

# 06\_evaluating\_signals\_using\_alphalens

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## 1 Alphalens Analysis

```
[1]: import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
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[2]: from pathlib import Path
import pandas as pd
from alphalens.tears import create_summary_tear_sheet
from alphalens.utils import get_clean_factor_and_forward_returns
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[3]: idx = pd.IndexSlice
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### 1.1 Load Data

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[4]: with pd.HDFStore('data.h5') as store:
    lr_predictions = store['lr/predictions']
    lasso_predictions = store['lasso/predictions']
    lasso_scores = store['lasso/scores']
    ridge_predictions = store['ridge/predictions']
    ridge_scores = store['ridge/scores']
```

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[5]: DATA_STORE = Path('..', 'data', 'assets.h5')
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```
[6]: def get_trade_prices(tickers, start, stop):
    prices = (pd.read_hdf(DATA_STORE, 'quandl/wiki/prices').swaplevel().
    ↪sort_index())
    prices.index.names = ['symbol', 'date']
    prices = prices.loc[idx[tickers, str(start):str(stop)], 'adj_open']
    return (prices
            .unstack('symbol')
            .sort_index()
            .shift(-1)
            .tz_localize('UTC'))
```

```
[7]: def get_best_alpha(scores):
    return scores.groupby('alpha').ic.mean().idxmax()
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[8]: def get_factor(predictions):
      return (predictions.unstack('symbol')
              .dropna(how='all')
              .stack()
              .tz_localize('UTC', level='date')
              .sort_index())
```

## 1.2 Linear Regression

```
[9]: lr_factor = get_factor(lr_predictions.predicted.swaplevel())
      lr_factor.head()
```

```
[9]: date                symbol
2014-12-09 00:00:00+00:00 AAL      0.001836
                        AAPL     -0.001626
                        ABBV      0.001321
                        AGN       0.002162
                        AIG      -0.000331

dtype: float64
```

```
[10]: tickers = lr_factor.index.get_level_values('symbol').unique()
```

```
[11]: trade_prices = get_trade_prices(tickers, 2014, 2017)
      trade_prices.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
DatetimeIndex: 1007 entries, 2014-01-02 00:00:00+00:00 to 2017-12-29
00:00:00+00:00
Columns: 257 entries, AAL to GWW
dtypes: float64(257)
memory usage: 2.0 MB
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```
[12]: lr_factor_data = get_clean_factor_and_forward_returns(factor=lr_factor,
                                                             prices=trade_prices,
                                                             quantiles=5,
                                                             periods=(1, 5, 10, 21))

lr_factor_data.info()
```

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0.0% in binning phase (set max_loss=0 to see potentially suppressed Exceptions).
max_loss is 35.0%, not exceeded: OK!
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```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
MultiIndex: 74054 entries, (Timestamp('2014-12-09 00:00:00+0000', tz='UTC',
freq='C'), 'AAL') to (Timestamp('2017-11-29 00:00:00+0000', tz='UTC', freq='C'),
'XOM')
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Data columns (total 6 columns):
#   Column                Non-Null Count  Dtype
#
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0    1D                74054 non-null float64
1    5D                74054 non-null float64
2    10D               74054 non-null float64
3    21D               74054 non-null float64
4    factor            74054 non-null float64
5    factor_quantile   74054 non-null int64
dtypes: float64(5), int64(1)
memory usage: 3.7+ MB

```

```
[13]: create_summary_tear_sheet(lr_factor_data);
```

#### Quantiles Statistics

	min	max	mean	std	count	count %
factor_quantile						
1	-0.047411	0.008700	-0.003169	0.004062	14982	20.231183
2	-0.015560	0.010750	-0.000996	0.003360	14877	20.089394
3	-0.013523	0.012632	0.000134	0.003351	14336	19.358846
4	-0.012081	0.014850	0.001213	0.003458	14877	20.089394
5	-0.010094	0.038492	0.003323	0.004279	14982	20.231183

#### Returns Analysis

	1D	5D	10D	21D
Ann. alpha	0.033	0.021	0.010	0.007
beta	-0.010	-0.079	-0.060	0.012
Mean Period Wise Return Top Quantile (bps)	1.108	0.724	0.028	0.212
Mean Period Wise Return Bottom Quantile (bps)	-2.869	-0.714	-0.524	-0.740
Mean Period Wise Spread (bps)	3.976	1.468	0.575	0.944

#### Information Analysis

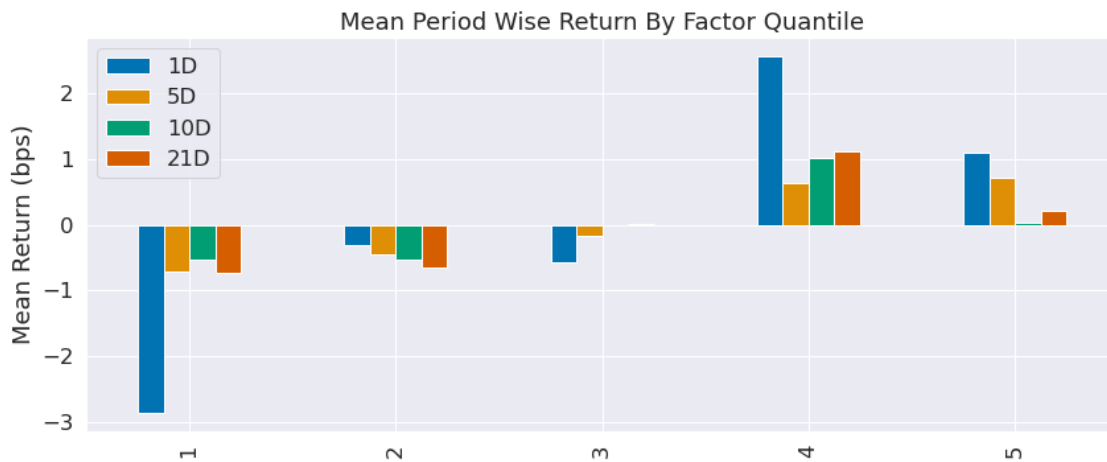
	1D	5D	10D	21D
IC Mean	0.020	0.013	0.013	0.014
IC Std.	0.181	0.167	0.167	0.155
Risk-Adjusted IC	0.108	0.079	0.077	0.093
t-stat(IC)	2.965	2.168	2.105	2.555
p-value(IC)	0.003	0.030	0.036	0.011
IC Skew	0.005	-0.018	-0.031	-0.022
IC Kurtosis	-0.129	-0.178	-0.153	-0.291

#### Turnover Analysis

	1D	5D	10D	21D
Quantile 1 Mean Turnover	0.296	0.520	0.621	0.728
Quantile 2 Mean Turnover	0.516	0.710	0.757	0.791
Quantile 3 Mean Turnover	0.568	0.739	0.777	0.804
Quantile 4 Mean Turnover	0.509	0.701	0.754	0.784
Quantile 5 Mean Turnover	0.298	0.529	0.637	0.738

	1D	5D	10D	21D
Mean Factor Rank Autocorrelation	0.821	0.547	0.392	0.242

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### 1.3 Ridge Regression

```
[14]: best_ridge_alpha = get_best_alpha(ridge_scores)
ridge_predictions = ridge_predictions[ridge_predictions.
↪alpha==best_ridge_alpha].drop('alpha', axis=1)
```

```
[15]: ridge_factor = get_factor(ridge_predictions.predicted.swaplevel())
ridge_factor.head()
```

```
[15]: date          symbol
2014-12-09 00:00:00+00:00 AAL          0.001953
                        AAPL         -0.001374
                        ABBV          0.001091
                        AGN           0.001934
                        AIG          -0.000471

dtype: float64
```

```
[16]: ridge_factor_data = get_clean_factor_and_forward_returns(factor=ridge_factor,
                                                                    prices=trade_prices,
                                                                    quantiles=5,
                                                                    periods=(1, 5, 10, 21))
ridge_factor_data.info()
```

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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>

MultiIndex: 74054 entries, (Timestamp('2014-12-09 00:00:00+0000', tz='UTC', freq='C'), 'AAL') to (Timestamp('2017-11-29 00:00:00+0000', tz='UTC', freq='C'), 'XOM')

Data columns (total 6 columns):

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2	10D	74054 non-null	float64
3	21D	74054 non-null	float64
4	factor	74054 non-null	float64
5	factor_quantile	74054 non-null	int64

dtypes: float64(5), int64(1)

memory usage: 3.7+ MB

```
[17]: create_summary_tear_sheet(ridge_factor_data);
```

#### Quantiles Statistics

	min	max	mean	std	count	count %
factor_quantile						
1	-0.036597	0.009164	-0.003368	0.003631	14982	20.231183
2	-0.012857	0.011247	-0.001338	0.003060	14877	20.089394
3	-0.010657	0.012705	-0.000268	0.003092	14336	19.358846
4	-0.009426	0.015165	0.000752	0.003225	14877	20.089394
5	-0.007759	0.038524	0.002717	0.004053	14982	20.231183

#### Returns Analysis

	1D	5D	10D	21D
Ann. alpha	0.033	0.023	0.014	0.011
beta	-0.007	-0.081	-0.061	0.015
Mean Period Wise Return Top Quantile (bps)	1.377	0.549	0.071	0.210
Mean Period Wise Return Bottom Quantile (bps)	-2.776	-1.345	-1.045	-1.153
Mean Period Wise Spread (bps)	4.153	1.920	1.136	1.353

#### Information Analysis

	1D	5D	10D	21D
IC Mean	0.020	0.014	0.013	0.014
IC Std.	0.181	0.169	0.169	0.155
Risk-Adjusted IC	0.110	0.083	0.080	0.090
t-stat(IC)	3.011	2.278	2.182	2.452
p-value(IC)	0.003	0.023	0.029	0.014
IC Skew	0.004	-0.016	-0.042	-0.029
IC Kurtosis	-0.143	-0.192	-0.146	-0.279

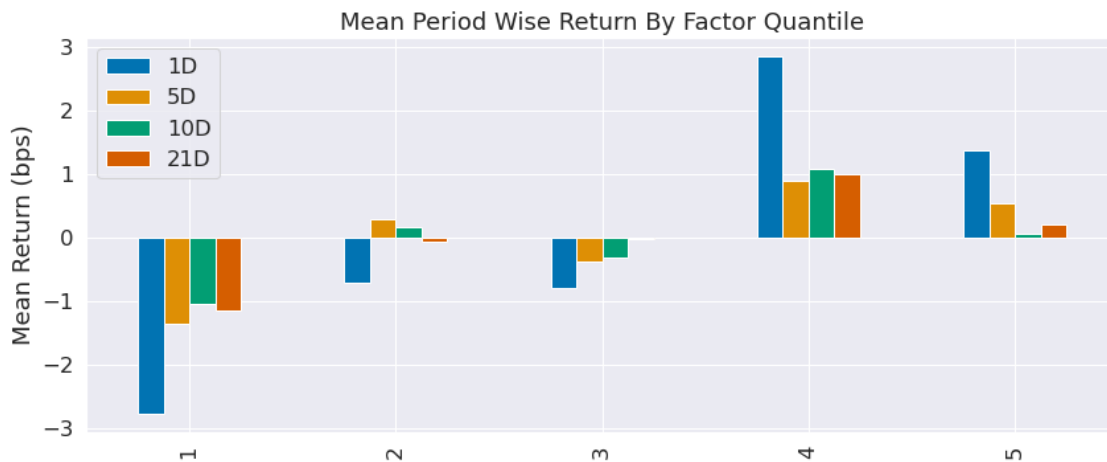
#### Turnover Analysis

	1D	5D	10D	21D
Quantile 1 Mean Turnover	0.293	0.512	0.617	0.725

Quantile 2 Mean Turnover	0.508	0.703	0.753	0.789
Quantile 3 Mean Turnover	0.562	0.729	0.776	0.806
Quantile 4 Mean Turnover	0.504	0.694	0.749	0.786
Quantile 5 Mean Turnover	0.297	0.521	0.633	0.737

	1D	5D	10D	21D
Mean Factor Rank Autocorrelation	0.824	0.565	0.407	0.252

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## 1.4 Lasso Regression

```
[18]: best_lasso_alpha = get_best_alpha(lasso_scores)
lasso_predictions = lasso_predictions[lasso_predictions.
↪alpha==best_lasso_alpha].drop('alpha', axis=1)
```

```
[19]: lasso_factor = get_factor(lasso_predictions.predicted.swaplevel())
lasso_factor.head()
```

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[19]: date                symbol
2014-12-09 00:00:00+00:00 AAL      0.001872
                        AAPL     -0.001646
                        ABBV      0.001163
                        AGN       0.001919
                        AIG      -0.000530

dtype: float64
```

```
[20]: lasso_factor_data = get_clean_factor_and_forward_returns(factor=lasso_factor,
                        prices=trade_prices,
                        quantiles=5,
                        periods=(1, 5, 10, 21))

lasso_factor_data.info()
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5	factor_quantile	74054 non-null	int64

dtypes: float64(5), int64(1)

memory usage: 3.7+ MB

```
[21]: create_summary_tear_sheet(lasso_factor_data);
```

#### Quantiles Statistics

	min	max	mean	std	count	count %
factor_quantile						
1	-0.044839	0.009398	-0.003459	0.003828	14982	20.231183
2	-0.014281	0.011321	-0.001359	0.003232	14877	20.089394
3	-0.012327	0.013100	-0.000258	0.003285	14336	19.358846
4	-0.010948	0.015352	0.000791	0.003434	14877	20.089394
5	-0.009000	0.038298	0.002835	0.004327	14982	20.231183

#### Returns Analysis

	1D	5D	10D	21D
Ann. alpha	0.034	0.022	0.012	0.009
beta	-0.009	-0.078	-0.058	0.014
Mean Period Wise Return Top Quantile (bps)	1.967	0.778	0.044	0.238
Mean Period Wise Return Bottom Quantile (bps)	-2.507	-0.772	-0.764	-0.906
Mean Period Wise Spread (bps)	4.473	1.579	0.827	1.134

#### Information Analysis

	1D	5D	10D	21D
IC Mean	0.020	0.014	0.013	0.014
IC Std.	0.181	0.168	0.168	0.155
Risk-Adjusted IC	0.111	0.082	0.075	0.093
t-stat(IC)	3.037	2.239	2.058	2.551
p-value(IC)	0.002	0.025	0.040	0.011
IC Skew	0.002	-0.011	-0.035	-0.022
IC Kurtosis	-0.152	-0.192	-0.161	-0.307

## Turnover Analysis

	1D	5D	10D	21D
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Quantile 2 Mean Turnover	0.513	0.705	0.752	0.789
Quantile 3 Mean Turnover	0.566	0.737	0.778	0.806
Quantile 4 Mean Turnover	0.504	0.698	0.752	0.783
Quantile 5 Mean Turnover	0.297	0.527	0.636	0.739

	1D	5D	10D	21D
Mean Factor Rank Autocorrelation	0.822	0.553	0.397	0.243

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