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In [1]: import matplotlib
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
matplotlib.style.use('ggplot')

from IPython.core.display import display, HTML
display(HTML("<style>.container { width:100% !important; }</style>"))

import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
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# Leveraged Portfolios

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/130%E2%80%93fund>

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## A 130/30 Equity Portfolio

- Allocate capital  $C = 1$ . Sell short at most  $c = 0.3$  to finance a long position of  $1 + c$ .
- Universe of  $n$  assets.

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{x}^* &= \arg \max_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \mu^T \mathbf{x} \\
&\text{s.t. } \sum x_i = 1 \\
&\quad \sum |x_i| \leq 1 + 2c \\
&\quad \sqrt{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{C} \mathbf{x}} \leq \sigma_{\max}
\end{aligned}$$

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In [2]: from cvx.util import cvx, maximize

# make some random data, e.g. cov-matrix and expected returns
n = 100
c = 0.9
C = c * np.ones((n, n)) + (1 - c) * np.eye(n)
mu = 0.05 * np.sin(range(0, n))
# maximal volatility and leverage...
sigma_max = 1.0
excess = 0.3

x = cvx.Variable(n)
constraints = [cvx.sum(x)==1, cvx.norm(x,1)<=1+2*excess, cvx.quad_form(x,C)<=sigma_max**2]
maximize(objective=x.T*mu, constraints=constraints)
f = x.value

print("Sum of positive weights: {0}".format(np.sum(f[f > 0])))
print("Sum of negative weights: {0}".format(np.sum(f[f < 0])))
print("Sum of all weights: {0}".format(np.sum(f)))
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Sum of positive weights: 1.2999999974815202
Sum of negative weights: -0.29999999748158745
Sum of all weights: 0.99999999999999326
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# Summary

- Leverage is here a constraint for the 1-norm of the weight vector.
- Note that we do not solve two problems for the short and long part of the portfolio.