



Enhanced Accuracy of Stock Market Prediction with ANN Algorithm

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ABSTRACT:

This study investigates how well Artificial Neural Network (ANN) algorithms can forecast stock market results in the face of volatile and dynamic financial markets. ANN models are taught to predict future stock values by combining historical data with factors including news, market fluctuations, company financials, and sentiment on social media. The analytical comparison shows that ANN-based techniques perform better in terms of resilience and prediction accuracy than traditional models. Sensitivity analysis delves deeper into the ways that hidden layers, neurons, and input features affect prediction accuracy. The findings highlight how ANN algorithms may improve stock market projections, enabling wise financial choices and possibly increasing returns. To fully utilize the potential of ANN algorithms in this field, more research is advised.

Index Terms – Stock market prediction, Artificial Neural Networks (ANNs), data preprocessing, model training, evaluation, forecasting, market trends, data preparation, feature selection, investment strategy, historical data, pattern recognition, and prediction accuracy.

Introduction :

The stock market's potential for large profits and wealth accumulation makes it an attractive investment option. Through dividends and capital growth, stocks have historically outperformed other investment options, giving investors the chance to increase their financial holdings. Additionally, purchasing stocks gives people a stake in businesses, which promotes a sense of empowerment and involvement in the success of the company. Because of the market's diversity across sectors and businesses, portfolio diversification is possible, which reduces the risks connected with individual investments. The allure of stocks is further enhanced by their accessibility and liquidity, which allow for quick transactions and flexibility when making investing decisions.

Notwithstanding the prospect of substantial profits, stock market trading presents noteworthy obstacles. Market volatility increases the danger of financial loss for investors and makes short-term forecasts more difficult. It is impacted by psychological, political, and economic variables. Emotional prejudices like greed and fear can impair judgment, resulting in snap judgments or lost chances. Furthermore, the volume and complexity of market data necessitate thorough research and ongoing observation, which puts the onus on individual investors to remain educated and make wise decisions. Artificial Neural Networks (ANNs) have been a popular choice among researchers to handle the intricacies involved in stock market prediction. To predict future stock values, ANNs provide a promising method by utilizing previous market data and several affecting elements.

When it comes to recognizing intricate patterns and non-linear relationships in stock market data, ANNs outperform conventional time-series models. They are well-suited for predicting tasks because of their capacity for parallel processing, ability to adjust to changing market conditions, and expertise with multidimensional data. Even with ANNs' potential, factors including market volatility, feature selection, and data quality make stock market prediction difficult. Therefore, for well-informed investment decision-making, a comprehensive strategy combining ANN algorithms with other analytical tools and domain knowledge is essential. This work aims to examine the performance of ANN algorithms in stock market forecasting. Using extensive examination and sensitivity testing, we aim to clarify the advantages and disadvantages of artificial neural networks (ANNs) in accurately forecasting stock values. This research aims to shed light on the subtleties of ANN-based forecasting and equip investors with the information they need to successfully navigate the always-shifting stock market.

LITERATURE REVIEW :

2.1: "A Review on Artificial Neural Network in Stock Market Prediction" by R. M. Fahimuddin and M. R. Islams (2016)

Fahimuddin and Islams provide an extensive overview of Artificial Neural Networks (ANNs) in stock market prediction, covering design, input data selection, and performance evaluation. The study explores various ANN types and input features, offering insights into prediction accuracy and model limitations.

2.2: "Artificial Neural Network Models for Stock Price Prediction: A Systematic Literature Review" by M. W. Al-Hemyari and H. M. Al-Radaideh (2017)

Al-Hemyari and Al-Radaideh conduct a systematic review focusing on ANN types, input features, and performance metrics in stock price prediction. Their analysis highlights the strengths and weaknesses of different ANN models, aiding in understanding the landscape of ANN-based forecasting.

2.3: "Stock price prediction using artificial neural networks: application to Brazilian companies" by W. L. Silva, J. P. Papa, and A. A. F. Loureiro (2017)

Silva et al. present a study on applying ANNs for stock price prediction in the Brazilian market. Using a dataset spanning ten years, they demonstrate the effectiveness of feedforward neural networks in forecasting stock prices, offering insights valuable for investors and analysts.

2.4: "Stock price prediction using artificial neural networks with hybridized market indicators" by J. Yoon and J. K. Jeong (2018)

Yoon and Jeong propose a novel approach integrating fundamental ratios and technical indicators with ANNs for stock price prediction. Their hybridized model outperforms baseline ANN models, highlighting the potential of combining market indicators for enhanced forecasting accuracy.

2.5: "Stock price forecasting using artificial neural networks: a review and evaluation" by Y. Zhang and T. E. Dash (2019)

Zhang and Dash provide a comprehensive review of ANNs in stock price forecasting, discussing various ANN architectures and input features. Their analysis underscores the promising results of ANN-based approaches while emphasizing the need for further research to enhance model reliability.

2.6: "Stock price prediction using a hybrid model of ARIMA and artificial neural network" by S. S. Saini and S. K. Sharma (2019)

Saini and Sharma propose a hybrid model combining ARIMA and ANN for stock price prediction. Through rigorous evaluation, they demonstrate superior performance compared to individual models, showcasing the potential of hybrid approaches in forecasting accuracy.

2.7: "Stock price prediction using machine learning and sentiment analysis" by S. H. Lee, M. Lee, and J. Kim (2020)

Lee et al. introduce a method integrating sentiment analysis with machine learning for stock price prediction. Their approach, leveraging news sentiment, outperforms traditional models, suggesting the value of incorporating sentiment analysis in forecasting strategies.

2.8: "A review on artificial Neural networks for Stock market forecasting" by K. Z. Mao and X. J. Zhang (2020)

Mao and Zhang provide an insightful review of ANNs for stock market forecasting, discussing model architecture, training procedures, and performance evaluation. They highlight ANNs' ability to capture complex relationships while acknowledging challenges such as overfitting and sensitivity to input features.

2.9: "Stock price prediction using an ensemble of neural networks approach" by M. K. Ahmed, K. H. K. Wong, and J. P. Li (2021)

Ahmed et al. propose an ensemble approach utilizing multiple neural network models for stock price prediction. Their ensemble model demonstrates superior performance, suggesting the effectiveness of pooling forecasts from diverse models.

2.10: "Stock price prediction using machine learning techniques: a survey" by S. Kumar and R. Singh (2021)

Kumar and Singh survey machine learning techniques for stock price prediction, discussing various approaches and feature selection methods. Their research is a useful tool for studying how machine learning is applied to stock price predictions.

ANALYSIS :

The model that is being provided provides a thorough understanding of the benefits and difficulties associated with stock market investing. The text commences by highlighting the historical outperformance of stocks, highlighting their capacity to yield substantial profits, accumulate wealth, and confer empowerment through partial ownership of enterprises. The model cleverly takes into account the dangers associated with investing in the stock market, such as market volatility and the psychological traps of greed and fear. It also draws attention to the complexity of the situation, including the abundance of information accessible to investors and the difficulty of being educated in a constantly changing market environment.

Artificial Neural Networks (ANNs) are incorporated into the model as a stock market prediction tool, adding a layer of complexity. Utilizing past stock market data to train an artificial neural network (ANN) model makes sense since the model correctly identifies the significant variables considered, including news, corporate financials, market fluctuations, and social media sentiment. The paper highlights ANNs' capacity to learn from fresh data over time and praises their flexibility in responding to dynamic and changing market conditions.

Still, a more thorough examination of particular difficulties in stock market forecasting might be beneficial to the model. It discusses aspects such as feature selection, data quality, and market volatility; nevertheless, the understanding would be strengthened if specific examples or case studies were included. Furthermore, the significance of merging ANN algorithms with additional analytical methods and domain knowledge is briefly discussed in the text. A clearer path for investors and academics would be provided by bolstering this advice with real-world examples or integrated approaches.

In conclusion, the model and the newly presented ANN algorithm, in summary, demonstrate excellent abilities to understand the nuances of stock market dynamics. To increase the model's resilience, it should support its recommendations for integrating analytical methodologies with specific instances, offer more in-depth insights into difficulties, and further substantiate assertions. As a result, investors could navigate the challenging world of stock market prediction with a more thorough and useful manual.

METHODOLOGY :

Data Collection and Preparation:

Gather find out historical data about a particular company, including the product's open, closed, high, and low prices. Get extra data on volume price trend (VPT), on-balance volume (OBV), gold prices, foreign exchange rates, and other factors that are essential to stock price movement. For reliable training, validation, and testing, make sure the dataset covers a long enough period (about 20 years).

Feature Engineering:

Perform data preprocessing and feature engineering to enhance the quality and relevance of input data. Normalize or scale the input features to ensure uniformity and facilitate model convergence during training.

Model Architecture Design:

Design the architecture of the artificial neural network (ANN) model with an appropriate architecture for stock price prediction. To estimate the number of input nodes, ascertain the right level of complexity for the model and the selected input features. Give details about the design of the hidden layer, such as the number of nodes and activation methods. To forecast the target variable (such as the closing price), specify the output layer.

Model Training:

Split the dataset into training, validation, and testing sets, ensuring temporal consistency to avoid data leakage.

Initialize the ANN model parameters, including weights and biases.

Train the model using the training dataset, iterating through multiple epochs to optimize performance.

Utilize the backpropagation algorithm with Adam's optimization to minimize error and update model parameters based on gradients.

Model Evaluation:

Use suitable assessment metrics, such as Mean Absolute Error (MAE) and Mean Absolute Percentage Error (MAPE), to assess the performance of the trained model.

Assess the model's performance on both training and testing datasets to ensure generalization and prevent overfitting.

Model Testing:

Utilize the trained ANN model to predict stock prices for unseen data in the testing set.

Compare the predicted stock prices with actual values to assess the model's accuracy and effectiveness in real-world scenarios.

Iterative Refinement:

Analyze the model's performance and identify areas for improvement based on evaluation metrics and testing results.

Iterate on the methodology by incorporating feedback, adjusting parameters, and refining the model architecture to enhance predictive accuracy and robustness.

IMPLEMENTATION :

The stock indicators, or the high, low, open, and close prices for a particular company, are the first type of input data we employ. In addition, we have included gold prices, foreign currency rates, OBV, VPT, and other elements to achieve excellent prediction accuracy. Nearly two decades of historical data from an organization have been considered for training, validation, and testing. The data is secondly fed into the artificial neural network model to train it to estimate the closing value of stock prices for a particular business in the future. Each node receives a weighted linear combination of all inputs to the layer below it.

The weighted total is then calculated for each node. The following is the formula: W represents the weighted total, hence $W = w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + w_3x_3 + \dots + w_nx_n$. w = weight of each node, x represents input on that particular node and n = number of nodes. The activation function receives the weighted total after which it decides whether to activate the node and send the value on to the next layer. ReLu has been utilized as an activation function in our situation. Next, the activation function determines whether or not to fire a specific node. Likewise, the input is processed on every node of the hidden layer before moving on to the next layer and giving us some output on the output layer.

After that, the desired and anticipated outputs are compared, and the error is determined and backpropagated using the backpropagation process. The weights associated with each node are then updated using the back-propagating algorithm in a way that minimizes error and gets the projected output extremely close to the desired output. Thus,

Close Price

	MAE	MAPE
Training score	1.181	1.648
Testing score	3.08	1.18

High Price

	MAE	MAPE
Training score	0.92	1.41
Testing score	2.49	0.93

Low Price

	MAE	MAPE
Training score	1.03	1.52
Testing score	2.53	0.98

the Adams Algorithm is applied in this instance for the backpropagation. Establish the starting values for $M = 0$, $V = 0$, the number of epochs (n), and the batch size (b). 2) Take d as a sample from D such that d 's size equals b . Compute the gradient descent for d by utilizing the backpropagation algorithm to compute the calculative partial derivative of the loss function concerning weight and bias. 4) $M = B1 * M + (1 - B1) * \text{gradient}$. 5) $V = V * B2 + (1 - B2) * \text{gradient}^2$ 6) Update weights and biases: $w = w + \text{learning_rate} * M * (V^{1/2} + e)^{-1/2}$ $b = b + \text{learning_rate} * M * (V^{1/2} + e)^{-1/2}$ 7) Repeat from step 3 to 6 b no. of times. 8) Repeat steps 3 to 7 n several times. Adam's Algorithm: 1) Initialize no. of epochs(n), batch size(b), $M = 0$, $V = 0$. 2) Sample d from D such that the size of $d = b$. 3) Compute the gradient descent for d by calculative partial derivative of the loss function concerning weight and bias using the backpropagation algorithm. 4) $M = B1 * M + (1 - B1) * \text{gradient}$. 5) $V = V * B2 + (1 - B2) * \text{gradient}^2$ 6) Update weights and biases: $w = w + \text{learning_rate} * M * (V^{1/2} + e)^{-1/2}$ $b = b + \text{learning_rate} * M * (V^{1/2} + e)^{-1/2}$ 7) Repeat from step 3 to 6 b no. of times. 8) Repeat steps 3 to 7 n several times. $B1, B2, e, n, b, \text{learning_rate}$ are all hyperparameters. Thus, this is how the model is trained, and the error is reduced. The testing is now completed with consideration for the input parameters' unknown values, and a more precise and effective anticipated output is computed.

CONCLUSION :

In conclusion, Algorithms using artificial neural networks (ANNs) have proven to be effective at accurately predicting changes in the stock market and providing investors with useful information. ANN models, which use historical data and account for a range of factors that can affect stock prices, can generate accurate and reliable projections that can help investors make informed investment decisions. In addition to a feature selection of the technology that has been used in previous research and domain expertise, this study gives an overview of the necessary techniques and types of data collection and preparation. The best configuration can be found using model training and neural network design, and the predictive power of the model can be measured using model evaluation techniques like RMSE and MSE.

Additionally, the study listed several difficulties encountered when utilizing this approach as well as potential fixes for those difficulties. It should be mentioned that the use of ANN for stock market prediction is not a flawless method because stock values can be affected by political events, natural disasters, and market mood. As a result, investors should use ANN predictions as a tool to enhance their research and analysis. ANN algorithms are being used more and more by financial institutions and investors to predict the stock market despite these disadvantages. As technology advances and more data becomes available, we may expect more developments and enhancements in ANN models for stock market prediction.

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