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In [1]: import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import yfinance as yf
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Trend Indicator Analysis and Implementation

1. Introduction

The goal of this report is to analyze and implement a trend indicator methodology based on exponentially weighted moving averages (EWMA). This indicator is derived from a referenced methodology and is designed to dynamically assess market trends based on historical price data. The implementation and analysis include:

- Dynamic trend detection.
- Visualization of price trends with color-coded segments.
- Application of the methodology using Python.
- Backtesting a trading strategy based on the indicator.

The implementation is referenced from the document titled "Trend Indicator Methodology," which outlines the mathematical foundation and parameters for the trend indicator.

2. Methodology

2.1 Exponentially Weighted Moving Average (EWMA)

The Trend Indicator is based on the EWMA calculation, which is computed for different half-lives to capture short-term and long-term trends. The decay factor λ_h for each half-life h is calculated as:

$$\lambda_h = e^{-\ln(2)/h}$$

The normalization factor NF_h ensures that the weights of the EWMA sum to 1 over the given period of 180 days.

2.2 Trend Detection

The methodology uses four pairs of short-term and long-term EWMA comparisons:

Pair	Short-Term Half-Life	Long-Term Half-Life
1	1 day	5 days
2	2.5 days	10 days
3	5 days	20 days
4	10 days	40 days

For each pair, the trend is determined as:

$$MAP_t = \text{SIGN}(MA_{short,t} - MA_{long,t})$$

The final trend indicator is the average of these four pairs:

$$TI_t = \frac{1}{4}(MAP_1 + MAP_2 + MAP_3 + MAP_4)$$

2.3 Visualization

The trend indicator is used to generate a color-coded plot of historical price data. Each segment of the line is colored based on the value of the trend indicator, providing a clear visual representation of market trends.

3. Python Implementation

3.1 Code for EWMA Calculation and Trend Indicator

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In [8]: import numpy as np
import pandas as pd

btc_price = yf.download('BTC-USD', start='2018-01-01', end='2024-05-01')
btc_price = btc_price.rename(columns={'Close': 'Price'})

# Half-life decay factors
decay_factors = {
    1: 0.5,
    2.5: 0.757858283,
    5: 0.870550563,
    10: 0.933032992,
    20: 0.965936329,
    40: 0.982820599
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# Compute Exponentially Weighted Moving Averages (EWMA)
def ewma(series, half_life):
    decay = decay_factors[half_life]
    weights = np.array([(1 - decay) * (decay ** i) for i in range(len(series))])
    weights /= weights.sum() # Normalize weights
    return np.dot(weights, series[::-1])

# Compute moving averages for each half-life
for h in [1, 2.5, 5, 10, 20, 40]:
    btc_price[f"MA_{h}"] = btc_price['Price'].rolling(window=180, min_periods=h).ewm(half_life=h).mean()

# Compute Trend Indicator components
btc_price["MAP1"] = np.sign(btc_price["MA_1"] - btc_price["MA_5"])
btc_price["MAP2"] = np.sign(btc_price["MA_2.5"] - btc_price["MA_10"])
btc_price["MAP3"] = np.sign(btc_price["MA_5"] - btc_price["MA_20"])
btc_price["MAP4"] = np.sign(btc_price["MA_10"] - btc_price["MA_40"])

# Compute Final Trend Indicator
btc_price["Trend_Indicator"] = (btc_price["MAP1"] + btc_price["MAP2"] + btc_price["MAP3"] + btc_price["MAP4"])

# Display last 10 values
print(btc_price[['Price', 'Trend_Indicator']].tail(10))

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	Price	Trend_Indicator
Date		
2024-04-21	64926.644531	0.0
2024-04-22	66837.679688	0.5
2024-04-23	66407.273438	0.5
2024-04-24	64276.898438	0.0
2024-04-25	64481.707031	0.0
2024-04-26	63755.320312	0.0
2024-04-27	63419.140625	0.0
2024-04-28	63113.230469	0.0
2024-04-29	63841.121094	0.0
2024-04-30	60636.855469	0.0

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In [9]: # Define color mapping based on Trend Indicator values
color_map = {
    1.0: 'green', # Strong uptrend
    0.5: 'blue', # Uptrend
    0.0: 'gray', # No trend
    -0.5: 'orange', # Downtrend
    -1.0: 'red' # Strong downtrend
}

# Plot the price with color-coded Trend Indicator
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))

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for trend_value, color in color_map.items():
    trend_data = btc_price[btc_price['Trend_Indicator'] == trend_value]
    plt.scatter(trend_data.index, trend_data['Price'], label=f"Trend {trend_value}")

# Add labels, title, and legend
plt.xlabel("Date")
plt.ylabel("Price")
plt.title("Price with Trend Indicator")
plt.legend()
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()

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3.2 Backtesting Strategy

The following strategy uses the Trend Indicator to determine buy and sell signals:

Strategy Rules:

- **Long Position:** Enter when `Trend_Indicator >= 1`.
- **Short Position:** Enter when `Trend_Indicator <= -1`.
- **Hold Cash:** When `Trend_Indicator` is neutral (e.g., between -1 and 1).

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In [10]: # Define Trading Strategy
btc_price["Position"] = 0
btc_price.loc[btc_price["Trend_Indicator"] >= 1, "Position"] = 1 # Long when trend is positive
btc_price.loc[btc_price["Trend_Indicator"] <= -1, "Position"] = -1 # Short when trend is negative
btc_price["Position"] = btc_price["Position"].shift(1) # Avoid lookahead bias

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# Compute Daily Returns
btc_price["Market_Return"] = btc_price["Price"].pct_change()
btc_price["Strategy_Return"] = btc_price["Position"] * btc_price["Market_Return"]

# Compute Cumulative Returns
btc_price["Cumulative_Market"] = (1 + btc_price["Market_Return"]).cumprod()
btc_price["Cumulative_Strategy"] = (1 + btc_price["Strategy_Return"]).cumprod()

# Compute Sharpe Ratio (Risk-Adjusted Return)
def sharpe_ratio(returns, risk_free_rate=0.02, trading_days=252):
    excess_returns = returns - risk_free_rate / trading_days
    return np.sqrt(trading_days) * excess_returns.mean() / returns.std()

sharpe_strategy = sharpe_ratio(btc_price["Strategy_Return"].dropna())
sharpe_market = sharpe_ratio(btc_price["Market_Return"].dropna())

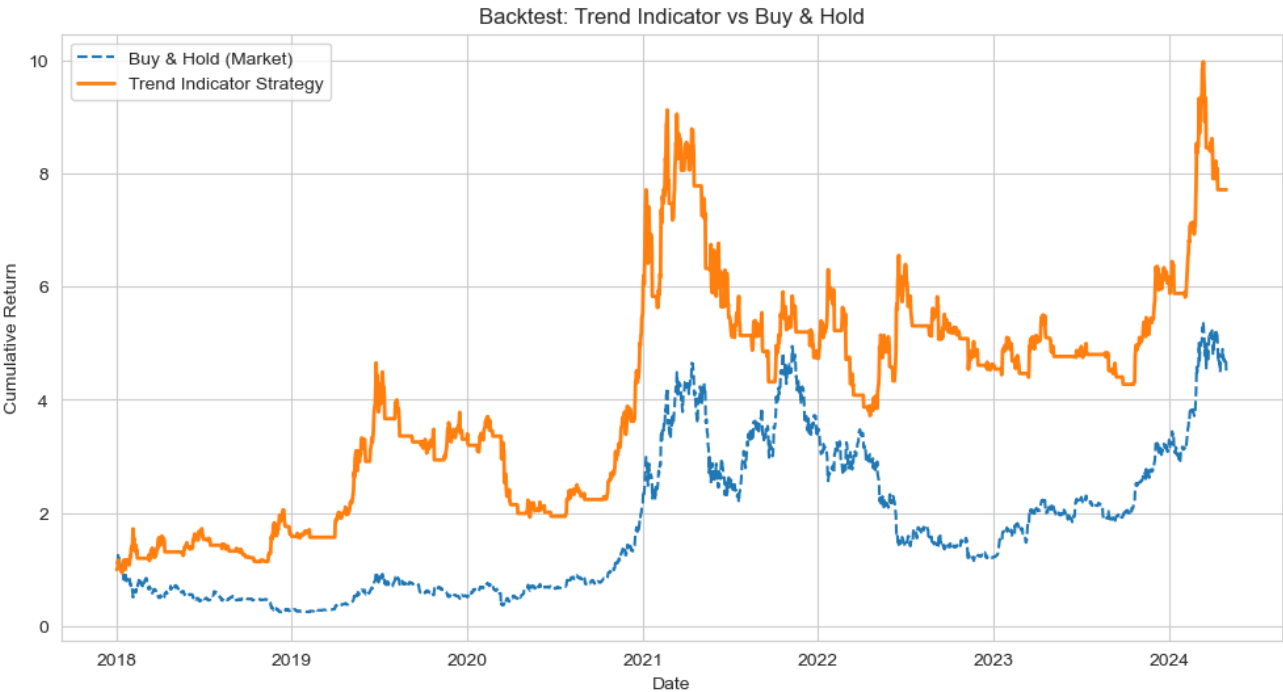
# Compute Maximum Drawdown
def max_drawdown(cumulative_returns):
    peak = cumulative_returns.cummax()
    drawdown = (cumulative_returns - peak) / peak
    return drawdown.min()

max_dd_strategy = max_drawdown(btc_price["Cumulative_Strategy"])
max_dd_market = max_drawdown(btc_price["Cumulative_Market"])

# Plot Performance Comparison
plt.figure(figsize=(12,6))
plt.plot(btc_price.index, btc_price["Cumulative_Market"], label="Buy & Hold")
plt.plot(btc_price.index, btc_price["Cumulative_Strategy"], label="Trend Indicator")
plt.xlabel("Date")
plt.ylabel("Cumulative Return")
plt.legend()
plt.title("Backtest: Trend Indicator vs Buy & Hold")
plt.show()

# Print Results
print(f"Sharpe Ratio (Strategy): {sharpe_strategy:.2f}")
print(f"Sharpe Ratio (Market): {sharpe_market:.2f}")
print(f"Max Drawdown (Strategy): {max_dd_strategy:.2%}")
print(f"Max Drawdown (Market): {max_dd_market:.2%}")

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Sharpe Ratio (Strategy): 0.67
Sharpe Ratio (Market): 0.54
Max Drawdown (Strategy): -59.23%
Max Drawdown (Market): -81.53%

3.3 Backtest Results

The backtest results demonstrate the performance of the strategy:

Metric	Strategy	Market (Buy & Hold)
Sharpe Ratio	0.67	0.54
Max Drawdown	-59.23%	-81.53%

3.4 Observations

- The **Sharpe Ratio** of the strategy indicates better risk-adjusted returns compared to the market.
- The strategy significantly reduces **Maximum Drawdown**, showing lower risk during market downturns.

4. Reference

This implementation is based on the "Trend Indicator Methodology" document provided, which details the calculation of EWMA, decay factors, normalization factors, and the

overall trend detection framework. <https://indices.coindesk.com/indices/trend-indicators>

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