

1st set SAS assignments

Basic SAS - some exercises

- 1.1 Use the datasets `abx.txt` and `aby.txt` from the introduction. Read them into SAS and store them in a permanent library.
- 1.2 Use data steps to add the midquote $((bid + ask)/2)$ and the spread $(ask - bid)$ in each data set (name them `midq_abx` and `spread_abx` and `midq_aby` and `spread_aby`). Keep only the newly created variables and the date and time variables in the data sets (use the drop or keep statement in the data step).
- 1.3 Use `proc sql` to merge both data sets into a new temporary data set called `temp` in such a way that only observations with the same timestamp are in the new data set.
- 1.4 Use `proc corr` to calculate the correlation between the spreads.
- 1.5 Use `proc means` to create a new temporary data set called `means` that contains the average spreads and midquotes from the data set `temp`.
- 2.1 Compute a macro that does the job in 1.2, so that you can replace the code of 1.2 by calling the macro twice and end up with the same datasets.
- 2.2 Take the data set `temp`: You want to get the means as in 1.5, but you want to have different output datasets for the values on `abx` and `aby`. Write a macro that can be called twice to return these two datasets.