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Convex Optimization Course Project

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1 Step 1: Choosing a Portfolio

It can be seen in the figures below that as the *risk* increases, the *total return* also increases which seems logical; If you are willing to risk more, you expect a larger return. But still, I cannot understand the complete monotonic behaviour of the function.

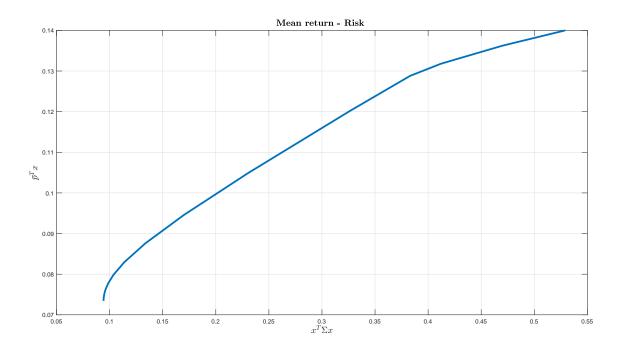


Figure 1: Total return versus the standard deviation for different values of η

From the second figure we can see that as the risk increases i.e. as η increases and the effect of the negative term $x^T \Sigma x$ increases, we do not tend toward a single stock and we can also see that for large values of η , it is best to have a certain amount from each stock so that we could minimize the loss that would occur if we had made an unfortunate decision at buying the stock.

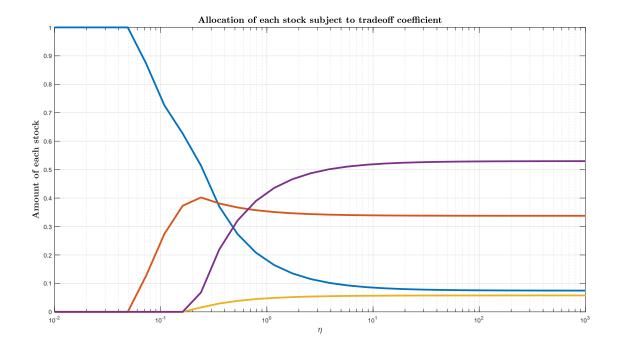


Figure 2: Percentage allocated to each stock with respect to η , logarithmic x-axis

2 Short Positions

In the figure below we can see that for the same risk, we have a greater return with short selling compared to without short selling.

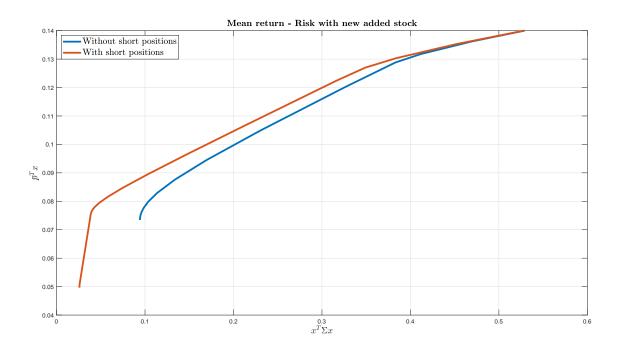


Figure 3: Total return versus the standard deviation for different values of η

3 Portfolio Optimization with Real Data

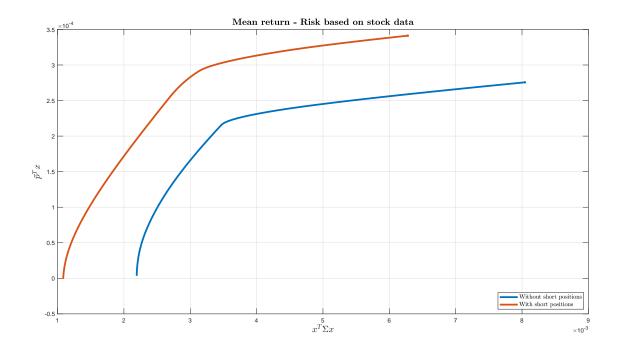


Figure 4: Total return versus the standard deviation for different values of η , real stock data

Since it is a bit hard to choose a point on the plot, the optimal η for each plot is discussed here and the plots will follow afterwards. Below is the optimum point for each portfolio in order of their appearance in the dataset:

- 1. In this portfolio, the best strategy would be *not to short sell* and the optimum point is the maximum possible *eta* i.e. 1000.
- 2. In this portfolio, the *short selling* strategy is only good for large values of eta e.g. for $\eta > 90$.
- 3. In this portfolio, the *short selling* strategy is always optimum and the best η is around 8.5.
- 4. In this portfolio, the *short selling* strategy is only good for large values of eta e.g. for $\eta > 60$.
- 5. In this portfolio, the best strategy would be not to short sell and the optimum η is any η that is not in the range 30 to 100.
- 6. In this portfolio, the *short selling* strategy is always optimum and the best η is any η that is less than 2.
- 7. In this portfolio, the *short selling* strategy optimum for η smaller than 70 and the optimum η is around 28.

- 8. In this portfolio, the best strategy would be not to short sell and the optimum η is around 13.
- 9. In this portfolio, the *short selling* strategy is always better and the optimum range for η is any η smaller than 10.
- 10. In this portfolio, the *short selling* strategy is always better and the optimum value is around 20.
- 11. In this portfolio, the best strategy would be not to short sell for η smaller than 100 but short selling would be wise for η larger than the said value.
- 12. In this portfolio, the *short selling* strategy is always better and the optimum value is around 10.

Below are the returns of each portfolio with respect to η :

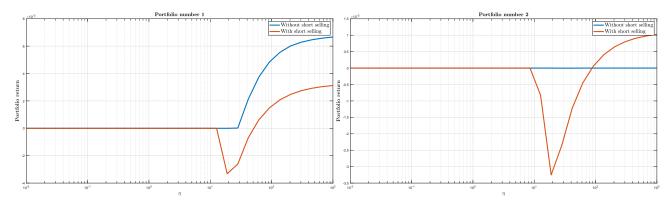


Figure 5: Portfolio 1 cumulative return

Figure 6: Portfolio 2 cumulative return

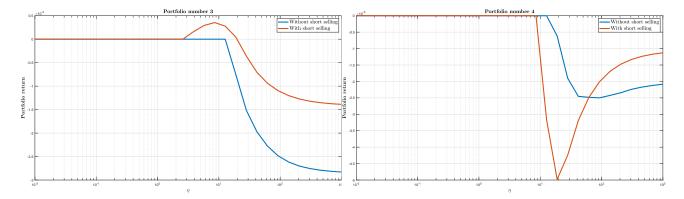


Figure 7: Portfolio 3 cumulative return

Figure 8: Portfolio 4 cumulative return

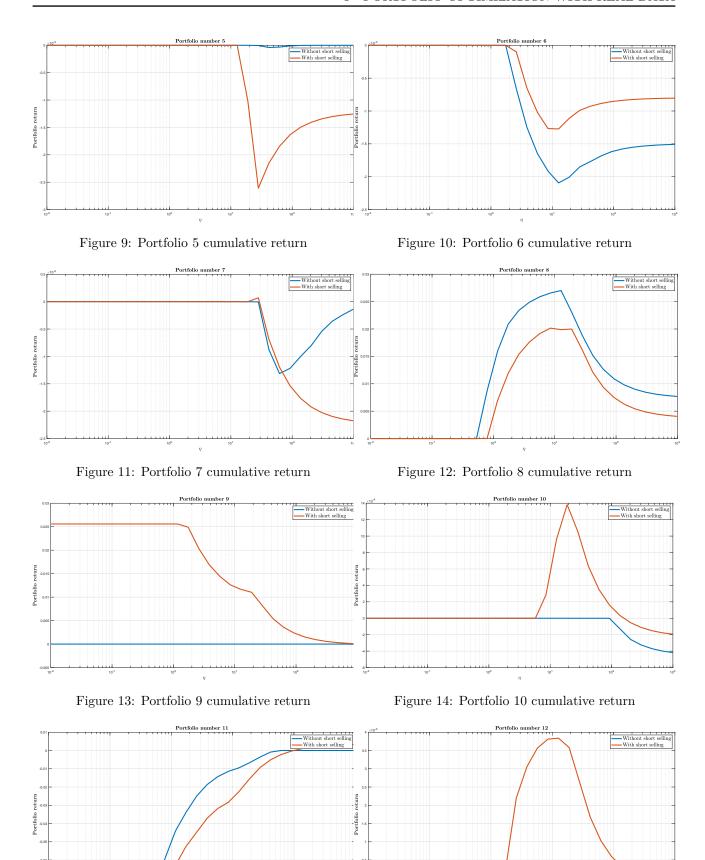


Figure 15: Portfolio 11 cumulative return

Figure 16: Portfolio 12 cumulative return

The figure below depicts the behaviour of the total return of all portfolios with respect to η . As it can be seen, the strategy of short selling is not optimum

for most η and is only desirable for small η e.g. η smaller than 0.8. Above this limit, the optimum strategy would be not to short sell. The optimum η for both the cases of short selling and not short selling is around 12. For all η smaller than 4, we have no gain and the investment results in a loss.

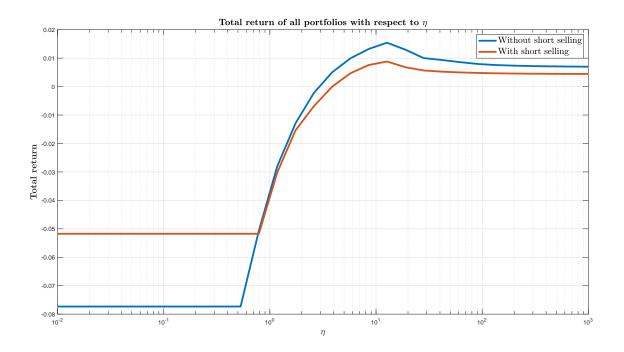


Figure 17: Total return versus η , real stock data

4 Step 4: Improve Your Estimate

The results of this section are only stated for the case without short selling. A general look to the figures below follows up with the deduction that the new estimate predicts worse outcomes i.e. lower return of almost all of the portfolios but if we also heed attention to figure 30, showing the relation between the *total* return and η for both estimates of Σ , we can see that the new estimate predicts that the returns will be less for almost all η meaning that after making our estimate more exact, the data suggests that the expected return will be less.

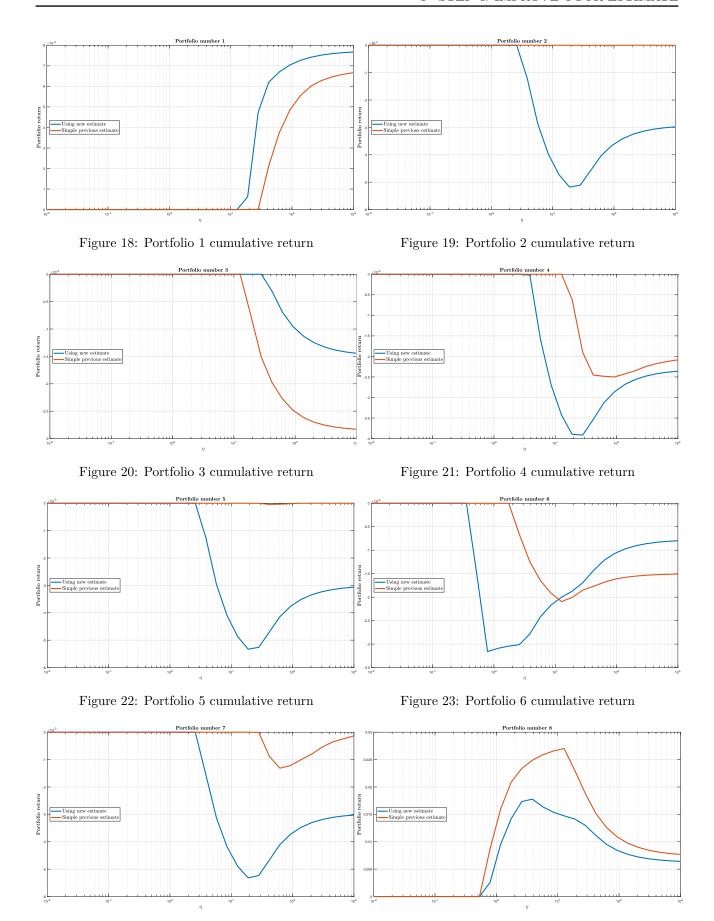


Figure 24: Portfolio 7 cumulative return

Figure 25: Portfolio 8 cumulative return

The maximization problem that is used to acquire a new estimate of the covariance matrix gives a maximum likelihood estimate of the covariance based

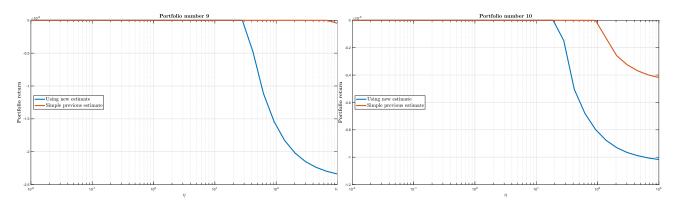


Figure 26: Portfolio 9 cumulative return

Figure 27: Portfolio 10 cumulative return

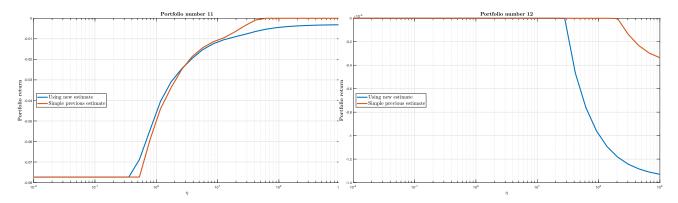


Figure 28: Portfolio 11 cumulative return

Figure 29: Portfolio 12 cumulative return

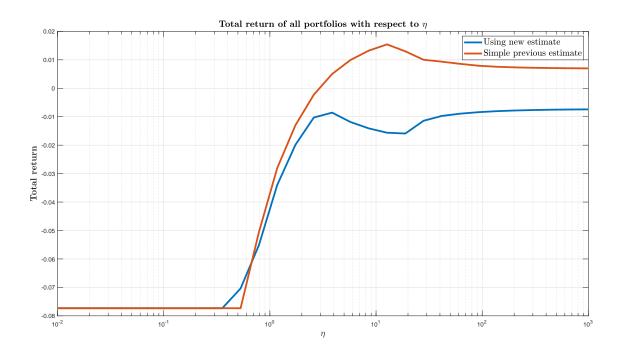


Figure 30: Total return versus η , using the new Σ estimate obtained through optimization

on the current available data, which is the sample covariance.

5 Step 5: Portfolio Optimization with Loss Risk Constraints

As explained in the textbook, we can follow the procedure below to convert the constraint $\operatorname{\mathbf{prob}}(r \leq 0) \leq 0$ to a SOCP constraint:

Since we assume that the \bar{p} is supposed to be a Gaussian random vector, we can write the constraint as:

$$\operatorname{prob}(\frac{r-\bar{r}}{\sigma} \le \frac{-\bar{r}}{\sigma}) <= \beta \tag{1}$$

Since $\frac{r-\bar{r}}{\sigma}$ is a zero mean unit variance Gaussian variable, the above probability is simply $\Phi(\frac{-\bar{r}}{\sigma})$ where :

$$\Phi(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{z} e^{-t^2/2} dt$$
 (2)

is the CDF of a zero mean unit variance Gaussian variable. Taking the inverse Φ of the given inequality we arrive at:

$$\frac{-\overline{u}}{\sigma} \le \Phi^{-1}(\beta) \tag{3}$$

thus finally arriving at the below inequality

$$\overline{p}^T x + \Phi^{-1}(\beta) \left\| \Sigma^{1/2} x \right\|_2 \ge 0 \tag{4}$$

So the optimization problem can now be stated as:

maximize
$$\bar{p}^T x - \eta x^T \Sigma x$$

subject to $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i = 1, \quad x \ge 0$
 $\bar{p}^T x + \Phi^{-1}(\beta) \left\| \Sigma^{1/2} x \right\|_2 \ge 0$ (5)

To evaluate $\Phi^{-1}(\beta)$ in MATLAB, the function norminv is used.

Even though the above optimization problem is convex and is a SOCP, CVX could not solve it. After much testing and changing of parameters I found that if instead of $\mathbf{prob}(r \leq 0) \leq \beta$, we were to use a slightly different bound on r, CVX could solve the problem. The following results are for the case in which the constraint has been adjusted to $\mathbf{prob}(r \leq -0.05) \leq \beta$.

From figure 31 we can see that for these four values of η , we will eventually have no gain and will only have losses. A search on the values of the total return for different values of η and β yielded that in the best case, our total return would be 0 meaning that we neither gain anything nor do we lose any

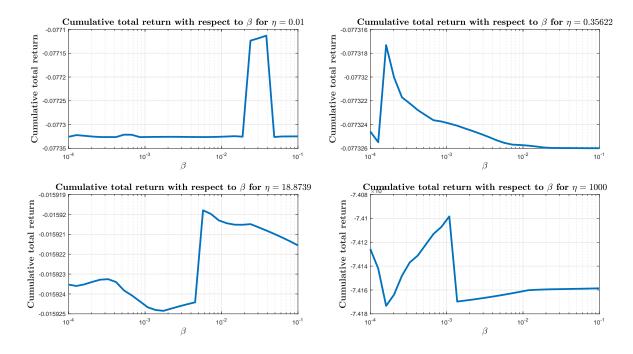


Figure 31: Total return versus β with new constraint $mathbfr <= -0.05 <= \beta$

money. A example of this occurs for $\eta = 1.1721$ and $\beta = 0.0001$. The following section is done with the portfolio for these parameters, which is:

$$x = [5.227e - 06$$

$$2.829e - 05$$

$$3.226e - 06$$

$$2.265e - 05$$

$$2.836e - 05$$

$$0.220$$

$$3.009e - 05$$

$$0.256$$

$$3.219e - 06$$

$$3.941e - 06$$

$$0.522$$

$$3.538e - 06]$$
(6)

In the above vector we can see that only 3 stocks have considerable amounts and the rest of the stocks hold tiny infinitesimal amounts. I tried to reason this with \bar{p} but none of their values were significant. I also tried to find a relationship in the covariance matrix Σ but no simple relation was visible.

6 Step 6: Maximum Risk for the Chosen Portfolio

The proposed method can be viewed as an optimization problem of maximizing $x^T \Sigma x$.

$$\max imize x^{T} S x$$

$$\text{subject to } S_{ii} = \Sigma_{ii}$$

$$S \succeq 0$$

$$sign(S_{ij}) = sign(\Sigma_{ij})$$

$$(7)$$

The answer of this problem is calculated analytically by CVX and we have $\sigma_{wc} = +2.09203e - 05$.

I don't understand what the question is asking is in part b. If the question is to find the minimum risk for all the portfolios calculated in step 5, then by running the code for all portfolios that had the maximum return in step 5 we see that the minimum achievable is 2.5203e - 06.

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7 Appendix: MATLAB Code

```
% Step 1: Choosing a Portfolio
2
   clear
   pbar=load ("C:\ Users\marson\Dropbox\Convex Optimization\Project\data\pbar.txt");
   sigma=load ("C:\Users\marson\Dropbox\Convex Optimization\Project\data\sigma.txt")
  m = 30:
6
   eta = logspace(-2,3,m);
   n=length (pbar);
   % Solving for each eta
   for i=1:m
10
        cvx_begin
        variable x(n)
12
        maximize (pbar '*x-eta (i) *x '* sigma*x)
13
        subject to
14
       \operatorname{sum}(x) == 1;
15
       x > = 0;
16
        cvx end
17
        optimumValue(i)=cvx_optval;
       X(i) . x=x;
        standardDeviation(i)=sqrt(x'*sigma*x);
20
        meanReturn(i)=pbar'*x;
21
22
   % Plotting the figure ('units', 'normalized', 'outerposition', [0 0 1 1]) s
   % meanReturn Vs SD
24
   figure ('units', 'normalized', 'outerposition', [0 0 1 1])
   plot(standardDeviation, meanReturn, 'LineWidth', 3);
   title('\textbf{Mean return - Risk }', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
xlabel('\textbf{$ x^T\Sigma x$}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
27
28
   ylabel('\textbf{$ \bar{p}^Tx$}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize',15);
29
   grid on
30
   % meanReturn Vs eta times SD on semilogx
31
   figure ('units', 'normalized', 'outerposition', [0 0 1 1])
32
   semilogx(eta.*standardDeviation, meanReturn, 'LineWidth', 3);
33
   title ('\textbf{Mean return - $\eta$ * Risk}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize'
            '\textbf{$ \eta x^T\Sigma x$}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
   xlabel(
35
   ylabel('\textbf{$ \bar{p}^Tx$}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize',15);
36
   grid on
   % Semilogx of portfolio allocation vs eta
   figure ('units', 'normalized', 'outerposition', [0 0 1 1])
39
   c = [X(:) .x];
40
   for i=1:n
        semilogx(eta,c(i,:),'LineWidth',3);
42
        hold on
43
   end
44
   grid on
45
   title ('\textbf{Allocation of each stock subject to tradeoff coefficient}','
46
       interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
   xlabel('\textbf{$\mathbf{\eta}$}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize',15);
   ylabel('\textbf{Amount of each stock}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize',15);
save('step1Data.mat', 'c', 'eta', 'standardDeviation', 'meanReturn');
48
49
50
   % Step 2: Short Positions
52
   clear
53
   clc
   close all
```

```
pbarShort=load("C:\Users\marson\Dropbox\Convex Optimization\Project\data\
       pbar short.txt");
   sigmaShort=load ("C:\Users\marson\Dropbox\Convex Optimization\Project\data\
       sigma_short.txt");
   m = 30;
58
   eta = logspace(-2,3,m);
59
   n=length (pbarShort);
60
   gamma = .5;
   % Optimization with short selling
62
   for i=1:m
63
        cvx_begin
        variables xs(n) xl(n)
        maximize(pbarShort '*(xl-xs)-eta(i)*(xl-xs) '*sigmaShort*(xl-xs))
66
        subject to
67
       sum(xl)==1;
68
        xl >=0;
        xs > = 0;
70
       sum(xs) \le gamma * sum(xl);
71
       cvx_end
       optimumValue(i)=cvx_optval;
73
        XShort(i).x=(xl-xs);
74
        standardDeviationShort(i) = sqrt((xl-xs)'*sigmaShort*(xl-xs));
75
        meanReturnShort(i)=pbarShort'*(xl-xs);
76
   end
77
   % Optimization problem without short selling
78
   for i=1:m
79
        cvx_begin
        variable x(n)
81
        maximize (pbarShort '*x-eta(i)*x'*sigmaShort*x)
82
        subject to
83
       \operatorname{sum}(x) = =1;
       x > = 0;
85
       cvx end
86
       optimumValue(i)=cvx_optval;
87
       X(i) . x=x;
        standardDeviation(i)=sqrt(x'*sigmaShort*x);
89
        meanReturn(i)=pbarShort'*x;
90
   end
91
   % Plotting the figures
   figure ('units', 'normalized', 'outerposition', [0 0 1 1])
93
   plot (standardDeviation, meanReturn, 'LineWidth', 3);
94
   hold on
95
   plot(standardDeviationShort, meanReturnShort, 'LineWidth', 3);
   title ('\textbf{Mean return - Risk with new added stock}', 'interpreter', 'latex', '
97
       FontSize',15);
   xlabel('\textbf{$ x^T\Sigma x$}','interpreter','latex','FontSize',15);
   ylabel('\textbf{$\bar{p}^Tx$}','interpreter','latex','FontSize',15);
100
   legend ('Without short positions', 'With short positions', 'interpreter', 'latex', '
101
       FontSize', 15, 'Location', 'NorthWest')
102
   figure ('units', 'normalized', 'outerposition', [0 0 1 1])
103
   semilogx(standardDeviation.*eta, meanReturn, 'LineWidth', 3);
104
   hold on
105
   semilogx(eta.*standardDeviationShort, meanReturnShort, 'LineWidth', 3);
106
   title ('\textbf{Mean return - Risk with new added stock}', 'interpreter', 'latex', '
107
       FontSize', 15);
   xlabel('\textbf{$\eta x^T\Sigma x$}','interpreter','latex','FontSize',15);
           '\textbf{$ \bar{p}^Tx$}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize',15);
   ylabel(
109
   grid on
110
   legend ('Without short positions', 'With short positions', 'interpreter', 'latex', '
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FontSize', 15, 'Location', 'NorthWest')
112
   % Step 3: Portfolio Optimization with Real Data
    clear
115
    clc
116
    close all
117
   load("C:\Users\marson\Dropbox\Convex Optimization\Project\data\stock_dataset.mat
       ");
    pbarestimate=mean(past returns,1);
119
   sigmaestimate=cov(past_returns);
120
   m = 30;
121
    eta = logspace(-2,3,m);
122
   n=length (pbarestimate);
123
   gamma = .5;
124
   % Optimization with short selling
    for i=1:m
126
        cvx_begin
127
        variables xs(n) xl(n)
        maximize(pbarestimate '*(xl-xs)-eta(i)*(xl-xs) '*sigmaestimate*(xl-xs))
        subject to
130
        sum(xl) ==1;
131
        x1 > =0;
132
        xs > = 0;
133
        sum(xs) \le gamma * sum(xl);
134
        cvx end
135
        optimumValue(i)=cvx_optval;
        XShort(i).x=(xl-xs);
137
        standardDeviationShort(i)=sqrt((xl-xs)'*sigmaestimate*(xl-xs));
138
        meanReturnShort(i)=pbarestimate '*(xl-xs);
139
   end
140
   % Optimization problem without short selling
141
    for i=1:m
142
        cvx begin
143
        variable x(n)
        maximize (pbarestimate '*x-eta(i)*x'*sigmaestimate*x)
145
        subject to
146
        \operatorname{sum}(x) = =1;
147
        x > = 0;
148
        cvx_end
149
        optimumValue(i)=cvx_optval;
150
        X(i) . x=x;
151
        standardDeviation(i)=sqrt(x'*sigmaestimate*x);
        meanReturn(i)=pbarestimate'*x;
153
   end
154
    figure ('units', 'normalized', 'outerposition', [0 0 1 1])
    plot (standardDeviation, meanReturn, 'LineWidth', 3);
156
157
    plot(standardDeviationShort, meanReturnShort, 'LineWidth', 3);
158
    title('\textbf{Mean return - Risk based on stock data}', 'interpreter', 'latex', '
       FontSize',15);
             \textbf{\$ x^T\Sigma x\$}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
160
    ylabel('\textbf{$\bar{p}^Tx$}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
161
   grid on
    legend ('Without short positions', 'With short positions', 'interpreter', 'latex', '
163
       FontSize', 10, 'Location', 'SouthEast');
   % Part d: returns
164
   c = [X(:) .x];
   cShort = [XShort(:).x];
166
    for i=1:m
167
        noShortReturns(:,:,i)=future_returns.*c(:,i)';
168
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```
withShortReturns (:,:,i)=future_returns.*cShort(:,i)';
169
   end
170
   cumNoShort=cumsum(noShortReturns,1);
171
    cumWithShort=cumsum(withShortReturns,1);
    for i=1:n
173
        figure ('units', 'normalized', 'outerposition', [0 0 1 1])
174
        semilogx (eta, squeeze (cumNoShort (end, i,:)), 'LineWidth', 3);
175
        hold on
        semilogx (eta, squeeze (cumWithShort (end, i,:)), 'LineWidth', 3);
177
        legend ('Without short selling', 'With short selling', 'interpreter', 'latex', '
178
            FontSize', 15, 'Location', 'NorthEast');
        grid on
        txt='Portfolio number %d';
180
        txt2='portfolio%d';
181
        txt = sprintf(txt, i);
182
        txt2 = sprintf(txt2, i);
183
        txt = [' \setminus textbf\{', txt,
184
        title(txt, 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
185
        xlabel('\textbf{$\eta$}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
        ylabel('\textbf{Portfolio return}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
187
        saveas (gca, txt2, 'epsc');
188
   end
189
   % Total return plot
190
    figure ('units', 'normalized', 'outerposition', [0 0 1 1])
191
    totalReturn=cumsum(future returns*c,1);
192
    totalReturnShort=cumsum(future returns*cShort,1);
193
    semilogx (eta, totalReturn (end,:), 'LineWidth',3)
    hold on
195
   semilogx(eta, totalReturnShort(end,:), 'LineWidth',3)
196
    grid on
197
   legend ('Without short selling', 'With short selling', 'interpreter', 'latex', '
       FontSize',15);
    title ('\textbf{Total return of all portfolios with respect to $\eta$}'.'
199
       interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
    xlabel('\textbf{$\eta$}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
    ylabel('\textbf{Total return}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
201
202
203
   %% Step 4:
                 Improve your estimate
204
   clear
205
   clc
206
    close all
207
    load ("C:\ Users\marson\Dropbox\Convex Optimization\Project\data\stock dataset.mat
    pbarestimate=mean(past returns,1);
209
   S=cov (past_returns);
210
   n = 12;
211
   e=ones(12,1);
212
   lambda = 10^{(-5)};
213
    cvx_begin
        variable theta(n,n)
215
        obj=0;
216
        for i=1:n
217
             for j=1:n
                 if j=
219
                      continue
220
                 end
                 obj=obj+abs(theta(i,j));
            end
223
        end
224
        %maximize(log_det(theta)-trace(S*theta)-lambda*(e'*theta*e-trace(theta)))
225
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```
maximize(log_det(theta)-trace(S*theta)-lambda*obj)
        subject to
227
        theta >= 0;
   cvx_end
   sigmaestimate=inv(theta);
230
231
   m=30;
232
   eta = logspace(-2,3,m);
   n=length (pbarestimate);
234
   gamma = .5;
235
   for i=1:m
        cvx begin
        variable x(n)
238
        maximize (pbarestimate '*x-eta(i) *x'* sigmaestimate *x)
239
        subject to
240
        \operatorname{sum}(x) = =1;
        x > = 0;
242
        cvx end
243
        optimumValue(i)=cvx_optval;
        X(i) . x=x;
        standardDeviation(i)=sqrt(x'*sigmaestimate*x);
246
        meanReturn(i)=pbarestimate'*x;
247
   end
248
    for i=1:m
249
        cvx begin
250
        variable x(n)
251
        maximize (pbarestimate '*x-eta(i)*x'*S*x)
        subject to
253
        \operatorname{sum}(x) = =1;
254
        x > = 0;
255
        cvx end
        optimumValue(i)=cvx optval;
257
        XSimple(i).x=x;
258
        standardDeviationSimple(i)=sqrt(x'*S*x);
259
        meanReturnSimple(i)=pbarestimate'*x;
   end
261
   c = [X(:) .x];
262
   cSimple = [XSimple(:).x];
263
    for i=1:m
        noShortReturns(:,:,i)=future_returns.*c(:,i)';
265
        noShortReturnsSimple(:,:,i)=future_returns.*cSimple(:,i)';
266
   cumNoShort=cumsum(noShortReturns,1);
    cumNoShortSimple=cumsum(noShortReturnsSimple,1);
269
    for i=1:n
270
        figure ('units', 'normalized', 'outerposition', [0 0 1 1])
        semilogx (eta, squeeze (cumNoShort (end, i,:)), 'LineWidth', 3);
272
        hold on
273
        semilogx(eta, squeeze(cumNoShortSimple(end,i,:)), 'LineWidth',3);
        legend ('Using new estimate', 'Simple previous estimate', 'interpreter', 'latex'
            , 'FontSize', 15, 'Location', 'West');
        grid on
276
        txt='Portfolio number %d';
277
        txt = sprintf(txt, i);
        txt2='step4_portfolio%d';
279
        txt2 = sprintf(txt2, i);
280
                                  '}'];
        txt = [ ' \setminus textbf \{ ', txt, 
        title(txt, 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
        xlabel('\textbf{$\eta$}','interpreter','latex','FontSize',15);
283
                 '\textbf{Portfolio return}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize',15);
        ylabel (
284
        saveas(gca,txt2,'epsc');
285
```

```
end
   % Total return plot
287
    figure ('units', 'normalized', 'outerposition', [0 0 1 1])
    totalReturn=cumsum(future_returns*c,1);
    totalReturnSimple=cumsum(future_returns*cSimple,1);
290
    semilogx (eta, totalReturn (end,:), 'LineWidth',3)
291
    hold on
292
    semilogx (eta, totalReturnSimple (end,:), 'LineWidth',3)
    grid on
294
    legend ('Using new estimate', 'Simple previous estimate', 'interpreter', 'latex', '
295
        FontSize', 15);
    title ('\textbf{Total return of all portfolios with respect to $\eta$}','
    interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
xlabel('\textbf{$\eta$}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
297
    ylabel('\textbf{Total return}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
298
300
   W Step 5: Portfolio optimization with loss risk constraints
301
    clear
303
    clc
304
    close all
305
    load("C:\Users\marson\Dropbox\Convex Optimization\Project\data\stock_dataset.mat
306
        ");
    pbarestimate=mean(past returns,1);
307
   S=cov (past_returns);
308
   n = 12;
    e = ones(12,1);
310
    lambda=10^(-5);
311
    cvx_begin
312
        variable theta(n,n)
313
        obj=0;
314
        for i=1:n
315
             for j=1:n
316
                  if j==i
                       continue
318
                  end
319
                  obj=obj+abs(theta(i,j));
320
             end
321
        end
322
        %maximize(log_det(theta)-trace(S*theta)-lambda*(e'*theta*e-trace(theta)))
323
        maximize (log det (theta)-trace (S*theta)-lambda*obj)
324
        subject to
        theta >= 0;
326
   cvx_end
327
   sigmaestimate=inv(theta);
   m = 30;
329
    eta = logspace(-2,3,m);
330
   n=length (pbarestimate);
331
   gamma = .5;
   q = 20;
333
    beta = logspace(-4, -1, q);
334
   squareRootSigma=sqrtm(sigmaestimate);
335
   %
336
    for j=1:q
337
        for i=1:m
338
             cvx_begin
339
                  variable x(n)
                  maximize (pbarestimate '*x-eta(i)*x'*sigmaestimate*x)
341
                  subject to
342
                  \operatorname{sum}(x) = =1;
343
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```
x > = 0;
344
                 pbarestimate '*x+norminv(beta(j))*norm(squareRootSigma*x)>-.5;
345
            cvx end
            optimumValue(i)=cvx_optval;
            X(i,j).x=x;
348
            standardDeviation(i,j)=sqrt(x'*sigmaestimate*x);
349
            meanReturn(i,j)=pbarestimate'*x;
350
        end
351
   end
352
   %
353
   n1 = 1;
   n2 = 10;
355
   n3 = 20:
356
   n4 = 30;
357
   c1\!=\![X(\,\mathrm{n}1\;,:\,)\;.\,x\;]\;;
358
   c2 = [X(n2, :) .x];
   c3 = [X(n3, :) .x];
360
   c4 = [X(n4,:) .x];
361
    for i=1:n
        txt2='Step5_portfolio%d';
363
        txt2 = sprintf(txt2, i);
364
        figure ('units', 'normalized', 'outerposition', [0 0 1 1])
365
        subplot (2,2,1)
366
        plot (beta, c1(i,:), 'LineWidth', 3);
367
        txt=['\textbf{Allocation of portfolio ', num2str(i), ' for $ \eta = $ ',
368
            num2str(eta(n1)), '}'];
        title(txt, 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
        xlabel('\textbf{$\beta$}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
370
        ylabel(
                 '\textbf{Stock amount}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
371
        grid on
372
        subplot (2,2,2)
        plot (beta, c2(i,:), 'LineWidth', 3);
374
        txt=['\textbf{Allocation of portfolio ', num2str(i), ' for $ \eta = $ ',
375
            num2str(eta(n2)), ' \}'];
        title(txt, 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
        xlabel('\textbf{$\beta$}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
377
        ylabel('\textbf{Stock amount}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
378
        grid on
379
        subplot (2,2,3)
380
        plot (beta, c3(i,:), 'LineWidth',3);
381
        txt=['\textbf{Allocation of portfolio ', num2str(i), ' for $ \eta = $ ',
382
            num2str(eta(n3)), '}';
        title (txt, 'interpreter'.
                                   , 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
        xlabel('\textbf{$\beta$}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
384
        ylabel('\textbf{Stock amount}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
385
        grid on
        subplot(2,2,4)
387
        plot(beta, c4(i,:), 'LineWidth', 3);
388
        txt=['\textbf{Allocation of portfolio ', num2str(i), ' for $ \eta = $ ',
389
            num2str(eta(n4)), '}';
        title (txt, 'interpreter',
                                    'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
390
                 '\textbf{$\beta$}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
391
        ylabel('\textbf{Stock amount}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
392
        grid on
393
        saveas (gca, txt2, 'epsc');
394
   end
395
   %%
    return1=cumsum(future_returns*c1,1);
    return2=cumsum(future_returns*c2,1);
398
    return3=cumsum(future_returns*c3,1);
399
   return4=cumsum(future_returns*c4,1);
400
```

```
figure ('units', 'normalized', 'outerposition', [0 0 1 1])
401
    subplot (2,2,1)
402
    semilogx(beta, return1(end,:), 'LineWidth',3)
403
    title(['\textbf{Cumulative total return with respect to $ \beta for $ \epsilon = ')
    \begin{array}{l} num2str(\,eta\,(n1))\,,\,'\,\,\$\}\,']\,,\,'interpreter\,'\,,\,'latex\,'\,,\,'FontSize\,'\,,15)\,;\\ xlabel(\,'\backslash textbf\{\$\backslash beta\$\}\,'\,,\,'interpreter\,'\,,\,'latex\,'\,,\,'FontSize\,'\,,15)\,; \end{array}
405
406
    ylabel('\textbf{Cumulative total return}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
407
    grid on
408
    subplot(2,2,2)
409
    semilogx(beta, return2(end,:), 'LineWidth',3)
410
    title (['\textbf{Cumulative total return with respect to $\beta$ for $\text{\text} = '
411
        num2str(eta(n2)), '\$\}'], 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
412
    xlabel('\textbf{$\beta$}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
413
    ylabel('\textbf{Cumulative total return}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
414
    grid on
415
    subplot (2,2,3)
416
    semilogx(beta, return3(end,:), 'LineWidth',3)
    title (['\textbf{Cumulative total return with respect to $\beta$ for $\eta = '
418
        num2str(eta(n3)), ' $}'], 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
419
    xlabel('\textbf{$\beta$}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize',15);
420
    ylabel('\textbf{Cumulative total return}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
421
    grid on
422
    subplot(2,2,4)
423
    semilogx (beta, return4 (end,:), 'LineWidth',3)
    grid on
425
    title (['\textbf{Cumulative total return with respect to $\beta$ for $\eta = '
426
        num2str(eta(n4)), '$}'], 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
    xlabel('\textbf{$\beta$}','interpreter','latex','FontSize',15);
428
    ylabel('\textbf{Cumulative total return}', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15);
429
    grid on
430
    fr=cumsum(future_returns,1);
432
    fr = fr (end,:);
433
    c=zeros(n,m,q);
434
    for i=1:n
435
        for j=1:n
436
             for k=1:q
437
                  c(i, j, k) = X(j, k) . x(i);
             end
        end
440
   end
441
    for
        j = 1:m
442
        for k=1:q
443
             Returns (j,k)=fr*squeeze(c(:,j,k));
444
        end
445
    end
    figure ('units', 'normalized', 'outerposition', [0 0 1 1])
447
    [a,b]=meshgrid(beta,eta);
448
    surf(a,b,Returns);
449
    [etamax, betamax]=find(Returns=max(max(Returns)),1);
450
    x=X(etamax, betamax).x;
451
    etamax=eta(etamax);
452
    betamax=beta (betamax);
    save('portfolio.mat', 'x', 'etamax', 'betamax', 'sigmaestimate', 'pbarestimate');
455
456
   % Step 6: maximum risk for the chosen portfolio
457
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```
\%clear
    close all
459
    clc
460
    %load portfolio.mat
    n = 12;
462
463
    cvx\_begin
464
          variable S(n,n)
465
          maximize(x'*S*x)
466
           subject to
467
          S > = 0;
468
          diag(S) = diag(sigmaestimate);
469
           for i = 1:12
470
                 for j = 1:12
471
                       if i==j
472
                             continue
473
                       elseif sigmaestimate(i,j)>0
474
                            S(i, j) >= 0;
475
                       else
                            S\left( \right. i\left. \right. ,\left. j\right. \right) <=0;
                      end
478
                end
479
          \quad \text{end} \quad
480
481
    cvx\_end
482
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