



Portfolio Analysis in R

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R Functions for Portfolio Analysis

- Eric Zivot's R functions (on class webpage in portfolio.r)
- R package tseries
 - portfolio.optim
- R package fportfolio
 - Extensive collection of functions
- R package quadprog
 - QP.solve for quadratic programming.

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My R functions

Function	Description
getPortfolio	Create portfolio object
efficient.portfolio	Compute minimum variance portfolio subject to target return
globalMin.portfolio	Compute global minimum variance portfolio
tangency.portfolio	Compute tangency portfolio
efficient.frontier	Compute efficient frontier of risky asset only portfolios

Note: these functions are based on matrix algebra solutions to portfolio calculations that allow short sales

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3 Firm Example Data

```
> er
    MSFT      NORD      SBUX
0.0427  0.0015  0.0285

> covmat
    MSFT      NORD      SBUX
MSFT 0.0100  0.0018  0.0011
NORD 0.0018  0.0109  0.0026
SBUX 0.0011  0.0026  0.0199

> rk.free
[1] 0.005
```

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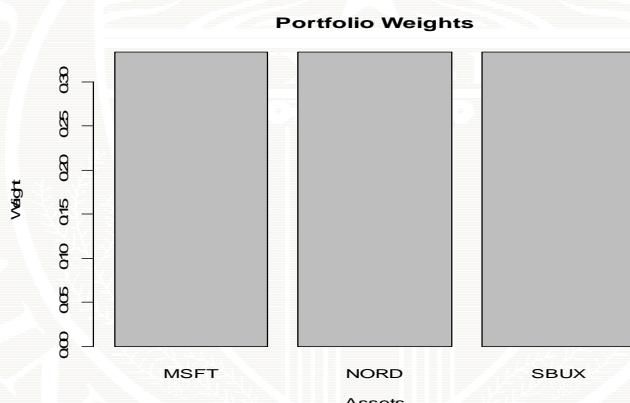
Create Arbitrary Portfolio

```
# compute equally weighted portfolio
> ew = rep(1,3)/3
> equalWeight.portfolio =
+ getPortfolio(er=er,cov.mat=covmat,weights=ew)
> equalWeight.portfolio
Call:
getPortfolio(er = er, cov.mat = covmat,
             weights = ew)

Portfolio expected return:      0.02423333
Portfolio standard deviation:  0.07586538
Portfolio weights:
  MSFT    NORD    SBUX
0.3333 0.3333 0.3333
```

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Plot Portfolio Weights



```
> plot(equalWeight.portfolio)
```

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Compute Global Minimum Variance Portfolio

```
> gmin.port <- globalMin.portfolio(er, covmat)
> attributes(gmin.port)
$names
[1] "call"      "er"        "sd"        "weights"

$class
[1] "portfolio"

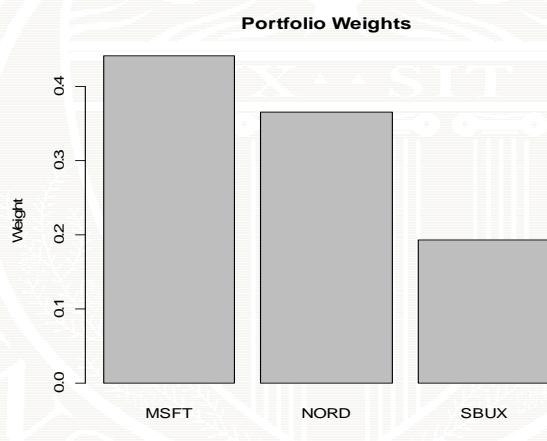
> print(gmin.port)
Call:
globalMin.portfolio(er = er, cov.mat = covmat)

Portfolio expected return:  0.02489184
Portfolio standard deviation:  0.07267607
Portfolio weights:
  MSFT    NORD    SBUX
0.4411  0.3656  0.1933
```

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Global Minimum Variance Portfolio



```
> plot(gmin.port)
```

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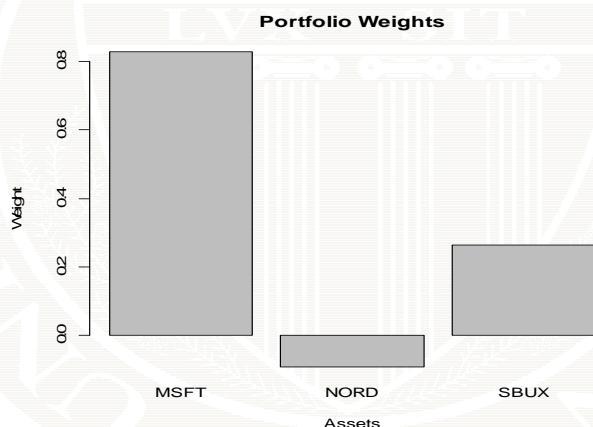
Compute Efficient Portfolio

```
# compute efficient portfolio subject to target
# return equal to E[Rmsft] = 0.0427
> target.return <- er[1]
> e.port.msft <- efficient.portfolio(er, covmat,
+                                         target.return)
> print(e.port.msft)
Call:
efficient.portfolio(er = er, cov.mat = covmat,
target.return = target.return)

Portfolio expected return: 0.0427
Portfolio standard deviation: 0.091656
Portfolio weights:
  MSFT      NORD      SBUX
  0.8275 -0.0907  0.2633
```

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Efficient Portfolio Weights



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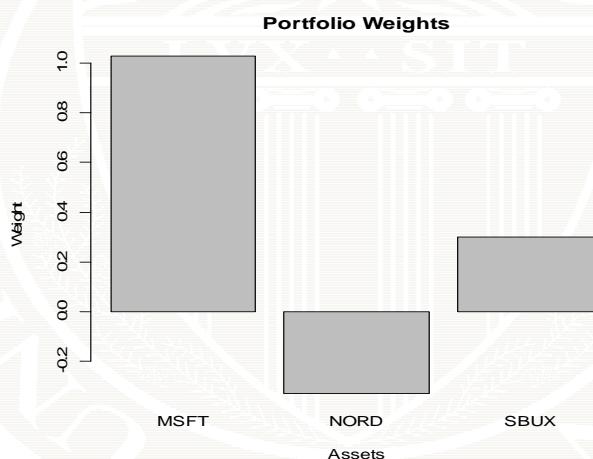
Compute Tangency Portfolio

```
> tan.port <- tangency.portfolio(er, covmat,
+                                     rk.free)
> print(tan.port)
Call:
tangency.portfolio(er = er, cov.mat =
covmat, risk.free = rk.free)

Portfolio expected return: 0.05188967
Portfolio standard deviation: 0.1115816
Portfolio weights:
  MSFT      NORD      SBUX
  1.0268 -0.3263  0.2994
```

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Tangency Portfolio Weights



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Compute Efficient Frontier

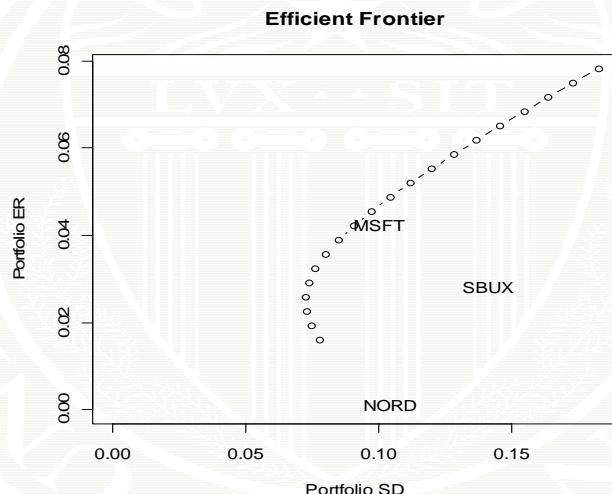
```
> ef <- efficient.frontier(er, covmat, alpha.min=-2,
+                           alpha.max=1.5)
> ef
Call:
efficient.frontier(er = er, cov.mat = covmat, alpha.min = -2,
alpha.max = 1.5)

Frontier portfolios' expected returns and standard deviations
  port 1 port 2 port 3 port 4 port 5 port 6 port 7
ER 0.0783 0.0750 0.0718 0.0685 0.0652 0.0619 0.0586
SD 0.1826 0.1732 0.1640 0.1548 0.1458 0.1370 0.1284
  port 8 port 9 port 10 port 11 port 12 port 13 port 14
ER 0.0554 0.0521 0.0488 0.0455 0.0422 0.039 0.0357
SD 0.1200 0.1120 0.1044 0.0973 0.0908 0.085 0.0802
  port 15 port 16 port 17 port 18 port 19 port 20
ER 0.0324 0.0291 0.0258 0.0225 0.0193 0.0160
SD 0.0764 0.0739 0.0727 0.0730 0.0748 0.0779
```

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Plot Efficient Frontier



```
> plot(ef, plot.assets=T)
```

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