

Wharton Business and Financial Modeling Capstone

PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE PRESENTATION

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Project Purpose



- Use simple example to demonstrates the importance of portfolio diversification
- Portfolio (VBTLX & VFIAX) vs Single Security (AAPL)
 - VBTLX: Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund
 - VFIAX: Vanguard 500 Index Fund Admiral Shares
 - AAPL: Apple Inc.

Data and Data Source

VBTLX, VFIAX, and
AAPL's Monthly Return
From Jan-2012 (Train)
To Jul-2016 (Test)

Date	VBTLX	VFIAX	AAPL
Jan-12	0.88%	4.47%	0.61%
Feb-12	-0.04%	4.32%	0.87%
Mar-12	-0.57%	3.29%	0.47%
Apr-12	1.15%	-0.63%	-0.09%
May-12	0.96%	-6.01%	-0.03%
Jun-12	0.04%	4.12%	0.06%
Jul-12	1.39%	1.38%	0.22%
Aug-12	0.04%	2.25%	0.40%
Sep-12	0.12%	2.58%	0.03%

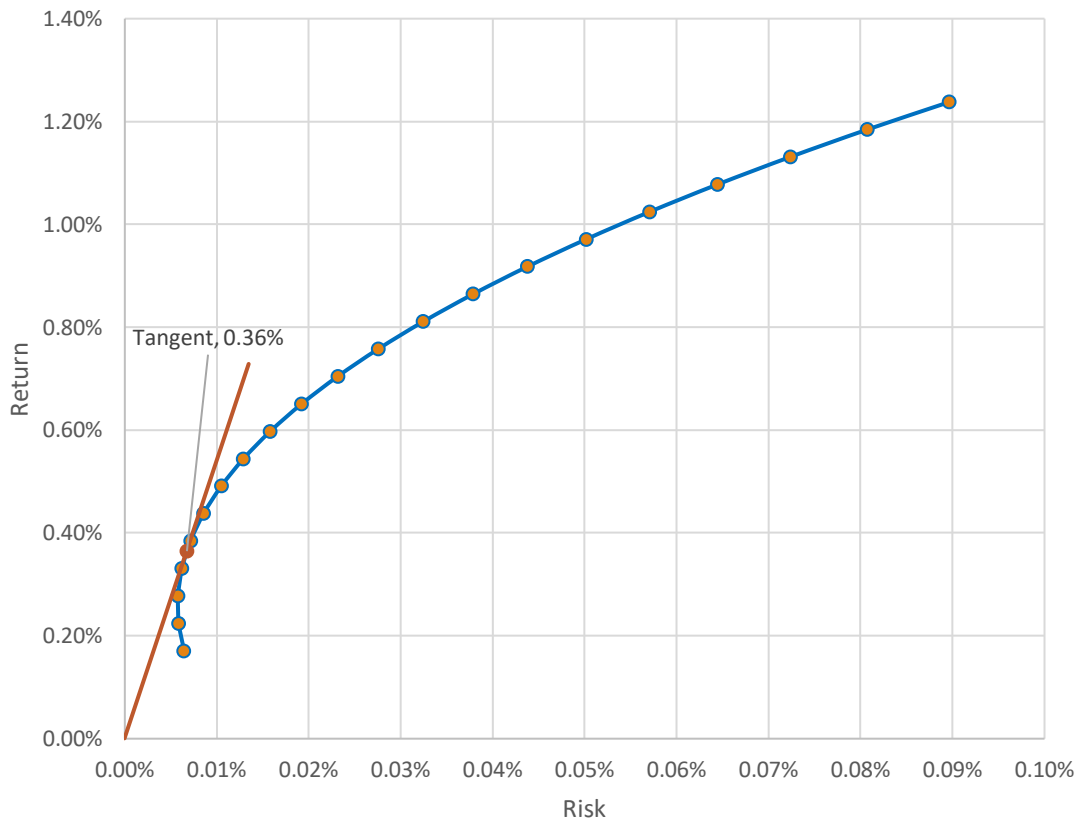
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Jan-16	1.44%	-4.97%	-0.13%
Feb-16	0.67%	-0.14%	12.72%
Mar-16	0.95%	6.78%	-13.99%
Apr-16	0.39%	0.39%	7.18%
May-16	0.02%	1.79%	-4.27%
Jun-16	1.94%	0.26%	9.01%
Jul-16	0.65%	3.68%	1.77%

[Data Source](#)

Efficient Frontier and CML - Portfolio

Efficient Frontier and CML



Optimal Risky Portfolio			
Weight_VBTLX	Weight_VFIAX	Risk Free Rate	Fund
81.86%	18.14%	0%	\$ 5,000,000.00
Stock Portfolio	Return	Risk	Sharpe Ratio
	0.36%	0.01%	54.0
		VBTLX	VFIAX
mean		0.17%	1.24%
stdv		0.80%	2.99%
Covariance		-0.0000174	

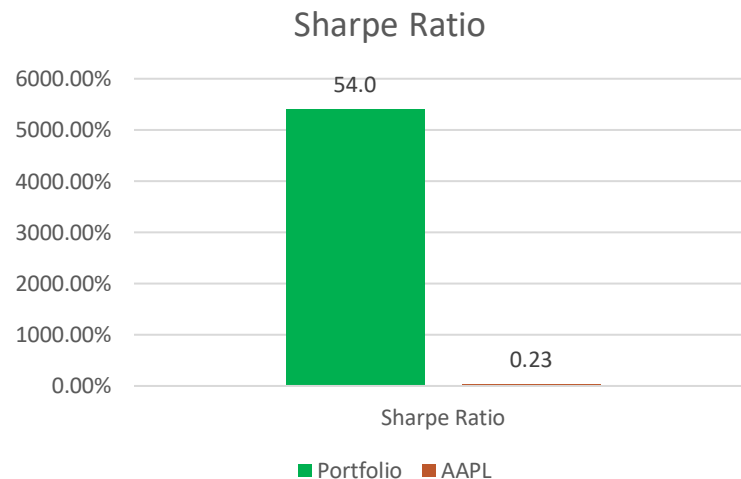
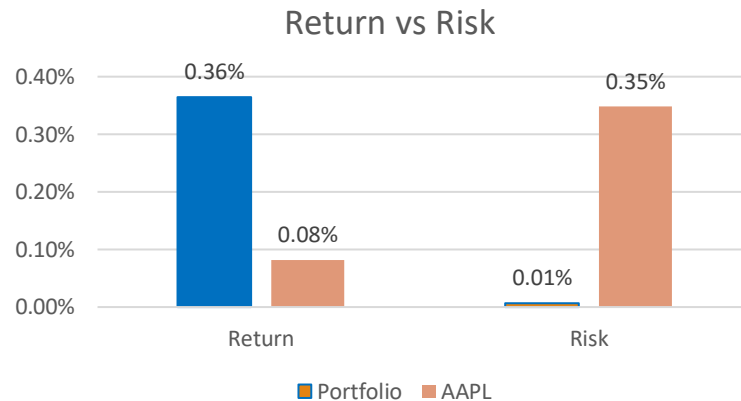
Using excel solver and plotting out the

- Efficient Frontier
- Capital Market Line

We can easily visual the optimal return of this portfolio is 0.36% at

- Weight-VBTLX = 81.86%
- Weight-VBFLAX = 18.14%

Comparison – Portfolio vs Single Stock

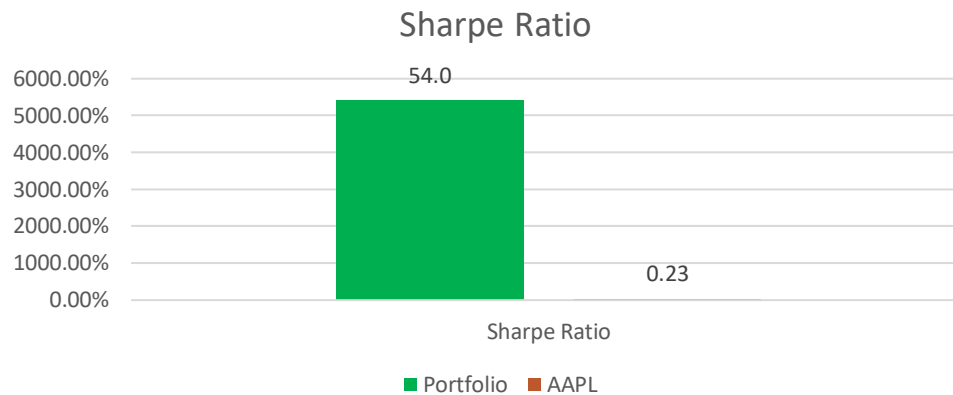


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After getting the optimal weight of the portfolio from 2012 – 2015 data and then plug them into 2016 for testing, we found:

1. Total Gain (\$): Portfolio < Single
2. Actual Return: Portfolio > Single
3. Actual Risk: Portfolio < Single
4. Sharpe Ratio: Portfolio > Single

Findings



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Based on the data that

1. Total Gain (\$): Portfolio is 27% less than Single
2. Sharpe Ratio: Portfolio is 231 times the Single

We would recommend that it is **safer** to diversify your portfolio and in other words: “Avoid putting your eggs in one basket”

Limitations of the Sharpe Ratio

The main problem with the Sharpe ratio is that it is accentuated by investments that don't have a normal distribution of returns. Asset prices are bounded to the downside by zero but have theoretically unlimited upside potential, making their returns right-skewed or log-normal, which is a violation of the assumptions built into the Sharpe ratio that asset returns are normally distributed.