo.warning"=FALSE).

## [1] "AAPL"

dif_log_price <- diff(log(AAPL$AAPL.Close), difference = 1)
acf(dif_log_price[-1,])
```

### Series dif\_log\_price[-1, ]

