

# CQF - Exam 1 - Optimal Portfolio Allocation

## Python imports

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In [ ]: import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import math
from scipy.stats import norm
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
%matplotlib inline
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## Question 1

Consider minimum variance portfolio with a target return  $m$

$$\underset{w}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{2} w' \Sigma w$$

*s. t.*

$$w' \mathbf{1} = 1$$

$$\mu_{\pi} = w' \mu = m$$

- Formulate the Lagrangian and give its partial derivatives

We form the Lagrange function with two Lagrange multipliers  $\lambda$  and  $\gamma$ :

$$L(w, \lambda, \gamma) = \frac{1}{2} w' \Sigma w + \lambda(m - w' \mu) + \gamma(1 - w' \mathbf{1})$$

with partial derivatives:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w} = \Sigma w - \lambda \mu - \gamma \mathbf{1}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \lambda} = m - w' \mu$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \gamma} = 1 - w' \mathbf{1}$$

- Write down the analytical solution for optimal allocations  $w^*$  (derivation not required)

$$w^* = \frac{1}{(AC - B^2)} \sum^{-1} [(A\mu - B\mathbf{1})m + (C\mathbf{1} - B\mu)]$$

where:

$$\begin{cases} A = \mathbf{1}' \Sigma^{-1} \mathbf{1} \\ B = \mathbf{1}' \Sigma^{-1} \mu \\ C = \mu' \Sigma^{-1} \mu \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

- Inverse optimization: generate above 700 random allocation sets (vectors) 4x1, those will not be optimal allocations.

Standardize each set to satisfy  $w' \mathbf{1} = 1$  For each vector of allocations compute  $\mu_\pi = w' \mu$  and  $\sigma_\pi = \sqrt{w' \Sigma w}$

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In [ ]: mu = np.array([0.02, 0.07, 0.15, 0.20])

sigma = np.array([0.05, 0.12, 0.17, 0.25])

R = np.matrix([
    [1.0, 0.3, 0.3, 0.3],
    [0.3, 1.0, 0.6, 0.6],
    [0.3, 0.6, 1.0, 0.6 ],
    [0.3, 0.6, 0.6, 1.0],
    ])

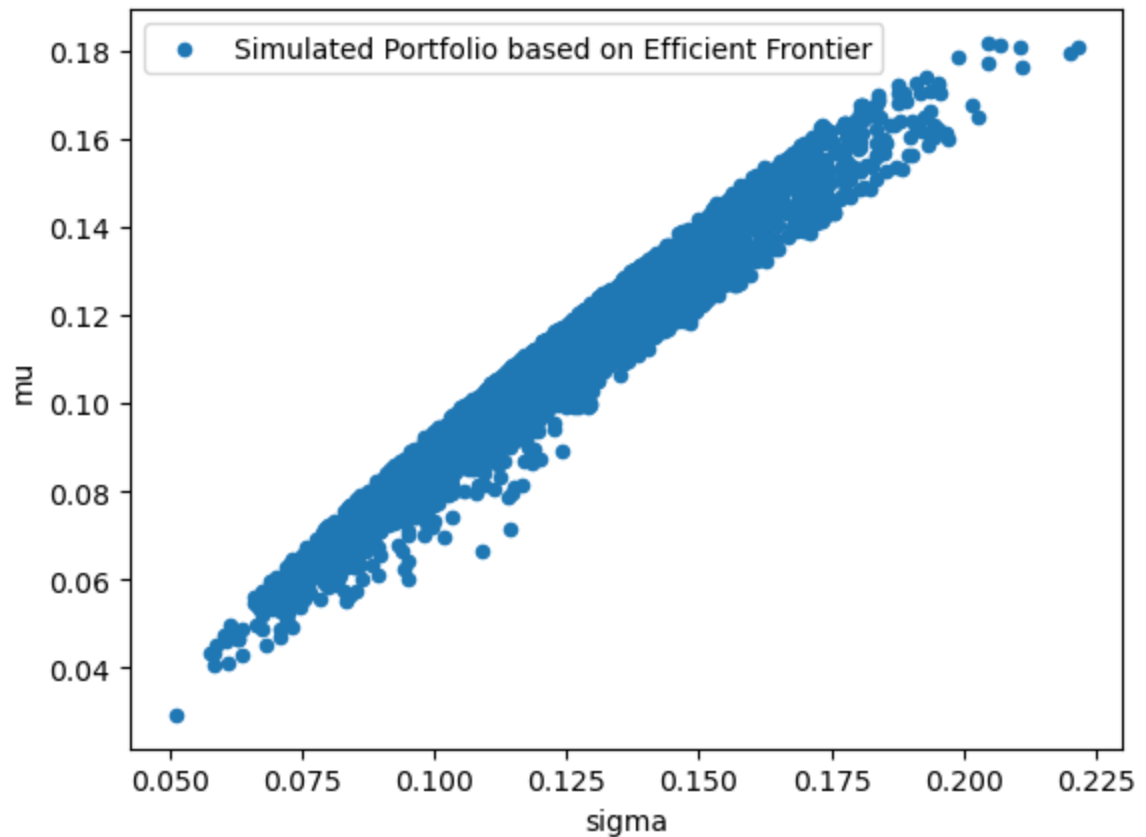
def get_covariance_matrix(sigma, R):
    S = np.diag(sigma)
    return S*R*S
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In [ ]: def gen_w(size):
    w = np.array([np.random.uniform() for i in range(0,size,1)])
    return w / w.sum()

n_assets = 4
cases = 5000
W = [gen_w(n_assets) for i in range(0,cases,1)]
cov = get_covariance_matrix(sigma=sigma, R=R)

data = [[np.dot(mu, w), np.sqrt(np.dot(np.dot(w, cov), w).sum())] for w in W]
df_simul = pd.DataFrame(data=data, columns=['mu', 'sigma'])
df_simul.plot.scatter(x='sigma', y='mu', label='Simulated Portfolio based on Efficiency Frontier')
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Out[ ]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='sigma', ylabel='mu'>
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The plot above shows the efficient frontier based on different weighted portfolios simulation.

## Question 2

Consider optimization for a tangency portfolio (maximum Sharpe Ratio).

- Formulate optimization expression

$$\min_w \frac{1}{2} w' \Sigma w$$

subject to:

$$r + w'(\mu - r\mathbf{1}) = m$$

- Formulate Lagrangian function and give its partial derivatives only

As residual of wealth not invested in risky assets will be invested in risk free, the budget constraint has been removed

$$L(x, \lambda) = \frac{1}{2} w' \Sigma w + \lambda(m - r - w'(\mu - r\mathbf{1}))$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w} = \sum w - \lambda(\mu - r\mathbf{1})$$

- For the range of tangency portfolios given by  $r_f = 50bps, 100bps, 150bps, 175bps$  optimal compute allocations (ready formula) and  $\sigma_\pi$ .

Plot the efficient frontier in the presence of a risk-free asset for  $r_f = 100bps, 175bps$ .

The tangential portfolio allocation  $w_t$  is given by:

$$w_t = \frac{\sum^{-1}(\mu - r\mathbf{1})}{B - Ar}$$

where its return and standard deviation:

$$m_t = \frac{C - Br}{B - Ar}$$

$$\sigma_t = \sqrt{\frac{C - 2Br + Ar^2}{(B - Ar)^2}}$$

where:

$$\begin{cases} A = \mathbf{1}' \sum^{-1} \mathbf{1} \\ B = \mathbf{1}' \sum^{-1} \mu \\ C = \mu' \sum^{-1} \mu \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

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In [ ]: def calculate_tangency_portfolio(mu, sigma, R, r_f):

    m_cov = get_covariance_matrix(sigma=sigma, R=R)
    v_ones = np.ones(len(m_cov))
    m_cov_inv = np.linalg.inv(m_cov)
    A = m_cov_inv.sum()
    B = np.dot(np.dot(v_ones, m_cov_inv), mu).sum()
    C = np.dot(np.dot(mu, m_cov_inv), mu).sum()

    den = (B-A*r_f)
    w_t = np.dot(m_cov_inv, mu - r_f) / den
    m_t = (C - B*r_f) / den
    sigma_t = np.sqrt((C - 2*B*r_f + A*(r_f**2))/(den**2))

    return w_t, m_t, sigma_t
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])
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df_pt = pd.DataFrame(data=[0.005, 0.01, 0.015, 0.0175], columns=['r_f'])
df_pt['w_t'], df_pt['m_t'], df_pt['sigma_t'] = zip(*df_pt.r_f.apply(lambda x: calcul
df_pt[['r_f', 'w_t', 'm_t', 'sigma_t']])
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	r_f	w_t	m_t	sigma_t
0	0.0050	[[[[[ 0.0168352 -0.22936698 0.81434026 0.39...	0.186070	0.196511
1	0.0100	[[[[[-0.74593711 -0.51056937 1.49024934 0.76...	0.326130	0.350665
2	0.0150	[[[[[-8.64485405 -3.42257114 8.48965087 4.57...	1.776525	1.972392
3	0.0175	[[[[[ 8.10350247 2.75185052 -6.3514309 -3.50...	-1.298799	1.473515

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In [ ]: rs = np.linspace(-5,0.02, 3000)
mus = np.zeros(len(rs))
sigmas = np.zeros(len(rs))
for i in range(0, len(rs), 1):
    w, m, s = calculate_tangency_portfolio(mu=mu, sigma=sigma, R=R, r_f=rs[i])
    mus[i] = m
    sigmas[i] = s

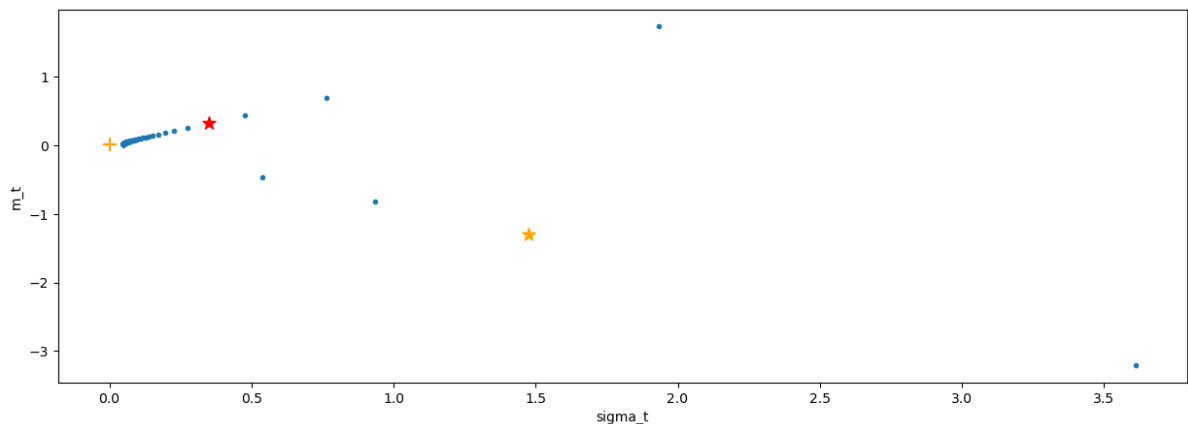
plt.subplots(figsize=[15,5])
plt.scatter(sigmas, mus, marker='.')

df_100bps = df_pt[df_pt['r_f'] == 0.01]
df_175bps = df_pt[df_pt['r_f'] == 0.0175]

plt.scatter(df_100bps.iloc[0].sigma_t, df_100bps.iloc[0].m_t, marker='*', color='red')
plt.scatter(0, 0.01, marker='+', color='red', s=100)
plt.scatter(df_175bps.iloc[0].sigma_t, df_175bps.iloc[0].m_t, marker='*', color='orange')
plt.scatter(0, 0.0175, marker='+', color='orange', s=100)

plt.xlabel('sigma_t')
plt.ylabel('m_t')
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Out[ ]: Text(0, 0.5, 'm_t')
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## Question 3

Implement the multi-step binomial method as described in Binomial Method lecture with the following variables and parameters: stock  $S = 100$ , interest rate  $r = 0.05$  (continuously compounded) for a call option with strike  $E = 100$ , and maturity  $T = 1$ .

- Use any suitable parametrisation for up and down moves  $uS, vS$ .
- Compute the options value for a range of volatilities  $[0.05, \dots, 0.8]$  and plot the result. Set trees to have a minimum four time steps.
- Now, compute and plot the value of one options,  $\sigma_{imp} = 0.2$  as you increase the number of time steps  $NTS = 4, 5, \dots, 50$ .

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In [ ]: S = 100
r = 0.05
K = 100
T = 1
N = 4

def combinat(n, i):
    return math.factorial(n) / (math.factorial(n-i)*math.factorial(i))

def opt_binomial(S0, K, T, r, sigma, N, CP):
    dt = T / N
    u = np.exp(sigma * np.sqrt(dt))
    d = np.exp(-sigma * np.sqrt(dt))
    p = (np.exp(r*dt)-d)/(u-d)
    value = 0
    for i in range(N+1):
        prob = combinat(N, i)*(p**i)*((1-p)**(N-i))
        ST = S0*(u**i)*(d**(N-i))
        if CP == 'C':
            value += max(ST-K, 0) * prob
        else:
            value += max(K-ST, 0) * prob
    return value*np.exp(-r*T)

In [ ]: sigmas = np.linspace(0.05, 0.80)

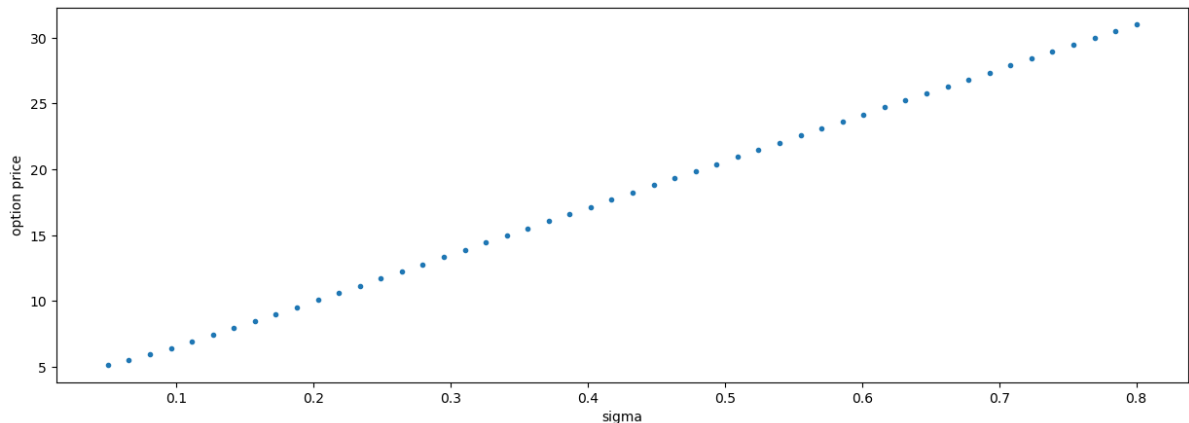
prices = []
for sigma in sigmas:
    prices.append(opt_binomial(S0=S, K=K, T=T, r=r, sigma=sigma, N=N, CP='C'))

plt.subplots(figsize=[15,5])
plt.scatter(sigmas, prices, marker='.')

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plt.xlabel('sigma')
plt.ylabel('option price')
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Out[ ]: Text(0, 0.5, 'option price')



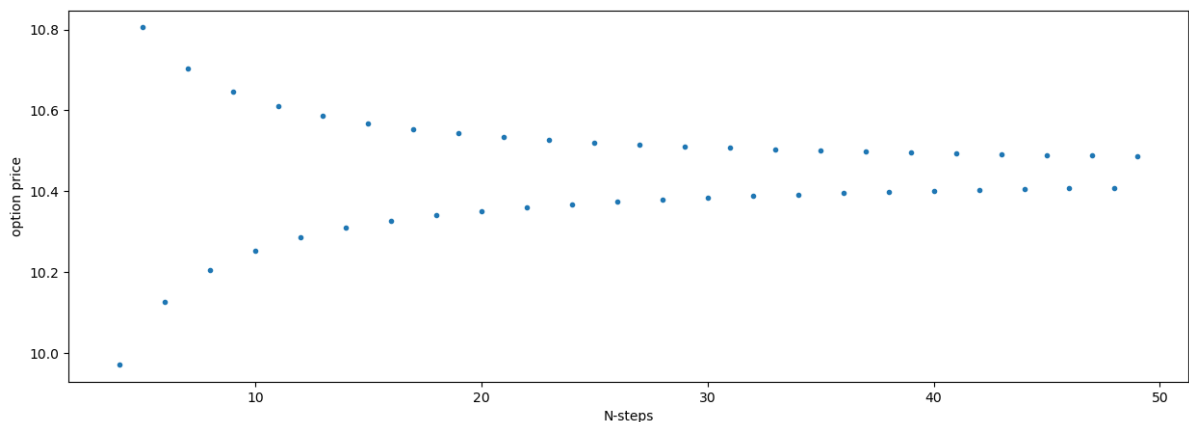
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In [ ]: ns = list(range(4, 50, 1))

prices = []
for n in ns:
    prices.append(opt_binomial(S0=S, K=K, T=T, r=r, sigma=0.2, N=n, CP='C'))

plt.subplots(figsize=[15,5])
plt.scatter(ns, prices, marker='.')

plt.xlabel('N-steps')
plt.ylabel('option price')
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Out[ ]: Text(0, 0.5, 'option price')



## Question 4

Use the ready formula for Expected Shortfall in order to compute the standardised value of Expected Shortfall for  $N(0, 1)$ .

- Compute for the following range of percentiles  
[99.95; 99.75; 99.5; 99.25; 99; 98.5; 98; 97.5]

- The formula to use, and  $1 - c$  refers to  $1 - 99.95$  and so on,

$$ES_c(X) = \mu - \sigma \frac{\phi(\Phi^{-1}(1 - c))}{1 - c}$$

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In [ ]: alpha = 1-0.995

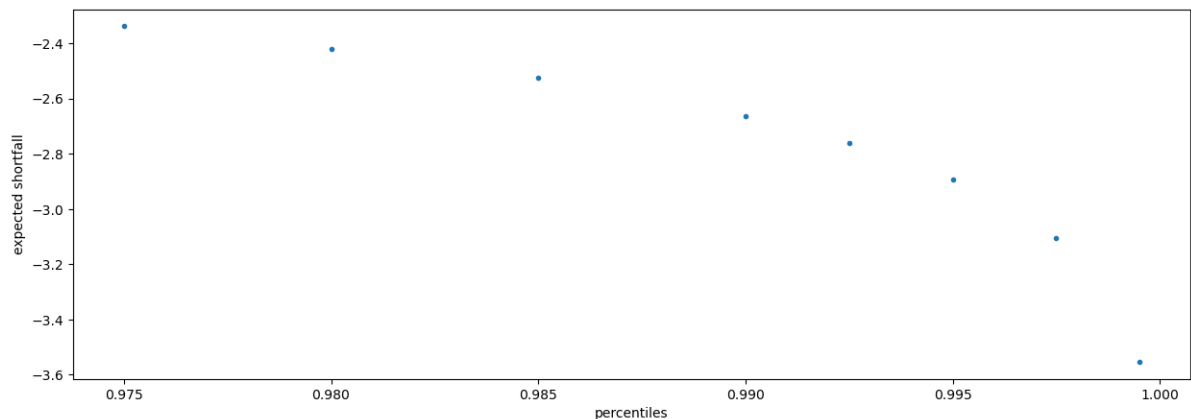
def ExpectedShortfall(mu, sigma, percentil):
    alpha = 1.0 - percentil
    return mu - (sigma*(norm.pdf(norm.ppf(alpha)))) / alpha

mu = 0
sigma = 1
percentiles = [0.9995, 0.9975, 0.995, 0.9925, 0.99, 0.985, 0.98, 0.975]
ess = []
for percentile in percentiles:
    es = ExpectedShortfall(mu=mu, sigma=sigma, percentil=percentile)
    ess.append(es)

plt.subplots(figsize=[15,5])
plt.scatter(percentiles, ess, marker='.')

plt.xlabel('percentiles')
plt.ylabel('expected shortfall')
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Out[ ]: Text(0, 0.5, 'expected shortfall')



## Question 5

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In [ ]: df = pd.read_csv('Data_SP500.csv', skiprows=1, names=['date', 'close'])
df['log_return'] = (np.log(df.close) - np.log(df.close.shift(1)))
df['log_return_10d'] = (np.log(df.close.shift(-10)) - np.log(df.close))
df['sigma'] = df.log_return.rolling(21).std()
df['sigma_10d'] = df.sigma * np.sqrt(10)
df['var10d'] = df.sigma_10d * norm.ppf(0.01)
df['breaches'] = df.log_return_10d < df.var10d
result = df[['log_return_10d', 'var10d', 'breaches']].dropna()
breaches = result[result.breaches]
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In [ ]: print(rf'Breaches: {len(breaches)} - {len(breaches)/len(result):.2%}')
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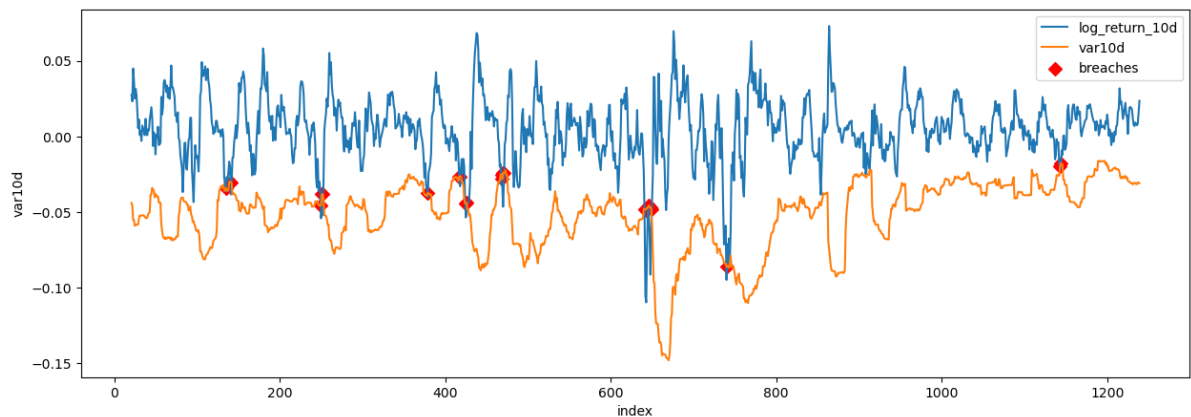
Breaches: 25 - 2.05%

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In [ ]: consecutives_breaches = breaches.index[1:] - breaches.index[:-1]
total_consecutive_breaches = consecutives_breaches.value_counts()[1]
print(rf'Consecutive Breaches: {total_consecutive_breaches} - {total_consecutive_br
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Consecutive Breaches: 14 - 56.00%

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In [ ]: ax = df[['log_return_10d', 'var10d']].dropna().plot(figsize=[15,5])
breaches.reset_index().plot.scatter(ax = ax, x='index', y='var10d', color='red', ma
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Out[ ]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='index', ylabel='var10d'>
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## Question 6

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In [ ]: ewma_lambda = 0.72

df_index = 21
std_ewma = []
sigma_0 = df.log_return.std()
std_ewma.append(sigma_0)

for i in range(1, len(df.index) - df_index, 1):
    std_ewma.append( np.sqrt( ewma_lambda*std_ewma[i-1]**2 + (1-ewma_lambda)*(df.il

df['ewma_sigma'] = pd.Series(data=std_ewma,index=df.index[21:])
df['ewma_sigma10d'] = df.ewma_sigma * np.sqrt(10)

df['ewma_var10d'] = df.ewma_sigma10d * norm.ppf(0.01)
df['ewma_breaches'] = df.log_return_10d < df.ewma_var10d
result = df[['log_return_10d', 'ewma_var10d', 'ewma_breaches']].dropna()
ewma_breaches = result[result.ewma_breaches]
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In [ ]: print(rf'Breaches (EWMA): {len(ewma_breaches)} - {len(ewma_breaches)/len(result):.2
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Breaches (EWMA): 32 - 2.63%

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In [ ]: consecutives_breaches = ewma_breaches.index[1:] - ewma_breaches.index[:-1]
total_consecutive_breaches = consecutives_breaches.value_counts()[1]
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print(rf'Consecutive Breaches (EWMA): {total_consecutive_breaches} - {total_consecu
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Consecutive Breaches (EWMA): 17 - 53.12%

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In [ ]: ax = df[['log_return_10d', 'ewma_var10d']].dropna().plot(figsize=[15,5])  
ewma_breaches.reset_index().plot.scatter(ax = ax, x='index', y='ewma_var10d', color
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Out[ ]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='index', ylabel='ewma_var10d'>
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