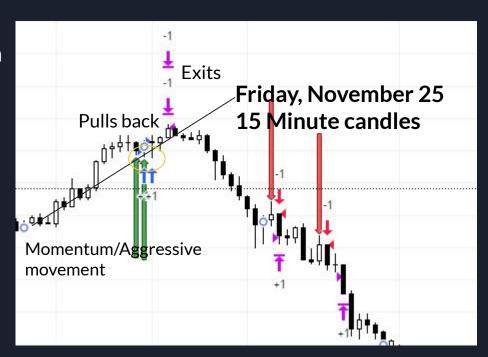
Crude Oil Fully Automated Trader

Purpose

- Automatically buy and sell crude oil futures
- Algo has no human emotions: great scalability
- Futures margin
- Diversification, I only trade SP500 derivatives
- 23/6 trading

Functionality

- 1. Identifies when momentum is present
- 2. Recognizes trend overextensions
- 3. Enters on retracement
- 4. Exits calculated using current volatility



Backtesting Results

- Results over past 3 months
- Starting capital of \$20,000 (lower amount possible)
- Position size scales with account size
- Slippage accounted for (difference between expected price of a trade and actual)*



Backtesting Results cont.

- Sharpe Ratio(risk-adjusted return)
 - Although < 1, day trading is aggressive
- Big drawdown occurs
 - Could be fixed by optimizing position sizing
- Short trades make considerably more than long trades given past 3 months

Sharpe Ratio 0.795

Max Drawdown 53 160.00 USD 39.3%

Total: 1.184 Long: 1.064 Short: 1.334

Performance Summary: Profit Factor \mathscr{Q}

The amount of money a trading strategy made for every unit of money it lost (in the selected currency). This value is calculated by dividing gross profits by gross losses.

Possible Limitations

- Lack of data only goes back to September 1st (~3 months)
 - Counter: few constants in calculations, very volatility based, longs and shorts
 - Can always tweak numbers
- Liquidity entries tend to be accurate
 - Big institutional position sizing
 - Vs. for a retail trader (me)
- Actual slippage has a significant impact on results



Trading range	2022-08-31 22:45 — 2022-12-01 09:15
Backtesting range	2022-08-31 18:00 — 2022-12-01 09:15

What's Next?

- Implement code to send orders via a broker (Tradovate API)
- Strategy optimizations win rate is subpar
- Position sizing
 - Regression optimization based on volatility, time of day, etc

MCL Micro Cru	de Oil		
SPECIFICATIONS	TRADING HOURS	FEES	MARGIN VIEWALL
Value Per Point	Sunday Open	Exchange Fee	Day
\$100.00	17:00 (CT)	\$0.50	\$100.00
Months (?)	Open	NFA Fee	Night
FGHJKMNQUVXZ	17:00 (CT)	\$0.02	-
Tick	Close	Clearing Fee	Initial
0.01 / \$1.00	16:00 (CT)	\$0.09	\$825.00

CL Crude Oil			
SPECIFICATIONS	TRADING HOURS	FEES	MARGIN VIEW ALL
Value Per Point	Sunday Open	Exchange Fee	Day
\$1000.00	17:00 (CT)	\$1.50	\$2000.00
Months ?	Open	NFA Fee	Night
FGHJKMNQUVXZ	17:00 (CT)	\$0.02	-
Tick	Close	Clearing Fee	Initial
0.01 / \$10.00	16:00 (CT)	\$0.09	\$8250.00

Process behind this, DIY



What patterns are noticed?



Tweak Values

How can the strategy be optimized?

Formulate Hypothesis

How can the patterns be quantified?

Test With Code

How can the hypothesis be represented with code?

Q&A

02/2023 Addendum

I worked on optimizing this strategy for another month after presenting to BUFC and now have access to 8 months of data to backtest on. Now, results are not near the ~400% as shown, closer to 200% over an 8 month period, leading me to believe that overfitting was present for the original, presented strategy. I have put the development of this strategy on hold to focus on other strategies, as this model seems too unreliable.