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1. Understanding the Stock Market

Markets are like living organisms, constantly evolving. What is working out one day may not necessarily work out the next. For instance, every now and then papers are published to alert the financial world to the emerging of a phenomenon that results in a profitable anomaly. Usually this phenomenon is a subsequent effect of a real-world constraint.

For example, year-end tax loss sales: Tax selling is a type of sale where an investor, for income tax purposes, sells an asset with a capital loss to decrease or eliminate the capital gain realized by other investments. Tax selling allows the investor to avoid paying capital gains tax on recently sold assets.

Because of the tax laws, traders tend to sell their losses at the very end of the year, causing negative pressure on the losing stocks as the year concludes. These stocks are depreciated beyond their fair market value. Consequently, this negative pressure is gone by the beginning of the new year to be replaced by a positive pressure as money is invested towards these depreciated assets. When this phenomenon is made public, traders attempt to get ahead of it by buying stocks in late December and selling them to other traders in January. The losses that took place in December are now diluted in January as new traders walk into the market. The traders relieve the year-end selling pressure and decrease January's buying pressure. However, this scheme does not always work. Traders abandon the strategies that are no longer profitable, searching for new ones that are more effective. For that, traders must be quick at adapting to new strategies.

*Efficient Market Hypothesis: It was developed by Eugene Fama, stating that: "All markets are rational and all available information is adequately reflected in stock prices." Consistently beating the market at a risk-adjusting basis is almost impossible to any investor. EMH discusses three forms:

- **Weak form:** The market is efficient in a sense that one cannot just use the past information of prices for future prices prediction. The *information is quickly reflected* in stocks. Sometimes, a fundamental or technical analysis could be effective.
- **Semi-Strong form**: The prices simply reflect all the *newly-emerged public information* in an unbiased manner. Hence, no fundamental or technical analysis would be effective.
- **Strong form**: The stock prices reflect all the *public and private information*.

Because of these theories, it is pretty much hopeless to exploit the patterns of the market. Fortunately, despite of the efficiency of the market running sometimes some inefficiencies occur. Some of them are sporadic, but others do persist.

Momentum Strategy: There are several variations of the strategy. But they are all centered around the same concept of that all stocks are ranked from highest to lowest relative to their returns over a given period of time. The top performers are bought and held for a certain time span. This process is repeated several times after some fixed holding periods. It is a pretty simple cycle, yet it has very powerful results. After a lot of research, it is concluded that something is systematically and inherently biased regarding the way humans deal with information. Humans tend to underact to news in the short term, yet overreact in the long term. Stocks' values behave the same way as humans perceive new. The effects are persistent over long periods of time.

2. Developing a Trading Strategy

First, the technical aspects of the strategy are analyzed. S&P 500 is observed over the past several years. S&P 500, also known as S&P, is an American stock market index. It tracks the stocks of 500 large American companies, representing the stock market's performance through reports of the risks and returns of these companies. It is used by the investors as the benchmark of the overall market, to which all other investments are compared. The market capitalization of the companies within its index is tracked using S&P. Market capitalization is the total value of all shares of stock that a company has issued, calculated by multiplying the number of shares issued by the stock price.

An example of a company which has a market cap of \$100 billion receives 10 times the representation as a company whose market cap is \$10 billion. The total market capitalization of the S&P 500 is \$23.5 trillion. It holds 80% of the market capitalization of the stock market. The index is weighted by a float-adjusted market capitalization. It only measures the publicly available shares. Those held by control groups, other companies, or government agencies are not taken into account.

The Pandas functionality in Python is used to import the data. This will provide access to many stock data, including Yahoo and Google. Pandas data reader is installed to access the data. Jupyter notebook is used in implementing and running the program. SPY ETF is imported to gain access to the S&P 500 stock data. The period of observation of the data is from 01.01.2010 till 01.03.2019. As the code runs, the high price, low price, open price, close price, volume, and adjacent close of the stocks are displayed for each and every day in the given timeframe. A table of 1550 rows and 6 columns is displayed (the first 24 days and the last 24 days of the time period are displayed in Figures 2.1 and 2.2, respectively).

	High	Low	Open	Close	Volume	Adj Close
Date						
2010-01-04	113.389999	111.510002	112.370003	113.330002	118944600.0	94.130867
2010-01-05	113.680000	112.849998	113.260002	113.629997	111579900.0	94.380074
2010-01-06	113.989998	113.430000	113.519997	113.709999	116074400.0	94.446495
2010-01-07	114.330002	113.180000	113.500000	114.190002	131091100.0	94.845207
2010-01-08	114.620003	113.660004	113.889999	114.570000	126402800.0	95.160805
2010-01-11	115.129997	114.239998	115.080002	114.730003	106375700.0	95.293701
2010-01-12	114.209999	113.220001	113.970001	113.660004	163333500.0	94.404961
2010-01-13	114.940002	113.370003	113.949997	114.620003	161822000.0	95.202347
2010-01-14	115.139999	114.419998	114.489998	114.930000	115718800.0	95.459831
2010-01-15	114.839996	113.199997	114.730003	113.639999	212283100.0	94.388382
2010-01-19	115.129997	113.589996	113.620003	115.059998	139172700.0	95.567795
2010-01-20	114.449997	112.980003	114.279999	113.889999	216490200.0	94.596008
2010-01-21	114.269997	111.559998	113.919998	111.699997	344859600.0	92.777000
2010-01-22	111.739998	109.089996	111.199997	109.209999	345942400.0	90.708870
2010-01-25	110.410004	109.410004	110.209999	109.769997	186937500.0	91.173965
2010-01-26	110.470001	109.040001	109.339996	109.309998	211168800.0	90.791885
2010-01-27	110.080002	108.330002	109.169998	109.830002	271863600.0	91.223801

Out[4]:

Figure 2.1

2010-01-28 110.250000 107.910004 110.190002 108.570000 316104000.0 90.177261

2016-02-03	191.779999	187.100006	191.410004	191.300003	205054900.0	179.491806
2016-02-04	192.750000	189.960007	190.710007	191.600006	136318100.0	179.773300
2016-02-05	191.669998	187.199997	190.990005	187.949997	180788300.0	176.348541
2016-02-08	186.119995	182.800003	185.770004	185.419998	191526700.0	173.974731
2016-02-09	186.940002	183.199997	183.360001	185.429993	176478700.0	173.984131
2016-02-10	188.339996	185.119995	186.410004	185.270004	148214100.0	173.834000
2016-02-11	184.100006	181.089996	182.339996	182.860001	219058900.0	171.572784
2016-02-12	186.649994	183.960007	184.960007	186.630005	127632400.0	175.110077
2016-02-16	189.809998	187.630005	188.770004	189.779999	120250700.0	178.065643
2016-02-17	193.320007	191.009995	191.160004	192.880005	136009500.0	180.974274
2016-02-18	193.270004	191.720001	193.199997	192.089996	102343000.0	180.233032
2016-02-19	192.179993	190.449997	191.169998	192.000000	114793000.0	180.148605
2016-02-22	194.949997	193.789993	193.869995	194.779999	103640300.0	182.756973
2016-02-23	194.320007	192.179993	194.000000	192.320007	111455300.0	180.448868
2016-02-24	193.529999	189.320007	190.630005	193.199997	150812200.0	181.274536
2016-02-25	195.550003	192.830002	193.729996	195.539993	107512400.0	183.470047
2016-02-26	196.679993	194.899994	196.570007	195.089996	129833700.0	183.047852
2016-02-29	196.229996	193.330002	195.110001	193.559998	125918100.0	181.612305
2016-03-01	198.210007	194.449997	195.009995	198.110001	141799700.0	185.881454
1550 rows ×	6 columns					

Figure 2.2

Now, the close prices VS time are displayed in a plot individually. The results are displayed in Figure 2.3. We then start analyzing the fluctuations by studying the open price on the first day of the period which is 112.37point (Figure 2.4) and the close price of the last day of the period which is 198.11 point (Figure 2.5).



Figure 2.3

Figure 2.5

```
In [9]: last_close - first_open
Out[9]: 85.73999786376953
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Figure 2.6

After that, the daily change is calculated by subtracting the open price of each day from the close price of the very same day (Figure 2.7). The output is a 1550×2 (Figures 2.8 and 2.9). This is the list of daily changes from 04.01.2010 till 01.03.2016.



Figure 2.8

```
2016-01-19 -1.900009
2016-01-20
            0.619995
           0.479996
2016-01-21
2016-01-22
            0.740005
2016-01-25
            -2.279999
2016-01-26
            1.779999
2016-01-27
            -1.449997
2016-01-28
            -0.850006
2016-01-29
            3.699997
            1.119995
2016-02-01
2016-02-02
            -1.800003
2016-02-03
            -0.110001
2016-02-04
            0.889999
2016-02-05
            -3.040009
2016-02-08
           -0.350006
2016-02-09
            2.069992
2016-02-10
            -1.139999
2016-02-11
            0.520004
2016-02-12
             1.669998
2016-02-16
            1.009995
            1.720001
2016-02-17
2016-02-18
            -1.110001
2016-02-19
            0.830002
2016-02-22
            0.910004
2016-02-23
            -1.679993
2016-02-24
2016-02-25
             1.809998
2016-02-26
           -1.480011
2016-02-29
           -1.550003
2016-03-01
             3.100006
Name: Daily Change, Length: 1550, dtype: float64
```

Figure 2.9

Then, the sum of the changes is calculated which is 30.33 (Figure 2.10).

```
In [12]: spy['Daily Change'].sum()
Out[12]: 30.330169677734375
```

Figure 2.10

In conclusion, more than half of the market gains were achieved by holding onto the stocks overnight throughout the entire period. The overnight returns were better than the inter-day returns. Returns are always evaluated on a risk-adjusted basis. Now, the overnight trades are compared to the inter-day trades on the basis of their standard deviations. It is a quantity that expresses how much the daily changes differ from their mean. Numpy library offers a feature to calculate the standard deviation of the daily changes. The standard deviation is 1.16 (Figure 2.11).

```
In [13]: np.std(spy['Daily Change'])
Out[13]: 1.1673012238307021
Figure 2.11
```

Then, the standard deviation of the overnight change is calculated, which is 0.913 (Figure 2.12).

Figure 2.12

In conclusion, the overnight trading has lower volatility than the inter-day trading. Volatility is the measure of dispersion of a given market. Security and volatility are directly proportional. However, not all volatilities are created equal. Now, the mean of the downside days is compared to the mean of upside days for both strategies. First, the upside days are observed, which is the mean of the inter-day change (Figure 2.13). Then, the downside days are observed, which is the mean of the overnight change (Figure 2.14). The means are -0.92 and -0.63, respectively.

Figure 2.14

The average of the downside moves is less than the average of the upside moves. Since everything now is observed in terms of points. The returns are to be noted. This helps putting the losses and gains in a more realistic context. The daily return, inter-day return, and overnight return are observed. Pandas shift method is used to subtract each series from the previous day's series. That is, for the first line of code in Figure 15, close price from one day ago is subtracted from the close price of the current day, for each day. Same goes for the inter-day returns and overnight returns.

```
In [17]: daily_rtn = ((spy['Close'] -spy['Close'].shift(1))/spy['Close'].shift(1))*100
id_rtn = ((spy['Close'] - spy['Open'])/spy['Open'])*100
on_rtn = ((spy['Open'] - spy['Close'].shift(1))/spy['Close'].shift(1))*100
```

Figure 2.15

The corresponding tables for the daily returns (Figures 2.16 and 2.17), inter-day returns (Figures 2.18 and 2.19), and overnight returns (Figures 2.20 and 2.21) are displayed.

In [18]:	daily_rtn			
Out[18]:	Date		2016-01-19	0.13311
	2010-01-04	NaN	2016-01-20	-1.28150
	2010-01-05	0.264710	2016-01-21	0.56019
	2010-01-06	0.070406	2016-01-22	2.05153
	2010-01-07	0.422129	2016-01-25	-1.51165
	2010-01-08	0.332776	2016-01-26	1.36431
	2010-01-11	0.139656	2016-01-27	-1.08832
	2010-01-12	-0.932624	2016-01-28	0.52091
	2010-01-13	0.844623	2016-01-29	2.43773
	2010-01-14	0.270457	2016-02-01	-0.03613
	2010-01-15	-1.122423	2016-02-02	-1.8022
	2010-01-19	1.249558	2016-02-03	0.59949
	2010-01-20	-1.016859	2016-02-04	0.1568
	2010-01-21	-1.922910	2016-02-05	-1.9050
	2010-01-22	-2.229183	2016-02-08	-1.3461
	2010-01-25	0.512771	2016-02-09	0.0053
	2010-01-26	-0.419057	2016-02-10	-0.0862
	2010-01-27	0.475715	2016-02-11	-1.3008
	2010-01-28	-1.147229	2016-02-12	2.0616
	2010-01-29	-1.086857	2016-02-16	1.6878
	2010-02-01	1.555078	2016-02-17	1.6334
	2010-02-02	1.210343	2016-02-18	-0.4095
	2010-02-03	-0.498275	2016-02-19	-0.0468
	2010-02-04	-3.086588	2016-02-22	1.4479
	2010-02-05	0.206690	2016-02-23	-1.2629
	2010-02-08	-0.721924	2016-02-24	0.4575
	2010-02-09	1.256022	2016-02-25	1.2111
	2010-02-10	-0.195858	2016-02-26	-0.2301
	2010-02-11	1.046627	2016-02-29	-0.78425
	2010-02-12	-0.083230	2016-03-01	2.35069
	2010-02-16	1.573488	Name: Close,	Length:

Figure 2.16

ength: 1550, dtype: float64 Figure 2.17

```
2016-01-19
                                                   -1.000215
In [19]: id rtn
                                      2016-01-20
                                                    0.335078
Out[19]: Date
                                      2016-01-21
                                                     0.257771
         2010-01-04
                      0.854320
                                      2016-01-22
                                                    0.389928
         2010-01-05
                      0.326678
                                      2016-01-25
                                                    -1.200505
         2010-01-06
                      0.167374
                                      2016-01-26
                                                    0.944697
         2010-01-07
                      0.607932
                                      2016-01-27
                                                   -0.764847
         2010-01-08
                      0.597068
                                      2016-01-28
                                                   -0.447466
         2010-01-11
                      -0.304135
                                      2016-01-29
                                                    1.947162
         2010-01-12
                     -0.271999
         2010-01-13
                                      2016-02-01
                                                    0.581725
         2010-01-14
                      0.384315
                                      2016-02-02
                                                   -0.937697
         2010-01-15
                      -0.950060
                                      2016-02-03
                                                    -0.057469
         2010-01-19
                      1.267378
                                      2016-02-04
                                                    0.466677
         2010-01-20
                     -0.341267
                                      2016-02-05
                                                    -1.591711
         2010-01-21
                     -1.948737
                                      2016-02-08
                                                   -0.188408
                     -1.789566
         2010-01-22
                                      2016-02-09
                                                    1.128922
         2010-01-25
                      -0.399240
                                      2016-02-10
                                                   -0.611555
         2010-01-26
                      -0.027436
                                      2016-02-11
                                                    0.285184
         2010-01-27
                      0.604565
                                      2016-02-12
                                                     0.902897
         2010-01-28
                     -1.470190
                                      2016-02-16
                                                     0.535040
         2010-01-29
                     -1.513208
                                      2016-02-17
                                                     0.899770
         2010-02-01
                      0.841420
                                                   -0.574534
         2010-02-02
                      1.025073
                                      2016-02-18
         2010-02-03
                      -0.045500
                                      2016-02-19
                                                     0.434170
         2010-02-04
                     -2.330704
                                      2016-02-22
                                                    0.469389
         2010-02-05
                      0.093850
                                      2016-02-23
                                                   -0.865976
         2010-02-08
                     -0.796326
                                      2016-02-24
                                                    1.348157
         2010-02-09
                      0.084014
                                      2016-02-25
                                                    0.934289
         2010-02-10
                      -0.037367
                                      2016-02-26
                                                   -0.752918
         2010-02-11
                      1.178997
                                      2016-02-29
                                                   -0.794425
         2010-02-12
                      0.981403
                                      2016-03-01
                                                     1.589665
         2010-02-16
                      0.808375
                                      Length: 1550, dtype: float64
```

Figure 2.18

Figure 2.19

In [*]:	on_rtn		
In [*]: Out[20]:	Date 2010-01-04 2010-01-05 2010-01-06 2010-01-07 2010-01-11 2010-01-12 2010-01-13 2010-01-14 2010-01-15 2010-01-20 2010-01-21 2010-01-21 2010-01-25 2010-01-26	Nan -0.061766 -0.096806 -0.184680 -0.262723 0.445145 -0.662427 0.255141 -0.113423 -0.174016 -0.017596 -0.677906 0.026340 -0.447628 0.915667 -0.391728	2016-02-04 -0.308414 2016-02-05 -0.318372 2016-02-08 -1.159879 2016-02-09 -1.110990 2016-02-10 0.528507 2016-02-11 -1.581480 2016-02-12 1.148423 2016-02-16 1.146653 2016-02-17 0.727160 2016-02-18 0.165902 2016-02-19 -0.478941 2016-02-22 0.973956 2016-02-23 -0.400451 2016-02-24 -0.878745 2016-02-25 0.274326 2016-02-26 0.526754 2016-02-29 0.010254
	2010-01-27 2010-01-28	-0.128076 0.327780	2016-03-01 0.749120 Length: 1550, dtype: float64

Figure 2.20

Figure 2.21

Now, the statistical values of all of the three strategies are observed. A function that takes in each series to return the desired results is used. The statistics under observation are: trades, wins, losses, break-evens, win-loss ratio, mean win, mean loss, standard deviation, maximum loss, maximum win, and sharp ratio (Figure 2.22). Each strategy is run individually.

```
In [21]: def get_stats(s, n=252):
             s = s.dropna()
             wins = len(s[s>0])
             losses = len(s[s<0])
             evens = len(s[s==0])
             mean_w = round(s[s>0].mean(), 3)
             mean_1 = round(s[s<0].mean(), 3)
             win r = round(wins/losses, 3)
             mean_trd = round(s.mean(), 3)
             sd = round(np.std(s), 3)
             \max 1 = round(s.min(), 3)
             \max w = round(s.max(), 3)
             sharpe_r = round((s.mean()/np.std(s))*np.sqrt(n), 4)
             cnt = len(s)
             print('Trades:', cnt,\
                 '\nWins:', wins,\
                  '\nLosses:', losses,\
                  '\nBreakeven:', evens,\
                  '\nWin/Loss Ratio', win_r,\
                  '\nMean Win:', mean_w,\
                  '\nMean Loss:', mean_1,\
                  '\nMean', mean_trd,\
                  '\nStd Dev:', sd,\
                  '\nMax Loss:', max_1,\
                  '\nMax Win:', max w,\
                  '\nSharpe Ratio:', sharpe_r)
```

Figure 2.22

The buy-and-hold strategy has the highest mean return as well as the highest standard deviation among the three. It also has the largest daily draw-down loss. Although the overnight strategy has approximately the same mean as the inter-day strategy, it has much less volatility. In turn, it gives it a higher sharp ratio compared to inter-day strategy. A sharp ratio is a quantity that evaluates the return of an investment given a certain risk or volatility. With that, a solid view-point on how to compare the three strategies is obtained (Figure 2.23)

```
In [22]: get_stats(daily_rtn) In [23]: get_stats(id_rtn) In [24]: get_stats(on_rtn)
                                                                    Trades: 1549
                                      Trades: 1550
        Trades: 1549
                                      Wins: 849
                                                                    Wins: 823
        Wins: 846
                                                                   Losses: 712
                                     Losses: 690
        Losses: 697
                                                                   Breakeven: 14
                                     Breakeven: 11
        Breakeven: 6
                                                                   Win/Loss Ratio 1.156
                                      Win/Loss Ratio 1.23
        Win/Loss Ratio 1.214
                                                                   Mean Win: 0.419
                                      Mean Win: 0.517
        Mean Win: 0.69
                                     Mean Loss: -0.598
                                                                  Mean Loss: -0.432
        Mean Loss: -0.745
                                                                   Mean 0.024
                                     Mean 0.017
        Mean 0.041
                                      Std Dev: 0.766
                                                                    Std Dev: 0.614
        Std Dev: 1.009
                                      Max Loss: -4.196
                                                                   Max Loss: -2.936
        Max Loss: -6.512
                                      Max Win: 3.683
                                                                  Max Win: 4.09
        Max Win: 4.65
                                      Sharpe Ratio: 0.3547
                                                                   Sharpe Ratio: 0.6284
        Sharpe Ratio: 0.6475
```

Figure 2.23

Then the analysis is furtherly extended by pulling data from 01.01.2000 till 01.03.2016 (Figure 2.24). The corresponding outputs are a chart of 4065 rows and 6 columns (Figures 2.25 and 2.26) and a plot (Figure 2.27).

```
In [25]: start_date = pd.to_datetime('2000-01-01')
stop_date = pd.to_datetime('2016-03-01')
sp = pdr.data.get_data_yahoo('SPY', start_date, stop_date)
sp
```

Figure 2.24

Out[25]:							
		High	Low	Open	Close	Volume	Adj Close
	Date						
	2000-01-03	148.250000	143.875000	148.250000	145.437500	8164300.0	101.425385
	2000-01-04	144.062500	139.640594	143.531204	139.750000	8089800.0	97.459068
	2000-01-05	141.531204	137.250000	139.937500	140.000000	12177900.0	97.633377
	2000-01-06	141.500000	137.750000	139.625000	137.750000	6227200.0	96.064301
	2000-01-07	145.750000	140.062500	140.312500	145.750000	8066500.0	101.643333
	2000-01-10	146.906204	145.031204	146.250000	146.250000	5741700.0	101.992004
	2000-01-11	146.093704	143.500000	145.812500	144.500000	7503700.0	100.771645
	2000-01-12	144.593704	142.875000	144.593704	143.062500	6907700.0	99.769150
	2000-01-13	145.750000	143.281204	144.468704	145.000000	5158300.0	101.120308

Figure 2.25

2016-02-17	193.320007	191.009995	191.160004	192.880005	136009500.0	180.974274
2016-02-18	193.270004	191.720001	193.199997	192.089996	102343000.0	180.233032
2016-02-19	192.179993	190.449997	191.169998	192.000000	114793000.0	180.148605
2016-02-22	194.949997	193.789993	193.869995	194.779999	103640300.0	182.756973
2016-02-23	194.320007	192.179993	194.000000	192.320007	111455300.0	180.448868
2016-02-24	193.529999	189.320007	190.630005	193.199997	150812200.0	181.274536
2016-02-25	195.550003	192.830002	193.729996	195.539993	107512400.0	183.470047
2016-02-26	196.679993	194.899994	196.570007	195.089996	129833700.0	183.047852
2016-02-29	196.229996	193.330002	195.110001	193.559998	125918100.0	181.612305
2016-03-01	198.210007	194.449997	195.009995	198.110001	141799700.0	185.881454

Figure 2.26

4065 rows x 6 columns



Figure 2.27

In Figure 2.27, the SPY action in the beginning of year 2000 through the beginning of March 2016 is observed. There have been a lot of fluctuations during this period. The market has experienced both highly positive and highly negative regimes. Now, the statistics of our three main strategies (Daily return, inter-day return, and overnight return) are obtained in the same way they were obtained earlier (Figures 2.28 and 2.29). The differences between the three strategies are more pronounced as the period of time was extended. Should the money had been held overnight, the returns would have improved by more than 50%, assuming no trading costs or taxed filed. This can be confirmed by comparing the overnight mean loss to the sharpe ratio in Figure 2.29.

In [31]:	get_stats(long_day_rtn)	In [32]:	<pre>get_stats(long_id_rtn) In [33]:</pre>	get_stats(long_on_rtn)
	Trades: 4064		Trades: 4065	Trades: 4064
	Wins: 2170		Wins: 2126	Wins: 2154
	Losses: 1879		Losses: 1909	Losses: 1870
	Breakeven: 15		Breakeven: 30	Breakeven: 40
	Win/Loss Ratio 1.155		Win/Loss Ratio 1.114	Win/Loss Ratio 1.152
	Mean Win: 0.818		Mean Win: 0.686	Mean Win: 0.436
	Mean Loss: -0.911		Mean Loss: -0.769	Mean Loss: -0.465
	Mean 0.016		Mean -0.002	Mean 0.017
	Std Dev: 1.275		Std Dev: 1.054	Std Dev: 0.691
	Max Loss: -9.845		Max Loss: -8.991	Max Loss: -8.322
	Max Win: 14.52		Max Win: 8.435	Max Win: 6.068
	Sharpe Ratio: 0.1958		Sharpe Ratio: -0.0307	Sharpe Ratio: 0.3936

Figure 2.29

Figure 2.28

3. Building a Model and Evaluating its Performance

Now, a regression model will be built to evaluate its performance. Linear Regression is a technique commonly used for statistical.

Regression is a method of modelling a target value relative to independent predictors, by forecasting and finding out cause-and-effect relationship between variables. Regression techniques differences depend on the number of independent variables and the kind of relationship between them and the dependent variables.

The stock's close price of the prior day will be used to predict the close price of the next day. The model is built using a regression vector. The first step is setting up a data frame object containing the price history for each day. The preceding 20 closes of each day are included in the model. The code in Figure 3.1 is used to get the data. This code's output is the close price of each day with the prior 20 all along the same axis. A portion of the output is displayed in Figures 3.2 and 3.3. The entire output is a 4045 x 21 table that shows the 20 closes of each day from 01.01.2000 till 01.03.2016. This will provide the x-axis for the regression model.

```
In [34]: for i in range(1, 21, 1):
    sp.loc[:,'Close Minus ' + str(i)] = sp['Close'].shift(i)
    sp20 = sp[[x for x in sp.columns if 'Close Minus' in x or x =='Close']].iloc[20:,]
    sp20
```

Figure 3.1

Out[34]:

	Close	Close Minus 1	Close Minus 2	Close Minus 3	Close Minus 4	Close Minus 5	Close Minus 6	Close Minus 7	Close Minus 8	Close Minus 9	
Date											
2000-02-01	140.937500	139.562500	135.875000	140.250000	140.812500	141.937500	140.343704	144.437500	144.750000	147.000000	
2000-02-02	141.062500	140.937500	139.562500	135.875000	140.250000	140.812500	141.937500	140.343704	144.437500	144.750000	
2000-02-03	143.187500	141.062500	140.937500	139.562500	135.875000	140.250000	140.812500	141.937500	140.343704	144.437500	
2000-02-04	142.593704	143.187500	141.062500	140.937500	139.562500	135.875000	140.250000	140.812500	141.937500	140.343704	
2000-02-07	142.375000	142.593704	143.187500	141.062500	140.937500	139.562500	135.875000	140.250000	140.812500	141.937500	
2000-02-08	144.312500	142.375000	142.593704	143.187500	141.062500	140.937500	139.562500	135.875000	140.250000	140.812500	
2000-02-09	141.281204	144.312500	142.375000	142.593704	143.187500	141.062500	140.937500	139.562500	135.875000	140.250000	
2000-02-10	141.562500	141.281204	144.312500	142.375000	142.593704	143.187500	141.062500	140.937500	139.562500	135.875000	
2000-02-11	138.687500	141.562500	141.281204	144.312500	142.375000	142.593704	143.187500	141.062500	140.937500	139.562500	
2000-02-14	139.500000	138.687500	141.562500	141.281204	144.312500	142.375000	142.593704	143.187500	141.062500	140.937500	
2000-02-15	141.078094	139.500000	138.687500	141.562500	141.281204	144.312500	142.375000	142.593704	143.187500	141.062500	
2000-02-16	139.000000	141.078094	139.500000	138.687500	141.562500	141.281204	144.312500	142.375000	142.593704	143.187500	
2000-02-17	138.281204	139.000000	141.078094	139.500000	138.687500	141.562500	141.281204	144.312500	142.375000	142.593704	
2000-02-18	135.312500	138.281204	139.000000	141.078094	139.500000	138.687500	141.562500	141.281204	144.312500	142.375000	
2000-02-22	134.968704	135.312500	138.281204	139.000000	141.078094	139.500000	138.687500	141.562500	141.281204	144.312500	

Figure 3.2

 Close Minus 11	Close Minus 12	Close Minus 13	Close Minus 14	Close Minus 15	Close Minus 16	Close Minus 17	Close Minus 18	Close Minus 19	Close Minus 20
 146.968704	145.000000	143.062500	144.500000	146.250000	145.750000	137.750000	140.000000	139.750000	145.437500
 145.812500	146.968704	145.000000	143.062500	144.500000	146.250000	145.750000	137.750000	140.000000	139.750000
 147.000000	145.812500	146.968704	145.000000	143.062500	144.500000	146.250000	145.750000	137.750000	140.000000
 144.750000	147.000000	145.812500	146.968704	145.000000	143.062500	144.500000	146.250000	145.750000	137.750000
 144.437500	144.750000	147.000000	145.812500	146.968704	145.000000	143.062500	144.500000	146.250000	145.750000
 140.343704	144.437500	144.750000	147.000000	145.812500	146.968704	145.000000	143.062500	144.500000	146.250000
 141.937500	140.343704	144.437500	144.750000	147.000000	145.812500	146.968704	145.000000	143.062500	144.500000
 140.812500	141.937500	140.343704	144.437500	144.750000	147.000000	145.812500	146.968704	145.000000	143.062500
 140.250000	140.812500	141.937500	140.343704	144.437500	144.750000	147.000000	145.812500	146.968704	145.000000
 135.875000	140.250000	140.812500	141.937500	140.343704	144.437500	144.750000	147.000000	145.812500	146.968704
 139.562500	135.875000	140.250000	140.812500	141.937500	140.343704	144.437500	144.750000	147.000000	145.812500
 140.937500	139.562500	135.875000	140.250000	140.812500	141.937500	140.343704	144.437500	144.750000	147.000000
 141.062500	140.937500	139.562500	135.875000	140.250000	140.812500	141.937500	140.343704	144.437500	144.750000
 143.187500	141.062500	140.937500	139.562500	135.875000	140.250000	140.812500	141.937500	140.343704	144.437500
 142.593704	143.187500	141.062500	140.937500	139.562500	135.875000	140.250000	140.812500	141.937500	140.343704

Figure 3.3

After that, the columns of the table are reversed to get the axis from left to right. The code to reversing the table is in Figure 3.4. A portion of the output table is displayed in Figures 3.5 and 3.6.

```
In [35]: sp20 = sp20.iloc[:,::-1]
    sp20
```

Figure 3.4

t[35]:												
		Close Minus 20	Close Minus 19	Close Minus 18	Close Minus 17	Close Minus 16	Close Minus 15	Close Minus 14	Close Minus 13	Close Minus 12	Close Minus 11	
	Date											
	2000-02-01	145.437500	139.750000	140.000000	137.750000	145.750000	146.250000	144.500000	143.062500	145.000000	146.968704	
	2000-02-02	139.750000	140.000000	137.750000	145.750000	146.250000	144.500000	143.062500	145.000000	146.968704	145.812500	
	2000-02-03	140.000000	137.750000	145.750000	146.250000	144.500000	143.062500	145.000000	146.968704	145.812500	147.000000	
	2000-02-04	137.750000	145.750000	146.250000	144.500000	143.062500	145.000000	146.968704	145.812500	147.000000	144.750000	
	2000-02-07	145.750000	146.250000	144.500000	143.062500	145.000000	146.968704	145.812500	147.000000	144.750000	144.437500	
	2000-02-08	146.250000	144.500000	143.062500	145.000000	146.968704	145.812500	147.000000	144.750000	144.437500	140.343704	
	2000-02-09	144.500000	143.062500	145.000000	146.968704	145.812500	147.000000	144.750000	144.437500	140.343704	141.937500	
	2000-02-10	143.062500	145.000000	146.968704	145.812500	147.000000	144.750000	144.437500	140.343704	141.937500	140.812500	
	2000-02-11	145.000000	146.968704	145.812500	147.000000	144.750000	144.437500	140.343704	141.937500	140.812500	140.250000	
	2000-02-14	146.968704	145.812500	147.000000	144.750000	144.437500	140.343704	141.937500	140.812500	140.250000	135.875000	
	2000-02-15	145.812500	147.000000	144.750000	144.437500	140.343704	141.937500	140.812500	140.250000	135.875000	139.562500	
	2000-02-16	147.000000	144.750000	144.437500	140.343704	141.937500	140.812500	140.250000	135.875000	139.562500	140.937500	
	2000-02-17	144.750000	144.437500	140.343704	141.937500	140.812500	140.250000	135.875000	139.562500	140.937500	141.062500	
	2000-02-18	144.437500	140.343704	141.937500	140.812500	140.250000	135.875000	139.562500	140.937500	141.062500	143.187500	
	2000-02-22	140.343704	141.937500	140.812500	140.250000	135.875000	139.562500	140.937500	141.062500	143.187500	142.593704	

Figure 3.5

 Close Minus 9	Close Minus 8	Close Minus 7	Close Minus 6	Close Minus 5	Close Minus 4	Close Minus 3	Close Minus 2	Close Minus 1	Close
 147.000000	144.750000	144.437500	140.343704	141.937500	140.812500	140.250000	135.875000	139.562500	140.937500
 144.750000	144.437500	140.343704	141.937500	140.812500	140.250000	135.875000	139.562500	140.937500	141.062500
 144.437500	140.343704	141.937500	140.812500	140.250000	135.875000	139.562500	140.937500	141.062500	143.187500
 140.343704	141.937500	140.812500	140.250000	135.875000	139.562500	140.937500	141.062500	143.187500	142.593704
 141.937500	140.812500	140.250000	135.875000	139.562500	140.937500	141.062500	143.187500	142.593704	142.375000
 140.812500	140.250000	135.875000	139.562500	140.937500	141.062500	143.187500	142.593704	142.375000	144.312500
 140.250000	135.875000	139.562500	140.937500	141.062500	143.187500	142.593704	142.375000	144.312500	141.281204
 135.875000	139.562500	140.937500	141.062500	143.187500	142.593704	142.375000	144.312500	141.281204	141.562500
 139.562500	140.937500	141.062500	143.187500	142.593704	142.375000	144.312500	141.281204	141.562500	138.687500
 140.937500	141.062500	143.187500	142.593704	142.375000	144.312500	141.281204	141.562500	138.687500	139.500000
 141.062500	143.187500	142.593704	142.375000	144.312500	141.281204	141.562500	138.687500	139.500000	141.078094
 143.187500	142.593704	142.375000	144.312500	141.281204	141.562500	138.687500	139.500000	141.078094	139.000000
 142.593704	142.375000	144.312500	141.281204	141.562500	138.687500	139.500000	141.078094	139.000000	138.281204
 142.375000	144.312500	141.281204	141.562500	138.687500	139.500000	141.078094	139.000000	138.281204	135.312500
 144.312500	141.281204	141.562500	138.687500	139.500000	141.078094	139.000000	138.281204	135.312500	134.968704

Figure 3.6

Now, the support vector machine is imported. The training, matrices, and target vectors are set. There are around 4000 data points to work with. The last 2000 are chosen for testing. The model is fit and used to test the sample data as in Figures 3.7 and 3.8.

Figure 3.8

The output is a 1000×2 table showing the predicted close prices of the following day VS the actual ones (Figure 3.9). It can be inferred that most of the predictions were close to the actual prices.

Out[38]:				
		Next Day Close	Predicted Next Close	2016-02-05 185.419998 187.9053
	Date			2016-02-08 185.429993 186.2976
	2012-03-09	137.580002	137.603674	2016-02-09 185.270004 185.3684
	2012-03-12	140.059998	137.885118	2016-02-10 182.860001 185.3027
	2012-03-13	139.910004	139.951665	2016-02-11 186.630005 183.2845
	2012-03-14	140.720001	139.869231	2016-02-12 189.779999 186.9892
	2012-03-15	140.300003	140.642184	2016-02-16 192.880005 189.9490
	2012-03-16	140.850006	140.393783	2016-02-17 192.089996 192.6632
	2012-03-19	140.440002	140.722827	2016-02-18 192.000000 192.1730
	2012-03-20	140.210007	140.315668	2016-02-19 194.779999 191.8772
	2012-03-21	139.199997	140.052685	2016-02-22 192.320007 194.7278
	2012-03-22	139.649994	139.285878	2016-02-23 193.199997 191.9888
	2012-03-23	141.610001	139.812115	2016-02-24 195.539993 192.4932
	2012-03-26	141.169998	141.497342	2016-02-25 195.089996 195.0269
	2012-03-27	140.470001	141.142911	2016-02-26 193.559998 194.9766
	2012-03-28	140.229996	140.788757	2016-02-29 198.110001 193.4020
	2012-03-29	140.809998	140.628573	2016-03-01 NaN 197.7374
	2012-03-30	141.839996	140.806655	1000 rows × 2 columns

Figure 3.9

Now, the performance of the model will be observed. The scenario presented is that the next day's open is bought if the close's prediction is higher than the open. Then, the stocks will be sold at the close of the very same day. Some extra data points will be added to the object, to calculate the results. The code is displayed in Figure 3.10. The corresponding output which is a 1000 x 4 table is displayed in Figures 3.11 and 3.12.

```
In [39]: cdc = sp[['Close']].iloc[-1000:]
   ndo = sp[['Open']].iloc[-1000:].shift(-1)
   tf1 = pd.merge(tf, cdc, left_index=True, right_index=True)
   tf2 = pd.merge(tf1, ndo, left_index=True, right_index=True)
   tf2.columns = ['Next Day Close', 'Predicted Next Close', 'Current Day Close', 'Next Day Open']
  tf2
```

Figure 3.10

ut[39]:		Next Day Close	Predicted Next Close	Current Day Close	Next Day Open
	Date				
	2012-03-09	137.580002	137.603674	137.570007	137.550003
	2012-03-12	140.059998	137.885118	137.580002	138.320007
	2012-03-13	139.910004	139.951665	140.059998	140.100006
	2012-03-14	140.720001	139.869231	139.910004	140.119995
	2012-03-15	140.300003	140.642184	140.720001	140.360001
	2012-03-16	140.850006	140.393783	140.300003	140.210007
	2012-03-19	140.440002	140.722827	140.850006	140.050003
	2012-03-20	140.210007	140.315668	140.440002	140.520004
	2012-03-21	139.199997	140.052685	140.210007	139.179993
	2012-03-22	139.649994	139.285878	139.199997	139.320007
	2012-03-23	141.610001	139.812115	139.649994	140.649994
	2012-03-26	141.169998	141.497342	141.610001	141.740005
	2012-03-27	140.470001	141.142911	141.169998	141.100006
	2012-03-28	140.229996	140.788757	140.470001	139.639999
	2012-03-29	140.809998	140.628573	140.229996	140.919998
	2012-03-30	141.839996	140.806655	140.809998	140.639999

Figure 3.11

2016-02-03	191.600006	191.210762	191.300003	190.710007
2016-02-04	187.949997	191.259473	191.600006	190.990005
2016-02-05	185.419998	187.905387	187.949997	185.770004
2016-02-08	185.429993	186.297637	185.419998	183.360001
2016-02-09	185.270004	185.368468	185.429993	186.410004
2016-02-10	182.860001	185.302749	185.270004	182.339996
2016-02-11	186.630005	183.284546	182.860001	184.960007
2016-02-12	189.779999	186.989269	186.630005	188.770004
2016-02-16	192.880005	189.949002	189.779999	191.160004
2016-02-17	192.089996	192.663220	192.880005	193.199997
2016-02-18	192.000000	192.173020	192.089996	191.169998
2016-02-19	194.779999	191.877234	192.000000	193.869995
2016-02-22	192.320007	194.727840	194.779999	194.000000
2016-02-23	193.199997	191.988886	192.320007	190.630005
2016-02-24	195.539993	192.493202	193.199997	193.729996
2016-02-25	195.089996	195.026926	195.539993	196.570007
2016-02-26	193.559998	194.976676	195.089996	195.110001
2016-02-29	198.110001	193.402064	193.559998	195.009995
2016-03-01	NaN	197.737472	198.110001	NaN

Figure 3.12

The columns in Figures 3.11 and 3.12 contain the next day close, predicted day close, current day close, and next day open. Now, a signal is created that shows 1 if predicted next day's close is greater than next day's open, otherwise it shows 0. The code for the signal's function is in Figure 3.13.

```
In [40]: def get_signal(r):
    if r['Predicted Next Close'] > r['Next Day Open']:
        return 1
    else:
        return 0
```

Figure 3.13

Now, the return is calculated by subtracting the next day open price from next day close price and dividing the difference by the next day open price. The code is in Figure 3.14. Then, the signals and returns are added to the previous table. The new 1000 x 6 table is displayed in Figures 3.15 and 3.16.

```
In [41]: def get_ret(r):
    if r['Signal'] == 1:
        return ((r['Next Day Close'] - r['Next Day Open'])/r['Next Day Open']) * 100
    else:
        return 0
```

Figure 3.14

Out[42]:		Next Day Close	Predicted Next Close	Current Day Close	Next Day Open	Signal	PnL
	Date						
	2012-03-09	137.580002	137.603674	137.570007	137.550003	1	0.021809
	2012-03-12	140.059998	137.885118	137.580002	138.320007	0	0.000000
	2012-03-13	139.910004	139.951665	140.059998	140.100006	0	0.000000
	2012-03-14	140.720001	139.869231	139.910004	140.119995	0	0.000000
	2012-03-15	140.300003	140.642184	140.720001	140.360001	1	-0.042745
	2012-03-16	140.850006	140.393783	140.300003	140.210007	1	0.456458
	2012-03-19	140.440002	140.722827	140.850006	140.050003	1	0.278472
	2012-03-20	140.210007	140.315668	140.440002	140.520004	0	0.000000
	2012-03-21	139.199997	140.052685	140.210007	139.179993	1	0.014373
	2012-03-22	139.649994	139.285878	139.199997	139.320007	0	0.000000
	2012-03-23	141.610001	139.812115	139.649994	140.649994	0	0.000000
	2012-03-26	141.169998	141.497342	141.610001	141.740005	0	0.000000
	2012-03-27	140.470001	141.142911	141.169998	141.100006	1	-0.446495
	2012-03-28	140.229996	140.788757	140.470001	139.639999	1	0.422512
	2012-03-29	140.809998	140.628573	140.229996	140.919998	0	0.000000
	2012-03-30	141.839996	140.806655	140.809998	140.639999	1	0.853240

Figure 3.15

2016-02-05	185.419998	187.905387	187.949997	185.770004	1	-0.188408
2016-02-08	185.429993	186.297637	185.419998	183.360001	1	1.128922
2016-02-09	185.270004	185.368468	185.429993	186.410004	0	0.000000
2016-02-10	182.860001	185.302749	185.270004	182.339996	1	0.285184
2016-02-11	186.630005	183.284546	182.860001	184.960007	0	0.000000
2016-02-12	189.779999	186.989269	186.630005	188.770004	0	0.000000
2016-02-16	192.880005	189.949002	189.779999	191.160004	0	0.000000
2016-02-17	192.089996	192.663220	192.880005	193.199997	0	0.000000
2016-02-18	192.000000	192.173020	192.089996	191.169998	1	0.434170
2016-02-19	194.779999	191.877234	192.000000	193.869995	0	0.000000
2016-02-22	192.320007	194.727840	194.779999	194.000000	1	-0.865976
2016-02-23	193.199997	191.988886	192.320007	190.630005	1	1.348157
2016-02-24	195.539993	192.493202	193.199997	193.729996	0	0.000000
2016-02-25	195.089996	195.026926	195.539993	196.570007	0	0.000000
2016-02-26	193.559998	194.976676	195.089996	195.110001	0	0.000000
2016-02-29	198.110001	193.402064	193.559998	195.009995	0	0.000000
2016-03-01	NaN	197.737472	198.110001	NaN	0	0.000000
1000 rows × 6	S columns					

Figure 3.16

Now, the price prediction strategy using only the price history is verified by calculating the points gained and the gain using the inter-day strategy during a 1000-

day interval. The codes and corresponding outputs for both strategies are displayed in Figure 3.17. It can be inferred that this strategy is not working well as the gain of the first strategy is completely different from the second one. To confirm the difference, the statistics of both strategies are obtained (Figures 3.18 and 3.19, respectively).

```
In [43]: (tf2[tf2['Signal']==1]['Next Day Close'] - tf2[tf2['Signal']==1]['Next Day Open']).sum()
  Out[43]: -5.029960632324219
  In [44]: (sp['Close'].iloc[-1000:] - sp['Open'].iloc[-1000:]).sum()
  Out[44]: 17.53020477294922
                                         Figure 3.17
In [45]: get_stats((sp['Close'].iloc[-1000:] - sp['Open'].iloc[-1000:])/sp['Open'].iloc[-1000:] * 100)
        Trades: 1000
        Wins: 544
        Losses: 449
        Breakeven: 7
        Win/Loss Ratio 1.212
        Mean Win: 0.459
        Mean Loss: -0.524
        Mean 0.014
        Std Dev: 0.671
        Max Loss: -4.196
        Max Win: 2.756
        Sharpe Ratio: 0.3354
                                          Figure 3.18
                               In [46]: get_stats(tf2['PnL'])
                                          Trades: 1000
                                          Wins: 253
                                          Losses: 222
                                          Breakeven: 525
                                          Win/Loss Ratio 1.14
                                          Mean Win: 0.468
                                          Mean Loss: -0.538
                                          Mean -0.001
                                          Std Dev: 0.469
                                          Max Loss: -4.088
                                          Max Win: 2.756
                                          Sharpe Ratio: -0.0325
                                          Figure 3.19
```

Since the resulting statistics fully prove that this strategy is failing, a modification can be done in an attempt to improve the results. Trades that were expected to be greater by a point or more instead of being an "amount" greater than the open price. The signal code will be re-executed with some modifications (Figure 3.20). Yet the return's code will remain unchanged. The output is displayed in Figures 3.21 and 3.22. The sum and statistics of the modified strategy are displayed in Figure 3.23.

```
In [47]: def get_signal(r):
    if r['Predicted Next Close'] > r['Next Day Open'] + 1:
        return 1
    else:
        return 0

def get_ret(r):
    if r['Signal'] == 1:
        return ((r['Next Day Close'] - r['Next Day Open'])/r['Next Day Open']) * 100
    else:
        return 0
```

Figure 3.20

]:		Next Day Close	Predicted Next Close	Current Day Close	Next Day Open	Signal	PnL
	Date						
	2012-03-09	137.580002	137.603674	137.570007	137.550003	0	0.000000
	2012-03-12	140.059998	137.885118	137.580002	138.320007	0	0.000000
	2012-03-13	139.910004	139.951665	140.059998	140.100006	0	0.000000
	2012-03-14	140.720001	139.869231	139.910004	140.119995	0	0.000000
	2012-03-15	140.300003	140.642184	140.720001	140.360001	0	0.000000
	2012-03-16	140.850006	140.393783	140.300003	140.210007	0	0.000000
	2012-03-19	140.440002	140.722827	140.850006	140.050003	0	0.000000
	2012-03-20	140.210007	140.315668	140.440002	140.520004	0	0.000000
	2012-03-21	139.199997	140.052685	140.210007	139.179993	0	0.000000
	2012-03-22	139.649994	139.285878	139.199997	139.320007	0	0.000000
	2012-03-23	141.610001	139.812115	139.649994	140.649994	0	0.000000
	2012-03-26	141.169998	141.497342	141.610001	141.740005	0	0.000000
	2012-03-27	140.470001	141.142911	141.169998	141.100006	0	0.000000
	2012-03-28	140.229996	140.788757	140.470001	139.639999	1	0.422512
	2012-03-29	140.809998	140.628573	140.229996	140.919998	0	0.000000
	2012-03-30	141.839996	140.806655	140.809998	140.639999	0	0.000000

Figure 3.21

2016-02-05	185.419998	187.905387	187.949997	185.770004	1	-0.188408
2016-02-08	185.429993	186.297637	185.419998	183.360001	1	1.128922
2016-02-09	185.270004	185.368468	185.429993	186.410004	0	0.000000
2016-02-10	182.860001	185.302749	185.270004	182.339996	1	0.285184
2016-02-11	186.630005	183.284546	182.860001	184.960007	0	0.000000
2016-02-12	189.779999	186.989269	186.630005	188.770004	0	0.000000
2016-02-16	192.880005	189.949002	189.779999	191.160004	0	0.000000
2016-02-17	192.089996	192.663220	192.880005	193.199997	0	0.000000
2016-02-18	192.000000	192.173020	192.089996	191.169998	1	0.434170
2016-02-19	194.779999	191.877234	192.000000	193.869995	0	0.000000
2016-02-22	192.320007	194.727840	194.779999	194.000000	0	0.000000
2016-02-23	193.199997	191.988886	192.320007	190.630005	1	1.348157
2016-02-24	195.539993	192.493202	193.199997	193.729996	0	0.000000
2016-02-25	195.089996	195.026926	195.539993	196.570007	0	0.000000
2016-02-26	193.559998	194.976676	195.089996	195.110001	0	0.000000
2016-02-29	198.110001	193.402064	193.559998	195.009995	0	0.000000
2016-03-01	NaN	197.737472	198.110001	NaN	0	0.000000
1000 rows x 6	columns					

Figure 3.22

Figure 3.23

As per the previous results, it can be inferred that: when the model predicts strong next day's gains, the market significantly underperforms for at least the given test period. It is unlikely that this response will hold true in all scenarios. Markets tend to turn over from mean reversion schemes to schemes of trend persistence. The model is run over a different period for further testing. The data set is now 2000 data

samples and the range of observation is 1000 samples as shown in Figure 3.24. The new model returned an output of around 28 points. The output is compared to that of the inter-day strategy (Figure 3.25). It can be inferred that the new model outperformed the old model. However, more modifications should be done.

```
X train = sp20[:-2000]
y_train = sp20['Close'].shift(-1)[:-2000]
X test = sp20[-2000:-1000]
y_test = sp20['Close'].shift(-1)[-2000:-1000]
model = clf.fit(X_train, y_train)
preds = model.predict(X_test)
tf = pd.DataFrame(list(zip(y_test, preds)), columns=['Next Day Close','Predicted Next Close'], index=y_test.index)
cdc = sp[['Close']].iloc[-2000:-1000]
ndo = sp[['Open']].iloc[-2000:-1000].shift(-1)
tf1 = pd.merge(tf, cdc, left_index=True, right_index=True)
tf2 = pd.merge(tf1, ndo, left_index=True, right_index=True)
tf2.columns = ['Next Day Close', 'Predicted Next Close', 'Current Day Close', 'Next Day Open']
def get_signal(r):
    if r['Predicted Next Close'] > r['Next Day Open'] + 1:
         return 0
     else:
         return 1
def get_ret(r):
    if r['Signal'] == 1:
         return ((r['Next Day Close'] - r['Next Day Open'])/r['Next Day Open']) * 100
         return 0
tf2 = tf2.assign(Signal = tf2.apply(get_signal, axis=1))
tf2 = tf2.assign(PnL = tf2.apply(get_ret, axis=1))
(tf2[tf2['Signal']==1]['Next Day Close'] - tf2[tf2['Signal']==1]['Next Day Open']).sum()
```

Figure 3.24

```
(tf2[tf2['Signal']==1]['Next Day Close'] - tf2[tf2['Signal']==1]['Next Day Open']).sum()
Out[50]: 28.810020446777344
In [51]: (sp['Close'].iloc[-2000:-1000] - sp['Open'].iloc[-2000:-1000]).sum()
Out[51]: -7.090003967285156
```

Figure 3.25

4. Modeling with Dynamic Time Warping (DTW)

Comparing the statistical results in the previous section, it can be inferred that the regression model failed to match the inter-day return strategy. Therefore we are going to develop a new model using DTW algorithm trying to get better result.

Dynamic time warping (DTW) is one of the algorithms for measuring similarity between two temporal sequences, which may vary in speed. For instance, as it can be seen in the figure 4.1, similarities in walking could be detected using DTW, even if one person was walking faster than the other, or if there

were accelerations and decelerations during the course of an observation. DTW has been applied to temporal sequences of video, audio, and graphics data. A well-known application has been automatic speech recognition, to cope with different speaking speeds. Other applications include speaker recognition and online signature recognition. It can also be used in partial shape matching application.

In general, DTW is a method that calculates an optimal match between two given time series.

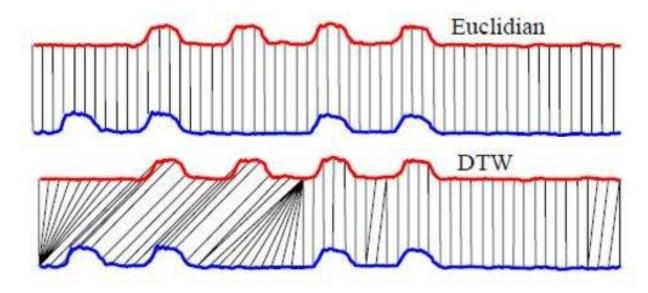


Figure 4.1

The following steps are followed in order to apply DTW on our data:

1- The extended data of close price are split into 5-day periods which is illustrated in the figure 4.2.

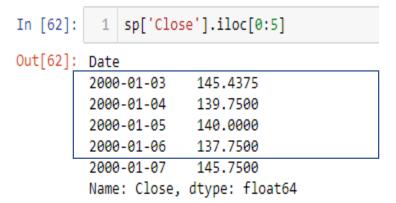


Figure 4.2

2- The percentage of change (Return) of the first 4-day of each period are calculated and used as time series (T.series), then each T.series is paired to the fifth day return (which is considered as label), that means the patterns of time series are compared to find out if the label is profitable or not. This is shown in the figure 4.3



Figure 4.3

3- The distance between each T.series against all others are calculated using DTW algorithm, the figure 4.4 shows the distance between every two time series and the return of each of them.



Figure 4.4

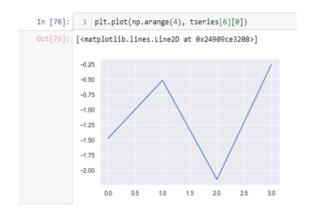
4- Some arrangement are done and shown in the figure 4.5 by removing the rows of zero distance (the same T.series), keeping only the optimal distance (less

than one), and keeping only the profitable return of the series A (positive return), a sample are shown in the figure 4.5

Out[57]:						
[]-		Α	В	Dist	A Ret	B Ret
	3312	4	69	0.778629	1.360843	-1.696072
	3439	4	196	0.608376	1.360843	0.410596
	3609	4	366	0.973192	1.360843	0.040522
	3790	4	547	0.832545	1.360843	-1.447712
	3891	4	648	0.548912	1.360843	-0.510458
	4035	4	792	0.740197	1.360843	0.819056
	5463	6	598	0.678315	1.180863	2.896685
	5489	6	624	0.897109	1.180863	0.757222
	7769	9	471	0.932647	2.333028	-0.212983
	13002	16	27	0.849448	0.754885	-0.571339
	14269	17	483	0.841603	2.285035	0.793407
	16369	20	150	0.164886	1.741904	-0.247414

Figure 4.5

5- To analyze the model, random T.series with positive return B is chosen and compared to T.series A by plotting them and comparing their curves, and that result in in identical curves as it is shown in then figure 4.6-a



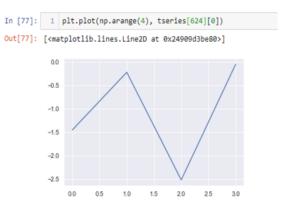


figure 4.6-a

On the other hand, if B T.series with negative return is chosen the curves will not be identical as the figure 4.6-b shows

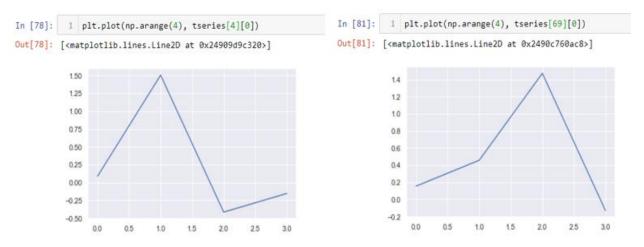


Figure 4.6-b

6- The previous steps lead us to predict tomorrow return by checking the curve of the current four days and comparing it to the curve of another T.series which has an optimal distance, if the curves are highly identical, then the return of tomorrow would be mostly profitable and then we buy the stock.

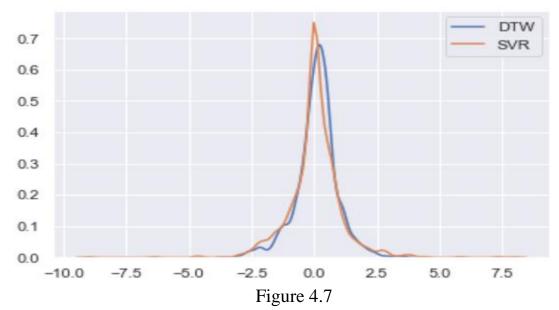
Out[57]:		A	В	Dist	A Ret	B Ret
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	3891	4	648	0.548912	1.360843	-0.510458
	4035	4	792	0.740197	1.360843	0.819056
	-	4	*	Optimal (<0)	1.360843	Mostly positive

Figure 4.7

The Statisctics of applying DTW are shown in the table 4.1 and the figure 4.7, and it can be seen the higher sharp value and mean we got comparing to the regression model studied before.

Trades	729	Standard Deviation	0.801
Wins	439	Max Loss	-3.591
Losses	287	Max Win	3.454
Breakeven	3	Sharpe Ratio	1.9731
Win/Loss Ratio	1.53	Mean	0.1
Mean Win	0.566	Mean Loss	-0.613

Table 4.1



Comparing all startegies

	Mean Win	STD	Sharp ratio
Extened(Daily return)	0,769	1,212	0,274
Extened (inter-day)	0,643	1,004	0,0211
Extened(OVER-Night)	0,415	0,656	0,4619
SVR	0452	0,71	0,18
DTW	0,566	0,801	1,9731

Table 4.2