

Our Team





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Executive Summary



Issues



Difficulties in making timely trades.

Difficulties in maximising total profit and loss.

Objective



To forecast future market expectations of the SPY ETF Trust with a trading algorithm, and make accurate, time-sensitive trades that maximise our profits.

Solution



Implement numerous trading strategies and fit them to a trading hypothesis, back tested against historical data.

```
# The function which signals when to buy & sell the asset/stock/ETF
FUNCTION buy_sell(data):
    sigPriceBuy <- []
    sigPriceSell <- []
    flag <- -1
    shares_trans <- 1000 # amount to buy per transaction
    capital <- 1000000 # starting capital of $1 million
    shares_traded <- 0
    shares owned <- 0
    for i in range of data:
        IF current 'SMA30' > 'SMA100' AND 'ETF'-'VWAP' <= 5:
            IF flag != 1:
                ACTION: BUY
               OUTPUT "buy signal + amount"
           ELSE:
               ACTION: NO ACTION
           ENDIF
        ELSE IF current 'SMA30' < 'SMA100' AND 'VWAP'-'ETF' <= 5:
           IF flag != 0:
                ACTION: SELL
                OUTPUT "sell signal + amount"
               ACTION: NO ACTION
           ENDIF
        ELSE:
           ACTION: NO ACTION
        ENDIF
    RETURN (buy & sell signals, capital, shares_owned, shares_traded)
```



Discovery Phase



To develop an accurate trading algorithm, the team underwent a discovery phase to better understand existing models and



Assumptions

No recessions in the future.

Prioritise total profit & loss over all other metrics.

Only take Long positions.

No Trading fees.

Once a day trading period.



Potential Strategies

Trend Following Strategy

• Trading based on market momentum

Trading Range

• Trading between range of prices.

Percent of Volume (POV)

• Execute order quantity as percentage of total volume traded.

Investment Idea



The team will develop a trading algorithm which enacts the following strategy with the appropriate predictor variables and iterative testing phases.



STRATEGY

Moving Average Crossover

 Using two moving averages to determine buy/sell signals

Weighted Average Strategy

 Additionally, took into consideration TWAP and MVWAP periods as buy/sell indicators



PREDICTOR VARIABLES

Simple Moving Average (SMA)

• Identify performance in range

Volume Weighted Average Price (VWAP)

Benchmark with insight into trend, volume, and value.

Time Weighted Average Price (TWAP)

• Dissect large orders into smaller orders.

Code Implementation - Pseudocode



We implemented appropriate code based on our researched trading strategies and investment hypothesis.

```
# The function which signals when to buy & sell the asset/stock/ETF
FUNCTION buy_sell(data):
    sigPriceBuy <- []
    sigPriceSell <- []
    flag <- -1
    shares_trans <- 3000 # amount to buy per transaction
    capital <- 1000000 # starting capital of 1 million
    shares_traded <- 0
    shares_owned <- 0
    for i in range of data:
        IF current 'SMA10' > 'SMA30' AND 'ETF'-'VWAP' <= 1:
            IF flag != 1:
                ACTION: BUY
                OUTPUT "buy signal + amount"
            ELSE:
                ACTION: NO ACTION
            ENDIF
        ELSE IF current 'SMA10' < 'SMA30' AND 'VWAP'-'ETF' <= 1:
            IF flag != 0:
                ACTION: SELL
                OUTPUT "sell signal + amount"
            ELSE:
                ACTION: NO ACTION
            ENDIF
        ELSE:
            ACTION: NO ACTION
        ENDIF
    ENDFOR
    RETURN (buy & sell signals, capital, shares_owned, shares_traded)
```

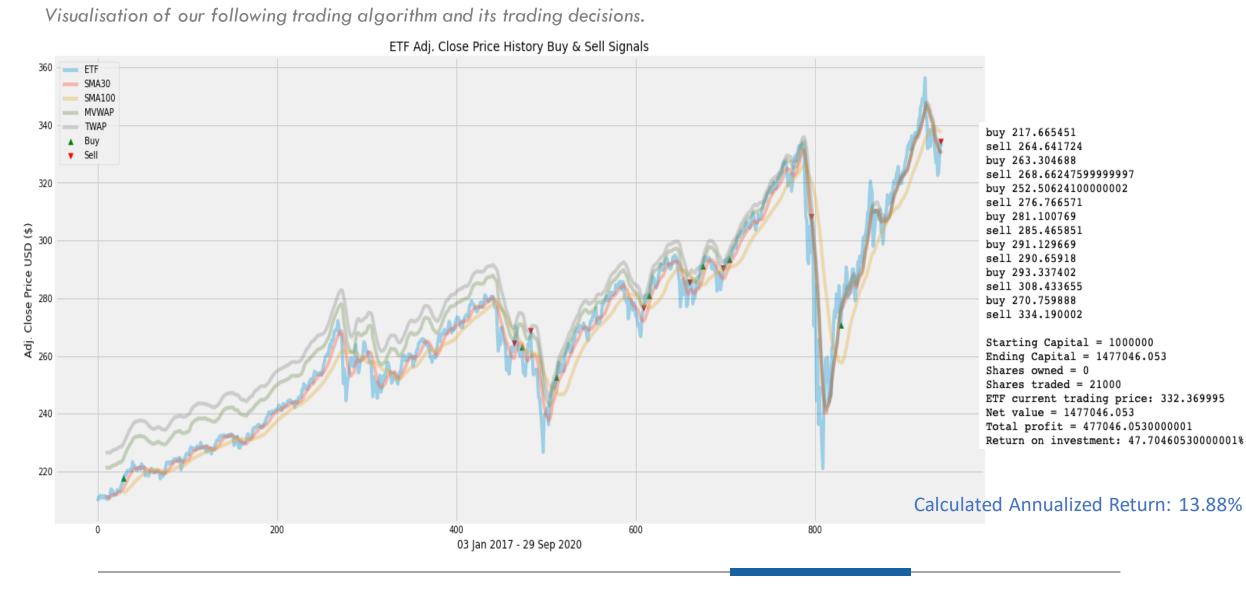


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if short-term avg > long-term avg and stock_price is close to vwap:
    execute buy order

else if short-term avg < long-term avg and stock_price is close to vwap:
    execute sell order</pre>
```

Results





Looking Forward



The following are identified improvements that can be made to our algorithm to further improve accuracy and performance.

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