

# Teaching Financial Econometrics in Stata

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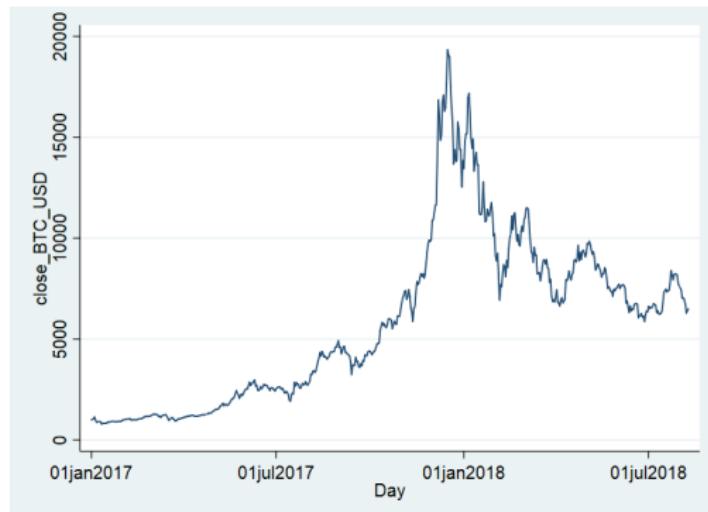
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# getsymbols command

getsymbols downloads data from Quandl, Yahoo Finance, and Alpha Vantage. Here an example:

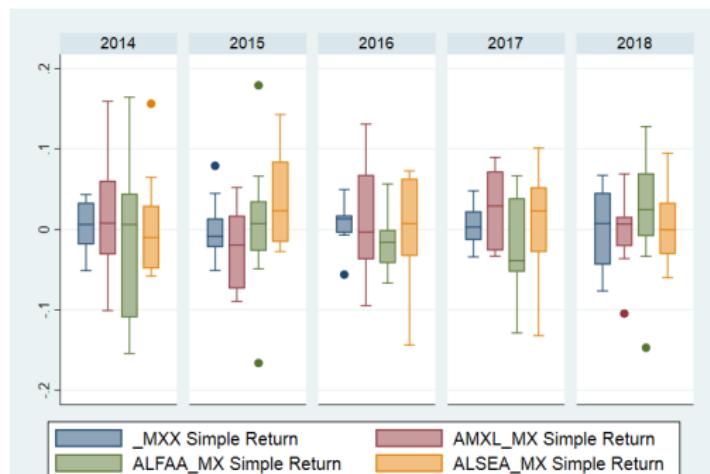
```
. capture getsymbols BTC-USD, fy(2017) yahoo clear  
. tsline close_BTC_USD
```



# ... getsymbols command

Getting data from several assets from Yahoo:

```
. capture getsymbols ^MXX AMXL.MX ALFAA.MX ALSEA.MX, fy(2014) ///
>           freq(m) yahoo clear price(adjclose)
. *With the price option, returns are calculated
. qui gen year=yofd(dofm(period))
. graph box R_*, by(year, rows(1))
```



# The mvport package

The mvport package has 11 commands:

- meanrets and varrets for estimation of expected mean returns and variance-covariance matrix
- mvport, gmvport, ovport for portfolio optimization
- efrontier identifies the efficient frontier based on a set of assets
- cmline calculates both the efficient frontier and the Capital Market Line
- backtest and cbactest for portfolio backtesting
- holdingrets calculates holding period returns of assets
- simport simulates portfolios with random weights and estimates expected risk and return

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# Descriptive statistics

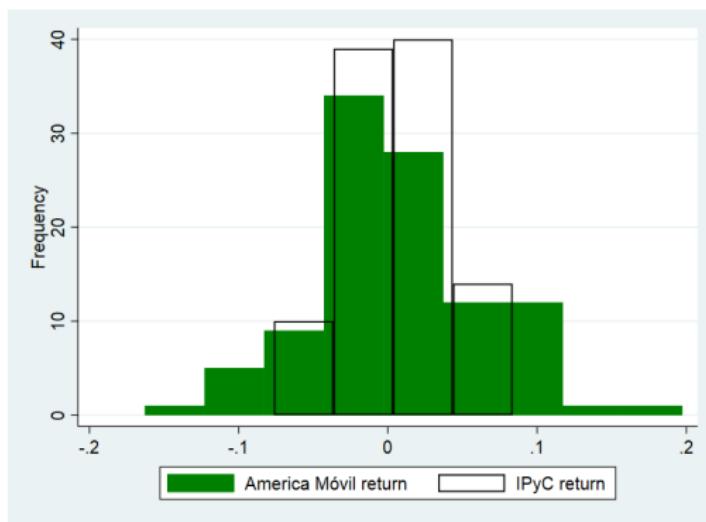
## Descriptive statistics of returns

```
. capture getsymbols ^MXX AMXL.MX, fy(2014) ///
>                                freq(m) yahoo clear price(adjclose)
. su R_AMXL R__MXX
```

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
R_AMXL_MX	55	.0058009	.0587706	-.1045638	.1591078
R__MXX	55	.0039337	.0324539	-.0764216	.0791098

# Histograms

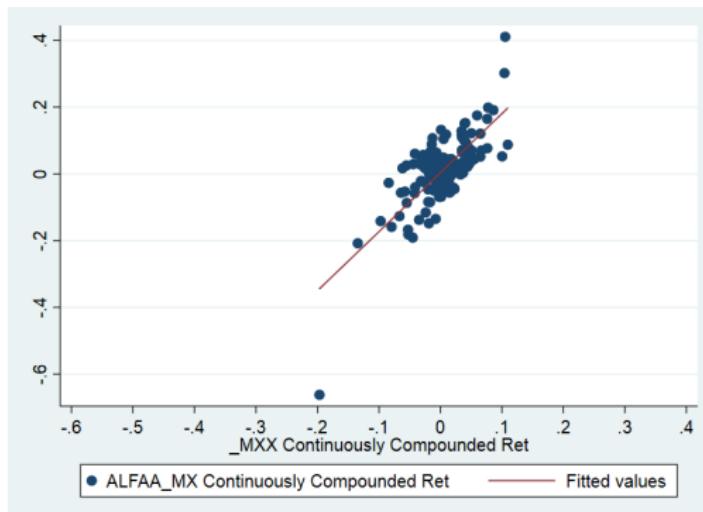
```
. capture getsymbols ^MXX AMXL.MX, fy(2010) ///
>                               freq(m) yahoo clear price(adjclose)
. twoway (hist R_AMXL, width(0.04) freq color(green) ) ///
> (hist R__MXX, width(0.04) freq fcolor(none) lcolor(black)), ///
> legend(order(1 "America Móvil return" 2 "IPyC return" ))
```



# Plotting linear relationships

How ALFA returns are related to the market returns:

```
. capture getsymbols ^MXX ALFAA.MX, fy(2008) ///
>                                freq(m) yahoo clear price(adjclose)
. twoway (scatter r_ALFAA_MX r__MXX) ///
> (lfit r_ALFAA_MX r__MXX), xlabel(-0.60(0.10) 0.40)
```



# Market regression model

I run a regression model to evaluate the relationship between market returns and Alfa returns:

```
. capture getsymbols ^MXX ALFAA.MX, fy(2008) ///
>                                freq(m) yahoo clear price(adjclose)
.
. qui reg r_ALFAA_MX r__MXX
.
. _coef_table
```

r_ALFAA_MX	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
r__MXX	1.767932	.1395922	12.66	0.000	1.491662 2.044203
_cons	.0034723	.006395	0.54	0.588	-.0091841 .0161288

The market beta of Alfa is 1.77

The alpha coefficient of Alfa is 0.003472

# Writing a command for CAPM model

```
. capture program drop capm
. program define capm, rclass
1. syntax varlist(min=3 numeric) [if]
2. local stockret: word 1 of `varlist'
3. local mktret: word 2 of `varlist'
4. local rrate: word 3 of `varlist'
5. capture drop prem`stock'
6. quietly gen prem`stock'=`stockret``rrate'
7. capture drop mktpremium
8. quietly gen mktpremium=`mktret``rrate'
9. quietly reg prem`stock' mktpremium `if'
10. matrix res= r(table)
11. local b1=res[1,1]
12. local b0=res[1,2]
13. local SEb1=res[2,1]
14. local SEb0=res[2,2]
15. local N=e(N)
16. dis "Market beta is " %3.2f `b1' "; std error of beta is " %8.6f `SEb1'
17. dis "Alfa coeff. is " %8.6f `b0' ", its std error is " %8.6f `SEb0'
18. return scalar b1=`b1'
19. return scalar b0=`b0'
20. return scalar SEb1=`SEb1'
21. return scalar SEb0=`SEb0'
22. return scalar N=`N'
23. end
```

# ... Writing a command for CAPM

Once I define the capm command I get data to run it:

The parameters of my capm command are:

1 - stock return 2 - market return 3 - risk-free return

```
. *I have to get data for risk-free rate from the FED:  
. qui freduse INTGSTMXM193N, clear  
. * This monthly series has annual rates in %, so I create a monthly rate:  
. qui gen m_R_cetes = (INTGSTMXM193N/100)/12  
. * I calculate the continuously compounded return from the simple returns:  
. qui gen m_r_cetes = ln(1 + m_R_cetes)  
. ** I create the monthly variable :  
. qui gen period =mofd(daten)  
. format period %tm  
. * Now I indicate Stata that the time variable is period:  
. qui tsset period  
. * I save the CETES dataset as cetes:  
. qui save rfrate, replace
```

# ... Writing a command for CAPM

```
. * I get the stock data from Yahoo Finance:  
. capture getsymbols ^MXX ALFAA.MX, fy(2008) ///  
> freq(m) yahoo clear price(adjclose)  
. * I merge it with the risk-free dataset:  
. qui merge 1:1 period using rfrate, keepusing(m_r_cetes)  
. qui drop if _merge!=3  
. qui drop _merge  
. qui save mydata1,replace
```

Now I can use my capm command:

```
. capm r_ALFAA_MX r__MXX m_r_cetes  
Market beta is 1.77; std error of beta is 0.141680  
Alfa coeff. is 0.006548, its std error is 0.006508  
. return list  
scalars:  
          r(N) = 124  
          r(SEb0) = .006508329271266  
          r(SEb1) = .141680230176724  
          r(b0) = .0065479530113093  
          r(b1) = 1.765364922187618
```

# Moving betas

I can examine how market beta of a stock changes over time

I run my capm command using 24-month rolling windows:

```
. rolling b1=r(b1) seb1=r(SEb1), window(24) saving(capmbetas,replace): ///
>           capm r_ALFAA_MX r__MXX m_r_cetes
(running capm on estimation sample)
Rolling replications (102)
----- 1 ----- 2 ----- 3 ----- 4 ----- 5
..... 50
..... 100
..
file capmbetas.dta saved
.
```

## ... moving betas

```
. qui use capmbetas,clear  
. label var b1 "beta"  
. label var seb1 "StdErr Beta"  
. label var end "Month"  
. qui tsset end  
. tsline b1
```



# Illustrating diversification with portfolio weights

```
. capture getsymbols ALFAA.MX BIMBOA.MX, fy(2009) ///
>                               freq(m) yahoo clear price(adjclose)
. qui meanrets r_*
. matrix MEANRETS=r(meanrets)
. qui varrets r_*
. matrix COV=r(cov)
. clear
. * I create a dataset with 11 observations for 11 portfolios
. qui set obs 11
. qui egen double wa=fill(0(0.1)1)
. qui format wa %tg
. qui gen wb=1-wa
. qui format wb %tg
. *Now I computed both expected return and variance of the 11 portfolios
. qui gen ERP = wa*MEANRETS[1,1] + wb*MEANRETS[2,1]
. qui gen varP= wa^2*COV[1,1] + wb^2*COV[2,2] + 2*wa*wb*COV[2,1]
. * Now I compute the risk (standard dev) of the portfolios:
. qui gen sdP=sqrt(varP)
```

## ... Illustrating diversification with portfolio weights

```
. twoway (scatter ERP sdP, msizenormedlarge mlabel(wa) mlabcolor(edkblue)), ///
> ytitle(Retorno) xlabel(#5) xtitle(Riesgo) ///
> title(Frontier using 2 stocks: Alfa and Bimbo) note(Alfa weights are doed fo
> r each portfolio)
```

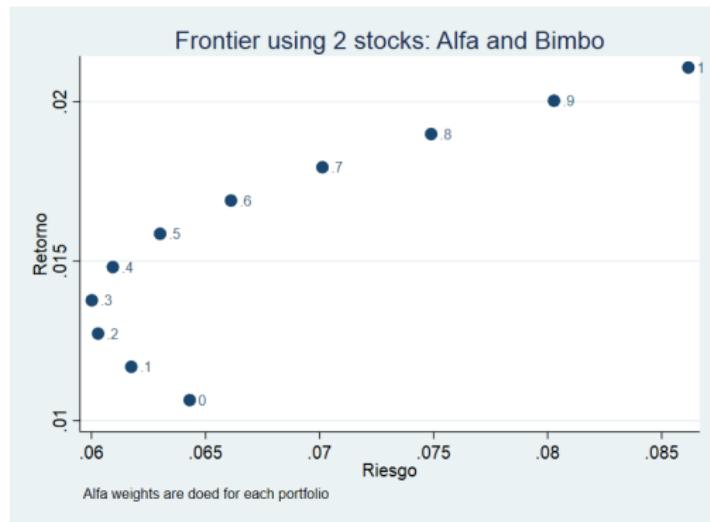


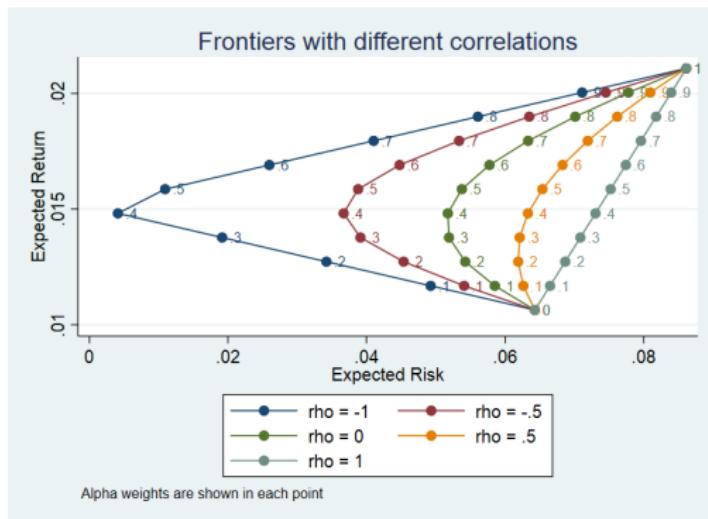
Figure 6: Diversification using 2 stocks and changing weights

# Illustrating diversification with correlation

```
. local paramgraficas ""
. * I define a macro with the parameters for the twoway command
. local i=0
. * I loop over different values of correlation:
. forvalues rho1=-1(0.5)1 {
    2. local i=`i' + 1
    3. * I generate the expected return of the 11 portfolios
    . qui gen ERP`i' = wa*MEANRETS[1,1] + wb*MEANRETS[2,1]
    4. * I assign a label for this new variable ERP`i'.
    . label variable ERP`i' "rho = `rho1'"
    5. * I create the variance of the 11 portfolios
    . qui gen varP`i' = wa^2*COV[1,1] + wb^2*COV[2,2] + 2*wa*wb*`rho1'*sqrt(COV[
> 1,1])*sqrt(COV[2,2])
    6. * Now I generate the corresponding risk variable
    . qui gen sdP`i' = sqrt(varP`i')
    7. * Now I construct the parameters for the graph
    . local paramgraficas "`paramgraficas'(connected ERP`i' sdP`i', mlabel(wa))
> "
    8. }
```

# ... Illustrating diversification with correlation

```
. * Now I can graph all the frontiers generated according according to  
. * different hypothetical values of correlations:  
. twoway `paramgraficas', note(Alpha weights are shown in each point) ///  
>      title(Frontiers with different correlations) ///  
>      ytitle(Expected Return) xtitle(Expected Risk)
```



# Portfolio optimization - efficient frontier

```
. capture getsymbols ALFAA.MX BIMBOA.MX ALSEA.MX AMXL.MX, ///
>                                fy(2014) freq(m) yahoo clear price(adjclose)
. qui efrontier r_*
```

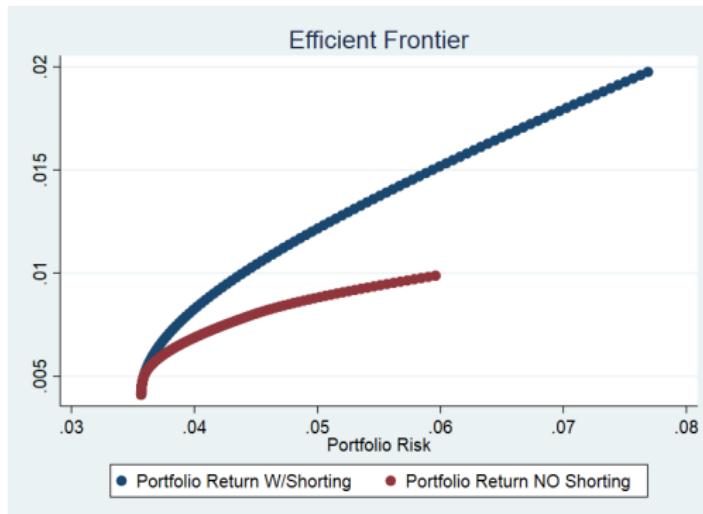


Figure 8: Efficient Frontier with 4 assets

# Portfolio optimization - Capital Market Line

```
. capture getsymbols ALFAA.MX BIMBOA.MX ALSEA.MX AMXL.MX, ///
>                                fy(2014) freq(m) yahoo clear price(adjclose)
. qui cmline r_*, noshort
```

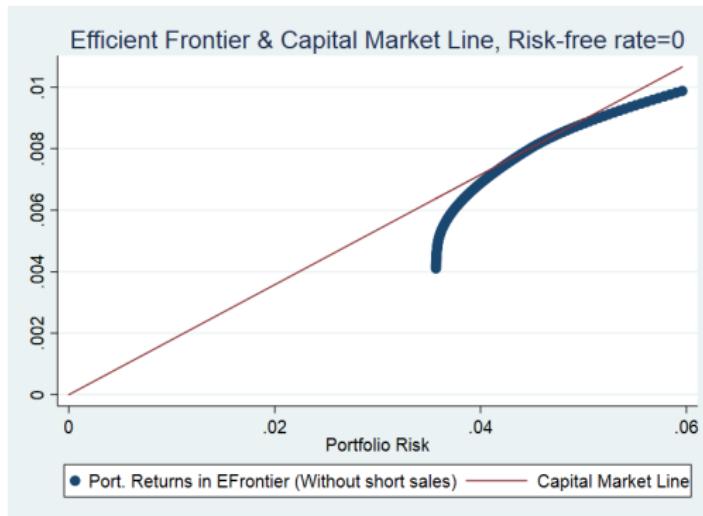


Figure 9: Capital Market Line with 4 assets

# Portfolio optimization - GMV Portfolio

## Finding the GMV Portfolio:

```
. capture getsymbols ALFAA.MX BIMBOA.MX ALSEA.MX AMXL.MX ARA.MX OMAB.MX, ///
>                                fy(2014) freq(m) yahoo clear price(adjclose)
. * Finding the GMV Portfolio without short sales:
. gmvport r_*, noshort
Number of observations used to calculate expected returns and var-cov matrix :
> 56
The weight vector of the Global Minimum Variance Portfolio (NOT Allow Short Sal
> es) is:
```

	Weights
r_ALFAA_MX	.01162011
r_BIMBOA_MX	.34878676
r_ALSEA_MX	.14596726
r_AMXL_MX	.2554765
r_ARA_MX	.1966382
r_OMAB_MX	.04151117

The return of the Global Minimum Variance Portfolio is: .00532839

The standard deviation (risk) of the Global Minimum Variance Portfolio is: .033
> 36875

# ... Portfolio optimization - GMV Portfolio

Finding the GMV Portfolio with restrictions:

```
. capture getsymbols ALFAA.MX BIMBOA.MX ALSEA.MX AMXL.MX ARA.MX OMAB.MX, ///
>                               fy(2014) freq(m) yahoo clear price(adjclose)
. * Finding the GMV Portfolio with weights>5%:
. gmvport r_*, minw(0.05)
Number of observations used to calculate expected returns and var-cov matrix :
> 56
The weight vector of the Global Minimum Variance Portfolio (NOT Allow Short Sal
> es) is:
```

	Weights
r_ALFAA_MX	.05
r_BIMBOA_MX	.33371175
r_ALSEA_MX	.1418426
r_AMXL_MX	.23301119
r_ARA_MX	.19143446
r_OMAB_MX	.05

The return of the Global Minimum Variance Portfolio is: .00504362

The standard deviation (risk) of the Global Minimum Variance Portfolio is: .033
> 48313

# ... Portfolio optimization - GMV Portfolio

Finding the GMV Portfolio with restrictions:

```
. capture getsymbols ALFAA.MX BIMBOA.MX ALSEA.MX AMXL.MX ARA.MX OMAB.MX, ///
>                               fy(2014) freq(m) yahoo clear price(adjclose)
. * Finding the GMV Portfolio without short sales, and weights<25%:
. gmvport r_*, maxw(0.25)
Number of observations used to calculate expected returns and var-cov matrix :
> 56
The weight vector of the Global Minimum Variance Portfolio (Allowing Short Sale
> s) is:
```

	Weights
r_ALFAA_MX	.03060067
r_BIMBOA_MX	.25
r_ALSEA_MX	.18964697
r_AMXL_MX	.25
r_ARA_MX	.21525427
r_OMAB_MX	.06449809

The return of the Global Minimum Variance Portfolio is: .00600812

The standard deviation (risk) of the Global Minimum Variance Portfolio is: .033
> 70405

# ... Portfolio optimization - GMV Portfolio

Using EWMA to assign more weight to recent months:

```
. *Calculates expected returns using the EWMA method with lamda=0.94:  
. qui meanrets r_* , lew(0.94)  
. matrix mrets=r(meanrets)  
. *Calculates the covariance matrix of returns using the EWMA method:  
. qui varrets r_* , lew(0.94)  
. matrix cov=r(cov)  
. * Calculates the GMV portfolio using the calculated mean rets and COV:  
. gmvport r_* , covm(cov) mrets(mrets)
```

Number of observations used to calculate expected returns and var-cov matrix :

> 56

The weight vector of the Global Minimum Variance Portfolio (Allowing Short Sale  
> s) is:

	Weights
r_ALFAA_MX	.01512741
r_BIMBOA_MX	.23834664
r_ALSEA_MX	.21974859
r_AMXL_MX	.24542343
r_ARA_MX	.26241682
r_OMAB_MX	.01893709

The return of the Global Minimum Variance Portfolio is: .00264197

The standard deviation (risk) of the Global Minimum Variance Portfolio is: .036

> 46787

# Portfolio optimization - Optimal Portfolio

```
. capture getsymbols ALFAA.MX BIMBOA.MX ALSEA.MX AMXL.MX ARA.MX OMAB.MX, ///
>                                fy(2014) freq(m) yahoo clear price(adjclose)
. * Finding the GMV Portfolio:
. qui ovport r_*
. di "The weights of the optimal portfolio are:"
The weights of the optimal portfolio are:
. matlist r(weights),border
```

	Weights
r_ALFAA_MX	-.8202318
r_BIMBOA_MX	-.4078906
r_ALSEA_MX	.4993704
r_AMXL_MX	.521852
r_ARA_MX	-.1284891
r_OMAB_MX	1.335389

```
. di "The expected return of the optimal portfolio is " r(rop)
The expected return of the optimal portfolio is .04467859
. di "The expected risk of the optimal portfolio is " r(sdop)
The expected risk of the optimal portfolio is .09662549
```

# ... Portfolio optimization - Optimal Portfolio

```
. capture getsymbols ALFAA.MX BIMBOA.MX ALSEA.MX AMXL.MX ARA.MX OMAB.MX, ///
>                                fy(2014) freq(m) yahoo clear price(adjclose)
. * Finding the GMV Portfolio without short sales:
. ovport r_*, noshort
Number of observations used to calculate expected returns and var-cov matrix :
> 56
The weight vector of the Tangent Portfolio with a risk-free rate of 0 (NOT Allo
> w Short Sales) is:
```

Weights	
r_ALFAA_MX	0
r_BIMBOA_MX	0
r_ALSEA_MX	.13677267
r_AMXL_MX	.1392179
r_ARA_MX	0
r_OMAB_MX	.72400943

The return of the Tangent Portfolio is: .01979399

The standard deviation (risk) of the Tangent Portfolio is: .05393653

The marginal contributions to risk of the assets in the Tangent Portfolio are:

	Marginal
r_ALFAA_MX	.0267051
r_BIMBOA_MX	.01914
r_ALSEA_MX	.0268677
r_AMXL_MX	.0111481
r_ARA_MX	.020827
r_OMAB_MX	.0672778

# Portfolio optimization - Minimum Variance Portfolio

```
. capture getsymbols ALFAA.MX BIMBOA.MX ALSEA.MX AMXL.MX ARA.MX OMAB.MX, ///
>                                fy(2014) freq(m) yahoo clear price(adjclose)
. * Finding the MV Portfolio given a specific required return:
```

```
. mvport r_*, ret(0.02)
```

Portfolio weights of the portfolio:

	Weights
r_ALFAA_MX	-.2985335
r_BIMBOA_MX	.0666618
r_ALSEA_MX	.2777326
r_AMXL_MX	.3547938
r_ARA_MX	.0754154
r_OMAB_MX	.5239299

Number of observations used to calculate expected returns and var-covariance ma

```
> trix : 56
```

Required return of the Portfolio: .02

Minimum standard deviation of the portfolio (Allowing for short sales): .047503

```
> 64
```

# ... Portfolio optimization - Minimum Variance Portfolio

```
. capture getsymbols ALFAA.MX BIMBOA.MX ALSEA.MX AMXL.MX ARA.MX OMAB.MX, ///
>                                fy(2014) freq(m) yahoo clear price(adjclose)
. * Finding the MV Portfolio without short sales:
. mvport r_*, ret(0.02) noshort
Portfolio weights of the portfolio:
```

	Weights
r_ALFAA_MX	0
r_BIMBOA_MX	0
r_ALSEA_MX	.1320823
r_AMXL_MX	.1325749
r_ARA_MX	0
r_OMAB_MX	.7353427

Number of observations used to calculate expected returns and var-covariance ma

```
> trix : 56
```

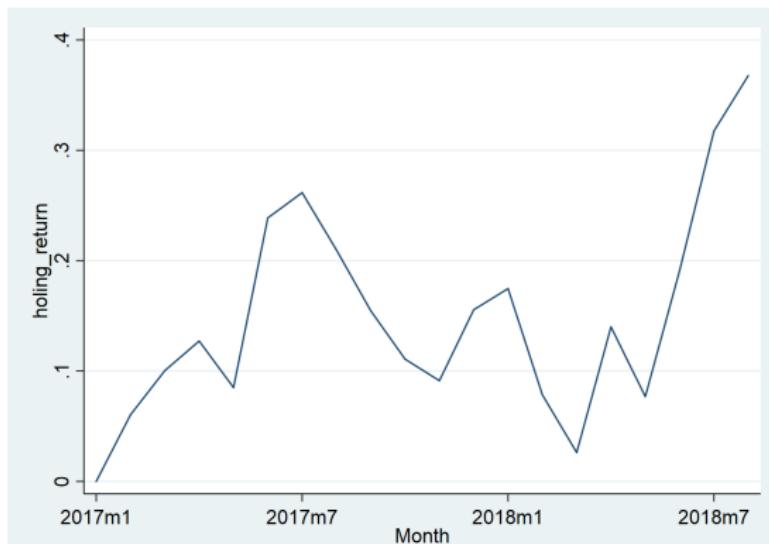
Required return of the Portfolio: .02

Minimum standard deviation of the portfolio (DO NOT Allow Short Sales): .054502

```
> 24
```

# ... Portfolio backtesting

```
. * Backtesting using optimal no-short portfolio:  
. qui ovport r_* if period<tm(2017m1), noshort  
. matrix W=r(weights)  
. qui cbacktest p_* if period>=tm(2017m1), weights(W) gen(holing_return) timev  
> ar(period)
```



# Portfolio strategy based on CAPM

- Get stock data from 500 stocks (S&P500) using `getsymbols` in a loop
- Calculate CAPM of the 500 stocks using the `capm` command
- Selecting those stocks with  $\text{alpha} > 0$  and  $p\text{-value} < 0.05$
- Optimize the portfolio without the recent 12 months
- Backtest the portfolio in the recent 12 months

# Forecasting with ARIMA/SARIMA

```
. * Getting data of monthly sales of different manufacturing firms:  
. use http://www.apradie.com/ec2004/salesfabs.dta, clear  
. qui tsset month  
. * Generating the natural log of volume sales:  
. qui gen lnqfab1=ln(qfab1)  
. qui label var qfab1 "Sales Fab1"
```

# ... Forecasting with ARIMA/SARIMA

```
. ac s12.lnqfab1
```

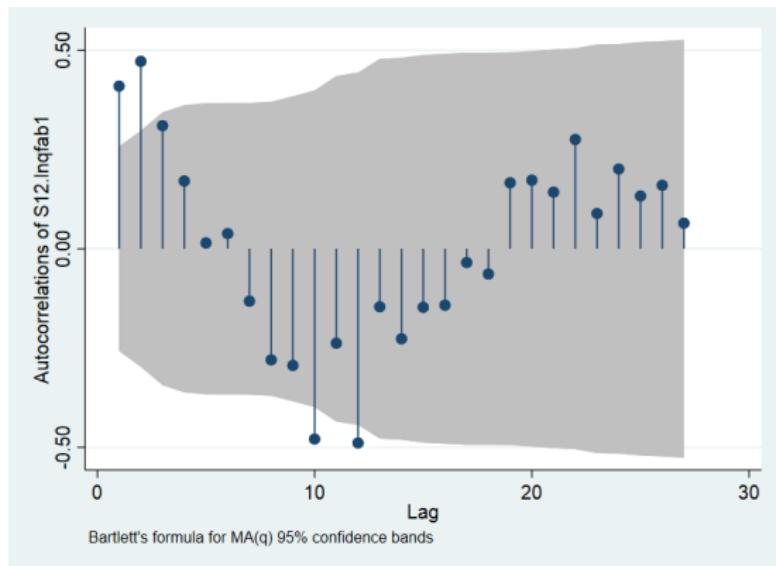


Figure 11: Autocorrelations of annual % sales growth

# ... Forecasting with ARIMA/SARIMA

. pac s12.lnqfab1

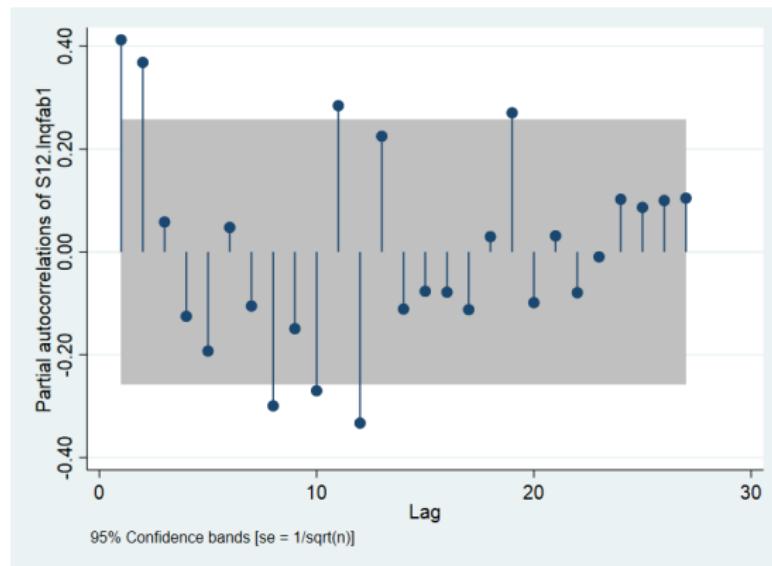


Figure 12: Partial Autocorrelations of annual % sales growth

# ... Forecasting with ARIMA/SARIMA

```
. * Autocorrelation plots suggest the following model:  
. arima s12.lnqfab1, ar(1) mma(1,12) nolog
```

ARIMA regression

Sample: 2011m1 - 2015m10

Number of obs = 58

Wald chi2(2) = 23.05

Log likelihood = 66.13805

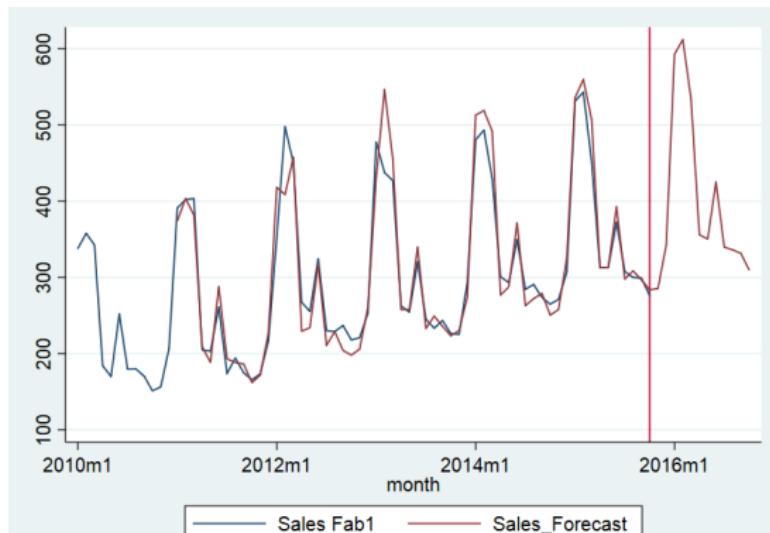
Prob > chi2 = 0.0000

		OPG				
		Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]
S12.lnqfab1	lnqfab1	.1014176	.0110564	9.17	0.000	.0797475 .1230877
ARMA	_cons					
	ar					
	L1.	.4211392	.1073157	3.92	0.000	.2108043 .6314742
ARMA12	ma					
	L1.	-.4961238	.1464453	-3.39	0.001	-.7831514 -.2090962
/sigma		.0750096	.00783	9.58	0.000	.0596631 .0903562

Note: The test of the variance against zero is one sided, and the two-sided confidence interval is truncated at zero.

# ... Forecasting with ARIMA/SARIMA

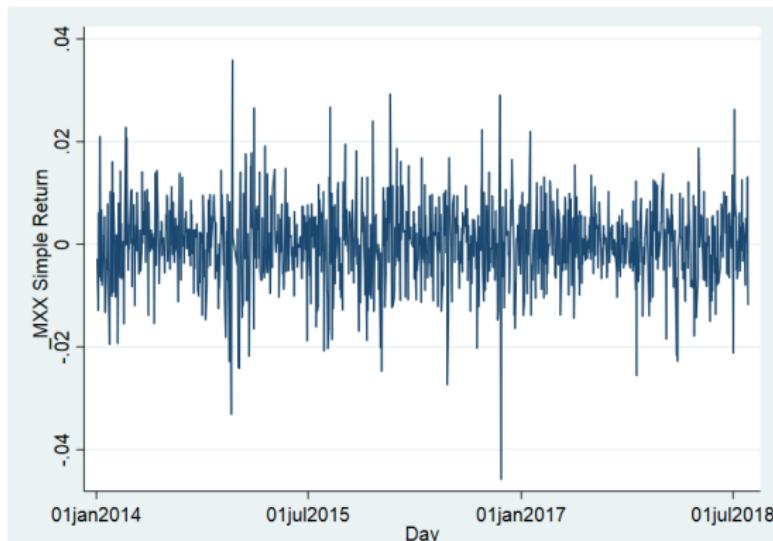
```
. qui tsappend, add(12)
. qui predict lnqfab1_hat, y dynamic(tm(2015m11))
. qui gen Sales_Forecast=exp(lnqfab1_hat)
. local lastmonth=tm(2015m10)
. tsline qfab1 Sales_Forecast, tline(`lastmonth')
```



# Volatility Models

## Modelling the Mexican Market volatility

```
. capture getsymbols ^MXX, fm(1) fd(1) fy(2014) freq(d) ///
>          price(adjclose) clear yahoo
. tsline R__MXX
```



# ... Volatility Models

## Running a GARCH(1,1) model

```
. arch r__MXX, arch(1) garch(1) nolog  
ARCH family regression  
Sample: 1 - 1152  
Number of obs = 1,152  
Distribution: Gaussian  
Wald chi2(.) = .  
Log likelihood = 3980.72  
Prob > chi2 = .
```

	r__MXX	OPG				
		Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]
r__MXX	_cons	.0002149	.0002148	1.00	0.317	-.0002061 .0006358
ARCH	arch L1.	.085835	.0130238	6.59	0.000	.0603089 .1113611
	garch L1.	.8649778	.024098	35.89	0.000	.8177466 .9122089
	_cons	3.14e-06	9.52e-07	3.30	0.001	1.28e-06 5.01e-06

We find evidence of volatility clustering (garch coef = 0.865)

# ... Volatility Models

## Understanding volatility of the Market index

```
. qui getsymbols ^MXX, fm(1) fd(1) fy(2008) lm(12) ///
> ld(31) ly(2008) frequency(d) price(adjclose) yahoo clear
Symbol ^MXX was downloaded
. qui drop if volume==.
. qui gen t=_n
. qui tsset t
. ** I calculate moving volatility and moving average using a rolling window
> of 20 business days:
. rolling mean=r(mean) volatility=r(sd), saving(rollingmxx, replace) window(2
> 0): su r__MXX
(running summarize on estimation sample)
Rolling replications (233)
----- 1 ----- 2 ----- 3 ----- 4 ----- 5
..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... 50
..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... 100
..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... 150
..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... 200
.....
file rollingmxx.dta saved
. qui save datamxx, replace
```

# ... Volatility Models

## Understanding volatility of the Market index

```
. qui use rollingmxx, clear
. * I rename the time variable
. ren start t
. qui tsset t
. label var volatility "volatility"
. label var mean "mean returns"
. * I merge the rolling dataset with the original
. qui merge 1:1 t using datamxx, keepusing(period)
. qui drop _merge
. qui tsset period
```

## ... Volatility Models

. tsline mean volatility

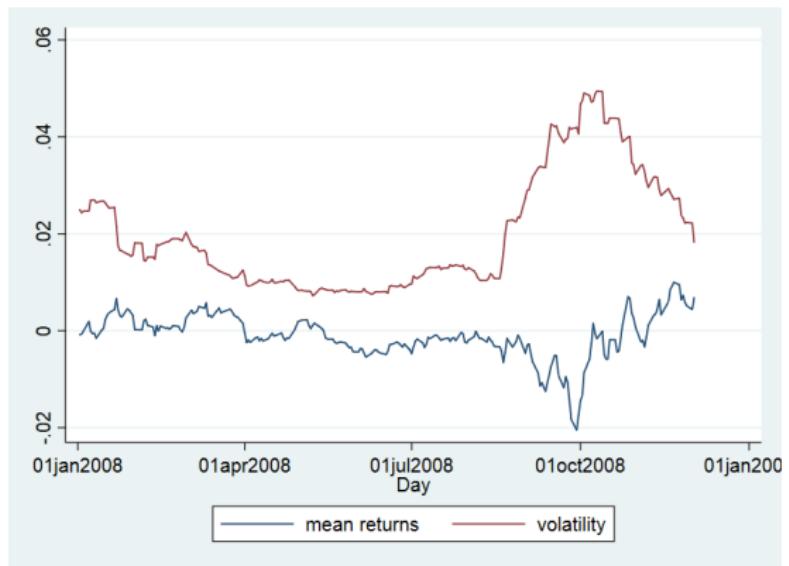


Figure 15: Market Volatility vs Return using 24-month rolling windows

# Conclusion

- Unlike other leading econometrics software (e.g. R), Stata has a simple script language (do and ado files) that students can easily learn to better understand Econometrics
- New user-commands are being developed for Finance students (e.g. Dr. Dicle commands, see this ssrn paper )
- The disadvantage of Stata vs other software like R or Python is that there are much more commands/packages for finance analysis in R and Python compared with Stata
- Programming in Stata is much easier for non-programmers compared with R

# Thanks! Questions?

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