

Assignment 1: Ontology Design

Task - 1: A plain text description of the domain of interest and a list of concrete pieces of knowledge you would like to capture in the domain.

The domain of interest is **Financial Modeling**. The goal is to develop a basic ontology model which aids

- **Equity research** by capturing limited details of current and historical information related to given equity instrument in order to assess a security/stock's financial health and also query and filter securities which satisfies certain financial ratio requirements.
- **Portfolio Management** - grouping securities which satisfies certain financial ratios and market conditions

Developing ontological model will help in framing questions related to equity research in a systematic and concise manner. For example some sample questions are listed below

- Which Stocks are in GrowthStage has high return in last quarter?
- Which Banking stock gave most return in year YYYY?
- Current year Stock price > Last year stock price?
- List stocks that are eligible to be in X portfolio?

Knowledge to be captured:

- **Financial Instrument**
 - Equity - Stock of a **Company** listed in some Market
 - Etf - Collection of stock
 - MutualFund - Collection of one or more Equity or Etf
 - Fundoffund - Collection of one or more Mutual Fund
- **Equity**

An Equity has following properties/relation :

- Name (eg. APPL, SBI)
- Company (eg. Apple Inc, State Bank of India) - equity belongs to a company
- Equity metrics
- Risk metrics
- Balance sheet metrics
- Peers : Companies which are operating in same sectors or industry
- **Equity Metric**
 - Price : price of a stock
 - Return : return over specified period
 - Dividend
- **Risk Metric**
 - beta
 - volatility
 - sharpe ratio
- **Balance Sheet Metric**
 - **Balance Sheet Ratios**
 - Current : Measures solvency
 - Quick : Measures liquidity
 - Debt-to-Worth : Measures financial risk
 - **Efficiency Ratios**
 - Sales-To-Assets : Measures the efficiency of Total Assets in generating sales
 - Return On Assets : Measures the efficiency of Total Assets in generating Net Profit
 - Return On Investment : Measures the efficiency of Net Worth in generating Net Profit
- **Market structure**
 - Category (eg. SmallCap, MidCap, LargeCap, etc)
 - MarketIndex : Index/Equity to which the stock is benchmarked against
 - Sector : market classification of stock (Banking , IT , Manufacturing)
 - Stage : Lifecycle stage at which company is in (DevelopmentStage, GrowthStage, SustainabilityStage, ExpansionStage)
- **Time aspects**
 - Year (FY2022, FY2023 etc)
 - Quarter (Q2023-1, Q2023-2, Q2023-3,)

- **Portfolio** - collection of equity
 - Growth
 - Value
 - Balanced

Task - 2 : the DL ontology (TBox)

Now we will model the key concepts and relationships in order to capture above domain knowledge

Classes and Subclasses (Concept Inclusions -Subsumption Axiom)

- Company
 - HoldingCompany
- Name
 - CompanyName
 - StockName
- Category
- BusinessStage
- Sector
- MarketIndex (Nifty, BankNifty)
- Instrument
 - Stock
 - Etf
 - MutualFund
 - FundofFund
- **TemporalEntity** (referred from FIBO)
 - TimeInterval
 - CalendarPeriod
 - CalendarYear
 - CalendarQuarter
- Metric

- EquityMetric
 - Return
 - Dividend
 - MarketCapitalization
- RiskMetric
 - Beta
 - Volatility (Volatility \sqsubseteq RiskMetric)
 - Sharpe ratio
- MonetaryAmount
 - BalanceStatement
 - Profit
 - Price
 - Income
 - Asset
 - Liability

Some of the Relationships

- Transitive Roles
 - owns : (Company \rightarrow Company) A company can own other company
 - has: (Instrument \rightarrow Instrument) A instrument can be part of other instrument
 - hasPeer: (Company \rightarrow Company)
- isInStage: (Company \rightarrow BusinessStage)
- belongsTo: (Company \rightarrow Sector),
- benchmarkedBy: (Instrument \rightarrow MarketIndex)
- isIn: (Stock \rightarrow Portfolio)
- holds: (Portfolio \rightarrow Stock)
- hasPrice : (Stock \rightarrow Price)
- hasReturn : (Stock \rightarrow Return)
- hasDividend : (Stock \rightarrow Dividend)
- hasMarketCapitalization : (Stock \rightarrow MarketCapitalization)
- observedIn : (Metric \rightarrow TimePeriod)
- hasProfit : (Profit \rightarrow Company)

- $\text{hasDividend} : (\text{Profit} \rightarrow \text{Company})$
- $\text{observedIn} : (\text{MonetaryAmount} \rightarrow \text{TimePeriod})$
- $\text{hasValue} : (\text{Metric} \rightarrow \text{NumericValue})$

Axioms

- Company, Stock has always a unique name
 - Company $\sqsubseteq (\text{= } 1 \text{ hasName.Name})$
 - Stock $\sqsubseteq (\text{= } 1 \text{ hasName.Name})$
- CompanyName and StockName are disjoint
 - CompanyName $\sqcap \text{StockName} \sqsubseteq \perp$
- Company is part of a sector
 - Company $\sqsubseteq \exists \text{belongsTo.Sector}$
 - Sector $\sqsubseteq \forall \text{has.Company}$
- Company must be in some growth stage
 - Company $\sqsubseteq \exists \text{isInStage.BusinessStage}$
- Heirarchial role of Instruments
 - Etf $\sqsubseteq \exists \text{has.Stock}$
 - MutualFund $\sqsubseteq \exists \text{has.Stock} \sqcup \exists \text{has.ETF}$
 - FundofFund $\sqsubseteq \exists \text{has.ETF} \sqcup \exists \text{has.MutualFund}$
- Portfolio holds at least one stock:
 - Portfolio $\sqsubseteq \exists \text{holds.Stock}$
- A stock must have a price, return, and volatility:
 - Stock $\sqsubseteq \exists \text{hasPrice.Price} \sqcap \exists \text{hasReturn.Return} \sqcap \exists \text{hasVolatility.Volatility}$
- Price, return, and volatility are observed in specific time periods:
 - Price $\sqsubseteq \exists \text{observedIn.TimeInterval}$
 - Return $\sqsubseteq \exists \text{observedIn.TimeInterval}$
 - Volatility $\sqsubseteq \exists \text{observedIn.TimeInterval}$
- Midcap : companies with a moderate market capitalisation ranging from Rs. 5,000 crores to Rs.

20,000 crores

Midcap \sqsubseteq Stock \sqcap (hasMarketCapitalization \geq 5000) \sqcap (hasMarketCapitalization \leq 20000)

- Smallcap : company whose market capitalization is less than Rs 5,000 crores are known as small-cap companies

Smallcap \sqsubseteq Stock \sqcap (hasMarketCapitalization $<$ 5000)

- Largecap : company with market caps of ₹20,000 crore or more

Largecap \sqsubseteq Stock \sqcap (hasMarketCapitalization $>$ 20000)

- Balanced portfolios cannot hold more than 30% of equities from the same sector:

BalancedPortfolio $\sqsubseteq \exists$ holds.(Stock \sqcap (hasVolatility \geq 0.3)) \sqcap (\geq 3 holds.Stock)

- LowVolatile portfolios holds more than 3 equities each having volatility lesser than 0.3:

LowVolatile $\sqsubseteq \exists$ holds.(Equity \sqcap (hasVolatility $<$ 0.3)) \sqcap (\geq 3 holds.Stock)

Task - 3 : a write-up about the design choices made and the details of the design - the explanations for classes, properties, DL axioms, motivating situations/examples - of terms in the ontology.

Classes

- Company - A registered business according to laws.
- CompanyName - Represents the name of the company
- StockName - Represents the name of the stock of the company
- Category - Classification of financial instruments based on characteristics like market capitalization (e.g., SmallCap, MidCap, LargeCap).
- BusinessStage - Represents the lifecycle stage of a company, such as DevelopmentStage, GrowthStage, SustainabilityStage, ExpansionStage.
- Sector - Represents the industry sector to which a company belongs, such as Technology, Finance, or Healthcare.
- MarketIndex - A statistical measure representing the performance of a segment of the stock market. Eg. NIFTY, BankNifty
- Instrument

- Stock - Represents an equity that signifies ownership in a company.
- ETF - An exchange-traded fund that holds a collection of stocks or other assets and is traded on an exchange.
- MutualFund - A fund that pools money from multiple investors to invest in a diversified portfolio of stocks, bonds or other assets.
- FundofFund - An investment fund that holds shares in other investment funds.
- TemporalEntity
 - TimeInterval - Represents a period of time during which a metric or event is measured.
 - CalenderPeriod -
 - CalenderYear - Represents a full year.
 - CalenderQuarter - Represents a quarter of a year.
- Metric
 - EquityMetric - Measures specific attributes of equity investments.
 - Return - The profit or loss from an instrument.
 - Dividend - The portion of a company's earnings distributed to shareholders (who owns stocks).
 - MarketCapitalization - The total market value of a company's stocks.
 - RiskMetric - Measures the risk associated with investments.
 - Beta - A measure of an investment's volatility relative to the market.
 - Volatility - The degree of variation of a trading stock price over time.
 - Sharpe ratio - A measure of risk-adjusted return, comparing the return of an investment to its risk.
- MonetaryAmount
 - BalanceStatement - Represents financial metrics
 - Profit - The net income of a company after expenses.
 - Price - The current trading value of instrument.
 - Income - Earnings generated by a company from its operations and sales.
 - Asset - Resources owned by a company that have economic value.
 - Liability - Financial obligations or debts owed by a company.

Properties

- owns - (Company→Company) A company can own other company.
- has - (Instrument → Instrument) A instrument can be part of other instrument.

- hasPeer - (Company→ Company) A company which is in similar sector (IT, Banking etc.) as another company.
- isInStage - (Company→ BusinessStage) Links a company to the specific stage of its business lifecycle (e.g., growth stage, maturity stage).
- belongsTo - (Company→ Sector) Indicates the sector or industry to which a company belongs (e.g., technology, finance).
- benchmarkedBy - (Instrument→MarketIndex) Relates an instrument to the market index against which it is benchmarked.
- isIn: (Stock→Portfolio) Describes the inclusion of a stock within a specific investment portfolio.
- holds - (Portfolio→Stock) Represents the relationship where a portfolio holds a stock.
- hasPrice - (Stock→ Price) The price of the stock.
- hasReturn - (Stock→ Return) The return (profit/loss) on a stock.
- hasDividend : (Stock→ Dividend) The dividend distributed by the company per stock to its shareholders.
- hasMarketCapitalization - (Stock → MarketCapitalization) Relates a stock to its total market capitalization.
- observedIn - (Metric→ TimePeriod) Links metrics to the time period during which they are observed.
(MonetaryAmount→ TimePeriod) Links monetary amount to the time period during which they are observed.
- hasProfit - (Profit → Company) Indicates the profit generated by the company.
- hasValue - (Metric→ NumericValue) Describes the value of a specific metric as a numerical value.

Design choices

- Use of Transitive roles : The company can have ownership chain say Company A can own Company B and Company B owns Company C which was captured by transitive role owns. Similar transitive role has also captures relation like Etf has Stock and Mutual fund can have both Stock and ETFs.
- Concept Disjointness : The company and stock name should be disjoint to represent different entities. Stock is a financial instrument representing the company's business.
- Inverse Role :
 - (Company $\sqsubseteq \exists$ belongsTo.Sector) A company will definitely belong to a sector but (Sector $\sqsubseteq \forall$ has.Company) a sector can have 0 or many companies.