

ML@B SAP Algorithm Outline

Notation:

• D: Data matrix

- D_i : Datapoint of format {close price - open price, low, high, volume, F_{i-1} }

• F: Trade value

$$-F_{i} = D_{i} \cdot \Theta = D_{i_0}\Theta_0 + D_{i_1}\Theta_1 + D_{i_2}\Theta_2 + D_{i_3}\Theta_3 + D_{i_4}\Theta_4$$

– The 0th - 3rd components are calculated at initialization, the fourth component is calculated later. D_{i_4} is F_{i-1} which is currently not fully calculated.

$$-F_i' = D_{i_0}\Theta_0 + D_{i_1}\Theta_1 + D_{i_2}\Theta_2 + D_{i_3}\Theta_3$$

$$-F_i = F_i' + \Theta_4 F_{i-1} = \sum_{j=0}^i \Theta_4^{i-j} F_j'$$
 (This form is very similar to the Prefix Sum)

• R_i : The reward function at time step i

$$- R_i = F_{i-1}D_0 - \delta |F_i - F_{i-1}|$$

• S': The Differential Sharpe ratio

- S the Sharp ratio is obtained by considering
$$S_T = \frac{\text{Average}(R_t)}{\text{Standard Deviation}(R_t)}$$

- S' is obtained by considering exponential moving averages of the returns and standard deviation of returns above, and expanding to first order in the decay rate η :

$$\frac{\partial S_t}{\partial \eta} = \frac{B_{t-1}\Delta A_t - \frac{1}{2}A_{t-1}\Delta B_t}{(B_{t-1} - A_{t-1}^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$- A_t = A_{t-1} + \eta \Delta A_t = A_{t-1} + \eta (R_t - A_{t-1})$$

$$- B_t = B_{t-1} + \eta \Delta B_t = B_{t-1} + \eta (R_t^2 - B_{t-1})$$

• Performance function

- Want to maximize performance functions instead of minimizing a cost function

- $U_T = U(R_1, R_2, \cdot, R_t)$ is the cumulative result of the differential sharpe ratio
- For on-line learning we'll only worry about $\frac{\partial U_t}{\partial R_t}$ which is the differential sharpe ratio for only the current timestep
- Gradient Equations Derived from Above

$$\frac{\partial R_t}{\partial F_t} = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } F_{t-1} < F_t \\ +1 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{\partial R_t}{\partial F_{t-1}} = D_{t_0} - \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } F_{t-1} < F_t \\ +1 & \text{else} \end{cases} = D_{t_0} - \frac{\partial R_t}{\partial F_t}$$

$$\frac{\partial F_t}{\partial \Theta} = D_t$$

$$\frac{\partial U_t}{\partial R_t} = \frac{B_{t-1} - A_{t-1}R_t}{(B_{t-1} - A_{t-1}^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$\frac{\partial U_t}{\partial \Theta} = \sum_{i=1}^t \frac{\partial U_t}{\partial R_t} \left(\frac{\partial R_t}{\partial F_t} \frac{\partial F_t}{\partial \Theta} + \frac{\partial R_t}{\partial F_{t-1}} \frac{\partial F_{t-1}}{\partial \Theta} \right)$$