

Advanced Task: DataFrames and yfinance - Multi-Asset Portfolio Analysis

Objective:

To develop a comprehensive Python script that downloads historical price data for multiple assets using yfinance, processes and cleans the data, and performs an in-depth analysis of a diversified portfolio's performance. This task will require advanced DataFrame manipulations, including handling missing data, adjusting for corporate actions, calculating portfolio metrics, and visualizing results.

Task Description:

1. Data Acquisition:

- Use the yfinance library to download historical daily price data for at least 10 different assets (e.g., stocks, ETFs, cryptocurrencies) over a 10-year period.
- Ensure that the data includes both adjusted and unadjusted closing prices.

2. Data Cleaning and Preparation:

- Handle missing data by:
 - Interpolating minor gaps in the time series.
 - Dropping or forward-filling rows where data is missing for more than a certain threshold (e.g., 5 consecutive days).
- Adjust prices for corporate actions (splits, dividends) to ensure consistency across the time series.

3. Portfolio Construction:

- Create a DataFrame that represents a diversified portfolio by assigning different weights to each asset. The weights should sum to 1.
- Calculate the daily portfolio returns based on these weights and the adjusted closing prices of the assets.

4. Performance Metrics Calculation:

- Calculate the following performance metrics for the portfolio:
 - **Cumulative Return:** The overall return of the portfolio over the entire period.
 - **Annualized Return and Volatility:** Compute these metrics to assess the portfolio's risk-return profile.
 - **Sharpe Ratio:** Adjust the portfolio's returns for risk by comparing them to a risk-free rate (e.g., 3-month Treasury yield).
 - **Drawdown Analysis:** Calculate the maximum drawdown and the duration of drawdowns to understand the portfolio's downside risk.

5. Correlation and Risk Analysis:

- Create a correlation matrix of the assets in the portfolio using daily returns. Use this matrix to analyze diversification benefits.
- Perform a rolling correlation analysis to observe how the relationships between assets change over time.

6. Advanced Data Visualization:

- Plot the following using Matplotlib or Seaborn:
 - The cumulative return of the portfolio over time.
 - A heatmap of the correlation matrix with annotations for correlation coefficients.
 - Rolling volatility of the portfolio and individual assets to show risk dynamics over time.
 - A drawdown curve that visualizes the periods where the portfolio experienced losses relative to its peak.

7. Optimization Challenge (Optional but Recommended):

- Implement a simple portfolio optimization routine using mean-variance optimization. Adjust asset weights to maximize the Sharpe ratio or minimize risk.
- Compare the optimized portfolio's performance metrics to the original portfolio and provide insights.

Deliverables:

- A well-documented Python script or Jupyter Notebook that includes all steps of the task.
- Plots and tables summarizing the portfolio's performance, risk analysis, and any optimizations performed.
- A brief report or markdown cells within the notebook explaining the key findings and insights derived from the analysis.