

DSP Quant Fund

Rule-based investing according to 'Good Investing Principles'

NFO Period: May 20, 2019 to June 03, 2019

Path to Long Term Wealth Creation



1. Buy good companies

2. Don't overpay

3. Do nothing

Why do we deviate from our principles?



Overconfidence in ability to predict the future

Recency bias

Loss aversion

Herd mentality

Anchoring to past winners

Peer pressure

Trying to do market timing

Reacting to short term noise

What is the solution?



1. Buy good companies

2. Don't overpay

3. Do nothing

4. Mitigate human biases

Model Explained



"Tell me where I'm going to die, that is, so I don't go there"

- Charlie Munger

Elimination is as critical as selection



From the universe of BSE 200 TRI index companies, our strategy is to eliminate companies displaying any of the below characteristics

Criteria	Evaluation Metric	Stocks/Weight eliminated*	Rationale		
Highly leveraged companies	Debt to Equity (excluding financials)	14 stocks, 4.9% in benchmark	 Interest servicing becomes difficult in slow economic environment Equity holders have subordinated claim to debt holders Higher risk of default 		
Highly volatile stocks	Beta , High stock volatility	• Companies with di			
Misalignment of management incentives	Ownership criteria	33 stocks, 9.7% in benchmark	 Shareholder wealth maximization is not a primary goal of the promoter/management Business decisions sometimes are also driven to benefit public at large which may be unprofitable to shareholders 		
Earnings Quality & Accounting Screens	Earnings quality and forensic accounting screeners	40 stocks, 10.2% in benchmark	 Manipulation of earnings and malpractices by promoters destroy shareholder value Forensic accounting ratios based on reported financials and other metrics throw up red-flags A second level screener for off balance sheet items becomes very critical 		

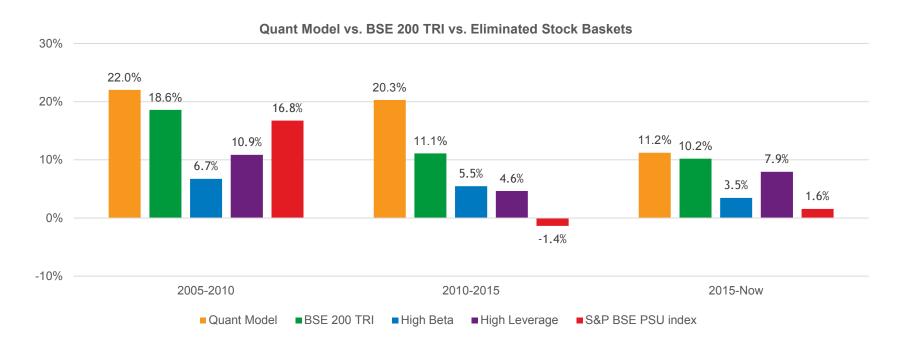
^{*} No of stocks excluded = 99, Weight of excluded stocks in benchmark = 26.3%, numbers mentioned are for the current rebalance of March 2019

The Quant model weeds out stocks in an systematic manner



Elimination is as critical as selection: Evidence





Quant Model returns are using simulated back-test results after factoring in estimated fees and impact costs

	Quant Model	BSE 200 TRI	S&P BSE PSU Index	BSE 200 High Beta	BSE 200 High Leverage
CAGR	17.9%	13.1%	5.0%	5.2%	7.6%
Std. Deviation	18.7%	22.5%	24.2%	33.6%	28.8%
Return/Risk	0.96	0.58	0.21	0.16	0.26

Note: The performance numbers are Total return series from 30-Sep-2005 to 31-Mar-2019. Eliminated stock portfolios created using BSE 200 constituents that meet the elimination criteria described in the previous slide at every rebalance. Weighting is proportional to their weights in BSE 200 index. The portfolios are rebalanced every March and September. Data Source: FactSet, MFIE. **Past performance may or may not sustain in future and should not be used as a basis for comparison with other investments.** These figures pertain to performance of the index and do not in any manner indicate the returns/performance of the Scheme. It is not possible to invest directly in an index

Framework to identify companies with poor earnings quality and weak balance sheet metrics

Criteria	Rationale	Evaluation Metrics		
Earnings quality	 Quality earnings are sustainable and repeatable, backed by cash flows Red flags - high divergence between accounting and cash flow entries Many firms "manage" earnings through aggressive accounting and valuation policies 	 EBITDA/ Cash Flow from Operations Interest in Cash Flow Statement/ Interest in P&L Statement Tax in Cash Flow Statement/ Tax in P&L Statement Depreciation rate 		
Balance sheet health	Companies with badly managed balance sheets are at higher risk for financial distress	Interest coverage ratioDebt/market capitalizationCredit ratingAltman Z score		
Working capital cycle	 Indicates efficacy of cash flow conversion and liquidity risk management Early warning sign of problems in the business 	 Variability in debtor days, inventory days and creditor days 		
For Financials: asset quality, ALM etc.	 Problems in financial companies typically arise due to aggressive growth, which creates asset quality problems OR Over-reliance on short term funding resulting in solvency risk 	 GNPA and NNPA growth Growth in advances Short term debt to total debt Total assets /Networth Provisioning cover 		
Management actions	Imprudent management actions can destroy value for minority shareholders	High promoter pledgeHigh related party transactionsDividend funding		

^{*} Source: Capitaline

^{*} DSP has created a proprietary scoring model using all the above parameters. Companies that rank below a pre-determined threshold as per the scoring model are eliminated from the eligible universe





Selection Criteria (Buy Good Companies & Don't Overpay)

Attributes of 'Good Companies'- Factor Based Investing Approach

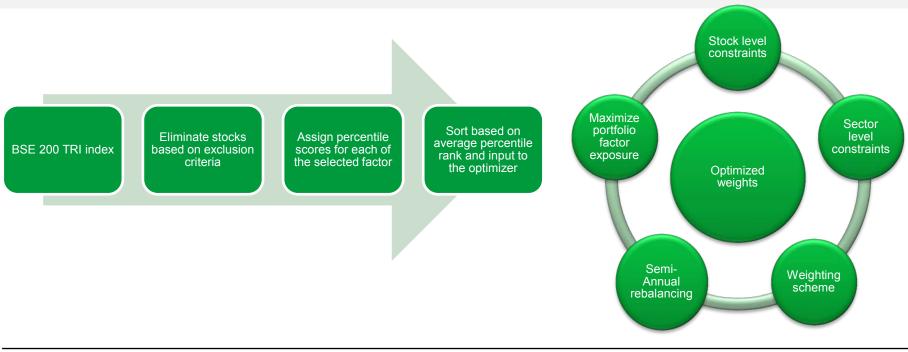
Factor Investing attempts to identify and capture durable sources of alpha. We have chosen factors which -

- · Are fundamentally sound
- Tested for consistency and alpha over long periods, across market cycles and different geographies
- · Are quantifiable
- · Have relatively low correlation with each other, maximizing diversification benefits for the portfolio

Characteristic	Factor	Metric	Rationale
Good Company	Quality	ROEEarnings GrowthConsistency	Aims to capitalize on the premium associated with well-run companies which are profitable and have steady earning streams
Good Company	Growth	 Estimated earnings growth (consensus) 	Aims to capitalize on premium associated with companies that have strong growth prospects
Right Price	Value	Dividend YieldFree Cash Flow Yield	Aims to capture excess returns from stocks that are relatively inexpensive compared to the market

Model workflow – Elimination, Selection & Optimization

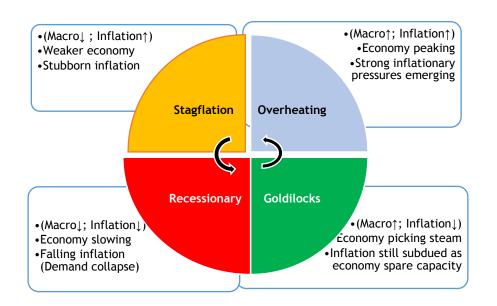




Constraint	Implementation		
Stock level constraints	 10%, or 10X of weight in BSE 200 TRI, whichever is lower (avoid concentration, ensure liquidity/capacity) 		
Sector level constraints	 Sector neutral, Max sector active weight 10% (diversification, avoids risk of sector rotation and back-tested for alpha) 		
Portfolio factor exposure	Maximize portfolio level factor exposure (average percentile rank across all five factors)		
Rebalancing frequency	Semi annual rebalancing to minimize turnover		

Factor cyclicality





	Goldilocks	Overheating	Stagflation	Recessionary
Growth	31.7%	39.4%	-3.4%	-2.1%
Quality	24.5%	35.6%	3.5%	0.2%
Value	21.6%	44.7%	-3.7%	-2.2%
Quant Model	30.4%	39.2%	3.7%	-0.2%
BSE 200 TRI	24.7%	39.2%	-3.4%	-5.8%

When can the Quant Model underperform?

Sentiment driven rallies / Market Euphoria (Not backed by fundamentals) Example: 2007 Commodity Super-cycle peak and 2014 Change in Govt. regime

Market reactions based on actual or expected changes in policy/regulation or events. Example: PSU Bank recap of Oct 2017

The fund may not be able to fully capture 'hope trades' or 'turnaround stories' where actual historical numbers are poor but market is pricing in a sharp future improvement.

Factor descriptors used for the above table:

Growth descriptors: 3 year forecast EPS growth

Quality descriptors: Return on equity and Earnings growth variability

Value descriptors: P/B, P/E and Dividend Yield

Note: The performance numbers are total return series from 30-Sep-2005 to 31-Mar-2019. Factor portfolios are created using factor tilting approach representing portfolios having stocks displaying high values on the respective factor descriptor. The factor portfolios are rebalanced quarterly. Data Source: FactSet, MFIE. **Past performance may or may not sustain in future and should not be used as a basis for comparison with other investments.** These figures pertain to performance of the index and do not in any manner indicate the returns/performance of the Scheme. It is not possible to invest directly in an index



Peer Relative Performance (Large Cap Category)



	Quant Model	S&P BSE 200 TRI	Nifty 50 TRI	Nifty Next 50 TRI	Large Cap Category - Median	Large Cap Category - Bottom of 1st Quartile	Quartile Rank of Quant Fund
2006	40.7%	40.2%	41.9%	30.0%	42.6%	45.5%	3
2007	42.6%	62.3%	56.8%	77.4%	61.8%	64.3%	4
2008	-46.2%	-55.9%	-51.3%	-63.1%	-50.0%	-48.3%	1
2009	94.7%	90.9%	77.6%	130.5%	77.2%	87.0%	1
2010	36.8%	17.8%	19.2%	18.9%	18.0%	19.1%	1
2011	-15.7%	-26.0%	-23.8%	-31.1%	-22.6%	-19.1%	1
2012	36.8%	33.2%	29.4%	49.8%	28.3%	30.3%	1
2013	14.9%	6.1%	8.1%	6.0%	6.6%	8.5%	1
2014	39.0%	37.4%	32.9%	46.4%	40.7%	44.7%	3
2015	9.6%	-0.2%	-3.0%	8.1%	0.9%	3.2%	1
2016	3.2%	5.4%	4.4%	8.4%	2.9%	4.9%	2
2017	32.6%	35.0%	30.3%	47.7%	29.9%	33.2%	2
2018	3.4%	0.8%	4.6%	-7.9%	-2.7%	-0.3%	1
YTD 2019	1.4%	5.7%	7.3%	0.6%	5.5%	6.3%	4
CAGR (Sep 2005-Mar 2019)	17.9%	13.1%	13.1%	14.6%	13.3%	16.4%	% Years in Q1 : 57%

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Common misconceptions and pitfalls of quant funds



Misconceptions and pitfalls	Why does this happen?	How we try to avoid this?	
The model works only in the back-test	 Over-fitting the model to recent data (over-estimates alpha as history does not exactly repeat) Typically, recent winners are also expensive and markets have tendency to mean revert Underestimating transaction cost and impact cost 	 Testing over long periods, in-sample and out-of-sample checks for persistence of signals across time horizons Diversifying sources of alpha to avoid cyclicality of returns Back-tests after factoring in realistic impact costs and fees Avoiding short term momentum signals to stay away from crowding/herding behavior 	
Quant investing is a data mining exercise	 Spurious correlations Choosing factors devoid of fundamental economic basis 	 Rigorous research on factors that are proven globally and across geographies and time horizons Avoiding any input which does not have a fundamental rationale 	
Quant investing is high frequency/algorithmic trading	There are some quant strategies which follow this style	 The DSP Quant Fund does not follow this style. This is designed to become a core equity allocation fund The portfolio is rebalanced only on a semi-annual basis to avoid excessive transaction cost and turnover 	



Portfolio Attributes



Top 10 Positions and Sector Weights



Sector	Quant Model Weight	BSE 200	Top Weights
Financials	31.5%	35.7%	HDFC Bank, IndusInd Bank, Bajaj Finance
Consumer Discretionary	13.5%	8.5%	Maruti Suzuki, Bajaj Auto, Hero Motocorp
Information Technology	16.2%	11.2%	TCS, Infosys, Wipro
Consumer Staples	15.0%	10.0%	ITC, Hindustan Unilever, Nestle
Materials	13.1%	8.1%	Asian Paints, Hindustan Zinc, Pidilite Industries
Energy	0%	10.5%	None
Utilities	0%	3.1%	None
Industrials	5.1%	6.0%	Voltas, Cummins India, Amara Raja Batteries
Communication Services	2.0%	0.8%	Sun TV network
Health Care	4.8%	4.6%	Dvi's Laboratories, Natco Pharma, Abbott India

Based on rebalance dated 31 March 2019. The sector(s)/stock(s)/issuer(s) mentioned in this presentation do not constitute any research report/recommendation of the same and the Fund may or may not have any future position in these sector(s)/stock(s)/issuer(s).



Portfolio characteristics

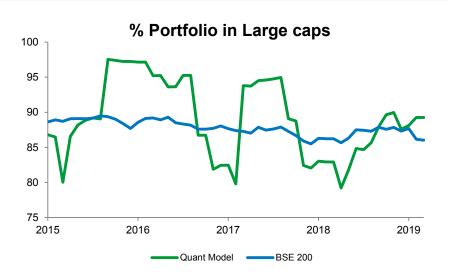


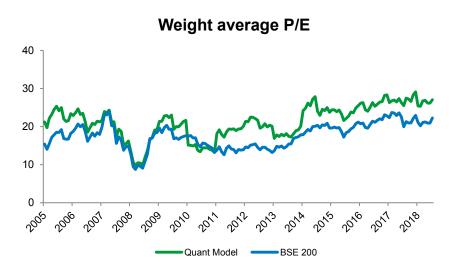


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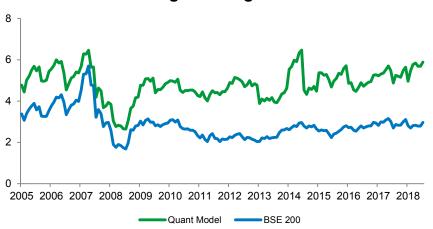
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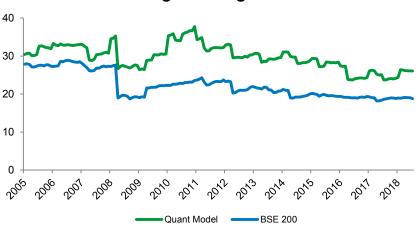




Weight average P/B



Weight average ROE



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Who should invest?



- 1. Investors who want a well diversified large cap oriented CORE portfolio
- 2. Investors who want a efficient strategy that is designed to beat the benchmark using rational principles combined with scientific risk management
- 3. Investors looking at a minimum 7 year investment horizon

4. Investors who do not want momentum chasing investment style with high turnover

DSP Quant Fund: Scheme Features



Investment Objective

The investment objective of the Scheme is to deliver superior returns as compared to the underlying benchmark over the medium to long term through investing in equity and equity related securities. The portfolio of stocks will be selected, weighed and rebalanced using stock screeners, factor based scoring and an optimization formula which aims to enhance portfolio exposures to factors representing 'good investing principles' such as growth, value and quality within risk constraints.

There is no assurance that the investment objective of the Scheme will be realized.

Benchmark

S&P BSE 200 TRI Index

Fund Manager

Anil Ghelani

Asset Allocation

Equity and equity related instruments including derivatives: 95% to 100%;

Debt and money market instruments: 0% to 5%;

Units issued by REITs & InvITs: 0% to 5%

Exit Load

Nil

Minimum Application Amount (First purchase & subsequent purchase)

For both during NFO and after the scheme reopens for ongoing purchase

Applicable to both Regular & Direct Plan: For first investment – Rs. 500 and any amount thereafter.

Quantitative Research & Strategy: Prateek Nigudkar





Prateek joined DSP Investment Managers in 2017 in the Risk & Quantitative Analysis (RQA) Division. Prateek has over 7 years of experience in quantitative finance, thematic research and risk management.

Prior to joining DSP, he worked for State Street Global Advisors in the Global Equity Beta Solutions Group. Prior to that, he was with Credit Suisse in the Private Banking Global Research division. Prateek is MS (Quantitative Finance) from Olin Business School, Washington University in St. Louis.

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2017

▶ Joined DSP Investment Managers Pvt Ltd. to primarily focus on applications of quantitative and statistical techniques in investment management

State Street Global Advisors

2017

▶ Senior Associate, Headed the Global Equity Beta Solutions India research team

Credit Suisse

2012 - 2017

▶ AVP, Thematic Research for Private Banking Division

- Cross-asset class research on themes, including quantitative analysis, portfolio strategy and construction
- Publications and White Papers include themes such as Smart Beta, ESG and Corporate Governance, Success of Small Countries

Education

- MS (Quantitative Finance) Olin Business School, Washington University in St. Louis
- ▶ FRM Certification (Global Association of Risk Professionals, USA), 2012
- ▶ CFA Level 3 Cleared (Global Association of Investment Professionals), 2015
- ▶ B.E. (Information Technology) DAVV Indore 2008

Risk & Quantitative Analysis (RQA) Team



Investment Risk Oversight / Quantitative Research & Factor Analytics /Portfolio Construction/ Enterprise Risk



Aparna Karnik (16)
Senior Vice President
Head – RQA

- ▶ Areas of specialization: Investment Risk, Credit Risk, Operations Risk
- Previously with CRISIL Ratings (Structured Finance Division, Large Corporates Group)
- Masters in Management Studies, Jamnalal Bajaj Institute of Management Studies



Prateek Nigudkar (7)
Sr. Manager, RQA

- ▶ Areas of specialization: Quantitative Finance, Thematic Research
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Rahul Jain (11)

AVP, RQA

- ▶ Areas of specialization: Risk Management, Quantitative Analysis, ETF strategies
- Previously with Goldman Sachs in Bangalore as Lead Strategist, Risk. Prior to that, he was with Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. in the US as VP, Equity Trading.
- IIT Delhi (Master of Technology and Bachelor of Technology, Computer Science)



Manprit Bhurji (16)

AVP, RQA

- ▶ Areas of specialization: Investment Risk, Performance Measurement
- Previously with Tata AIG General Insurance, SBI Life Insurance in investment mid-office function
- ▶ B.Sc from Mumbai University



Himadri Gangwar (7)

Manager, RQA

- ▶ Areas of specialization: Enterprise Risk
- Previously Senior Consultant, at Deloitte & Touche AERS In India Pvt Ltd.
- ▶ MBA (IIM, Indore), Bachelor of Technology (Institute of Engineering & Technology, Lucknow)



Archit Doshi (1)

Management Trainee, RQA

- Masters in Management Studies, Jamnalal Bajaj Institute of Management Studies
- ▶ B.E. (Computer) from Pune Institute of Computer Technology

Fund Manager: Anil Ghelani





Anil has been working with DSP Group since 2003 and is currently Head of Passive Investments & Products. Previously, he served as the Business Head & Chief Investment Officer at DSP Pension Fund Managers and prior to that leading the Risk and Quantitative Analysis team at DSP Mutual Fund responsible for monitoring of portfolio risk and buy-side credit research on companies across various sectors.

Prior to joining DSP, he has worked IL&FS Asset Management Company and at S.R. Batliboi a member firm of EY. He is currently serving in volunteer capacity as a Director and Vice Chairman of the CFA Society India.

DSPIM

2018 - Present

2013

2003

2006 - 2012

2003 - 2005

IL&FS Asset Management Co.

S.R. Batliboi (member firm of Ernst & Young)

Education

Head of Passive Investments & Products

- ▶ Business Head and Chief Investment Officer of DSP Pension Fund Managers Pvt. Ltd.
- ▶ Head of Risk & Quantitative Analysis (RQA) team
- Joined DSP Investment Managers Pvt Ltd. as on Assistant Vice President in Fund Administration team

Worked as a part of Fund Operations

2000 - 2003

- ▶ From February 2002 till February 2003 worked as an executive
- ▶ CA articleship till January 2002
- ► Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA Institute USA)
- Chartered Accountant (ICAI India)
- ▶ Bachelors of Commerce, Mumbai University

Product Labeling Details



Scheme	Product Suitability	Riskometer
DSP Quant Fund (Open ended equity scheme investing based on a quant model theme)	The Open ended equity scheme is suitable for investors who are seeking* Long-term capital growth Investment in active portfolio of stocks screened, selected, weighed and rebalanced on the basis of a predefined fundamental factor model	Investors understand that their principal will be at high risk

^{*}Investors should consult their financial/tax advisors if in doubt about whether the product is suitable for them.

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