

Portfolio specification, constraints, and objectives

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Workflow overview

General portfolio optimization problem workflow in PortfolioAnalytics :

- Portfolio specification
- Add constraints and objectives
- Run optimization
- Analyze optimization results

Workflow: portfolio specification

```
portfolio.spec(assets = NULL, ...)
```

```
# Character vector of assets
```

```
portfolio.spec(assets = c("SP00", "DJIA", "Nasdaq", "FTSE100", "DAX", "CAC40"))
```

```
# Named vector of assets with initial weights
```

```
initial_weights <- c("SP500" = 0.5, "FTSE100" = 0.3, "NIKKEI" = 0.2)
```

```
portfolio.spec(assets = initial_weights)
```

```
# Scalar of number of assets
```

```
portfolio.spec(assets = 4)
```

```
add.constraint(portfolio,  
               type = c("weight_sum", "box", "full_investment", ...),  
               ...)
```

```
# Initialize portfolio specification
```

```
p <- portfolio.spec(assets = 4)
```

```
# Add full investment constraint
```

```
p <- add.constraint(portfolio = p, type = "weight_sum",  
                   min_sum = 1, max_sum = 1)
```

```
# Add box constraint
```

```
p <- add.constraint(portfolio = p, type = "box",  
                   min = 0.2, max = 0.6)
```

```
add.objective(portfolio,  
              type = c("return", "risk", ...),  
              name,  
              arguments = NULL,  
              ... )
```

```
# Initialize portfolio specification  
p <- portfolio.spec(assets = 4)  
# Add mean return objective  
p <- add.objective(portfolio = p, type = "return", name = "mean")  
  
# Add expected shortfall risk objective  
p <- add.objective(portfolio = p, type = "risk", name = "ES",  
                  arguments = list(p= 0.9, method = "gaussian"))
```

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Running optimizations

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Single period optimization

- Single period optimization with `optimize.portfolio()`
- Optimization with periodic rebalancing (backtesting) with `optimize.portfolio.rebalancing()`

Single period optimization

```
optimize.portfolio(R, portfolio = NULL,  
  optimize_method = c("DEoptim", "random", "ROI", ...),  
  search_size = 20000, trace = TRUE,  
  momentFUN = "set.portfolio.moments",  
  ...)
```

```
optimize.portfolio.rebalancing(R, portfolio = NULL,  
  optimize_method = c("DEoptim", "random", "ROI", ...),  
  search_size = 20000, trace = TRUE,  
  rebalance_on = "quarters",  
  training_period,  
  rolling_window,  
  momentFUN = "set.portfolio.moments",  
  ...)
```

Optimization methods

The following optimization methods are supported:

Global Solvers:

- *DEoptim*: Differential Evolution Optimization
- *random*: Random Portfolios Optimization
- *GenSA*: Generalized Simulated AnnealingAnalyze optimization results
- *pso*: Particle Swarm Optimization

LP and QP Solvers:

- *ROI*: R Optimization Infrastructure for linear and quadratic programming solvers

```
data(edhec)
ret <- edhec[,1:6]
# Portfolio
p <- portfolio.spec(assets = colnames(ret))
p <- add.constraint(portfolio = p, type = "full_investment")
p <- add.constraint(portfolio = p, type = "long_only")
p <- add.objective(portfolio = p, type = "risk", name = "StdDev")

# Optimizations
opt_single <- optimize.portfolio(R = ret, portfolio = p, optimize_method = "ROI")

opt_rebal <- optimize.portfolio.rebalancing(R = ret, portfolio = p,
                                             optimize_method = "ROI",
                                             rebalance_on = "years",
                                             training_period = 60,
                                             rolling_window = 60)
```

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Analyzing optimization results

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Workflow: analyze results

Visualization	Data Extraction
<code>plot()</code>	<code>extractObjectiveMeasures()</code>
<code>chart.Concentration()</code>	<code>extractStats()</code>
<code>chart.EfficientFrontier()</code>	<code>extractWeights()</code>
<code>chart.RiskReward()</code>	<code>print()</code>
<code>chart.RiskBudget()</code>	<code>summary()</code>
<code>chart.Weights()</code>	

Example: extract weights

```
# Extract the optimal weights  
extractWeights(opt)
```

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0.000000e+00	6.515184e-02	5.840055e-18
Emerging Markets	Equity Market Neutral	Event Driven
-8.501425e-18	9.348482e-01	4.105887e-18

Example: extract weights

```
head(extractWeights(opt_rebal), n = 3)
```

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2002-12-31	0.08738164	0.08645814	0.00000000
2003-12-31	0.09177469	0.03192720	0.02419038?

	Emerging Markets	Equity Market Neutral	Event Driven
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2002-12-31	-2.553006e-19	0.8261602	-3.837233e-17
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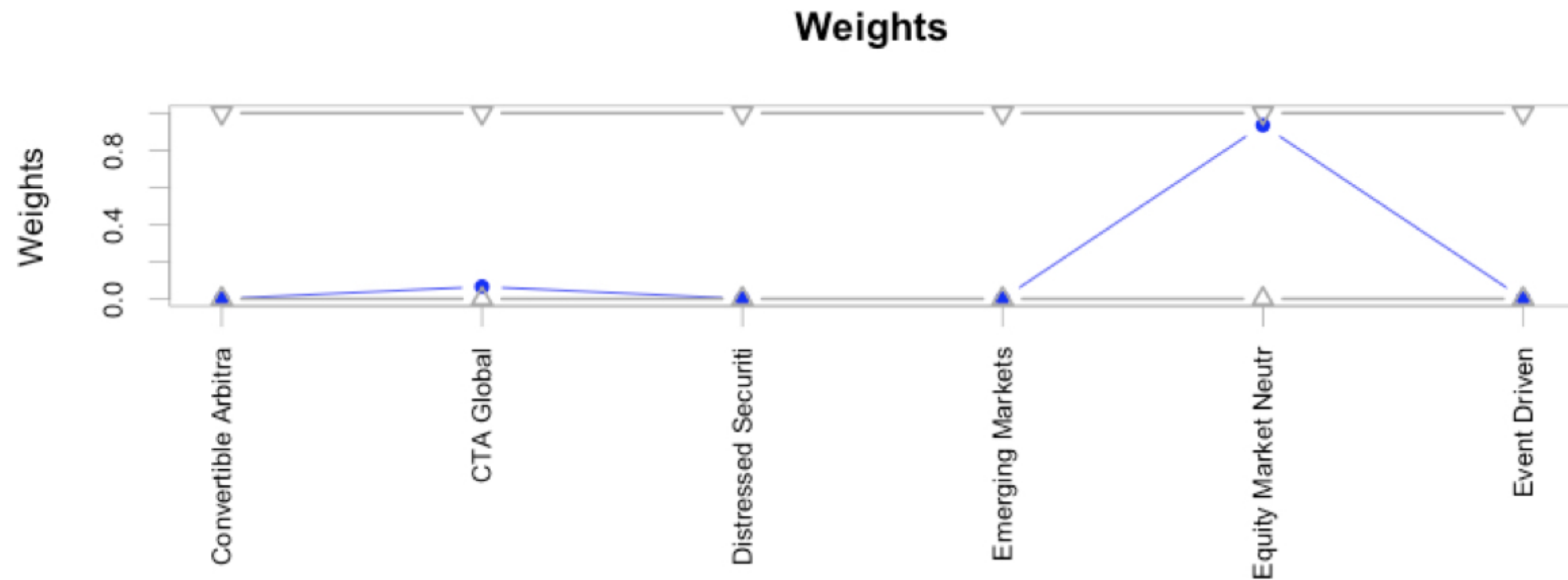
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# Chart the weights
```

```
chart.Weights(opt)
```

```
chart.Weights(opt_rebal)
```

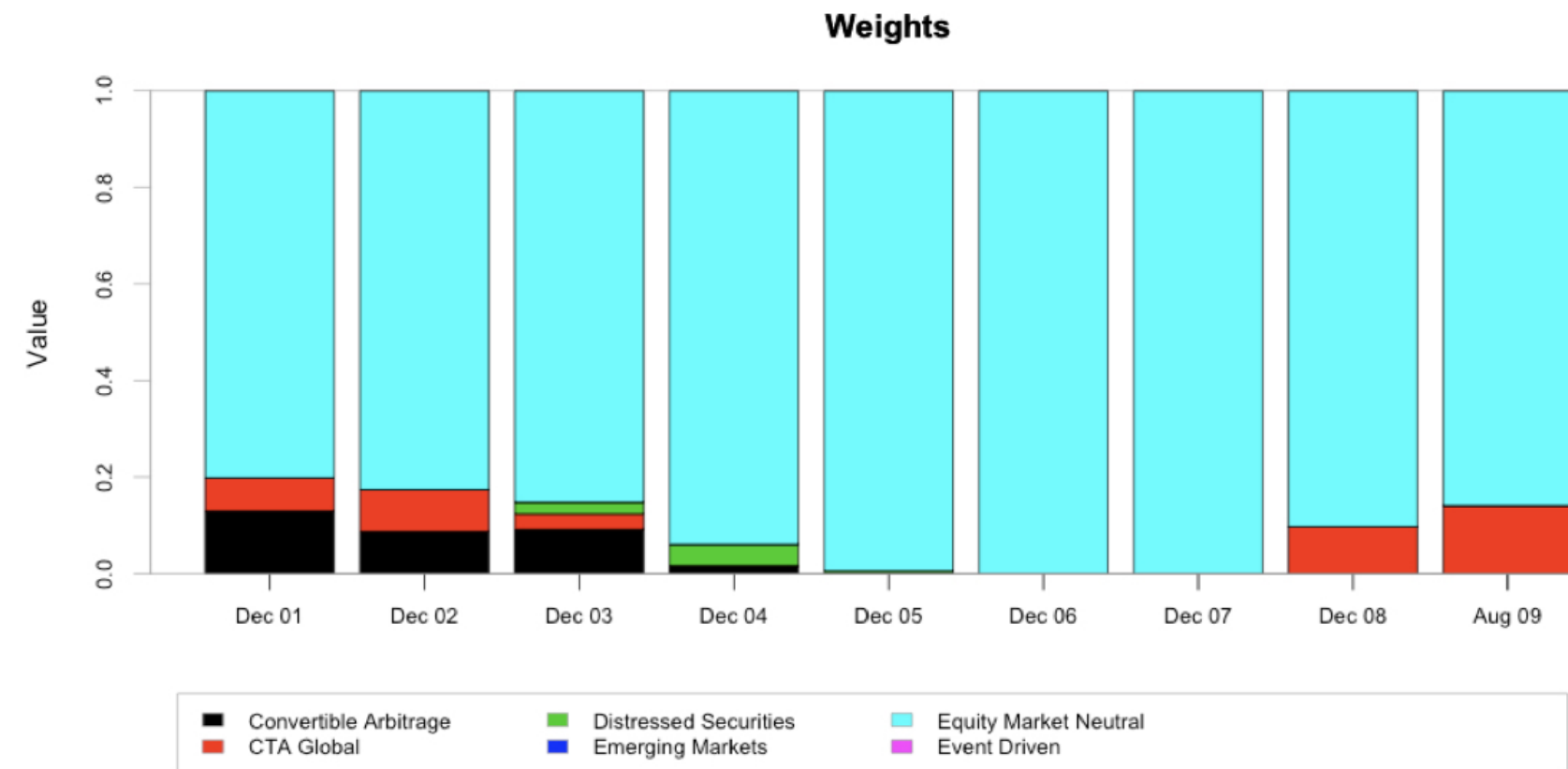


Example: chart weights

```
# Chart the weights
```

```
chart.Weights(opt)
```

```
chart.Weights(opt_rebal)
```



```
# Extract the objective measures
extractObjectiveMeasures(opt)
```

```
$StdDev
      StdDev
0.008855401
```

```
head(extractObjectiveMeasures(opt_rebal))
```

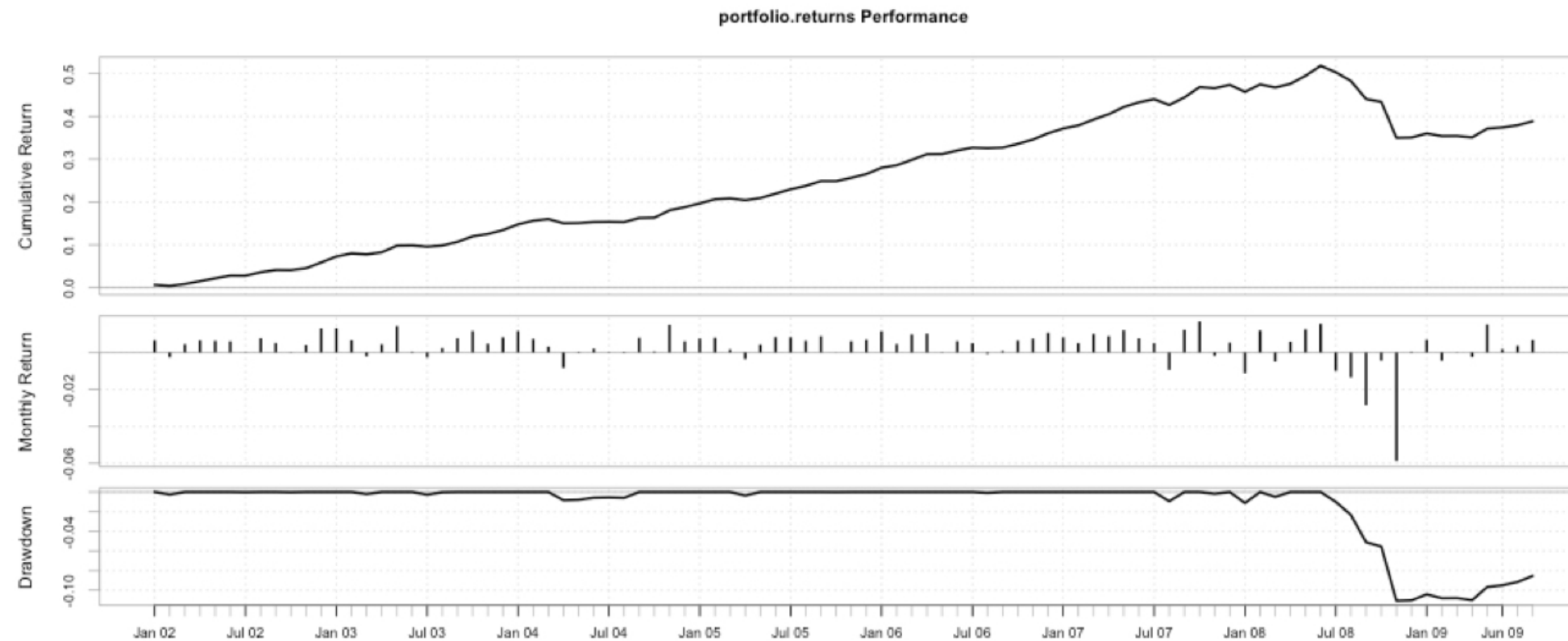
```
          StdDev
2001-12-31 0.006521328
2002-12-31 0.005886103
2003-12-31 0.005656744
2004-12-31 0.005855993
2005-12-31 0.004308911
2006-12-31 0.004198900
```

Example: optimization analysis

```
# Compute the rebalancing returns
```

```
rr <- Return.portfolio(ret, weights = extractWeights(opt_rebal))
```

```
charts.PerformanceSummary(rr)
```



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