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Abstract

Objective:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} \\ & x_T^T \alpha \\ & \text{s.t.} \\ & \alpha \in \Delta_N \\ & (1 - \gamma) \max_{s \in 0, \dots, t} x_s^T \alpha - x_t^T \alpha \leq 0, \forall t. \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

Here, γ is the drawdown tolerance, x_t the portfolio price vector at t , and α is the asset.

If we define m_t as an "envelope" for the series maximum, then minimizing the following problem is equivalent to minimize the original problem:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize} \\ & (-\lambda_1 x_T, \lambda_2 \mathbf{1}_N)^T (\alpha, m) \\ & \text{s.t.} \\ & -\alpha \leq 0 \\ & (1 - \gamma)m_t - x_t^T \alpha \leq 0, \quad t = 1, \dots, N \\ & m_t - m_{t+1} \leq 0, \quad t = 1, \dots, N - 1 \\ & x_t^T \alpha - m_t \leq 0, \quad t = 2, \dots, T \\ & \mathbf{1}^T \alpha - 1 = 0 \\ & m_1 - x_1^T \alpha = 0 \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$