Mean Reversion

based on Keltner Channels



Keltner Channel

- use the Average True Range (ATR) to set channel distance above and below exponential moving average.

Bollinger Bands

- use the standard deviation to set the bands

Objectives

System Design



Mean Reversion - Keltner Channel

| Objective | Why | Target |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| High Win rate | Easy to trade | > 70% |
| Low Draw Down | Easy to keep trading | < 20% |
| Adequate Return to draw down ratio | Compensated well for risk | > 1.0 |
| Short holding period | Reduced market risk | < 5 Trading day |
| Trades frequently | Increased Compounding potential | > 15 Trades (m) |
| Adequate expectancy | Allow for friction costs | > 1% P&L per Trade |

Baseline Setup

- In a Uptrend: Price above 230 day MA
- Liquidity: Stock Turnover > \$300k per day & price > \$0.50
- Volatile: ATR > 1.5%
- Short Term Volatility > Long Term Volatility
- Universe: ASX500
- Max Open Positions: 10
- Position Size: 10% per position
- Test Period: IS 2005-2012 / OOS 2013 present

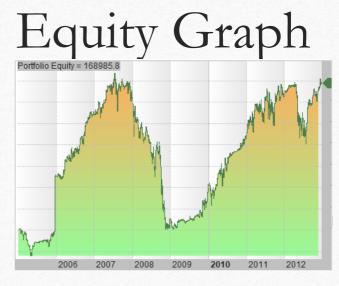
Entry / Exit Rules

- Keltner Channel (20, 1.5) test and optimise
- Enter Long at Close of 3rd below band
 - or with % range of band
 - or oversold STO
- Exit at Close of top band
 - or with % range of top
 - or above centre line
 - or first close above 5day SMA



| | Test 1 | |
|---------|------------------|--------------|
| Rules | Parameters 1 | Parameters 2 |
| MA | 230 | |
| Kelt-Ch | 20, 2.25 | |
| Enter | Close below band | |
| Exit | Close > top Band | |

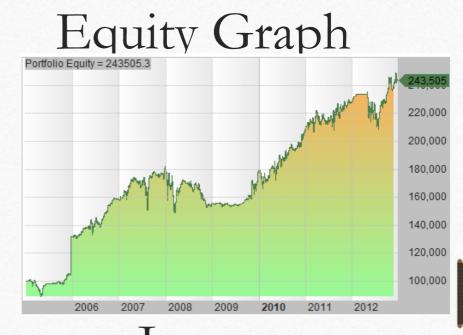
| Metric | Test 1 | Test 2 | Test 3 | Test 4 |
|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| CAR | 6.78% | | | |
| Trades pa | 26 | | | |
| Avg Hold | 57 | | | |
| Win Rate | 71% | | | |
| MDD | 42% | | | |
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- Low Annual Return (6.%)
- Lack of trade opportunities (26)
- Avg hold time (57d)
- Excessive drawdown (42%)

| | Test 2 | |
|---------|------------------|--------------|
| Rules | Parameters 1 | Parameters 2 |
| MA | 150 | |
| Kelt-Ch | 15 , 2.25 | |
| Enter | Close below band | |
| Exit | Close > top Band | |

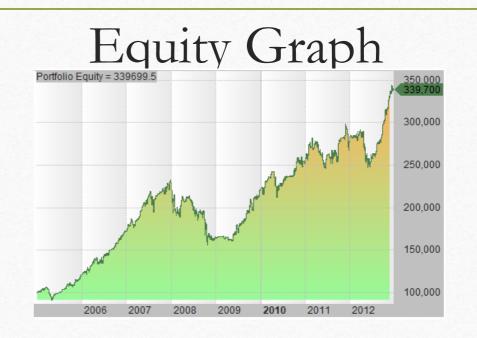
| Metric | Test 1 | Test 2 | Test 3 | Test 4 |
|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| CAR | 6.78% | 11.78% | | |
| Trades pa | 26 | 21 | | |
| Avg Hold | 57 | 59 | | |
| Win Rate | 71% | 74% | | |
| MDD | 42% | 18% | | |
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- Low Annual Return (11%)
- Lack of trade opportunities (21)
- Avg hold time (59d)

| Test 3 | | | | | |
|---------|------------------|--------------|--|--|--|
| Rules | Parameters 1 | Parameters 2 | | | |
| MA | 150 | | | | |
| Kelt-Ch | 15, 1.25 | | | | |
| Enter | Close below band | | | | |
| Exit | Close > top Band | | | | |

| Metric | Test 1 | Test 2 | Test 3 | Test 4 |
|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| CAR | 6.78% | 11.78% | 16.5% | |
| Trades pa | 26 | 21 | 67 | |
| Avg Hold | 57 | 59 | 24 | |
| Win Rate | 71% | 74% | 72.25% | |
| MDD | 42% | 18% | 33% | |
| | | | | |



- Low Annual Return (16%)
- Improved trade opportunities (67)
- Reduced Avg hold time (24d)

Test 4

| Rules | Parameters 1 | Parameters 2 |
|---------|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| MA | 150 | |
| Kelt-Ch | 15, 1.25 | |
| Enter | Close 3 rd below band | 15% of lower band |
| Exit | Close $> 65\%$ of Top | |

| Metric | Test 1 | Test 2 | Test 3 | Test 4 |
|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| CAR | 6.78% | 11.78% | 16.5% | 18.5% |
| Trades pa | 26 | 21 | 67 | 118 |
| Avg Hold | 57 | 59 | 24 | 13.5 |
| Win Rate | 71% | 74% | 72.25% | 73% |
| MDD | 42% | 18% | 33% | 21% |
| | | | | |

Objectives

| Objective | Target |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| High Win rate | > 70% |
| Low Draw Down | < 20% |
| Adequate Return to draw down ratio | > 1.0 |
| Short holding period | < 5 Trading day |
| Trades frequently | > 15 Trades (m) |

- Annual Return only 18%
- Trade opportunities
- Win Rate 73%
- Hold Time 13 days
- Draw Down (21%)

Results

Bollinger Bands

| Metric | Test 1 | Test 2 | Test 3 | Test 4 |
|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| CAR | 4.1% | 9.2% | 21% | 24.5% |
| Trades pa | 29 | 51 | 142 | 168 |
| Avg Hold | 73 | 13 | 12 | 6.7 |
| Win Rate | 69% | 71% | 70% | 72% |
| MDD | 40% | 17% | 26% | 16.64% |
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Keltner Channel

| Metric | Test 1 | Test 2 | Test 3 | Test 4 |
|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| CAR | 6.78% | 11.78% | 16.5% | 18.5% |
| Trades pa | 26 | 21 | 67 | 118 |
| Avg Hold | 57 | 59 | 24 | 13.5 |
| Win Rate | 71% | 74% | 72.25% | 73% |
| MDD | 42% | 18% | 33% | 21% |
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Summary

Issues

- Keltner Channel may not be the best indicator for mean reversion
- They may be better for identifying pullbacks in trending stock
- Bollinger Bands may be better for mean reversion which volatility
- Back testing results speeak for themselves
 - Keltner Channel (18.5%)
 - Bollinger Band (24.5%)

Opportunities

- Trade Management
 - Need to be focussed and disciplined
- Entry
 - Try adding a oversold RSI/STO
 - Slim opportunities in last few months
- Exit
 - Try DJB Happy Face ?
- In the mean time
 - I am going to trade Bollinger Bands

