Mean Reversion Trading Strategy Using Python

Definition:

- Mean reversion, or reversion to the mean, is a theory used in finance that suggests that asset price volatility and historical returns eventually will revert to the long-run mean or average level of the entire dataset
- The mean reversion theory is used as part of a statistical analysis of market conditions and can be part of an overall trading strategy. It applies well to the ideas of buying low and selling high, by hoping to identify abnormal activity that will, theoretically, revert to a normal pattern

Limitations of Mean Reversion

- The return to a normal pattern is not guaranteed, as unexpected highs or lows could indicate a shift in the norm. Such events could include, but are not limited to, new product releases or developments on the positive side, or recalls and lawsuits on the negative side
- An asset could experience a mean reversion even in the most extreme event. But as with most market activity, there are few guarantees about how particular events will or will not affect the overall appeal of particular securities

Install yfinance libraries to get the historical data of the stock

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In [1]: # !pip install yfinance
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Importing required libraries

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In [2]: import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import yfinance as yf
plt.style.use('fivethirtyeight')
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Data Ingestion

show the data

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In [4]: df
Out[4]:
Open High Low Close Adj Close Volume
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	Open	High	Low	Close	Adj Close	Volume
Date						
2020-09-17 00:00:00+05:30	350.000000	394.950012	350.000000	370.950012	367.663239	52000357
2020-09-18 00:00:00+05:30	376.000000	380.950012	357.000000	358.700012	355.521790	10745190
2020-09-21 00:00:00+05:30	354.000000	374.500000	330.299988	349.399994	346.304169	12519290
2020-09-22 00:00:00+05:30	350.000000	358.600006	335.000000	353.950012	350.813843	4965436
2020-09-23 00:00:00+05:30	358.200012	362.250000	343.100006	352.299988	349.178436	3317252
2022-12-26 00:00:00+05:30	850.950012	879.900024	845.700012	873.000000	873.000000	178822
2022-12-27 00:00:00+05:30	888.500000	896.250000	875.000000	882.000000	882.000000	182333
2022-12-28 00:00:00+05:30	882.599976	892.000000	875.500000	881.799988	881.799988	127369
2022-12-29 00:00:00+05:30	876.000000	879.750000	870.750000	875.200012	875.200012	81163
2022-12-30 00:00:00+05:30	880.099976	894.950012	880.099976	881.200012	881.200012	129663

569 rows × 6 columns

Creating a function to calculate Simple Moving Average (SMA)

What Is a Simple Moving Average (SMA)?

· A simple moving average (SMA) calculates the average of a selected range of prices, usually closing prices, by the number of periods in that range

 $SMA = \frac{A_1 + A_2 + ... + A_n}{n}$

where

- A_n = the price of an asset at period ${\bf n}$
- n = the number of total periods

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In [5]: def SMA(data, period = 30, column = 'Close'):
    return data[column].rolling(window = period).mean()
```

Calculate Simple moving average, simple returns, log returns and ratios

- If close price > SMA the ratio will be greater than 1, else it wil be less than 1
- If close price = SMA then ratio will be 1

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In [6]: df['SMA'] = SMA(df, 21, 'Close')
df['Simple_Returns'] = df.pct_change(1)['Close']
df['tog_Returns'] = np.log(1+df['Simple_Returns'])
df['Natios'] = df['Close'] / df['SMA']
df
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Out[6]:

	Open	High	Low	Close	Adj Close	Volume	SMA	Simple_Returns	Log_Returns	Ratios
Date										
2020-09-17 00:00:00+05:30	350.000000	394.950012	350.000000	370.950012	367.663239	52000357	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN
2020-09-18 00:00:00+05:30	376.000000	380.950012	357.000000	358.700012	355.521790	10745190	NaN	-0.033023	-0.033581	NaN
2020-09-21 00:00:00+05:30	354.000000	374.500000	330.299988	349.399994	346.304169	12519290	NaN	-0.025927	-0.026269	NaN
2020-09-22 00:00:00+05:30	350.000000	358.600006	335.000000	353.950012	350.813843	4965436	NaN	0.013022	0.012938	NaN
2020-09-23 00:00:00+05:30	358.200012	362.250000	343.100006	352.299988	349.178436	3317252	NaN	-0.004662	-0.004673	NaN
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2022-12-26 00:00:00+05:30	850.950012	879.900024	845.700012	873.000000	873.000000	178822	934.454758	0.029178	0.028760	0.934235
2022-12-27 00:00:00+05:30	888.500000	896.250000	875.000000	882.000000	882.000000	182333	931.307141	0.010309	0.010257	0.947056
2022-12-28 00:00:00+05:30	882.599976	892.000000	875.500000	881.799988	881.799988	127369	928.314282	-0.000227	-0.000227	0.949894
2022-12-29 00:00:00+05:30	876.000000	879.750000	870.750000	875.200012	875.200012	81163	924.869045	-0.007485	-0.007513	0.946296
2022-12-30 00:00:00+05:30	880.099976	894.950012	880.099976	881.200012	881.200012	129663	920.126189	0.006856	0.006832	0.957695

569 rows × 10 columns

Get some statistics on the ratio column

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In [7]: df['Ratios'].describe().T

Out[7]: count 549.0000000
mean 1.018760
std 0.082866
min 0.856121
25% 0.970187
50% 1.001872
75% 1.044379
max 1.417851
Name: Ratios, dtype: float64
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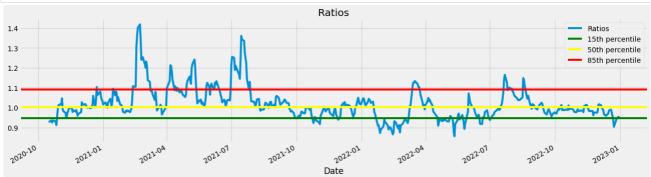
Calculate the 15th, 20th, 50th, 80th and 85th percentile of ratios

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In [8]: # Get and show the percentile values
percentiles = [15, 20, 50, 80, 85]
# Remove any NaN values in the Ratios column and store the result in a new variable called ratios
ratios = df['Ratios'].dropna()
# Get the values of the percentiles
percentile_values = np.percentile(ratios, percentiles)
# Show the values of the percentiles
percentile_values
# This percentiles values help us in when to buy the asset
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Out[8]: array([0.94807776, 0.96037672, 1.00187161, 1.06340422, 1.09055276])

Plot the percentiles with the ratios to check the buy and sell signal

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In [9]: # Plot the ratios
plt.figure(figsize = (20,5))
plt.title('Ratios')
df['Ratios'].dropna().plot(legend = True)
# If close price > SMA then sell signal
# If close price < SMA then buy signal and we aspect that the price will go up to SMA atleast
plt.axhline(percentile_values[0], c='green', label = '15th percentile')
plt.axhline(percentile_values[2], c='yellow', label = '50th percentile')
plt.axhline(percentile_values[4], c='red', label = '85th percentile')
plt.legend()
plt.legend()
plt.show()</pre>
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Observation

- Above red line Sell
- Below green line Buy

Create Buy and Sell Signal

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In [10]: # 85th percentile threshold where we want to sell
sell = percentile_values[4]
# 15th percentile_threshold where we want to buy
buy = percentile_values[0]

# Put -1 where the ratio is greater than the percentile to sell and Nan otherwise
df['positions'] = np.where(df['Ratios'] > sell, -1, np.nan)
# Put 1 where the ratio is less than the percentile to sell and put the current value otherwise
df['positions'] = np.where(df['Ratios'] < buy, 1, df['positions'])

# Use ffill to fill the missing values in the dataframe. ffill mean forward fill
df['positions'] = df['positions'].ffill()

# Get the buy and sell signal
df['Buy'] = np.where(df['positions'] == 1, df['Close'], np.nan)
df['Sell'] = np.where(df['positions'] == -1, df['Close'], np.nan)</pre>
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Plot the Buy and Sell signal along with the close price

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In [11]:
# Plot the buy and sell signal along with the close price
plt.figure(figsize = (20, 5))
plt.title('Happiest Mind - Close price with Buy and Sell signal')
plt.plot(df['Close'], alpha = 0.5, label ='Close')
plt.plot(df['SMA'], alpha = 0.5, label ='SMA')
plt.scatter(pd.Series(df.index), df['Buy'], color = 'green', label = 'Buy Signal', marker ='^', alpha = 1)
plt.scatter(pd.Series(df.index), df['Sell'], color = 'red', label = 'Sell Signal', marker ='v', alpha = 1)
plt.xlabel('Date')
plt.ylabel('Close Price')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```



Calculate the returns of the Mean Reversion Trading Strategy

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In [12]: | df['Mean_Reversion_Strategy_Returns'] = df['positions'].shift(1)*df['Log_Returns']
df['Mean_Reversion_Strategy_Returns']
Out[12]: Date
            2020-09-17 00:00:00+05:30
                                                      NaN
            2020-09-18 00:00:00+05:30
2020-09-21 00:00:00+05:30
                                                      NaN
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            2020-09-22 00:00:00+05:30
                                                      NaN
            2020-09-23 00:00:00+05:30
                                                      NaN
            2022-12-26 00:00:00+05:30
                                               0.028760
            2022-12-27 00:00:00+05:30
                                               0.010257
            2022-12-28 00:00:00+05:30
                                               -0.000227
           2022-12-28 00:00:00+05:30
2022-12-30 00:00:00+05:30
                                               0.006832
            Name: Mean_Reversion_Strategy_Returns, Length: 569, dtype: float64
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Plot the cummulative log returns and the cummulative mean reversion strategy

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In [13]: plt.figure(figsize = (20,5))
   plt.figure(figsize = (20,5))
   plt.title('Growth of Rs1 investment')
   plt.plot(np.exp(df['Log_Returns'].dropna()).cumprod(), c = 'green', label = 'Buy/Hold Strategy')
   plt.plot(np.exp(df['Mean_Reversion_Strategy_Returns'].dropna()).cumprod(), c = 'blue', label = 'Mean Reversion Strategy')
   plt.legend()
   plt.show()
```



Calculate the Buy/Hold and Mean Reversion Strategy returns

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In [14]: # -1 to get the last value return and subtracted by 1 because it was added intially
    print(f"Buy/Hold Returns : {round(np.exp(df['Log_Returns'].dropna()).cumprod()[-1]-1,3)}")
    print(f"Mean Reversion Strategy Returns : {round(np.exp(df['Mean_Reversion_Strategy_Returns'].dropna()).cumprod()[-1]-1,3)}")

Buy/Hold Returns : 1.376
    Mean Reversion Strategy Returns : -0.73
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Conslusion:

Buy/Hold strategy out performed Mean Reversion Strategy

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