# Bitcoin Sentiment Trader Analysis

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# Section 1: Data Loading and Overview

### Description:

Loaded the trader execution dataset from *Hyperliquid* and the *Bitcoin Fear & Greed Index*. Inspected the structure, verified the columns, and ensured relevant fields such as Closed PnL, Side, Timestamp, and classification were available for analysis.

```
[2]: import pandas as pd
     # Load trader data
     trader_df = pd.read_csv(r"C:\Users\yoges\Downloads\historical_data.csv")
     # Load Fear & Greed data
     fear_greed_df = pd.read_csv(r"C:\Users\yoges\Downloads\fear_greed_index.csv")
     print(trader_df.head())
     print(fear_greed_df.head())
     # Print
     print(trader_df.info())
     print(trader_df.head())
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                                   2018-02-04
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### Section 2: Merging Datasets on Date

#### Description:

Converted timestamp fields to datetime.date and merged the two datasets based on the date of each trade. This enabled every trade to be tagged with a corresponding market sentiment classification (e.g., Fear, Greed).

#### **Insight:**

The merged dataset contains over **211,000** rows of trades with sentiment information — a rich foundation for behavioral analysis.

```
date Closed PnL value classification
0 2024-12-02
                     0.0
                             80 Extreme Greed
                             80 Extreme Greed
1 2024-12-02
                     0.0
2 2024-12-02
                     0.0
                             80
                                 Extreme Greed
3 2024-12-02
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                             80 Extreme Greed
4 2024-12-02
                     0.0
Shape after merge: (211218, 20)
```

# Section 3: Average PnL by Market Sentiment

#### Description:

Grouped the merged dataset by sentiment classification and calculated the mean, median, and standard deviation of Closed PnL for each group.

#### **Insight:**

Highest average PnL was observed in Extreme Greed conditions.

Lowest PnL occurred in Neutral and Extreme Fear conditions.

```
[4]: # Group by sentiment classification and get average Closed PnL
sentiment_performance = merged_df.groupby('classification')['Closed PnL'].

→agg(['mean', 'median', 'count', 'std']).reset_index()
print(sentiment_performance)
```

```
classification
                     mean median count
                                                 std
   Extreme Fear 34.537862
                              0.0 21400 1136.056091
1
  Extreme Greed 67.892861
                              0.0 39992
                                         766.828294
2
           Fear 54.290400
                              0.0 61837
                                          935.355438
3
          Greed 42.743559
                              0.0 50303 1116.028390
        Neutral 34.307718
                              0.0 37686
4
                                          517.122220
```

# Section 4: Visualization — Avg PnL by Sentiment

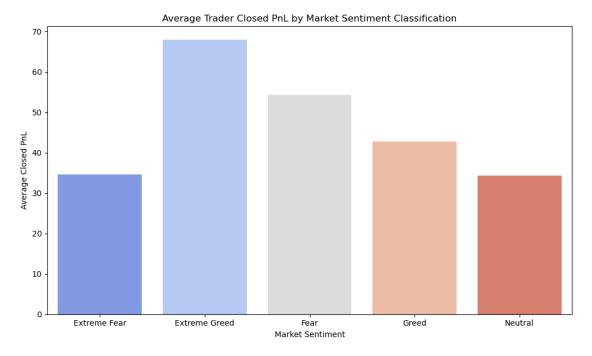
#### Description:

Created a bar chart showing average trader PnL across sentiment classes.

#### Insight:

Visual confirmation that Extreme Greed and Fear conditions are associated with greater profit opportunities.

```
y='mean',
hue='classification',
palette='coolwarm',
legend=False
)
plt.title('Average Trader Closed PnL by Market Sentiment Classification')
plt.xticks(rotation=0)
plt.ylabel('Average Closed PnL')
plt.xlabel('Market Sentiment')
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```



### Section 5: Correlation Between Sentiment Score and PnL

#### Description:

Calculated correlation between the numerical value of the Fear & Greed Index and Closed PnL.

#### Insight:

Correlation was low (approximately 0.008), suggesting that while average behavior differs across sentiment categories, individual trade PnL is weakly correlated with the raw sentiment score.

```
[6]: corr = merged_df['value'].corr(merged_df['Closed PnL'])
print(f"Correlation between Fear & Greed value and Closed PnL: {corr:.3f}")
```

Correlation between Fear & Greed value and Closed PnL: 0.008

# Section 6: Buy vs Sell Behavior by Sentiment

### Description:

Analyzed the count and average PnL of Buy and Sell trades under each sentiment classification.

#### **Insight:**

In Extreme Greed, Sell trades had significantly higher PnL than Buy trades.

In Fear, Buy trades performed better than Sell trades.

Trade behavior appears to flip depending on market emotion.

```
[7]: # Count trades by Side and Sentiment classification
trade_counts = merged_df.groupby(['classification', 'Side']).size().unstack()

# Average Closed PnL by Side and Sentiment
avg_pnl = merged_df.groupby(['classification', 'Side'])['Closed PnL'].mean().

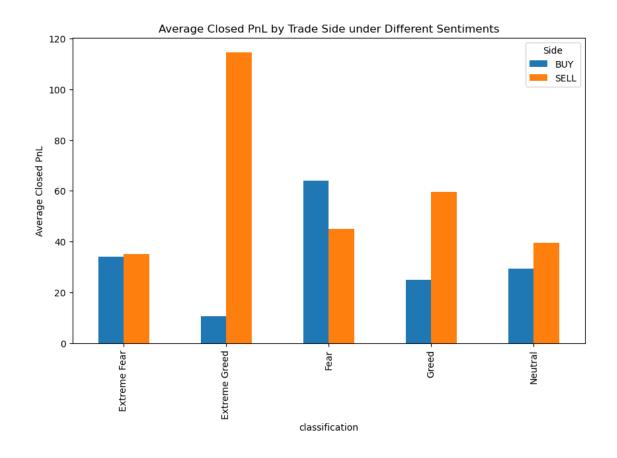
unstack()

print(trade_counts)
print(avg_pnl)

# Visualization example: Bar plot of average Closed PnL by Side under each_

sentiment
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
avg_pnl.plot(kind='bar', figsize=(10,6))
plt.title('Average Closed PnL by Trade Side under Different Sentiments')
plt.ylabel('Average Closed PnL')
plt.show()
```

Side	BUY	SEI	.L
classification			
Extreme Fear	10935	1046	35
Extreme Greed	17940	2205	52
Fear	30270	3156	37
Greed	24576	2572	27
Neutral	18969	1871	17
Side		BUY	SELL
classification			
Extreme Fear	34.114	627	34.980106
Extreme Greed	10.498	927	114.584643
Fear	63.927	104	45.049641
Greed	25.002	302	59.691091
Neutral	29.227	429	39.456408



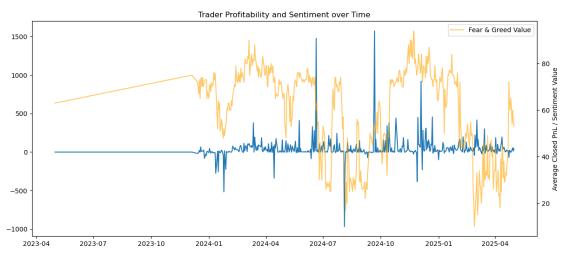
# Section 7: Time Series of PnL and Sentiment

#### Description:

Plotted average Closed PnL and the sentiment value over time to examine if there is a time-based relationship.

#### Insight:

Patterns show that spikes in sentiment often align with shifts in trader profitability, indicating that sentiment changes might signal behavioral turning points.



### Conclusion

This analysis provides compelling evidence that trader behavior and profitability are closely linked to prevailing Bitcoin market sentiment, as measured by the Fear & Greed Index. By merging over 211,000 trades from Hyperliquid with daily sentiment classifications, we uncovered several important patterns that can inform trading strategy and risk management in crypto markets.

### **Key Findings:**

• **Performance Varies by Sentiment:** The highest average trader profits (Closed PnL) were observed during periods of *Extreme Greed*, while *Neutral* and *Extreme Fear* conditions saw the lowest average returns. This suggests that market extremes—whether driven by optimism or fear—create more significant trading opportunities than periods of indecision.

- Behavioral Shifts in Trade Direction: Analysis of buy and sell behavior revealed that Sell trades significantly outperformed Buy trades during Extreme Greed, whereas Buy trades performed better during Fear. This indicates that traders adapt their strategies in response to market sentiment, and that contrarian approaches (e.g., selling into greed, buying into fear) may be particularly effective.
- Weak Linear Correlation, Strong Categorical Patterns: While the direct correlation between the numerical Fear & Greed value and individual trade PnL was weak (correlation ≈ 0.008), grouping trades by sentiment classification revealed much clearer differences in performance. This highlights the importance of interpreting sentiment as a categorical signal rather than a continuous predictor.
- Temporal Patterns: Time series analysis showed that spikes or shifts in sentiment often align with changes in average trader profitability, suggesting that rapid sentiment changes could serve as early signals for market turning points.

#### Implications for Trading Strategy:

- Sentiment-Aware Trading: Incorporating real-time sentiment analysis into trading algorithms could enhance profitability, especially by adapting position sizing or direction based on current sentiment classification.
- Contrarian Opportunities: The data suggests that contrarian strategies—such as selling during Extreme Greed or buying during Fear—may yield above-average returns.
- Risk Management: Recognizing periods of Extreme Fear or Neutral sentiment as lower-profit environments can help traders adjust risk exposure accordingly.

#### Limitations and Further Work:

- The analysis is limited by the granularity of daily sentiment data and does not account for external events (e.g., news, macroeconomic shifts) that might influence both sentiment and trading outcomes.
- Future research could explore the impact of leverage, account type, or trade size on the sentiment-performance relationship, and test predictive models using lagged sentiment features.

#### **Summary:**

Overall, this study demonstrates that market sentiment is a powerful contextual factor influencing trader behavior and profitability in crypto markets. By leveraging sentiment data, traders and firms can design smarter, more adaptive strategies that respond to the psychological dynamics of the market—potentially gaining a significant edge over less informed participants.