

Size Portfolios for all CRSP Securities (Python)

This sample program has been developed to calculate size portfolios for all CRSP securities. Graphs comparing these calculated monthly value-weighted returns and CRSP portfolio returns are also available for review.

Background

This program calculates size portfolios for all CRSP securities in Python. It computes monthly value-weighted returns per each decile. Returns are weighted by the market capitalization of securities at the end of the previous month. Portfolios are created on December of the previous year. Finally, it compares the portfolio monthly returns (by decile) against CRSP decile returns.

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2 # Size Portfolio for CRSP Securitie #
3 # July 2018 #
4 # Qingyi (Freda) Song Drechsler #
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6
7 import pandas as pd
8 import numpy as np
9 import datetime as dt
10 import wrds
11 from dateutil.relativedelta import *
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13 #####
14 # Connect to WRDS #
15 #####
16 conn = wrds.Connection()
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18 #####
19 # Get CRSP Monthly Stocks for Decile Formation #
20 #####
21 msf = conn.raw_sql("""
22         select a.permno, a.date,
23         a.ret, a.shrout, a.prc
24         from crsp.msf as a
25         where a.date >= '12/01/1999'
26         """, date_cols=['date'])
27
28 # keep only records with non missing ret prc and shrout value
29 msf = msf[(msf['prc'].notna()) & (msf['ret'].notna()) & (msf['shrout'].notna())]
30
31 msf['permno'] = msf['permno'].astype(int)
32 msf['size'] = msf['shrout'] * msf['prc'].abs()
33 msf['year'] = msf['date'].dt.year
34 msf['month'] = msf['date'].dt.month
35
36 # create msf_dec
37 msf_dec = msf[msf['month']==12][['date', 'permno', 'year', 'size']]
38
39 # create msf_ls
40 msf_ls = msf.sort_values(['permno', 'date'])
41 msf_ls['year_prev'] = msf_ls['year']-1
42 msf_ls['size_lag'] = msf_ls.groupby('permno')['size'].shift(1)
43 msf_ls['size_lag'] = np.where(msf_ls['size_lag'].isna(),\
44     msf_ls['size']/(1+msf_ls['ret']), msf_ls['size_lag'])
45
46 #####
47 # Compute Deciles for Each DEC #
48 #####
49 msf_dec = msf_dec.sort_values(['year'])
50 msf_dec['decile']=1+msf_dec.groupby('year')['size']\
51     .transform(lambda x: pd.qcut(x, 10, labels=False))
52
53 #####
54 # Assign Size Group to All Months #
55 #####
56 msf_groups = pd.merge(msf_ls[['permno', 'date', 'ret', 'size_lag', 'year_prev']], \
57     msf_dec[['permno', 'year', 'decile']], how='left', \
58     left_on=['permno', 'year_prev'], right_on=['permno', 'year'])
59
60 msf_groups=msf_groups[msf_groups['decile'].notna()]
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62 #####
63 # Compute Size Weighted Returns #

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65 msf_groups = msf_groups.sort_values(['decile', 'date'])
66
67 # function to calculate value weighted return
68 def wavg(group, avg_name, weight_name):
69     d = group[avg_name]
70     w = group[weight_name]
71     try:
72         return (d * w).sum() / w.sum()
73     except ZeroDivisionError:
74         return np.nan
75
76 # value-weighted return
77 vwrets=msf_groups.groupby(['decile','date']).apply(wavg, 'ret','size_lag')\
78 .to_frame().reset_index().rename(columns={0: 'vwret'})
79
80 #####
81 # Compare Results with CRSP MSIX #
82 #####
83 msix = conn.raw_sql("""
84         select caldt, decret1, decret2, decret3, decret4, decret5,
85         decret6, decret7, decret8, decret9, decret10
86         from crsp.msix where caldt >= '12/01/1999'
87     """, date_cols=['caldt'])
88
89 # transpose msix data
90 msix1=pd.melt(msix, id_vars='caldt', \
91             value_vars=['decret1','decret2', 'decret3', 'decret4', 'decret5', 'decret6',
92 \
93 'decret7', 'decret8','decret9','decret10'])
94
95 # extract decile information from decret
96 msix1['decile'] = msix1['variable'].str[6:].astype(int)
97 # rename return column
98 msix1 = msix1.rename(columns={'value':'decret', 'caldt':'date'})
99 msix1 = msix1.drop(['variable'], axis=1)
100
101 decile_returns = pd.merge(vwrets, msix1, how='left', on=['date','decile'])
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103 #####
104 # End of Program #
105 #####

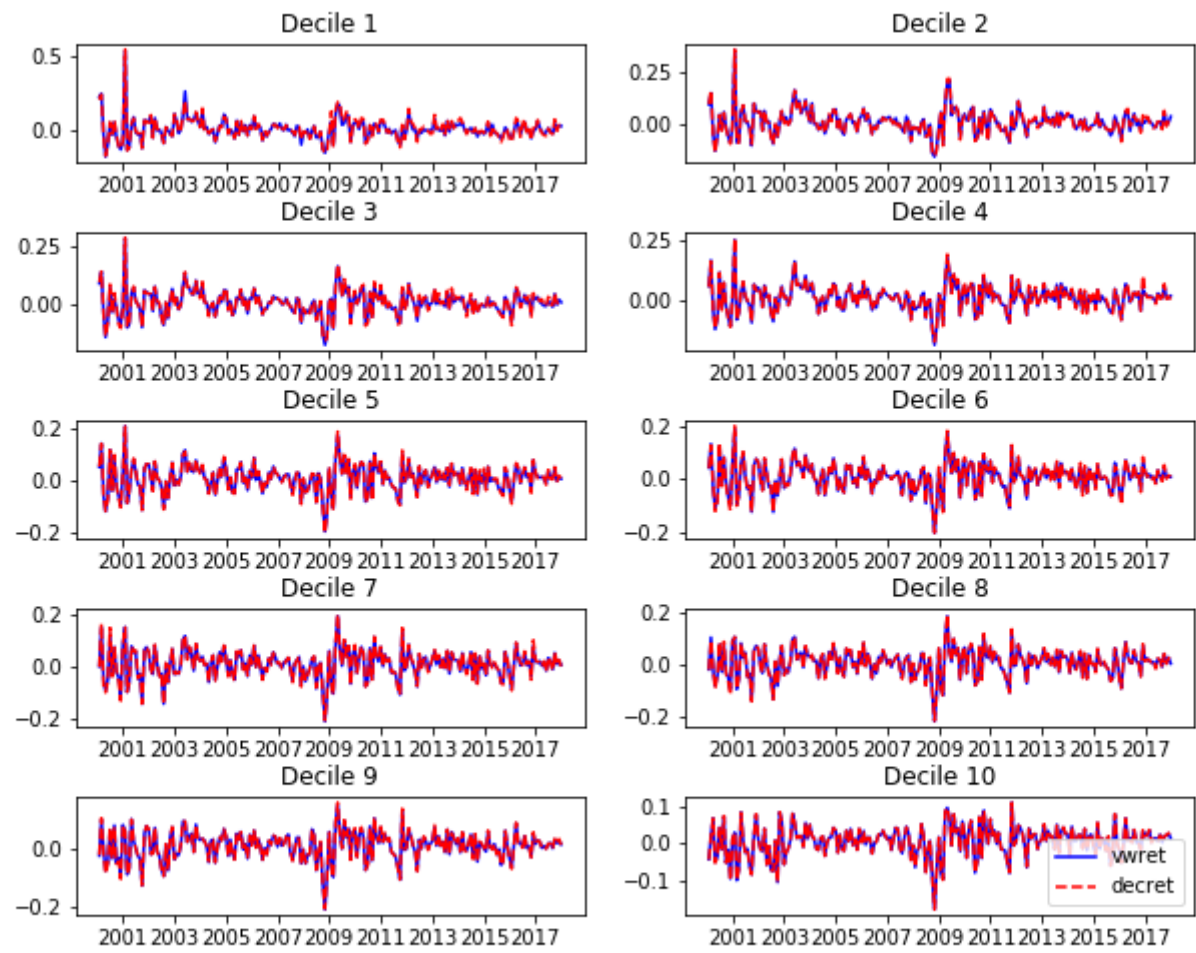
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Outcome Discussion

The figure below plots the comparison between vwrets calculated from the Python code against the decile returns obtained from CRSP.MSIX dataset.

Size Portfolio vs CRSP.MSIX Returns



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