

Project 1: Trading with Momentum

Instructions

Each problem consists of a function to implement and instructions on how to implement the function. The parts of the function that need to be implemented are marked with a `# TODO` comment. After implementing the function, run the cell to test it against the unit tests we've provided. For each problem, we provide one or more unit tests from our `project_tests` package. These unit tests won't tell you if your answer is correct, but will warn you of any major errors. Your code will be checked for the correct solution when you submit it to Udacity.

Packages

When you implement the functions, you'll only need to use the packages you've used in the classroom, like [Pandas](#) and [Numpy](#). These packages will be imported for you. We recommend you don't add any import statements, otherwise the grader might not be able to run your code.

The other packages that we're importing are `helper`, `project_helper`, and `project_tests`. These are custom packages built to help you solve the problems. The `helper` and `project_helper` module contains utility functions and graph functions. The `project_tests` contains the unit tests for all the problems.

Install Packages

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Load Packages

```
In [1]: import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import helper
import project_helper
import project_tests
```

Market Data

Load Data

The data we use for most of the projects is end of day data. This contains data for many stocks, but we'll be looking at stocks in the S&P 500. We also made things a little easier to run by narrowing down our range of time period instead of using all of the data.

```
In [2]: df = pd.read_csv('../data/project_1/eod-quotemedia.csv', parse_dates=[
close = df.reset_index().pivot(index='date', columns='ticker', values='ad
print('Loaded Data')
```

Loaded Data

View Data

Run the cell below to see what the data looks like for `close`.

```
In [3]: # Do not use as the project_helper file contains a but with plotly
# See Udacity Forums, Trading with Momentum, Thread by JACOB V. and
# answer by mentor IoannisK at 26.12.2018 9:00 AM
#project_helper.print_dataframe(close)

# Use normal close.head() to show data
close.head()
```

Out [3]:

ticker	A	AAL	AAP	AAPL	ABBV	ABC
date						
2013-07-01	29.99418563	16.17609308	81.13821681	53.10917319	34.92447839	50.86319750
2013-07-02	29.65013670	15.81983388	80.72207258	54.31224742	35.42807578	50.69676639
2013-07-03	29.70518453	16.12794994	81.23729877	54.61204262	35.44486235	50.93716689
2013-07-05	30.43456826	16.21460758	81.82188233	54.17338125	35.85613355	51.37173702
2013-07-08	30.52402098	16.31089385	82.95141667	53.86579916	36.66188936	52.03746147

5 rows × 495 columns

Stock Example

Let's see what a single stock looks like from the closing prices. For this example and future display examples in this project, we'll use Apple's stock (AAPL). If we tried to graph all the stocks, it would be too much information.

```
In [4]: apple_ticker = 'AAPL'
project_helper.plot_stock(close[apple_ticker], '{} Stock'.format(apple_ticker))
```

Resample Adjusted Prices

The trading signal you'll develop in this project does not need to be based on daily prices, for instance, you can use month-end prices to perform trading once a month. To do this, you must first resample the daily adjusted closing prices into monthly buckets, and select the last observation of each month.

Implement the `resample_prices` to resample `close_prices` at the sampling frequency of `freq`.

```
In [5]: def resample_prices(close_prices, freq='M'):
        """
        Resample close prices for each ticker at specified frequency.

        Parameters
        -----
        close_prices : DataFrame
            Close prices for each ticker and date
        freq : str
            What frequency to sample at
            For valid freq choices, see http://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/

        Returns
        -----
        prices_resampled : DataFrame
            Resampled prices for each ticker and date
        """
        # TODO: Implement Function
        prices_resampled = close_prices.resample(freq).last()
        return prices_resampled

project_tests.test_resample_prices(resample_prices)
```

Tests Passed

View Data

Let's apply this function to `close` and view the results.

```
In [6]: monthly_close = resample_prices(close)
        project_helper.plot_resampled_prices(
            monthly_close.loc[:, apple_ticker],
            close.loc[:, apple_ticker],
            '{} Stock - Close Vs Monthly Close'.format(apple_ticker))
```


Compute Log Returns

Compute log returns (R_t) from prices (P_t) as your primary momentum indicator:

$$R_t = \log_e(P_t) - \log_e(P_{t-1})$$

Implement the `compute_log_returns` function below, such that it accepts a dataframe (like one returned by `resample_prices`), and produces a similar dataframe of log returns. Use Numpy's [log function](#) to help you calculate the log returns.

```
In [7]: def compute_log_returns(prices):
        """
        Compute log returns for each ticker.

        Parameters
        -----
        prices : DataFrame
            Prices for each ticker and date

        Returns
        -----
        log_returns : DataFrame
            Log returns for each ticker and date
        """
        # TODO: Implement Function
        log_returns = np.log(prices) - np.log(prices.shift(1))

        return log_returns

project_tests.test_compute_log_returns(compute_log_returns)
```

Tests Passed

View Data

Using the same data returned from `resample_prices`, we'll generate the log returns.

```
In [8]: monthly_close_returns = compute_log_returns(monthly_close)
        project_helper.plot_returns(
            monthly_close_returns.loc[:, apple_ticker],
            'Log Returns of {} Stock (Monthly)'.format(apple_ticker))
        monthly_close_returns.head()
```

```
Out[8]:
```

ticker	A	AAL	AAP	AAPL	ABBV	ABC
2013-07-31	nan	nan	nan	nan	nan	nan
2013-08-31	0.04181412	-0.18015337	-0.02977582	0.08044762	-0.06518370	-0.01609335
2013-09-30	0.09657861	0.15979244	0.03282284	-0.02171531	0.04855545	0.07086509
2013-10-31	-0.00960698	0.14734639	0.18195865	0.09201927	0.08860637	0.06693948
2013-11-30	0.05388057	0.06647111	0.01828314	0.06772063	0.00000000	0.07997603

5 rows x 495 columns

Shift Returns

Implement the `shift_returns` function to shift the log returns to the previous or future returns in the time series. For example, the parameter `shift_n` is 2 and `returns` is the following:

	Returns				
	A	B	C	D	
2013-07-08	0.015	0.082	0.096	0.020	...
2013-07-09	0.037	0.095	0.027	0.063	...
2013-07-10	0.094	0.001	0.093	0.019	...
2013-07-11	0.092	0.057	0.069	0.087	...
...

the output of the `shift_returns` function would be:

	Shift Returns				
	A	B	C	D	
2013-07-08	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	...
2013-07-09	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	...
2013-07-10	0.015	0.082	0.096	0.020	...
2013-07-11	0.037	0.095	0.027	0.063	...
...

Using the same `returns` data as above, the `shift_returns` function should generate the following with `shift_n` as -2:

	Shift Returns				
	A	B	C	D	
2013-07-08	0.094	0.001	0.093	0.019	...
2013-07-09	0.092	0.057	0.069	0.087	...
...
...
...	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	...
...	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	...

Note: The "..." represents data points we're not showing.

```
In [9]: def shift_returns(returns, shift_n):
        """
        Generate shifted returns

        Parameters
        -----
        returns : DataFrame
            Returns for each ticker and date
        shift_n : int
            Number of periods to move, can be positive or negative

        Returns
        -----
        shifted_returns : DataFrame
            Shifted returns for each ticker and date
        """
        # TODO: Implement Function

        return returns.shift(shift_n)

project_tests.test_shift_returns(shift_returns)
```

Tests Passed

View Data

Let's get the previous month's and next month's returns.

```
In [10]: prev_returns = shift_returns(monthly_close_returns, 1)
        lookahead_returns = shift_returns(monthly_close_returns, -1)

        project_helper.plot_shifted_returns(
            prev_returns.loc[:, apple_ticker],
            monthly_close_returns.loc[:, apple_ticker],
            'Previous Returns of {} Stock'.format(apple_ticker))
        project_helper.plot_shifted_returns(
            lookahead_returns.loc[:, apple_ticker],
            monthly_close_returns.loc[:, apple_ticker],
            'Lookahead Returns of {} Stock'.format(apple_ticker))
```


Generate Trading Signal

A trading signal is a sequence of trading actions, or results that can be used to take trading actions. A common form is to produce a "long" and "short" portfolio of stocks on each date (e.g. end of each month, or whatever frequency you desire to trade at). This signal can be interpreted as rebalancing your portfolio on each of those dates, entering long ("buy") and short ("sell") positions as indicated.

Here's a strategy that we will try:

For each month-end observation period, rank the stocks by *previous* returns, from the highest to the lowest. Select the top performing stocks for the long portfolio, and the bottom performing stocks for the short portfolio.

Implement the `get_top_n` function to get the top performing stock for each month. Get the top performing stocks from `prev_returns` by assigning them a value of 1.

For all other stocks, give them a value of 0. For example, using the following `prev_returns` :

		Previous Returns				
		A	B	C	D	E
F	G					
2013-07-08		0.015	0.082	0.096	0.020	
0.075	0.043	0.074				
2013-07-09		0.037	0.095	0.027	0.063	
0.024	0.086	0.025				
...	
...	...					

The function `get_top_n` with `top_n` set to 3 should return the following:

		Previous Returns				
		A	B	C	D	E
F	G					
2013-07-08		0	1	1	0	1
0	0					
2013-07-09		0	1	0	1	0
1	0					
...	
...	...					

Note: You may have to use Panda's `DataFrame.iterrows` with `Series.nlargest` in order to implement the function. This is one of those cases where creating a vectorization solution is too difficult.


```
In [11]: def get_top_n(prev_returns, top_n):
        """
        Select the top performing stocks

        Parameters
        -----
        prev_returns : DataFrame
            Previous shifted returns for each ticker and date
        top_n : int
            The number of top performing stocks to get

        Returns
        -----
        top_stocks : DataFrame
            Top stocks for each ticker and date marked with a 1
        """
        # TODO: Implement Function
        top_stocks = pd.DataFrame(columns = prev_returns.columns.values, index = prev_returns.index)

        for index, row in prev_returns.iterrows():
            nlargest_array = np.array(row.nlargest(top_n))
            row_list = list()

            for item in nlargest_array:
                row_list.append(item)

            top_stocks.loc[index] = pd.Series(np.array(row_list).astype(np.int64))

        return top_stocks

project_tests.test_get_top_n(get_top_n)
```

Tests Passed

View Data

We want to get the best performing and worst performing stocks. To get the best performing stocks, we'll use the `get_top_n` function. To get the worst performing stocks, we'll also use the `get_top_n` function. However, we pass in `-1*prev_returns` instead of just `prev_returns`. Multiplying by negative one will flip all the positive returns to negative and negative returns to positive. Thus, it will return the worst performing stocks.

```
In [13]: top_bottom_n = 50
df_long = get_top_n(prev_returns, top_bottom_n)
df_short = get_top_n(-1*prev_returns, top_bottom_n)
project_helper.print_top(df_long, 'Longed Stocks')
project_helper.print_top(df_short, 'Shorted Stocks')
```

```
10 Most Longed Stocks:
INCY, AMD, AVGO, NFX, SWKS, NFLX, ILMN, UAL, NVDA, MU
10 Most Shorted Stocks:
RRC, FCX, CHK, MRO, GPS, WYNN, DVN, FTI, SPLS, TRIP
```

Projected Returns

It's now time to check if your trading signal has the potential to become profitable!

We'll start by computing the net returns this portfolio would return. For simplicity, we'll assume every stock gets an equal dollar amount of investment. This makes it easier to compute a portfolio's returns as the simple arithmetic average of the individual stock returns.

Implement the `portfolio_returns` function to compute the expected portfolio returns. Using `df_long` to indicate which stocks to long and `df_short` to indicate which stocks to short, calculate the returns using `lookahead_returns`. To help with calculation, we've provided you with `n_stocks` as the number of stocks we're investing in a single period.

```
In [18]: def portfolio_returns(df_long, df_short, lookahead_returns, n_stocks):
    """
    Compute expected returns for the portfolio, assuming equal investment

    Parameters
    -----
    df_long : DataFrame
        Top stocks for each ticker and date marked with a 1
    df_short : DataFrame
        Bottom stocks for each ticker and date marked with a 1
    lookahead_returns : DataFrame
        Lookahead returns for each ticker and date
    n_stocks: int
        The number number of stocks chosen for each month

    Returns
    -----
    portfolio_returns : DataFrame
        Expected portfolio returns for each ticker and date
    """
    # TODO: Implement Function

    return (lookahead_returns * df_long / n_stocks) - (lookahead_returns

project_tests.test_portfolio_returns(portfolio_returns)
```

Tests Passed

View Data

Time to see how the portfolio did.

```
In [19]: expected_portfolio_returns = portfolio_returns(df_long, df_short, lookahe
project_helper.plot_returns(expected_portfolio_returns.T.sum(), 'Portfoli
```

Statistical Tests

Annualized Rate of Return

```
In [20]: expected_portfolio_returns_by_date = expected_portfolio_returns.T.sum().d
portfolio_ret_mean = expected_portfolio_returns_by_date.mean()
portfolio_ret_ste = expected_portfolio_returns_by_date.sem()
portfolio_ret_annual_rate = (np.exp(portfolio_ret_mean * 12) - 1) * 100

print("""
Mean:                                {:.6f}
Standard Error:                      {:.6f}
Annualized Rate of Return:           {:.2f}%
""").format(portfolio_ret_mean, portfolio_ret_ste, portfolio_ret_annual_ra
```

```
Mean: 0.003253
Standard Error: 0.002203
Annualized Rate of Return: 3.98%
```

The annualized rate of return allows you to compare the rate of return from this strategy to other quoted rates of return, which are usually quoted on an annual basis.

T-Test

Our null hypothesis (H_0) is that the actual mean return from the signal is zero. We'll perform a one-sample, one-sided t-test on the observed mean return, to see if we can reject H_0 .

We'll need to first compute the t-statistic, and then find its corresponding p-value. The p-value will indicate the probability of observing a t-statistic equally or more extreme than the one we observed if the null hypothesis were true. A small p-value means that the chance of observing the t-statistic we observed under the null hypothesis is small, and thus casts doubt on the null hypothesis. It's good practice to set a desired level of significance or alpha (α) *before* computing the p-value, and then reject the null hypothesis if $p < \alpha$.

For this project, we'll use $\alpha = 0.05$, since it's a common value to use.

Implement the `analyze_alpha` function to perform a t-test on the sample of portfolio returns. We've imported the `scipy.stats` module for you to perform the t-test.

Note: `scipy.stats.ttest_1samp` performs a two-sided test, so divide the p-value by 2 to get 1-sided p-value

```
In [24]: from scipy import stats

def analyze_alpha(expected_portfolio_returns_by_date):
    """
    Perform a t-test with the null hypothesis being that the expected mean
    is zero.

    Parameters
    -----
    expected_portfolio_returns_by_date : Pandas Series
        Expected portfolio returns for each date

    Returns
    -----
    t_value
        T-statistic from t-test
    p_value
        Corresponding p-value
    """
    # TODO: Implement Function
    t, p = stats.ttest_1samp(expected_portfolio_returns_by_date, 0)

    return (t, p/2)

project_tests.test_analyze_alpha(analyze_alpha)
```

Tests Passed

View Data

Let's see what values we get with our portfolio. After you run this, make sure to answer the question below.

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In [25]: t_value, p_value = analyze_alpha(expected_portfolio_returns_by_date)
print("""
Alpha analysis:
  t-value:      {:.3f}
  p-value:      {:.6f}
""").format(t_value, p_value))
```

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Alpha analysis:
  t-value:      1.476
  p-value:      0.073359
```

Question: What p-value did you observe? And what does that indicate about your signal?

#TODO: Put Answer In this Cell

Under the assumption that the null hypothesis is true, our portfolio returns a p-value of 0.073359 which indicates the probability to have a annual rate of return of 3.98% as we calculated above.

As 0.073359 is greater than the alpha of 0.05 that we have selected as the level of our significance test, we cannot conclude that the null hypothesis is to be rejected.

A p-value of 0.073359 is equivalent to a probability of ca. 7.3% that we find a rate of return of 3.98% under the condition that the null hypothesis is true, that is, that the real mean of our portfolio is 0%.

This is a relatively high probability, and so gives us no real device to conclude that the null hypothesis is not true. If, for example, we had a p-value of, say, 0.02 or equivalently a probability of 2%, this would let the annual return of 3.98% quite improbable under the condition that the null hypothesis is true; we would then easily conclude that the null hypothesis is false.

As we have in advance decided on the threshold of $\alpha = 0.05$, and the p-value of 0.073359 that we found is greater

Hence the null hypothesis can count as being still valid, which means that the annual rate of return is 0%.

Hence we should not invest into the portfolio as calculated above.

Submission

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