

pi arb strats

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The book is modelled like so:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{bids} &= \{(b_1, q_1), \dots, (b_n, q_n)\} \\ \text{asks} &= \{(a_1, q_1), \dots, (a_n, q_n)\}\end{aligned}$$

bids and *asks* are totally ordered over $>$, and

$$\begin{aligned}b_i - b_{i+1} &\geq 1 \\ a_i - a_{i+1} &\geq 1\end{aligned}$$

For a book with n price levels, the top of the book is at index 1, and the bottom of the book at n . The total quantity of shares up to and including a price level k for bids and asks is

$$\begin{aligned}Q_b(k) &= \sum_{i=1}^k q_i \\ Q_a(k) &= \sum_{i=1}^k q_i\end{aligned}$$

Current Strategy

For the time being, this strategy has constants for deciding what quantities to purchase, and what levels to sell or liquidate at. Hopefully this is improved in the future to account for other factors.

Placing bids

First, find the price level k such that

$$Q_b(k) \leq 100 \wedge (Q_b(k) \geq (Q_b(i) \leq 100)) \quad (1)$$

Now the bids we're interested in are

$$B = \{(b_1, q_1), \dots, (b_k, q_k)\}$$

If $B = \emptyset$, then the only option is to place a bid at $b_1 + 1$ (if an arb opportunity exists). Otherwise, examine the bottom index k . If $b_k - b_{k+1} > 1$, then place the order at $b_{k+1} + 1$.

Adjusting bid

Everytime an orderbook change occurs, the arb position needs re-evaluated. If the arb opportunity is lost, cancel the order and liquidate the remainder at b_1 . Optionally, adjust our sell price if more profit can be made. Otherwise, calculate Q_k again. If k changed, verify an arb opportunity exists, and adjust the order. Hold any shares that were already purchased.

Placing asks

Adjusting asks

Arb opportunities

An arb opportunity exists if:

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 - b_k &== 1 \wedge aq_1 \leq 25 \\ a_1 - b_k &> 1 \end{aligned}$$