### Data Cleaning & Visualization

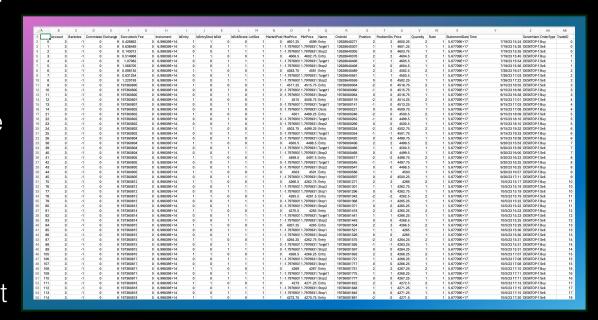
using futures market trading data

- This project will consist of the start-to-finish conversion of raw data into a legible and interactive Excel dashboard.
- To create a scenario, we will be evaluating the performance of an S&P500 day trader with a \$10,000 simulation account. Data was pulled from historical simulation orders on a real trading platform.
- We will use the dashboard to develop insights and recommend changes to the trader's approach.

#### Raw Data & Cleaning

.SQLite & Python

- 63 trade orders are downloaded as a .SQLite file and converted into a .csv file readable by Python and Excel.
- With Python, the data is cleaned to group individual orders into clusters which make up each trade so the trades themselves could be analyzed.
- Unneeded information is removed and raw 18-digit timestamps are converted to M-DD-YYYY HH:MM format.
- The data is then exported to a new .csv file to be sent to Excel.



### Analyzing Data & Building Metrics

Excel

- Cleaned data is organized and analyzed in excel, with contextual information being created from existing data to complete the picture of the trader's performance.
- Important trading metrics are derived from the new information, such as win/loss rate and number of trades executed.
- Pivot tables are created to build charts which will be included in the final dashboard.



## Building Dashboard Excel

- Using charts already made from pivot tables, visuals are organized into dashboard. Slicers are added for appropriate charts to allow closer examination of dates, order types, and individual trades.
- Key trading metrics are linked from our trade log to summarize performance.

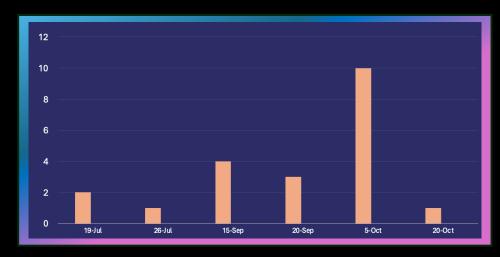


## Insights & Recommendations analysis

- From the final results, this trader's performance seems a success:
  - A final return of +2.38% or \$237.50 on a \$10,000 account in 6 trading days
  - A 2.00 or 200% win ratio (trader won twice as many trades as they lost)
- Within the context of the data we analyzed, however, these figures suggest inconsistency:
  - The height of the trader's account was almost \$800 more than their final balance, an 8% fluctuation on the initial account in just over a week (the maximum drawdown of the dataset being over 10%).
  - Almost half of the total trades were taken in one day (Oct 5), resulting in the highest losses by far, wiping out the success of earlier trading days and hindering the success of subsequent trading days.
  - Losses that day were roughly 10x those of the next highest-loss day.



Highest loss day (Oct 5) compared to next highest loss day (Sept 20)



Number of trades executed by day

# Insights & Recommendations analysis

- Any trader's goals should be to minimize losses and take profits in a consistent manner to secure long-term gains.
- o From these outliers we can suggest some amendments to the trader's approach.
  - Limit losses per day to 1 or 2. Despite a 200% win rate, the trader has had substantial losses, suggesting win-side trades are much less significant than loss-side trades in their strategy.
     When the loss limit is hit, stop trading.
  - Limit trades per day to 1-3. Profitable days had between 1 and 4 trades. As we can see from our outlier, more trades could lead to the extinguishing of any profits made. A streak of too many winning trades can also lead to recklessness.
  - Stop trading for the day if the next loss could put you below the minimum account balance. The
    first dip below the minimum balance could have been avoided if the trader had stopped at 2,
    even 3 losses that day.