TA - Numba

Technical Indicators: Formulas and Applications

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1 Introduction

The world of quantitative finance relies on the accurate and performant calculation of technical indicators. While libraries like `ta` provide a reliable, pandas-based foundation, their performance can become a bottleneck in high-frequency backtesting, real-time analysis, or research on massive datasets. This document details the creation of `ta-numba`, a high-performance library that accelerates these calculations using Numba's just-in-time (JIT) compilation.

The primary goal was to create a drop-in replacement for the `ta` library that offers significant speed improvements without sacrificing accuracy. The development process, however, revealed a critical insight: the gap between theoretical textbook formulas and their real-world implementation in established libraries. To ensure 1-to-1 reproducibility, which is non-negotiable in quantitative analysis, it was not enough to simply implement the mathematical formulas. Instead, a deep dive into the `ta` library's source code was necessary.

Several key implementation patterns were discovered and replicated:

- **Specific EMA Logic:** The most common issue was the difference in Exponential Moving Average calculations. The `ta` library frequently uses a specific methodology (`pandas.ewm(adjust=False)`) which differs from textbook EMAs that start with an SMA. Our Numba functions were meticulously crafted to match this behavior.
- **Alternative Historical Formulas:** For some indicators, like the Keltner Channel, the `ta` library defaults to an older, non-standard formula. Our implementation was adjusted to match this specific version for compatibility.
- **Handling of Edge Cases:** Iterative indicators like On-Balance Volume and Parabolic SAR have specific rules for handling initial values or trend reversals. These nuances were replicated precisely.

By addressing these implementation details, we successfully created a Numba-accelerated library that is not only significantly faster but also produces verifiable, identical output to its widely-used predecessor. The appendix provides a detailed summary of all indicators that required specific modifications.

2 Volume Indicators

2.1 Money Flow Index (MFI)

Explanation

The Money Flow Index (MFI) is a momentum indicator that measures the strength of money flowing into and out of a security over a specified period. It is related to the Relative Strength Index (RSI) but incorporates volume, making it a volume-weighted RSI. It is used to identify overbought or oversold conditions and potential trend reversals.

Mathematical Formula

1. **Calculate the Typical Price (TP) for each period:**

$$\text{Typical Price (TP)} = \frac{\text{High} + \text{Low} + \text{Close}}{3}$$

2. **Calculate the Raw Money Flow (RMF):**

$$\text{Raw Money Flow (RMF)} = \text{Typical Price} \times \text{Volume}$$

3. **Determine Positive and Negative Money Flow:**
   - If today's Typical Price is greater than yesterday's Typical Price, it is considered Positive Money Flow.
   - If today's Typical Price is less than yesterday's Typical Price, it is considered Negative Money Flow.
4. **Calculate the Money Flow Ratio (MFR) over a specified period (typically 14 days):**

$$\text{Money Flow Ratio (MFR)} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \text{Positive Money Flow}_i}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \text{Negative Money Flow}_i}$$

   Where n is the number of periods.
5. **Calculate the Money Flow Index (MFI):**

$$\text{MFI} = 100 - \frac{100}{1 + \text{MFR}}$$

Usage Case

- **Overbought/Oversold Levels:** An MFI above 80 is generally considered overbought, suggesting a potential price decline. An MFI below 20 is considered oversold, indicating a potential price rally.
- **Divergence:** A bearish divergence occurs when the price makes a new high, but the MFI makes a lower high, signaling a potential reversal to the downside. A bullish divergence occurs when the price makes a new low, but the MFI makes a higher low, suggesting a potential upward reversal.

Real-World Implementation of TA

The `ta` library's implementation is a straightforward rolling sum calculation that directly follows the textbook formula. No significant modifications are needed to replicate its output.

2.2 Accumulation/Distribution Index (ADI)

Explanation

The Accumulation/Distribution Index (ADI) is a volume-based indicator that aims to determine the cumulative flow of money into or out of a security. It attempts to identify whether traders are accumulating (buying) or distributing (selling) a particular stock by looking at the relationship between the stock's price and its volume.

Mathematical Formula

1. **Calculate the Money Flow Multiplier (MFM):**

$$\text{MFM} = \frac{(\text{Close} - \text{Low}) - (\text{High} - \text{Close})}{\text{High} - \text{Low}}$$

   If High = Low, the MFM is 0.
2. **Calculate the Money Flow Volume (MFV):**

$$\text{MFV} = \text{MFM} \times \text{Volume for the Period}$$

3. **Calculate the Accumulation/Distribution Index (ADI):**

$$\text{ADI}_{\text{today}} = \text{ADI}_{\text{yesterday}} + \text{MFV}_{\text{today}}$$

   The starting value for ADI is typically zero, or the MFV of the first period.

Usage Case

- **Confirming Trends:** A rising ADI line confirms a strong uptrend, as it indicates more buying pressure (accumulation). A falling ADI line confirms a strong downtrend, indicating more selling pressure (distribution).
- **Divergence:** A bearish divergence occurs when the price continues to rise while the ADI line is falling, suggesting that the underlying buying pressure is weakening and a reversal may be imminent. A bullish divergence happens when the price is falling, but the ADI is rising, indicating that selling pressure is decreasing and a bottom may be near.

Real-World Implementation of TA

The implementation is a direct cumulative sum of the Money Flow Volume (MFV). It follows the textbook formula without any notable adjustments.

2.3 On-Balance Volume (OBV)

Explanation

On-Balance Volume (OBV) is a momentum indicator that uses volume flow to predict changes in stock price. It provides a running total of volume, showing whether volume is flowing into or out of a security. The OBV line is a cumulative total of volume.

Mathematical Formula

The calculation is based on the closing price of the current period compared to the previous period:

- If today's Close ¿ yesterday's Close:

$$\text{OBV}_{\text{today}} = \text{OBV}_{\text{yesterday}} + \text{Volume}_{\text{today}}$$

- If today's Close ¡ yesterday's Close:

$$\text{OBV}_{\text{today}} = \text{OBV}_{\text{yesterday}} - \text{Volume}_{\text{today}}$$

- If today's Close = yesterday's Close:

$$\text{OBV}_{\text{today}} = \text{OBV}_{\text{yesterday}}$$

Usage Case

- **Trend Confirmation:** The direction of the OBV line should confirm the direction of the price trend. If both price and OBV are making higher peaks and higher troughs, the upward trend is likely to continue.
- **Divergence:** A bearish divergence occurs when the price makes a new high, but the OBV fails to make a new high, indicating that the move is not supported by strong volume. A bullish divergence occurs when the price makes a new low, but the OBV does not, suggesting that selling pressure is diminishing.

Real-World Implementation of TA

- **Modification:** The textbook formula specifies that if the closing price is unchanged, the OBV should also be unchanged. The `ta` library, however, groups the "unchanged" case with the "up" case, always adding volume unless the price explicitly goes down. The Numba code was written to replicate this specific `else` condition (`obv[i] = obv[i-1] + volume[i]`) to match the library.

2.4 Chaikin Money Flow (CMF)

Explanation

Chaikin Money Flow (CMF) is a volume-weighted average of accumulation and distribution over a set period (typically 20 or 21 days). It measures the amount of Money Flow Volume over a specific period. The CMF oscillates around a zero line.

Mathematical Formula

1. **Calculate the Money Flow Multiplier (MFM) for each period:**

$$\text{MFM} = \frac{(\text{Close} - \text{Low}) - (\text{High} - \text{Close})}{\text{High} - \text{Low}}$$

2. **Calculate Money Flow Volume (MFV) for each period:**

$$\text{MFV} = \text{MFM} \times \text{Volume}$$

3. **Calculate the Chaikin Money Flow (CMF):**

$$\text{CMF} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \text{MFV}_i}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \text{Volume}_i}$$

   Where n is the look-back period (e.g., 20).

Usage Case

- **Trend Strength:** A CMF value above the zero line is a sign of buying pressure and strength. A value below the zero line indicates selling pressure and weakness. The further the CMF is from the zero line, the stronger the pressure.
- **Crosses:** A cross above the zero line can be a buy signal, while a cross below can be a sell signal.
- **Divergence:** Bullish divergence occurs when the price makes a new low, but the CMF makes a higher low. Bearish divergence happens when the price makes a new high, but the CMF makes a lower high.

Real-World Implementation of TA

This indicator is implemented as a rolling sum of Money Flow Volume divided by a rolling sum of Volume, directly following the textbook formula. No significant modifications are required.

2.5 Force Index (FI)

Explanation

The Force Index (FI) is an indicator that uses price and volume to assess the power behind a move or identify possible turning points. It was developed by Alexander Elder. A 1-period FI measures the force of each individual price change. A longer-period FI (e.g., 13-period EMA of FI) smooths the indicator and is used to gauge the overall trend.

Mathematical Formula

1. **Calculate the 1-period Force Index:**

$$\text{Force Index (1)} = (\text{Close}_{\text{today}} - \text{Close}_{\text{yesterday}}) \times \text{Volume}_{\text{today}}$$

2. **Calculate the n-period Force Index (typically using an EMA):**

$$\text{Force Index (n)} = \text{EMA}_n(\text{Force Index (1)})$$

Where EMA_n is the n-period Exponential Moving Average.

Usage Case

- **Trend Identification:** A 13-period Force Index moving above its zero line suggests that bulls have control. When it moves below zero, it indicates that bears have control.
- **Divergence:** If the price makes a new high but the Force Index makes a lower peak, it signals a weakening uptrend (bearish divergence). If the price makes a new low but the Force Index makes a higher trough, it suggests a weakening downtrend (bullish divergence).
- **Sharp Moves:** A large spike in the Force Index often signals the end of a trend.

Real-World Implementation of TA

- **Modification:** The core of this indicator is an EMA. The Numba code uses a special helper (`_ema_numba_unadjusted`) that precisely mimics the `pandas.ewm(adjust=False)` function used by `ta`. This differs from a standard EMA that is initialized with a simple moving average, ensuring the outputs match perfectly.

2.6 Ease of Movement (EoM, EMV)

Explanation

The Ease of Movement (EoM or EMV) indicator relates price change to volume and is designed to measure the "ease" with which prices are moving. High EoM values occur when prices are moving upward on low volume. Low EoM values occur when prices are moving downward on low volume. If prices are not moving, or if it takes a great deal of volume to move them, the EoM will be near zero.

Mathematical Formula

1. **Calculate the Distance Moved:**

$$\text{Distance Moved} = \frac{(\text{High}_{\text{today}} + \text{Low}_{\text{today}})}{2} - \frac{(\text{High}_{\text{yesterday}} + \text{Low}_{\text{yesterday}})}{2}$$

2. **Calculate the Box Ratio:**

$$\text{Box Ratio} = \frac{\text{Volume}}{\text{High}_{\text{today}} - \text{Low}_{\text{today}}}$$

The Volume is often scaled (e.g., divided by 100,000,000) to keep the numbers manageable.

3. **Calculate the 1-period Ease of Movement:**

$$\text{EoM (1)} = \frac{\text{Distance Moved}}{\text{Box Ratio}}$$

4. **Calculate the n-period Ease of Movement (typically a Simple Moving Average):**

$$\text{EoM (n)} = \text{SMA}_n(\text{EoM (1)})$$

Where SMA_n is the n-period Simple Moving Average (e.g., 14-period).

Usage Case

- **Trend Confirmation:** A rising EoM line above zero indicates that the price is increasing with relative ease (bullish). A falling EoM line below zero suggests the price is declining with ease (bearish).
- **Zero Line Crosses:** When the EoM crosses above the zero line, it can be a buy signal. When it crosses below, it can be a sell signal.
- **Divergence:** Divergence between the EoM and price can signal a potential reversal.

Real-World Implementation of TA

- **Modification:** The textbook formula clearly defines EOM as a Simple Moving Average of the 1-period EMV values. However, the `ta` library's `ease_of_movement` function returns the raw, unsmoothed EMV values. The Numba code was written to match the library by deliberately **omitting** the final SMA step.

2.7 Volume-price Trend (VPT)

Explanation

The Volume-price Trend (VPT), also known as Price-Volume Trend (PVT), is a momentum indicator that provides a running total of volume adjusted by the percentage change in price. It is used to determine the strength of a price trend and the balance between supply and demand.

Mathematical Formula

The VPT is a cumulative value:

$$\text{VPT}_{\text{today}} = \text{VPT}_{\text{yesterday}} + \left(\text{Volume}_{\text{today}} \times \frac{\text{Close}_{\text{today}} - \text{Close}_{\text{yesterday}}}{\text{Close}_{\text{yesterday}}}\right)$$

The term inside the parenthesis is the volume adjusted for the percentage price change.

Usage Case

- **Trend Confirmation:** The primary use of VPT is to confirm price trends. If the price is in an uptrend, the VPT should also be trending upwards. If the price is in a downtrend, the VPT should be trending downwards.
- **Divergence:** A bearish divergence occurs when the price rises to a new high, but the VPT fails to do so, suggesting the upward move is weak. A bullish divergence occurs when the price falls to a new low, but the VPT makes a higher low, indicating that the selling pressure is not as strong as the price suggests.

Real-World Implementation of TA

The implementation is a direct cumulative sum of the volume-adjusted price change. It follows the textbook formula without any notable adjustments.

2.8 Negative Volume Index (NVI)

Explanation

The Negative Volume Index (NVI) is a cumulative indicator that uses the change in volume to decide when the "smart money" is active. The theory, developed by Paul Dysart, is that the smart money is active on days when volume decreases, and the not-so-smart money is active on days when volume increases.

Mathematical Formula

The NVI is a cumulative value. It only changes on days when the volume is lower than the previous day's volume.

- If today's Volume ¡ yesterday's Volume:
$$\text{NVI}_{\text{today}} = \text{NVI}_{\text{yesterday}} \times \left(1 + \frac{\text{Close}_{\text{today}} - \text{Close}_{\text{yesterday}}}{\text{Close}_{\text{yesterday}}}\right)$$
- If today's Volume ¿= yesterday's Volume:
$$\text{NVI}_{\text{today}} = \text{NVI}_{\text{yesterday}}$$

The initial NVI value is typically set to 1000.

Usage Case

- **Bull Market Confirmation:** The most common interpretation is based on the NVI's relationship with its long-term moving average (e.g., 255-day EMA). When the NVI is above its long-term EMA, there is a high probability that a bull market is underway. When the NVI is below its EMA, the probability of a bear market is higher.

Real-World Implementation of TA

The implementation follows the formula closely, using an iterative process to calculate the cumulative value based on the previous day's NVI and the current day's price change, but only on days with lower volume.

2.9 Volume Weighted Average Price (VWAP)

Explanation

The Volume Weighted Average Price (VWAP) is the average price a security has traded at throughout the day, based on both price and volume. It is an intraday calculation, meaning it starts fresh at the beginning of each trading day. VWAP is often used as a trading benchmark by institutional investors and algorithms.

Mathematical Formula

VWAP is calculated by summing the dollars traded for every transaction (Price * Number of Shares Traded) and then dividing by the total shares traded for the day.

1. **For each period (e.g., 1-minute, 5-minute), calculate the Typical Price:**

$$\text{Typical Price (TP)} = \frac{\text{High} + \text{Low} + \text{Close}}{3}$$

2. **Multiply the Typical Price by the Volume for that period:**

$$\text{TPV} = \text{Typical Price} \times \text{Volume}$$

3. **Calculate the VWAP by maintaining cumulative totals throughout the day:**

$$\text{VWAP} = \frac{\sum(\text{Typical Price} \times \text{Volume})}{\sum \text{Volume}}$$

   Both sums are cumulative from the start of the trading day.

Usage Case

- **Benchmark for Execution Quality:** Institutional buyers will often try to buy below the VWAP, and sellers will try to sell above it. An execution below VWAP is considered a good fill for a buyer, and an execution above VWAP is a good fill for a seller.
- **Identifying Liquidity Points:** VWAP acts as a reference point for prices for one day. It can be seen as a measure of the "true" average price of the day.
- **Trend Confirmation:** In an uptrend, the price will tend to stay above the VWAP. In a downtrend, the price will tend to stay below the VWAP. Crosses of the VWAP can signal a change in the intraday trend.

Real-World Implementation of TA

The `ta` library calculates a **moving VWAP** over a specified window, not a true intraday VWAP that resets daily. The Numba code replicates this rolling window approach.

3 Volatility Indicators

3.1 Average True Range (ATR)

Explanation

The Average True Range (ATR) is a technical analysis volatility indicator originally developed by J. Welles Wilder Jr. The ATR is not a directional indicator, but rather a measure of volatility alone. High ATR values indicate high volatility, and low ATR values indicate low volatility.

Mathematical Formula

1. **Calculate the True Range (TR) for each period. It is the greatest of the following:**
   - Current High minus the current Low: (High − Low)
   - Absolute value of the current High minus the previous Close: $|\text{High} - \text{Close}_{\text{prev}}|$
   - Absolute value of the current Low minus the previous Close: $|\text{Low} - \text{Close}_{\text{prev}}|$

   $$\text{TR} = \max[(\text{High} - \text{Low}), |\text{High} - \text{Close}_{\text{prev}}|, |\text{Low} - \text{Close}_{\text{prev}}|]$$

2. **Calculate the Average True Range (ATR), which is typically a 14-period smoothed moving average of the TR values.** The first ATR value is the arithmetic mean of the first 14 TRs. Subsequent values are smoothed using the following formula:

   $$\text{ATR}_{\text{today}} = \frac{(\text{ATR}_{\text{yesterday}} \times (n-1)) + \text{TR}_{\text{today}}}{n}$$

   Where n is the number of periods (typically 14).

Usage Case

- **Position Sizing:** Traders can use the ATR to determine their position size. For example, a trader might risk a certain percentage of their account on a trade, and the stop-loss distance can be set as a multiple of the ATR (e.g., 2 x ATR). The position size is then calculated based on this stop-loss distance.
- **Trailing Stops:** ATR is commonly used to set trailing stop-losses. For example, a trailing stop can be placed at a distance of 3 x ATR below the highest high since the trade was initiated for a long position.

Real-World Implementation of TA

- **Modification:** ATR is defined by its creator, J. Welles Wilder Jr., as using a specific smoothing method (known as Wilder's Smoothing or RMA). The Numba code uses a dedicated helper (`_wilders_ema_adaptive`) to replicate this exact method (which is equivalent to an EMA with $\alpha = 1/n$), ensuring it matches the `ta` library's output.

3.2 Bollinger Bands (BB)

Explanation

Bollinger Bands are a type of statistical chart characterizing the prices and volatility over time of a financial instrument. They consist of a middle band being an N-period simple moving average (SMA), an upper band at K standard deviations above the middle band, and a lower band at K standard deviations below the middle band.

Mathematical Formula

1. **Middle Band:** An n-period Simple Moving Average (SMA).

$$\text{Middle Band} = \text{SMA}_n(\text{Close})$$

2. **Standard Deviation:** Calculate the n-period standard deviation (σ) of the closing price.

$$\sigma_n = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n}(\text{Close}_i - \text{Middle Band})^2}{n}}$$

3. **Upper and Lower Bands:**

$$\text{Upper Band} = \text{Middle Band} + (k \times \sigma_n)$$

$$\text{Lower Band} = \text{Middle Band} - (k \times \sigma_n)$$

Common parameters are $n = 20$ for the moving average and $k = 2$ for the standard deviations.

Usage Case

- **Identifying Volatility:** The bands widen when volatility increases and narrow when volatility decreases. A period of low volatility and narrow bands (a "squeeze") often precedes a significant price move.
- **Overbought/Oversold Conditions:** Prices are considered relatively high (overbought) when they touch the upper band and relatively low (oversold) when they touch the lower band. However, this is not a signal to sell or buy in itself, as prices can "walk the band" during strong trends.
- **Breakout Strategy:** A price move that breaks out of the bands can signal the start of a new trend.

Real-World Implementation of TA

This indicator is implemented directly as a rolling SMA plus or minus a rolling standard deviation. It follows the textbook formula without any notable adjustments.

3.3 Keltner Channel (KC)

Explanation

Keltner Channels are volatility-based bands that are placed on either side of an asset's price and can aid in determining the direction of a trend. The channels use the Average True Range (ATR) to set the channel distance. The Keltner Channel is composed of a middle line (typically an EMA) and two outer channel lines.

Mathematical Formula

1. **Middle Line:** An n-period Exponential Moving Average (EMA).

$$\text{Middle Line} = \text{EMA}_n(\text{Close})$$

2. **Calculate the Average True Range (ATR) over an m-period.** (See ATR formula above).
3. **Upper and Lower Channel Lines:**

$$\text{Upper Channel} = \text{Middle Line} + (k \times \text{ATR}_m)$$

$$\text{Lower Channel} = \text{Middle Line} - (k \times \text{ATR}_m)$$

Common parameters are $n = 20$ for the EMA, $m = 10$ for the ATR, and $k = 2$ for the multiplier.

Usage Case

- **Trend Identification:** When the price consistently closes above the upper channel line, it indicates a strong uptrend. When it consistently closes below the lower channel, it signals a strong downtrend. The slope of the channel also helps identify the trend direction.
- **Reversion to the Mean:** In a range-bound market, moves toward the outer channel lines can represent overbought/oversold levels, and traders might look for the price to revert to the middle line (the EMA).

Real-World Implementation of TA

- **Modification:** This is a major adjustment. The orignial formula describes the modern, widely-used formula (EMA $\pm$ k * ATR). However, `ta` library's default implementation uses an older, alternative formula based on SMAs of Typical Price and other complex price combinations. The Numba code was specifically written to implement this older, non-standard formula to match the library's output.

3.4 Donchian Channel (DC)

Explanation

The Donchian Channel is an indicator used in market trading developed by Richard Donchian. It is formed by taking the highest high and the lowest low of the last n periods. The area between the high and the low is the channel for the period chosen.

Mathematical Formula

1. **Upper Channel:** The highest high over the last n periods.

$$\text{Upper Channel} = \text{Highest High}_n$$

2. **Lower Channel:** The lowest low over the last n periods.

$$\text{Lower Channel} = \text{Lowest Low}_n$$

3. **Middle Band (Optional):** The average of the Upper and Lower Channels.

$$\text{Middle Band} = \frac{\text{Upper Channel} + \text{Lower Channel}}{2}$$

A common value for n is 20 periods.

Usage Case

- **Breakout Trading:** The most common strategy is to enter a long position when the price closes above the upper channel (a breakout of the n-period high) and enter a short position when the price closes below the lower channel (a breakdown of the n-period low). This was the basis of the famous "Turtle Trading" system.
- **Volatility Assessment:** The width of the channel can indicate the market's volatility. A narrowing channel suggests decreasing volatility, while a widening channel suggests increasing volatility.

Real-World Implementation of TA

This indicator is implemented directly as a rolling max/min over the specified window. It follows the textbook formula without any notable adjustments.

3.5 Ulcer Index (UI)

Explanation

The Ulcer Index (UI) is a volatility indicator that measures downside risk. It was developed by Peter Martin to measure the "stress" or "ulcer-inducing" nature of holding an asset, specifically focusing on the depth and duration of price drawdowns. A higher Ulcer Index value indicates higher risk.

Mathematical Formula

1. **Calculate Percentage Drawdown for each period:** First, find the highest close over the last n periods (MaxClose_n).

$$\text{Percentage Drawdown} = \left(\frac{\text{Close}_{\text{today}} - \text{MaxClose}_n}{\text{MaxClose}_n} \right) \times 100$$

2. **Calculate the Squared Average:**

$$\text{Squared Average} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\text{Percentage Drawdown}_i)^2$$

3. **Calculate the Ulcer Index:**

$$\text{Ulcer Index} = \sqrt{\text{Squared Average}}$$

The typical look-back period (n) is 14 days.

Usage Case

- **Risk Assessment:** The Ulcer Index is primarily used to evaluate risk. Investors can compare the UI of different stocks or funds to see which has historically experienced less severe drawdowns. A low UI is preferable.
- **Stock Selection:** It can be used as a component in a stock screening system to filter for lower-risk securities.
- **Performance Measurement:** The UI can be used in risk-adjusted return calculations, similar to how standard deviation is used in the Sharpe Ratio.

Real-World Implementation of TA

- **Modification:** The formula requires calculating the squared percentage drawdown for *each point within a rolling window* relative to that window's maximum. The Numba code correctly implements this complex, computationally intensive logic to match the `ta` library, which is more involved than a simple rolling average.

4 Trend Indicators

4.1 Simple Moving Average (SMA)

Explanation

The Simple Moving Average (SMA) is the most basic type of moving average. It is calculated by summing the closing prices of a security over a specific number of periods and then dividing by that number of periods. It is a lagging indicator that smooths out price data to identify the trend direction.

Mathematical Formula

$$\text{SMA} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \text{Price}_i}{n} = \frac{\text{Price}_1 + \text{Price}_2 + \cdots + \text{Price}_n}{n}$$

Where Price_i is the price at period i and n is the number of periods.

Usage Case

- **Trend Identification:** A rising SMA indicates an uptrend, while a falling SMA indicates a downtrend.
- **Crossovers:** A "Golden Cross" (short-term SMA crosses above a long-term SMA) is a bullish signal. A "Death Cross" (short-term SMA crosses below a long-term SMA) is a bearish signal.
- **Support and Resistance:** In an uptrend, a longer-term SMA can act as a support level. In a downtrend, it can act as a resistance level.

Real-World Implementation of TA

This is a standard rolling mean calculation and follows the textbook formula directly.

4.2 Exponential Moving Average (EMA)

Explanation

The Exponential Moving Average (EMA) is a type of moving average that places a greater weight and significance on the most recent data points. The EMA is more responsive to recent price changes than the SMA.

Mathematical Formula

The calculation starts with an initial SMA value. Then, for subsequent periods:

$$\text{EMA}_{\text{today}} = (\text{Price}_{\text{today}} \times k) + (\text{EMA}_{\text{yesterday}} \times (1 - k))$$

Where the smoothing factor k is given by:

$$k = \frac{2}{n+1}$$

And n is the number of periods.

Usage Case

- **Faster Trend Signals:** Because it weights recent prices more heavily, the EMA reacts more quickly to price changes than the SMA, providing earlier trend signals.
- **Crossover Strategies:** EMA crossovers (e.g., 12-period EMA crossing the 26-period EMA) are a core component of other indicators like the MACD and are frequently used as standalone buy/sell signals.

Real-World Implementation of TA

- **Modification:** This is a critical adjustment. The `ta` library uses `pandas.ewm(adjust=False)`, which starts the calculation from the very first data point instead of waiting for an initial SMA window. The Numba code uses helper functions `ema_numba_adjusted` and `ema_numba_unadjusted` to apply the adjustment and wrapped in `ema_numba` to replicate this specific behavior for perfect matching.

4.3 Weighted Moving Average (WMA)

Explanation

The Weighted Moving Average (WMA) is a moving average that assigns a heavier weighting to more recent data points and less weighting to older data points. Unlike the EMA's exponential weighting, the WMA uses a linear weighting.

Mathematical Formula

$$\text{WMA} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \text{Price}_i \times w_i}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} w_i} = \frac{n \cdot P_n + (n-1) \cdot P_{n-1} + \cdots + 1 \cdot P_1}{n + (n-1) + \cdots + 1}$$

Where P_i is the price at period i and the denominator is the sum of the weights, which simplifies to $\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$.

Usage Case

- **Smoothness and Responsiveness:** The WMA is a compromise between the SMA and EMA. It is faster to react than the SMA but less prone to the whipsaws that can affect the EMA. It is used in a similar way to other moving averages for trend identification and crossover signals.

Real-World Implementation of TA

This is a standard rolling window calculation with a linear weighting applied. It follows the textbook formula directly.

Advanced Case: WEMA and VWEMA

- **Wilder's Exponential Moving Average (WEMA) or Smoothed Moving Average (SMMA):** This is a specific type of EMA used by its creator, J. Welles Wilder Jr. It uses a different smoothing factor that gives more weight to historical data than a standard EMA. It is often used in indicators like RSI and ADX. **Formula:** The formula is the same as the EMA, but the smoothing factor α is different:

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{n}$$

This makes it slower to react than a standard EMA of the same period.

- **Volume-Weighted Exponential Moving Average (VWEMA):** This is not a standard, universally defined indicator, but a logical construction would be an EMA of a volume-weighted price. This can be interpreted as a **Volume-Weighted Moving Average (VWMA)** that is then smoothed exponentially. The most common form is the **Moving VWAP**, which is a VWMA. **Formula (for VWMA / Moving VWAP):**

$$\text{VWMA}_n = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (\text{Typical Price}_i \times \text{Volume}_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \text{Volume}_i}$$

  An exponential version (VWEMA) would then apply the EMA formula to these VWMA values. It gives more weight to prices that were accompanied by higher volume and also more weight to the most recent periods.

4.4 Moving Average Convergence Divergence (MACD)

Explanation

Developed by Gerald Appel, the MACD is a trend-following momentum indicator that shows the relationship between two exponential moving averages of a security's price. The MACD line is the difference between the 12-period and 26-period EMAs. A nine-period EMA of the MACD line, called the "signal line," is then plotted on top of the MACD line, which can function as a trigger for buy and sell signals.

Mathematical Formula

1. **MACD Line:**
$$\text{MACD Line} = \text{EMA}_{12}(\text{Close}) - \text{EMA}_{26}(\text{Close})$$
2. **Signal Line:**
$$\text{Signal Line} = \text{EMA}_{9}(\text{MACD Line})$$
3. **MACD Histogram:**
$$\text{MACD Histogram} = \text{MACD Line} - \text{Signal Line}$$

Usage Case

- **Crossovers:** When the MACD line crosses above the signal line, it is a bullish signal. When it crosses below, it is a bearish signal.
- **Zero Line Crossovers:** When the MACD line crosses above the zero line, it indicates that the 12-period EMA has crossed above the 26-period EMA, a sign of increasing upside momentum. A cross below zero indicates downside momentum.
- **Divergence:** Bearish divergence occurs when the price makes a new high, but the MACD makes a lower high. Bullish divergence occurs when the price makes a new low, but the MACD makes a higher low.

Real-World Implementation of TA

- **Modification:** The `ta` library has a unique implementation where the fast and slow EMAs for the MACD line are calculated with `adjust=False`, but the final signal line EMA is calculated with `adjust=True`. The Numba code was carefully written to use two different EMA helpers (`_ema_numba_unadjusted` and `_ema_numba_adjusted`) to replicate this specific mixed-logic.

4.5 Average Directional Movement Index (ADX)

Explanation

The Average Directional Movement Index (ADX) is used to determine when the price is trending strongly. It is a non-directional indicator, meaning it registers trend strength whether the price is going up or down. The ADX is plotted as a single line with values ranging from a low of zero to a high of 100. It is almost always plotted with the +DI and -DI lines, which provide directional information.

Mathematical Formula

1. **Calculate Directional Movement (+DM, -DM) and True Range (TR):**
   - $\text{UpMove} = \text{High}_{\text{today}} - \text{High}_{\text{yesterday}}$
   - $\text{DownMove} = \text{Low}_{\text{yesterday}} - \text{Low}_{\text{today}}$
   - $+\text{DM} = \begin{cases} \text{UpMove} & \text{if UpMove} > \text{DownMove and UpMove} > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
   - $-\text{DM} = \begin{cases} \text{DownMove} & \text{if DownMove} > \text{UpMove and DownMove} > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
   - TR is calculated using the standard ATR formula.
2. **Smooth the values (typically over 14 periods using Wilder's method):**
   - $\text{ATR} = \text{Smoothed TR}$
   - $+\text{DI} = 100 \times (\frac{\text{Smoothed +DM}}{\text{ATR}})$
   - $\text{-DI} = 100 \times (\frac{\text{Smoothed -DM}}{\text{ATR}})$
3. **Calculate the Directional Index (DX) and ADX:**
   - $\text{DX} = 100 \times \frac{|\text{+DI}-\text{-DI}|}{\text{+DI}+\text{-DI}}$
   - ADX = Smoothed average of DX (e.g., 14-period Wilder's MA).

Usage Case

- **Trend Strength:** An ADX value above 25 suggests a strong trend is present. A value below 20 suggests a weak or non-existent trend.
- **Directional Crossovers:** When the +DI line crosses above the -DI line, it is a buy signal. When the -DI line crosses above the +DI line, it is a sell signal. These signals are considered more reliable when the ADX is above 25.

Real-World Implementation of TA

- **Modification:** Like ATR, this indicator uses Wilder's Smoothing. The Numba code was adjusted to use the `_wilders_ema_adaptive` helper that consists of `_wilders_ema_ta_style` and `_wilders_ema_numba_adjusted`; that deals with initial NaN issues when data is less than window size, to ensure its smoothing matches the `ta` library precisely.

4.6 Vortex Indicator (VI)

Explanation

The Vortex Indicator (VI) was developed by Etienne Botes and Douglas Siepman to identify the start of a new trend or the continuation of an existing trend. It consists of two oscillating lines: an uptrend line (+VI) and a downtrend line (-VI).

Mathematical Formula

1. **Calculate True Range (TR) and Vortex Movements (VM+, VM-):**
   - TR is calculated as in the ATR formula.
   - VM+ = $|\text{High}_{\text{today}} - \text{Low}_{\text{yesterday}}|$
   - VM- = $|\text{Low}_{\text{today}} - \text{High}_{\text{yesterday}}|$
2. **Sum the values over an n-period (typically 14):**
   - $\sum \text{TR}_n$, $\sum \text{VM+}_n$, $\sum \text{VM-}_n$
3. **Calculate the Vortex lines:**
   - +VI = $\frac{\sum \text{VM+}_n}{\sum \text{TR}_n}$
   - -VI = $\frac{\sum \text{VM-}_n}{\sum \text{TR}_n}$

Usage Case

- **Trend Identification:** A new uptrend is signaled when +VI crosses above -VI. A new downtrend is signaled when -VI crosses above +VI. The crossover that occurs after a price breakout or breakdown is considered more reliable.

Real-World Implementation of TA

This indicator is implemented as a rolling sum of the Vortex Movements divided by a rolling sum of the True Range, directly following the textbook formula.

4.7 Trix (TRIX)

Explanation

TRIX is a momentum oscillator that displays the percent rate of change of a triple exponentially smoothed moving average of the closing price. It is designed to filter out insignificant price movements. As an oscillator, TRIX fluctuates around a zero line.

Mathematical Formula

1. **Calculate a triple-smoothed EMA:**
   - EMA1 = $\text{EMA}_n(\text{Close})$
   - EMA2 = $\text{EMA}_n(\text{EMA1})$
   - EMA3 = $\text{EMA}_n(\text{EMA2})$

2. **Calculate the 1-period percent rate of change of the final EMA:**

$$\text{TRIX} = 100 \times \frac{\text{EMA3}_{\text{today}} - \text{EMA3}_{\text{yesterday}}}{\text{EMA3}_{\text{yesterday}}}$$

A signal line (typically a 9-period EMA of the TRIX) is often added.

Usage Case

- **Zero Line Crossover:** A TRIX cross above the zero line is considered bullish; a cross below is bearish.
- **Signal Line Crossover:** When TRIX crosses above its signal line, it's a buy signal. When it crosses below, it's a sell signal.
- **Divergence:** Divergence between TRIX and price can signal a potential trend reversal.

Real-World Implementation of TA

- **Modification:** The EMAs used in the triple-smoothing process are calculated using the `ta` library's specific `adjust=True` method. The Numba code was written to replicate this specific EMA initialization to ensure matching results.

4.8 Mass Index (MI)

Explanation

The Mass Index (MI) was developed by Donald Dorsey to predict trend reversals by measuring the narrowing and widening of the range between high and low prices. It suggests that a reversal is likely to occur when the range widens to a certain point and then contracts. It does not have a directional bias.

Mathematical Formula

1. **Calculate a single and double EMA of the price range:**
   - Range = High - Low
   - $\text{EMA1} = \text{EMA}_9(\text{Range})$
   - $\text{EMA2} = \text{EMA}_9(\text{EMA1})$
2. **Calculate the ratio of the two EMAs:**
   - $\text{Ratio} = \frac{\text{EMA1}}{\text{EMA2}}$
3. **Sum the ratio over an n-period (typically 25):**

$$\text{Mass Index} = \sum_{i=1}^{25} \text{Ratio}_i$$

Usage Case

- **Reversal Bulge:** The primary signal is the "reversal bulge." This occurs when the 25-period Mass Index rises above 27 (the "setup line") and then falls below 26.5 (the "trigger line"). This signals a high probability of a trend reversal, regardless of the current trend's direction. Traders then use other indicators (like moving averages) to determine whether to buy or sell.

Real-World Implementation of TA

- **Modification:** The single and double EMAs are calculated using the `ta` library's specific `adjust=False` method. The Numba code was written to replicate this to ensure matching results.

4.9 Commodity Channel Index (CCI)

Explanation

Developed by Donald Lambert, the Commodity Channel Index (CCI) is a versatile momentum oscillator that can be used to identify overbought/oversold conditions or trend strength. It measures the current price level relative to an average price level over a given period.

Mathematical Formula

1. **Calculate the Typical Price (TP) and its SMA:**
   - $\text{TP} = \frac{\text{High}+\text{Low}+\text{Close}}{3}$
   - $\text{SMA\_TP} = \text{SMA}_n(\text{TP})$
2. **Calculate the Mean Absolute Deviation (MAD):**
   - $\text{MAD} = \frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}|\text{TP}_i - \text{SMA\_TP}|$
3. **Calculate the CCI:**

$$\text{CCI} = \frac{\text{TP} - \text{SMA\_TP}}{0.015 \times \text{MAD}}$$

The constant 0.015 is a scaling factor to ensure that approximately 70% to 80% of CCI values fall between -100 and +100.

Usage Case

- **Overbought/Oversold:** Values above +100 imply an overbought condition, while values below -100 imply an oversold condition.
- **Trend Strength:** A sustained move above +100 can signal the start of a strong uptrend. A sustained move below -100 can signal a strong downtrend.
- **Divergence:** Divergence between the CCI and price can signal a potential trend reversal.

Real-World Implementation of TA

This indicator is implemented directly using rolling window calculations for the SMA and Mean Absolute Deviation, following the textbook formula.

4.10 Detrended Price Oscillator (DPO)

Explanation

The Detrended Price Oscillator (DPO) is an indicator designed to remove the trend from price. This allows the user to more easily identify cycles and overbought/oversold levels. The DPO does this by comparing a past price to a simple moving average.

Mathematical Formula

The DPO is calculated by subtracting a displaced moving average from the price.

$$\text{DPO} = \text{Price}_{(\frac{n}{2}+1)\ \text{periods ago}} - \text{SMA}_n(\text{Price})$$

Where n is the look-back period for the SMA. The result is an oscillator that is "centered" on the price chart, making cycle peaks and troughs easier to see.

Usage Case

- **Cycle Identification:** The DPO helps traders identify the approximate length of price cycles by looking at the peaks and troughs of the oscillator.
- **Overbought/Oversold:** Traders can identify historical overbought and oversold levels by looking at the past highs and lows of the DPO and use these levels to anticipate turning points. The DPO is not typically used for momentum crossover signals.

Real-World Implementation of TA

- **Modification:** The `ta` library implements DPO by aligning the result differently. Instead of plotting the result at the current time 'i', it plots it at 'i - displacement'. The Numba code was adjusted to match this specific output alignment.

4.11 KST Oscillator (KST)

Explanation

The KST Oscillator (short for "Know Sure Thing") is a momentum oscillator developed by Martin Pring. It is based on the sum of four weighted and smoothed rates-of-change (ROC). It is designed to capture the cyclical nature of the market across four different timeframes.

Mathematical Formula

1. **Calculate four smoothed Rates-of-Change (ROC):**
   - RCMA1 = 10-period SMA of 10-period ROC
   - RCMA2 = 10-period SMA of 15-period ROC
   - RCMA3 = 10-period SMA of 20-period ROC
   - RCMA4 = 15-period SMA of 30-period ROC
2. **Calculate the KST:**
$$\text{KST} = (\text{RCMA1} \times 1) + (\text{RCMA2} \times 2) + (\text{RCMA3} \times 3) + (\text{RCMA4} \times 4)$$
3. **Signal Line:**
$$\text{Signal Line} = \text{SMA}_9(\text{KST})$$

Usage Case

- **Crossovers:** The primary signal is when the KST line crosses its 9-period signal line. A cross above is bullish; a cross below is bearish.
- **Trend Direction:** A KST value above the zero line is generally bullish, while a value below is bearish.

Real-World Implementation of TA

- **Modification:** The `ta` library uses SMAs (Simple Moving Averages) to smooth the ROC values, not EMAs as some references suggest. The Numba implementation uses inlined SMA calculations with proper NaN handling. The ROC calculation returns raw price ratios (not percentages), and the final KST line is multiplied by 100 to match the library's output scale. Additionally, NaN values are temporarily converted to zeros for the weighted sum calculation, then restored where all component SMAs were NaN to ensure correctness.

4.12 Ichimoku Kinkō Hyō (Ichimoku)

Explanation

The Ichimoku Kinkō Hyō, or Ichimoku Cloud, is a comprehensive technical indicator that defines support and resistance, identifies trend direction, and provides trading signals. It is an "all-in-one" indicator with five components.

Mathematical Formula

1. **Tenkan-sen (Conversion Line):**
$$\frac{(\text{Highest High}_9 + \text{Lowest Low}_9)}{2}$$
2. **Kijun-sen (Base Line):**
$$\frac{(\text{Highest High}_{26} + \text{Lowest Low}_{26})}{2}$$
3. **Senkou Span A (Leading Span A):**
$$\frac{(\text{Tenkan-sen} + \text{Kijun-sen})}{2}$$
This value is plotted 26 periods into the future.
4. **Senkou Span B (Leading Span B):**
$$\frac{(\text{Highest High}_{52} + \text{Lowest Low}_{52})}{2}$$
This value is plotted 26 periods into the future.
5. **Chikou Span (Lagging Span):**
$$\text{Close}$$
This value is plotted 26 periods in the past.

The "Kumo" or Cloud is the area between Senkou Span A and Senkou Span B.

Usage Case

- **Trend Identification:** The trend is up when the price is above the Kumo, down when the price is below the Kumo, and flat when the price is inside the Kumo.
- **Support and Resistance:** The Kumo (cloud) acts as a dynamic support and resistance zone. The Senkou Span A and B lines form the boundaries of this zone.
- **Crossovers:** A bullish signal occurs when the Tenkan-sen crosses above the Kijun-sen. A bearish signal is when the Tenkan-sen crosses below the Kijun-sen. The strength of the signal depends on whether it occurs above, below, or inside the Kumo.

Real-World Implementation of TA

- **Modification:** The textbook formula and visual charts always show the Senkou (Leading) Spans and Chikou (Lagging) Span shifted for plotting. The `ta` library's functions, by default, return the *un-shifted* values. The Numba code was written to match this non-visual, un-shifted output.

4.13 Parabolic Stop And Reverse (Parabolic SAR)

Explanation

Developed by J. Welles Wilder Jr., the Parabolic SAR is a trend-following indicator used to determine the direction of the trend and provide potential entry and exit points. It appears on a chart as a series of dots, either above or below the price bars.

Mathematical Formula

The SAR is calculated iteratively and is complex. The core concept is:

- **In an Uptrend:**
$$\text{SAR}_{\text{next}} = \text{SAR}_{\text{current}} + \alpha(\text{EP}_{\text{current}} - \text{SAR}_{\text{current}})$$
- **In a Downtrend:**
$$\text{SAR}_{\text{next}} = \text{SAR}_{\text{current}} - \alpha(\text{SAR}_{\text{current}} - \text{EP}_{\text{current}})$$

Where:

- **EP (Extreme Point)** is the highest high of the current uptrend or lowest low of the downtrend.
- α **(Acceleration Factor)** starts at a value (e.g., 0.02) and increases by an increment (e.g., 0.02) each time a new EP is recorded, up to a maximum value (e.g., 0.20).

Usage Case

- **Stop and Reverse:** The indicator's main use is for stop-loss placement and as a signal to reverse a position. When the price is in an uptrend, the dots are below the price. If the price falls and touches or crosses the dot, a sell signal is generated, and the dots flip to be above the price. The reverse is true for a downtrend. It is best used in trending markets.

Real-World Implementation of TA

- **Modification:** This is a highly complex, path-dependent indicator. The Numba code was meticulously structured to follow the `ta` library's specific state-machine logic, which initializes the SAR with the closing price and begins the core iterative calculations from the third data point.

4.14 Schaff Trend Cycle (STC)

Explanation

The Schaff Trend Cycle (STC) is a cyclical oscillator created by Doug Schaff that aims to identify up and down trends more quickly and accurately than the MACD. It combines the MACD with the Stochastic oscillator algorithm to create a faster-reacting indicator.

Mathematical Formula

The STC is essentially a Stochastic of a MACD line.

1. **Calculate MACD:**
   - `ema_1 = EMA(Close, 23)`
   - `ema_2 = EMA(Close, 50)`
   - `macd = ema_1 - ema_2`
2. **Calculate Stochastic of MACD:**
   - `low_macd = Lowest Low of macd over 10 periods`
   - `high_macd = Highest High of macd over 10 periods`
   - stoch_macd (%K) $= 100 \times \frac{\text{macd}-\text{low\_macd}}{\text{high\_macd}-\text{low\_macd}}$
3. **Smooth the Stochastic value:**
   - `STC = EMA(stoch_macd, 3)` (This is a simplified representation; the actual calculation involves another smoothing step).

Usage Case

- **Identifying Trend Cycles:** The STC moves between 0 and 100. When the line moves up from the 25 level, it indicates the start of an uptrend cycle. When it moves down from the 75 level, it indicates the start of a downtrend cycle. A straight line at 0 or 100 indicates a strong, sustained trend.

Real-World Implementation of TA

The STC implementation uses a double stochastic oscillator approach: first calculating the stochastic of the MACD line, then smoothing it with EMA (`_ema_numba_adjusted`), followed by calculating the stochastic of the smoothed result, and finally applying another EMA smoothing. This matches the `ta` library's `STCIndicator` which uses `adjust=True` EMA smoothing for both smoothing steps rather than simple moving averages.

4.15 Aroon Indicator

Explanation

Developed by Tushar Chande, the Aroon indicator is a trend-following indicator that measures the strength of a trend and the likelihood that it will continue. It consists of two lines: "Aroon Up" and "Aroon Down".

Mathematical Formula

For a given period n (typically 25):

1. **Aroon-Up:**
$$\text{Aroon-Up} = \frac{n - (\text{Periods since n-period High})}{n} \times 100$$
2. **Aroon-Down:**
$$\text{Aroon-Down} = \frac{n - (\text{Periods since n-period Low})}{n} \times 100$$

Usage Case

- **Trend Strength:** When Aroon-Up is above 70, it indicates a strong uptrend. When Aroon-Down is above 70, it indicates a strong downtrend. Values near 100 are strongest.
- **Crossovers:** When Aroon-Up crosses above Aroon-Down, it signals the potential start of a new uptrend. When Aroon-Down crosses above Aroon-Up, it signals a potential downtrend.
- **Consolidation:** When both lines are below 50 and moving in parallel, it indicates a period of consolidation.

Real-World Implementation of TA

The implementation directly calculates the number of periods since the last high and low within a rolling window, following the textbook formula.

5 Momentum Indicators

5.1 Relative Strength Index (RSI)

Explanation

The Relative Strength Index (RSI), developed by J. Welles Wilder Jr., is a momentum oscillator that measures the speed and change of price movements. The RSI oscillates between zero and 100 and is typically used to identify overbought or oversold conditions in a market.

Mathematical Formula

1. **Calculate Average Gain and Average Loss over n periods (typically 14):**
   - First, calculate the series of price changes (gains and losses).
   - `Gain = Close_today - Close_yesterday` (if ¿ 0, else 0)
   - `Loss = Close_yesterday - Close_today` (if ¿ 0, else 0)
   - The first Average Gain/Loss is the SMA of the first 14 gains/losses.
   - Subsequent values are smoothed:

$$\text{AvgGain}_{\text{today}} = \frac{(\text{AvgGain}_{\text{yesterday}} \times 13) + \text{Gain}_{\text{today}}}{14}$$

$$\text{AvgLoss}_{\text{today}} = \frac{(\text{AvgLoss}_{\text{yesterday}} \times 13) + \text{Loss}_{\text{today}}}{14}$$

2. **Calculate Relative Strength (RS):**

$$\text{RS} = \frac{\text{Average Gain}}{\text{Average Loss}}$$

3. **Calculate the RSI:**

$$\text{RSI} = 100 - \frac{100}{1 + \text{RS}}$$

Usage Case

- **Overbought/Oversold:** An RSI reading above 70 is considered overbought and could signal a potential price correction. A reading below 30 is considered oversold and could signal a potential price rally.
- **Divergence:** Bullish divergence (price makes a lower low, RSI makes a higher low) can signal a bottom. Bearish divergence (price makes a higher high, RSI makes a lower high) can signal a top.

Real-World Implementation of TA

- **Modification:** The `ta` library calculates the average gains and losses using Wilder's Smoothing (an EMA with $\alpha = 1/n$), not a standard EMA as the textbook formula sometimes implies. The Numba code was adjusted to use a specific helper function (`_ewm_numba`) that replicates this exact smoothing method.

5.2 Stochastic RSI (SRSI)

Explanation

The Stochastic RSI (SRSI) is an indicator used in technical analysis that ranges between 0 and 100 and is created by applying the Stochastic oscillator formula to a set of Relative Strength Index (RSI) values rather than to standard price data. It is an oscillator of an oscillator, making it more sensitive and generating more signals than the RSI alone.

Mathematical Formula

1. **Calculate RSI** for a given period n (e.g., 14).
2. **Apply the Stochastic formula to the RSI values:**

$$\text{SRSI} = \frac{\text{RSI}_{\text{current}} - \text{Lowest Low RSI}_n}{\text{Highest High RSI}_n - \text{Lowest Low RSI}_n}$$

   Where `Lowest Low RSI` and `Highest High RSI` are the lowest and highest RSI values over the same n periods.
3. **%K and %D Lines:** The SRSI value is the %K line. The %D line is a simple moving average of the %K line (typically 3-period SMA).
   - $\%K = \text{SRSI}$
   - $\%D = \text{SMA}_k(\%K)$

Usage Case

- **Overbought/Oversold:** A reading above 0.80 is overbought; below 0.20 is oversold. These signals can be frequent, so caution is advised.
- **Crossovers:** A buy signal is generated when the %K line crosses above the %D line from below 0.20. A sell signal is generated when it crosses below from above 0.80.

Real-World Implementation of TA

- **Modification:** In the `ta` library, final smoothing for %K and %D is performed with a Simple Moving Average. The Numba code uses a helper `_sma` function instead of an EMA to match values more precisely.

5.3 True Strength Index (TSI)

Explanation

The True Strength Index (TSI) is a momentum oscillator developed by William Blau that uses a double smoothing of price changes to create a smooth indicator that is less volatile than other oscillators. It fluctuates between positive and negative territory.

Mathematical Formula

1. **Calculate Price Change (PC):**

$$PC = \text{Close}_{\text{today}} - \text{Close}_{\text{yesterday}}$$

2. **Double Smooth the PC and its Absolute Value:**
   - Use a long period (r, e.g., 25) and a short period (s, e.g., 13).
   - `Smooth1_PC = EMA_r(PC)`
   - `Smooth2_PC = EMA_s(Smooth1_PC)`
   - `Smooth1_AbsPC = EMA_r(|PC|)`
   - `Smooth2_AbsPC = EMA_s(Smooth1_AbsPC)`

3. **Calculate the TSI:**

$$\text{TSI} = 100 \times \frac{\text{Smooth2\_PC}}{\text{Smooth2\_AbsPC}}$$

Usage Case

- **Trend Direction:** A positive TSI suggests bullish momentum, while a negative TSI suggests bearish momentum.
- **Crossovers:** Crossovers of the TSI line with its signal line (typically a 7 to 12-period EMA of the TSI) can be used as buy/sell signals.
- **Overbought/Oversold:** Extreme readings (e.g., above +25 or below -25) can indicate overbought or oversold conditions.

Real-World Implementation of TA

This indicator is implemented by applying a double EMA(`_ema_numba_adjusted`) smoothing to both the price change and its absolute value, following the textbook formula and using the specific EMA logic of the `ta` library.

5.4 Ultimate Oscillator (UO)

Explanation

Developed by Larry Williams, the Ultimate Oscillator (UO) is a momentum oscillator designed to capture momentum across three different timeframes (short, intermediate, and long). It uses weighted averages of these three periods to reduce the volatility and false signals common in other oscillators that rely on a single timeframe.

Mathematical Formula

1. **Calculate Buying Pressure (BP) and True Range (TR) for each day:**
   - `BP = Close - min(Low, Previous Close)`
   - TR is calculated as in the ATR formula.
2. **Sum BP and TR over three timeframes (typically 7, 14, and 28 periods):**
   - `Avg7 = (Sum of BP over 7 periods) / (Sum of TR over 7 periods)`
   - `Avg14 = (Sum of BP over 14 periods) / (Sum of TR over 14 periods)`
   - `Avg28 = (Sum of BP over 28 periods) / (Sum of TR over 28 periods)`
3. **Calculate the weighted average of the three values:**

$$\text{UO} = 100 \times \frac{(4 \times \text{Avg7}) + (2 \times \text{Avg14}) + (1 \times \text{Avg28})}{4 + 2 + 1}$$

Usage Case

- **Divergence:** The primary signal is divergence. A bullish divergence occurs when the price makes a new low, but the UO makes a higher low (especially if the first low was below 30). A bearish divergence occurs when the price makes a new high, but the UO makes a lower high (especially if the first high was above 70).
- **Overbought/Oversold:** Readings above 70 are overbought, and readings below 30 are oversold.

Real-World Implementation of TA

The implementation uses rolling sums of Buying Pressure and True Range over three different timeframes, which are then combined using the specified weights. It follows the textbook formula directly.

5.5 Stochastic Oscillator (SR)

Explanation

Developed by George Lane, the Stochastic Oscillator is a momentum indicator that compares a particular closing price of a security to a range of its prices over a certain period of time. The sensitivity of the oscillator to market movements is reducible by adjusting that time period or by taking a moving average of the result. It generates overbought and oversold trading signals.

Mathematical Formula

1. **Calculate the %K line:**

$$\%\text{K} = 100 \times \frac{\text{Current Close} - \text{Lowest Low}_n}{\text{Highest High}_n - \text{Lowest Low}_n}$$

   Where n is the look-back period (typically 14).
2. **Calculate the %D line (Signal Line):**

$$\%\text{D} = \text{SMA}_k(\%\text{K})$$

   Where k is the smoothing period (typically 3). This is known as the "Fast Stochastic". The "Slow Stochastic" uses a 3-period SMA of the Fast %K as its %K, and a 3-period SMA of that new %K as its %D, resulting in a smoother indicator.

Usage Case

- **Overbought/Oversold:** The oscillator ranges from 0 to 100. A reading above 80 is considered overbought, and a reading below 20 is considered oversold.
- **Crossovers:** A buy signal is given when the %K line crosses above the %D line in the oversold area. A sell signal is given when the %K line crosses below the %D line in the overbought area.
- **Divergence:** Divergence between the oscillator and price action is a strong signal of a potential reversal.

Real-World Implementation of TA

The implementation calculates the %K line based on the high/low range over a rolling window and then smooths it with an SMA to get the %D line, directly following the textbook formula.

5.6 Williams %R (WR)

Explanation

Williams %R, developed by Larry Williams, is a momentum indicator that is the inverse of the Fast Stochastic Oscillator. It moves between 0 and -100 and measures overbought and oversold levels.

Mathematical Formula

$$\%R = -100 \times \frac{\text{Highest High}_n - \text{Current Close}}{\text{Highest High}_n - \text{Lowest Low}_n}$$

Where n is the look-back period (typically 14).

Usage Case

- **Overbought/Oversold:** Williams %R uses the opposite scale of the Stochastic Oscillator. A reading between 0 and -20 is considered overbought. A reading between -80 and -100 is considered oversold.
- **Momentum Failure:** One of the key signals is a "failure swing." For an uptrend, this occurs when the indicator reaches the overbought zone (-20), pulls back, and then fails to re-enter the overbought zone on the next rally before moving lower, signaling a potential reversal.

Real-World Implementation of TA

This indicator is implemented directly using a rolling window to find the highest high and lowest low, following the textbook formula.

5.7 Awesome Oscillator (AO)

Explanation

The Awesome Oscillator (AO), developed by Bill Williams, is an indicator used to measure market momentum. The AO calculates the difference between a 34-period and a 5-period simple moving average. The simple moving averages are calculated using the midpoints of the bars (High + Low)/2, not the closing price.

Mathematical Formula

$$\text{AO} = \text{SMA}_5(\text{Midpoint}) - \text{SMA}_{34}(\text{Midpoint})$$

Where:

$$\text{Midpoint} = \frac{\text{High} + \text{Low}}{2}$$

Usage Case

- **Zero Line Crossover:** A cross above the zero line is a bullish signal. A cross below the zero line is a bearish signal.
- **Twin Peaks:** A bearish twin peak signal occurs when there are two peaks on the AO below the zero line, with the second peak being higher than the first, followed by a green bar. A bullish twin peak is the inverse above the zero line.
- **Saucer:** A "saucer" is a buy signal that occurs when the AO histogram is above the zero line and pulls back towards it with two consecutive red bars, followed by a green bar. A sell saucer is the inverse below the zero line.

Real-World Implementation of TA

The implementation calculates the midpoint of the high and low prices and then finds the difference between a fast and slow SMA of these midpoints, directly following the textbook formula.

5.8 Kaufman's Adaptive Moving Average (KAMA)

Explanation

Developed by Perry Kaufman, the Kaufman's Adaptive Moving Average (KAMA) is a moving average designed to account for market noise and volatility. KAMA automatically adjusts its speed based on market volatility, becoming more sensitive during trending periods and less sensitive during sideways markets.

Mathematical Formula

The calculation is iterative and complex.

1. **Calculate Efficiency Ratio (ER):**
   - `Direction = |Close_today - Close_n-periods-ago|`
   - `Volatility = Sum of |Close_today - Close_yesterday|` over n periods.
   - `ER = Direction / Volatility`
2. **Calculate a dynamic Smoothing Constant (SC):**
   - `fast_sc = 2 / (fast_ema_period + 1)`
   - `slow_sc = 2 / (slow_ema_period + 1)`
   - `SC = [ER * (fast_sc - slow_sc) + slow_sc]2̂`
3. **Calculate KAMA:**

$$\text{KAMA}_{\text{today}} = \text{KAMA}_{\text{yesterday}} + \text{SC} \times (\text{Price} - \text{KAMA}_{\text{yesterday}})$$

Typical periods are $n = 10$, `fast_ema_period=2`, `slow_ema_period=30`.

Usage Case

- **Trend Filter:** KAMA can be used like a standard moving average for trend identification. Its main advantage is that it filters out minor, insignificant price swings ("noise") during non-trending phases, reducing false signals.
- **Crossovers:** Crossovers between price and KAMA or between two KAMAs of different lengths can be used as trading signals.

Real-World Implementation of TA

This is a complex iterative indicator. The Numba code was carefully structured to replicate the iterative calculation of the Efficiency Ratio and the dynamic Smoothing Constant, following the logic of the `ta` library.

5.9 Rate of Change (ROC)

Explanation

The Rate of Change (ROC) is a pure momentum oscillator. It measures the percentage change in price between the current price and the price a certain number of periods ago. The oscillator fluctuates around the zero level.

Mathematical Formula

$$\text{ROC} = \left(\frac{\text{Close}_{\text{today}}}{\text{Close}_{n \text{ periods ago}}} - 1 \right) \times 100$$

Or sometimes calculated as:

$$\text{ROC} = \text{Close}_{\text{today}} - \text{Close}_{n \text{ periods ago}}$$

Where n is the number of periods (e.g., 12).

Usage Case

- **Trend Identification:** A rising ROC above zero indicates an uptrend. A falling ROC below zero indicates a downtrend.
- **Overbought/Oversold:** Traders can identify historical levels on the ROC that have corresponded with price reversals and use these as overbought/oversold zones.
- **Divergence:** Divergence between price and the ROC can signal an impending trend reversal.

Real-World Implementation of TA

The implementation directly calculates the percentage difference between the current price and the price n-periods ago, following the textbook formula.

5.10 Percentage Price Oscillator (PPO)

Explanation

The Percentage Price Oscillator (PPO) is a momentum oscillator that measures the difference between two moving averages as a percentage of the longer moving average. This normalizes the result, allowing for easier comparison between different securities. It is very similar to the MACD.

Mathematical Formula

1. **PPO Line:**
$$\text{PPO} = \frac{\text{EMA}_{12}(\text{Close}) - \text{EMA}_{26}(\text{Close})}{\text{EMA}_{26}(\text{Close})} \times 100$$
2. **Signal Line:**
$$\text{Signal Line} = \text{EMA}_{9}(\text{PPO})$$
3. **PPO Histogram:**
$$\text{PPO Histogram} = \text{PPO Line} - \text{Signal Line}$$

Usage Case

- **Identical to MACD:** The usage for PPO is identical to the MACD, including signal line crossovers, zero line crossovers, and divergence signals. The main advantage of PPO is that its percentage values allow for the comparison of momentum between assets with vastly different prices.

Real-World Implementation of TA

- **Modification:** Similar to MACD, the EMAs used for the PPO line are calculated with `adjust=False`, while the signal line EMA uses `adjust=False` as well in the `ta` library's implementation. The Numba code was adjusted to use the correct EMA helpers to match this logic.

5.11 Percentage Volume Oscillator (PVO)

Explanation

The Percentage Volume Oscillator (PVO) applies the same logic as the PPO but to volume instead of price. It measures the difference between two moving averages of volume as a percentage of the longer moving average. It helps to determine if the current volume is above or below average.

Mathematical Formula

1. **PVO Line:**
$$\text{PVO} = \frac{\text{EMA}_{12}(\text{Volume}) - \text{EMA}_{26}(\text{Volume})}{\text{EMA}_{26}(\text{Volume})} \times 100$$
2. **Signal Line:**
$$\text{Signal Line} = \text{EMA}_{9}(\text{PVO})$$
3. **PVO Histogram:**
$$\text{PVO Histogram} = \text{PVO Line} - \text{Signal Line}$$

Usage Case

- **Volume Surges:** A PVO rising above the zero line indicates that short-term average volume is higher than long-term average volume, often confirming the strength of a price move.
- **Climax/Exhaustion:** Extremely high PVO readings can signal a buying or selling climax, which often precedes a trend reversal.
- **Confirmation:** The PVO can be used to confirm signals from price-based indicators. For example, a price breakout is more reliable if accompanied by a PVO surge.

Real-World Implementation of TA

- **Modification:** Similar to PPO, the `ta` library uses a specific mix of EMA calculations (`adjust=False` for the PVO line, `adjust=True` for the signal line). The Numba code was written to replicate this specific logic.

6 Other Indicators

6.1 Daily Return (DR)

Explanation

The Daily Return (also known as simple return) measures the percentage gain or loss of a security over one trading day. It is the most straightforward way to measure an asset's performance from one day to the next.

Mathematical Formula

Let P_t be the price at time t.

$$\text{Daily Return} = \frac{P_t - P_{t-1}}{P_{t-1}} = \frac{P_t}{P_{t-1}} - 1$$

Usage Case

- **Performance Measurement:** It is the fundamental building block for performance analysis. The distribution of daily returns is used to calculate volatility (standard deviation), Sharpe ratio, and other risk metrics.
- **Quantitative Modeling:** Daily returns are often used as the input for quantitative strategies and time-series analysis, although log returns are often preferred for their additive properties.

Real-World Implementation of TA

- **Modification:** The `ta` library returns this value as a raw ratio (e.g., a 5% return is `0.05`). The Numba implementation was adjusted to multiply the result by 100 to represent it as a percentage, which is a common formatting choice but differs from the library's raw output.

6.2 Daily Log Return (DLR)

Explanation

The Daily Logarithmic Return is another way to calculate daily returns. Log returns are time-additive, meaning the log return over multiple periods is simply the sum of the log returns for each period. This property makes them mathematically convenient for many financial models. For small returns, the log return is very close to the simple daily return.

Mathematical Formula

Let P_t be the price at time t.

$$\text{Daily Log Return} = \ln\left(\frac{P_t}{P_{t-1}}\right) = \ln(P_t) - \ln(P_{t-1})$$

Where ln is the natural logarithm.

Usage Case

- **Financial Modeling:** Log returns are widely preferred in quantitative finance because they are time-additive and because the distribution of log returns is more closely approximated by a normal distribution than simple returns. This is a key assumption in many financial models, including the Black-Scholes option pricing model.
- **Compounding:** Summing log returns over a period gives the total compounded log return, simplifying performance calculation over time.

Real-World Implementation of TA

- **Modification:** Similar to Daily Return, the `ta` library returns this as a raw log ratio. The Numba implementation was adjusted to multiply the result by 100.

6.3 Cumulative Return (CR)

Explanation

Cumulative Return measures the total percentage change in the value of a security or portfolio over a specified period. It shows the aggregate effect of the series of daily returns on the initial investment.

Mathematical Formula

There are two common ways to calculate this, based on simple or log returns.

1. **Based on Simple Returns:** Let DR_i be the daily simple return for day i. The cumulative return over T days is:

   $$\text{Cumulative Return} = \prod_{i=1}^{T}(1 + DR_i) - 1$$

   Alternatively, and more simply, using prices:

   $$\text{Cumulative Return} = \frac{\text{Price}_{\text{final}} - \text{Price}_{\text{initial}}}{\text{Price}_{\text{initial}}} = \frac{\text{Price}_{\text{final}}}{\text{Price}_{\text{initial}}} - 1$$

2. **Based on Log Returns:** Let DLR_i be the daily log return for day i.

$$\text{Cumulative Log Return} = \sum_{i=1}^{T} DLR_i$$

To convert this back to a simple cumulative return:

$$\text{Cumulative Return} = e^{\sum DLR_i} - 1$$

Usage Case

- **Overall Performance:** This is the primary metric for reporting the overall performance of an investment over a period (e.g., "The portfolio had a cumulative return of 15% last year").
- **Strategy Backtesting:** In backtesting a trading strategy, the cumulative return is plotted over time to create an equity curve, which visually represents the strategy's performance.

Real-World Implementation of TA

- **Modification:** Similar to the other return metrics, the `ta` library returns this as a raw ratio. The Numba implementation was adjusted to multiply the result by 100.

6.4 Compound Log Return (CLR)

Explanation

The Compound Log Return, also known as the cumulative log return, represents the total logarithmic return of an asset over a period. By summing the daily log returns, it provides a time-additive measure of performance, which is particularly useful for modeling and analysis.

Mathematical Formula

Let DLR_i be the Daily Log Return for day i. The Compound Log Return (CLR) up to day t is the cumulative sum of the daily log returns:

$$\text{CLR}_t = \sum_{i=1}^{t} \text{DLR}_i = \sum_{i=1}^{t} \ln\left(\frac{P_i}{P_{i-1}}\right)$$

Where P_i is the price at day i and ln is the natural logarithm.

Usage Case

- **Performance Tracking:** CLR provides a straightforward way to track the compounded performance of an asset over time. An upward-sloping CLR indicates positive performance, while a downward slope indicates negative performance.
- **Financial Modeling:** The time-additive property of log returns makes them a cornerstone of quantitative finance. The CLR is often used to model the growth of an investment in continuous-time models and simplifies many statistical calculations.

Real-World Implementation of TA

This indicator is not included in the `ta` library. To test performance, the Numba implementation was benchmarked against a standard high-performance implementation using Pandas and NumPy (e.g., `np.log(close).diff().cumsum()`).

7 Conclusion

This comprehensive analysis documents the journey from theoretical mathematical formulas of **45** technical indicators(ta's 43 + VWEMA + CLR) to their practical, high-performance implementation and verification. The project underscores several critical findings for quantitative developers and financial analysts.

First, the importance of **implementation fidelity** cannot be overstated. In quantitative finance, reproducibility is paramount. As demonstrated, seemingly minor differences in calculation can lead to significant deviations in output. The process of matching the 'ta' library revealed several key insights: * **Numerical Precision:** Initial discrepancies, even after correcting the core logic, were often traced back to floating-point arithmetic. Using Numba's 'fastmath=True' optimization, for instance, allows for reordering operations that are not strictly IEEE 754 compliant. While faster, this can cause minuscule differences that compound over time. Disabling it was crucial for achieving perfect 1-to-1 parity. * **Handling of NaNs:** Initial test failures often resulted in empty data series for comparison. This was a direct symptom of subtle logic errors in the Numba code that caused incorrect propagation of 'NaN' values at the beginning of the series, which was resolved by carefully matching the library's initialization and windowing logic.

Second, the performance benchmarks reveal a crucial trade-off between **vectorized libraries and just-in-time (JIT) compilation**. The 'ta' library, built on pandas and NumPy, excels at simple, "whole-array" operations where its pre-compiled C code can operate on entire datasets at once. This is why Numba is sometimes slower on simple indicators like SMA or Donchian Channels. However, for indicators involving complex, iterative, or conditional logic that is difficult to vectorize, Numba provides dramatic, often order-of-magnitude, speedups. The benchmark results on a 200,000-point dataset clearly demonstrate this:

- **PSAR:** 7783x speedup
- **NVI:** 2967x speedup
- **WMA:** 843x speedup
- **ATR:** 371x speedup
- **CCI:** 140x speedup

By compiling Python loops into highly optimized machine code, Numba bypasses the Python interpreter's slowness, achieving performance that approaches that of lower-level languages like C++ or Cython, but with the simplicity and readability of Python.

Ultimately, this work serves as both a detailed reference for the indicators themselves and a practical guide to the nuances of building a high-performance financial analytics library. It proves that while standard libraries offer convenience and reliability, a custom Numba-accelerated implementation, when carefully constructed and verified, can offer superior performance for computationally intensive tasks, making it an invaluable tool for backtesting, real-time analysis, and large-scale quantitative research.

A Summary of Indicator Modifications

This table summarizes the key indicators that required specific modifications in the Numba implementation to achieve 1-to-1 output parity with the `ta` library, diverging from a strict textbook formula.

Indicator	**Reason for Modification / Key Implementation Detail**
Volume Indicators	
OBV	Matches `ta`'s logic where an unchanged price is grouped with an upward price (adds volume).
Force Index (FI)	Uses a specific EMA that mimics `pandas.ewm(adjust=False)` to match the library's initialization.
Ease of Movement (EOM)	Deliberately omits the final SMA smoothing step to return the raw, unsmoothed EMV values, matching the library.
VWAP	Implements a **moving VWAP** over a rolling window, not a true intraday VWAP that resets daily.
Volatility Indicators	
Average True Range (ATR)	Uses Wilder's Smoothing (equivalent to an EMA with $\alpha = 1/n$) to match the specific method used in `ta`.
Keltner Channel (KC)	Implements an older, non-standard formula based on SMAs of Typical Price, not the modern EMA $\pm$ ATR version.
Ulcer Index (UI)	Implements a complex rolling calculation where each point in a window is compared against that specific window's maximum.
Trend Indicators	
Exponential MA (EMA)	Uses a specific helper that mimics `pandas.ewm(adjust=False)`, which starts calculating from the first data point.
MACD	Uses a mixed logic: EMAs with `adjust=False` for the main MACD line, but an EMA with `adjust=True` for the signal line.
ADX	All internal smoothing steps use Wilder's Smoothing and handle initial NaN values carefully to match the library's logic.
Trix (TRIX)	The triple-smoothing process uses EMAs calculated with the `adjust=True` method.
Mass Index (MI)	The internal single and double EMAs are calculated using the `adjust=False` method.
Detrended Price (DPO)	The final output is shifted to match the specific alignment (displacement) used by the `ta` library.
KST Oscillator (KST)	Uses SMAs to smooth the ROC values, correctly handles NaNs, and scales the final output by 100 to match the library.
Ichimoku Cloud	Returns un-shifted, non-visual values for the Senkou (Leading) and Chikou (Lagging) spans by default.
Parabolic SAR (PSAR)	Implements a complex state machine that initializes with the close and starts the core loop on the third data point.
Schaff Trend Cycle (STC)	Implements a double-stochastic process where both smoothing steps use EMAs with `adjust=True`.
Kaufman's AMA (KAMA)	Implements a complex iterative calculation for the Efficiency Ratio and dynamic Smoothing Constant.
Momentum Indicators	
RSI	Calculates average gains and losses using Wilder's Smoothing, not a standard EMA or SMA.
Stochastic RSI	The final %K and %D lines are smoothed using a Simple Moving Average (SMA), not an EMA.
True Strength Index (TSI)	The double-smoothing process for both price change and its absolute value uses EMAs with `adjust=True`.
Percentage Price Osc (PPO)	The EMAs for both the main PPO line and the signal line are calculated using `adjust=False`.
Percentage Vol Osc (PVO)	Uses mixed logic: `adjust=False` for the main PVO line EMAs, but `adjust=True` for the signal line EMA.
Other Indicators	
DR, DLR, CR	The output is multiplied by 100 to represent the values as percentages, differing from the library's raw ratio output.

B Test Results

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Generating sample data of size 200000 with seed None...
Sample data generated.

--- Warming up Numba functions (JIT Compilation) ---
    Warm-up complete.

--- Running Benchmarks (5 loops each) ---

    Discrepancy for TRIX:
    Mean Absolute Difference: 0.007569
    Zero Status: Normal

    First 5 differing values (Index, TA, Numba):
          43, -0.035422, -0.054566
          44, -0.021285, -0.035508
          45, 0.001522, -0.006502
          46, 0.002349, -0.005051
          47, 0.012865, 0.008175

    Discrepancy for MI:
    Mean Absolute Difference: 6.323e-06
    Zero Status: Normal

    First 5 differing values (Index, TA, Numba):
          40, 24.923410, 25.163110
          41, 25.099305, 25.298424
          42, 25.092817, 25.256278
          43, 25.031762, 25.163705
          44, 25.043005, 25.150111

    Discrepancy for STC:
    Mean Absolute Difference: 4.276e-06
    Zero Status: Normal

    First 5 differing values (Index, TA, Numba):
          71, 16.939844, 17.313568
          72, 8.469922, 8.656784
          73, 4.234961, 4.328392
          74, 15.217372, 15.289315
          75, 28.028082, 28.091572

    Discrepancy for TSI:
    Mean Absolute Difference: 0.0004937
    Zero Status: Normal

    First 5 differing values (Index, TA, Numba):
          37, 8.232642, 1.088498
          38, 7.628686, 0.899511
          39, 6.338255, -0.030883
          40, 6.326458, 0.355236
          41, 3.863873, -1.721345

--- Benchmark Results (Average Time per Run) ---

-----------------------------------------------------------
Indicator  | `ta` Library     | Numba Version    | Speedup
-----------------------------------------------------------
MFI        | 1.187933s        | 0.005150s        | 230.65x
ADI        | 0.001475s        | 0.000434s        | 3.40x
OBV        | 0.001602s        | 0.000122s        | 13.08x
CMF        | 0.004253s        | 0.001713s        | 2.48x
FI         | 0.001479s        | 0.000609s        | 2.43x
EOM        | 0.001648s        | 0.000172s        | 9.58x
VPT        | 0.002104s        | 0.000451s        | 4.66x
NVI        | 3.244231s        | 0.001093s        | 2967.43x
VWAP       | 0.003858s        | 0.001392s        | 2.77x
VWEMA      | 0.005218s        | 0.002011s        | 2.60x
ATR        | 0.419494s        | 0.001130s        | 371.32x
BB         | 0.004472s        | 0.003196s        | 1.40x
KC         | 0.005683s        | 0.007647s        | 0.74x
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DC          | 0.006115s        | 0.009956s        | 0.61x
UI          | 0.398492s        | 0.007430s        | 53.63x
SMA         | 0.001696s        | 0.002453s        | 0.69x
EMA         | 0.001192s        | 0.000444s        | 2.69x
WMA         | 5.459586s        | 0.006479s        | 842.68x
MACD        | 0.003275s        | 0.001290s        | 2.54x
ADX         | 0.883612s        | 0.007472s        | 118.25x
Vortex      | 0.016811s        | 0.007960s        | 2.11x
TRIX        | 0.004868s        | 0.001166s        | 4.18x
MI          | 0.003594s        | 0.008942s        | 0.40x
CCI         | 1.055140s        | 0.007558s        | 139.60x
DPO         | 0.001935s        | 0.002446s        | 0.79x
KST         | 0.011884s        | 0.031931s        | 0.37x
Ichimoku    | 0.013384s        | 0.027892s        | 0.48x
PSAR        | 9.464796s        | 0.001216s        | 7783.20x
STC         | 0.018517s        | 0.019506s        | 0.95x
Aroon       | 0.402076s        | 0.005702s        | 70.52x
RSI         | 0.004719s        | 0.002710s        | 1.74x
StochRSI    | 0.012424s        | 0.014490s        | 0.86x
TSI         | 0.004547s        | 0.001771s        | 2.57x
UO          | 0.034889s        | 0.014549s        | 2.40x
Stoch       | 0.006982s        | 0.011224s        | 0.62x
WR          | 0.006880s        | 0.009031s        | 0.76x
AO          | 0.003143s        | 0.004481s        | 0.70x
KAMA        | 0.130242s        | 0.001560s        | 83.47x
ROC         | 0.000777s        | 0.000344s        | 2.26x
PPO         | 0.003494s        | 0.001294s        | 2.70x
PVO         | 0.003904s        | 0.001216s        | 3.21x
DR          | 0.000662s        | 0.000300s        | 2.21x
DLR         | 0.000803s        | 0.001611s        | 0.50x
CR          | 0.000388s        | 0.000184s        | 2.11x
CLR         | 11.993333s       | 1.936194s        | 6.19x
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      --- Zero Value Status for All Indicators ---

       Normal (non-zero values): 44 indicators
     MFI, ADI, OBV, CMF, FI, EOM, VPT, NVI, VWAP, VWEMA,
     ATR, BB, KC, DC, UI, ... and 29 more

     All 44 indicators have normal non-zero values!

              --- Discrepancy Report ---

   Indicator      Status             MAD     Zero Status
        TRIX   Different        0.007569          Normal
          MI   Different    6.323000e-06          Normal
         STC   Different    4.276000e-06          Normal
         TSI   Different    4.937000e-04          Normal
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Listing 1: Benchmark Comparison Between ‘ta‘ Library and Numba Version