

# SAS IML beyond basics

SAS IML for use in Empirical Finance

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# Agenda

- Recap from the basic course
- Some matrix operations
- Loops and Double loops
- If sentences
- Critical values, p-values, T-tests
- Generating random numbers

# SAS IML beyond basics

- The course today will focus on making you capable of solving the first set of assignments in Empirical Finance.

# Recap from basic course

- Remember the following matrix operations:

Matrix multiplication:  $A * B$

Element-wise multiplication:  $A \# B$

Transpose of a matrix:  $A^T$  og  $t(A)$

Horizontal concatenation:  $A | B$

Vertical concatenation:  $A // B$

Matrix exponentiation:  $A^{**2}$

Element-wise addition (subtraction):  $A + (-)B$

Inverse of a matrix:  $\text{inv}(A)$

# Lib-reference

- Remember the importance of defining your library! (If you need to use SAS-data files or need to export your data to e.g. Excel)

Libname YOUR\_LIBNAME "PATH";

Run;

Ex.

Libname ASB "C:\Users\rusa\Desktop\EF";

Run;

# Import an Excel-file

- The file SP500 contains approximately 10 years of daily log returns.
- The first column contains the log return of a market index (MSCI\_WORLD), whereas the remaining columns are 126 different stock-returns from the S&P500

# Import an Excel-file

- The proc import code for .xls file

```
proc import out= ASB.SP500  
datafile= "C:\Users\rusa\Desktop\EF\SP500.xls"  
dbms = xls replace;  
getnames=yes;  
run;
```

# Convert SAS file to a matrix

```
Proc iml;  
Use asb.sp500;  
Read all var _num_ into return;  
Quit;
```

# Average of a time series

- How do we find the average log return of the 3<sup>rd</sup> stock for the last year? (assume 251 trading days in a year = 250 returns)
- Step 1: Define the relevant vector
- Step 2: Find the sum of this vector
- Step 3: Divide it by the number of observations

# Average of a time series

- Step 1: Define the relevant vector (remember that we have already defined the matrix return)

```
N=nrow(return);
```

```
Vector=return[N-249:N,4];
```

# Average of a time series

- Step 2: Find the sum of this vector

By using simple Matrix-algebra:

```
T=nrow(vector);
```

```
Iota=J(T,1,1);
```

```
SumV=Iota`*Vector;
```

# Average of a time series

- Step 3: Divide it by the number of observations

AverageV=SumV / T;

Print AverageV;

AverageV = 0.0002493

# Assignment 1

- What was the average return for all the independent stocks at  $T=1152$ ? (Not the market!) Name it: AverageR (result: -0.011058)
- Multiply this average number with the equivalent average from  $T=360$  Name it: AverageT (result: 0.0000367)
- For the 7<sup>th</sup> stock return, add the return on the 100<sup>th</sup> day to AverageT and name it answer (result: 0.0193124)

# Loops

Remember that loops runs the same code over and over again:

```
Proc iml;  
A=(1:10)`;  
B=J(10,1,0);  
  
Do i=1 to 10;  
    B[i,1]=A[i,1]^(i+i);  
End;  
  
C=A||B;  
Print C;
```

C	
1	2
2	8
3	18
4	32
5	50
6	72
7	98
8	128
9	162
10	200

Quit;

# Loops

Estimating the rolling beta for 3M: Assume 252 trading days per year.

**Proc iml;**

Use ASB.SP500;

Read all var \_num\_ into return;

N=ncol(return);

T=nrow(return);

Beta=J(T-**250**,1,0);

Do i=1 to T-**250**;

    X=J(**251**,1,1)||return[i:**250+i**,1];

    Y=return[i:**250+i**,2];

    Beta\_i=inv(X`\*X)\*X`\*Y;

    Beta[i,1]=beta\_i[**2**,1];

end;

print Beta;

quit;

# Double loops

We can easily modify the prior code to include rolling betas for different companies:

```
Proc iml;  
Use ASB.SP500;  
Read all var _num_ into return;  
  
N=ncol(return);  
T=nrow(return);  
Beta=J(T-250,N-1,0);  
Do j=1 to N-1;  
Do i=1 to T-250;  
    X=J(251,1,1)||return[i:250+i,1];  
    Y=return[i:250+i,1+j];  
    Beta_i=inv(X`*X)*X`*Y;  
    Beta[i,j]=beta_i[2,1];  
end;  
end;  
print Beta;  
quit;
```

We modify the output matrix to include every company

The outer loop is lopping across the companies (columns)

The X matrix is always the same across different stocks, while we need to change the Y matrix, both across time and company

# If sentences

- If sentences are used within the following framework:

Proc iml;

If .... Then...;

Else if ... else if... else if...;

Else ... ;

Quit;

Proc iml;

A = 10;

If A=1 then B=2;

Else if A=2 then B=3;

Else if A=3 then B=4;

Else if A=4 then B=5;

Else B=10;

Print B;

Quit;

# Assignment 2

Make a 7 times 5 matrix containing only 1's, name it: One.

By use of a double loop transform the matrix one into a matrix five.

One				
1	1	1	1	1
1	1	1	1	1
1	1	1	1	1
1	1	1	1	1
1	1	1	1	1
1	1	1	1	1

Five				
3	3	3	3	3
3	3	3	3	3
3	3	3	3	3
3	3	3	3	3
3	3	3	3	3

# Assignment 3

Make a vector of indicators (name it positive), which is 1 if the market return is strictly positive, and 0 if otherwise. As illustrated below (you need to use both loops and if sentences)

0.0075173	1
-0.024543	0
-0.000351	0
0.0175681	1
-0.00619	0
-0.000108	0
-0.009769	0

# Basic statistics

- How to calculate T-values, Critical values, P-values etc. in IML?
- Lets do the following test in SAS:

$H_0: \alpha = 0$  from the simple beta estimation

# Standard error on estimate

- Recall from AEM, that the standard error on the parameter estimate can be found as:

$$se(\alpha) = \sqrt{S^2(X'X)^{-1}} \quad \text{where}$$

$$S^2 = \left( \frac{1}{T-1} \right) e'e \quad \text{where}$$

$$e = Y - \hat{Y}$$

# Standard error on estimate

```
proc iml;  
use asb.sp500;  
read all var _num_ into z;  
T=nrow(z);  
Y=z[,2];  
X=j(t,1,1)||z[,1];  
theta=inv(X`*X)*x`*y;  
  
Yhat=X*theta;  
e=Y-Yhat;  
e2=e`*e;   
sigma2=(1/(T-1))*e2;  
  
se_alpha=sqrt(sigma2*(inv(x`*X)[1,1]));   
quit;
```

Theta is now  $2 \times 1$  matrix containing the alpha and beta estimate from the first stock

$\hat{Y}$  is a  $T \times 1$  vector since  $(T^2) \times (2 \times 1)$

$e^2$  is now a scalar since  $(T \times 1) \times (T \times 1)$

$se_{alpha}$  is also just a scalar

**se\_alpha**

**0 . 0 0 0 2 2 4 2**

# Critical value

- Finding the critical value from a distribution:
- Two-sided using the **quantile** function, general:

```
CV=quantile('distr',1-alpha/2,param,param)
```

# Critical value

T-distribution with 32 degrees of freedom:

CV=quantile("T",1-0.05/2,32)

cv

2.0369333

F-distribution with 5 and 10 degrees of freedom (one sided):

CV=quantile("F",1-0.05,5,10)

cv

3.3258345

Chi-squared-dist with 5 degrees of freedom: (one sided)

CV=quantile("Chisquare",1-0.05,5)

cv

11.070498

Normal distribution with mean 3 and variance 2:

CV=quantile("Normal",1-0.05/2,3,2)

cv

6.919928

Standard normal distribution:

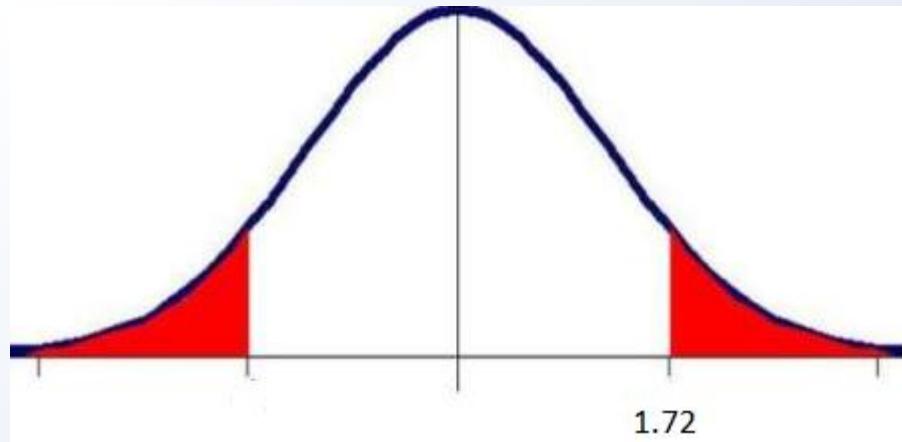
CV=quantile("Normal",1-0.05/2,0,1)

cv

1.959964

# P-values

- What is the P-value in the following example?
- The test value (two sided) is 1.72, which need to be compared to a standard normal distribution. So what is the combined areal of the red areas?

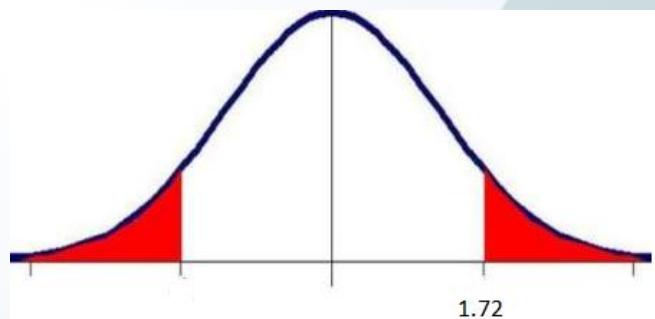


# P-values

General by use of the **CDF-function** (two sided):

$$\text{Pvalue} = 2 * (1 - \text{CDF}(\text{"dist"}, \text{value}, \text{param1}, \text{param2}))$$

In our example:

$$\text{Pvalue} = 2 * (1 - \text{CDF}(\text{"Normal"}, 1.72, 0, 1))$$


Pvalue  
0.0854324

# The example test

Our test was  $H_0: \alpha = 0$

T-test:  $\frac{\hat{\alpha}}{se(\hat{\alpha})} \sim T_{T-1}$

In SAS:

```
t_alpha=theta[1,1]/se_alpha;  
cv=quantile("T",1-0.05/2,T-1);  
prob_alpha=2*(1-CDF("T",abs(t_alpha),T-1));  
print t_alpha cv prob_alpha;
```

t_alpha	cv	prob_alpha
-0.134816	1.9609069	0.8927681

# Random number generator

- The overall way to generate random numbers in SAS is done as followed:

Proc iml;

Call Randgen (result,"distname",parm1,parm2,parm3);

Quit;

Output matrix name    From which distribution?    Under which assumptions?

# Random number generator

- How to generate 10 random numbers from the standard normal distribution?

```
Proc iml;  
X=J(10,1,0);  
Call randgen(x,"normal",0,1);  
Print X;  
Quit;
```

# Other distributions:

Distribution	distname	parm1	parm2	parm3
Bernoulli	'BERNOULLI'	$p$		
Beta	'BETA'	$a$	$b$	
Binomial	'BINOMIAL'	$p$	$n$	
Cauchy	'CAUCHY'			
Chi-Square	'CHISQUARE'		$df$	
Erlang	'ERLANG'		$a$	
Exponential	'EXPONENTIAL'			
$F_{n,d}$	'F'	$n$	$d$	
Gamma	'GAMMA'		$a$	
Geometric	'GEOMETRIC'		$p$	
Hypergeometric	'HYPERGEOMETRIC'	$N$	$R$	$n$
Lognormal	'LOGNORMAL'			
Negative Binomial	'NEGBINOMIAL'	$p$	$k$	
Normal	'NORMAL'	$\theta$	$\lambda$	
Poisson	'POISSON'		$m$	
T	'T'		$df$	
Table	'TABLE'		$p$	
Triangle	'TRIANGLE'		$h$	
Uniform	'UNIFORM'			
Weibull	'WEIBULL'	$a$	$b$	

# Assignment 4

- Simulate 11230 random numbers from a poisson distribution with mean 2.3.
  - Calculate the average of these random numbers and check that this average equals 2.3.

# Assignment 5

- Simulate 10000 random numbers from a standard normal distribution and call the vector return
- Simulate 10000 random numbers from a normal distribution with mean 1 and variance 4, name it market
- Using the market model calculate and test whether the beta is equal to 0. (hint:  
 $\text{return}=\text{alpha}+\text{beta}*\text{market}+\text{error}$ )