

Mathematical and Computational Statistics with a View Towards Finance and Risk Management - Assignment 2

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Information

This is our (Jaka Golob and Yannik Haller) solution to Assignment 2 of the course “Mathematical and Computational Statistics with a View Towards Finance and Risk Management”. For a better overview, we decided to also write down the tasks in [blue](#). In the first section we describe how we solved the tasks (pointing out the corresponding lines in the Matlab code). In the second section we show the graphs resulting from the Matlab program depicting the accumulated returns of all calculated portfolios together with a table containing the associated Sharpe Ratios, and in the last section we display the full Matlab code.

Univariate Collapsing Method (Long only)

[Add two versions of the basic "UCM method" \(long only\): the non-parametric and the parametric UCM. \(See the comments at the beginning of the matlab program more detailed explanation\)](#)

In this part we build up two different types of the univariate collapsing method (UCM) (see lines 107-155 of the code): the parametric UCM (see lines 125-134 of the code) and the non-parametric UCM (see lines 135-149 of the code). The basic idea of the UCM can be summarized in four steps:

1. Simulate a random combination of weights for assets in the portfolio and store them in a weighting vector.
2. Apply these weights to a fixed window of historical asset returns to calculate a pseudo historical sequence of portfolio returns.
3. Evaluate the performance of the portfolio resulting from this weighting vector according to predefined criteria.
4. Repeat the previous steps as often as possible and keep the best performing weight combination.

To implement this method in Matlab we start by generating a d -length sequence of random numbers (with d being the number of assets in the portfolio), which are uniformly distributed between 0 and 1. We then take the natural logarithm of these numbers and divide each of them by their total sum, such that they sum up to 1 in the end. This sequence then serves as the weighting vector for our assets to create a portfolio. In a next step we apply these weights to the assets to calculate a pseudo historical sequence of portfolio returns (i.e. R_p) for a window of 249 trading days. Thereafter, we use R_p to estimate the expected value and standard deviation of tomorrow's portfolio return, which then can be used to assess the performance of the portfolio. This estimation is done in two different ways: in the non-parametric approach we simply take the average and standard deviation of R_p as predictors, whereas in the parametric approach we fit a two component mixed-normal distribution on R_p and use the resulting MLE parameters to estimate the expected value and standard deviation of its distribution to predict the future portfolio characteristics. The estimates for the expected return and standard deviation together with the associated weighting vector then serve as our reference. We then sequentially try 100 different combinations of weights, for each of which we

repeat the procedure described above and compare the resulting estimates to the reference. If a weighting vector appears to lead to a portfolio with higher mean and lower standard deviation than the reference, we choose it as our new reference. With this procedure, we end up choosing the best performing (according to our criteria) portfolio for this particular point in time. This procedure is then repeated for every day in our dataset, for which the asset returns of at least 249 previous trading days are known. Thereafter we compute cumulative returns for both, the parametric and non-parametric UCM and compare them to the Long only Max Sharpe Ratio portfolio (MSR) and the 1/N portfolio. We observe that (at least in some trials) we are able to outperform the MSR and 1/N portfolio using the UCM approaches. However, after several repetitions we can observe that the performance of the UCM can vary substantially (depending on the randomly generated weights). Hence we can conclude, that with the UCM we end up reaching a higher Sharpe-Ratio than the MSR and 1/N portfolio quite often (namely, we sometimes can produce sharp ratios around 0.9-1.0 which is quite good), but in only 20% of the trials we also achieve higher cumulative returns. Worth mentioning is also that the comparison to the 1/N method might be different if we account for transaction costs, as the UCM does daily re-balancing, while in the 1 /N method re-balancing is not necessary.

Mean-Variance (Long Only)

Make a function that does mean-variance LONG ONLY portfolio optimization using the **quadprog** function. This is based on the mixed normal, using its outputted mean and variance.

To solve this task we created the **PortMNS** and the **meanvar** function (see lines 236-263 of the code) and apply them (see lines 156-160 of the code) to perform a mean variance optimization for non-negative weights (no short selling). In a first step, the PortMNS function calculates the expected returns and variance-covariance matrix for the assets to consider by means of a 2 component MixN estimation on 249 past observations of the assets. To be able to pass the resulting variance-covariance matrix to the quadprog function we use within the meanvar function, we need to transform it such that it results in a symmetric matrix. Then we use these to apply the mean-variance optimization, which essentially means that we try to find the portfolio with the lowest predicted variance given a yearly minimum expected return (which we determined to be 10 %). To do so we incorporate the quadprog function, as mentioned above. This function minimizes an objective-function, which already has mean variance form and where we are solving for x (i.e. our weighting vector). We need to ensure that we calculate the variance-covariance matrix denoted by H , restrict x such that the sum of the weights is lower than 1, and guarantee that the expected portfolio return on a daily basis is at least as large as to lead to a yearly 10% return. For a given day, this function thus returns the weights, which produce the lowest expected variance corresponding to the predetermined minimum level of expected return. Finally, we compute the cumulative returns of this portfolio and include them in the plot to compare it to the other portfolios we calculated (i.e. non-parametric UCM, parametric UCM, MSR and 1/N). We observe that the Mean-Variance portfolio seems to perform slightly poorer than all the others.

Output Figures

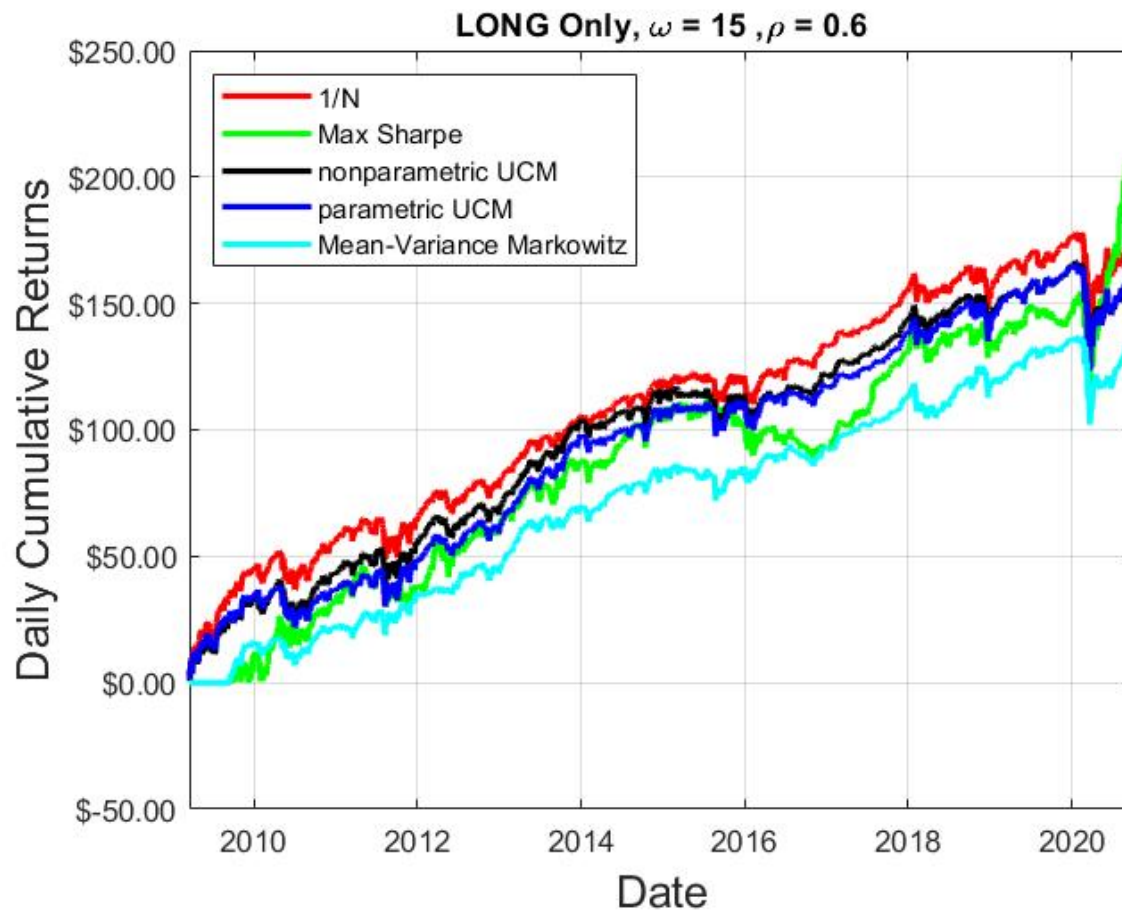


Figure 1: Accumulated Returns Long Only: Trial 1

Portfolio	Sharpe-Ratio
1/N	0.8313
Max Sharpe	0.7857
Non-Parametric UCM	0.8111
Parametric UCM	0.8024

Table 1: Sharpe Ratios Long Only: Trial 1

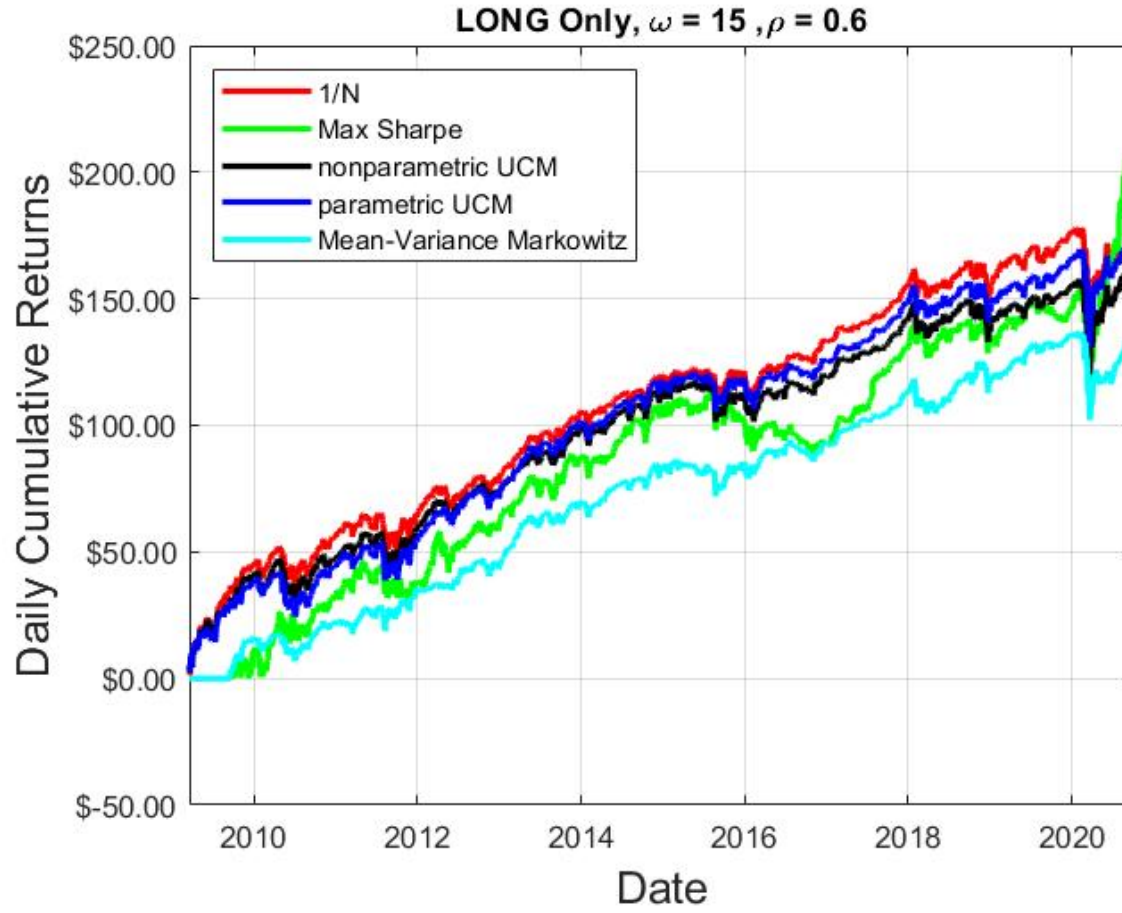


Figure 2: Accumulated Returns Long Only: Trial 2

Portfolio	Sharpe-Ratio
1/N	0.8313
Max Sharpe	0.7857
Non-Parametric UCM	0.8332
Parametric UCM	0.8842

Table 2: Sharpe Ratios Long Only: Trial 2

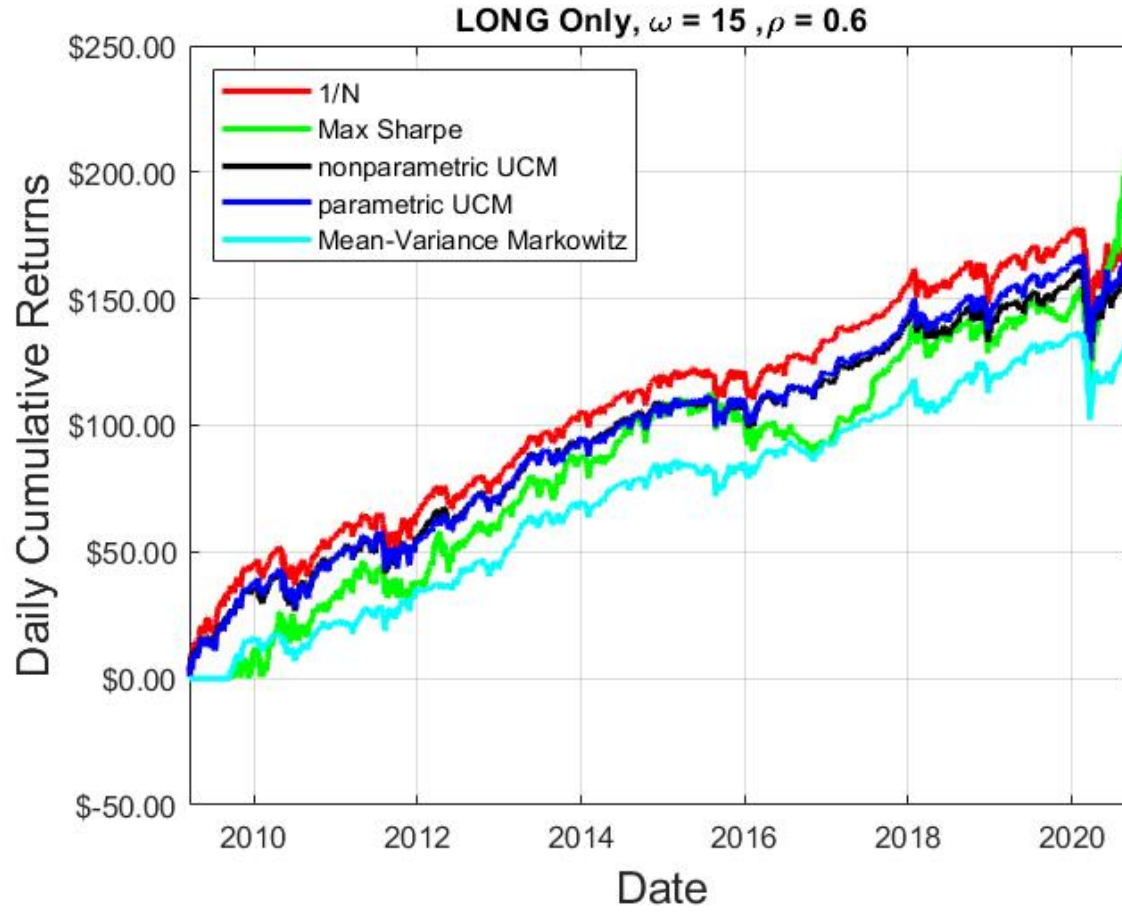


Figure 3: Accumulated Returns Long Only: Trial 3

Portfolio	Sharpe-Ratio
1/N	0.8313
Max Sharpe	0.7857
Non-Parametric UCM	0.8299
Parametric UCM	0.8439

Table 3: Sharpe Ratios Long Only: Trial 3

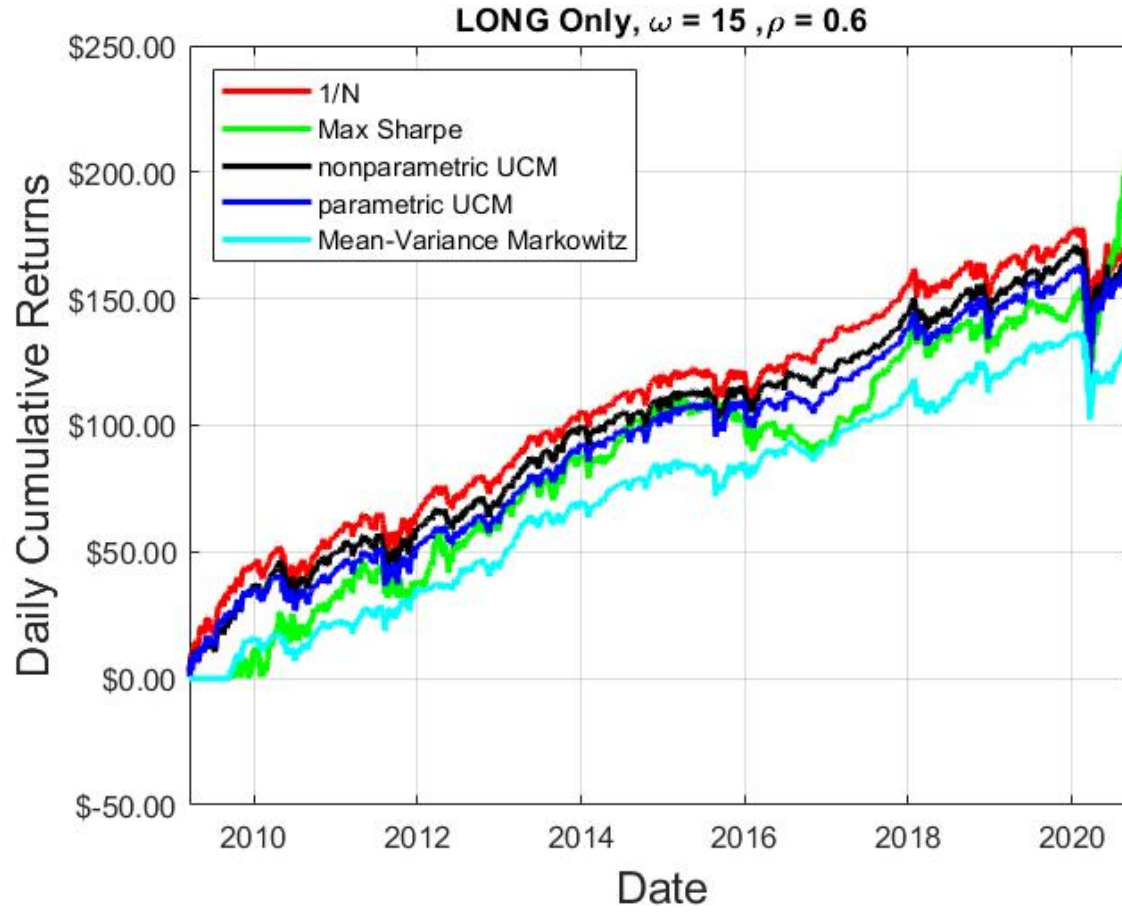


Figure 4: Accumulated Returns Long Only: Trial 4

Portfolio	Sharpe-Ratio
1/N	0.8313
Max Sharpe	0.7857
Non-Parametric UCM	0.8415
Parametric UCM	0.8190

Table 4: Sharpe Ratios Long Only: Trial 4

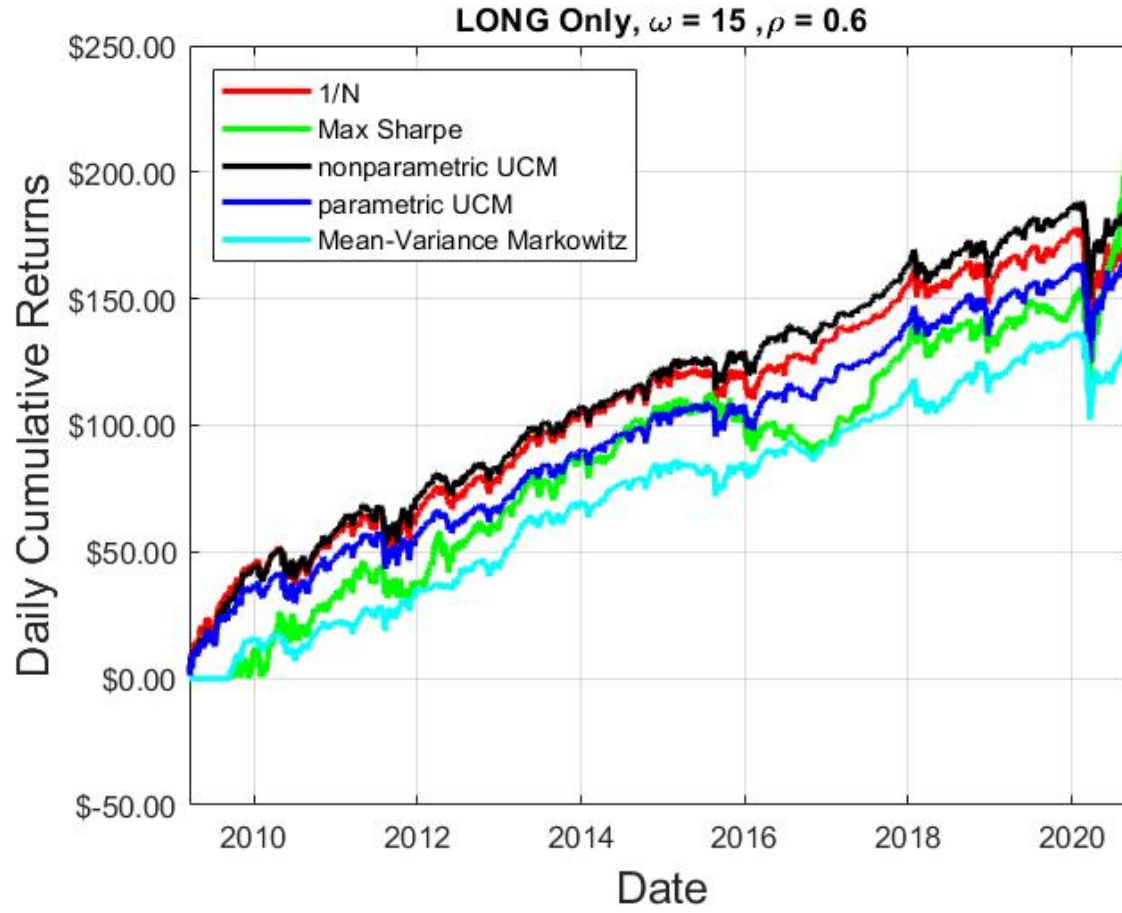


Figure 5: Accumulated Returns Long Only: Trial 5

Portfolio	Sharpe-Ratio
1/N	0.8313
Max Sharpe	0.7857
Non-Parametric UCM	0.9708
Parametric UCM	0.8606

Table 5: Sharpe Ratios Long Only: Trial 5

Since the figure showing the accumulated returns of the Max Sharpe Long-Short portfolio remains unchanged in every trial, we only display it once:

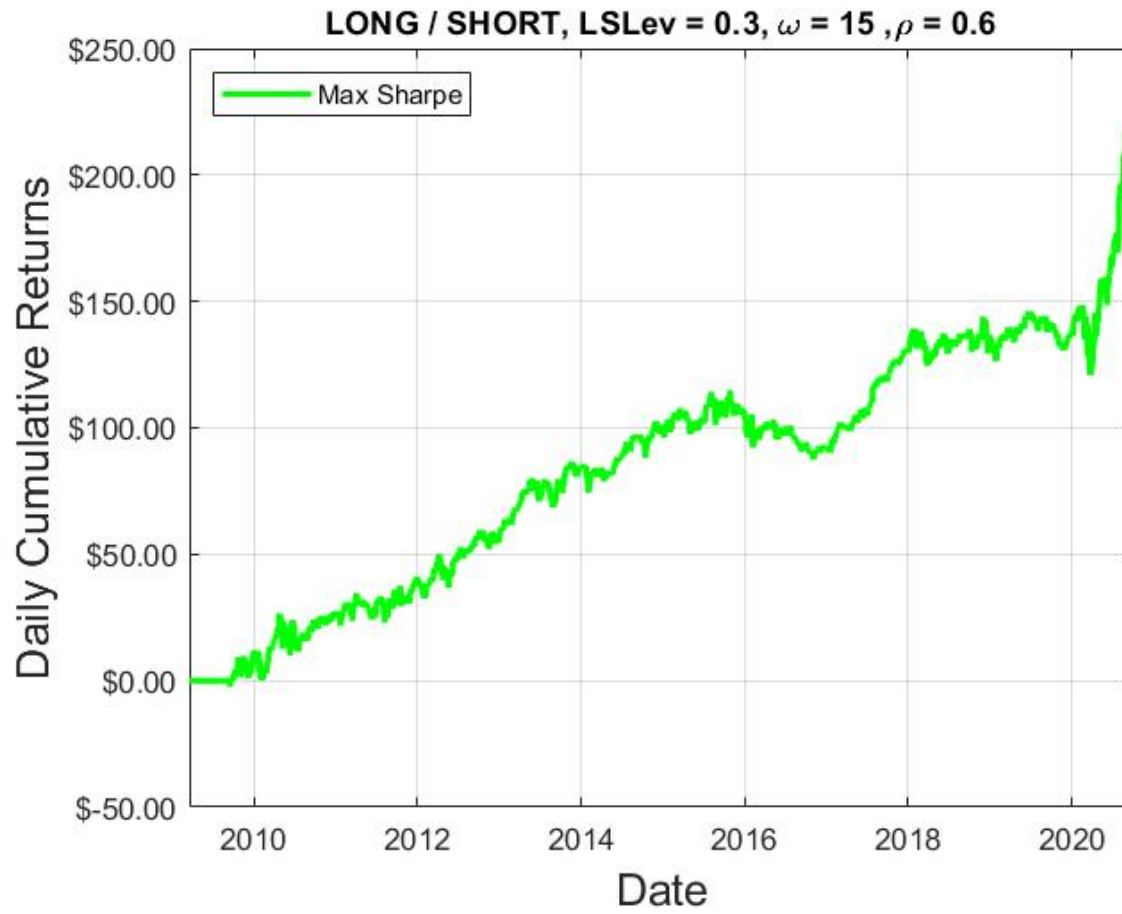


Figure 6: Accumulated Returns Long-Short

Portfolio	Sharpe-Ratio
Max Sharpe Long-Short	0.7841

Table 6: Sharpe Ratio Long-Short

Matlab Code

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1 function MixNPortOptCompareOWNFINAL(RetMat, datevec, winlen, LSLev)
2 % Portfolio optimization on moving windows of length winlen:
3 % (A) LONG ONLY
4 %     1) MaxSharpe, based on the multivariate 2-comp MixN
5 %     2) nonparametric UCM MaxSharpe (UCM = univariate collapsing method)
6 %         where nonparametric means, simply take the sample mean and
7 %         std of the past winlen returns
8 %     3) parametric UCM MaxSharpe, where parametric means, use the mean
9 %         and sqrt(variance) from the univariate MixN
10 %     4) 1/N
11 % (B) LONG and SHORT
12 %     1) as in (1) above
13 %     NOTE: Shorting requires LSLev, Long-Short-Leverage, indicating how
14 %         much we can short, e.g., LSLev=0.3 indicates use 130/30 rule.
15 %
16 % INPUT
17 % RetMat (optional, default is DJIA-30 data) is a matrix of percentage log
18 %     returns
19 % datevec (optional) is the datetime vector corresponding to the data
20 % winlen is length of moving window, default 250
21 %
22 % OUTPUT
23 % 2 labeled performance graphics of cusum returns (LONG, and LONG/SHORT)
24 % such that the x and y axes are the same.
25
26 if nargin<1, RetMat=[]; end
27 if nargin<2, datevec=[]; end
28 if nargin<3, winlen=[]; end
29 if nargin<4, LSLev=0.3; end
30
31
32 if isempty(winlen), winlen=250; end
33
34 if 1==1 % these seem to work well
35     omega=15; % used by MixNEMestimation; shrinkage prior strength
36     rho=0.60; % used by MixNEMestimation; weighted likelihood
37 else % default IID MLE values
38     omega=0; rho=1;
39 end
40
41 if isempty(RetMat)
42     % load ('closePricesDJ30_20200810.mat') %##ok<LOAD>
43     load ('closePricesDJ30_20201003.mat') %##ok<LOAD>
44     % can use: summary(closePrices) to see contents
45     prices=closePrices.Variables;
46     zeit=closePrices.Var1; clear closePrices
47     % there are 30 stocks in there:
48     % AAPL, AXP, BA, CAT, CSCO, CVX, DIS, DOW, GS, HD,
49     % IBM, INTC, JNJ, JPM, KO, MCD, MMM, MRK, MSFT, NKE,
50     % PFE, PG, RTX, TRV, UNH, V, VZ, WBA, WMT, XOM
51
52 % For DJIA, get at least 29 out of the 30 assets
53 wstart=1; while sum(isnan(prices(wstart,:)))>1, wstart=wstart+1; end
54 prices=prices(wstart:end,:);

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52     datevec=zeit(wstart:end);
53
54     % make returns out of prices
55     [Tmax, dmax]=size(prices); % Tmax gets overwritten later when using returns
56     RetMat=zeros(Tmax-1,dmax);
57     for i=1:dmax, u=prices(:,i); lr=log(u); rr=100*diff(lr); RetMat(:,i)=rr; end
58     Tmax=Tmax-1; % lose one because conversion from price to return
59     datevec=datevec((winlen+1):end);
60 end
61 if isempty(datevec), datevec=winlen:Tmax; end
62
63 % reserve memory
64 retseq1N=zeros(Tmax-winlen+1,1);
65 retseqSharpeLONG=zeros(Tmax-winlen+1,1);
66 retseqSharpeLS=zeros(Tmax-winlen+1,1);
67 % reserve memory for UCM and Mean-Variance (MV)
68 retseqNPUCM=zeros(Tmax-winlen+1,1);
69 retseqPUCM=zeros(Tmax-winlen+1,1);
70 retseqMV=zeros(Tmax-winlen+1,1);
71
72
73 % The main FOR loop, over the windows of data
74 for wstart=1:(Tmax-winlen+1) % wstart is the time the window starts
75     if mod(wstart,100)==0
76         disp(['window start = ',int2str(wstart),' out of ',int2str(Tmax-winlen+1)
77             ])
78     end
79     wend=wstart+winlen-1; % end of the current window
80     use=RetMat(wstart:wend,:);
81     % remove assets with any missing returns
82     badset=[]; for i=1:dmax, if any(isnan(use(:,i))), badset=union(badset,i);
83         end, end
84     okay=setdiff(1:dmax,badset);
85     passretmat=RetMat(wstart:(wend-1),okay); % passed for parameter estimation
86     retvecatt=RetMat(wend,okay); % returns vector at time t (to be used to
87         evaluate performance)
88     d=size(passretmat,2); if d ~= length(retvecatt), error('bad'), end
89     % final check
90     if any(any(isnan(passretmat))) || any(isnan(retvecatt)), error('bad'), end
91
92     %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
93     % LONG ONLY
94     %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
95
96     % The 1/N portfolio (obviously LONG Only)
97     retseq1N(wstart)=retvecatt * ones(d,1)/d;
98
99     % LONG Only MaxSharpe, based on the multivariate 2-comp MixN
100     paramMMN=MixNEMestimation(passretmat,omega,rho); % Mult Mix Norm
101     meanvecMMN = paramMMN.lam * paramMMN.mu1 ... % Expected Return vector
102         + (1-paramMMN.lam) * paramMMN.mu2;
103     SigmaMMN = ...
104         ( paramMMN.lam * (paramMMN.Sig1 + paramMMN.mu1*paramMMN.mu1') ...
105         + (1-paramMMN.lam) * (paramMMN.Sig2 + paramMMN.mu2*paramMMN.mu2') ) ...

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103     - meanvecMMN*meanvecMMN';
104 w = maxSharpePortOptLongShort([], meanvecMMN, SigmaMMN, 0);
105 retseqSharpeLONG(wstart)=retvecatt * w;
106
107 % LONG Only using UCM (two ways)
108
109 %%% UCM
110 % Define the required variables
111 meanNPUCM = [];
112 stdNPUCM = [];
113 wNPUCM = [];
114 meanPUCM = [];
115 stdPUCM = [];
116 wPUCM = [];
117
118 for i=1:1e2
119     % Create the weights via simulation
120     r = unifrnd(0,1,d,1);
121     w0 = log(r)/sum(log(r));
122     % Create the pseudo-historical time series of asset returns
123     Rp = passretmat*w0;
124
125     %%% nonparametric UCM
126     % Keep the weighting vector if the associated expected return is higher
127     % and std is lower than from the 'old' weighting vector
128     if isempty(meanNPUCM), meanNPUCM = mean(Rp); end
129     if isempty(stdNPUCM), stdNPUCM = std(Rp); end
130     if isempty(wNPUCM); wNPUCM = w0; end
131     if (meanNPUCM < mean(Rp)) && (stdNPUCM > std(Rp))
132         meanNPUCM = mean(Rp); stdNPUCM = std(Rp); wNPUCM = w0;
133     end
134
135     %%% parametric UCM
136     % fit a univariate MixN estimation on Rp
137     [paramPUCM, ESPUCM, SigmaPUCM]=MixNEMestimation(Rp, omega, rho);
138     MixNmean = paramPUCM.lam * paramPUCM.mu1 ... % Expected Return
139             + (1-paramPUCM.lam) * paramPUCM.mu2;
140     % Keep the weighting vector if the associated expected return is higher
141     % and std is lower than from the 'old' weighting vector
142     if isempty(meanPUCM), meanPUCM = MixNmean; end
143     if isempty(stdPUCM), stdPUCM = sqrt(SigmaPUCM); end
144     if isempty(wPUCM); wPUCM = w0; end
145     if (meanPUCM < MixNmean) && (stdPUCM > sqrt(SigmaPUCM))
146         meanPUCM = MixNmean; stdPUCM = sqrt(SigmaPUCM); wPUCM = w0;
147     end
148 end
149
150 % Calculate the return sequence for the PUCM portfolio
151 retseqNPUCM(wstart) = retvecatt * wNPUCM;
152 % Calculate the return sequence for the NPUCM portfolio
153 retseqPUCM(wstart) = retvecatt * wPUCM;
154
155
156 %%% Mean-Variance Markowitz portfolio optimization

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157 % Calculate the optimal portfolio weights
158 wMV = PortMNS(passretmat, omega, rho, 0.1);
159 % Calculate the return sequence for the PUCM portfolio
160 retseqMV(wstart) = retvecatt * wMV;
161
162 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
163 % LONG SHORT
164 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
165
166 % LONG/SHORT MaxSharpe, based on the multivariate 2-comp MixN
167 w = maxSharpePortOptLongShort([], meanvecMMN, SigmaMMN, LSLev);
168 retseqSharpeLS(wstart)=retvecatt * w;
169
170
171 end % for wstart=1:(Tmax-winlen+1)
172
173 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
174
175 % Sharpe ratios
176 use=retseq1N; sharpe_1N=sqrt(252)*mean(use)/std(use) %%ok<NASGU,NOPRT>
177 use=retseqSharpeLONG; sharpe_MaxSharpeLONG=sqrt(252)*mean(use)/std(use) %%ok<
    NASGU,NOPRT>
178 use=retseqNPUCM; sharpe_NPUCM=sqrt(252)*mean(use)/std(use) %%ok<NASGU,NOPRT>
179 use=retseqPUCM; sharpe_PUCM=sqrt(252)*mean(use)/std(use) %%ok<NASGU,NOPRT>
180 use=retseqSharpeLS; sharpe_MaxSharpeLONGSHORT=sqrt(252)*mean(use)/std(use) %%
    ok<NASGU,NOPRT>
181
182 % Plot the final results
183
184 % LONG Only
185 yyy1N=cumsum(retseq1N);
186 yyySharpeLONG=cumsum(retseqSharpeLONG);
187 yyyNPUCM=cumsum(retseqNPUCM);
188 yyyPUCM=cumsum(retseqPUCM);
189 yyyMV=cumsum(retseqMV);
190 fig1=figure;
191 plot(...
192     datevec,yyy1N,'r-', ...
193     datevec,yyySharpeLONG,'g-', ...
194     datevec,yyyNPUCM,'k-', ...
195     datevec,yyyPUCM,'b-', ...
196     datevec,yyyMV,'c-',...
197     'linewidth',2)
198 title(['LONG Only, \omega = ',int2str(omega),' ,\rho = ',num2str(rho)])
199 legend(...
200     '1/N', ...
201     'Max Sharpe', ...
202     'nonparametric UCM', ...
203     'parametric UCM', ...
204     'Mean-Variance Markowitz', ...
205     'location','northwest')
206 ylimLONG=ylim;
207 ytickformat('usd')
208 ylabel('Daily Cumulative Returns', 'fontsize',15)

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209     xlabel('Date','fontsize',15)
210     grid
211
212
213 % LONG/SHORT
214 yyySharpeLS=cumsum(retseqSharpeLS);
215 fig2=figure;
216     plot(...
217         datevec,yyySharpeLS,'g-', ...
218         'linewidth',2)
219     title(['LONG / SHORT, LSLev = ',num2str(LSLev),' , \omega = ',int2str(omega),
220           ' ,\rho = ',num2str(rho)])
221     legend(...
222         'Max Sharpe', ...
223         'location','northwest')
224 ylimLS=ylim;
225 ytickformat('usd')
226 ylabel('Daily Cumulative Returns','fontsize',15)
227 xlabel('Date','fontsize',15)
228 grid
229
230 % set y axis the same in each
231 ymin=min(ylimLONG(1), ylimLS(1));
232 ymax=max(ylimLONG(2), ylimLS(2));
233 figure(fig1), ylim([ymin ymax])
234 figure(fig2), ylim([ymin ymax])
235
236 % define the PortMNS and the meanvar function used for the MV portfolio
237 function w = PortMNS(data, omega, rho, tauAn)
238 if nargin < 2, omega = 15; end
239 if nargin < 3, rho = 0.60; end
240 if nargin < 4, tauAn = 0; end
241 % fit a Multivariate MixN on the data
242 paramMV=MixNEMestimation(data,omega,rho);
243 % calculate the expected returns and the associated covarinace matrix
244 mu = paramMV.lam * paramMV.mu1 ...
245     + (1-paramMV.lam) * paramMV.mu2;
246 SigmaMixN = (paramMV.lam * (paramMV.Sig1 + paramMV.mu1*paramMV.mu1') ...
247             + (1-paramMV.lam) * (paramMV.Sig2 + paramMV.mu2*paramMV.mu2') ) ...
248             - mu*mu';
249 SigmaSym = SymPDCovmatrix(SigmaMixN);
250 DEDR=100*((tauAn/100 + 1)^(1/250)-1); feas = max(mu)>=DEDR;
251 if feas
252     w=meanvar(mu, SigmaSym, DEDR);
253 else
254     w=zeros(length(mu),1);
255 end
256
257 function w = meanvar(mu, Sigma, tau)
258 opt = optimoptions('quadprog','Display','off');
259 d=length(mu); H = Sigma; f = zeros(d,1);
260 A = -mu'; B = -tau; LB = zeros(1,d); UB = ones(1,d); w0=UB'/d;
261 Aeq = ones(1,d); Beq = 1; % to ensure that sum(w) = 1

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262 zk_opt = quadprog(H,f,A,B,Aeq,Beq,LB,UB,w0,opt);
263 w = zk_opt(1:d)/sum(zk_opt);
264
265 function [w_opt, Var_opt] = maxSharpePortOptLongShort(w0, meanvec, Sigmat,
    longShort)
266 d = length(meanvec); % number of assets
267 if sum(meanvec>0)==0
268     w_opt = zeros(d,1); Var_opt = 0; return
269 end
270 Sigmat = SymPDCovmatrix(Sigmat);
271 if longShort==0 % long-only portfolio
272     opt = optimoptions('quadprog','Display','off');
273     LB = [zeros(1,d),-1e-12]; UB = ones(1,d);
274     Aeq=[ones(1,d), -1; meanvec',0]; Beq = [0;1];
275     Awuv = [-eye(d) ; zeros(1,d); eye(d)]; Bwuv = [-LB'; UB'];
276     Awuvk=[Awuv,-Bwuv]; Bwuvk= zeros(size(Bwuv)); LB=[]; UB=[];
277     Sigmat_zk = [[Sigmat, zeros(d,1)]; zeros(1,d+1)];
278     zk_opt = quadprog(Sigmat_zk,zeros(d+1,1),Awuvk,Bwuvk,Aeq,Beq,LB,UB,[],opt)
    ;
279     w_opt = zk_opt(1:d)./zk_opt(d+1);
280     Var_opt = w_opt'*Sigmat*w_opt;
281 elseif longShort~=0 % long-short portfolio e.g. longShort=0.3 corresponds to
    130/30 portfolio
282     opt = optimoptions('quadprog','Display','off','Algorithm','interior-point
        -convex','StepTolerance',0);
283     LB = [-abs(longShort)*ones(d,1);zeros(2*d,1);-1e-12]; % longShort <= w
284     UB = (1+abs(longShort))*ones(3*d,1); % [w,u,v] <= (1+longShort)
285     Awuv = [zeros(1,d), ones(1,d), zeros(1,d);...
286         -eye(d), zeros(d,d), zeros(d,d) ;...
287         zeros(d,d), -eye(d), zeros(d,d) ;...
288         zeros(d,d), zeros(d,d), -eye(d) ;...
289         zeros(1,d), zeros(1,d), zeros(1,d);...
290         eye(d), zeros(d,d), zeros(d,d) ;...
291         zeros(d,d), eye(d), zeros(d,d) ;...
292         zeros(d,d), zeros(d,d), eye(d) ;...
293     ];
294     Bwuv = [1+abs(longShort); -LB; UB]; Awuvk=[Awuv,-Bwuv];
295     Bwuvk= zeros(size(Bwuv)); LB=[]; UB=[];
296     Aeq = [eye(d),-1*eye(d),eye(d),zeros(d,1);...
297         ones(1,d),zeros(1,d),zeros(1,d), -1;...
298         meanvec',zeros(1,d),zeros(1,d),0];
299     Beq = [zeros(d,1);0;1];
300     Sigmat3d = [Sigmat,zeros(d,2*d);zeros(2*d,3*d)];
301     Sigmat3dk = [[Sigmat3d,zeros(3*d,1)];zeros(1,3*d+1)];
302     meanvec3dk = zeros(3*d+1,1);
303     if ~isempty(w0)
304         u0 = w0(:) .* (w0(:)>0);
305         v0 = -1*(w0(:) .* (w0(:)<0));
306         wuvkinit=[w0(:);u0;v0;1];
307         wuvk_opt = quadprog(Sigmat3dk,meanvec3dk,Awuvk,Bwuvk,Aeq,Beq,LB,UB,
            wuvkinit,opt) ;
308     else
309         wuvk_opt = quadprog(Sigmat3dk,meanvec3dk,Awuvk,Bwuvk,Aeq,Beq,LB,UB,[],
            opt) ;

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310     end
311     w_opt = wuvk_opt(1:d) ./ wuvk_opt(3*d+1);
312     Var_opt = w_opt' * Sigmat * w_opt;
313 end
314
315 function A = SymPDcovmatrix(A)
316 tol=1e-04; A=(A+A') / 2;
317 [V,D]=eig(A); seig=diag(D); bad=find(seig<tol);
318 if ~isempty(bad), seig(bad)=tol; D=diag(seig); A=V*D*V'; end
319 A=(A+A') / 2;
320
321 function [param, MixNES, MixNVariance]=MixNEMestimation (R,omega,rho,alpha,
    init,tol,maxit)
322 % Marc Paoletta. Made for Jordan Oct 2020
323 % Estimates (univariate or multivariate) MixN
324 % and returns the (possibly shrinkage and time-weighted) MLE
325 % and, if dimension 1, also the predictive expected shortfall and
326 % variance, where alpha dicates the probability level for ES
327 %
328 % See function mixnormEMm below for details of input and output
329 %
330 % Example: Simulate IID univariate MixN with parameters typical in finance,
331 % and estimate the model.
332 %{
333 muTRUE = [0.07 -0.03]; sigTRUE = [sqrt(1.34) sqrt(7.83)]; lamTRUE = [0.78
    0.22];
334 T=1e4; R = mixnormsim(muTRUE,sigTRUE,lamTRUE,T);
335 [param, MixNES, MixNVariance] = MixNEMestimation(R)
336 % Now empircally check the ES and variance. It works... of course!
337 samplevariance = var(R)
338 qu=quantile(R,0.05); use=R(R<qu); sampleES=mean(use)
339 %}
340
341 if nargin<2, omega=0; end
342 if nargin<3, rho=1; end
343 if nargin<4, alpha=0.05; end
344 if nargin<5, init=[]; end
345 if nargin<6, tol=1e-6; end
346 if nargin<7, maxit=1e4; end
347
348 [n,p]=size(R);
349 if n<=p, error('Check the input time series R'), end
350
351 param = localmixnormEMm (R,omega,init,rho,tol,maxit);
352
353 if p==1
354 % set up parameter vector as I require it, noting the sqrt() because
355 % this is for the univariate case, in which case, I model sigma1 and
356 % sigma2, and not their squares (matrices in the multivariate case)
357 parampass = [param.mu1 param.mu2 sqrt(param.Sig1) sqrt(param.Sig2) param.lam
    ];
358 mu=[param.mu1 param.mu2];
359 sig=[sqrt(param.Sig1) sqrt(param.Sig2)];
360 lam=[param.lam 1-param.lam];

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361 VaRquantile = mixnormalquantile(parampass, alpha);
362 t1 = (VaRquantile-mu(1))/sig(1); t1cdf=normcdf(t1); t1pdf=normpdf(t1);
363 t2 = (VaRquantile-mu(2))/sig(2); t2cdf=normcdf(t2); t2pdf=normpdf(t2);
364 numerator = lam(1) * (-sig(1)*t1pdf + mu(1)*t1cdf) ...
365             + lam(2) * (-sig(2)*t2pdf + mu(2)*t2cdf);
366 MixNES = numerator/alpha;
367 EY = lam(1) * mu(1) ...
368     + lam(2) * mu(2);
369 EY2 = lam(1) * (mu(1)^2 + sig(1)^2) ...
370     + lam(2) * (mu(2)^2 + sig(2)^2);
371 MixNVariance = EY2 - EY^2;
372 else
373     MixNES=[]; MixNVariance=[];
374 end
375
376 function [param,loglik,H1,crit,iter] = localmixnormEMm (y,omega,init,rho,tol,
    maxit)
377 % [param,loglik,H1,crit,iter] = mixnormEMm(y,omega,init,rho,tol,maxit)
378 %
379 % Estimates the parameters of the two-component p-variate mixed normal
380 % distribution using the EM algorithm.
381 % y is nXp, the data.
382 % omega is the prior-strength is for the Hamilton quasi-Bayesian estimator.
383 % pass 0 (default) for standard mle, no prior info,
384 % pass a value >0 as the strength of the shrinkage prior
385 % init contains initial values as a structure, i.e.,
386 % init.mu1, init.mu2, init.Sig1, init.Sig2, init.lam. Default is []
387 % rho indicates the weight for weighted likelihood:
388 % Pass a scalar, then it is the "rho" for the hyperbolic weights, with a
    weight
389 % of 1 yielding equally weighted (usual) likelihood,
390 % and values less than 1 putting more weight on recent obs
391 % Or pass vector [rho weightmeans weightsigmas weightlam]
392 % where the latter 3 are booleans, and dictate of the mu_i, Sigma_i
393 % and lambda_i are
394 % Default is just the Sigma_i
395 % tol is required tolerance for each parameter to assume 'convergence'.
396 % maxit is maximum allowed number of iterations before giving up.
397 %
398 % param is a record with mu1, mu2, Sig1, Sig2, lam
399 % mu1 and mu2 are the 1Xp vectors of means of the two components
400 % Sig1 and Sig2 are the variance-covariance matrices,
401 % lam is the weight of the first component
402
403 if nargin < 6, maxit=1e4; end
404 if nargin < 5, tol=1e-6; end
405 if nargin < 4, rho=1; end
406 if nargin < 3, init=[]; end
407 if nargin < 2, omega=0; end
408
409 if length(rho)==1
410     weightmeans=0; weightsigmas=1; weightlam=0;
411 else
412     weightmeans=rho(2); weightsigmas=rho(3); weightlam=rho(4);

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413 end
414
415 [n,p]=size(y);
416
417 % weighted likelihood
418 tvec=(1:n)'; likew=(n-tvec+1).^(rho(1)-1); likew=n*likew/sum(likew);
419
420 if l==1 % based on typical financial data – see comment below
421     s1=1.5; cov1=0.6; % variance and covariance for the prior on Sig1
422     s2=10; cov2=4.6;
423     m1=zeros(p,1); m2=-0.1*ones(p,1);
424 else % arbitrary
425     s1=1; cov1=0.0; % variance and covariance for the prior on Sig1
426     s2=1; cov2=0.0;
427     m1=zeros(p,1); m2=zeros(p,1);
428 end
429 psig1=zeros(p,p); psig2=zeros(p,p);
430 for i=1:p, for j=1:p %%ok<ALIGN>
431     if i==j, psig1(i,j)=s1; else, psig1(i,j)=cov1; end
432     if i==j, psig2(i,j)=s2; else, psig2(i,j)=cov2; end
433 end, end
434 a1=2*omega; a2=omega/2; c1=20*omega; c2=20*omega; B1=a1*psig1; B2=a2*psig2;
435
436 % starting values
437 if isempty(init)
438     mu1=m1; mu2=m2; Sig1=psig1; Sig2=5*psig2; lam=0.8;
439 else
440     mu1=init.mu1; mu2=init.mu2; Sig1=init.Sig1; Sig2=init.Sig2; lam=init.lam;
441 end
442
443 wscheme=2; % just playing around with how the weighted likelihood
444             % is used. See below how this is used.
445
446 iter = 0; crit=0; pdftol=1e-200; eigtol=1e-12;
447 new = [mu1 ; mu2 ; Sig1(:) ; Sig2(:) ; lam];
448 while 1
449     iter=iter+1; old=new;
450     %if iter==1000, disp(iter), end
451     Sig1=(Sig1+Sig1')/2; Sig2=(Sig2+Sig2')/2; % sometimes off by a tiny amount
452
453     [V,D] = eig(Sig1); dd=diag(D);
454     if any(dd<eigtol), dd=max(dd,eigtol); D=diag(dd); Sig1=V*D*V'; end
455     [V,D] = eig(Sig2); dd=diag(D);
456     if any(dd<eigtol), dd=max(dd,eigtol); D=diag(dd); Sig2=V*D*V'; end
457
458     Comp1=mvnpdf(y,mu1',Sig1); Comp1=max(Comp1,pdftol);
459     Comp2=mvnpdf(y,mu2',Sig2); Comp2=max(Comp2,pdftol);
460     mixn =lam*Comp1+(1-lam)*Comp2;
461     H1=lam*Comp1./mixn; H2=1-H1;
462
463     if weightmeans, G1=H1.*likew; G2=H2.*likew; else, G1=H1; G2=H2; end
464     if wscheme==1, N1=sum(G1); N2=sum(G2); else, N1=sum(H1); N2=sum(H2); end
465     rep1 = repmat(G1,1,p); rep2 = repmat(G2,1,p);
466     mu1 = ( c1*m1 + sum( rep1 .* y )' ) / ( c1 + N1);

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467 mu2 = ( c2*m2 + sum( rep2 .* y )' ) / (c2 + N2);
468
469 if weightsigmas, G1=H1.*likew; G2=H2.*likew; else, G1=H1; G2=H2; end
470 if wscheme==1, N1=sum(G1); N2=sum(G2); else, N1=sum(H1); N2=sum(H2); end
471 rep1 = repmat(G1,1,p); rep2 = repmat(G2,1,p);
472 ymm = y - repmat(mu1',n,1); ymmH = rep1 .* ymm; outsum1=ymmh'*ymm;
473 Sig1 = (B1 + c1*(m1-mu1)*(m1-mu1)' + outsum1 ) / (a1+N1);
474 ymm = y - repmat(mu2',n,1); ymmH = rep2 .* ymm; outsum2=ymmh'*ymm;
475 Sig2 = (B2 + c2*(m2-mu2)*(m2-mu2)' + outsum2 ) / (a2+N2);
476
477 if weightlam, G1=H1.*likew; else, G1=H1; end
478 lam = mean(G1);
479
480 new = [mu1 ; mu2 ; Sig1(:) ; Sig2(:) ; lam];
481 crit = max (abs (old-new));
482 if (crit < tol) || (iter >= maxit), break, end
483 end
484 loglik=sum(log(mixn));
485 param.mu1=mu1; param.mu2=mu2; param.Sig1=Sig1; param.Sig2=Sig2; param.lam=lam;
486
487
488 function q = mixnormalquantile(param, level)
489 mu1=param(1); mu2=param(2); sig1=param(3); sig2=param(4); lam=param(5);
490 themean=lam*mu1+(1-lam)*mu2;
491 mom2=lam*(mu1^2+sig1^2) + (1-lam)*(mu2^2+sig2^2); thevar=mom2-themean^2;
492 x0 = norminv(level, themean, sqrt(thevar)); % initial guess
493 opt=optimoptions('fminunc'); opt=optimoptions(opt,'Display','none');
494 q = fminunc(@(z) mnq(z, param, level), ...
495           x0, opt);
496
497 function discrep = mnq(z, param, level)
498 mu1=param(1); mu2=param(2); sig1=param(3); sig2=param(4); lam=param(5);
499 thecdf = lam * normcdf(z, mu1, sig1) + (1-lam) * normcdf(z, mu2, sig2);
500 discrep = (thecdf - level)^2;

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