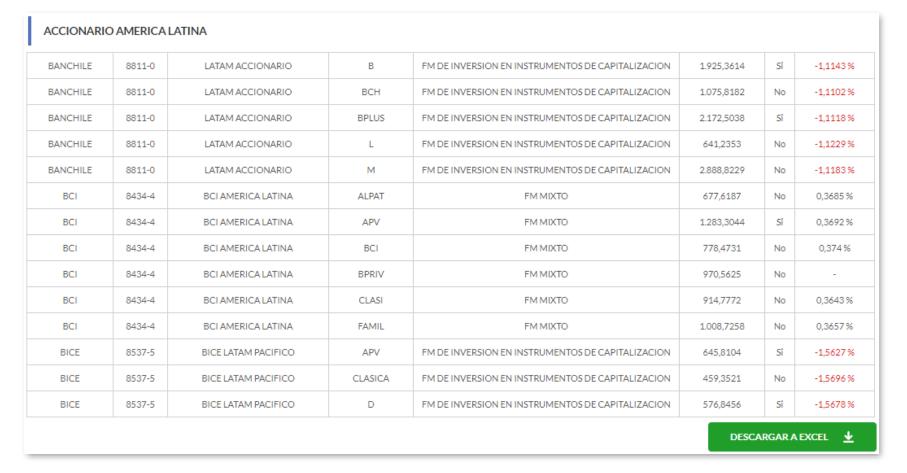
# Free, Quality, Open-Source Software may help Chilean retail investors better invest in Mutual Funds.

# **Enhanced Chilean Mutual Fund Data Explorer**

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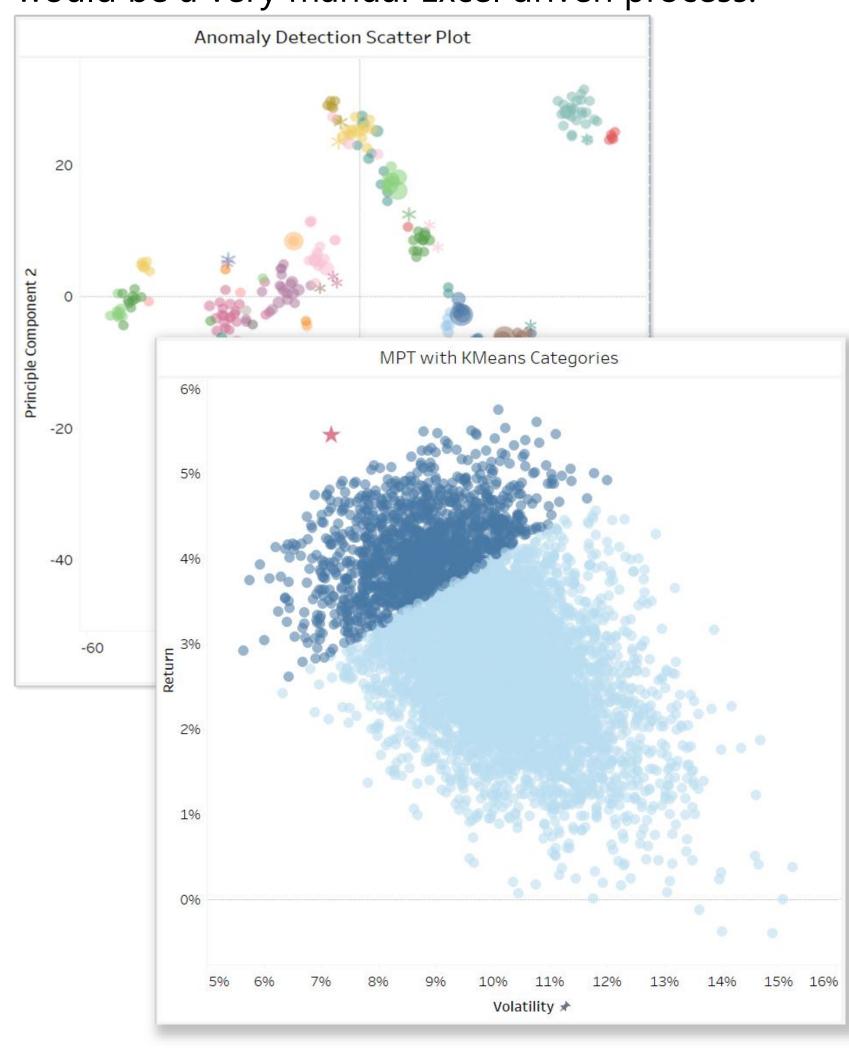
# **What Exists Today**

This is a screenshot of what is currently available to retail traders. As you can see, it is raw data with no cleaning/analysis/etc. at best providing periodic trends.



### **What We Made**

These are two example screenshots of some of our dashboard elements within a Tableau workbook (there are many more!). From it you can see outlier visualizations, clustering, and efficiency boundaries. These visualizations also surface contextual information when UI elements are clicked. This enables rapid visual analysis vs. what would be a very manual Excel driven process.



# Background

Chilean retail investors (people like you and I) don't have access to quality Mutual Fund analysis tools, and public data is hard to aggregate. By providing a free, quality, and open-source software package, we can improve trader's ability to make decisions about what Mutual Funds to invest in. We recognized this as an underserved community that we wished to help.

# **Objectives**

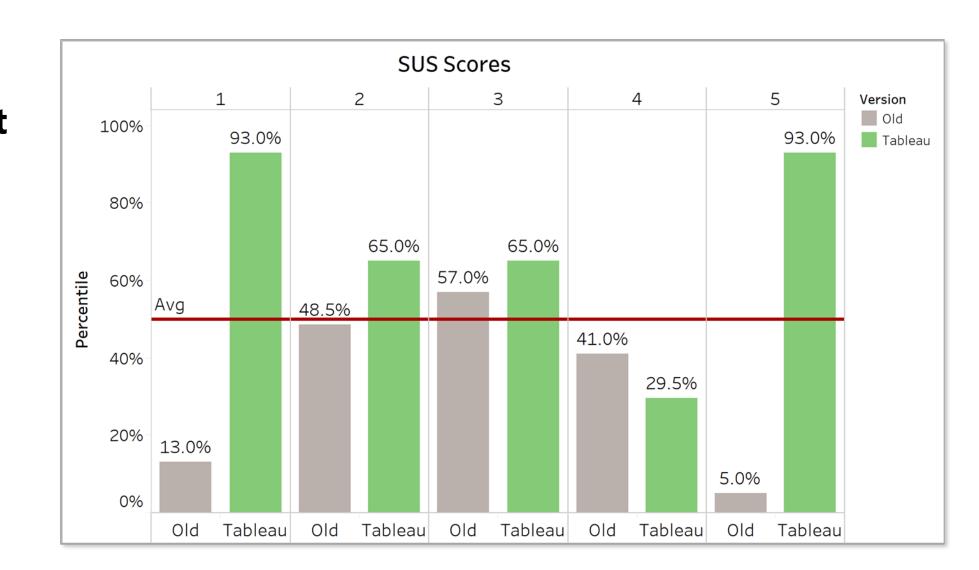
- Consolidate Mutual Fund financial data
- Use financial and Machine Learning algorithms to identify abnormal risk/return for Mutual Funds
- Identify abnormal Mutual Funds that don't fit their stated category
- Create a rich user interface to compare Mutual Fund statistics and distributions

### Approach

- Scrape data from publicly accessible data sets
  (4 million time-series data points)
- 2. Clean and transform data to a form useful for analysis
- 3. Apply Financial and Machine Learning algorithms (t-SNE, MPT, k-means, etc.)
- **4. Export** the modified/analyzed data for use in visualizations
- **5. Visualize** mutual fund characteristics and clustering

### **Experiments and Results**

In lieu of a long-term user study that would accurately gauge our success but would not fit into a semester's worth of time, we fell upon a System Usability Scale industry standard survey. This survey enabled us to gage how usable our software is compared to another privately developed trade analysis software (one of our teammates works at a Bank in Chile).



In the above chart we can see that participants rated our software as significantly more usable than privately available software at an investment bank. From this we make the claim that our software will improve the lives of retail investors who do not have access to the same resources as an investment bank.

### Discussion

Due to limited time and resources, it was impossible to scientifically prove that our software was an improvement for Chilean mutual fund retail investors; however, we were able to work with banking day traders, gather a small usability study that follows industry standard practices, and show subjective analysis that our software was more usable than privately developed investment banking software. Intuitively, given our software scrapes, cleans, analyzes, and visualizes mutual fund data, it stands to reason our software is likely better than a spreadsheet of raw data.

Our Chilean teammate plans to **open source** the software, **expand on its capabilities**, extend where appropriate, embed it in a public facing website, and **evangelize its usefulness** to the Chilean retail investment community. Once those tasks have been completed, a long-term analysis of trades, and/or user traffic to the website would be able to show whether or not our software is useful in the long term.





