

PortfolioRebalancing

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In [17]: import numpy as np
import cvxpy as cvx
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
plt.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = (10.0, 8.0) # set default size of plots
np.random.seed(123)

%pylab inline

#!wget http://stanford.edu/~boyd/cvxbook/cvxbook_additional_exercises/portf_weight_rebalance_d
#!cat portf_weight_rebalance_data.py
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Populating the interactive namespace from numpy and matplotlib

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In [18]: # data
import numpy as np
import cvxpy as cvx
T = 100
n = 5
gamma = 8.0
threshold = 0.001

Sigma = np.array([[1.512e-02, 1.249e-03, 2.762e-04, -5.333e-03, -7.938e-04],
                  [1.249e-03, 1.030e-02, 6.740e-05, -1.301e-03, -1.937e-04],
                  [2.762e-04, 6.740e-05, 1.001e-02, -2.877e-04, -4.283e-05],
                  [-5.333e-03, -1.301e-03, -2.877e-04, 1.556e-02, 8.271e-04],
                  [-7.938e-04, -1.937e-04, -4.283e-05, 8.271e-04, 1.012e-02]])

mu = np.array([1.02, 1.028, 1.01, 1.034, 1.017])
kappa_1 = np.matrix([0.002, 0.002, 0.002, 0.002, 0.002])
kappa_2 = np.matrix([0.004, 0.004, 0.004, 0.004, 0.004])

## generate a vector r of market returns
generateReturns = lambda: np.random.multivariate_normal(mu, Sigma)

In [19]: def opt_port(mu, Sigma, gamma, trans_costs=False,
                    kappa=None, wt=None):
    """ Computes single period optimal portfolio """

    # initialize variable to optimize
    w = cvx.Variable(n)

    # coerce wt matrix to be a column vector
    wt = np.reshape(np.matrix(wt), (-1, 1))
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    # objective function to maximize
    obj_func = w.T * mu - gamma / 2 * cvx.quad_form(w, Sigma)

    if trans_costs:
        obj_func -= kappa * cvx.abs(w - wt)

    # define constraints
    constraints = [cvx.sum_entries(w) == 1]

    # define convex optimization problem
    obj = cvx.Maximize(obj_func)
    prob = cvx.Problem(obj, constraints)

    # solve convex optimization problem
    prob.solve(solver=cvx.ECOS)

    return w.value

In [20]: def run_multi_period_opt(mu, Sigma, gamma, kappa):
    """ Simulates multi-period portfolio optimization """
    w_star = opt_port(mu, Sigma, gamma).T

    # pre-trade weights
    wt = np.zeros((T, n))

    # post-trade weights
    ws = wt.copy()

    # trade weights
    us = ws.copy()

    # start at optimal
    ws[0, :] = w_star.copy()

    # multi-period rebalancing
    for t in xrange(1, T):

        # grow weights due to simulated market returns
        wt[t, :] = grow_weights(ws[t-1, :]).T

        # construct optimal portfolio
        ws[t, :] = opt_port(mu, Sigma, gamma,
                           trans_costs=True, kappa=kappa, wt=wt[t, :]).T

        # trades
        us[t, :] = ws[t, :] - wt[t, :]

    return ws, us, np.array(w_star)[0], wt

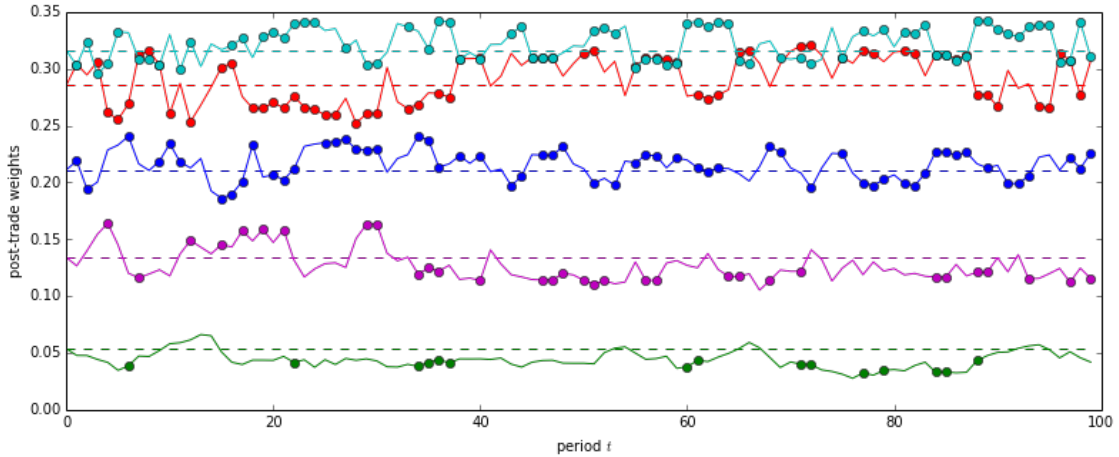
In [21]: def grow_weights(wt):
    # grows weights by simulated market returns
    wt = np.reshape(np.matrix(wt), (-1, 1))
    rt = generateReturns()

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return (np.diag(rt) * wt) / (rt * wt)
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In [22]: def plot_weights(ws, us, w_star):
        """ Plotting code
        Provide three objects:
            - ws: np.array of size T x n,
                  the post-trade weights  $w_{t\_tilde}$ ;
            - us: np.array of size T x n,
                  the trades at each period:  $w_{t\_tilde} - w_t$ ;
            - w_star: np.array of size n,
                      the "target" solution  $w_{star}$ .
        """
        colors = ['b', 'r', 'g', 'c', 'm']
        plt.figure(figsize=(13,5))
        for j in range(n):
            plt.plot(range(T), ws[:,j], colors[j])
            plt.plot(range(T), [w_star[j]]*T, colors[j]+'--')
            non_zero_trades = abs(us[:,j]) > threshold
            plt.plot(np.arange(T)[non_zero_trades],
                     ws[non_zero_trades, j], colors[j]+'o')
        plt.ylabel('post-trade weights')
        plt.xlabel('period $t$')
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In [23]: ws, us, w_star, wt = run_multi_period_opt(mu, Sigma, gamma, kappa=kappa_1)
        plot_weights(ws, us, w_star)
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In [24]: def frac_tiny_trades(us):
        return 1.0 * np.sum(np.max(us, 1) <= 1e-3) / len(us)
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In [25]: print "tiny trades ", frac_tiny_trades(us)
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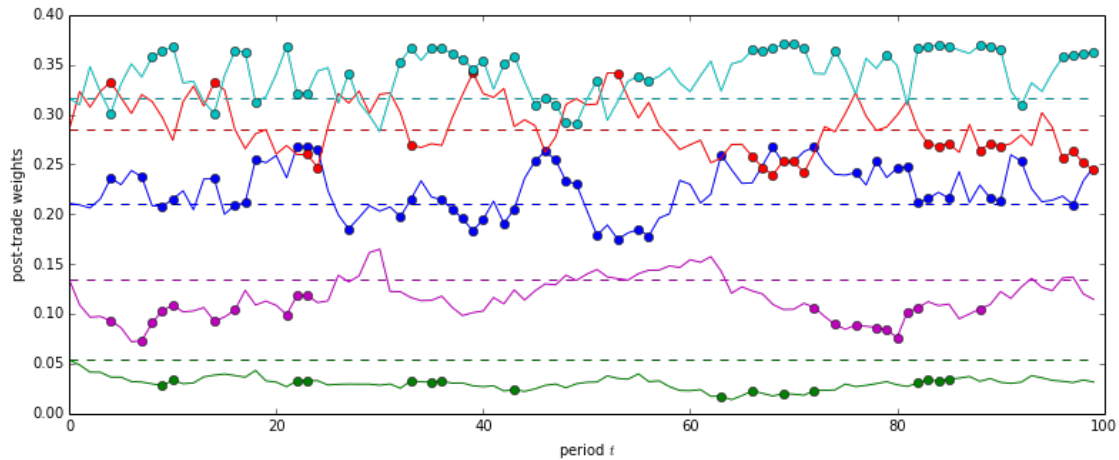
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tiny trades  0.16
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In [26]: def frac_no_trade_cond(wt, gamma, Sigma, kappa, w_star):
        no_trad_cond = (gamma * np.abs(np.dot(wt - w_star, Sigma)) <= kappa).all(axis=1)
        return 1.0 * np.sum(no_trad_cond) / len(no_trad_cond)
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In [27]: frac_no_trade = frac_no_trade_cond(wt, gamma, Sigma, kappa_1, w_star)
        print "frac periods no trade cond", frac_no_trade
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frac periods no trade cond 0.06

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In [29]: ws, us, w_star, wt = run_multi_period_opt(mu, Sigma, gamma, kappa=kappa_2)
        plot_weights(ws, us, w_star)
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In [30]: # we see that for high transaction costs, 36% of periods negligible trades (too expensive!)
        print "tiny trades ", frac_tiny_trades(us)
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tiny trades 0.41

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In [31]: # with high transaction costs, the deviation of wt from
        # the target portfolio is infrequently less than the cost of trading
        frac_no_trade = frac_no_trade_cond(wt, gamma, Sigma, kappa_1, w_star)
        print "frac periods no trade cond", frac_no_trade
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frac periods no trade cond 0.03