Finance and Retail Analytics

(Part 2)

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Executive Summary:

This report presents a market risk analysis of 6 years of weekly stock price data for 10 different Indian stocks. The analysis focuses on calculating the mean and standard deviation of stock returns to assess market volatility. Key insights derived from the analysis provide valuable information for investors and stakeholders to understand the risk associated with investing in these stocks.

Data Ingestion:

We began by importing essential libraries, including pandas for data manipulation, matplotlib and seaborn for visualization, and sklearn for metrics calculation. Additionally, warnings were suppressed to ensure a clean output.

Next, we loaded the dataset "Market+Risk+Dataset.csv" into a pandas DataFrame named market_risk_data. This dataset contains 6 years of weekly stock information for 10 different Indian stocks.

The initial few rows of the dataset were displayed to understand its structure and the information it contains.

	Fi	rst few row	s of the	e dataset:								
1		Date	Infosys	Indian Hotel	Mahindra & Mahindra	Axis Bank	SAIL	Shree Cement	Sun Pharma	Jindal Steel	Idea Vodafone	Jet Airways
	0	31-03-2014	264	69	455	263	68	5543	555	298	83	278
	1	07-04-2014	257	68	458	276	70	5728	610	279	84	303
	2	14-04-2014	254	68	454	270	68	5649	607	279	83	280
	3	21-04-2014	253	68	488	283	68	5692	604	274	83	282
	4	28-04-2014	256	65	482	282	63	5582	611	238	79	243

Fig 1: Sample of the datset

Data Overview and Types

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RangeIndex: 314 entries, 0 to 313
Data columns (total 11 columns):
# Column
                               Non-Null Count Dtype
 0 Date
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      Infosys
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     Mahindra_&_Mahindra 314 non-null Axis_Bank 314 non-null
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8 Jindal_Steel 314 non-null
9 Idea_Vodafone 314 non-null
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                                                    int64
10 Jet_Airways 314 dtypes: int64(10), object(1)
                               314 non-null
memory usage: 27.1+ KB
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Fig 2: Info of the dataset

Descriptive Statistics

	Infosys	Indian_Hotel	Mahindra_&_Mahindra	Axis_Bank	SAIL	Shree_Cement	Sun_Pharma	Jindal_Steel	Idea_Vodafone	Jet_Airways
count	314.000000	314.000000	314.000000	314.000000	314.000000	314.000000	314.000000	314.000000	314.000000	314.000000
mean	511.340764	114.560510	636.678344	540.742038	59.095541	14806.410828	633.468153	147.627389	53.713376	372.659236
std	135.952051	22.509732	102.879975	115.835569	15.810493	4288.275085	171.855893	65.879195	31.248985	202.262668
min	234.000000	64.000000	284.000000	263.000000	21.000000	5543.000000	338.000000	53.000000	3.000000	14.000000
25%	424.000000	96.000000	572.000000	470.500000	47.000000	10952.250000	478.500000	88.250000	25.250000	243.250000
50%	466.500000	115.000000	625.000000	528.000000	57.000000	16018.500000	614.000000	142.500000	53.000000	376.000000
75%	630.750000	134.000000	678.000000	605.250000	71.750000	17773.250000	785.000000	182.750000	82.000000	534.000000
max	810.000000	157.000000	956.000000	808.000000	104.000000	24806.000000	1089.000000	338.000000	117.000000	871.000000

Fig 3: Descriptive statistics

Stock Price Trend of Indian Hotel and Axis Bank over Time

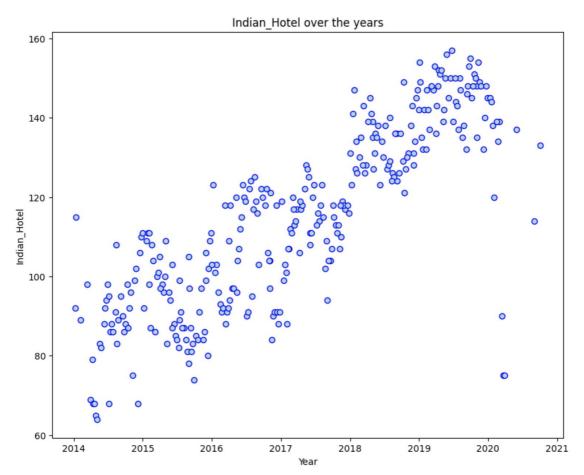


Fig 4: Stock Price Trend of Indian Hotel over Time

From the scatter plot we can see that the stock prices od India_hotel shows an inclining trend over the years 2014 to 2020

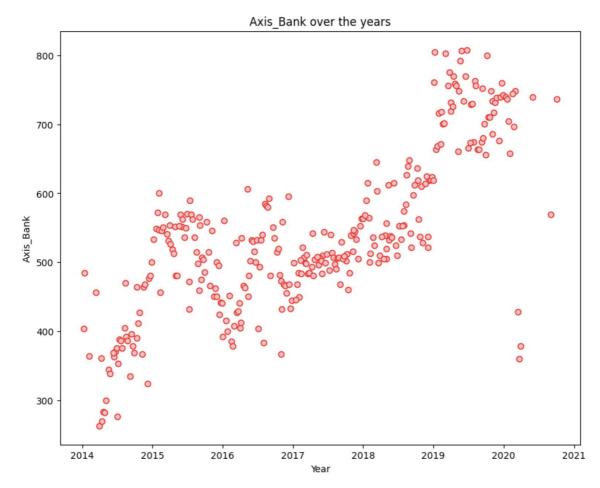


Fig 5: Stock Price Trend of Indian Hotel over Time

From the Fig we can see that the Axis bank shares shows an increase in its stock prices from 2014 to 2021.

Stock Returns Analysis for Indian Stocks

We calculated the returns for all stocks by taking the logarithmic difference of the stock prices using NumPy's **log** and Pandas **diff** functions. This process helps us to compute the percentage change in stock prices over consecutive time periods. The resulting DataFrame **stock_returns** has dimensions (314, 10), indicating 314 observations and 10 features (stocks).

Finally, we displayed the first few rows of the **stock_returns** DataFrame to examine the calculated returns for each stock. This process allows us to analyze the historical returns of the stocks in the dataset.

	Infosys	Indian_Hotel	Mahindra_&_Mahindra	Axis_Bank	SAIL	Shree_Cement	Sun_Pharma	Jindal_Steel	Idea_Vodafone	Jet_Airways
0	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN
1	-0.026873	-0.014599	0.006572	0.048247	0.028988	0.032831	0.094491	-0.065882	0.011976	0.086112
2	-0.011742	0.000000	-0.008772	-0.021979	-0.028988	-0.013888	-0.004930	0.000000	-0.011976	-0.078943
3	-0.003945	0.000000	0.072218	0.047025	0.000000	0.007583	-0.004955	-0.018084	0.000000	0.007117
4	0.011788	-0.045120	-0.012371	-0.003540	-0.076373	-0.019515	0.011523	-0.140857	-0.049393	-0.148846

Fig 6: Sample dataframe of the stock return

Calculating Stock Means and Stock Standard deviations:

Stock Means:

Stock	Mean Return	
Infosys	0.002794	
Indian_Hotel	0.000266	
Mahindra_&_Mahindra	-0.001506	
Axis_Bank	0.001167	
SAIL	-0.003463	
Shree_Cement	0.003681	
Sun_Pharma	-0.001455	
Jindal_Steel	-0.004123	
Idea_Vodafone	-0.010608	
Jet_Airways	-0.009548	

Table 1: Stock means

Stock Standard Deviations:

Stock	Standard Deviation
Infosys	0.035070
Indian_Hotel	0.047131
Mahindra_&_Mahindra	0.040169
Axis_Bank	0.045828
SAIL	0.062188
Shree_Cement	0.039917
Sun_Pharma	0.045033
Jindal_Steel	0.075108
Idea_Vodafone	0.104315
Jet_Airways	0.097972

Table 2: Stock Standard Deviations

We calculated the mean and standard deviation of stock returns across all stocks in the dataset. The resulting means and standard deviations provide insights into the average returns and volatility of each stock over the given time period.

Relationship Between Stock Means and Standard Deviation

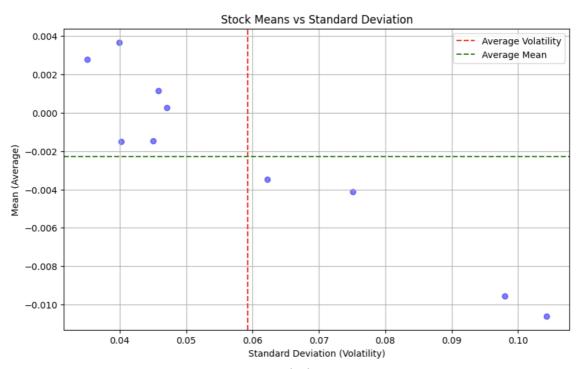


Fig 6: Plot between stocks and standard deviations

The plot of Stock Means vs Standard Deviation allows us to visualize the relationship between the average returns (means) and the volatility (standard deviation) of the stocks. Inferences can be drawn based on the distribution of points and the positioning of the average volatility and mean lines.

This plot helps in identifying:

- 1. Risk-Return Trade-off: Stocks with higher average returns tend to have higher volatility, indicating a positive relationship between risk and return.
- 2. Outliers: Any stocks deviating significantly from the average volatility and mean lines can be considered as outliers, potentially indicating unique risk-return profiles.
- 3. Diversification: Investors can assess the diversification benefits by considering stocks that offer higher returns relative to their volatility, aiming to optimize their portfolio's risk-return profile.

Overall, this plot provides insights into the risk and return characteristics of individual stocks, aiding investors in making informed investment decisions.

Summary:

In summary, our analysis of market risk involved studying the stock prices and returns of various Indian stocks over time. Key observations included:

- 1. **Stock Price Trends**: We examined the fluctuation patterns and trends in the stock prices of Indian Hotel and Axis Bank through visualizations.
- 2. **Returns Analysis**: Logarithmic returns were calculated for all stocks to assess their performance over the analyzed period.
- 3. **Mean and Volatility**: The mean and standard deviation of stock returns were computed to gauge their average performance and volatility.
- 4. **Relationship Exploration**: Through scatter plotting, we explored the correlation between mean returns and volatility across different stocks.

Recommendations:

- 1. **Diversification**: To minimize risk, investors should diversify their portfolios across stocks with varying levels of volatility and performance.
- 2. **Monitoring**: It's crucial to regularly monitor stock performance and market trends to make informed investment decisions.
- 3. **Risk Management**: Employing risk management strategies like stop-loss orders and hedging techniques can safeguard investments from adverse market movements.
- 4. **Professional Guidance**: Seeking advice from financial experts or advisors can help in crafting a tailored investment strategy aligned with individual risk tolerance and financial objectives.

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