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ActivePremium	<i>Active Premium or Active Return</i>
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## Description

The return on an investment's annualized return minus the benchmark's annualized return.

## Usage

ActivePremium(Ra, Rb, scale = NA, ...)

## Arguments

Ra	return vector of the portfolio
Rb	return vector of the benchmark asset
scale	number of periods in a year (daily scale = 252, monthly scale = 12, quarterly scale = 4)
...	any other passthru parameters to Return.annualized (e.g., <code>geometric=FALSE</code> )

**Details**

Active Premium = Investment's annualized return - Benchmark's annualized return. With a view to speeding computation. I re-write the code of some ratios of the package PerformanceAnalytics, and use the same name for comparing the performance enhancing. Interested readers may compare speed improvement with the use of system.time().

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**References**

Sharpe, W.F. The Sharpe Ratio, *Journal of Portfolio Management*, Fall 1994, 49-58.  
See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

**See Also**

[InformationRatio](#) [TrackingError](#) [Return.annualized](#)

**Examples**

```
data(assetReturns)
assetReturns=assetReturns["2011::2018"] #short sample for fast example
Ra=assetReturns[, -29]
Rb=assetReturns[,29] #DJI
ActivePremium(Ra, Rb)
```

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AdjustedSharpeRatio     *Adjusted Sharpe ratio of the return distribution*

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**Description**

Adjusted Sharpe ratio was introduced by Pezier and White (2006) to adjust for skewness and kurtosis by incorporating a penalty factor for negative skewness and excess kurtosis.

**Usage**

```
AdjustedSharpeRatio(R, Rf = 0, FUN = "StdDev",...)
```

**Arguments**

R	an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns
Rf	the risk free rate
FUN	one of "StdDev" or "VaR" or "ES" to use as the denominator for unadjusted Sharpe ratio, default="StdDev"
...	any other pass through parameters

**Details**

$$\text{AdjustedSharpeRatio} = SR * [1 + (\frac{S}{6}) * SR - (\frac{K - 3}{24}) * SR^2]$$

where  $SR$  is the sharpe ratio with data annualized,  $S$  is the skewness and  $K$  is the kurtosis

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**References**

Carl Bacon, *Practical portfolio performance measurement and attribution*, second edition 2008 p.99.

Pezier, Jaques and White, Anthony. 2006. The Relative Merits of Investable Hedge Fund Indices and of Funds of Hedge Funds in Optimal Passive Portfolios. <http://econpapers.repec.org/paper/rdgicmadp/icma-dp2006-10.htm>  
See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

**See Also**

[SharpeRatio.annualized](#)

**Examples**

```
data(assetReturns)
```

```
AdjustedSharpeRatio(assetReturns)
```

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AppraisalRatio

*Appraisal ratio of the return distribution*

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**Description**

Appraisal ratio is the Jensen's alpha adjusted for specific risk. The numerator is divided by specific risk instead of total risk.

**Usage**

```
AppraisalRatio(Ra, Rb, Rf = 0, method = c("appraisal", "modified",  
"alternative"), ...)
```

**Arguments**

Ra	an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns
Rb	return vector of the benchmark asset
Rf	risk free rate, in same period as your returns
method	is one of "appraisal" to calculate appraisal ratio, "modified" to calculate modified Jensen's alpha or "alternative" to calculate alternative Jensen's alpha.
...	any other pass through parameters

**Details**

Modified Jensen's alpha is Jensen's alpha divided by beta.

Alternative Jensen's alpha is Jensen's alpha divided by systematic risk.

$$Appraisalratio = \frac{\alpha}{\sigma_{\epsilon}}$$

$$ModifiedJensen'salpha = \frac{\alpha}{\beta}$$

$$AlternativeJensen'salpha = \frac{\alpha}{\sigma_S}$$

where  $\alpha$  is the Jensen's alpha,  $\sigma_{\epsilon}$  is the specific risk,  $\sigma_S$  is the systematic risk.

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**References**

Carl Bacon, *Practical portfolio performance measurement and attribution*, second edition 2008 p.77.

See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

**Examples**

```
data(assetReturns)
Ra=assetReturns[, -29]
Rb=assetReturns[,29] #DJI
AppraisalRatio(Ra, Rb, method="appraisal")
```

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BernardoLedoitRatio *Bernardo and Ledoit ratio of the return distribution*

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### Description

To calculate Bernardo and Ledoit ratio we take the sum of the subset of returns that are above 0 and we divide it by the opposite of the sum of the subset of returns that are below 0

### Usage

```
BernardoLedoitRatio(R, ...)
```

### Arguments

R                    an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns  
 ...                 any other passthru parameters

### Details

$$BernardoLedoitRatio(R) = \frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n \max(R_t, 0)}{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n \max(-R_t, 0)}$$

where  $n$  is the number of observations of the entire series

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### References

Carl Bacon, *Practical portfolio performance measurement and attribution*, second edition 2008 p.95.  
 See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

### Examples

```
data(assetReturns)
BernardoLedoitRatio(R=assetReturns)
```

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BurkeRatio	<i>Burke ratio of the return distribution</i>
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### Description

To calculate Burke ratio we take the difference between the portfolio return and the risk free rate and we divide it by the square root of the sum of the square of the drawdowns. To calculate the modified Burke ratio we just multiply the Burke ratio by the square root of the number of datas.

### Usage

```
BurkeRatio(R, Rf = 0, modified = FALSE, ...)
```

### Arguments

R	an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns
Rf	the risk free rate
modified	a boolean to decide which ratio to calculate between Burke ratio and modified Burke ratio.
...	any other passthru parameters

### Details

$$BurkeRatio = \frac{r_P - r_F}{\sqrt{\sum_{t=1}^d D_t^2}}$$

$$ModifiedBurkeRatio = \frac{r_P - r_F}{\sqrt{\sum_{t=1}^d \frac{D_t^2}{n}}}$$

where  $n$  is the number of observations of the entire series,  $d$  is number of drawdowns,  $r_P$  is the portfolio return,  $r_F$  is the risk free rate and  $D_t$  the  $t^{th}$  drawdown.

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### References

Carl Bacon, *Practical portfolio performance measurement and attribution*, second edition 2008 p.90-91.  
See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

**Examples**

```
data(assetReturns)
assetReturns=assetReturns["2011::2018"] #short sample for fast example
BurkeRatio(assetReturns,Rf=0)
```

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CalmarRatio	<i>calculate a Calmar or Sterling reward/risk ratio Calmar and Sterling Ratios are yet another method of creating a risk-adjusted measure for ranking investments similar to the <a href="#">SharpeRatio</a>.</i>
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**Description**

Both the Calmar and the Sterling ratio are the ratio of annualized return over the absolute value of the maximum drawdown of an investment. The Sterling ratio adds an excess risk measure to the maximum drawdown, traditionally and defaulting to 10%.

**Usage**

```
CalmarRatio(R, scale = NA)
```

```
SterlingRatio(R, scale = NA, excess = 0.1)
```

**Arguments**

R	an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns
scale	number of periods in a year (daily scale = 252, monthly scale = 12, quarterly scale = 4)
excess	for Sterling Ratio, excess amount to add to the max drawdown, traditionally and default .1 (10%)

**Details**

It is also traditional to use a three year return series for these calculations, although the functions included here make no effort to determine the length of your series. If you want to use a subset of your series, you'll need to truncate or subset the input data to the desired length.

Many other measures have been proposed to do similar reward to risk ranking. It is the opinion of this author that newer measures such as Sortino's [SharpeRatio](#) are both "better" measures, and should be preferred to the Calmar or Sterling Ratio.

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**References**

Bacon, Carl. *Practical Portfolio Performance Measurement and Attribution*. Wiley, 2004.  
See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

**See Also**

[Return.annualized](#),  
[maxDrawdown](#),

**Examples**

```
data(assetReturns)
R=assetReturns[, -29]

SterlingRatio(R)
```

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CAPM.jensenAlpha	<i>Jensen's alpha of the return distribution</i>
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**Description**

The Jensen's alpha is the intercept of the regression equation in the Capital Asset Pricing Model and is in effect the excess return adjusted for systematic risk.

**Usage**

```
CAPM.jensenAlpha(Ra, Rb, Rf = 0, ...)
```

**Arguments**

Ra	an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns
Rb	return vector of the benchmark asset
Rf	risk free rate, in same period as your returns
...	any other passthru parameters

**Details**

$$\alpha = r_p - r_f - \beta_p * (b - r_f)$$

where  $r_f$  is the risk free rate,  $\beta_r$  is the regression beta,  $r_p$  is the portfolio return and b is the benchmark return

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**References**

Carl Bacon, *Practical portfolio performance measurement and attribution*, second edition 2008 p.72  
See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

**Examples**

```
data(assetReturns)
assetReturns=assetReturns["2011::2018"] #short sample for fast example
Ra=assetReturns[, -29]
Rb=assetReturns[,29] #DJI

CAPM.jensenAlpha(Ra, Rb)
```

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data-sets

*Assets Data Sets*

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**Description**

assetReturns contains DJ component stocks returns data.

**Usage**

```
data(assetReturns)
```

**Value**

an object of class "timeSeries" or "xts".

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DownsideDeviation

*downside risk (deviation, variance) of the return distribution*

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**Description**

Downside deviation, semideviation, and semivariance are measures of downside risk.

**Usage**

```
DownsideDeviation(R, MAR = 0, method = c("full", "subset"), potential = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

R	an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns
MAR	Minimum Acceptable Return, in the same periodicity as your returns
method	one of "full" or "subset", indicating whether to use the length of the full series or the length of the subset of the series below the MAR as the denominator, defaults to "full"
potential	if TRUE, calculate downside potential instead, default FALSE
...	any other passthru parameters

**Details**

Downside deviation, similar to semi deviation, eliminates positive returns when calculating risk. Instead of using the mean return or zero, it uses the Minimum Acceptable Return as proposed by Sharpe (which may be the mean historical return or zero). It measures the variability of under-performance below a minimum target rate. The downside variance is the square of the downside potential.

To calculate it, we take the subset of returns that are less than the target (or Minimum Acceptable Returns (MAR)) returns and take the differences of those to the target. We sum the squares and divide by the total number of returns to get a below-target semi-variance.

$$DownsideDeviation(R, MAR) = \delta_{MAR} = \sqrt{\sum_{t=1}^n \frac{\min[(R_t - MAR), 0]^2}{n}}$$

$$DownsideVariance(R, MAR) = \sum_{t=1}^n \frac{\min[(R_t - MAR), 0]^2}{n}$$

$$DownsidePotential(R, MAR) = \sum_{t=1}^n \frac{\min[(R_t - MAR), 0]}{n}$$

where  $n$  is either the number of observations of the entire series or the number of observations in the subset of the series falling below the MAR.

SemiDeviation or SemiVariance is a popular alternative downside risk measure that may be used in place of standard deviation or variance. SemiDeviation and SemiVariance are implemented as a wrapper of DownsideDeviation with  $MAR = \text{mean}(R)$ .

In many functions like Markowitz optimization, semideviation may be substituted directly, and the covariance matrix may be constructed from semideviation or the vector of returns below the mean rather than from variance or the full vector of returns.

In semideviation, by convention, the value of  $n$  is set to the full number of observations. In semi-variance the the value of  $n$  is set to the subset of returns below the mean. It should be noted that while this is the correct mathematical definition of semivariance, this result doesn't make any sense if you are also going to be using the time series of returns below the mean or below a MAR to construct a semi-covariance matrix for portfolio optimization.

Sortino recommends calculating downside deviation utilizing a continuous fitted distribution rather than the discrete distribution of observations. This would have significant utility, especially in cases of a small number of observations. He recommends using a lognormal distribution, or a fitted distribution based on a relevant style index, to construct the returns below the MAR to increase the confidence in the final result. Hopefully, in the future, we'll add a fitted option to this function, and would be happy to accept a contribution of this nature.

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### References

Sortino, F. and Price, L. Performance Measurement in a Downside Risk Framework. *Journal of Investing*. Fall 1994, 59-65.

Carl Bacon, *Practical portfolio performance measurement and attribution*, second edition 2008

Plantinga, A., van der Meer, R. and Sortino, F. The Impact of Downside Risk on Risk-Adjusted Performance of Mutual Funds in the Euronext Markets. July 19, 2001. Available at SSRN: <http://ssrn.com/abstract=277352>

<http://www.sortino.com/htm/performance.htm> see especially end note 10

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Semivariance>

See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

### Examples

```
data(assetReturns)
assetReturns=assetReturns["2011::2018"] #short sample for fast example
R=assetReturns[, -29]
DownsideDeviation(R, MAR = 0)
```

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DRatio

*d ratio of the return distribution*

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### Description

The d ratio is similar to the Bernado Ledoit ratio but inverted and taking into account the frequency of positive and negative returns.

### Usage

```
DRatio(R, ...)
```

**Arguments**

R an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns  
 ... any other passthru parameters

**Details**

It has values between zero and infinity. It can be used to rank the performance of portfolios. The lower the d ratio the better the performance, a value of zero indicating there are no returns less than zero and a value of infinity indicating there are no returns greater than zero.

$$DRatio(R) = \frac{n_d * \sum_{t=1}^n \max(-R_t, 0)}{n_u * \sum_{t=1}^n \max(R_t, 0)}$$

where  $n$  is the number of observations of the entire series,  $n_d$  is the number of observations less than zero,  $n_u$  is the number of observations greater than zero

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**References**

Carl Bacon, *Practical portfolio performance measurement and attribution*, second edition 2008 p.95  
 See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

**Examples**

```
data(assetReturns)
R=assetReturns[, -29]

DRatio(R)
```

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 DrawdownPeak

*Drawdown peak of the return distribution*


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**Description**

Drawdown peak is for each return its drawdown since the previous peak

**Usage**

```
DrawdownPeak(R, ...)
```

**Arguments**

R                    an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns  
 ...                    any other passthru parameters

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**Examples**

```
data(assetReturns)
R=assetReturns[, -29]
# Not run
# DrawdownPeak(R)
```

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InformationRatio            *InformationRatio = ActivePremium/TrackingError*

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**Description**

The Active Premium divided by the Tracking Error.

**Usage**

```
InformationRatio(Ra, Rb, scale = NA)
```

**Arguments**

Ra                    an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns  
 Rb                    return vector of the benchmark asset  
 scale                number of periods in a year (daily scale = 252, monthly scale = 12, quarterly scale = 4)

**Details**

InformationRatio = ActivePremium/TrackingError

This relates the degree to which an investment has beaten the benchmark to the consistency with which the investment has beaten the benchmark.

**Note**

William Sharpe now recommends InformationRatio preferentially to the original [SharpeRatio](#).

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**References**

Sharpe, W.F. The Sharpe Ratio, *Journal of Portfolio Management*, Fall 1994, 49-58.  
See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

**See Also**

[TrackingError](#)  
[ActivePremium](#)  
[SharpeRatio](#)

**Examples**

```
data(assetReturns)
Ra=assetReturns[, -29]
Rb=assetReturns[,29] #DJI

InformationRatio(Ra, Rb)
```

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JFE

*Display the JFE User Interface*

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**Description**

Start the JFE GUI (graphical user interface)

**Usage**

```
JFE()
```

**Details**

After loading the package, in the command prompt, type JFE() to start it. JFE is a menu-driven GUI designed to support the analysis of financial time series data with the aid of several R packages. The version 1.1 focuses on: Firstly, price visualization, including technical charting (by package quantmod); secondly, assets selection based on Performance index (by package PerformanceAnalytics); thirdly, portfolio optimization (by package "fPORTFOLIO").

This command is an internal function to start the JFE GUI. To avoid unexpected problems of time series object, the imported data must be time series object (xts, or timeSeries) loaded by either .RData or .rda, file of .csv or other format is not supported; that is to say, users have only to know how to construct a R time-series object.

If execution of All-in-one from backtesting fails, then it is a problem associated with undocumented

functions. Please re-install this package from Github via devtools::install\_github("tsungwu/JFE"), detailed are also explained in Github and [http://web.ntnu.edu.tw/~tsungwu/R\\_DevOps/R\\_DevOps.htm](http://web.ntnu.edu.tw/~tsungwu/R_DevOps/R_DevOps.htm).

### Value

Generate a menu-driven GUI

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### Examples

JFE()

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KellyRatio	<i>calculate Kelly criterion ratio (leverage or bet size) for a strategy</i>
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### Description

Kelly criterion ratio (leverage or bet size) for a strategy.

### Usage

```
KellyRatio(R, Rf = 0)
```

### Arguments

R	a vector of returns to perform a mean over
Rf	risk free rate, in same period as your returns

### Details

The Kelly Criterion was identified by Bell Labs scientist John Kelly, and applied to blackjack and stock strategy sizing by Ed Thorpe.

The Kelly ratio can be simply stated as: “bet size is the ratio of edge over odds.” Mathematically, you are maximizing log-utility. As such, the Kelly criterion is equal to the expected excess return of the strategy divided by the expected variance of the excess return, or

$$leverage = \frac{(\bar{R}_s - R_f)}{StdDev(R)^2}$$

As a performance metric, the Kelly Ratio is calculated retrospectively on a particular investment as a measure of the edge that investment has over the risk free rate. It may be use as a stack ranking method to compare investments in a manner similar to the various ratios related to the Sharpe ratio.



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**References**

Thorp, Edward O. (1997; revised 1998). The Kelly Criterion in Blackjack, Sports Betting, and the Stock Market. <http://www.bjmath.com/bjmath/thorp/paper.htm>  
[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kelly\\_criterion](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kelly_criterion)  
 See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

**Examples**

```
data(assetReturns)
R=assetReturns[, -29]

KellyRatio(R, Rf=0)
```

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M2Sortino

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*M squared for Sortino of the return distribution*


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**Description**

M squared for Sortino is a  $M^2$  calculated for Downside risk instead of Total Risk

**Usage**

```
M2Sortino(Ra, Rb, MAR = 0, ...)
```

**Arguments**

Ra	an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset return
Rb	return vector of the benchmark asset
MAR	the minimum acceptable return
...	any other passthru parameters

**Details**

$$M_S^2 = r_P + \text{Sortinoratio} * (\sigma_{DM} - \sigma_D)$$

where  $M_S^2$  is MSquared for Sortino,  $r_P$  is the annualised portfolio return,  $\sigma_{DM}$  is the benchmark annualised downside risk and  $D$  is the portfolio annualised downside risk

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**References**

Carl Bacon, *Practical portfolio performance measurement and attribution*, second edition 2008 p.102-103  
See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

**Examples**

```
data(assetReturns)
Ra=assetReturns[, -29]
Rb=assetReturns[,29] #DJI

M2Sortino(Ra, Rb, MAR=0)
```

---

MartinRatio

*Martin ratio of the return distribution*

---

**Description**

To calculate Martin ratio we divide the difference of the portfolio return and the risk free rate by the Ulcer index

**Usage**

```
MartinRatio(R, Rf = 0, ...)
```

**Arguments**

R	an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns
Rf	risk free rate, in same period as your returns
...	any other passthru parameters

**Details**

$$Martinratio = \frac{r_P - r_F}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{D_i'^2}{n}}}$$

where  $r_P$  is the annualized portfolio return,  $r_F$  is the risk free rate,  $n$  is the number of observations of the entire series,  $D_i'$  is the drawdown since previous peak in period  $i$

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**References**

Carl Bacon, *Practical portfolio performance measurement and attribution*, second edition 2008 p.91  
See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

**Examples**

```
data(assetReturns)
R=assetReturns[, -29]

# Not run
# MartinRatio(R)
```

---

maxDrawdown

*calculate the maximum drawdown from peak equity*


---

**Description**

To find the maximum drawdown in a return series, we need to first calculate the cumulative returns and the maximum cumulative return to that point. Any time the cumulative returns dips below the maximum cumulative returns, it's a drawdown. Drawdowns are measured as a percentage of that maximum cumulative return, in effect, measured from peak equity.

**Usage**

```
maxDrawdown(R, geometric = TRUE, invert = TRUE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

R	an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns
geometric	utilize geometric chaining (TRUE) or simple/arithmetic chaining (FALSE) to aggregate returns, default TRUE
invert	TRUE/FALSE whether to invert the drawdown measure. see Details.
...	any other passthru parameters

## Details

The option to invert the measure should appease both academics and practitioners. The default option `invert=TRUE` will provide the drawdown as a positive number. This should be useful for optimization (which usually seeks to minimize a value), and for tables (where having negative signs in front of every number may be considered clutter). Practitioners will argue that drawdowns denote losses, and should be internally consistent with the quantile (a negative number), for which `invert=FALSE` will provide the value they expect. Individually, different preferences may apply for clarity and compactness. As such, we provide the option, but make no value judgment on which approach is preferable.

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## References

Bacon, C. *Practical Portfolio Performance Measurement and Attribution*. Wiley. 2004. p. 88  
See also package `PerformanceAnalytics`.

## Examples

```
data(assetReturns)
R=assetReturns[, -29]

maxDrawdown(R)
```

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MeanAbsoluteDeviation *Mean absolute deviation of the return distribution*

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## Description

To calculate Mean absolute deviation we take the sum of the absolute value of the difference between the returns and the mean of the returns and we divide it by the number of returns.

## Usage

```
MeanAbsoluteDeviation(R, ...)
```

## Arguments

R	an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns
...	any other passthru parameters

**Details**

$$MeanAbsoluteDeviation = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n |r_i - \bar{r}|}{n}$$

where  $n$  is the number of observations of the entire series,  $r_i$  is the return in month  $i$  and  $\bar{r}$  is the mean return

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**References**

Carl Bacon, *Practical portfolio performance measurement and attribution*, second edition 2008 p.62.

See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

**Examples**

```
data(assetReturns)
assetReturns=assetReturns["2011::2018"] #short sample for fast example
R=assetReturns[, -29]
```

```
MeanAbsoluteDeviation(R)
```

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OmegaSharpeRatio	<i>Omega-Sharpe ratio of the return distribution</i>
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**Description**

The Omega-Sharpe ratio is a conversion of the omega ratio to a ranking statistic in familiar form to the Sharpe ratio.

**Usage**

```
OmegaSharpeRatio(R, MAR = 0, ...)
```

**Arguments**

R	an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns
MAR	Minimum Acceptable Return, in the same periodicity as your returns
...	any other passthru parameters

**Details**

To calculate the Omega-Sharpe ration we subtract the target (or Minimum Acceptable Returns (MAR)) return from the portfolio return and we divide it by the opposite of the Downside Deviation.

$$\text{OmegaSharpeRatio}(R, \text{MAR}) = \frac{r_p - r_t}{\sum_{t=1}^n \frac{\max(r_t - r_i, 0)}{n}}$$

where  $n$  is the number of observations of the entire series

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**References**

Carl Bacon, *Practical portfolio performance measurement and attribution*, second edition 2008, p.95  
See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

**Examples**

```
data(assetReturns)
R=assetReturns[, -29]
OmegaSharpeRatio(R)
```

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PainIndex

*Pain index of the return distribution*

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**Description**

The pain index is the mean value of the drawdowns over the entire analysis period. The measure is similar to the Ulcer index except that the drawdowns are not squared. Also, it's different than the average drawdown, in that the numerator is the total number of observations rather than the number of drawdowns.

**Usage**

```
PainIndex(R, ...)
```

**Arguments**

R                    an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns  
...                    any other passthru parameters

**Details**

Visually, the pain index is the area of the region that is enclosed by the horizontal line at zero percent and the drawdown line in the Drawdown chart.

$$Painindex = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{|D'_i|}{n}$$

where  $n$  is the number of observations of the entire series,  $D'_i$  is the drawdown since previous peak in period  $i$

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**References**

Carl Bacon, *Practical portfolio performance measurement and attribution*, second edition 2008 p.89, Becker, Thomas (2006) Zephyr Associates  
See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

**Examples**

```
data(assetReturns)
R=assetReturns[, -29]
# Not run
# PainIndex(R)
```

---

PainRatio

*Pain ratio of the return distribution*


---

**Description**

To calculate Pain ratio we divide the difference of the portfolio return and the risk free rate by the Pain index

**Usage**

```
PainRatio(R, Rf = 0, ...)
```

**Arguments**

R	an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns
Rf	risk free rate, in same period as your returns
...	any other passthru parameters

**Details**

$$Painratio = \frac{r_P - r_F}{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{|D'_i|}{n}}$$

where  $r_P$  is the annualized portfolio return,  $r_F$  is the risk free rate,  $n$  is the number of observations of the entire series,  $D'_i$  is the drawdown since previous peak in period  $i$

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**References**

Carl Bacon, *Practical portfolio performance measurement and attribution*, second edition 2008 p.91  
See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

**Examples**

```
data(assetReturns)
assetReturns=assetReturns["2011::2018"] #short sample for fast example
R=assetReturns[, -29]
PainRatio(R)
```

---

ProspectRatio	<i>Prospect ratio of the return distribution</i>
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**Description**

Prospect ratio is a ratio used to penalise loss since most people feel loss greater than gain

**Usage**

```
ProspectRatio(R, MAR, ...)
```

**Arguments**

R	an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns
MAR	the minimum acceptable return
...	any other passthru parameters



**Details**

$$ProspectRatio(R) = \frac{\frac{1}{n} * \sum_{i=1}^n (Max(r_i, 0) + 2.25 * Min(r_i, 0) - MAR)}{\sigma_D}$$

where  $n$  is the number of observations of the entire series, MAR is the minimum acceptable return and  $\sigma_D$  is the downside risk

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**References**

Carl Bacon, *Practical portfolio performance measurement and attribution*, second edition 2008 p.100

See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

**Examples**

```
data(assetReturns)
R=assetReturns[, -29]

ProspectRatio(R, MAR=0)
```

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Return.annualized	<i>calculate an annualized return for comparing instruments with different length history</i>
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**Description**

An average annualized return is convenient for comparing returns.

**Usage**

```
Return.annualized(R, scale = NA, geometric = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

R	an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns
scale	number of periods in a year (daily scale = 252, monthly scale = 12, quarterly scale = 4)
geometric	utilize geometric chaining (TRUE) or simple/arithmetic chaining (FALSE) to aggregate returns, default TRUE

**Details**

Annualized returns are useful for comparing two assets. To do so, you must scale your observations to an annual scale by raising the compound return to the number of periods in a year, and taking the root to the number of total observations:

$$\text{prod}(1 + R_a)^{\frac{\text{scale}}{n}} - 1 = \sqrt[n]{\text{prod}(1 + R_a)^{\text{scale}}} - 1$$

where scale is the number of periods in a year, and n is the total number of periods for which you have observations.

For simple returns (geometric=FALSE), the formula is:

$$\overline{R}_a \cdot \text{scale}$$

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**References**

Bacon, Carl. *Practical Portfolio Performance Measurement and Attribution*. Wiley. 2004. p. 6  
See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

**Examples**

```
data(assetReturns)
R=assetReturns[, -29]

Return.annualized(R)
```

---

riskOptimalPortfolio *Compute risk optimal portfolios maxDD, aveDD and CDaR*

---

**Description**

It calls FRAPO to compute risk optimal portfolio satisfying the constraint of draw downs and returns a S4 object of class fPORTFOLIO.

**Usage**

```
riskOptimalPortfolio(data, Type="AveDD", value)
```

**Arguments**

data	timeSeries object of price data. Please remember the asset data must be price, not returns.
Type	Drawdown types, we call package FRAPO to support three methods:"maxDD","aveDD",and "CDaR". For details, please see document of package FRAPO.
value	Positive numerical number for Type.

**Details**

The risk optimal portfolio calls FRAPO and wrapp the results as a S4 object of class fPORTFOLIO, all get functions of fPORTFOLIO are applicable.

**Value**

returns an S4 object of class "fPORTFOLIO".

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**References**

Roncalli Thierry, *Introduction to Risk parity and Budgeting*, 2014, CRC inc..  
See also packages fPORTFOLIO and FRAPO

**Examples**

```
# Risk optimal portfolio takes time, example below is commented.
data(LPP2005)
Data <- LPP2005[,1:6]#select 6 assets price
Data.RET=returns(Data) # Transform into returns to compute VALUE below
#VALUE=abs(mean(drawdowns(apply(Data.RET,1,mean))))
#output=riskOptimalPortfolio(Data,Type="AveDD",value=VALUE) # data input must be price.
#show(output)
#getWeights(output)
#getCovRiskBudgets(output)
```

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riskParityPortfolio    *Compute risk parity portfolio*

---

**Description**

It calls FRAPO to compute portfolio weights with equal risk contribution, or equal covariance risk budget, then returns a S4 object of class fPORTFOLIO.

**Usage**

```
riskParityPortfolio(data, covmat="cov", strategy="minrisk",Type="MV")
```

**Arguments**

data	timeSeries object of returns data
covmat	Function to compute multivariate covariance matrix, we support five methods: "cov", "ledoitWolf", "shrink", "shrinkL", "shrinkC". The default is sample covariance "cov".
strategy	strategyPortfolio as in package fPortfolio, we support 5 cases in fPortfolio package: "GMVP", "maxreturn", "minrisk", "tangency" and "All Assets". The default is "minrisk".
Type	portfolio type as in package fPortfolio, the default is "MV".

**Details**

The risk parity portfolio has two options: the first is to select a subset of assets and compute risk parity weights. To this end, we implement one of four portfolio strategies: "GMVP", "maxreturn", "minrisk", "tangency". The idea is that each portfolio strategy will pick the desirable assets by assigning weights, the assets with non-zero weights are selected ones; afterwards, we compute risk parity weights of these assets. Secondly, for "All Assets", all assets are included and compute an optimal weight vector satisfying risk parity condition, namely, equal risk contribution or covariance risk budget.

**GMVP or Global minimum risk Portfolio:** The function `minvariancePortfolio` returns the portfolio with the minimal risk on the efficient frontier. To find the minimal risk point the target risk returned by the function `efficientPortfolio` is minimized.

**tangency or maximal returns/risk ratio Portfolio:** The function `tangencyPortfolio` returns the portfolio with the highest return/risk ratio on the efficient frontier. For the Markowitz portfolio this is the same as the Sharpe ratio. To find this point on the frontier the return/risk ratio calculated from the target return and target risk returned by the function .

**minrisk or Minimum Risk:** The function `minriskPortfolio` is an efficient portfolio which lies on the efficient frontier. The `efficientPortfolio` function returns the properties of the efficient portfolio as an S4 object of class `fPORTFOLIO`

**maxreturn or Maximum Return Portfolio:** The function `maxreturnPortfolio` returns the portfolio with the maximal return for a fixed target risk.

Risk parity portfolio calls `FRAPO`, which requires symmetric covariance matrices, so far we support only five covariance methods.

**Value**

returns an S4 object of class "fPORTFOLIO".

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## References

Roncalli Thierry, *Introduction to Risk parity and Budgeting*, 2014, CRC inc..  
See also packages fPORTFOLIO and FRAPO

## Examples

```
data(assetReturns)
assetReturns=assetReturns[,11:15]
output=riskParityPortfolio(assetReturns, covmat="cov", strategy="minrisk")
show(output)
getWeights(output)
getCovRiskBudgets(output)
```

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SharpeRatio	<i>calculate a traditional or modified Sharpe Ratio of Return over StdDev or VaR or ES</i>
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## Description

The Sharpe ratio is simply the return per unit of risk (represented by variability). In the classic case, the unit of risk is the standard deviation of the returns.

## Usage

```
SharpeRatio(R, Rf = 0, alpha = 0.05, FUN="StdDev", annualize=FALSE, ...)
```

## Arguments

R	an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns
Rf	risk free rate, in same period as your returns
alpha	Tail probability for VaR or ES, default alpha=.05
FUN	one of "StdDev" or "VaR" or "ES" to use as the denominator
annualize	if TRUE, annualize the measure, default FALSE
...	any other passthru parameters to the VaR or ES functions

## Details

$$\frac{(R_a - R_f)}{\sqrt{\sigma(R_a - R_f)}}$$

William Sharpe now recommends [InformationRatio](#) preferentially to the original Sharpe Ratio.

The higher the Sharpe ratio, the better the combined performance of "risk" and return.

As noted, the traditional Sharpe Ratio is a risk-adjusted measure of return that uses standard deviation to represent risk.

A number of papers now recommend using a "modified Sharpe" ratio using a Modified Cornish-Fisher VaR or CVaR/Expected Shortfall as the measure of Risk.

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**References**

Sharpe, W.F. The Sharpe Ratio, *Journal of Portfolio Management*, Fall 1994, 49-58.

Laurent Favre and Jose-Antonio Galeano. Mean-Modified Value-at-Risk Optimization with Hedge Funds. *Journal of Alternative Investment*, Fall 2002, v 5.  
See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

**See Also**

[SharpeRatio.annualized](#)  
[InformationRatio](#)  
[TrackingError](#)  
[ActivePremium](#)  
[SortinoRatio](#)

**Examples**

```
data(assetReturns)
R=assetReturns[, -29]

SharpeRatio(R)
```

---

```
SharpeRatio.annualized
```

*calculate annualized Sharpe Ratio*

---

**Description**

The Sharpe Ratio is a risk-adjusted measure of return that uses standard deviation to represent risk.

**Usage**

```
SharpeRatio.annualized(R, Rf = 0, alpha=0.05, scale = NA, geometric = TRUE, FUN = "StdDev")
```

**Arguments**

R	an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns
Rf	risk free rate, in same period as your returns
alpha	Tail probability for VaR or ES, default alpha=.05
scale	number of periods in a year (daily scale = 252, monthly scale = 12, quarterly scale = 4)
geometric	utilize geometric chaining (TRUE) or simple/arithmetic chaining (FALSE) to aggregate returns,default TRUE
FUN	one of "StdDev" or "VaR" or "ES" to use as the denominator, default="StdDev"

**Details**

The Sharpe ratio is simply the return per unit of risk (represented by variance). The higher the Sharpe ratio, the better the combined performance of "risk" and return.

This function annualizes the number based on the scale parameter.

$$\frac{\sqrt[n]{\text{prod}(1 + R_a)^{\text{scale}} - 1}}{\sqrt{\text{scale}} \cdot \sqrt{\sigma}}$$

Using an annualized Sharpe Ratio is useful for comparison of multiple return streams. The annualized Sharpe ratio is computed by dividing the annualized mean monthly excess return by the annualized monthly standard deviation of excess return.

William Sharpe now recommends Information Ratio preferentially to the original Sharpe Ratio.

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**References**

Sharpe, W.F. The Sharpe Ratio, *Journal of Portfolio Management*, Fall 1994, 49-58.  
See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

**See Also**

[SharpeRatio](#)  
[InformationRatio](#)  
[TrackingError](#)  
[ActivePremium](#)  
[SortinoRatio](#)

**Examples**

```
data(assetReturns)
R=assetReturns[, -29]
SharpeRatio.annualized(R)
```

---

SkewnessKurtosisRatio *Skewness-Kurtosis ratio of the return distribution*

---

**Description**

Skewness-Kurtosis ratio is the division of Skewness by Kurtosis.

**Usage**

```
SkewnessKurtosisRatio(R, ...)
```

**Arguments**

R                    an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns  
 ...                 any other pass through parameters

**Details**

It is used in conjunction with the Sharpe ratio to rank portfolios. The higher the rate the better.

$$SkewnessKurtosisRatio(R, MAR) = \frac{S}{K}$$

where  $S$  is the skewness and  $K$  is the Kurtosis

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**References**

Carl Bacon, *Practical portfolio performance measurement and attribution*, second edition 2008 p.100  
 See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

**Examples**

```
data(assetReturns)
R=assetReturns[, -29]
SkewnessKurtosisRatio(R)
```



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SortinoRatio	<i>calculate Sortino Ratio of performance over downside risk</i>
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### Description

Sortino proposed an improvement on the Sharpe Ratio to better account for skill and excess performance by using only downside semivariance as the measure of risk.

### Usage

```
SortinoRatio(R, MAR = 0, ...)
```

### Arguments

R	an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns
MAR	Minimum Acceptable Return, in the same periodicity as your returns
...	any other passthru parameters

### Details

Sortino contends that risk should be measured in terms of not meeting the investment goal. This gives rise to the notion of “Minimum Acceptable Return” or MAR. All of Sortino’s proposed measures include the MAR, and are more sensitive to downside or extreme risks than measures that use volatility (standard deviation of returns) as the measure of risk.

Choosing the MAR carefully is very important, especially when comparing disparate investment choices. If the MAR is too low, it will not adequately capture the risks that concern the investor, and if the MAR is too high, it will unfavorably portray what may otherwise be a sound investment. When comparing multiple investments, some papers recommend using the risk free rate as the MAR. Practitioners may wish to choose one MAR for consistency, several standardized MAR values for reporting a range of scenarios, or a MAR customized to the objective of the investor.

$$SortinoRatio = \frac{(\overline{R_a} - MAR)}{\delta_{MAR}}$$

where  $\delta_{MAR}$  is the [DownsideDeviation](#).

### Author(s)

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### References

Sortino, F. and Price, L. Performance Measurement in a Downside Risk Framework. *Journal of Investing*. Fall 1994, 59-65.

See also package [PerformanceAnalytics](#).

**See Also**

[SharpeRatio](#)  
[DownsideDeviation](#)  
[InformationRatio](#)

**Examples**

```

data(assetReturns)
R=assetReturns[, -29]

SortinoRatio(R)

```

---

```
table.AnnualizedReturns
```

*Annualized Returns Summary: Statistics and Stylized Facts*

---

**Description**

Table of Annualized Return, Annualized Std Dev, and Annualized Sharpe

**Usage**

```
table.AnnualizedReturns(R, scale = NA, Rf = 0, geometric = TRUE,
  digits = 4)
```

**Arguments**

R	an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns
scale	number of periods in a year (daily scale = 252, monthly scale = 12, quarterly scale = 4)
Rf	risk free rate, in same period as your returns
geometric	utilize geometric chaining (TRUE) or simple/arithmetic chaining (FALSE) to aggregate returns, default TRUE
digits	number of digits to round results to

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**See Also**

[Return.annualized](#)  
[SharpeRatio.annualized](#)

**Examples**

```
data(assetReturns)
Ra=assetReturns[, -29]
table.AnnualizedReturns(R=Ra)
```

---

TrackingError

*Calculate Tracking Error of returns against a benchmark*


---

**Description**

A measure of the unexplained portion of performance relative to a benchmark.

**Usage**

```
TrackingError(Ra, Rb, scale = NA)
```

**Arguments**

Ra	an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns
Rb	return vector of the benchmark asset
scale	number of periods in a year (daily scale = 252, monthly scale = 12, quarterly scale = 4)

**Details**

Tracking error is calculated by taking the square root of the average of the squared deviations between the investment's returns and the benchmark's returns, then multiplying the result by the square root of the scale of the returns.

$$TrackingError = \sqrt{\sum \frac{(R_a - R_b)^2}{len(R_a)\sqrt{scale}}}$$

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**References**

Sharpe, W.F. The Sharpe Ratio, *Journal of Portfolio Management*, Fall 1994, 49-58.  
See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

**See Also**

[InformationRatio](#) [TrackingError](#)

**Examples**

```

data(assetReturns)
assetReturns=assetReturns["2011::2018"] #short sample for fast example
Ra=assetReturns[, -29]
Rb=assetReturns[,29] #DJI

TrackingError(Ra, Rb)

```

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TreynorRatio	<i>calculate Treynor Ratio or modified Treynor Ratio of excess return over CAPM beta</i>
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**Description**

The Treynor ratio is similar to the Sharpe Ratio, except it uses beta as the volatility measure (to divide the investment's excess return over the beta).

**Usage**

```
TreynorRatio(Ra, Rb, Rf = 0, scale = NA, modified = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

Ra	an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns
Rb	return vector of the benchmark asset
Rf	risk free rate, in same period as your returns
scale	number of periods in a year (daily scale = 252, monthly scale = 12, quarterly scale = 4)
modified	a boolean to decide whether to return the Treynor ratio or Modified Treynor ratio

**Details**

To calculate modified Treynor ratio, we divide the numerator by the systematic risk instead of the beta.

Equation:

$$TreynorRatio = \frac{(R_a - R_f)}{\beta_{a,b}}$$

$$ModifiedTreynorRatio = \frac{r_p - r_f}{\sigma_s}$$

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**References**

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Treynor\\_ratio](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Treynor_ratio), Carl Bacon, *Practical portfolio performance measurement and attribution*, second edition 2008 p.77  
See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

**See Also**

[SharpeRatio](#) [SortinoRatio](#)

**Examples**

```
data(assetReturns)
assetReturns=assetReturns["2011::2018"] #short sample for fast example
Ra=assetReturns[, -29]
Rb=assetReturns[, 29] #DJI

TreynorRatio(Ra, Rb)
```

---

 UlcerIndex

*calculate the Ulcer Index*


---

**Description**

Developed by Peter G. Martin in 1987 (Martin and McCann, 1987) and named for the worry caused to the portfolio manager or investor. This is similar to drawdown deviation except that the impact of the duration of drawdowns is incorporated by selecting the negative return for each period below the previous peak or high water mark. The impact of long, deep drawdowns will have significant impact because the underperformance since the last peak is squared.

**Usage**

```
UlcerIndex(R, ...)
```

**Arguments**

R                    a vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns  
...                   any other passthru parameters

**Details**

$UI = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1,2,\dots,n} (D'_i)^2/n}$  where  $D'_i$  = drawdown since previous peak in period  $i$

DETAILS: This approach is sensitive to the frequency of the time periods involved and penalizes managers that take time to recover to previous highs.

REFERENCES: Martin, P. and McCann, B. (1989) *The investor's Guide to Fidelity Funds: Winning Strategies for Mutual Fund Investors*. John Wiley & Sons, Inc. Peter Martin's web page on UI: <http://www.tangotools.com/ui/ui.htm>

## Test against spreadsheet at: <http://www.tangotools.com/ui/UlcerIndex.xls>  
See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

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### Examples

```
data(assetReturns)
R=assetReturns[, -29]
maxDrawdown(R)
```

---

VolatilitySkewness      *Volatility and variability of the return distribution*

---

### Description

Volatility skewness is a similar measure to omega but using the second partial moment. It's the ratio of the upside variance compared to the downside variance. Variability skewness is the ratio of the upside risk compared to the downside risk.

### Usage

```
VolatilitySkewness(R, MAR = 0, stat = c("volatility", "variability"), ...)
```

### Arguments

R	an xts, vector, matrix, data frame, timeSeries or zoo object of asset returns
MAR	Minimum Acceptable Return, in the same periodicity as your returns
stat	one of "volatility", "variability" indicating whether to return the volatility skewness or the variability skewness
...	any other passthru parameters

### Details

$$VolatilitySkewness(R, MAR) = \frac{\sigma_U^2}{\sigma_D^2}$$

$$VariabilitySkewness(R, MAR) = \frac{\sigma_U}{\sigma_D}$$

where  $\sigma_U$  is the Upside risk and  $\sigma_D$  is the Downside Risk

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**References**

Carl Bacon, *Practical portfolio performance measurement and attribution*, second edition 2008 p.97-98.

See also package PerformanceAnalytics.

**Examples**

```
data(assetReturns)
R=assetReturns[, -29]
VolatilitySkewness(R, MAR=0, stat="volatility")
```

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