

# Validation Method Reliability: Traffic Light System

Choose Purged K-Fold or Walk-Forward

$R^2 = 0.375$

☐ **Dangerous**  
(Optimistic Bias)

CV Only

$R^2 = 0.288$

✓ **Reliable**  
(Conservative)

Purged  
K-Fold

$R^2 = -0.143$

✓ **Gold Standard**  
(Slow)

Walk-  
Forward