COS30018 Assignment B – Task 1

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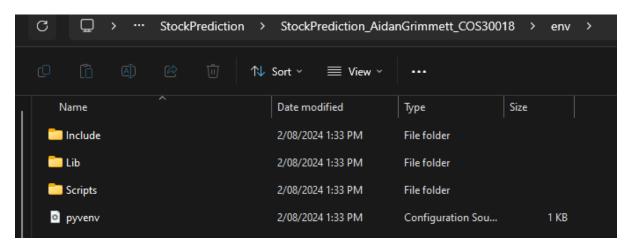
The first thing I did is create a new github repository, here is a link to the wiki page: https://github.com/AidanGrimmettSwin/StockPrediction AidanGrimmett COS30018/wiki

From there, I tried to create a virtual environment using venv as I had used it before.

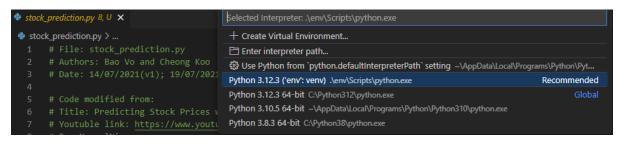
Creating the venv:

C:\Users\aidsg\Documents\Rep	os\StockPrediction\StockPrediction	_AidanGrimmett_COS300	18>python -m venv env
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Inside the 'env' environment structure:



Then, I had to select the venv interpreter in VSC where I am running the code from (ctrl + shift + P to bring up this menu):



Installing numpy and showing that that is the only other package installed: (my global pip has lots of packages)

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PS <u>C:\Users\aidsg\Documents\Repos\StockPrediction\StockPrediction AidanGrimmett COS30018</u>> pip install numpy
Collecting numpy
 Downloading numpy-2.0.1-cp312-cp312-win_amd64.whl.metadata (60 kB)
                                             60.9/60.9 kB 1.1 MB/s eta 0:00:00
Downloading numpy-2.0.1-cp312-cp312-win_amd64.whl (16.3 MB)
                                          - 16.3/16.3 MB 3.7 MB/s eta 0:00:00
Installing collected packages: numpy
Successfully installed numpy-2.0.1
[notice] A new release of pip is available: 24.0 -> 24.2
[notice] To update, run: python.exe -m pip install --upgrade pip
PS C:\Users\aidsg\Documents\Repos\StockPrediction\StockPrediction AidanGrimmett COS30018> pip list
Package Version
numpy 2.0.1
        24.0
pip
```

To install packages/modules in the virtual environment, I ran this command:

'pip install numpy matplotlib pandas tensorflow scikit-learn pandas-datareader yfinance'

Then to create the requirements file for future installs:

Run `python -m pip freeze > requirements.txt`

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      abs1-py==2.1.0
      astunparse==1.6.3
      beautifulsoup4==4.12.3
      certifi==2024.7.4
      charset-normalizer==3.3.2
      contourpy==1.2.1
      cycler==0.12.1
      flatbuffers==24.3.25
      fonttools==4.53.1
      frozendict==2.4.4
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      gast==0.6.0
      google-pasta==0.2.0
 12
 13
      grpcio==1.65.2
      h5py==3.11.0
      html5lib==1.1
      idna==3.7
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      joblib==1.4.2
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However, I was running into issues with running the code still. Certain packages were still not being found (tensorflow, distutils). So instead I installed anaconda and used that to set up a new environment like so:

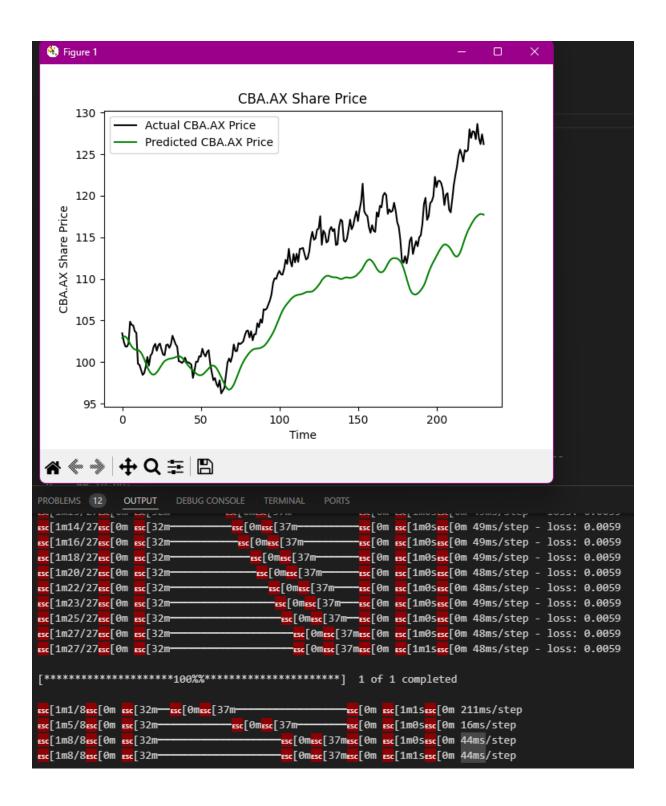
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PS C:\Users\aidsg\Documents\Repos\StockPrediction\StockPrediction_AidanGrimmett_COS30018> conda create --name StockPredict1 -c anaconda python=3.10 Channels:
- anaconda
- defaults
Platform: win-64
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Then I installed the required packages using the requirements.txt file, 'pip install -r requirements.txt'. I had to be careful to do this inside the anaconda command prompt, trying to use conda commands through the terminal inside visual studio code was not working.

Now all of the packages were being imported correctly, but I ran into a missing charset issue, so I added these two lines to the top of the code to enforce a utf-8 encoding which fixed that issue.

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# Can't run without specifying output encoding
import sys
sys.stdout.reconfigure(encoding='utf-8')
```

From there, the v0.1 code ran properly and I was able to very roughly predict the stock price as shown:



For the P1 code, I did set up a fresh conda environment as there was one different package (yahoo-finance vs yfinance in v0.1), and I thought I was getting some incompatibilities but it may have been another issue. There was one issue with the code which I fixed, I had to change what was appended to the model name from `model_name + ".h5"` to `model_name + ".weights.h5"`, as it wasn't recognising the file names.

Once that was changed, I was able to train the model as shown here:

Then, I was able to run the test script to produce this stock prediction. It is significantly more accurate than the prediction created by the v0.1 code, and I only trained for 5 epochs, where it is common for training algorithms to run for dozens if not hundreds of epochs.

