Algorithmic Trading in Quantopian Evan Okin

Trading Strategy: Mean-Variance Portfolio Optimized

Methodology:

Part 1: Python

- 1) Pulled in all named stocks in S&P 500
- 2) Analyzed monthly returns from 2015 through 2017
- 3) Chose ten companies that maximized mean monthly returns from 2015 through 2017
- 4) Ran 5,000 simulations with various weights on these ten companies to assess portfolio performance
- 5) Chose portfolio that optimized Sharpe Ratio across the 5,000 simulations

Part 2: Quantopian

6) Back-tested performance against benchmark (SPY ETF) from 2018 through 2019

Performance:

Return

Optimized portfolio: 3.31% (\$10,000 -> \$10,331)

o Benchmark (SPY): -4.51% (\$10,000 -> \$9,549)

Alpha

o Optimized portfolio: 0.15

Beta

Optimized portfolio: 1.63

Sharpe Ratio

o Optimized portfolio: 0.28

