## 0 Amendment

Response to 
$$25\%$$
; (-1)

This is my corrective action and (my) letter (to you). (0)

### 1 Overview

#### 1.1 Goal

Objective: Build / Compare Two Factor-Based L/S Allocation Models (1)

Beta 
$$(\beta)$$
 Constraints (2)

First Strategy 
$$(S_{\{1\}})$$
: Target Beta  $\beta_T \in [-0.5, 0.5]$  (3)

Second Strategy 
$$(S_{\{2\}})$$
: Target Beta  $\beta_T \in [-2, 2]$  (4)

$$S_{\{1\}} \cong \text{Value-at-Risk Utility (Robust Optimization)}$$
 (5)

$$S_{\{2\}} \Leftarrow \text{Information Ratio}$$
 (6)

Post Optimization: Model Comparative Analysis (Estimator Length Sensitivity)

[Covariance Matrix  $\Sigma \wedge \text{Expected Returns } \boldsymbol{\mu}$ ]:  $R_j \forall j \in \{1, 2, ..., M\}$  (8)

#### 1.2 Reallocation

Portfolio Allocation 
$$\{P_t\} \Leftarrow$$
 '03-01-2007'  $\sim$  '03-31-2024' (9)

$$P_t \quad orall \, t \in \{t_0, t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n\} \quad ext{where} \quad t_0 = ext{03-01-2007}, \quad t_n = ext{03-31-2024} \quad (10)$$

$$t_i = t_{i-1} + 7 \text{ days} \quad \text{for} \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$
 (11)

#### 1.3 Performance Evaluation

Performance / Risk Profiles  $\Leftarrow$  Sensitive  $\Leftarrow$  Target Beta :  $\beta_T \wedge \text{'Market'}$  (15)

Low Beta 
$$\Rightarrow$$
 Decorrelation; (16)

High Beta 
$$\equiv$$
 Antithesis. (17)

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• Annualized Return : 
$$\mu_a$$
 (19)

• Historical Vol : 
$$\sigma_h$$
 (20)

• Skew: 
$$\mathbb{E}\left[\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^3\right] = \frac{\mu_3}{\sigma^3} = \frac{\kappa_3}{\kappa_2^{3/2}}$$
 (21)

• 
$$VaR / ES (CVaR)$$
 (22)

• Sharpe: 
$$\frac{\mathbb{E}[R_a - R_b]}{\sigma_a} = \frac{\mathbb{E}[R_a - R_b]}{\sqrt{\mathbb{V}(R_a - R_b)}}$$
(23)

#### 1.4 Simplification

Look-Back 
$$\mu$$
 Estimators: (24)

• Long-Term Estimator (LTE) : LT 
$$\Rightarrow$$
 LB  $\in$  {180 Days} (25)

• Mid-Term Estimator (MTE) : 
$$MT \Rightarrow LB \in \{90 \text{ Days}\}\$$
 (26)

• Short-Term Estimator (STE) : 
$$ST \Rightarrow LB \in \{40 \text{ Days}, 60 \text{ Days}\}\$$
 (27)

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Term-Structure : Covariance  $\Sigma \wedge \text{Expected Return } \mu$ . (28)

#### 1.5 Synthesis

Optimal Portfolio 
$$\Leftarrow \hat{\Sigma} \mid \hat{\mu}$$
 (29)

$$Variance \Leftarrow Strategic \setminus \& Market \Delta$$
 (31)

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$$S_{40}^{90} \equiv \hat{\mathbf{\Sigma}} \Rightarrow 40 \text{ Days } \wedge \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} \Rightarrow 90 \text{ Days}$$
 (32)

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• Evaluate Hypothesis 
$$(34)$$

### 2 Strategy

Theory \& Math

#### 2.1 Strategic Formulation

Consider two strategies:

$$\begin{cases}
\max_{\omega \in \mathbb{R}^n} \rho^T \omega - \lambda \sqrt{\omega^T \Sigma \omega} \\
-0.5 \le \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i^m \omega_i \le 0.5 \\
\sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i = 1, \quad -2 \le \omega_i \le 2,
\end{cases}$$
(37)

and

$$\left( \text{Strategy II} \right) \quad \begin{cases} \max_{\omega \in \mathbb{R}^n} \ \frac{\rho^T \omega}{\text{TEV}(\omega)} - \lambda \sqrt{\omega^T \Sigma \omega} \\ \\ -2 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i^m \omega_i \leq 2 \\ \\ \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i = 1, \quad -2 \leq \omega_i \leq 2, \end{cases}$$
 (38)

- $\Sigma \equiv \text{covariance matrix between security returns (FF3FM)};$
- $eta_i^m = rac{\mathrm{Cov}(r_i, r_M)}{\sigma^2(r_M)} \equiv \mathrm{Beta} \ \mathrm{of} \ \mathrm{security} \ S_i \ (\mathrm{CAPM}) \ \mathrm{s.t.}$   $eta_P^m = \sum_{i=1}^n eta_i^m \omega_i \equiv \mathrm{Porfolio} \ \mathrm{Beta};$
- TEV( $\omega$ ) =  $\sigma(r_P(\omega) r_{SPY}) \equiv$  Tracking Error Volatility; trivial derivation (reader exercise):

$$\sigma(r_P(\omega) - r_{\mathrm{SPY}}) = \sqrt{\omega^{\mathsf{T}} \Sigma \omega - 2\omega^{\mathsf{T}} \mathrm{Cov}(r, r_{\mathrm{SPY}}) + \sigma_{\mathrm{SPY}}^2}.$$
 (39)

## 2.2 Fama-French Three-Factor Model (FF3FM)

Definition: 
$$(40)$$

$$r_i = r_f + \beta_i^3 (r_M - r_f) + b_i^s r_{\text{SMB}} + b_i^v r_{\text{HML}} + \alpha_i + \epsilon_i$$

$$\tag{41}$$

 $\mathbb{E}[\epsilon_i] = 0;$   $\therefore$ 

$$\rho_i = r_f + \beta_i^3 (\rho_M - r_f) + b_i^s \rho_{\text{SMB}} + b_i^v \rho_{\text{HML}} + \alpha_i$$
(42)

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Estimated Coefficient Vector: (43)

$$(\hat{\beta}_i^3, \hat{b}_i^s, \hat{b}_i^v)^{\mathsf{T}} \Leftarrow y_i = \rho_i - r_f \tag{44}$$

$$= \hat{\beta}_i^3(\rho_M - r_f) + \hat{\beta}_i^s r_{\text{SMB}} + \hat{b}_i^v \rho_{\text{HML}} + \epsilon_i$$
 (46)

$$\beta_i^m \neq \beta_i^3$$
 | estimated via separate regression / computed directly. (47)

### 2.3 Executive Summary Formulation

Strategy I 
$$(49)$$

1. Objective 
$$\equiv$$
 Maximize Returns w/Risk. (50)

- The portfolio's beta must be between -0.5 and 0.5. (52)
- The sum of the weights assigned to each asset in the portfolio must equal 1.
- Each individual weight can range from -2 to 2. (54)

Strategy II 
$$(55)$$

1. Objective  $\equiv$  Maximize Returns Relative to Tracking Error Volatility (TEV).

- The portfolio's beta must be between -2 and 2. (58)
- The sum of the weights assigned to each asset in the portfolio must equal 1.
- Each individual weight can range from -2 to 2. (60)

# 3 Assumptions

### 3.1 Setup

1. Reallocation: '03-01-2007'  $\sim$  '03-31-2024' (61)

• LT LB Period : 
$$n_{\rm LT} = 120 \mid \Sigma_s \wedge \mu_s \mid {\rm LT} \equiv S_{120}$$
 (63)

• MT LB Period : 
$$n_{\rm LT} = 90 \mid \Sigma_s \wedge \mu_s \mid {\rm MT} \equiv S_{90}$$
 (64)

• ST LB Period : 
$$n_{\rm LT} = 40 \mid \Sigma_s \wedge \mu_s \mid {
m MT} \equiv S_{40}$$
 (65)

3. 
$$\beta_T \in \{0, 1\}$$
 (66)

$$4. \ \lambda \in \{0.10, 0.50\} \tag{67}$$

### 3.2 Period Analysis

• Period 
$$1 \equiv \text{Pre-Subprime}$$
 (69)

• Period 
$$2 \equiv \text{Subprime}$$
 (70)

• Period 
$$3 \equiv \text{Post-Subprime}$$
 (71)

• Period 
$$4 \equiv \text{COVID}$$
 (72)

• Period 
$$5 \equiv \text{Post-Covid}$$
 (73)

### 3.3 BackTesting

Definition: Historical Data
$$\Rightarrow$$
 Performance (74)

• BackTest 
$$\neq$$
 Forecasts  $\Rightarrow$  Snooping Bias / P-Hacking (76)

• 
$$\{t_i\}_{i=1}^n$$
: (78)

For the initial date  $t_1$ , use the prior 60 days of historical data to estimate input

Store the portfolio weights:  $\omega_{t_1}$ .

For each subsequent date  $t_{i+1}$ , roll the historical data window by 5 days, re-est

Store the new portfolio weights:  $\omega_{t_{i+1}}$ .

Repeat this process until the target date  $t_n$  is reached.

# $4~{\rm ToolKit}|{\bf Arsenal}$

	$Strat \ I \Rightarrow \mathtt{CVXPY} \mid Strat \ II \Rightarrow \mathtt{Nonlinear} \ \mathtt{Optimizer}$	(80)				
	$\mathrm{Data}\left(\mathrm{ETFs}\right)$ : $\mathtt{yfinance}$	(81)				
•	$1.~\mathrm{FXE}$	(82)				
•	$2.~\mathrm{EWJ}$	(83)				
•	3. GLD	(84)				
•	$4.~\mathrm{QQQ}$	(85)				
•	5. SPY	(86)				
•	6. SHV	(87)				
•	7. DBA	(88)				
•	8. USO	(89)				
•	9. XBI	(90)				
•	10. ILF	(91)				
•	11. EPP	(92)				
•	$12.~\mathrm{FEZ}$	(93)				
	To Do:	(94)				
•	$Task \ 1: \texttt{`download}\_\texttt{data}(\texttt{start}\_\texttt{date}, \ \texttt{end}\_\texttt{date})\texttt{`, `compute}\_\texttt{dail}$					
•	${ m Task}\ 2: { m `factor}\_{ m model}(\ldots){ m `}.$	(96)				
•	Task 3: 'optimize\_model()'	(97)				
•	$\operatorname{Task} 4$ : 'backtest()'	(98)				
•	Task $5$ : 'analyze()'					
•	Task 6: 'summarize()'	(100)				
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# 5 Performance + Risk Reporting 4 Strats

KPIs: (101)

- Cumulative PnL / Return (102)
- Average Daily Arithmetic / Geometric Return | Daily Min Return (103)
- 10 Day Max Drawdown | Sharpe (104)
- Vol, Skew, (Excess) Kurt, (Modified) VaR, Expected Shortfall (CVar) (10)

Tabular Formulation: (106)

	$S_{40}(eta_T=0)$	$S_{90}(eta_T=1)$	$S_{120}(eta_T=0)$	SPY
Mean Return			12	
:			:	
Max DD			8	

Furthermore: (107)

- 1. Evolution Plot : Cumulative Daily PnL  $\mid P_0 = \$100, \text{SPY}_0 = \$100.$  (108)
  - 2. Plot + Analyze (Daily) Return Distribution. (109)

### 6 Deliverables

- 1 ≡ Report : Findings, Conclusions, Estimator Impact on Strats (When? Why?) Crisis Periods (Subprime, COVID);
- $2 \equiv {
  m Axes}: {
  m Estimator \ Term\mbox{-}Structure \ Sensitivity} \ ({
  m ST, MT, LT}) \ {
  m for} \ {m \Sigma} \ \land \ {m \mu} \mid {
  m Ta}$ 
  - - $4\equiv {\tt Code.} \tag{113}$