Deploying A Custom Crypto Bot

A Knowledge Sharing Conversation



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- www.trality.com
- www.kucoin.com



Get Introduced to Algo Trading Deploy A Trend Following Bot

Not Today

Deep diving into technical analysis

Discussing different strategy types

Deploying a money printer

Agenda

A Simple Trend Following Strategy

Backtesting The Strategy Code

Going Live on Coinbase

Monitoring Your Strategy

Considerations & Caveats

Trend Following

Goals and Tenets

- Target Big outsized moves
- Use simple entries with smart exits
- Cut losses quick and let profits run



Trend follower exits here

Non-Goals

- We aren't seeking quick short-term returns
- Win rate isn't critical because avg loss is small
- Volatility is ok-we're betting on the larger trend

"Take Profit" traders follow different rules

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Trend followers buy here

Trend follower exits here

The Turtle Traders

Dennis & Eckhart made a bet. Anyone can be a successful trend trader, they just need the right rules.

So they put an ad in the paper.

The Turtle rules, <u>very</u> simplified

- Enter a new position on significant highs
- Start with a tight stop until move is confirmed
- Loosen / adjust the stop based on volatility (ATR*)

This happened shortly after the 'Trading Places' movie. More on the turtles <u>here</u>, <u>here</u> and <u>here</u>



Average True Range:

A measure of how much price has moved in a given period.

The Strategy

1. Go long when we reach a new N-day high

2. Set an initial <u>tight</u> stop loss (1 x Five hour ATR)

3. If the price climbs significantly (5 × ATR)...

4. Then set a wider, trailing stop loss of (25 x ATR)

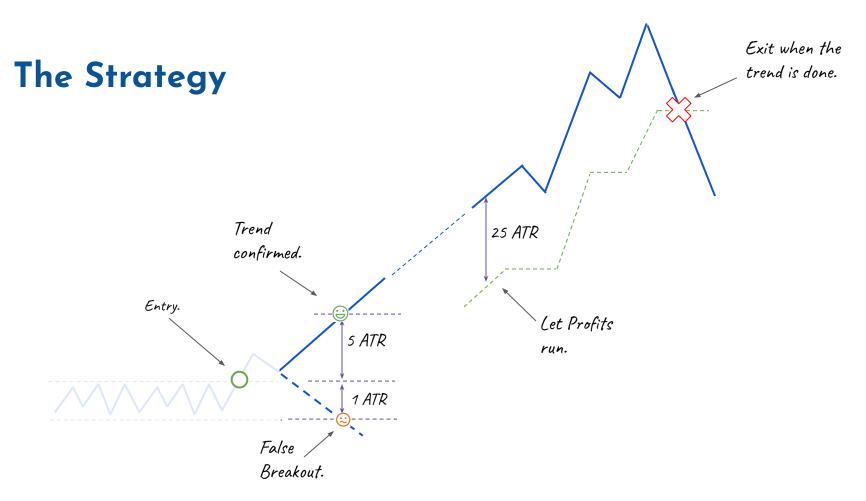
Let profits run

Trend Confirmation

Possible Breakout

> Protection against false breakouts





Backtesting the Code

The Code

Test on Quantconnect

A platform for everyday retail traders that want to research, test, and deploy automated trading strategies. Also used by some small to medium sized hedge funds.

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What are the best parameters? Is a 30 day look back period the best? What if we try 5? 10? 50?

Run parameter optimization to determine what works for the current market climate.

Monitoring Your Bot

Emails

Live Dashboard

Considerations & Caveats

Manage your risk

Start small

Trust your system!

Markets change, so optimize periodically (eg 6 months)

Where to from here?

- Trading a basket of coins
- Short term Crypto strategies
- Catching 'First Listing' pumps
- **Options Strategies**

Appendix

Crypto Trend Following Strategy Discussed Today (<u>link</u>)

Article on catching 'First Listing' pumps (<u>link</u>)

Options Algos

- Simple Covid \$ZM call strategy (<u>link</u>)
- SPY Put Hedge Strategy (<u>link</u>)

Stock / ETF Algos (these all beat SPY buy + hold)

- Google Search Volume Strategy (<u>link</u>, research paper)
- ETF 'Monthly Top-Movers' Portfolio Rebalancing Strategy (<u>link</u>)
- SPY Moving Average Support/Resistance Strategy (<u>link</u>)

Thanks.

