

04_factor_evaluation

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1 Alpha Factor Evaluation

```
[1]: import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
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```
[43]: %matplotlib inline

import os, sys
from time import time

from pathlib import Path
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import pandas_datareader.data as web

import statsmodels.api as sm
from sklearn.feature_selection import mutual_info_regression
from sklearn.preprocessing import scale
import lightgbm as lgb
from scipy.stats import spearmanr
from tqdm import tqdm
import shap

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
```

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[3]: sys.path.insert(1, os.path.join(sys.path[0], '..'))
from utils import MultipleTimeSeriesCV
```

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[4]: sns.set_style('whitegrid')
idx = pd.IndexSlice
deciles = np.arange(.1, 1, .1).round(1)
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[19]: results_path = Path('results')
if not results_path.exists():
    results_path.mkdir()
```

1.1 Load Data

```
[5]: factors = (pd.concat([pd.read_hdf('data.h5', 'factors/common'),
                             pd.read_hdf('data.h5', 'factors/formulaic')
                             .rename(columns=lambda x: f'alpha_{int(x):03}']],
                             axis=1)
                             .dropna(axis=1, thresh=100000)
                             .sort_index())
```

```
[6]: factors.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
MultiIndex: 1255093 entries, ('A', Timestamp('2007-01-04 00:00:00')) to ('ZION',
Timestamp('2016-12-29 00:00:00'))
Columns: 135 entries, sector to alpha_101
dtypes: float64(123), int64(12)
memory usage: 1.3+ GB
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[7]: fwd_returns = factors.filter(like='fwd').columns
features = factors.columns.difference(fwd_returns).tolist()
alphas = pd.Index([f for f in features if f.startswith('alpha')])
```

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[8]: features
```

```
[8]: ['AARONOSC',
      'AD',
      'ADOSC',
      'ADX',
      'ADXR',
      'ALPHA_21',
      'ALPHA_252',
      'ALPHA_63',
      'ATR',
      'BB_LOW',
      'BB_SQUEEZE',
      'BB_UP',
      'BOP',
      'CCI',
      'CMA_21',
      'CMA_252',
      'CMA_63',
      'HML_21',
      'HML_252',
      'HML_63',
      'HT',
      'MACD',
      'MACD_HIST',
      'MACD_SIGNAL',
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'MARKET_21',
'MARKET_252',
'MARKET_63',
'MFI',
'OBV',
'PPO',
'RMW_21',
'RMW_252',
'RMW_63',
'RSI',
'SAR',
'SMB_21',
'SMB_252',
'SMB_63',
'STOCH',
'STOCHRSI',
'ULTOSC',
'WILLR',
'alpha_001',
'alpha_002',
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'alpha_095',
'alpha_098',

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'alpha_099',  
'alpha_101',  
'ret_01',  
'ret_02',  
'ret_03',  
'ret_04',  
'ret_05',  
'ret_10',  
'ret_126',  
'ret_21',  
'ret_252',  
'ret_42',  
'ret_63',  
'sector',  
'size_factor',  
'size_proxy']
```

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[9]: len(alphas)
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[9]: 78
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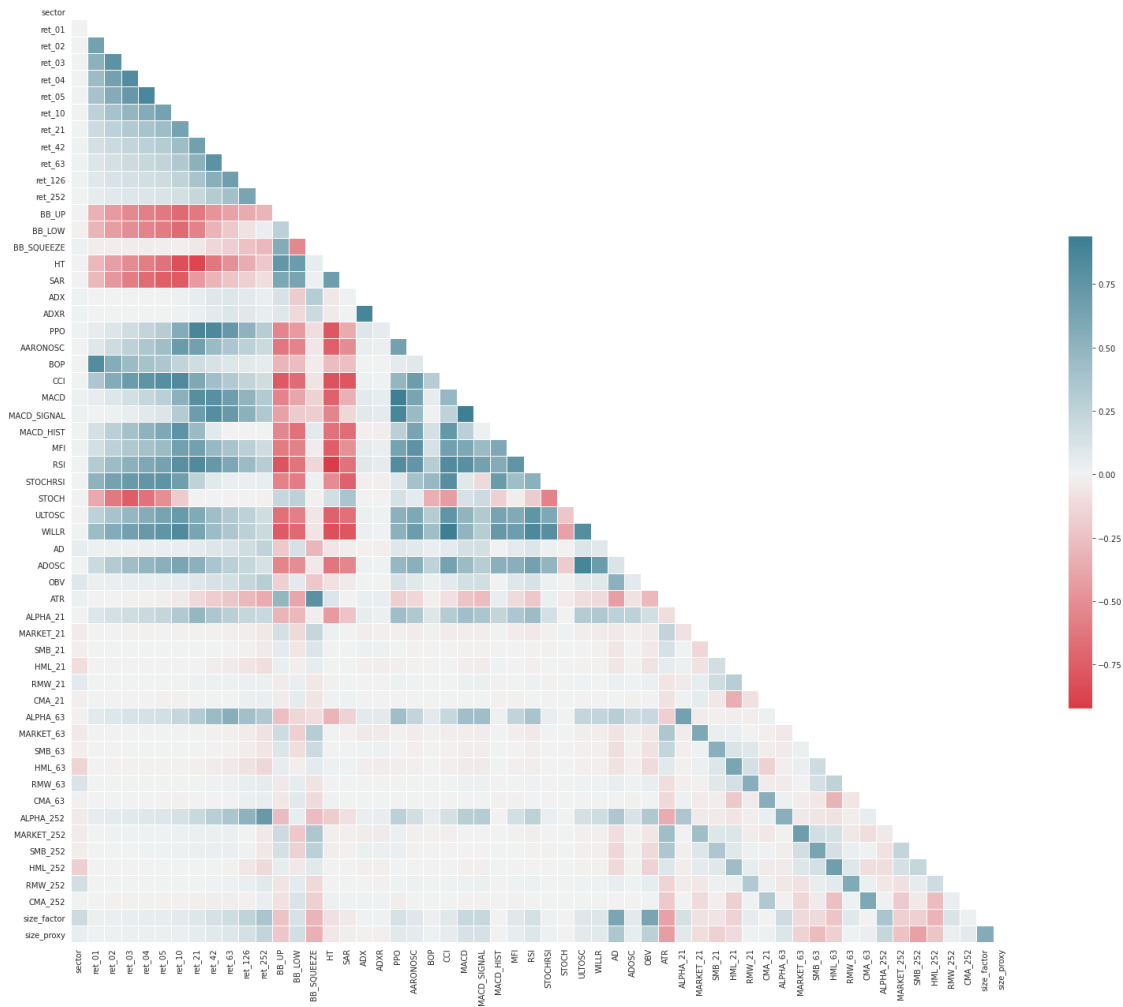
1.2 Factor Correlation

1.2.1 'Classic' Factors

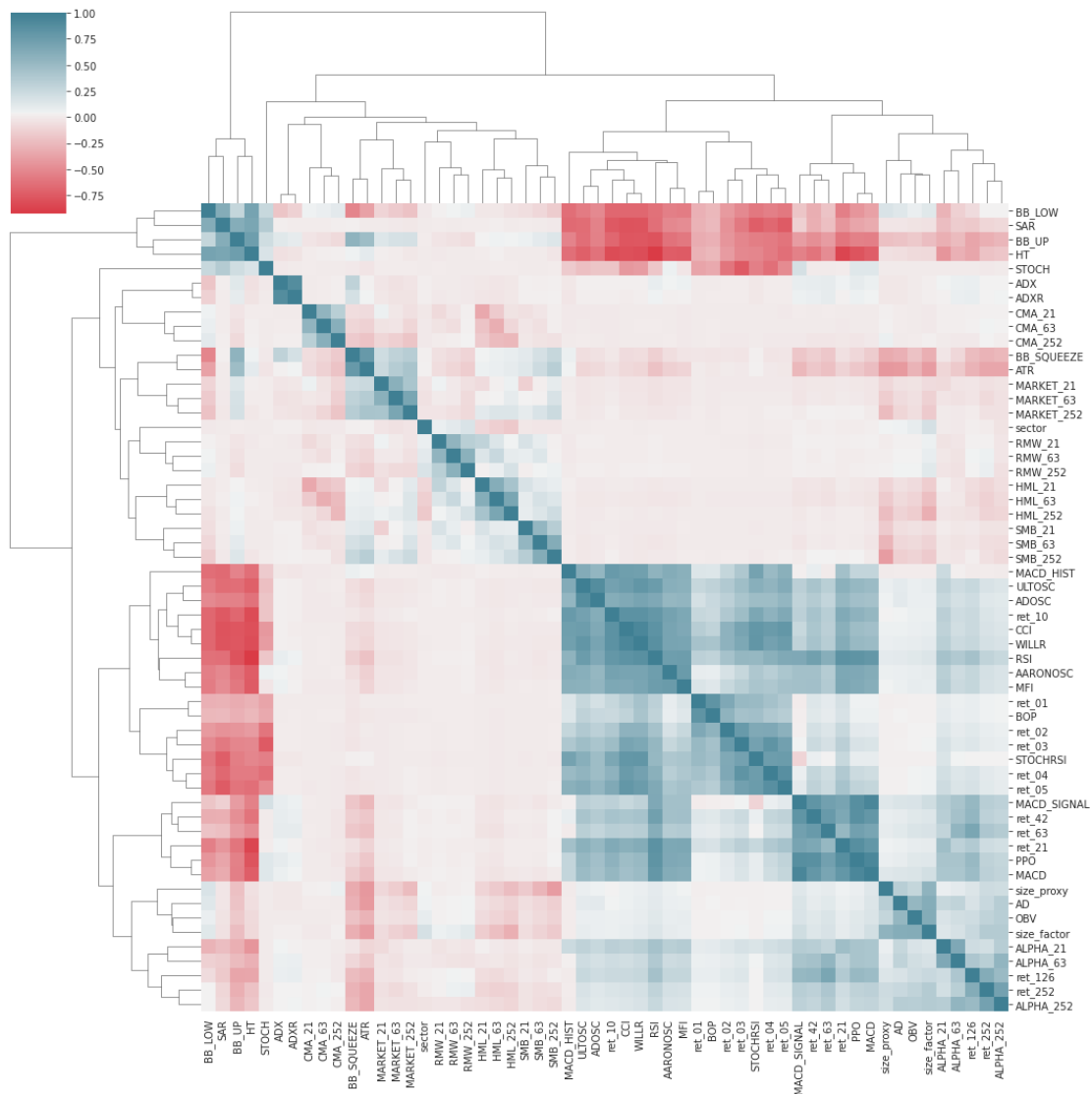
```
[10]: corr_common = factors.drop(fwd_returns.union(alphas), axis=1).  
      ↪corr(method='spearman')
```

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[11]: corr_common.to_hdf('data.h5', 'correlation/common')
```

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[20]: mask = np.triu(np.ones_like(corr_common, dtype=np.bool))  
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(22, 18))  
cmap = sns.diverging_palette(10, 220, as_cmap=True)  
  
sns.heatmap(corr_common, mask=mask, cmap=cmap, center=0,  
            square=True, linewidths=.5, cbar_kws={"shrink": .5})  
fig.tight_layout()  
fig.savefig(results_path / 'factor_corr_common', dpi=300);
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[21]: g = sns.clustermap(corr_common, cmap=cmap, figsize=(15, 15))
g.savefig(results_path / 'factor_corr_common_cluster', dpi=300);
```



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[16]: corr_ = corr_common.stack().reset_index()
corr_.columns = ['x1', 'x2', 'rho']
corr_ = corr_[corr_.x1!=corr_.x2].drop_duplicates('rho')
```

```
[17]: corr_.nlargest(5, columns='rho').append(corr_.nsmallest(5, columns='rho'))
```

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[17]:
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	x1	x2	rho
1312	MACD	MACD_SIGNAL	0.936793
1263	CCI	WILLR	0.925544
1087	PPO	MACD	0.925282
970	ADX	ADXR	0.885147
1713	ULTOSC	ADOSC	0.881911
867	HT	RSI	-0.923566

407	ret_21	HT	-0.866342
351	ret_10	HT	-0.828103
871	HT	WILLR	-0.825403
862	HT	CCI	-0.806064

1.2.2 Formulaic Alphas

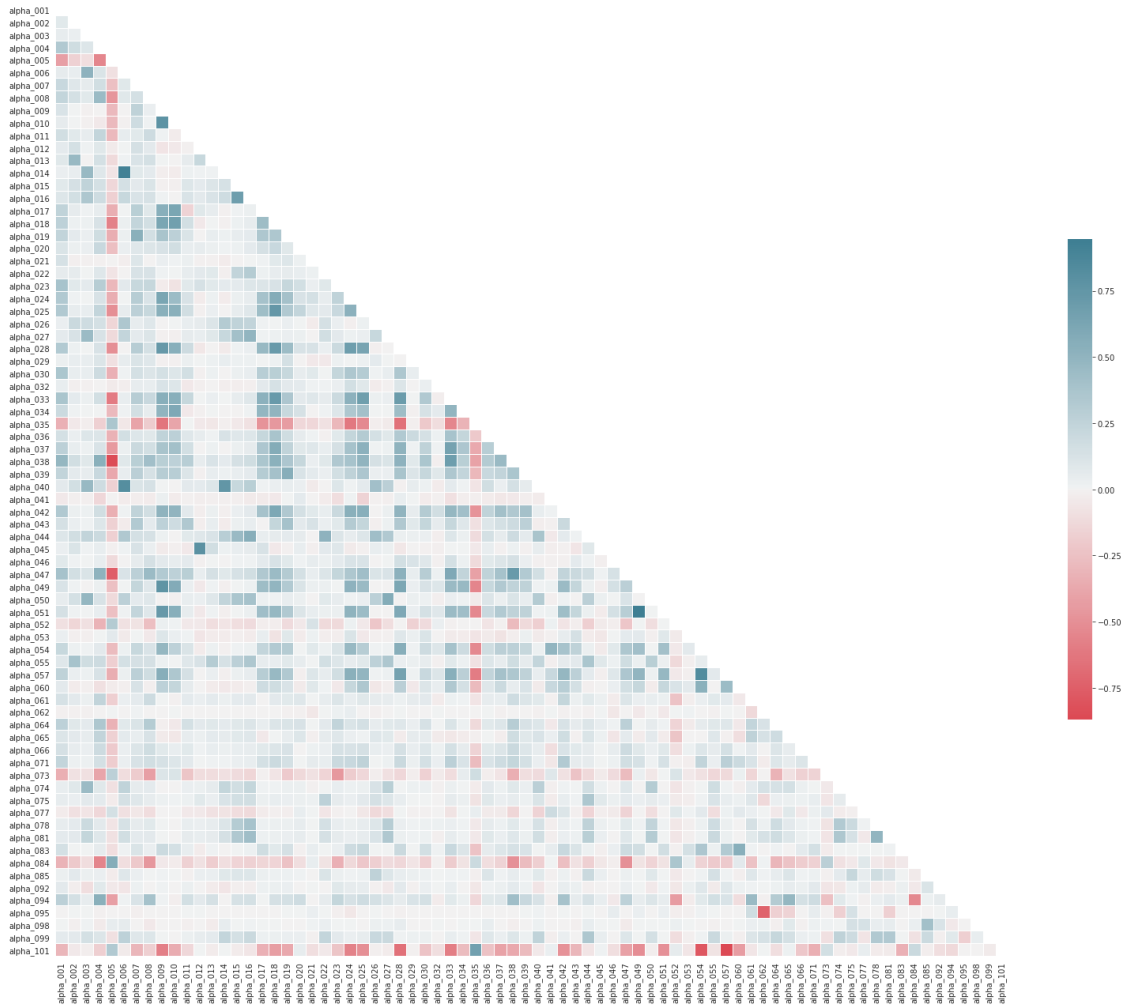
```
[22]: %%time
corr_formula = factors[alphas].sort_index().corr(method='spearman').
    ↳ dropna(how='all', axis=1)
corr_formula.to_hdf('data.h5', 'correlation/formula')
```

CPU times: user 11min 33s, sys: 6.96 s, total: 11min 40s
Wall time: 11min 41s

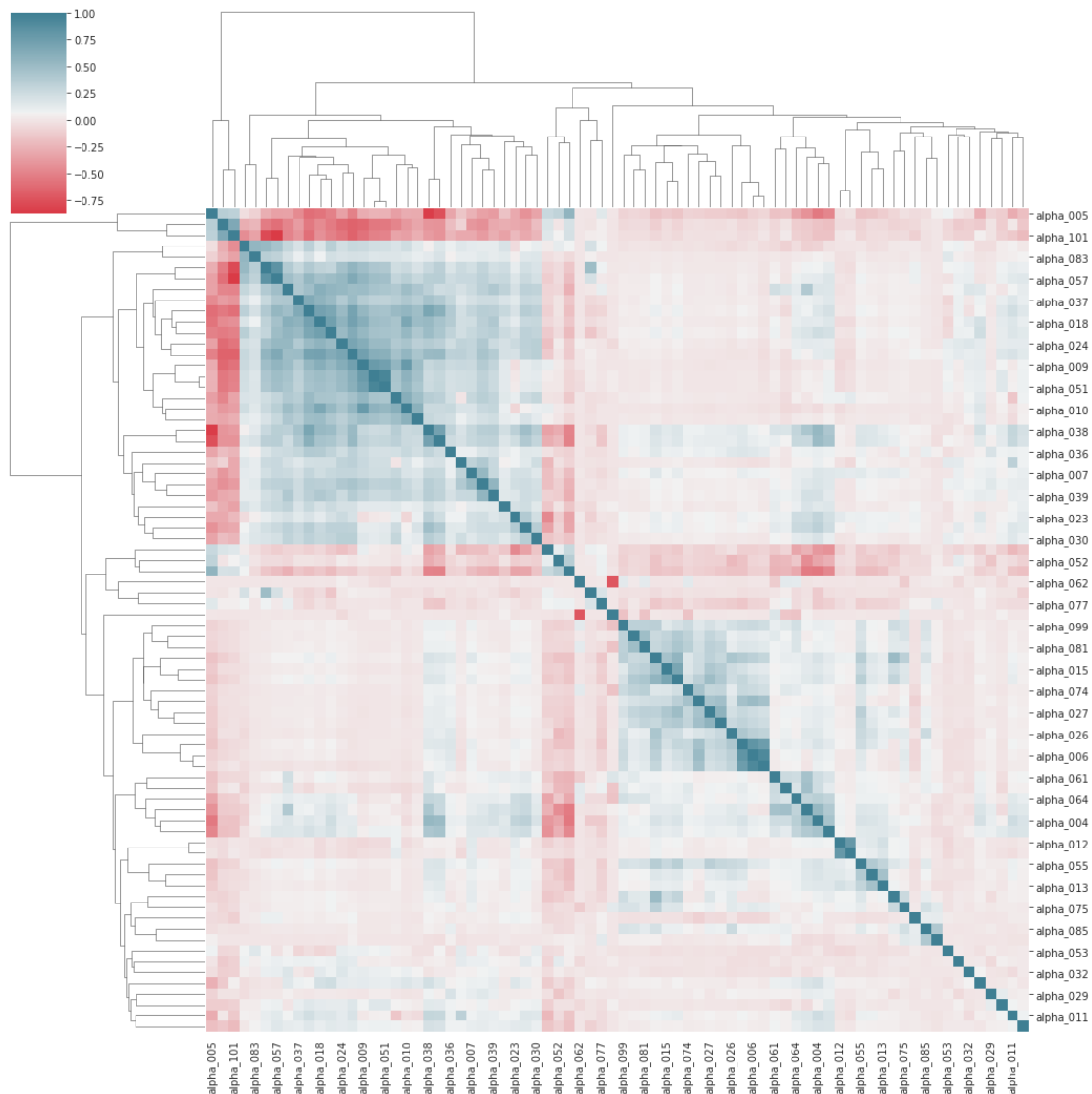
```
[23]: corr_formula = corr_formula.dropna(how='all').dropna(how='all', axis=1)
```

```
[24]: mask = np.triu(np.ones_like(corr_formula, dtype=np.bool))
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(22, 18))
cmap = sns.diverging_palette(10, 220, as_cmap=True)

sns.heatmap(corr_formula, mask=mask, cmap=cmap, center=0,
            square=True, linewidths=.5, cbar_kws={"shrink": .5})
fig.tight_layout()
fig.savefig(results_path / 'factor_correlation_formula', dpi=300);
```

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[25]: g = sns.clustermap(corr_formula.replace((np.inf, -np.inf), np.nan), cmap=cmap,
    ↪ figsize=(15, 15))
g.savefig(results_path / 'factor_correlation_formula_cluster', dpi=300);
```



```
[26]: corr_formula_ = corr_formula.stack().reset_index()
corr_formula_.columns = ['x1', 'x2', 'rho']
corr_formula_ = corr_formula_[corr_formula_.x1!=corr_formula_.x2].
↳drop_duplicates('rho')
```

```
[27]: corr_formula_.nlargest(5, columns='rho').append(corr_formula_.nsmallest(5,
↳columns='rho'))
```

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[27]:
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	x1	x2	rho
3544	alpha_049	alpha_051	0.945057
393	alpha_006	alpha_014	0.919212
3929	alpha_054	alpha_057	0.835764
418	alpha_006	alpha_040	0.818868

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879  alpha_012  alpha_045  0.790135
4103 alpha_057  alpha_101 -0.869973
340   alpha_005  alpha_038 -0.855128
3951  alpha_054  alpha_101 -0.789516
349   alpha_005  alpha_047 -0.753111
4328  alpha_062  alpha_095 -0.730927

```

1.2.3 All Factors

```
[28]: corr = factors.drop(['ret_fwd', 'alpha_051'], axis=1).corr()
```

```
[29]: corr = corr.dropna(how='all').dropna(how='all', axis=1)
```

```
[30]: corr.to_hdf('data.h5', 'correlation/all')
```

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[31]: corr.info()
```

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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Index: 131 entries, sector to alpha_101
Columns: 131 entries, sector to alpha_101
dtypes: float64(131)
memory usage: 135.1+ KB

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[32]: corr.shape
```

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[32]: (131, 131)
```

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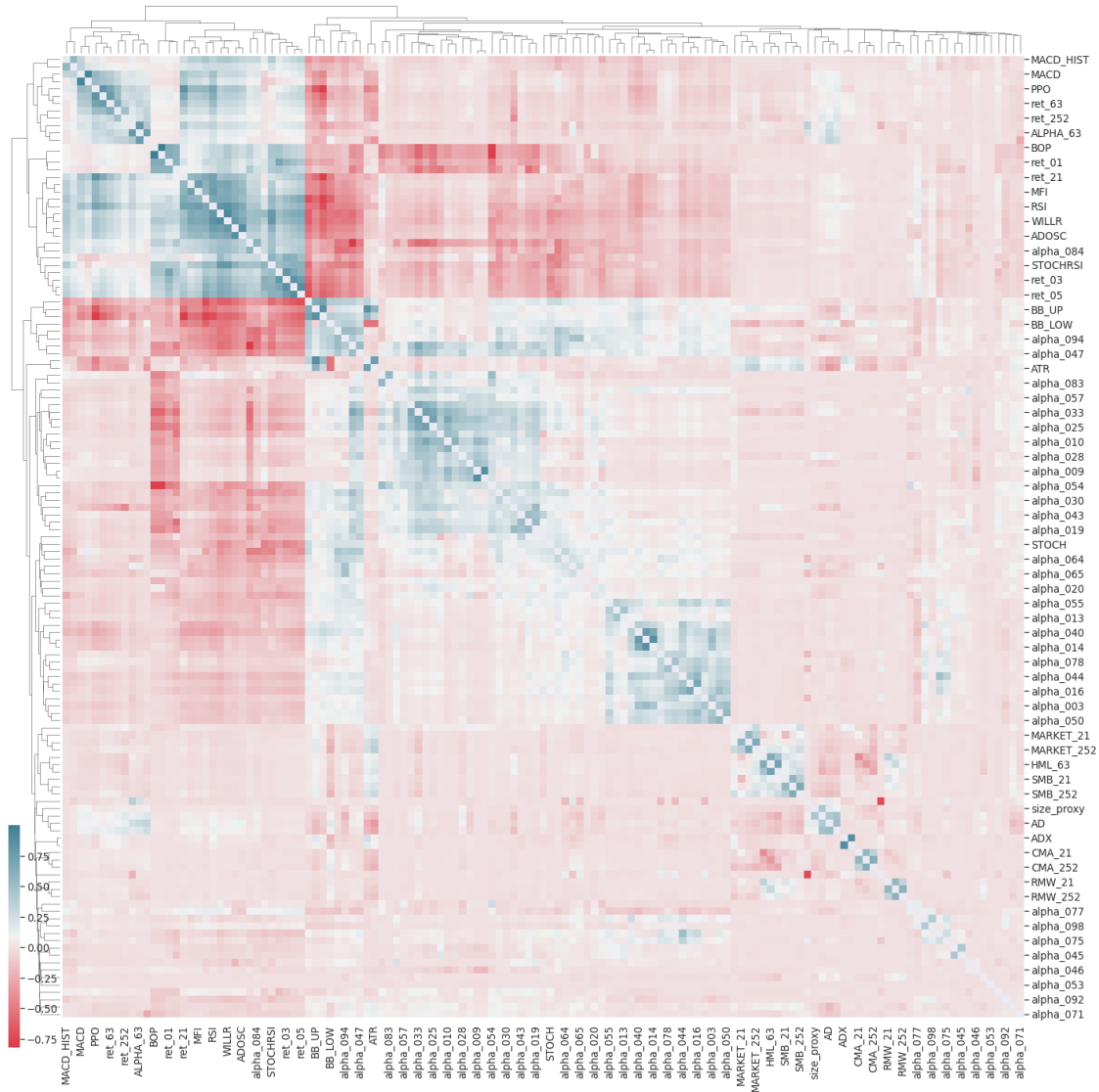
[33]: sns.set(font_scale=1.2)

mask = np.zeros_like(corr)
np.fill_diagonal(mask, 1)

g = sns.clustermap(corr,
                    cmap=cmap,
                    figsize=(20, 20),
                    dendrogram_ratio=.05,
                    mask=mask,
                    cbar_pos=(0.01, 0.05, 0.01, 0.2));

g.savefig(results_path / 'factor_correlation_all', dpi=300);

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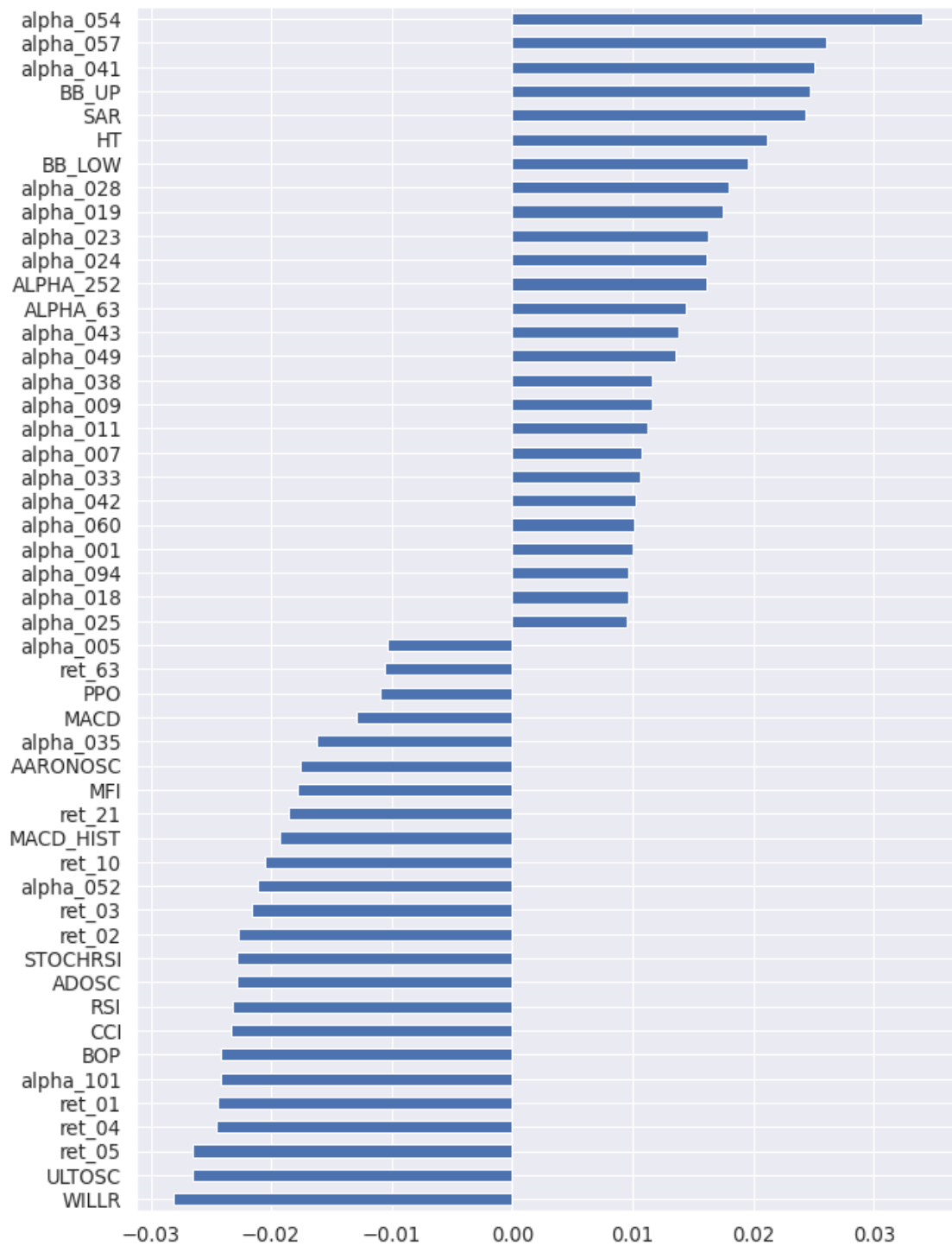
1.3 Forward return correlation

```
[34]: fwd_corr = factors.drop(['ret_fwd', 'alpha_051'], axis=1).corrwith(factors.  
    ↪ ret_fwd, method='spearman')
```

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[35]: fwd_corr = fwd_corr.dropna()
```

```
[36]: fwd_corr.to_hdf('data.h5', 'correlation/fwd_ret')
```

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[37]: top50 = fwd_corr.abs().nlargest(50).index  
fwd_corr.loc[top50].sort_values().plot.barh(figsize=(10, 15),  
    legend=False);
```

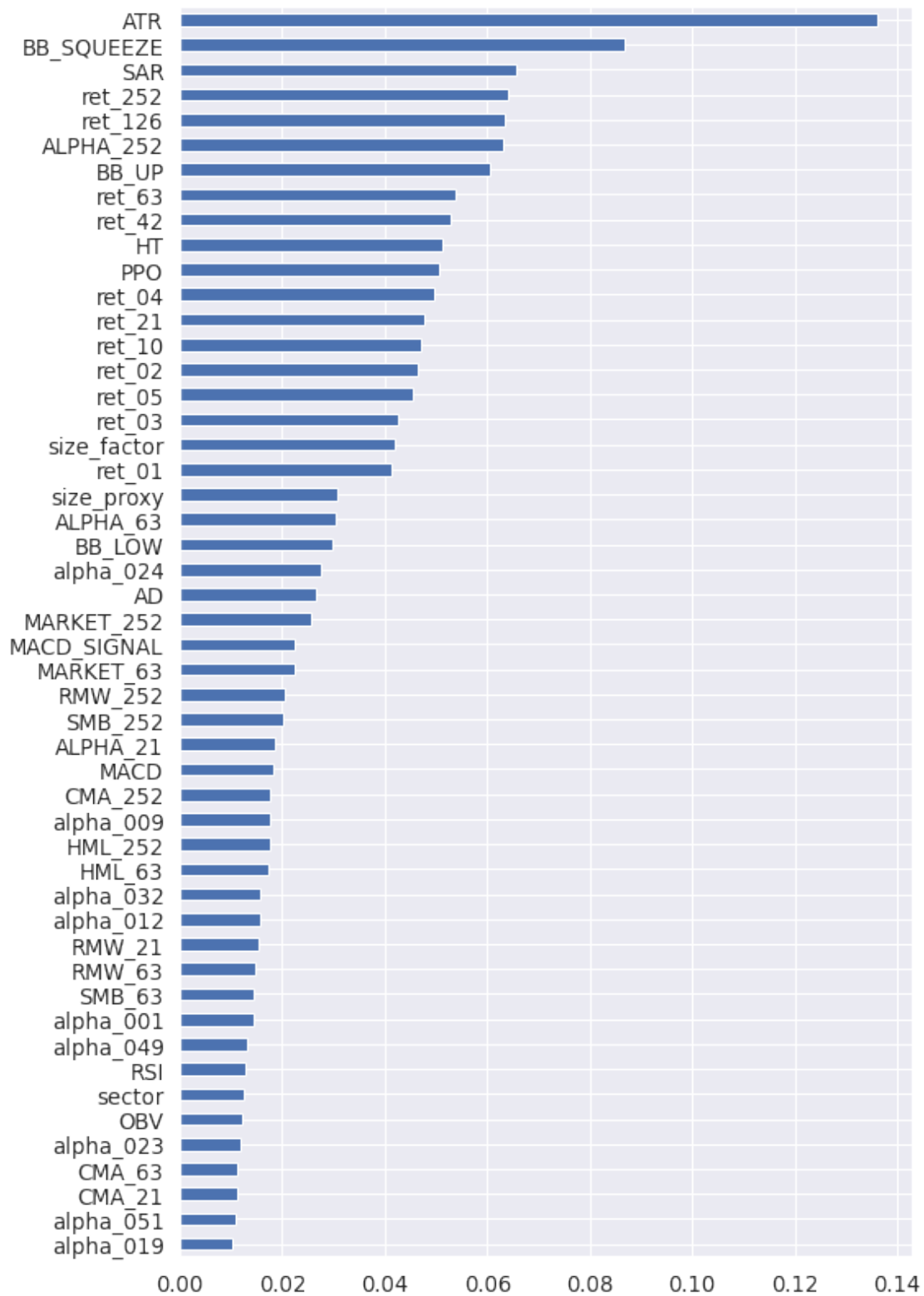


1.4 Mutual Information

```
[45]: mi = {}  
      for feature in tqdm(features):  
          df = (factors  
                .loc[:, ['ret_fwd', feature]]  
                .dropna().sample(n=100000))  
          discrete_features = df[feature].nunique() < 10  
          mi[feature] = mutual_info_regression(X=df[[feature]],  
                                              y=df.ret_fwd,  
                                              discrete_features=discrete_features)[0]  
  
      mi = pd.Series(mi)
```

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[55]: mi.nlargest(50).sort_values().plot.barh(figsize=(8, 14));
```



```
[49]: mi.to_hdf('data.h5', 'mutual_information')
```

1.5 LightGBM Feature Importance

```
[56]: def get_fi(model):  
    fi = model.feature_importance(importance_type='gain')  
    return (pd.Series(fi / fi.sum(),  
                      index=model.feature_name()))
```

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[57]: def ic_lgbm(preds, train_data):  
    """Custom IC eval metric for lightgbm"""  
    is_higher_better = True  
    return 'ic', spearmanr(preds, train_data.get_label())[0], is_higher_better
```

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[58]: uniques = factors.nunique()
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[59]: categoricals = uniques[uniques < 20].index.tolist()
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[60]: categoricals
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[60]: ['sector',  
      'alpha_004',  
      'alpha_021',  
      'alpha_027',  
      'alpha_061',  
      'alpha_062',  
      'alpha_064',  
      'alpha_065',  
      'alpha_068',  
      'alpha_073',  
      'alpha_074',  
      'alpha_075',  
      'alpha_081',  
      'alpha_086',  
      'alpha_092',  
      'alpha_095',  
      'alpha_099']
```

```
[61]: features = factors.columns.difference(fwd_returns).tolist()
```

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[62]: label = 'ret_fwd'
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[63]: train_length = int(8.5 * 252)  
      test_length = 252  
      n_splits = 1
```



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[66]: params = dict(boosting='gbdt',
                    objective='regression',
                    verbose=-1,
                    metric='None')
num_boost_round = 5000
```

```
[67]: lgb_data = lgb.Dataset(data=factors.loc[:, features],
                             label=factors.loc[:, label],
                             categorical_feature=categoricals,
                             free_raw_data=False)

cv = MultipleTimeSeriesCV(n_splits=n_splits,
                          lookahead=1,
                          test_period_length=test_length,
                          train_period_length=train_length)

feature_importance, ic, daily_ic = [], [], []

for i, (train_idx, test_idx) in enumerate(cv.split(X=factors)):
    start = time()
    lgb_train = lgb_data.subset(used_indices=train_idx.tolist(),
                                params=params).construct()
    lgb_test = lgb_data.subset(used_indices=test_idx.tolist(),
                               params=params).construct()

    evals_result = {}
    model = lgb.train(params=params,
                      train_set=lgb_train,
                      num_boost_round=num_boost_round,
                      valid_sets=[lgb_train, lgb_test],
                      valid_names=['train', 'valid'],
                      feval=ic_lgbm,
                      evals_result=evals_result,
                      early_stopping_rounds=500,
                      verbose_eval=100)

    model.save_model(f'models/lgb_model.txt')
    fi = get_fi(model)
    fi.to_hdf('data.h5', f'fi/{i:02}')
    test_set = factors.iloc[test_idx, :]
    X_test = test_set.loc[:, model.feature_name()]
    y_test = test_set.loc[:, label]
    y_pred = model.predict(X_test)
    cv_preds = y_test.to_frame('y_test').assign(y_pred=y_pred)
    cv_preds.to_hdf('preds.h5', f'preds/{i:02}')

    by_day = cv_preds.groupby(level='date')
    ic_by_day = by_day.apply(lambda x: spearmanr(x.y_test, x.y_pred)[0])
    daily_ic_mean = ic_by_day.mean()
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daily_ic_median = ic_by_day.median()
ic = spearmanr(cv_preds.y_test, cv_preds.y_pred)[0]
print(f'\n{time()-start:6.1f} | {ic:6.2%} | {daily_ic_mean: 6.2%} | ␣
↪{daily_ic_median: 6.2%}')

```

Training until validation scores don't improve for 500 rounds

```

[100] train's ic: 0.150317    valid's ic: 0.0129224
[200] train's ic: 0.198109    valid's ic: 0.0163492
[300] train's ic: 0.237158    valid's ic: 0.0146011
[400] train's ic: 0.265874    valid's ic: 0.0153144
[500] train's ic: 0.290307    valid's ic: 0.0127802
[600] train's ic: 0.30687     valid's ic: 0.0139538
[700] train's ic: 0.324543    valid's ic: 0.0116832
Early stopping, best iteration is:
[212] train's ic: 0.202416    valid's ic: 0.0191778

```

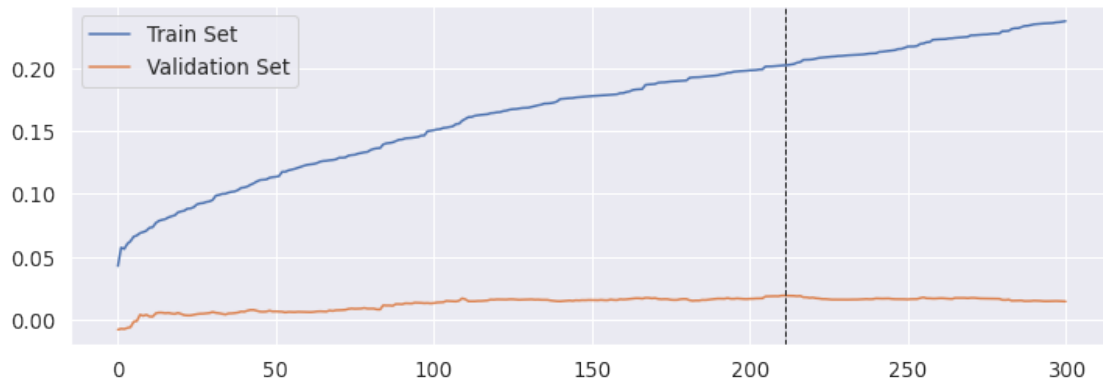
271.4 | 1.92% | 0.85% | 1.57%

```

[68]: cv_result = pd.DataFrame({'Train Set': evals_result['train']['ic'],
                               'Validation Set': evals_result['valid']['ic']})

ax = cv_result.loc[:300].plot(figsize=(12, 4))
ax.axvline(cv_result['Validation Set'].idxmax(), c='k', ls='--', lw=1);

```



1.6 SHAP Values

```
[69]: shap.initjs()
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<IPython.core.display.HTML object>

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[70]: # model = lgb.Booster(model_file='models/lgb_model.txt')
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[71]: explainer = shap.TreeExplainer(model)
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[72]: # workaround for SHAP version 0.30: https://github.com/slundberg/shap/issues/794
      model.params['objective'] = 'regression'

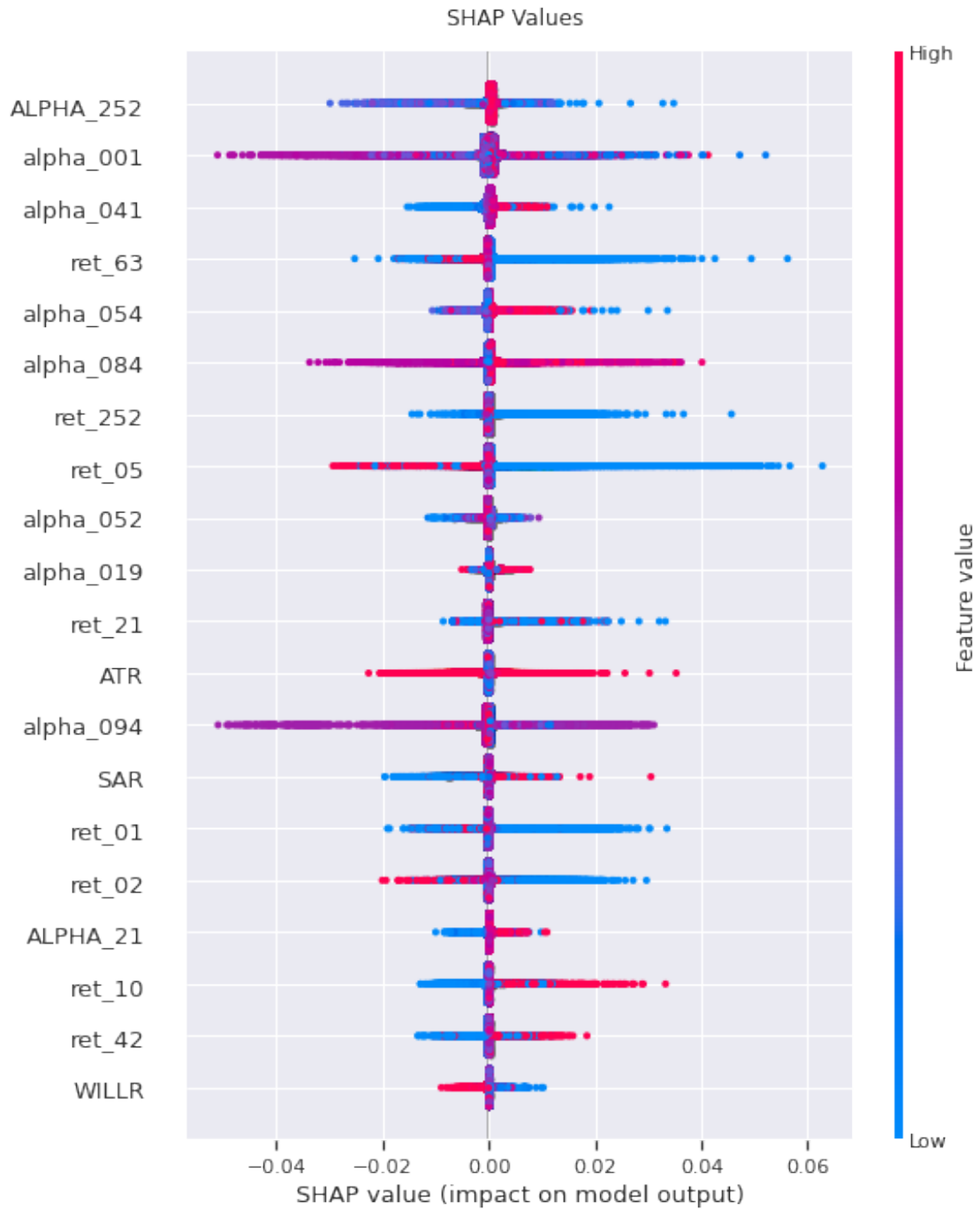
[73]: shap_values = explainer.shap_values(factors.iloc[train_idx, :].loc[:, model.
      ↪feature_name()])

[74]: np.save(models / 'shap_values.npy', shap_values)

[75]: shap_values = np.load(models / 'shap_values.npy')

[76]: shap.summary_plot(shap_values,
      factors
      .iloc[train_idx, :]
      .loc[:, model.feature_name()],
      show=False)
plt.gcf().suptitle('SHAP Values')
plt.gcf().tight_layout()
plt.gcf().savefig(results_path / 'shap_summary_dot', dpi=300)

```



```
[77]: shap_values = pd.DataFrame(shap_values, columns = features)
```

1.7 Summary

```
[78]: mi = pd.read_hdf('data.h5', 'mutual_information')
      fwd_corr = pd.read_hdf('data.h5', 'correlation/fwd_ret')

[79]: shap_summary = shap_values.abs().mean()
      shap_summary /= shap_summary.sum()

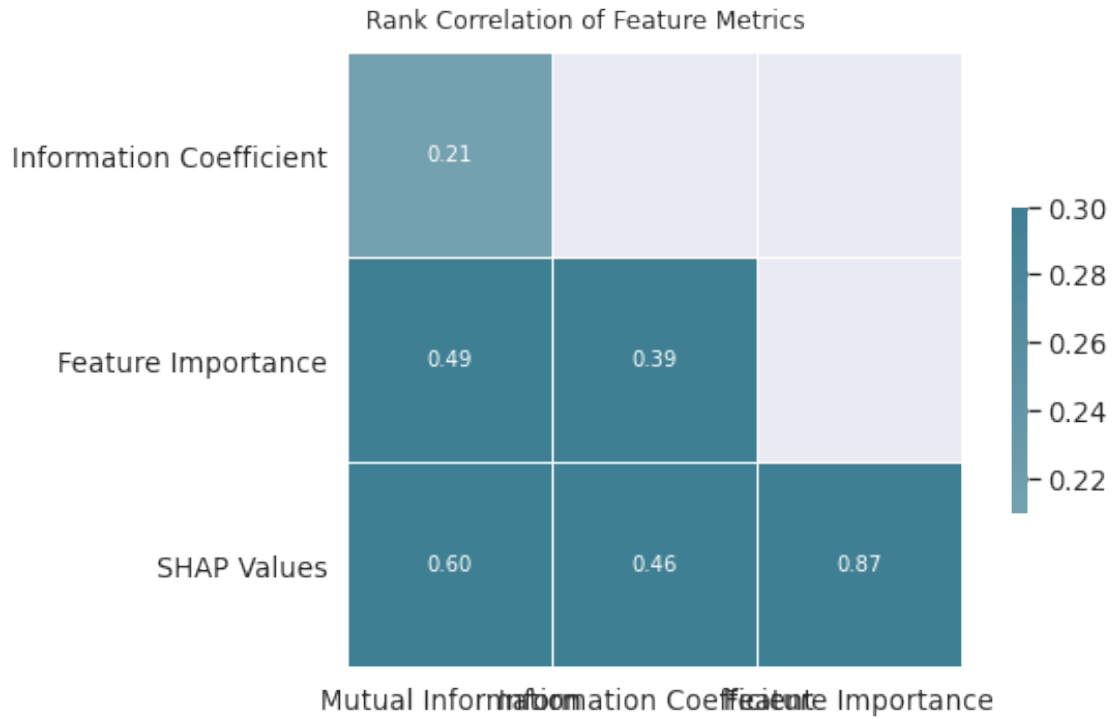
[80]: stats = (mi.to_frame('Mutual Information')
              .join(fwd_corr.to_frame('Information Coefficient'))
              .join(fi.to_frame('Feature Importance'))
              .join(shap_summary.to_frame('SHAP Values')))

[81]: cols = {'Information Coefficient': stats['Information Coefficient'].abs()}
      corr = stats.assign(**cols).corr('spearman')
      mask = np.triu(np.ones_like(corr, dtype=np.bool))
      corr = corr.iloc[1:, :-1]
      mask = mask[1:, :-1]

      fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(8, 5))

      cmap = sns.diverging_palette(10, 220, as_cmap=True)

      sns.heatmap(corr, mask=mask, cmap=cmap, vmax=.3, center=0,
                  square=True, linewidths=.5, cbar_kws={"shrink": .5}, annot=True,
                  fmt='.2f')
      plt.xticks(rotation=0)
      fig.suptitle('Rank Correlation of Feature Metrics', fontsize=12)
      fig.tight_layout()
      fig.subplots_adjust(top=.92)
      fig.savefig(results_path / 'metrics_correlation', dpi=300);
```



```
[82]: top_n = 25
fig, axes = plt.subplots(ncols=4, figsize=(16, 8))

shap_summary.nlargest(top_n).sort_values().plot.barh(ax=axes[0], title='SHAP_
    ↪Values')

fi.nlargest(top_n).sort_values().plot.barh(ax=axes[1], title='Feature_
    ↪Importance')

mi.nlargest(top_n).sort_values().plot.barh(ax=axes[2], title='Mutual_
    ↪Information')

top_corr = fwd_corr.abs().nlargest(top_n).index
fwd_corr.loc[top_corr].sort_values().plot.barh(ax=axes[3], title='Information_
    ↪Coefficient')

fig.suptitle('Univariate and Multivariate Feature Evaluation Metrics',
    ↪fontsize=14)
fig.tight_layout()
fig.subplots_adjust(top=.91)
fig.savefig(results_path / 'all_feature_metrics');
```

