Sentiment-Driven Trading Analysis: Insights from Bitcoin Market Fear & Greed Index

★ Introduction

This report explores the intricate relationship between trader behavior and overall market sentiment in the cryptocurrency space, specifically focusing on Bitcoin. The analysis leverages two datasets: historical trader performance from the Hyperliquid exchange and the Fear & Greed Index for Bitcoin. The goal is to identify actionable insights and signals that can inform smarter trading strategies.

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📊 Data Sources

- 1. **Bitcoin Market Sentiment Dataset** Includes daily sentiment classifications: Fear, Greed, Neutral, etc.
- 2. **Hyperliquid Historical Trader Data** Captures trades with details such as account, size, leverage, PnL, fees, and timestamps.

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/ Methodology

- * Merged datasets by date using `Timestamp` (converted from ms) and `date` field.
- * Conducted EDA using pandas, seaborn, and matplotlib.
- * Built statistical visualizations to highlight behavior trends under different sentiment conditions.
- * Extracted signals such as volume spikes and leverage anomalies.

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🔍 Key Findings

1. **Market Sentiment Distribution**

- * Greed and Extreme Greed dominated 60% of the time window.
- * Fear-based sentiment (Fear + Extreme Fear) accounted for \sim 30%.

2. **Trading Volume Trends**

- * Spikes in daily trading volume are often aligned with shifts from Fear to Greed.
- * Average trade size was highest during Greed conditions.

3. **PnL and Profitability**

- * Traders exhibited higher average PnL during periods of Greed.
- * Volatility in returns was noticeably higher during Extreme Fear.

4. **Leverage Usage**

- * High leverage trades (>20x) were more common during Greed, indicating increased risk appetite.
- ### 5. **Fees and Risk Behavior**
- * Fee distribution remained relatively stable, but higher leverage correlated with slightly higher average fees.

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## 📈 Visual Outputs (See `outputs/` Folder)
* Pie chart of sentiment distribution
* Time series of trade volume and PnL
* Box and violin plots comparing behavior across sentiment types
* Correlation heatmaps and weekday trade patterns
## 🔼 Trading Signals
* **Volume Surge Signal**: Trade volume spikes (mean + 2 std) correlate with
emotional sentiment transitions.
* **High Leverage Clusters**: Detected in Greed periods, signaling potential
overconfidence.
* **PnL Inflection Points**: Identified through average PnL change tracking by
date.
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## Conclusion
This analysis highlights how trader behavior in crypto is tightly linked to
market sentiment. Recognizing patterns like high-leverage clusters and PnL
fluctuations under different emotions offers an edge in building predictive or
reactive strategies. Future work could involve deploying these insights in real-
time dashboards or signal-based automated strategies.
## 🗁 Repository Structure Summary
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EDA
Datasets

Visualizations

Project notes

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— csv_files/

- ds_report.pdf

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