

Exercise 2A: Tangency Portfolio

MGMT 675: Generative AI for Finance

Download monthly return data for five ETFs of your choice (e.g., SPY, AGG, GLD, VNQ, EFA) and the one-month T-bill rate from a source such as FRED or Yahoo Finance. Upload the data to Claude and ask it to:

- (a) Estimate expected returns, standard deviations, and correlations from the historical data
- (b) Compute the tangency portfolio weights, expected return, standard deviation, and Sharpe ratio
- (c) Plot the efficient frontier and the capital allocation line
- (d) Re-solve with a **no-short-sales** constraint (all weights ≥ 0)
- (e) Re-solve with a **maximum 40% allocation** constraint (no single weight > 0.40)

Compare the portfolio weights and Sharpe ratios across all three cases. Write a one-page memo discussing how constraints affect diversification and performance.

Deliverables.

- Data file (2A-Data.xlsx)
- Plot showing all three efficient frontiers (2A-Plot.png)
- Memo (2A-Memo.pdf, 1 page)