

quant_case_study

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```
[ ]: import os

import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
from typing import Dict, List
from datetime import datetime, timezone
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
%matplotlib inline
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')

path = "./mkt_data/"
dir_list = os.listdir(path)
all_data = []
for rd in dir_list:
    # print('reading ', rd, '...')
    raw_data = pd.read_csv(path + '/' + rd)
    raw_data['ticker'] = str(rd)[:4]
    all_data.append(raw_data)

# clean data column name
def cln_df(df: pd.DataFrame):
    cols: List[str] = df.columns
    for col in cols:
        if ' ' in col:
            col_name = col.strip()
            df[col_name] = df[col]
            del df[col]
    return df

all_data = [cln_df(data) for data in all_data]
```

/Users/jeffreychen/opt/anaconda3/lib/python3.8/site-packages/pandas/core/computation/expressions.py:21: UserWarning: Pandas requires version '2.7.3' or newer of 'numexpr' (version '2.7.1' currently installed).

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from pandas.core.computation.check import NUMEXPR_INSTALLED
```

convert timestamp to datetime object, easier for resample and grouping for analysis

```
[ ]: def datetime_from_millis(millisec):
    return pd.Timestamp.fromtimestamp(millisec/1000) #.tz_localize('UTC').
    ↪tz_convert('US/Eastern').strftime('%H:%M:%S.%f')[:-3] #depends on pd version
def convert_timestamp(df: pd.DataFrame):
    df['time'] = [datetime_from_millis(x) for x in df['timestamp']]
    return df
all_data = [convert_timestamp(data) for data in all_data]
```

creating target columns for later usage

```
[ ]: def get_target_cols(df:pd.DataFrame):
    df['non_cum_vol'] = df["volume"].diff().fillna(df['volume'].iloc[0])
    df['vol %'] = df['non_cum_vol']/(df['volume'].iloc[-1])
    df['spread'] = df['ask_price'] - df['bid_price']
    df['mid_price'] = (df['ask_price'] + df['bid_price'])/2
    df['time'] = pd.to_datetime(df['time'])
    return df

all_data = [get_target_cols(data) for data in all_data]
```

1. Create a visualization to show the following in 15-minute intervals for each stock in the included data -
 - a. Average spread (Ask - Bid),
 - b. Average total bin volume as a percent of the full day's volume
 - c. Volume-weighted average price (VWAP)

First, let create 15 minutes intervals data for plotting

```
[ ]: def create_15min_agg_data(df:pd.DataFrame):
    try:
        data_15min = df.set_index('time').groupby(pd.Grouper(freq='15min')).
        ↪agg({'spread': 'mean', 'vol %': 'mean', 'vwap': 'mean'})
        data_15min['ticker'] = df['ticker'].iloc[0]
        return data_15min
    except Exception as e:
        print('error at ticker', df['ticker'].iloc[0])
        print(e)
all_15min_data = [create_15min_agg_data(data) for data in all_data.copy()]
```

- a. Average spread (Ask - Bid) Plot

```
[ ]: import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import matplotlib.ticker as mticker
from matplotlib.pyplot import subplot, subplots
from matplotlib import dates as mdates
from pandas.plotting import register_matplotlib_converters
register_matplotlib_converters()
```

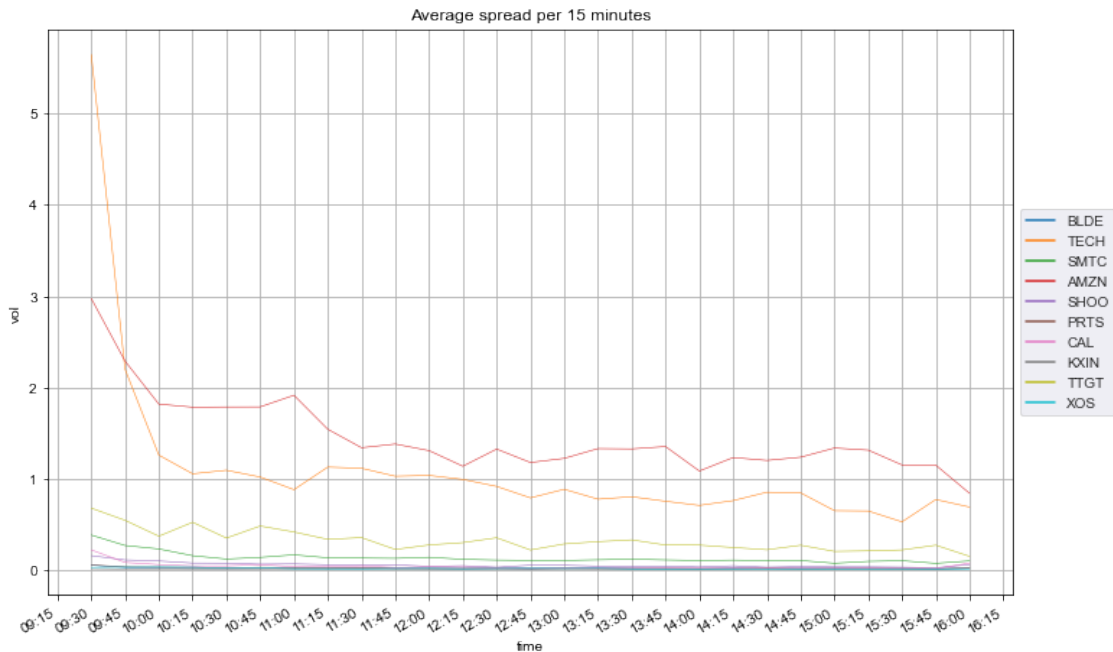
```

def plot_15min_spread(data_15min: List[pd.DataFrame]):
    meta_data = pd.concat(data_15min).reset_index()
    # meta_data['time'] = str(meta_data['time'].dt.time)
    fig, ax = subplots(figsize=(12, 8))
    sns.set_style("darkgrid")
    sns.lineplot(y = 'spread',
                 x = 'time',
                 hue='ticker',
                 markers=True,
                 lw=0.5,
                 data=meta_data)
    ax.set(title='Average spread per 15 minutes', ylabel="vol")

    xformatter = mdates.DateFormatter('%H:%M')
    xlocator = mdates.MinuteLocator(byminute=[0,15, 30, 45], interval = 1)
    → ##Set ticks to show 00 and 30 minutes only
    ## Set xtick labels to appear every 30 minutes
    ax.xaxis.set_major_locator(xlocator)

    ## Format xtick labels as HH:MM
    ax.xaxis.set_major_formatter(xformatter)
    ax.legend(loc='center left', bbox_to_anchor=(1, 0.5))
    fig.autofmt_xdate()
    ax.grid(True)
plot_15min_spread(all_15min_data)

```

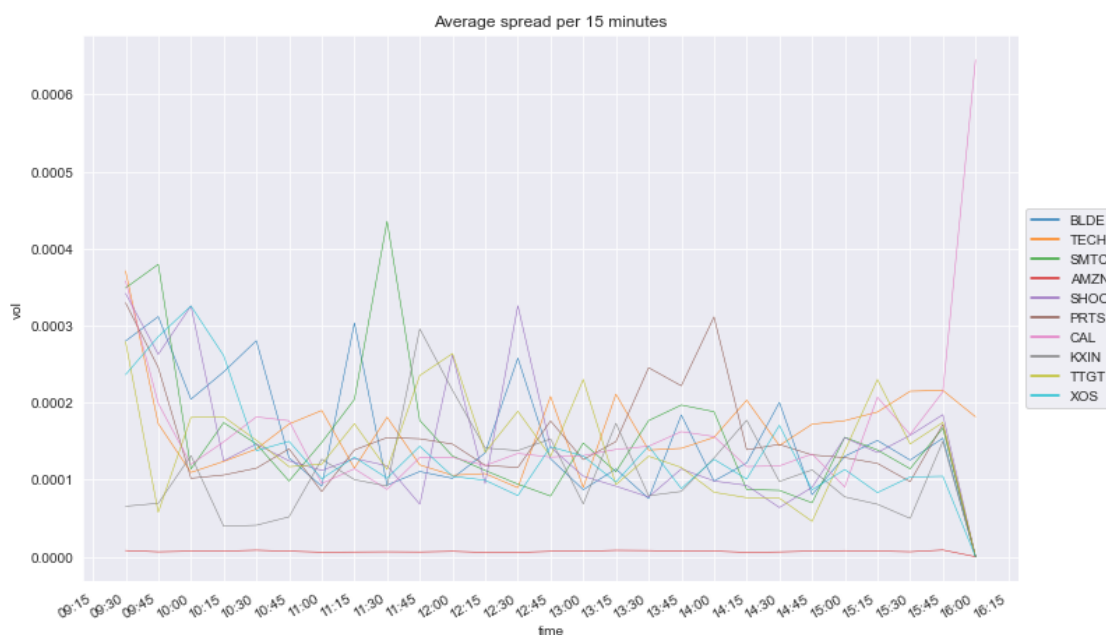


b. Average total bin volume as a percent of the full day's volume

```
[ ]: def plot_15min_volume(data_15min: List[pd.DataFrame]):
    meta_data = pd.concat(data_15min)
    fig,ax = subplots(figsize=(12, 8))
    sns.set_style("darkgrid")
    sns.lineplot(y = 'vol %',
                 x = 'time',
                 hue='ticker',
                 markers=True,
                 lw=.5,
                 data=meta_data.reset_index())
    ax.set(title='Average spread per 15 minutes', ylabel="vol")

    xformatter = mdates.DateFormatter('%H:%M')
    xlocator = mdates.MinuteLocator(byminute=[0,15, 30, 45], interval = 1)
    → ##Set ticks to show 00 and 30 minutes only
    ## Set xtick labels to appear every 30 minutes
    ax.xaxis.set_major_locator(xlocator)

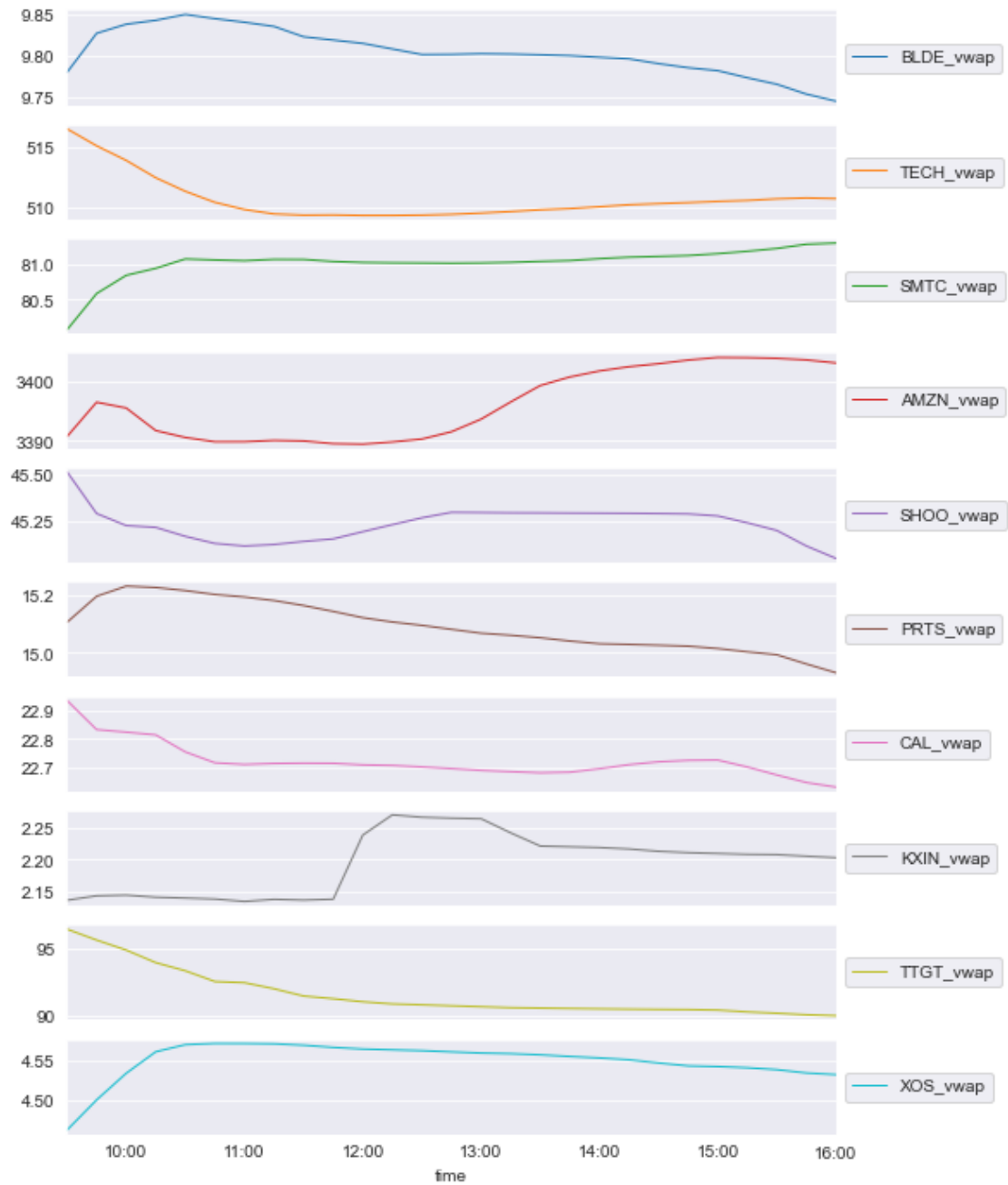
    ## Format xtick labels as HH:MM
    ax.xaxis.set_major_formatter(xformatter)
    ax.legend(loc='center left', bbox_to_anchor=(1, 0.5))
    fig.autofmt_xdate()
    ax.grid(True)
plot_15min_volume(all_15min_data)
```



c. Volume-weighted average price (VWAP)

due to vwap value for each stock vary drastically, thus here presented individual graph instead of aggregate one

```
[ ]: def plot_vwap(pdf):  
    dats = pd.DataFrame()  
    for data in pdf:  
        if 'time' not in dats.columns:  
            dats['time'] = data.index  
            ticker = data['ticker'].iloc[0]  
            dats[ticker + '_vwap'] = data['vwap'].values  
    dats = dats.set_index('time')  
    # print(dats.head())  
    cols_plot = list(dats.columns)  
    axes = dats[cols_plot].plot(linewidth=1, figsize=(8, 12), subplots=True)  
    for ax in axes:  
        ax.set_ylabel('')  
        ax.legend(loc='center left', bbox_to_anchor=(1, .5))  
  
plot_vwap(all_15min_data)
```



Question 2 - Cross Sectional Regression

First step - Create Response Variable

Creating the required columns for future usage

```
[ ]: from copy import deepcopy
all_data_2 = deepcopy(all_data)
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```

# Throw away observations where spread (ask price - bid price) is zero or
↳negative.
def create_model_variables(pdf:pd.DataFrame):
    pdf['mid_price'] = (pdf['bid_price'] + pdf['ask_price'])/2
    pdf['denom'] = pdf['ask_price'] - pdf['bid_price']
    mask = pdf['denom'] > 0
    pdf = pdf[mask]
    pdf = pdf.reset_index(drop=True)
    return pdf

all_data_2 = [create_model_variables(df) for df in all_data_2]

```

Next, calculate the normalized mid price return from the time of trade to the midpoint price at 10 seconds after the time of a trade. Since using built-in resample on 10s will result in aggregating the data, here I build an algo to retrieve the proper t+10 midprice without losing any data.

```

[ ]: from collections import deque
from typing import Deque

# runtime O(n)
def get_t_p_10_midprc(pdf: pd.DataFrame):
    time, midprcs = pdf['time'], pdf['mid_price']
    qt: Deque = deque([]) # we use queue we keep tracks the next t+10 time,
↳initialized with deque here
    time_10 = [0]*len(time)
    price_10 = [0]*len(midprcs)
    prevt = time[0]
    prevp = midprcs[0]

    for idx, currt in enumerate(time):
        try:
            qt.append(idx) # using que to keep tracks on the idx of time that
↳smaller than t+10

            # whenever theres a time larger than the que's (t+10), we find the
↳'next' t that larger than t+10
            while qt and currt > (time[qt[0]] + pd.Timedelta('10s')):
                time_10[qt[0]] = prevt # thus, when we found time > t+10, we
↳store the previous time
                price_10[qt[0]] = prevp # store previous mid price
                qt.popleft()
                prevt = currt
                prevp = midprcs[idx]
        except Exception as e:
            print('err', e, end=',')

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    # we might have left queue due to time already larger than the last time we
    ↪ have
    while qt:
        time_10[qt[0]] = prevt
        price_10[qt[0]] = prevp
        qt.popleft()
    return time_10, price_10

# after getting the mid price t+10 series, we could calculate the rest and
↪ create our response data
def create_respond_data(pdf:pd.DataFrame):
    timep10, prcp10 = get_t_p_10_midprc(pdf)
    respond = pdf.copy()
    # respond['timep10'] = timep10 ; unmark to check the t+10s time
    respond['prcp10'] = prcp10
    respond['mid_prc_ret'] = (respond['mid_price']/respond['prcp10']) - 1
    respond['returns'] = respond['mid_prc_ret']/respond['denom']
    respond['time'] = respond['time']
    # pdf.drop(columns=['timep10', 'prcp10', 'mid_prc_ret', 'denom'], inplace=True)
    respond = respond[['time', 'returns']]
    return respond

respond_data = [create_respond_data(df) for df in all_data_2]

```

Second step - Create Predictors

Creating the following predictors for modelling

- Bid Offer Imbalance, calculated as $(Nbb_agg_size - Nbo_agg_size) / (Nbb_agg_size + Nbo_agg_size)$
- Trade sign: 1 if the last trade price is above the average of bid and ask price -1 if the last trade price is below the average of bid and ask price
- Trade Size imbalance over the last 10 seconds: Trade size imbalance for any period can be calculated as: $\text{Sum}(\text{Trade Sign} \times \text{Trade Size})$

```

[ ]: def create_predictors(pdf:pd.DataFrame, label=False):
    predictor = pd.DataFrame(index=pdf.index)
    predictor['time'] = pdf['time']

    ## Bid Offer Imbalance Creation
    predictor['bid_offer_imbal'] = (pdf['nbb_agg_size'] - pdf['nbo_agg_size']) /
    ↪ (pdf['nbb_agg_size'] + pdf['nbo_agg_size'])

    ## Trade Sign Creation

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    predictor['trade_sign'] = np.where(pdf['trade_price'] > pdf['mid_price'], 1, 0)
    predictor['trade_sign2'] = np.where(pdf['trade_price'] < pdf['mid_price'], -1, 0)
    predictor['trade_sign'] = predictor['trade_sign'] + predictor['trade_sign2']

    ## Trade Size imbalance over last 10 seconds
    predictor['trade_sz_imbal'] = predictor['trade_sign']*pdf['trade_size']
    predictor['trade_sz_imbal_10s'] = predictor.
    set_index('time')['trade_sz_imbal'].rolling('10s').sum().values

    ## get ticker and timestamp for grouping
    predictor['ticker'] = pdf['ticker']

    predictor.drop(columns=['trade_sign2', 'trade_sz_imbal'], axis=1,
    inplace=True)

    if not label:
        return predictor[['time', 'bid_offer_imbal', 'trade_sign',
        'trade_sz_imbal_10s']]

    return predictor

predictors = [create_predictors(data) for data in all_data_2]

```

aggregate responses and predictors for modelling

```

[ ]: agg_predictors = pd.concat(predictors).set_index('time')
# agg_predictors.index = agg_predictors.index.strftime('%H:%M:%S:%f')
agg_response = pd.concat(respond_data).set_index('time')
# agg_response.index = agg_response.index.strftime('%H:%M:%S:%f')

## check dimension
print(agg_predictors.shape)
print(agg_response.shape)

```

(195107, 3)

(195107, 1)

```

[ ]: agg_predictors.index.round('10s')

```

time	bid_offer_imbal	trade_sign	trade_sz_imbal_10s
2021-10-27 09:30:00.380	0.833333	-1	-10.0
2021-10-27 09:30:00.386	0.428571	1	200.0
2021-10-27 09:30:00.386	0.428571	1	617.0
2021-10-27 09:30:00.386	0.428571	1	1175.0
2021-10-27 09:30:00.386	0.428571	1	1200.0

time	bid_offer_imbal	trade_sign	trade_sz_imbal_10s
2021-10-27 09:30:10.374	0.2	1	-652.0
2021-10-27 09:30:10.375	0.2	1	-649.0
2021-10-27 09:30:10.627	0.2	0	-649.0
2021-10-27 09:30:10.669	0.2	-1	-650.0
2021-10-27 09:30:10.751	0.2	1	-649.0

Here we use linear regression model from sklearn as base class. It gives a flexibility to build more statistic objects on it

```
[ ]: from sklearn import linear_model
from scipy.stats import t as scpt
import numpy as np

from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression

class LinearRegression(linear_model.LinearRegression):
    """
    LinearRegression class after sklearn's, but calculate t-statistics
    and p-values for model coefficients (betas).
    Additional attributes available after .fit()
    are `t` and `p` which are of the shape (y.shape[1], X.shape[1])
    which is (n_features, n_coefs)
    This class sets the intercept to 0 by default, since usually we include it
    in X.
    """

    def __init__(self, *args, **kwargs):
        if not "fit_intercept" in kwargs:
            kwargs['fit_intercept'] = False
        super(LinearRegression, self)\
            .__init__(*args, **kwargs)

    def fit(self, X, y, n_jobs=1):
        self = super(LinearRegression, self).fit(X, y, n_jobs)

        mse = np.sum((self.predict(X) - y) ** 2, axis=0) / float(X.shape[0] - X.
↪shape[1])
        self.se = np.array([
            np.sqrt(np.diagonal(mse[i] * np.linalg.inv(np.dot(X.T, X))))
            for i in range(mse.shape[0])
        ])

        self.t = self.coef_ / self.se
        self.p = 2 * (1 - scpt.cdf(np.abs(self.t), y.shape[0] - X.shape[1]))
        self.residual = self.predict(X) - y
        return self
```

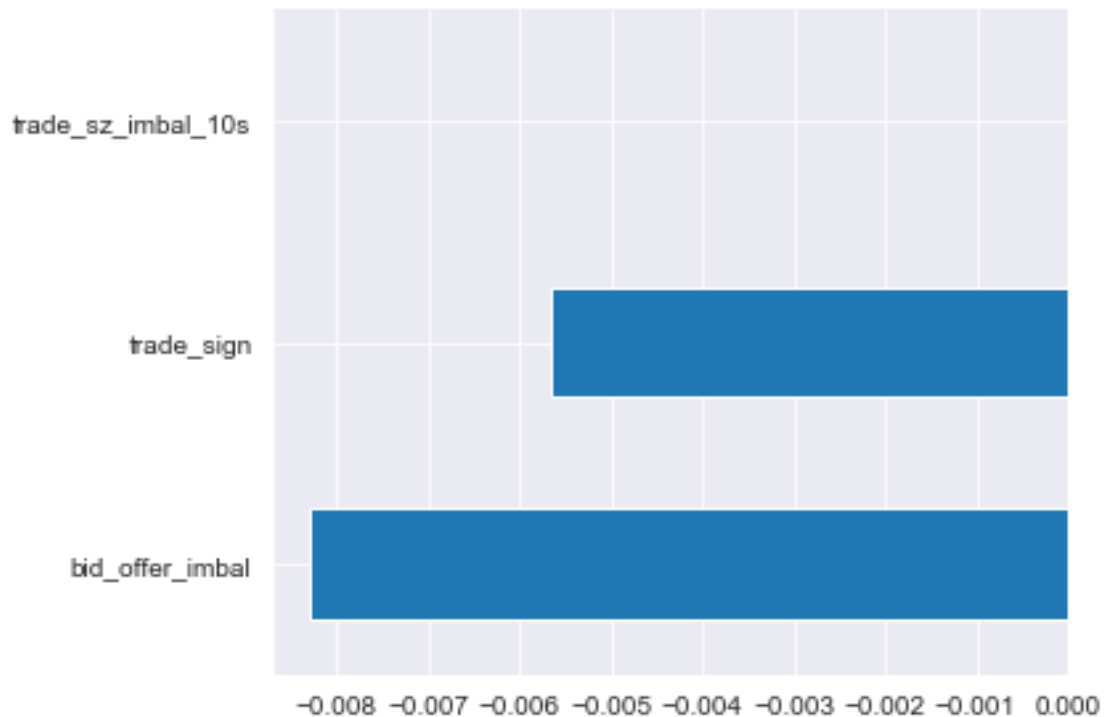
```
[ ]: # initialize date range for looping
# start_time_range = pd.date_range("2021-10-27 09:30:00", "2021-10-27 15:59:
    ↪50", freq="10s").time
# end_time_range = pd.date_range("2021-10-27 09:30:10", "2021-10-27 16:00:00",
    ↪freq="10s").time
predictor_gp = agg_predictors.groupby(pd.Grouper(freq='10s'))
response_gp = agg_response.groupby(pd.Grouper(freq='10s'))
betas = []
stats = []
residuals = []
for (n1, X), (n2, y) in zip(predictor_gp, response_gp): # since just linear
    ↪model, we loop thru all time interval and run regression
    # if ind/100 == ind//100:
    #     print("running", ind, end=',') # keep tracks the batch runner
    # X = agg_predictors.loc[start:end] # use the date range to select time
    ↪periods, pd Datetimeindex has good performance
    # y = agg_response.loc[start:end]
    ols = LinearRegression()
    reg = ols.fit(X, y)
    betas.append(reg.coef_)
    stats.append((
        reg.t,
        reg.p,
        reg.se,
    ))
    residuals.append(reg.residual)
```

Lets check the coefficient and the statistic we applied

check coefficients

```
[ ]: end_time_range = pd.date_range("2021-10-27 09:30:00", "2021-10-27 16:00:00",
    ↪freq="10s").time

coef_sum = pd.DataFrame([b.tolist()[0] for b in betas],
                        index=end_time_range,
                        ↪
    ↪columns=['bid_offer_imbal', 'trade_sign', 'trade_sz_imbal_10s'])
coef_sum.mean().plot.barh()
sns.despine()
plt.tight_layout()
```



statistic summary

```
[ ]: print("Summary : ")
      beta_summary = pd.DataFrame({
          'Mean Return':coef_sum.mean().values,
          'Std Dev': coef_sum.std().values,
          'Sharp Ratio':coef_sum.mean()/coef_sum.std()},
          )
      print(beta_summary)
```

Summary :

	Mean Return	Std Dev	Sharp Ratio
bid_offer_imbal	-0.008304	0.067198	-0.123570
trade_sign	-0.005672	0.037572	-0.150967
trade_sz_imbal_10s	-0.000004	0.000053	-0.079769

```
[ ]: tstats1 = np.mean([t[0].tolist()[0] for t in stats], axis=0)
      pstats = np.mean([t[1].tolist()[0] for t in stats], axis=0)
      stderr = np.mean([t[2].tolist()[0] for t in stats], axis=0)

      print('statistic summary: ')
      stats_sum = pd.DataFrame([tstats1, pstats, stderr],
                              index=['t statistic', 'p value', 'standard error'],
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    ↪columns=['bid_offer_imbal', 'trade_sign', 'trade_sz_imbal_10s'])
print(stats_sum)

```

statistic summary:

	bid_offer_imbal	trade_sign	trade_sz_imbal_10s
t statistic	-1.357984	-1.467850	-0.383953
p value	0.220367	0.258368	0.290972
standard error	0.006566	0.003004	0.000006

We can see that all coefficient are negative, and trade_sz_imbal_10s has almost zero explained power over the model. the t-stats are pretty small and p value are quite large, indicate our dependent variable is not significant enough ?

```

[ ]: from linearmodels.panel import PanelOLS, FamaMacBeth
     from patsy import dmatrices

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[ ]: # Then, the pre-programmed
predictors2 = [create_predictors(data, label=True) for data in all_data_2]
agg_predictors2 = pd.concat(predictors2).set_index('time')
agg_predictors2['returns'] = agg_response['returns']
agg_predictors2.index = agg_predictors2.index.round('10s')
agg_predictors2 = agg_predictors2.reset_index()
agg_predictors2 = ↪
    ↪agg_predictors2[['returns', 'bid_offer_imbal', 'trade_sign', 'trade_sz_imbal_10s', 'ticker', 'time'])
agg_predictors2 = agg_predictors2.set_index(['ticker', 'time'])
agg_predictors2

```

```

[ ]:

```

			returns	bid_offer_imbal	trade_sign	\
ticker	time					
BLDE	2021-10-27 09:30:00	0.011046	0.833333	-1		
	2021-10-27 09:30:00	0.009239	0.047619	-1		
	2021-10-27 09:30:00	0.009239	0.047619	-1		
	2021-10-27 09:30:00	0.009239	0.047619	0		
	2021-10-27 09:30:00	0.009239	0.047619	0		
...		
XOS	2021-10-27 16:00:00	0.000000	-0.458333	0		
	2021-10-27 16:00:00	0.000000	-0.521739	0		
	2021-10-27 16:00:00	0.000000	-0.227273	1		
	2021-10-27 16:00:00	0.000000	-0.209302	1		
	2021-10-27 16:00:00	0.000000	-0.444444	1		

			trade_sz_imbal_10s
ticker	time		
BLDE	2021-10-27 09:30:00		-10.0
	2021-10-27 09:30:00		-727.0
	2021-10-27 09:30:00		-809.0
	2021-10-27 09:30:00		-809.0

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2021-10-27 09:30:00      -809.0
...
XOS 2021-10-27 16:00:00      546.0
      2021-10-27 16:00:00      546.0
      2021-10-27 16:00:00      646.0
      2021-10-27 16:00:00      651.0
      2021-10-27 16:00:00      926.0

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[195107 rows x 4 columns]

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[ ]: y, X = dmatrices('returns~bid_offer_imbal+trade_sign+trade_sz_imbal_10s',
    ↪agg_predictors2,return_type='dataframe')

res1 = FamaMacBeth(y,X).fit()
res1

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[ ]:
FamaMacBeth Estimation Summary
=====
=====
Dep. Variable:          returns    R-squared:
0.0059
Estimator:              FamaMacBeth    R-squared (Between):
0.6070
No. Observations:      195107    R-squared (Within):
0.0027
Date:                  Thu, Oct 20 2022    R-squared (Overall):
0.0059
Time:                  00:51:21    Log-likelihood
6.963e+04
Cov. Estimator:      Fama-MacBeth Standard Cov
F-statistic:
384.29
Entities:              10    P-value
0.0000
Avg Obs:              1.951e+04    Distribution:
F(3,195103)
Min Obs:              5982.0
Max Obs:              1.401e+05    F-statistic (robust):
47.721
P-value
0.0000
Time periods:          2341    Distribution:
F(3,195103)
Avg Obs:              83.343
Min Obs:              12.000
Max Obs:              757.00

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                                Parameter Estimates
=====
=====
                                Parameter  Std. Err.    T-stat    P-value    Lower CI
Upper CI
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Intercept                    0.0010      0.0015      0.6940      0.4877      -0.0018
0.0039
bid_offer_imbal             -0.0086      0.0011     -8.1915      0.0000      -0.0107
-0.0066
trade_sign                  -0.0049      0.0006     -8.1612      0.0000      -0.0061
-0.0037
trade_sz_imbal_10s -4.681e-06  1.625e-06     -2.8801      0.0040     -7.867e-06
-1.496e-06
=====
=====
FamaMacBethResults, id: 0x7fd3540db6d0

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from our model, we observed that the trade_sign and bid_offer_imbalance both shows significant result. However, both factors indicate negative returns in terms of profitability.

Model Improvement Analysis

we can investigate on the residual of our model

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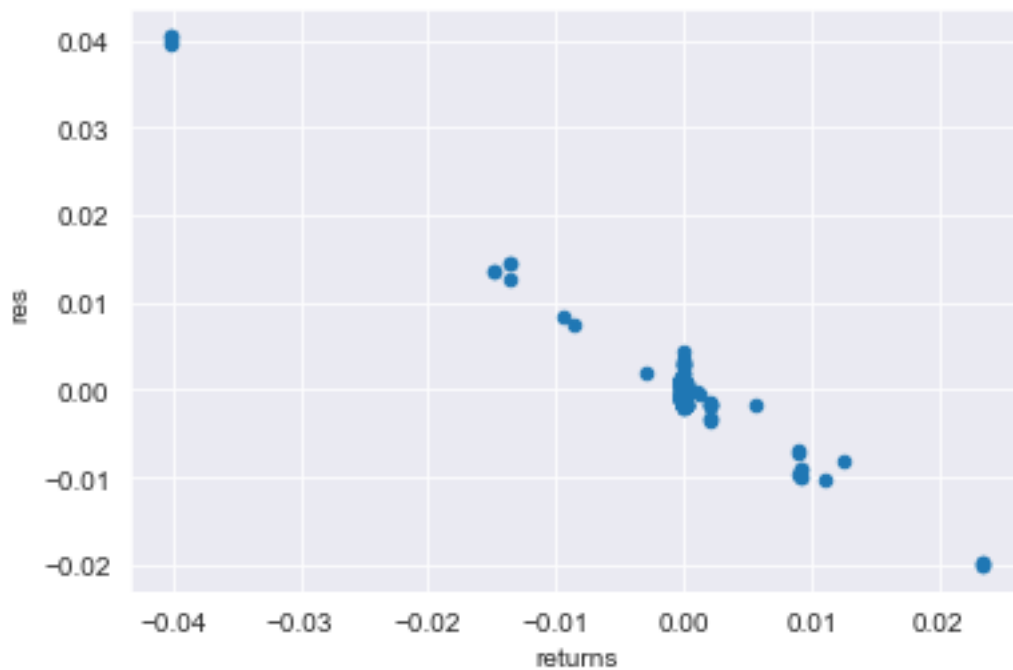
[ ]: res = []
for ind, (n, g) in enumerate(response_gp):
    r = residuals[ind].copy()
    r = r.rename(columns={'returns': 'res'}).reset_index()
    r['returns'] = g['returns'].values
    res.append(r)
len(res)

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[ ]: 2341
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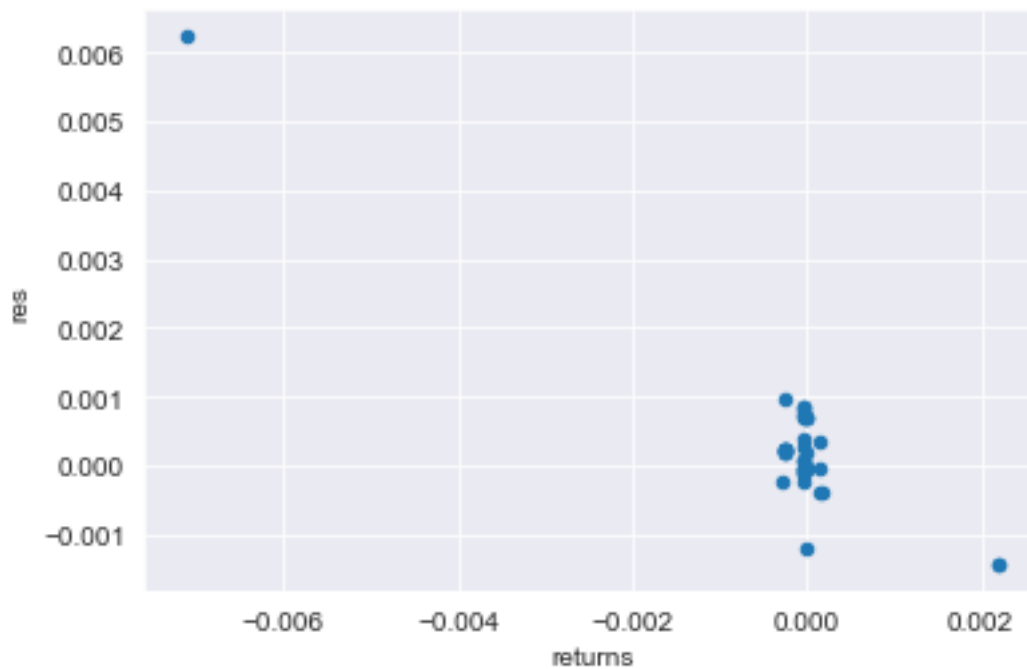
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[ ]: res[0].plot.scatter(x='returns', y='res')
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[ ]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='returns', ylabel='res'>
```



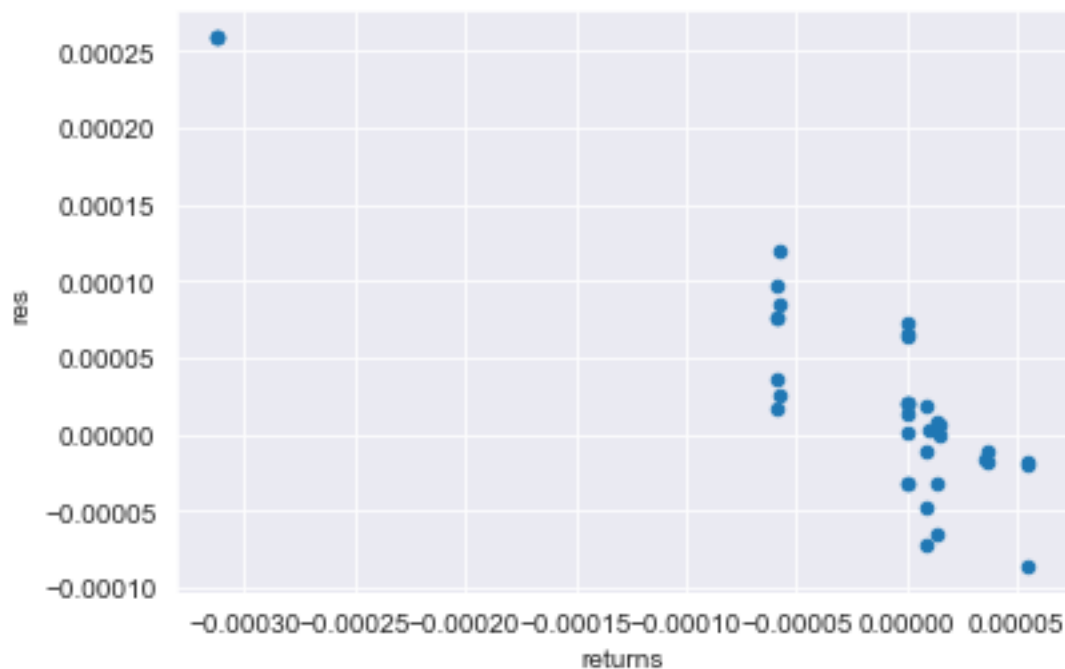
```
[ ]: res[1000].reset_index().plot.scatter(x='returns',y='res')
```

```
[ ]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='returns', ylabel='res'>
```




```
[ ]: res[800].reset_index().plot.scatter(x='returns',y='res')
```

```
[ ]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='returns', ylabel='res'>
```



we randomly pick few point of time to check the residual vs fitted value. We could observed that few condition that are not idea for our model. Theres outlier inline with our data, and also from figure suggests that the error variances are not equal from time to time. To improve our model, we can truncate our model to make our depend variable more standardize and could avoid outlier in our model to avoid overfitting. We can also use do more robust testing on Heteroscedasticity by using tools like HAC estimator and white std error to further update our predictors, either tranform the feature or drop it.

4. Calculate the 15-second volatility (standard deviation of mid price returns) for SHOO in each 30 minute interval. Present the volatility in annualized terms.

```
[ ]: shoo_data = pd.read_csv(path+'SHOO.csv')
shoo_data = cln_df(shoo_data)
shoo_data = convert_timestamp(shoo_data)
shoo_data = get_target_cols(shoo_data)
shoo_data = create_model_variables(shoo_data)
```

```
[ ]: import math
## calculating mid price return
shoo_data['mid_prc_ret'] = shoo_data['mid_price'].pct_change(1)
```

```

shoo_data = shoo_data[['time', 'mid_prc_ret']]

## calculate the rolling 15 seconds volatility for each 30 minutes interval
gp = shoo_data.set_index('time').groupby(pd.Grouper(freq='30Min'))
vol15 = []
intervals = []
for t, g in gp:
    # print(g)
    series = g.rolling('15s')['mid_prc_ret'].std().fillna(0)
    # print(series)
    interval = len(series)*[t]
    vol15.extend(series)
    intervals.extend(interval)
# print(vol15)
shoo_data['15 sec volatility'] = np.array(vol15)*math.sqrt(390*252)
shoo_data['intervals'] = intervals
shoo_data.head()

```

```

[ ]:
      time  mid_prc_ret  15 sec volatility  intervals
0 2021-10-27 09:30:04.396          NaN      0.000000 2021-10-27 09:30:00
1 2021-10-27 09:30:04.607      0.000000      0.000000 2021-10-27 09:30:00
2 2021-10-27 09:30:05.124      0.000000      0.000000 2021-10-27 09:30:00
3 2021-10-27 09:30:15.390     -0.000109      0.019760 2021-10-27 09:30:00
4 2021-10-27 09:30:15.411      0.000109      0.027946 2021-10-27 09:30:00

```

```

[ ]: from matplotlib import dates as mdates
      from matplotlib.pyplot import subplot, subplots

      # sns.set_theme()
      fig, ax = subplots(figsize=(16, 10))
      sns.lineplot(y = '15 sec volatility',
                    x = 'time',
                    hue='intervals',
                    data=shoo_data,
                    lw=.5
                    )
      ax.set(title='15 seconds volatility every 30 minutes', ylabel="vol")

      xformatter = mdates.DateFormatter('%H:%M')
      xlocator = mdates.MinuteLocator(byminute=[0,30], interval = 1) ##Set ticks to
      ↪ show 00 and 30 minutes only

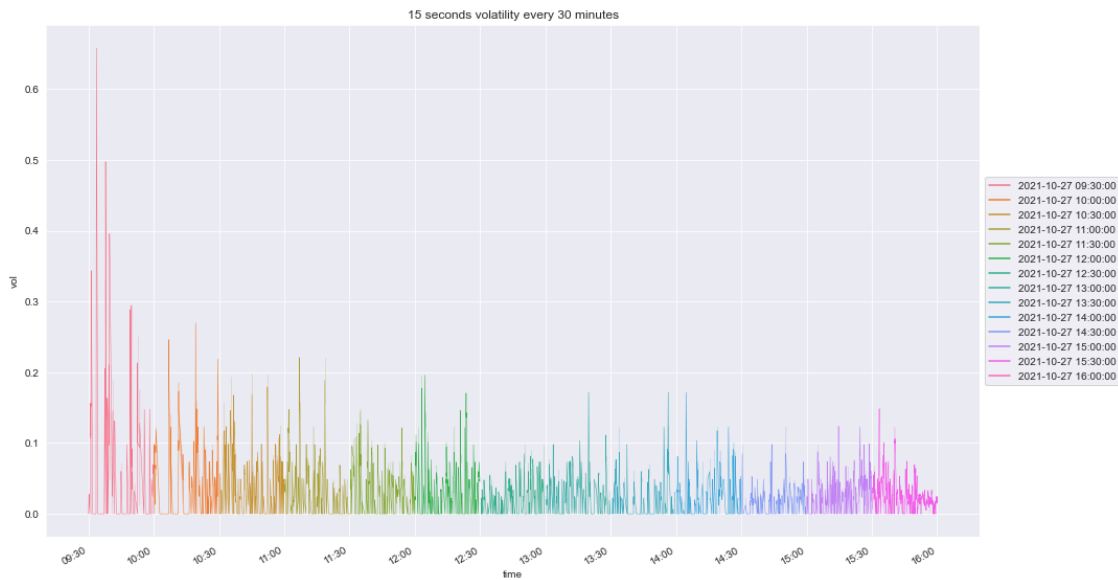
      ## Set xtick labels to appear every 30 minutes
      ax.xaxis.set_major_locator(xlocator)

      ## Format xtick labels as HH:MM
      ax.xaxis.set_major_formatter(xformatter)

```

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ax.legend(loc='center left', bbox_to_anchor=(1, 0.5))
fig.autofmt_xdate()
ax.grid
```

```
[ ]: <bound method _AxesBase.grid of <AxesSubplot:title={'center':'15 seconds
volatility every 30 minutes'}, xlabel='time', ylabel='vol'>>
```



We can observe that during the Market On Open mid price return volatility has the highest variance, and the variance starting to decrease along with the trading hour goes. We can take a step further for volatility analysis. In the variance calculation, which is equal weighting squared deviation, we can further weight based off of volume, or off of sqrt/log volume so could avoid overweight observations that have a lot more volume.