



GSPHERE PRODUCT TOUR

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VIEW PAGE

Welcome to the Gsphere Product Tour

Gsphere is a Portfolio Re-Optimization system featuring visualizations and patented diversification measurements

In this guide we will show many of the system features. Note that not all user types have access to all the features described in this guide

The screenshot displays the Gravity Investments Gsphere interface. At the top left is the logo for Gravity Investments, Portfolio Re-Optimization. The top right shows the user is logged in as James Damschroder with a Logout button. A navigation bar contains icons for Investor, Portfolios, Modeling, Research, Compare, Settings, and Help. The main content area is divided into three sections:

- Portfolio Visualization:** A 3D globe with a wireframe grid. A semi-transparent, multi-colored polyhedron is overlaid on the globe, with vertices labeled with stock tickers: AMZN, NFLX, GOOGL, AAPL, FB, EDV, MBS, XLE, AMLP, RALS, and BKLN. The text "Portfolio Visualization" and "Options >" are at the top left, and "Vector Length >" is at the top right.
- Portfolio Info:** A box containing "Name: FAANG", "Created On: 07/28/2018 00:59:27", "Edit this portfolio", and a "Report" button.
- Your Diversification Dashboard:** Two gauges. The top gauge is labeled "Internal (70.76 (Excellent))" and shows a needle pointing to approximately 71 on a scale from 0 to 85. The bottom gauge is labeled "Fiduciary Diversification (5.66 (Caution))" and shows a needle pointing to approximately 6 on the same scale.

DIVERSIFICATION DASHBOARD

Internal Diversification (59.65 (Good))

The Internal Diversification is the Gini Co-Efficient of the KL expansion (AKA energy spectrum or Eigenvalues) of a weighted correlation matrix



It gives a percentage values from 0 to 100 which may be interpreted such as: this 8-asset portfolio is 70% diversified. A score of 100% means that there is no observable systemic commonalities inside the portfolio.

Fiduciary Diversification (7.75 (Caution))

Fiduciary Diversification is measured by the portfolios intrinsic dimension multiplied by the Gini-Co-efficient



Because the Fiduciary diversification fully accounts for both the quantity and commonality of investments it is the best singular measure for diversification and thus the best evaluator for the fiduciary obligations to diversify for U.S investors.

Systemic Diversification is measured as the Intra Portfolio Correlation or IPC. This is a weighted average intra portfolio correlation which then scales the range of the correlation spectrum to a percentage scale. Note that good values start around 40%. Seldom do any portfolio achieve a value greater than 70% since all values greater than 50% provide that the average correlation is negative.

Systemic Diversification (49.02 (Good))



Idiosyncratic Diversification (11.94 (Adequate))



The Idiosyncratic diversification is the portfolio's intrinsic dimensionality. This value is like the portfolios Concentration Co-efficient (CC), but further subtracts any perfect redundancy. More Simply it is the number of asset in the portfolio adapted for the weighting scheme. This value is generally equivalent to the holding quantity for equally weighted portfolios.

DETAILED P&L

P&L history chart is created anytime a strategy includes multiperiod Re-Optimizations in the backtest.

Can display when rebalancing actions and stop loss protection

Export the P&L chart data to Excel for other projects



Always based on a \$1000 invested, dividends are reinvested

Portfolio metrics for your designated period appear here in the three tabs

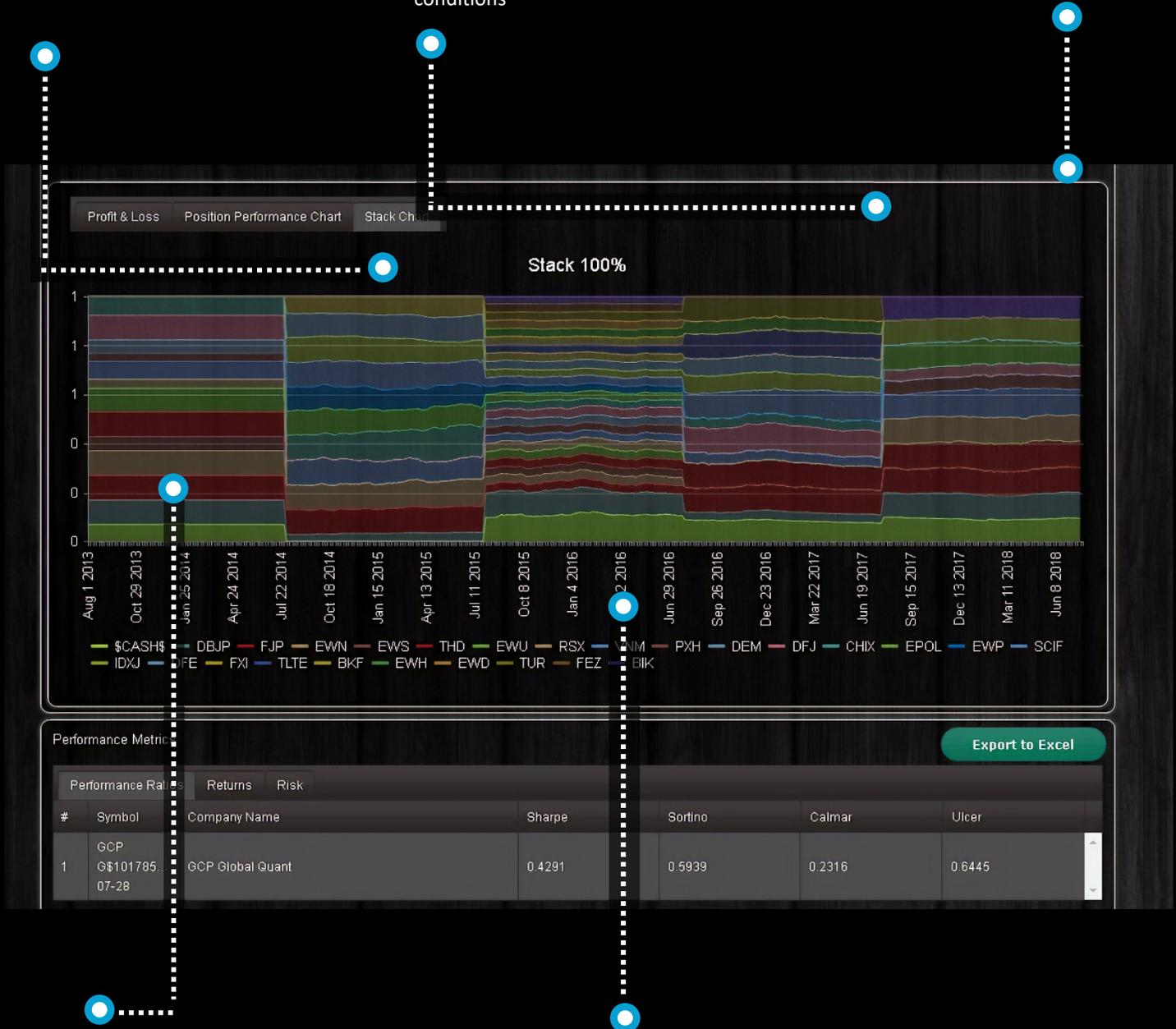
Profit and Loss details shows historical events, each color segment is a different Re-Optimization segment

ROLLING ALLOCATION CHART

The Rolling allocation chart (stack chart) shows how allocations vary over time

This is especially interesting to see how the optimization and rules engine combine to produce different portfolio allocations across market conditions

This chart is produced automatically for optimized backtests



A nice way to illustrate added value to investors

Often you can see how in Diversification Optimization disfavored investments grow in allocation

HISTORICAL ALLOCATIONS

Control to activate display options for portfolio history when available

Navigate the date tabs to see the corresponding allocation and risk return chart



Light, interactive HTML5 charts
render great on any screen or device

PORTFOLIO MONITOR

This page lives here on the portfolio page

Measures for Return, Diversification, Income, Risk, Capital, Preservation and Consistency

Color coded for issue spotting

The screenshot shows the Gravity Investments Portfolio Monitor interface. At the top left is the Gravity Investments logo and 'PORTFOLIO RE-OPTIMIZATION'. The top right shows the user is logged in as James Damschroder. A navigation bar includes Investor, Portfolios, Modeling, Research, Compare, Settings, and Help. The main content area is titled 'Folders' and shows a list of portfolios grouped into folders: Test Portfolios, Demo Portfolios, Client Portfolios, and Geneos Wealth. A table displays portfolio performance data for the period 01/01/2018 - 07/28/2018. The table has columns for Name, Return, Diversification, and a multi-period performance summary. A dropdown menu is open over the table, showing options to update the view to 'This year', 'This week', 'Last week', 'This month', 'Last month', 'This quarter', 'Last quarter', 'Last year', 'Last 3 years', 'Last 5 years', and 'Since Inception'. Callout lines connect text descriptions to specific UI elements: the top left to the main page, the top center to the performance metrics, the top right to the dropdown menu, the bottom left to the folder list, the bottom center to the performance table, and the bottom right to the dropdown menu.

Name	Return	Diversification	Performance Summary			
GCP Fundaquant	5.36%	54.6				
GCP Flex Income	-0.00%	14.9				
GCP Hard Assets	2.39%	12.1				
GCP FundaQuant	-3.67%	32.7	2.60%	12.88%	10.33%	15.2
GCP Global Quant	-3.57%	7.9	2.46%	16.69%	10.37%	300.5

Organize portfolios into folder

See portfolio performance

Update to any desired period

BENCHMARKS

Add any benchmarks you would like to see with the portfolio

Set as many as would like

Benchmark

Select Benchmarks to apply to the Portfolio: Dow Jones 5000 Total Market Add Benchmark Applied Benchmarks: Delete Benchmark

#	Benchmark Name	Up Capture	Down Cap...	Alpha	Beta	R2			
1	NASDAQ 100 for FAANG	119.65%	100.67%	11.16%	1.06	0.64	33.42 %	19.96 %	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2	S&P 500 for FAANG	134.15%	99.79%	19.63%	1.08	0.43	33.42 %	12.69 %	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	Dow Jones 5000 Total Market for FAANG	126.13%	92.50%	22.11%	1.06	0.43	33.42 %	10.57 %	<input type="checkbox"/>

Profit and Loss

Profit & Loss | Position Performance Chart | Stack Chart | [Export to Excel](#)

4,450
3,950
3,000
2,950
2,400
1,900
1,400
900

Jul 28 2013 Oct 24 2013 Jan 27 2014 Apr 28 2014 Jul 28 2014 Oct 24 2014 Jan 27 2015 Apr 28 2015 Jul 28 2015 Oct 26 2015 Jan 27 2016 Apr 27 2016 Jul 27 2016 Oct 25 2016 Jan 26 2017 Apr 27 2017 Jul 28 2017 Oct 26 2017 Jan 29 2018 Apr 30 2018

— FAANG — NASDAQ 100 — S&P 500 — Dow Jones Industrials — Dow Jones 5000 Total Market

Graph the portfolio vs benchmark

Mark a benchmark as default for it to always show with the portfolio

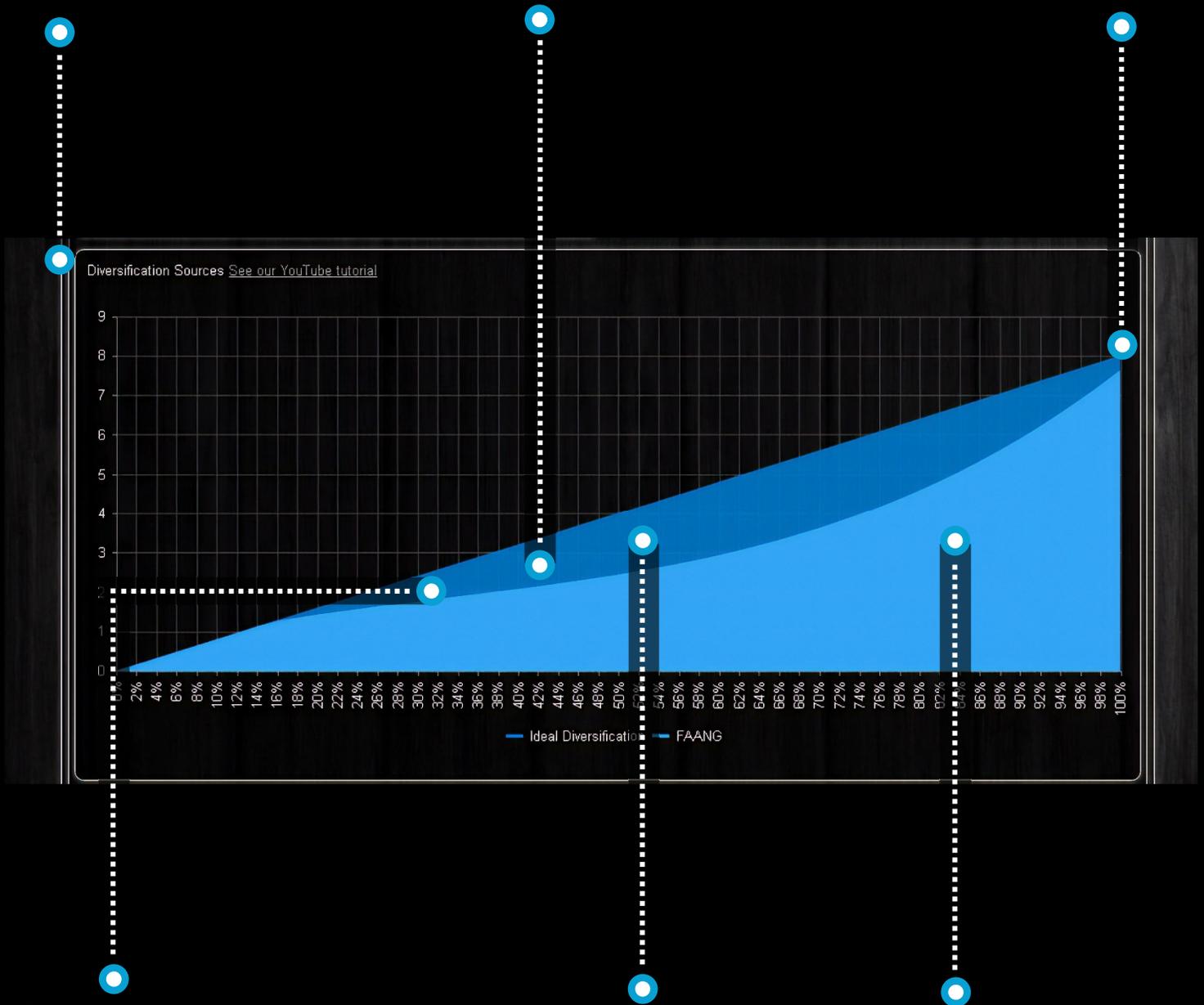
Analyze MPT and relative performance stats

DIVERSIFICATION SOURCE CHART

This chart shows how much diversification may be in any portfolio.

The extent to which the portfolio fills the space under the diagonal line provides for how much diversification the portfolio has for a given number of investments.

The peak value shows how many dimensions it takes to span the portfolio with 100% of the information included. More dimension = more diversification. If the top value is less than the diagonal, then there is some amount of complete redundancy in the portfolio. This is often greater in larger portfolio especially index strategies



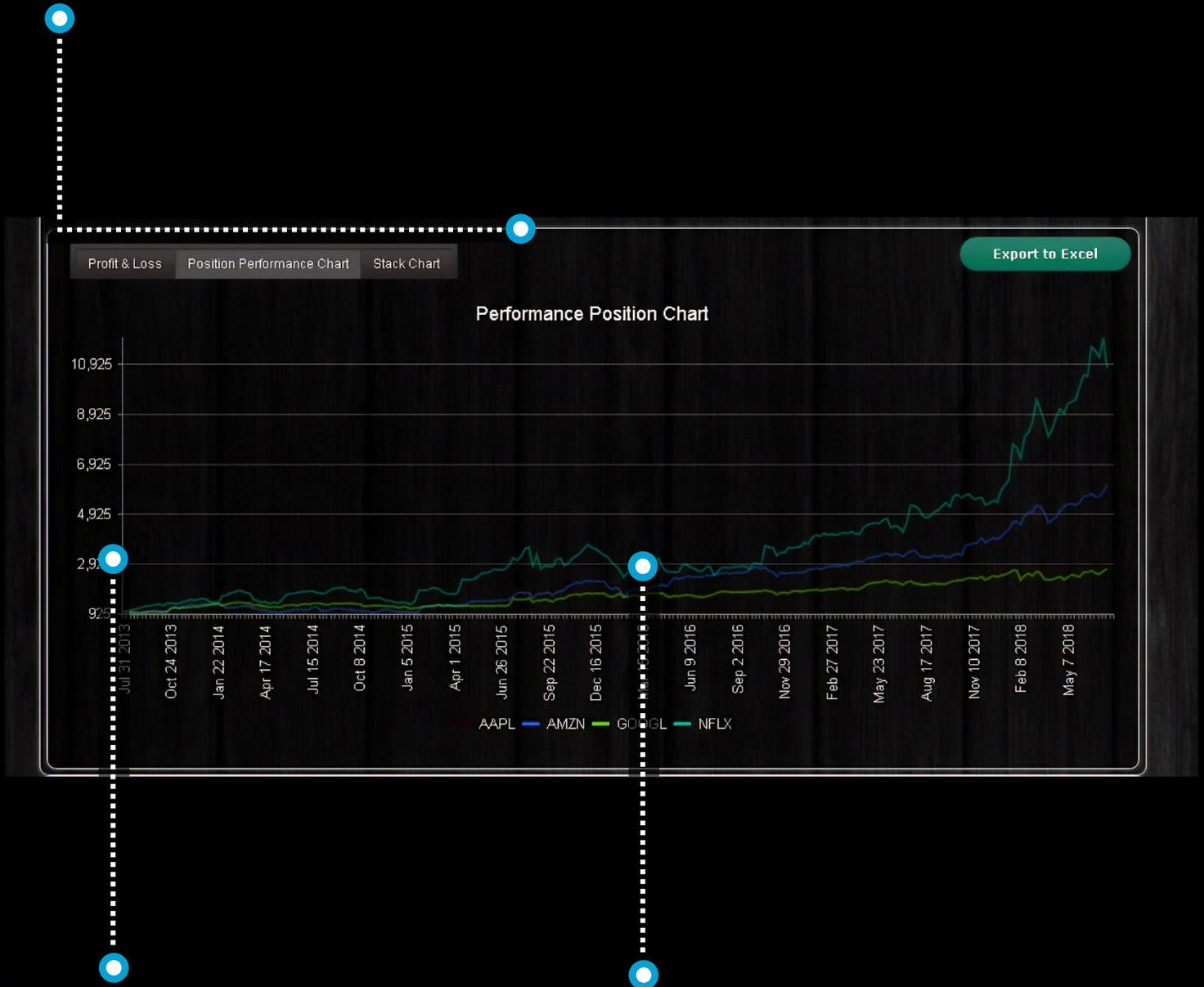
The graph would fill the diagonal exactly if all of the assets were uncorrelated and equally weighted. As systemic and weighting concentrations pervade the strategy the graph will dip

The extent which the graphs fills the diagonal is called the Gini Co-efficient. This is the % used in the internal diversification gauge.

The chart integrates idiosyncratic (asset specific) diversification (AKA holding quantity) with the systemic commonality of the positions (the Gini Co-efficient)

POSITION PERFORMANCE

See the individual performance of each asset



All assets are normalized for an initial 1000\$ invested

Mouseover the graph to see dates and prices

RETURNS AND CMATRIX

The return report gives portfolio and position returns including in cell charts

Calendar returns available here on this tab

Trailing returns available here on this tab

The screenshot displays two main sections: 'Return Report' and 'Correlation Matrix Report'.

Return Report: This section includes a 'Portfolio Observation Period' dropdown with 'Calendar' and 'Trailing' options. It features a table with columns for '#', 'Symbol', 'Company Name', and years 2018, 2017, and 2016. A right-hand menu allows filtering by 'Year', 'Quarter', 'Month', or 'Week'. An 'Export to Excel' button is located at the top right. A note at the bottom states: "All returns are reported as annualized unless indicated otherwise."

#	Symbol	Company Name	2018	2017	2016
1	FAANG\$10... 07-28	FAANG	37.22 %	36.97 %	10.08 %
2	AAPL	Apple Inc.	11.74 %	48.04 %	12.36 %
3	AMZN	Amazon.com Inc.	52.84 %	55.17 %	17.72 %
4	FB	Facebook Inc.	-3.60 %	51.00 %	12.55 %
5	GOOGL	Alphabet Inc.	16.74 %	30.37 %	4.35 %
6	NFLX	Netflix Inc.	76.66 %	50.57 %	12.59 %

Correlation Matrix Report: This section includes a 'Show whole matrix' button and a table with columns for 'Name', 'AAPL', 'AMZN', 'FB', 'GOOGL', and 'NFLX'. The matrix cells are color-coded: red for high positive correlation, green for moderate positive correlation, and blue for low or negative correlation.

Name	AAPL	AMZN	FB	GOOGL	NFLX
AAPL	1.0000	0.3352	0.3537	0.2914	0.2646
AMZN	0.3352	1.0000	0.4931	0.4347	0.3814
FB	0.3537	0.4931	1.0000	0.4438	0.3586
GOOGL	0.2914	0.4347	0.4438	1.0000	0.2996
NFLX	0.2646	0.3814	0.3586	0.2996	1.0000

See the correlation matrix color coded to spot opportunities and risks

Sort any of the rows to spot issues

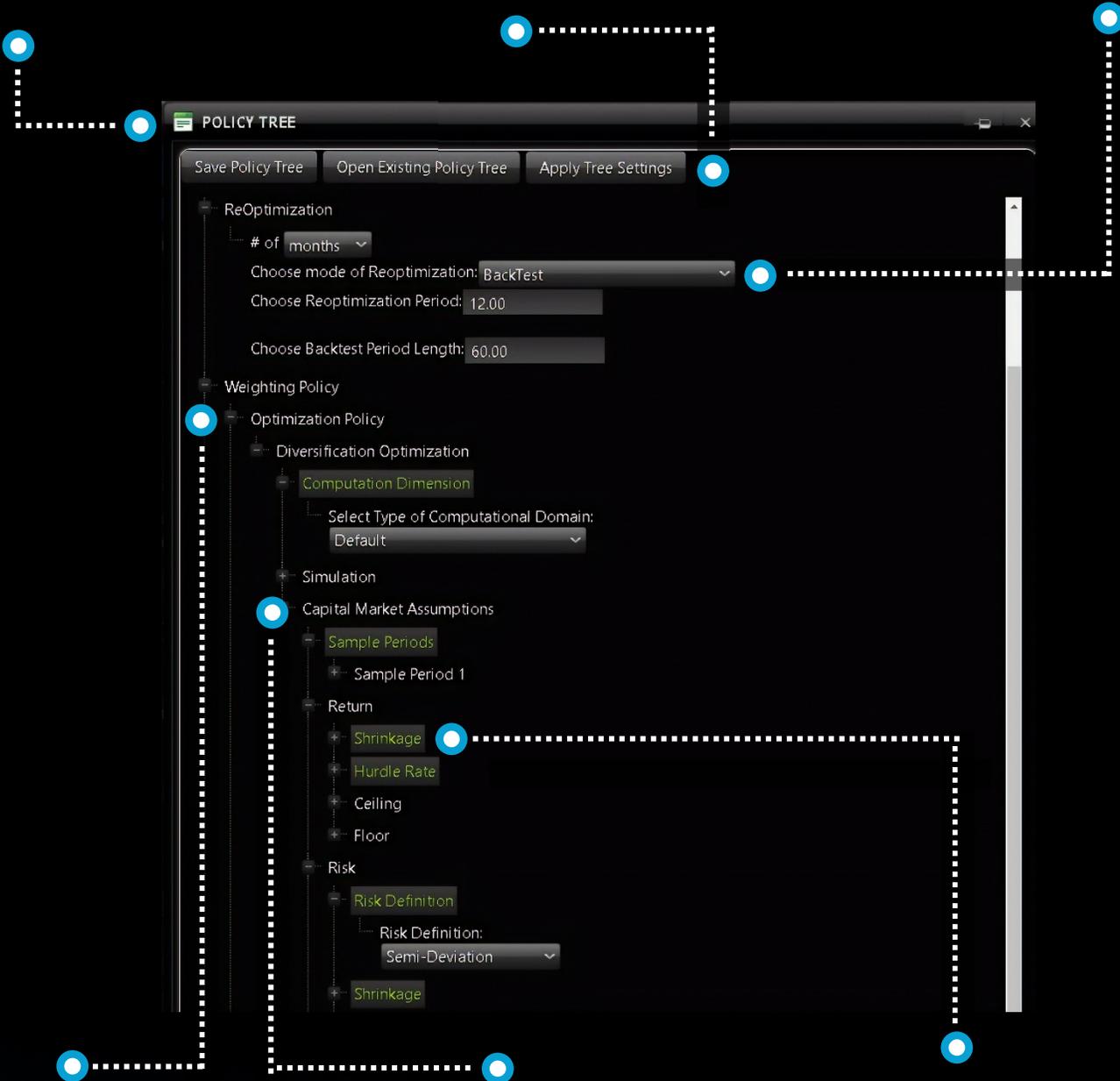
Set your own timescale

POLICY TREE

The policy tree is the rule set that govern how any strategy is optimized, backtested and automated

Policies can be saved and shared

Govern not just the rebalancings, but the Re-Optimization so that the portfolio adapts with the market.



Set the method for how to optimize the portfolio

Set the rules to govern how to set the capital market assumptions and sample data. Add and weight multiples samples following our best practice guidelines for best performance

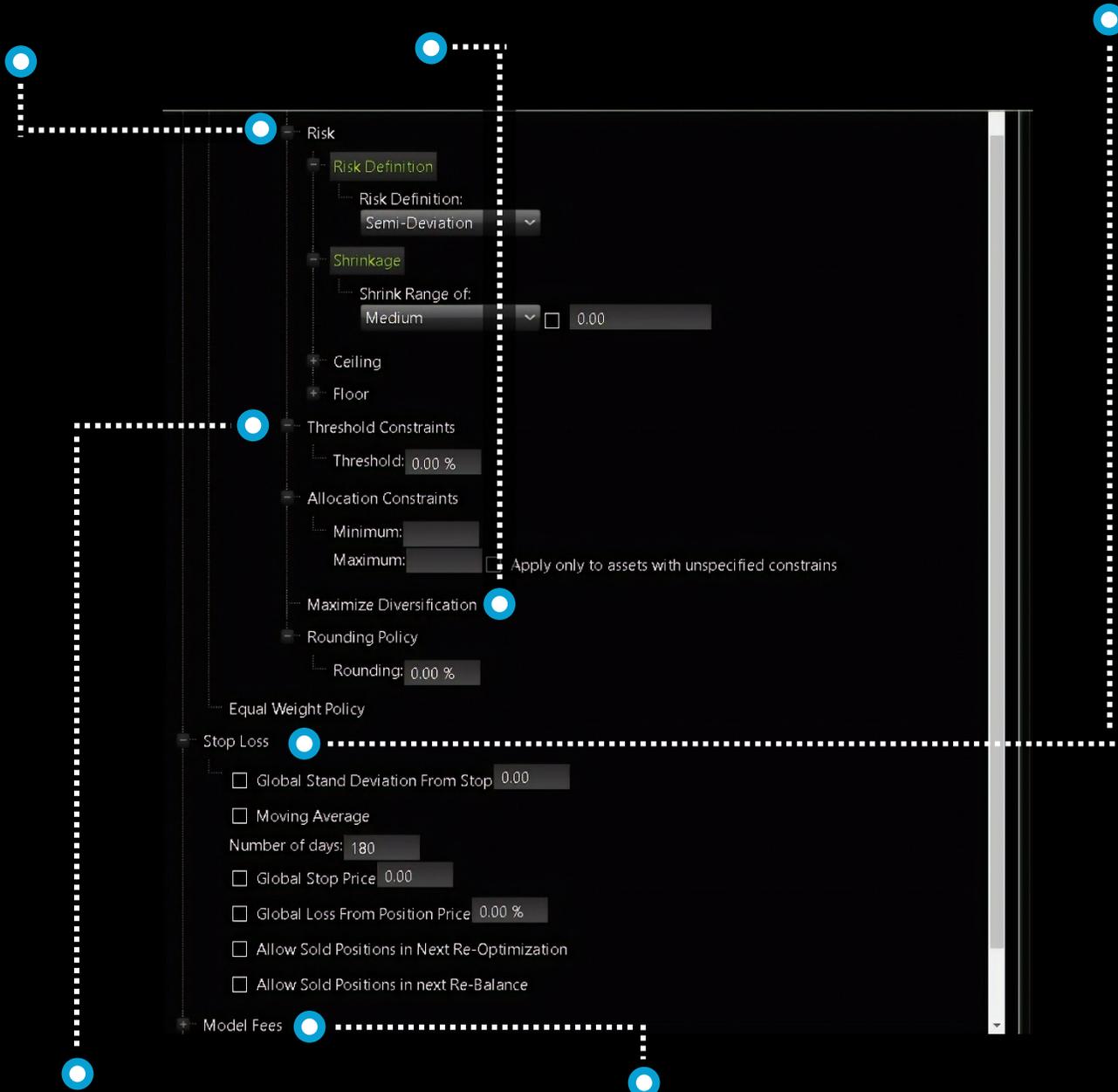
Control the risk, return and diversification. Throttle up or back the importance of each variable to the strategy.

POLICY TREE 2

Policies to define and control risk estimation

Maximum diversification policy not only works well, but ensures investor or advisor stays on the tracks

Stop Loss polices to govern in position risk management. Never let a loss become a bad story



Constraint policies applied to entire portfolio

Add any fee to display performance net fees

POLICY GUIDELINES

DIVERSIFICATION MANAGEMENT

Threshold Constraint

The Threshold Policy is applied to both a portfolio and any recommendation report built including that portfolio. The purpose of the threshold is to remove very small allocation weights that are so small as to be a nuisance due to the transaction costs outweighing the portfolio benefit given the value of a portfolio. The value is expressed as a percentage and any allocation given to any assets less than the designated percentage will be reset to zero and the capital reallocated to the remaining assets.

Constraint Policy

This policy when activated incorporates the global minimum and maximum constraints as part of the policy tree

Rounding Policy

rounds any optimized positions to desired integer or decimal

Computation Dimension

The computational Dimension relates to the number of assets being optimized. Generally the more assets being optimized the higher the computation dimension. A rule of thumb is the square root of the number of assets. Three is the minimum value, while there is no formal maximum, the computational demands grow exponentially with every added dimension, so we generally cap the values at 10. The computational dimension is also used as a concentration control function, the smaller the computation dimension the more the optimizer will "cherry pick" a smaller subset of the most efficient and optimal assets.

SIMULATION

Simulation

The Simulation is used to generate a "Superposition" this represents the average allocation produced by each simulated iteration. The simulation works effectively as a blender and generally normalizes the allocations in the direction of equal weight while maintaining the principal tenants of Diversification Optimization. The simulation policy is preferred to using constraints to ensure a pragmatic, diversification portfolio that balances both systematic and non-systematic risks. The simulation is a Monte Carlo method which means simulated values are drawn from a probability distribution. This helps the simulation maintain a realistic posture.

Simulation Count

The greater the simulation count the greater the blending. Values should generally be set in the range 0-100. Simulation counts greater than 100 will have only a marginal effect and will take more time to compute.

Simulation ND

ND simulations combines the monte Carlo simulation method with Gsphere own genetic algorithm. The resulting combination produces the same superposition allocation but one that is a little less randomly fluctuated and more in tune with the optimization inputs. It is the preferred simulation option.

Allow Existing Assets to Vary

An existing position refers to an allocation, share of value that has been defined to the system. This position will not vary in its portfolio weight unless checked

WEIGHTING

Equal Weight

An equal weight policy distributed the portfolio evenly

Equal Vector

An equal vector policy overrides any risk or return assumption because it assumes equal utility among all the assets. The resulting portfolio is a diversification maximizing portfolio. This policy will result in all assets receiving some allocation weight with the possible exception of cash. This is a very simple, yet effective policy, especially for those seeking greater diversification and not having any preferences for one security versus another.

ReOptimization

The Reoptimization unit and interval is set and applies to a backtested portfolio or automated portfolio through the robo advisory service.

Rebalancing

The Rebalancing unit and interval is set and applies to a backtested portfolio or automated portfolio through the robo advisory service.

SAMPLING

Sample Period

Gsphere supports any number of sample periods. The portfolio manager is free to set any sample period(s) of their choice. The decision to

Sample Period is Trailing

IF the sample period is marked as trailing then the sample will roll forward in any future reoptimization, both in a backtest or with automation.

Correlation Type

The correlation type is a property unique to any sample period.

Sample Weight

The weight assigned to any sample puts the risk, return and correlation forecasts produced by that sample in the designated proportion to the values produced by other samples. It is the relative weights that matter, and it is irrelevant if there is only one sample period created. Weights to sample periods should generally be in proportion to the portfolio managers belief in the predictive efficacy of that sample.

OBSERVATION

Observation Period	The observation period is the period that the results of the optimization will be reviewed. If running a backtest, we strongly recommend that the observation period be fully distinct from the sample period as not to introduce any biases. For portfolios built to be put traded on now the observation period shows how that strategy would have done in the past.
Walk Forward	By selecting the walk forward option the portfolio manager is build a backtest. The observation period will walk forward from the latest data in any of the sample periods and follow the rules set by the reoptimization and rebalancing policies.
Auto-Update	When active this policy gives that the portfolio will always open with latest performance data
Observation Period is Relative	If the observation period is relative, then as time passes the observed period will advance with time.

CAPTIAL MARKET ASSUMPTIONS

Return Shrinkage	Return shrinkage is a normalization technique that helps to clean up outliers in the data. Shrinkage preserves the rank of the data (so that your lowest return position will remain you lowest return position etc.) but it decreased the dispersion of return values among your portfolio positions. In the end, we want to produce estimated return values that are a fair yardstick of how much we value that assets, typically the actual range of financial data is much greater than the range of preference that investors would ascribe. Shrinkage is based on an algorithm called James Stein Estimation. It is demonstrated that using any level of shrinkage will produce more accurate estimates. the relative Shrinkage used between the risk and return variables is also used to make the portfolio more aggressive or conservative. For example, shrinking risk values to the average would effectively eliminate the risk statistic from impacting the asset allocation, accordingly the portfolio tips in the direction of returns and favors greater returning assets without regard to the risk involved, becoming more aggressive. Generally, some minimum level of shrinkage is recommended as more shrinkage allows diversification to take a more prominent role in portfolio construction.
Return Floor	The return floor will elevate any return value to the set floor. The floor is applied before shrinkage. It is used to correct historical anomalies.
Return Ceiling	The return ceiling will lower any return value to the set ceiling. The ceiling is applied before shrinkage. It is used to correct historical anomalies. Generally we apply return ceilings in the range of 20-35 %

Return Shrinkage

Rather than shrinking the dispersion of positions returns estimations to the population mean you can override that value. Generally, a return shrinkage target would be set to a long-term portfolio level return and the use of the target is more appropriate if the sample period provides useful return rank data but may be of an inappropriate magnitude.

Hurdle Rate

The hurdle rate is the minimum rate at which any risky investment must be expected to make. Hurdle rates can be higher in more aggressive portfolios and lower in conservative portfolios. Gsphere will exclude from the optimization any asset failing to outperform the hurdle rate. Hurdle rates can also be negative which is often used to enable assets with negative historical performance to be included to the optimization. The hurdle rate can be a return on a money market fund, or treasury bill or it can be the margin rate for a leveraged portfolio or it can be the rate of expected inflation.

Risk Definition

Changes to the risk definition change the risk metric that is associated to each asset. Gravity has developed significant best practices with the risk definition. Recall that any risk metric is a surrogate for the probability and magnitude of futures losses. The standard deviation from "modern Portfolio theory" is easily improved on with metrics that better correspond to what risk actually is and that have a more predictive quality.

Risk Shrinkage

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The risk ceiling will lower any risk value to the set ceiling. The ceiling is applied before shrinkage. It is used to correct historical anomalies.

Risk Shrinkage Target

Rather than shrinking the dispersion of positions risk estimations to the population mean you can override that value. Generally, a risk shrinkage target would be set to a long-term portfolio level risk metric and the use of the target is more appropriate if the sample period provides useful return rank data but may be of an inappropriate magnitude.

RISK MANAGEMENT

Global Stop from Positions Price

This stop loss policy sells off any position at an absolute price threshold.

Global Stop %

The Stop loss policy will sell off any position in a given optimization interval that has a daily closing value sufficient to attain a loss in the position greater than the threshold specified. Stop loss policy can be used for tax loss harvesting. Stop loss is a trader's technique in accordance with the philosophy "let your winners run and cut your profits short." Additionally, it can prevent psychologically damaging losses to impact the portfolio manager or investor psyche.

Global Stop # of Standard Deviations

The Stop loss policy will sell off any position in a given optimization interval that has a daily closing value sufficient to attain a loss in the position greater than the threshold specified by calculating the assets standard deviation and entering the desired multiplier of that standard deviation. For example, if a position has an annualized standard deviation of 20% and the portfolio manager enters a value of 1.5 then $1.5 * 20 = 30\%$ and when that position losses 30% a stop loss order is triggered. This applies to backtests and portfolio automation.

Allow Stopped Positions to Reinvest in next Re-Optimization

After a position has been sold because a stop loss sale rule, this contingent policy governs if that position will be allowed in a subsequent reoptimization.

Allow Stopped Positions to Reinvest in Next Rebalance

After a position has been sold because a stop loss sale rule, this contingent policy governs if that position will be allowed in a subsequent rebalancing

UPCOMING POLICIES

Volume Weighting

It is often regarded that price movements associated with greater volume have greater predictive merit. Volume weighting any sample captures this belief.

Profit Taking

rules to govern how positions can lock in gains.

Sample Inversion

Inverting a sample is a technique that a portfolio manager applies when she believes that the sample period offers material negative predictive efficacy.

Stambaugh Extrapolation

Stambaugh Extrapolation uses the relationship information for assets with shorter histories to interpolate a longer history than better enables an apples to apples estimation with other assets

Rip Cord Policy

The Rip Cord Policy when triggers sells the entirety of the portfolio and goes to cash.

FEE POLICY

Fee Policy

Sets a fee that will be subtracted from all illustrated performance metrics and charts

PORTFOLIO EDIT

This page lives here on the modeling link

Use this page to optimize a portfolio with unallocated capital or just calculate an existing portfolio

Tags support portfolio display, sharing, automation and performance options

The screenshot shows the Gravity Investments Portfolio Re-Optimization interface. At the top left is the Gravity Investments logo and the text 'PORTFOLIO RE-OPTIMIZATION'. On the right, it says 'Powered by Gsphere' and 'Logged in as: James Harnschröder' with a 'Logout' button. A navigation bar contains tabs for 'Investor', 'Portfolios', 'Modeling', 'Research', 'Compare', 'Settings', and 'Help'. The 'Modeling' tab is active. Below the navigation bar are three main sections: 'Portfolio Info', 'Policy Tree', and 'Portfolio Tags'. The 'Portfolio Info' section has input fields for 'Portfolio Name' (with 'New Portfolio' entered) and 'Amount to Invest' (with '\$1,000,000' entered), and 'Calculate' and 'Optimize' buttons. The 'Policy Tree' section has a description and an 'Open Policy Tree' button. The 'Portfolio Tags' section has a text input field with the placeholder 'Please enter related tags'. Below these is a 'Positions' section with tabs for 'Positions', 'Risk', 'Return', 'Utility', 'Constraints', and 'Version History'. The 'Positions' tab is active and shows input fields for 'Enter Your Stock or Fund Ticker Symbols' and 'Or Search by Company name', along with an 'Add Symbols' button. Below these is a table with columns: '#', 'Symbol', 'Company Name', 'Price', 'Allocation', 'Shares', 'Value', and 'Short Sell'. The table has one row with the following data: '#', '1', '\$CAPL', 'Cash and Equivalents', '1', '1', '1', '1', '1'. A 'Select' button is located to the right of the table. Blue callout circles and dashed lines connect the text blocks to specific elements in the interface.

This row of tabs supports the methods to enter assets or lists into the system

The model tab allows for already created portfolios to be included to a strategy. This supports a model-of-models approach

Enter tickers, or enters names of companies or funds, or import from outside sources

POSITION GRID

This is the position grid which the user can declare any known or fixed weighting to any position

If the user declares no positions then the optimization runs 'naked', if the grid is filled in, gsphere is just a calculator. But partial optimizations support complex client scenarios, core – satellite strategies and overlays.

Take a short position in any desired asset by checking the box, forecasted inputs will invert

The screenshot shows the 'Positions' section of a software interface. At the top, there are tabs for 'Assets', 'Import Candidate Set', 'Add Model', and 'Import Time Series'. Below these are input fields for 'Enter your Stock or Fund Ticker Symbols', 'Or Search by Company name', and 'Or Upload an Excel file (XLS or XLSX) containing the symbols'. A table below lists various assets with columns for '#', 'Symbol', 'Company Name', 'Price', 'Allocation', 'Shares', 'Value', and 'Short Sell'. The table includes entries for \$CASH\$, AAPL, AMZN, FB, GOOGL, NFLX, BND, ZROZ, and GLD. At the bottom, there are radio buttons for 'Retain', 'Allocations', 'Shares', and 'Values', and buttons for 'Kick Out Zeros' and 'Clear All Weights'. A note at the bottom explains the recalculation logic based on the selected radio button.

#	Symbol	Company Name	Price	Allocation	Shares	Value	Short Sell
1	\$CASH\$	Cash and Equivalents	1				
2	AAPL	Apple Inc.	194.21	10.00 %	2534.98	378980.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	AMZN	Amazon.com Inc.	1808				<input type="checkbox"/>
4	FB	Facebook Inc.	214.67	18.20 %	4000.00	689800.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	GOOGL	Alphabet Inc.	1285.5				<input type="checkbox"/>
6	NFLX	Netflix Inc.	363.09				<input type="checkbox"/>
7	BND	Vanguard Total Bond Market ETF	78.97	2.64 %	1219.51	100000.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
8	ZROZ	PIMCO 25+ Year Zero Coupon U.S. Treasury Index Exchange-Traded Fund	111.7				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
9	GLD	SPDR Gold Trust ETF	115.77				<input type="checkbox"/>
				30.84 %		\$1,168,780	
				of			
				3,789,800.00			

Please Note: When you enter in quantity of Shares or Values, asset Allocations will get recalculated based on Value's Running Total. On the other hand, when you enter in Allocation or change the "Amount to Invest", Allocations will get recalculated based on the "Amount to Invest".

Retaining previously optimized results, then adding additional capital to the model supports a contextual optimization of the investors existing, optimized or held away accounts.

Enter an allocation, share or value and the value entered will persist through optimizations, edits and future events

Removing unallocated positions and clearing all assigned or derived weights support various workflows

CONSTRAINT TAB

Constraints can be set globally from the policy tree or individually in this tab

Create any combination of position and group min and max constraint

You can apply a group schema here to use as a category constraint

The screenshot shows a software interface for setting constraints. At the top, there are tabs for 'Positions', 'Risk', 'Return', 'Utility', 'Constraint', and 'Version History'. Below the tabs is a 'Select Group Constraint Classification Schema' dropdown menu set to 'Industry' with an 'Apply' button. The main area is a table with columns: '#', 'Symbol', 'Company Name', 'Minimum', 'Maximum', and 'Group Name'. The table is organized into groups, each with a 'Group Name' and 'Group Allocation Constraint Min' and 'Max' fields. The groups are: CONSUMER GOODS (containing AAPL), FINANCIAL (containing BND, ZROZ, GLD), N/A (containing \$CASH\$), SERVICES (containing AMZN, NFLX), and TECHNOLOGY (containing FB, GOOGL). Red 'X' marks are present in the 'Group Name' column for several rows. A 'Set Global Maximum Allocation' button is at the bottom right. Callouts (blue circles with dashed lines) point to: 1) the 'Constraint' tab, 2) the 'Minimum' and 'Maximum' input fields for individual assets, 3) the 'Group Name' and 'Group Allocation Constraint Min/Max' fields for a group, and 4) the 'Apply' button.

#	Symbol	Company Name	Minimum	Maximum	Group Name
Group Name: CONSUMER GOODS					
Group Allocation Constraint Min: <input type="text"/> Max: <input type="text"/>					
2	AAPL	Apple Inc.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	CONSUMER GOODS
Group Name: FINANCIAL					
Group Allocation Constraint Min: <input type="text"/> Max: <input type="text"/>					
7	BND	Vanguard Total Bond Market ETF	7.00 %	15.00 %	FINANCIAL
8	ZROZ	PIMCO 25+ Year Zero Coupon U.S. Treasury Index Exchange-Traded Fund	<input type="text"/>	15.00 %	FINANCIAL
9	GLD	SPDR Gold Trust ETF	5.00 %	10.00 %	FINANCIAL
Group Name: N/A					
Group Allocation Constraint Min: <input type="text"/> Max: <input type="text"/>					
1	\$CASH\$	Cash and Equivalents	<input type="text"/>	2.00 %	N/A
Group Name: SERVICES					
Group Allocation Constraint Min: 10.00 % Max: 15.00 %					
3	AMZN	Amazon.com Inc.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	SERVICES
6	NFLX	Netflix Inc.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	SERVICES
Group Name: TECHNOLOGY					
Group Allocation Constraint Min: 10.00 % Max: 35.00 %					
4	FB	Facebook Inc.	<input type="text"/>	20.00 %	TECHNOLOGY
5	GOOGL	Alphabet Inc.	<input type="text"/>	20.00 %	TECHNOLOGY

Set individual asset minimum and maximum constraints

Use the groupings here or click-in to make up your own groups

Set group min and max constraints

RETURN ESTIMATION GRID

Inspect and manage your risk and return estimations

Track the return estimations as they go from historical to projected

Applied returns are what is fed to the optimizer

The screenshot shows a software interface for managing investment positions. At the top, there are tabs for 'Assets', 'Import Candidates', 'Update Set', 'Add Model', and 'Import Time Series'. Below these are input fields for 'Enter Your Stock or Fund Ticker Symbols' and 'Or Search by Company name', along with an 'Add Symbol/s' button. A note indicates to use a comma separator for multiple entries. To the right, there is an option to 'Upload an Excel file (.XLS or .XLSX) containing the symbols' with a 'Select' button. Below the input fields are tabs for 'Positions', 'Risk', 'Return', 'Utility', 'Constraints', and 'Version History'. The main area is a table with columns for '#', 'Symbol', 'Company Name', 'Historical Return', 'Expected Return', 'Applied Return' (with a slider), and 'Forward Return'. The table lists 9 assets, including cash equivalents, tech stocks (AAPL, AMZN, FB, GOOGL, NFLX), and bonds (BND, ZROZ, GLD). Red arrows on the right side of the table indicate manual adjustments to the forward return values.

#	Symbol	Company Name	Historical Return	Expected Return	Applied Return	Forward Return
1	3CASH\$	Cash and Equivalents	0.00 %	0.00 %	0.00 %	0.00 %
2	AAPL	Apple Inc.	29.73 %	28.37 %	17.40%	12.00 %
3	AMZN	Amazon.com Inc.	78.16 %	52.58 %	30.75%	20.00 %
4	FB	Facebook Inc.	1.41 %	14.21 %	14.21 %	14.21 %
5	GOOGL	Alphabet Inc.	30.74 %	28.87 %	26.28%	25.00 %
6	NFLX	Netflix Inc.	93.01 %	60.01 %	33.20%	20.00 %
7	BND	Vanguard Total Bond Market ETF	-1.05 %	14.21 %	9.38%	7.00 %
8	ZROZ	PIMCO 25+ Year Zero Coupon U.S. Treasury Index Exchange-Traded Fund	0.35 %	14.91 %	10.28%	8.00 %
9	GLD	SPDR Gold Trust ETF	-4.03 %	14.21 %	12.06%	11.00 %

The Utility tab gives the final utility function (numerator and denominator)

Blend Gravity's quantitative forecasts with a manual or outside source

Forward returns can be manually entered or imported

ADVISOR PAGE

The portfolio edit page for the advisor user type offers a streamline interface



user's workflow is to enter portfolio into the system to get portfolio analysis and create the basis for a recommendation



The screenshot shows the Gravity Investments Portfolio Re-Optimization Advisor Page. At the top left is the Gravity Investments logo with the tagline 'PORTFOLIO RE-OPTIMIZATION'. To the right is a 'Powered by Gsphere' logo. Below the logos is a navigation bar with icons for Investor, Portfolios, Modeling, Compare, Settings, and Help. The main content area is divided into two sections: 'Portfolio Info' and 'Positions'. The 'Portfolio Info' section has input fields for 'Portfolio Name' (set to 'New Portfolio') and 'Amount to Invest' (set to '\$1,000,000'), with a 'Calculate' button. The 'Positions' section has tabs for 'Assets' and 'Add Model'. It features three input methods: 'Enter Your Stock or Fund Ticker Symbols' with an 'Add Symbols' button, 'Or Search by Company name' with a search box, and 'Or Upload an Excel file (XLS or XLSX) containing the symbols' with a 'Select' button. A note below these inputs says '(Use comma separator to enter many at once)'. Below the inputs is a table with columns: #, Symbol, Company Name, Price, Allocation, Shares, and Value. The table contains one row for '1 \$CASH\$ Cash and Equivalents' with a price of '1'. Below the table, there are input fields for 'Allocation' (set to '0 %') and 'Value' (set to '\$0'), with a note 'of 1,000,000.00'. At the bottom left is the copyright notice: '© 2018 Gravity Investments. All Rights Reserved. Protected by United States Patents 9,156,030 & 7,472,084'. At the bottom center are links for 'Home', 'About Us', and 'Contact Us'. At the bottom right is the Gravity Investments logo.

GUEST EDIT

The guest user edit is designed to be custom branded and embedded, usually as part of a free portfolio analysis

Prompt web visitors with a strong call to action that sends them here

Most investors are less diversified than they think they are so this will expose the investors true diversification and can inspire corrective action

The screenshot shows the Gravity Investments 'Please enter your portfolio' interface. At the top left is the Gravity Investments logo with the text 'PORTFOLIO RE-OPTIMIZATION'. At the top right, it says 'Log in as: Guest www.gravityinvestments.com' and 'Logout'. The main heading is 'Please enter your portfolio'. Below this are three input methods: 'Enter Your Stock or Fund Ticker Symbols:' with an 'Add Symbol/s' button, 'Or Search by Company name:' with a search box, and 'Or Upload an Excel file (XLS or XLSX) containing the symbols:' with a 'Select' button. A note below says '(use comma separator to enter many at once)'. Below the input fields is a table with columns: '#', 'Symbol', 'Company Name', 'Price', 'Allocation', 'Shares', and 'Value'. The first row shows '1', '\$CASH\$', 'Cash and Equivalents', '1', and empty fields for Allocation, Shares, and Value. Below the table are input fields for 'Allocation %', 'of \$1,000,000.00', and 'Value \$0'. At the bottom right is a green button 'Get My Portfolio Analytics'. At the bottom center is a red button 'Get help with my portfolio'. Callout lines connect these elements to descriptive text blocks.

the investor enters their portfolio

the users are taken to the portfolio view page

VIEW CONTROLS

When the portfolio manager is ready to execute and automate the strategy the portfolio is sent to the trading system with our API

The portfolio is tagged with Automated tag which turns on the portfolio monitor, and triggers activated investment policies as they become executable

Updates to the portfolio are pushed to the trading system

The screenshot shows a dark-themed dashboard with three main sections: 'Execute Strategy', 'Portfolio Observation', and 'Benchmark'. Callout lines with blue circular endpoints point to specific UI elements: the 'Execute and Automate Strategy' button, the 'Update Observation Period' button, the 'Backward from today' dropdown, the 'Add Benchmark' button, and the 'Apply Benchmark' button. On the right side, there are two circular gauges. The first gauge is labeled '(41.25 (Good))' and has a needle pointing to approximately 75. The second gauge is labeled '(5.80 (Caution))' and has a needle pointing to approximately 4. Below the gauges, there is a table of benchmarks.

#s	Benchmark Name	Up Capture	Down Cap...	Alpha	Beta	R2	Portfolio R...	Benchmark...	D...
1	NASDAQ 100 for FAANG	63.25%	81.76%	4.15%	0.76	0.34	12.60 %	19.96 %	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

User can select any time period to view the portfolio for, and all charts, graphs and analytics update to the reset period.

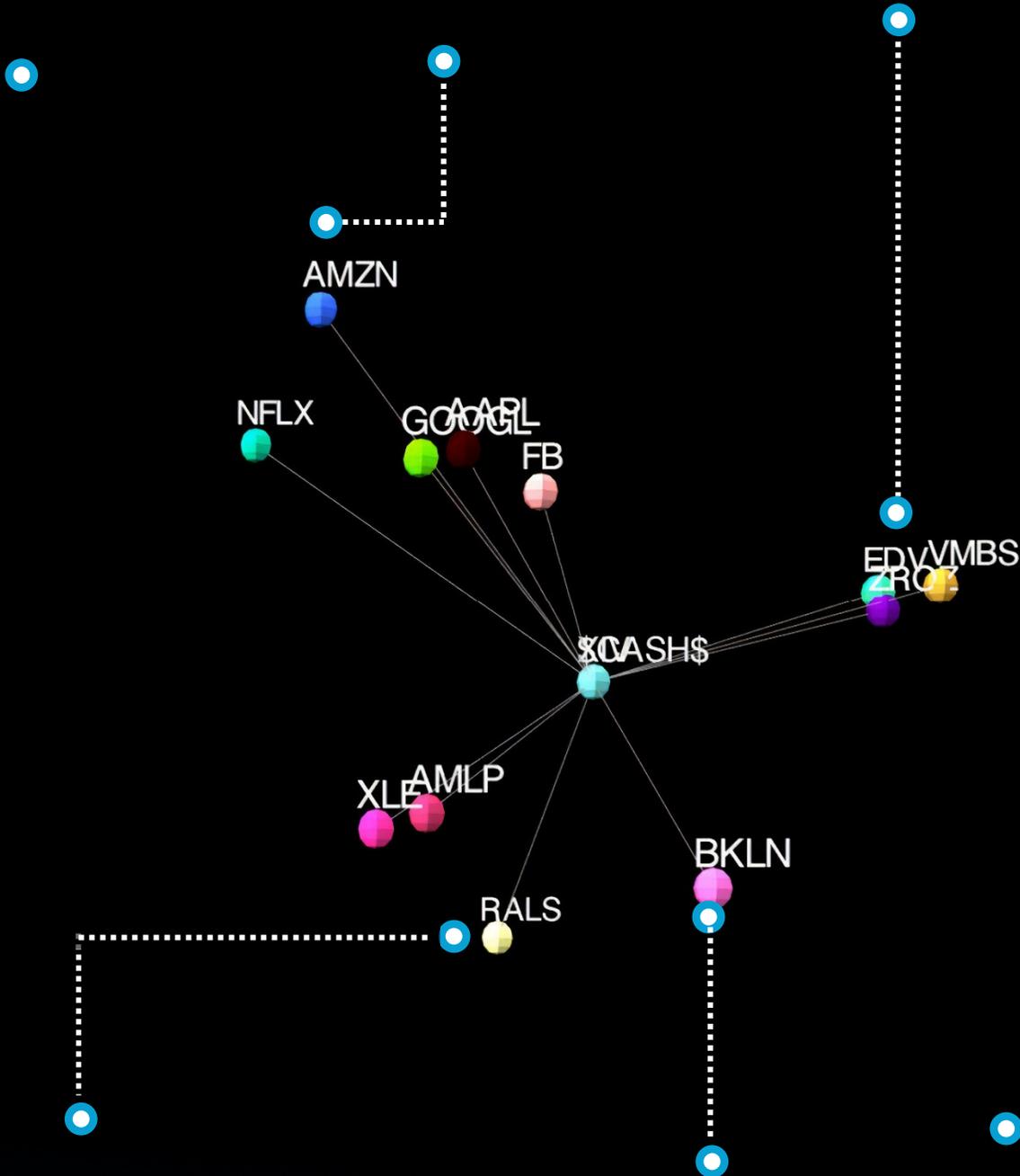
User can set multiple benchmarks for stats and charting

VECTORS

Gsphere maps correlations of assets to angles of separation in the 3D polar chart

Assets with more attractive metrics (greater utility) have longer vectors

Highly correlation assets cluster together



Uncorrelated assets are graphed 90 degrees apart

Opposite correlations are graphed opposite apart one another

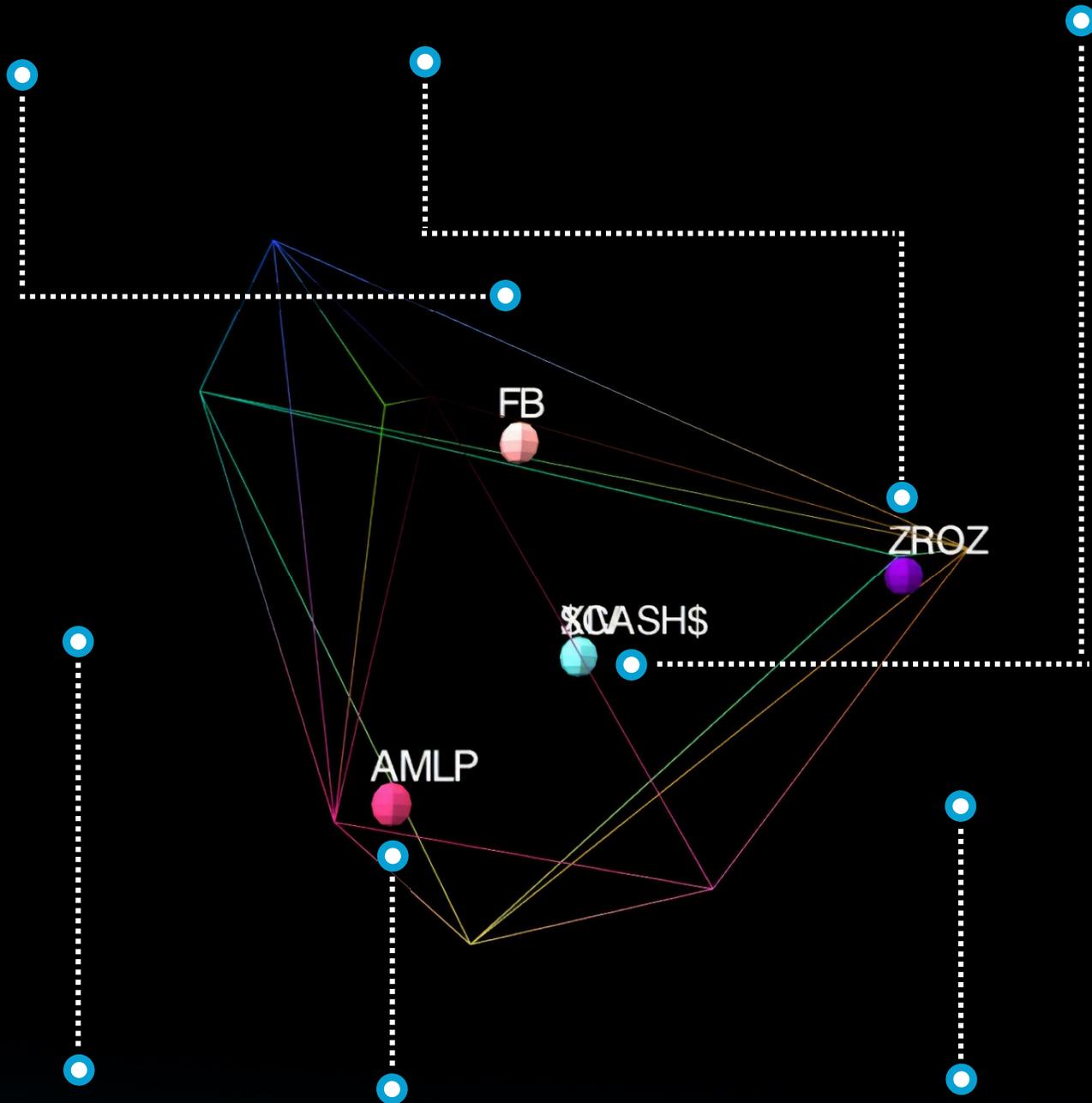
In this way, we translate economic balance to physical balance

FRAME

The frame is the portfolios 3D, holistic efficient frontier

The best investments combine to create the frame

Inefficient assets are trapped inside



Inefficient assets will be outperformed by some combination of other assets for any market direction

We can visualize nearly efficient vs. deeply inefficient assets and be more forgiving for nearly efficient assets with a simulation induced superposition

The frame and graphics are always displayed in 3 dimensions, but the mathematics can be set in higher dimensions. The lower the calculation dimension the more discriminating the algorithm

SPHERE

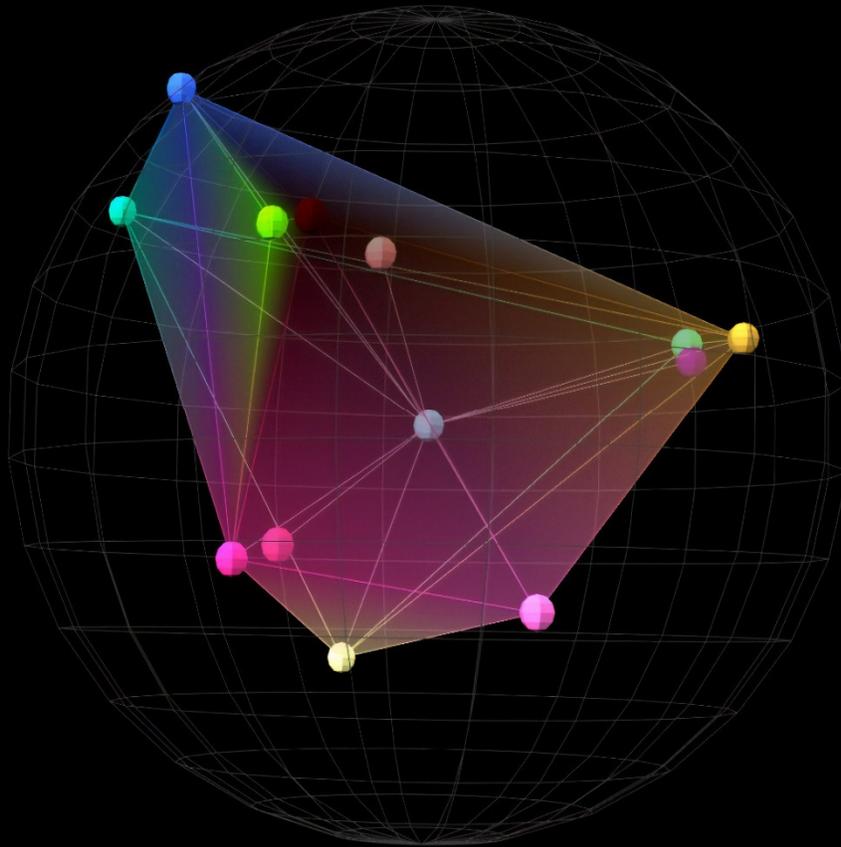
The symmetry of the volume this process induces is the portfolios diversification visualization



this visualization is great to objectively educate clients about diversification



This is the source of many investors "aha moment"



the 3d graphics are interactive: both on the webpage and inside the pdf reports

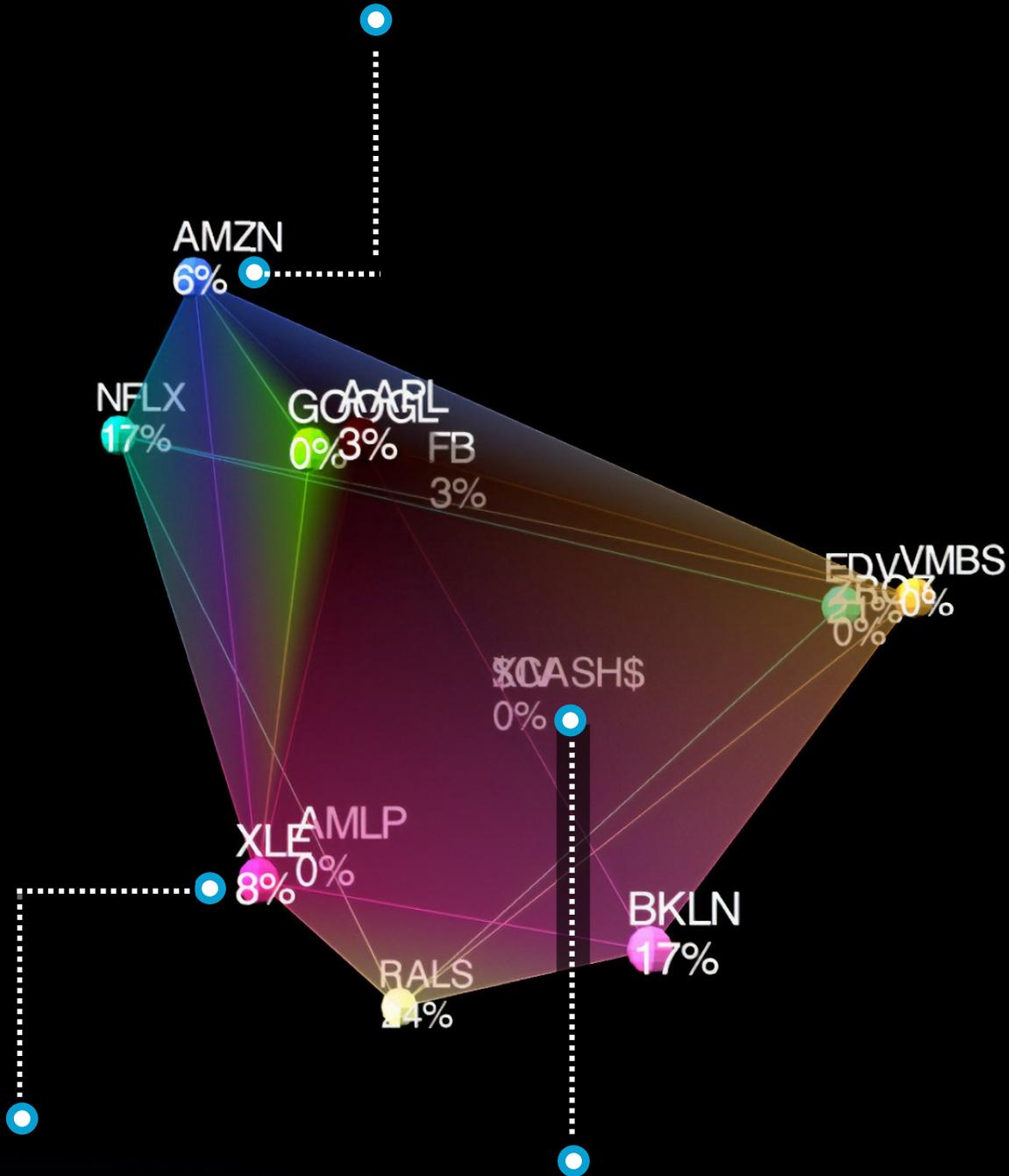


The sphere is just a visual reference model to depict what perfect symmetry looks like against the portfolio. Portfolios do not need perfect sphericity to have great diversification, but huge risk reduction align with major improvement to symmetry.

ALLOCATIONS

With the portfolio modeled geometrically, we can calculate the optimal allocations for each asset

The weights are equal to the assets' relative volume contribution



It is like a smart pie chart, containing the assets' relative information and the sum of the whole; the very definition of holistic

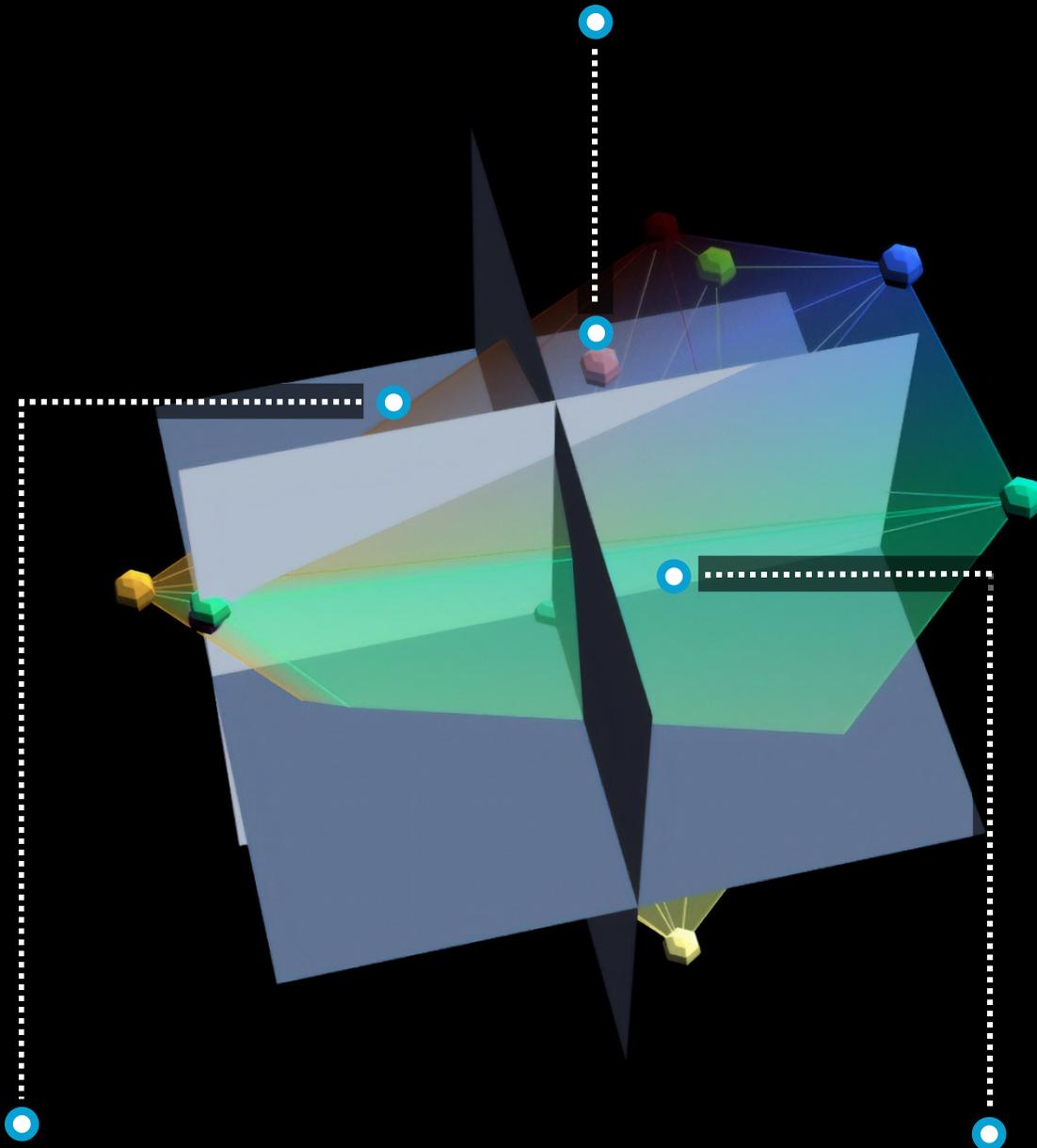
Inefficient assets have zero weight

BOXES

The diversification boxes cut the 3D space into 8 boxes

Each box represents diversification potential

Box exposure or lack of it is very tangible and easy to understand



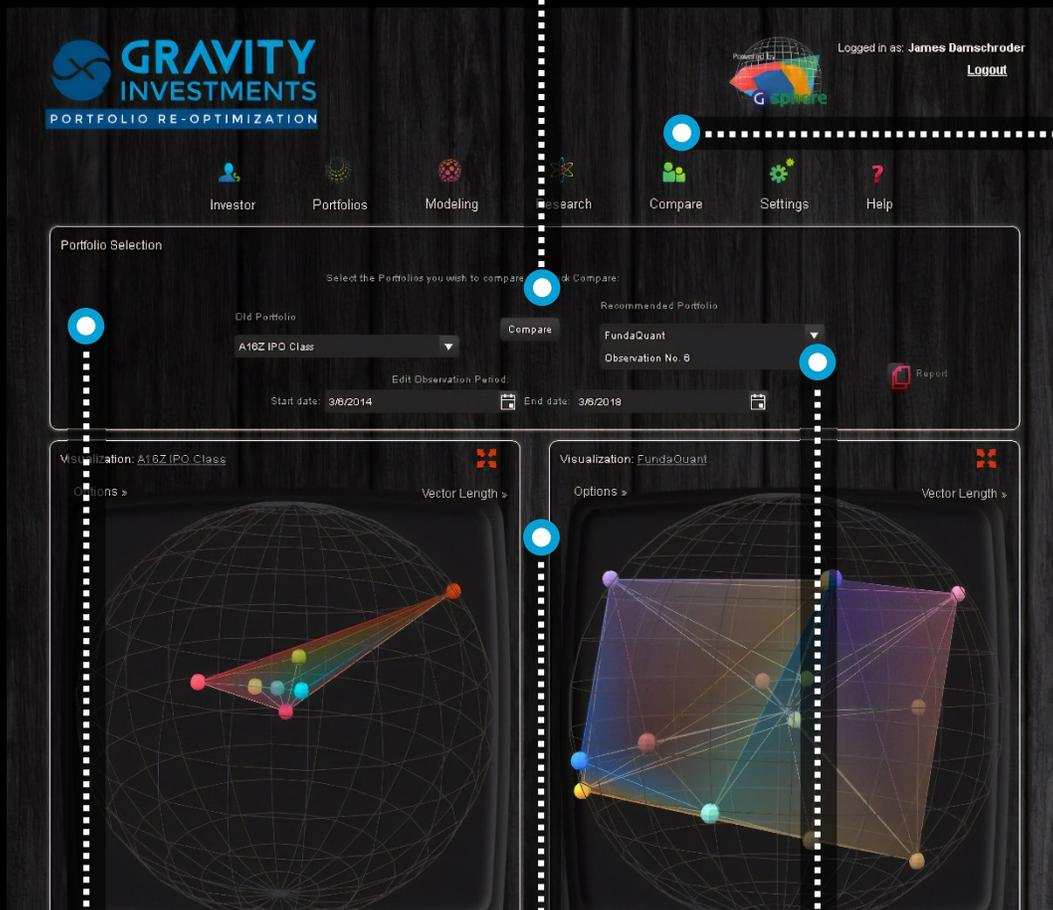
An empty box is an opportunity to obtain better diversification for the investor.

The boxes are another visual reference like the globe

COMPARE

Gsphere offers a full comparison of any two portfolio

The comparison is available in the compare link



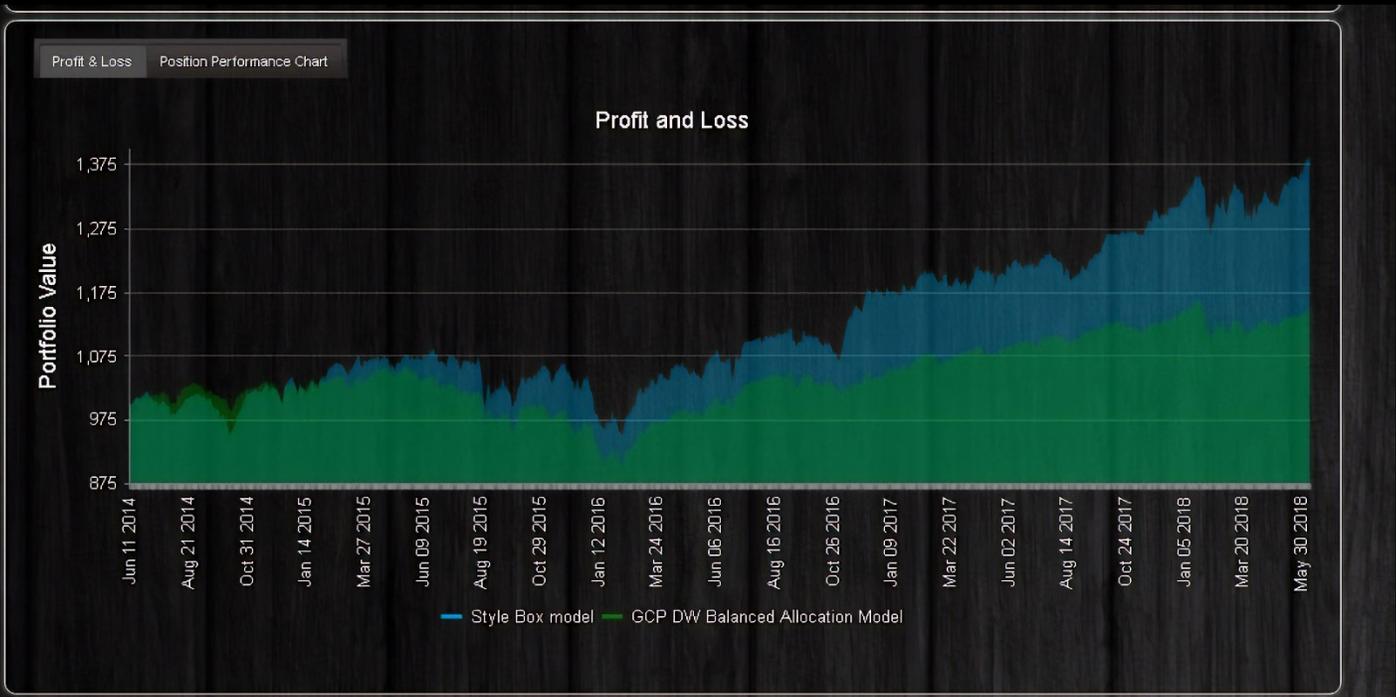
Select the portfolio to compare and adjust the data range if desired

The differences in the 3D views can be striking when investors have poor diversification

Advanced users can compare multiple versions of the same portfolio

COMPARISON PROFIT AND LOSS CHART

The relative profit and loss of the two portfolios is often an important influence in investor acceptance



COMPARISON DIVERSIFICATION GAUGES

Comparative diversification gauges remove any shred of subjectivity in the comparison

Each color code and scale is unique to that measure; red is danger, orange is caution, yellow is adequate, green is good, dark green is excellent and blue is abundant



Fiduciary Diversification is the standard for evaluating fiduciary appropriateness of diversification

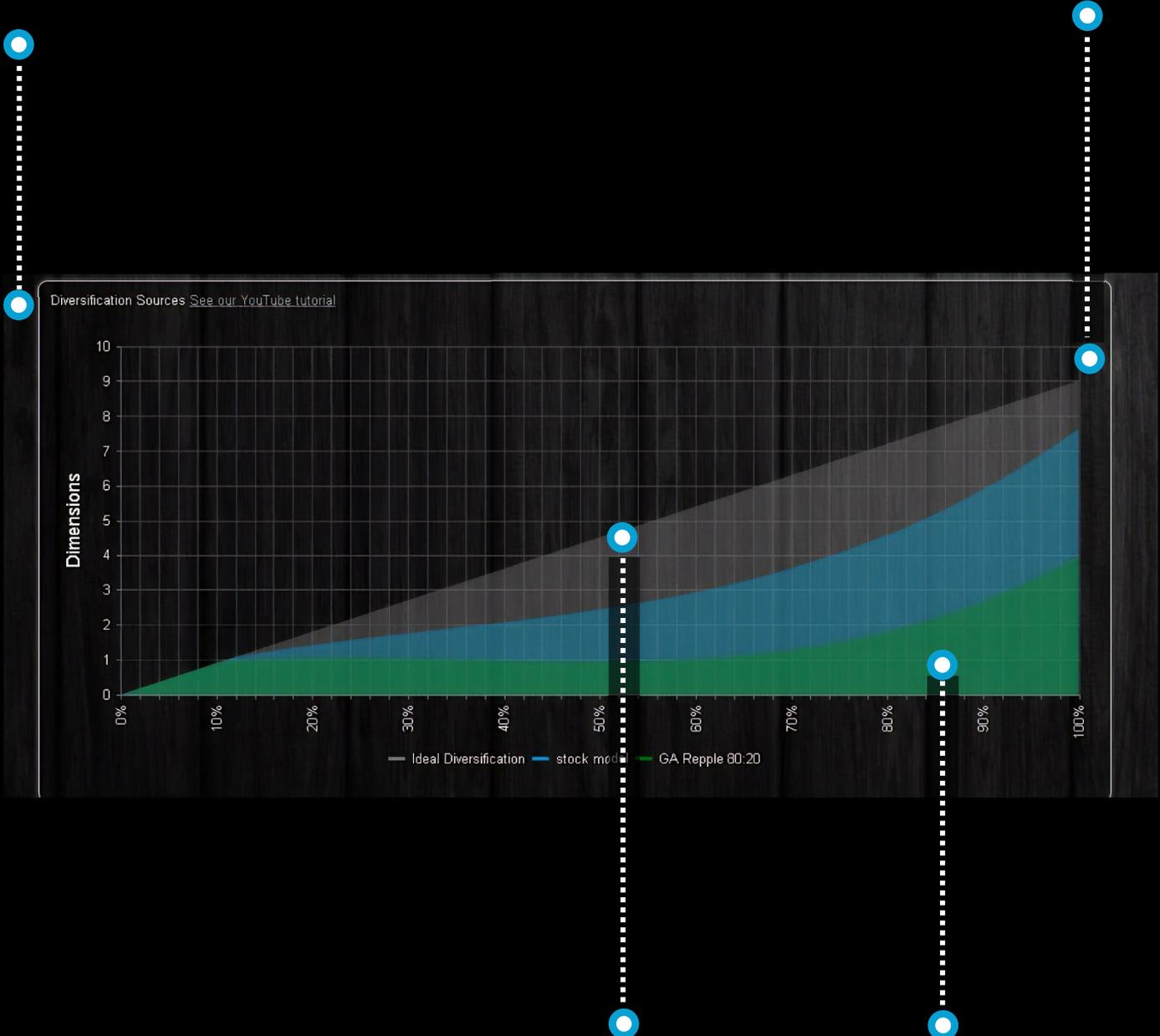
While there is no limit to some diversification values, further increases in values do little to help, but also do not hurt unless it causes other values to retract

Often, we see a trade off in idiosyncratic diversification and systematic diversification. To have strong total fiduciary diversification one needs both.

COMPARISON DIVERSIFICATION SOURCES

This chart illustrates the totals dimensionality for each portfolio

More important that the total dimensionality (the right most value for each graph) is the path it takes to get there. This is the diversification of your diversification

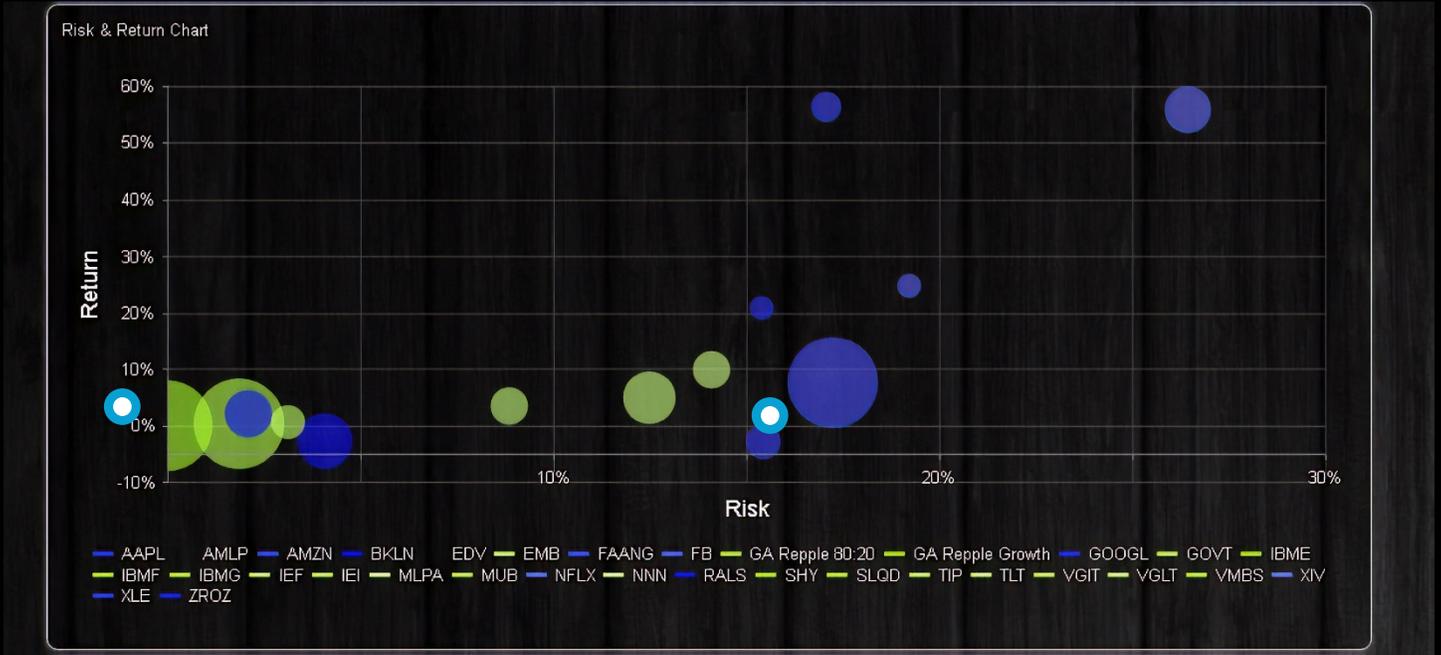


A linear increase is vastly superior to hyperbolic increase

This green graph shows that despite all of the holdings, statistically this portfolio has 70% of its variation governed by one single thing. This is the insidious systemic risk that many investors bare without awareness.

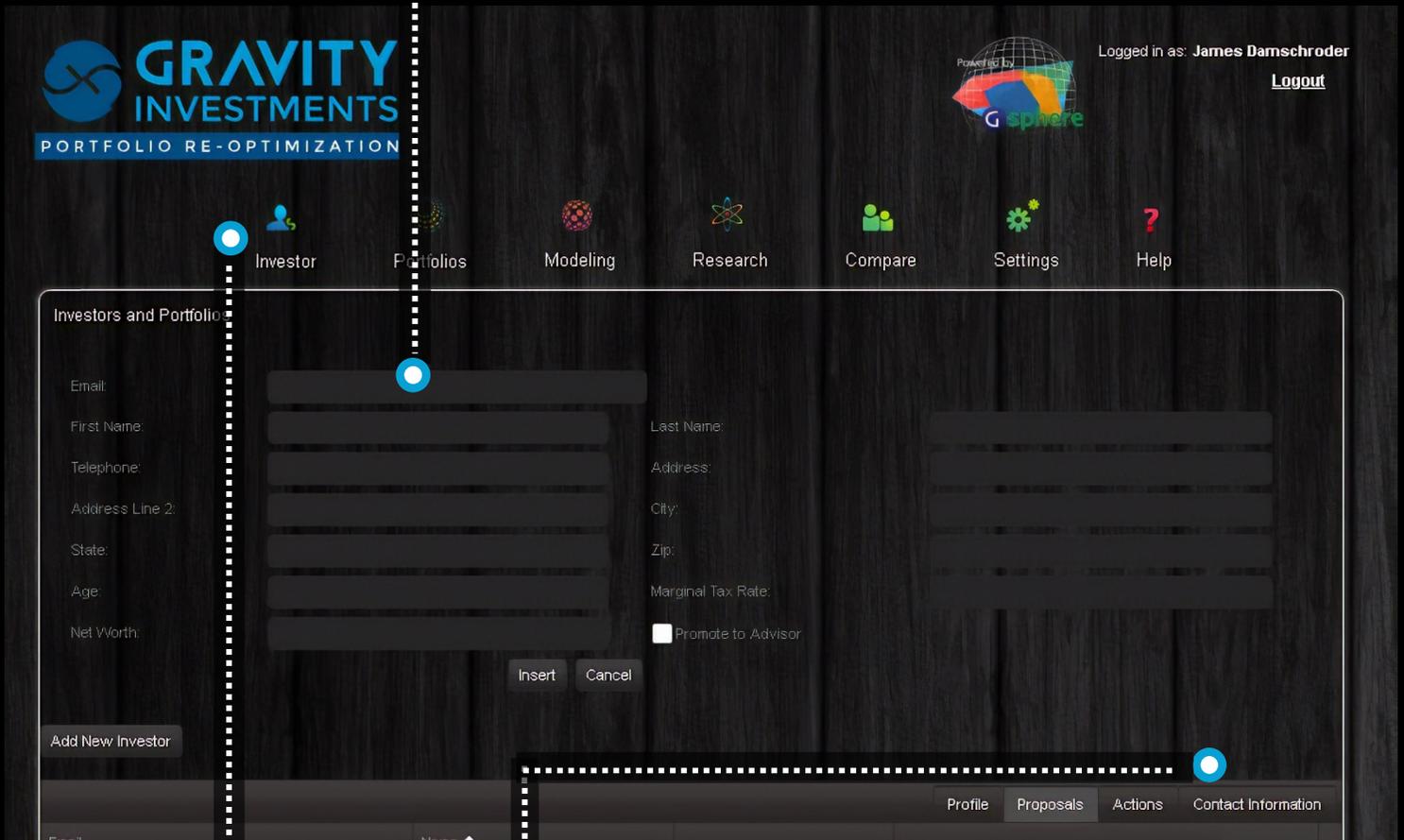
COMPARE RISK & RETURN

Comparative risk and returns illustrates both the portfolios and their components



CONTACT

Enter investor details and KYC /
profile data here



Investors and their portfolios are
kept separate from your models for
privacy

keep investor objective, proposals,
contact data and analytics here

OBJECTIVES

These portfolio objectives may be set by the advisor or sent to the investors

The investor must prioritize what is important to her

Each objective is competing with the others for her preference

The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Investor Objectives" with a close button (X) in the top right corner. The main text reads: "Set the Objectives you want to apply. Please prioritize what portfolio attributes are important to you. These portfolio objectives compete with each other for your preference. Portfolios can't be great at everything. Tell Gsphere what you want your portfolio to be great at." Below this text are eight sliders, each with a blue bar indicating the selected position. The sliders are arranged in a 4x2 grid:

- Total Return:** Slider positioned towards "Essential".
- Capital Preservation:** Slider positioned towards "Essential".
- Current Income:** Slider positioned towards "Essential".
- Stability:** Slider positioned towards "Essential".
- Minimizing Tax:** Slider positioned towards "Not Important".
- Minimizing Market Exposure:** Slider positioned towards "Essential".
- Diversification:** Slider positioned towards "Not Important".
- Time Horizon:** Slider positioned towards "Short term".

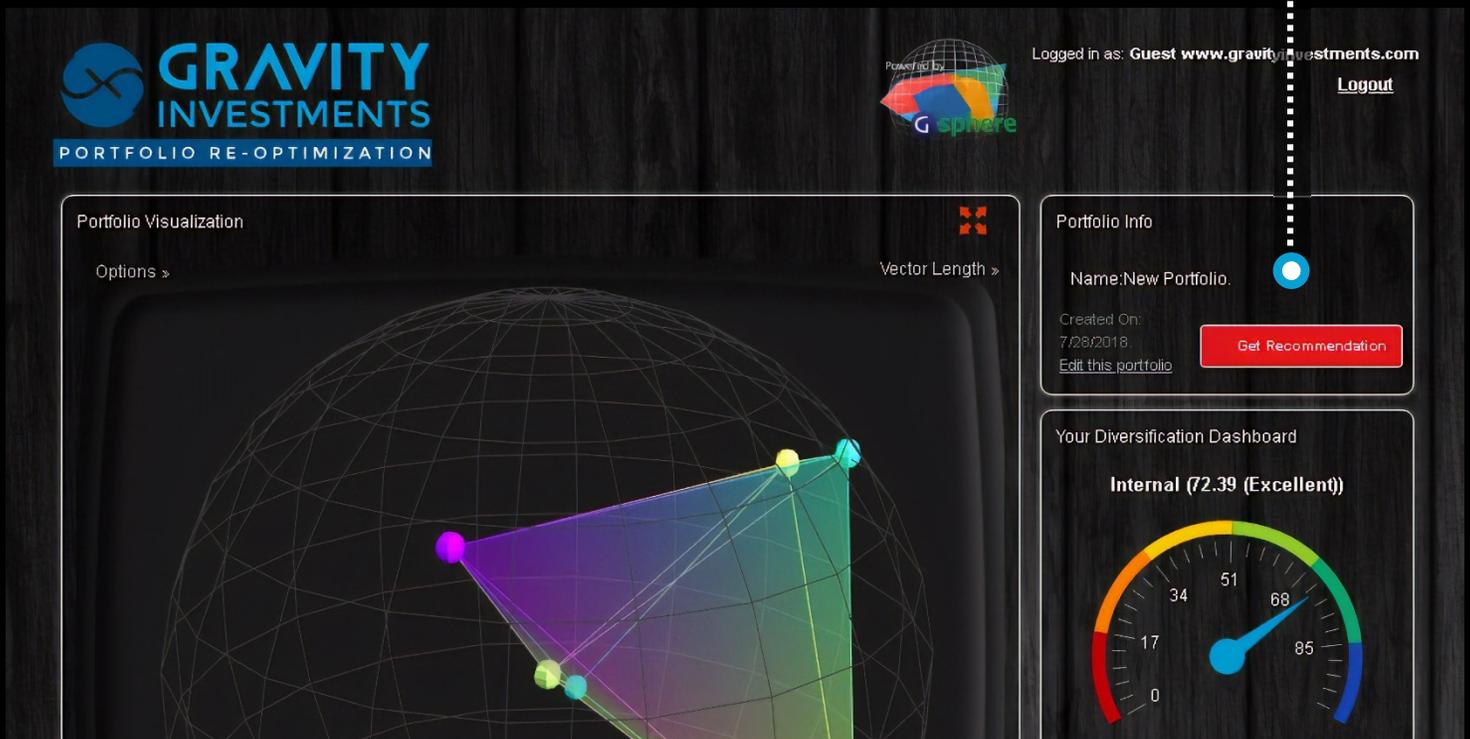
A green "Save" button is located at the bottom right of the dialog box. The entire dialog box is surrounded by a dotted line with blue circular markers at the corners and midpoints of the sides.

The objectives will be used to either select the model that is the best fit from the firms designated model lineup or are used to reparametrize the utility functions of the investment candidates used in the custom recommendation

Each position is evaluated against each objective and multiplied by the investors preference

RECOMMENDATION

The recommendation button is a major call to action that appears on the portfolio view page after getting her portfolio analytics back



The logic behind the recommendation is set in the brand settings page

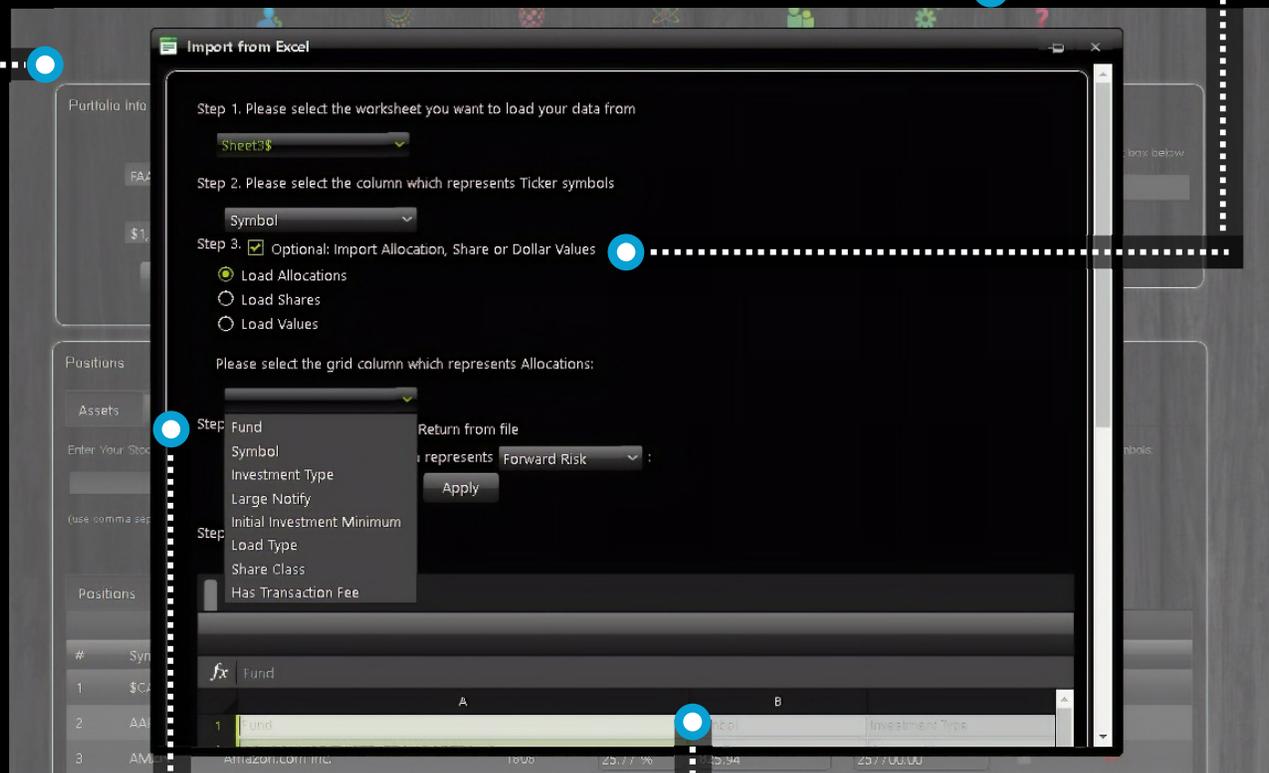
The recommendation may be a selection of a model portfolio, or an optimization of existing holdings, or a custom implementation of the firm's candidate sets and the investors objectives.

EXCEL IMPORT

Import positions for a quick analysis

Flexible formats to minimize excel manipulations

Import allocation, shares or values depending on your workflow and data availability, or just import the positions to optimize



Import risk and / or return assumptions

Preview the import data

Support for importing outside time series allows inclusion of private assets, hedge funds etc. into model

VERSIONS

Use this to compare returns across various iterations of the strategy

For any strategy you can keep track of the version history

Track the history of the live strategy

Version Name	Created On	Start Date	End Date	Return		
First Instance	6/11/2015 6:12:37 PM	6/11/2014	6/11/2015	10.43 %	Set as Active Observation	✖
Instance No. 2	6/11/2015 6:17:00 PM	6/11/2014	6/11/2015	10.79 %	Set as Active Observation	✖
Instance No. 3	8/3/2017 9:53:33 AM	6/11/2014	6/11/2015	2.91 %	Set as Active Observation	Active ✖

Comply with DOL standards to document and manage uncompensated risk

Rollback to any previous version to set that version as the active instance

RESEARCH

Log, audit and track your researched positions

Manage individual positions here, we call investments that are sent to the optimization "candidates"

Candidate sets are groups like a watch list or a buy list that are sent to the optimizer, these are building blocks of your strategies

The screenshot displays the 'Research' interface. At the top, there are tabs for 'Research', 'Candidates', and 'Candidate Sets'. Below the tabs is a table with columns: Ticker, Name, Candidate Sets, Price When Added, Target Price, Expected Return, and Researcher. The table lists several candidates, including IVE, IVW, EOAIX, IJK, and IJH. A modal window is open for editing candidate IVW. The modal has two sections: 'Edit Candidate IVW' and 'Available Candidate Sets'. The 'Edit Candidate IVW' section contains fields for: Enter the symbol (with a search button), Asset Symbol (IVW), Asset Name (iShares S&P 500 Growth Ind), Exchange (NYSEARCA), Industry (FINANCIAL), Price When Added (97.85), Note, Target Price (111.50), and Expected Return (%) (9.1%). The 'Available Candidate Sets' section is a list of sets with checkboxes and dropdown menus: Equity Styles (checked), Liquid Alt overlay, GIC Sectors, Strategic Alpha ETF, and Aggressive Income. Buttons for 'Update' and 'Cancel' are at the bottom right of the modal.

See position details.

Researches may set the target price or expected return here which will inure as an optimization input

Manage what candidate sets any positions may be included to

RESEARCH 3

The list candidate sets created by or shared to the user

Candidate sets can be centrally managed and shared with advisors or teams

The screenshot displays the 'Candidate Sets' management interface. At the top, there are tabs for 'Candidates' and 'Candidate Sets'. Below the tabs is a table listing existing candidate sets. A 'Add New Candidates Set' button is located at the top left of the table area. The table has columns for 'Candidates Set Name', 'Note', 'List of Candidates', and 'Candidate Set Creator'. Each row includes a 'See Respective Candidates' link and an 'Edit' button with a red 'X' icon. Below the table is a form for creating a new candidate set, with fields for 'Candidates Set Name', 'Note', and 'List of Candidates'. The 'List of Candidates' field is a search box that has been populated with a list of assets. The search results table shows columns for '#', 'Symbol', and 'Company Name'.

Candidates Set Name	Note	List of Candidates	Candidate Set Creator
Equity Styles	uses Ishare ETF's	IVE - iShares S&P 500 Val	James Damschroder
Liquid Alt overlay	perfect complement to stock and bond portfolios	BGCIX - BlackRock Funds	James Damschroder
GIC Sectors		XLP - Consumer Staples S	James Damschroder
Strategic Alpha ETF	Alpha and Diversification emphasis	ZROZ - PIMCO 25+ Year	James Damschroder
Aggressive Income		ACRE - Ares Commercial	JP Pedinielli

#	Symbol	Company Name
1	ACRE	Ares Commercial Real Estate Corporation
2	AINV	Apollo Investment Corporation
3	BXMT	Blackstone Mortgage Trust Inc.
4	CIO	City Office REIT Inc.

Manage the list of included investments here

Edits to the candidate set on an existing strategy will be utilized in the following Re-Optimization

Candidate sets are static lists available to all Re-Optimization events if the security had existed in the prior period

RESEARCH

All sets are available in the Research link, available to portfolio managers and admins.

Link to outside research

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Research Candidates Candidate Sets

Ticker	Name	Candidate Sets	See on Yahoo	See on FinViz	Researcher
IVE	iShares S&P 500 Value Index Fund	ETF.com A Grade Ishare		FINVIZ.com	Edit
IVV	iShares S&P 500 Index Fund	ETF.com A Grade Ishare		FINVIZ.com	Edit
IVW	iShares S&P 500 Growth Index Fund	ETF.com A Grade Ishare		FINVIZ.com	Edit
IJK	iShares S&P MidCap 400 Growth Index Fund	Gravity Dynamic Curati		FINVIZ.com	Edit
IJH	iShares S&P MidCap 400 Index Fund	ETF.com A Grade Ishare		FINVIZ.com	Edit
IJR	iShares S&P SmallCap 600 Index Fund	ETF.com A Grade Ishare		FINVIZ.com	Edit
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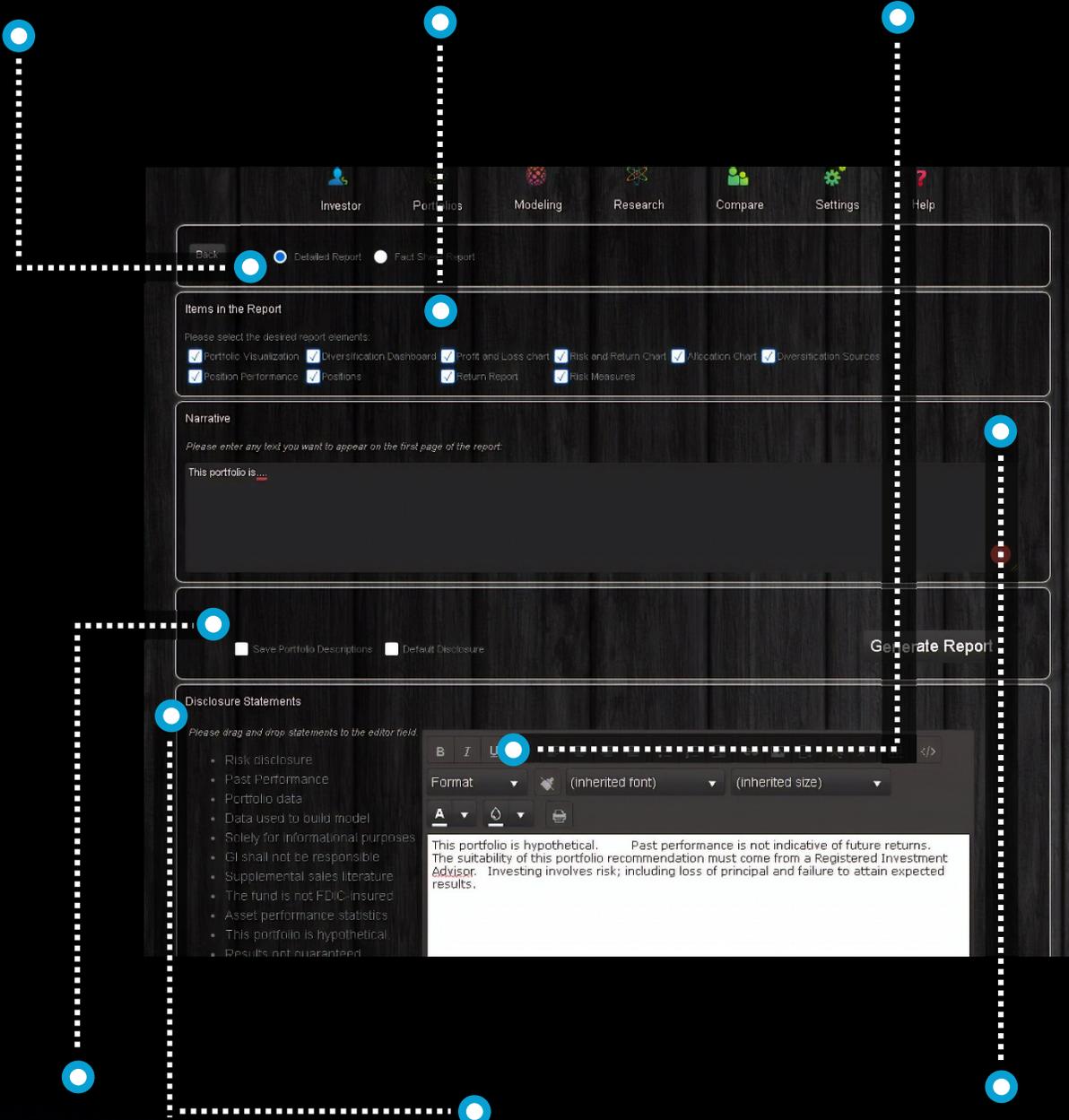
Document whose ideas they are and why they are good investments

REPORT CONFIG

Select the report format: detailed report or factsheet. A comparison report is also offered from the comparison page and generally follows the format of the detailed report

Select the individual elements desired to include in the report. If benchmarks are set on your portfolio view page they will be included in the report.

All reports formats feature interactive 3D content inside the pdf (must be opened by Adobe Acrobat)



Checking these boxes will save the reports elements to the report in the future

Select standard disclosure items or create your own

Include a narrative or for the factsheets, include a strategy description and objective and a firm profile and manager profile.

SETTINGS

Admin control user access conditions

Admins and Brand managers configure brand options

Create benchmarks including custom blended benchmarks

The screenshot shows the Gravity Investments web application interface. At the top left is the logo "GRAVITY INVESTMENTS" with the tagline "PORTFOLIO RE-OPTIMIZATION". On the top right, it says "Powered by Gsphere" and "Logged in as: James Damschroder" with a "Logout" link. A navigation bar contains icons for Investor, Portfolios, Modeling, Research, Compare, Settings, and Help. The "Settings" page is active, showing sub-tabs for Users, Brands, Benchmarks, Sharing, Referral Permissions, and Logs. The "Benchmarks" section is expanded, showing a list of benchmarks already in the database (e.g., "Utilities") and a "Delete Selected Benchmark" button. Below this is the "Selected Benchmark" form, which includes input fields for "Enter your symbols separated by commas" (with an "Enter Symbol(s)" button), "Or search by Company name", and "Benchmark Name" (with a "Save Benchmark" button). A table below the form shows a benchmark with the symbol "\$CASH\$" and the name "Cash and Equivalents".

Share data features with your brand or other users

Set the permission links for guest user access to system features including free portfolio analysis and portfolio views

HELP

Contact information for direct support or support tickets

Look up worldwide exchange codes as ticker suffix for global exchange strategies

Glossary with definitions and formulas

The screenshot shows the Gravity Investments application interface. At the top, the Gravity Investments logo is on the left, and the user is logged in as James Damschroder with a Logout link on the right. Below the logo is a navigation bar with icons for Investor, Portfolios, Modeling, Research, Compare, Settings, and Help. A secondary navigation bar contains links for Support, Exchange Code Page, Glossary, Policies Description, and Gravity Walk Forward Guide. The main content area displays the 'G-Sphere Policy Guide' with sections for Constraints, Diversification Management, and Simulation. Callouts (dotted lines with blue circles) point from descriptive text blocks to specific elements in the interface: 'Contact information for direct support or support tickets' points to the Support link; 'Look up worldwide exchange codes as ticker suffix for global exchange strategies' points to the Exchange Code Page link; 'Glossary with definitions and formulas' points to the Glossary link; 'Detailed descriptions of investment policies' points to the Constraints section; and 'Guide to walk forward out of sample multiperiod backtesting' points to the Gravity Walk Forward Guide link.

GRAVITY INVESTMENTS

Logged in as: **James Damschroder**
[Logout](#)

PORTFOLIO REOPTIMIZATION

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Support Exchange Code Page Glossary Policies Description Gravity Walk Forward Guide

G-Sphere Policy Guide

Constraints

Threshold Constraint	The Threshold Policy is applied to both a portfolio and any recommendation report built including that portfolio. The purpose of the threshold is to remove very small allocation weights that are so small as to be a nuisance due to the transaction costs of reweighing the portfolio. The value is expressed as a percentage and any allocation given to any assets less than the designated percentage will be reset to zero and the capital reallocated to the remaining assets.
Constraint Policy	This policy when activated incorporates the global minimum and maximum constraints as part of the policy tree.

Diversification Management

Computation Dimension	The Computational Dimension relates to the number of assets being optimized. Generally the more assets being optimized the higher the computational dimension. A rule of thumb is to set the Computational Dimension as the square root of the number of assets. There is no formal maximum, while there is no formal maximum, the computational demands grows exponentially with every added dimension so we generally cap the values at 10. The computational dimension is also used as a concentration control function, the smaller the computational dimension the more gsphere will "cherry pick" a smaller subset of the most efficient and optimal assets.
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Simulation

Simulation	The Simulation is used to generate a "Superposition" which represents the average allocation produced by each simulated iteration. The simulation works effectively as a blender and generally normalizes the allocations in the direction of equal-weighting, while maintaining the principal tenants of Diversification Optimization. The simulation policy is preferred to using constraints to ensure a pragmatic, diversified portfolio that balances both systematic and non-systematic risks. The simulation is a Monte Carlo method which means simulated values are drawn from a probability distribution. This helps the simulation maintain a realistic posture.
Simulation Count	The greater the simulation count, the greater the blending. Values should generally be set in the range 0-100. Simulations counts greater than 100 will have only a marginal effect and will take more time to compute.
Simulation ND	ND simulations combine the Monte Carlo simulation method with Gsphere's own genetic algorithm. The resulting combination produces the same superposition allocation but one that is a little less randomly fluctuated and more in tune with the realistic, non-random structure of the optimization inputs. Generally speaking it is the preferred simulation option.
Allow existing assets to vary	An existing position refers to an allocation, share of value that has been defined to the system. These positions will not vary in its portfolio weight unless checked.

Detailed descriptions of investment policies

Guide to walk forward out of sample multiperiod backtesting