# Stock News Classification, Prediction, & Analysis

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## **Business Problem**

- Predicting stock prices is a highly valuable asset to have. Assuming high precision in our predictions, we can:
  - Profit from short or long term stock purchases
  - Analyze company projected growth or decline
  - Determine public sentiment toward a company or industry

- The Assumption of this project is that stock news is related to stock price. This
  assumption is based on:
  - How stock prices move up or down
  - Public sentiment toward a stock and stock price

## **Business Understanding**

- Understanding the value that comes from stock prediction, I went into this project with the following goals:
  - Build various machine learning models predicting stock price with precision and accuracy as the goal metrics.
    - Value: If we have a model that can confidently predict a gain or loss for a given stock then we can invest company funds with higher confidence
  - Derive Importance Results
    - Value: Is the headline of a news article have more valuable information than the text?
      Knowing this will allow for more advanced models in the future
  - Visualize Relationships
    - Value: By creating a visual representation of the relationship between stock news and a given stock we can detect patterns which can be used to enhance model performance

#### Data

- All of the data was retrieved from the FMP Cloud API (<a href="https://fmpcloud.io/">https://fmpcloud.io/</a>)
- Preprocessing:
  - Obtain Stock News using api key, limit (Number of News articles to retrieve) stock symbol list
    - This returns the title and text of the news, date + time published
    - Custom Features:
      - Vader sentiment scores (For first two models)
      - Boolean is\_weekday (True if on Friday, Saturday, Sunday)
      - Weekday number (0 = Monday)
      - Stock Prediction Day
  - Obtain stock price using the date range from the stock news dataframe above

#### **NLP**

- For the recurrent networks and transformer model I took the following natural language process steps
  - Combine title and text of a news article
  - Count unique words
  - Determine max length of a given text
  - Tokenize words (removes punctuation)
  - Embed words using Glove word vector matrix
    - (https://nlp.stanford.edu/projects/glove/)

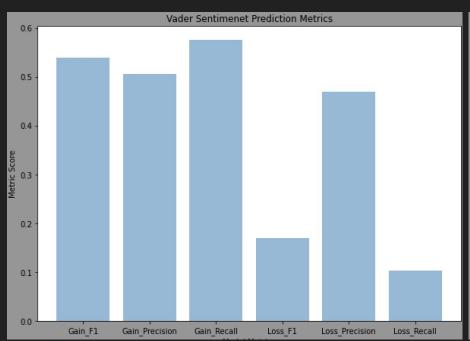
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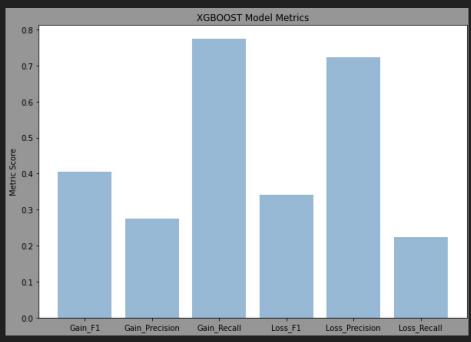
- I define gain/loss by change i.e. Stock Open Price Stock Close Price
  - If change > 0 stock == gain
  - o If change < 0 stock == loss</p>
- Baseline Model (Vader Sentiment Scores)
  - Does not use machine learning
  - Predicts stock price using average score of title and text
- Baseline Model (XGBOOST with Vader Sentiment Scores)
  - Supervised binary classification machine learning
  - Predicts stock price using vader sentiment scores after being trained on actual gain/loss of a stock

# Metrics (Baseline Models)

Vader Sentiment Model

#### Vader Sentiment XGBOOST Model



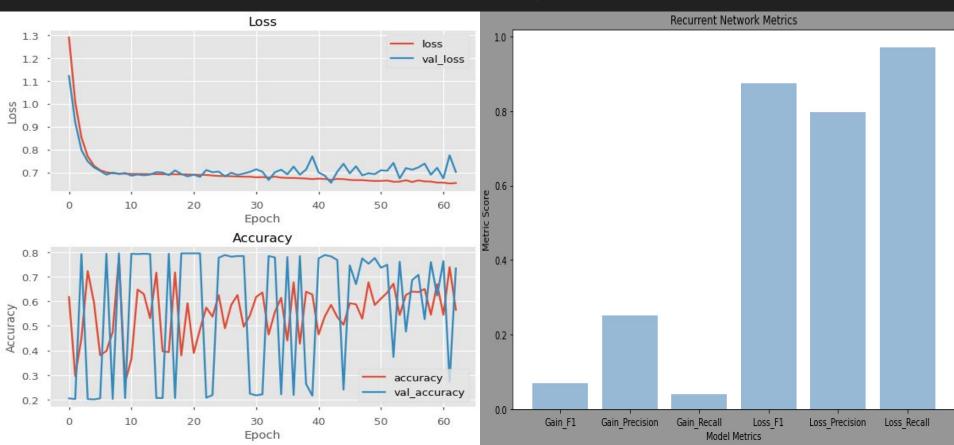


# Methodology (Recurrent Neural Networks)

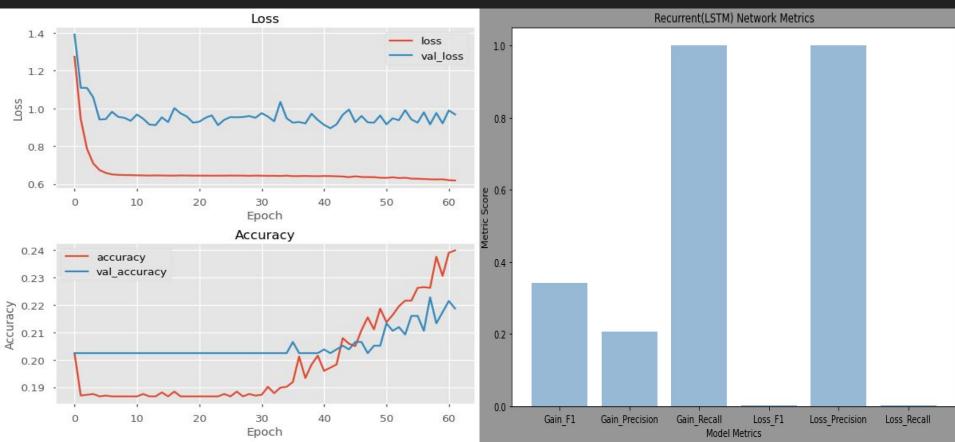
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  - Embedding layer with 50 vector size
  - GRU layer
    - 64 neurons
    - L2 regularizer
  - Dense Layer
    - 128 neurons
    - Tanh activation
  - Output Layer
    - Sigmoid activation
  - Loss: binary\_crossentropy
  - Optimizer : Adam

- LSTM Model
  - Embedding layer with 50 vector size
  - LSTM Layer
    - 64 neurons
    - L2 regularizer
  - Dropout Layer
    - Rate:.2
  - Dense Layer
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# Metrics (GRU Recurrent Network)

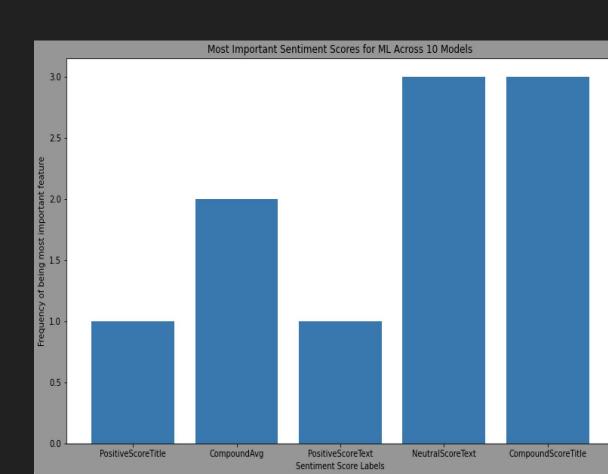


# Metrics (LSTM Recurrent Network)

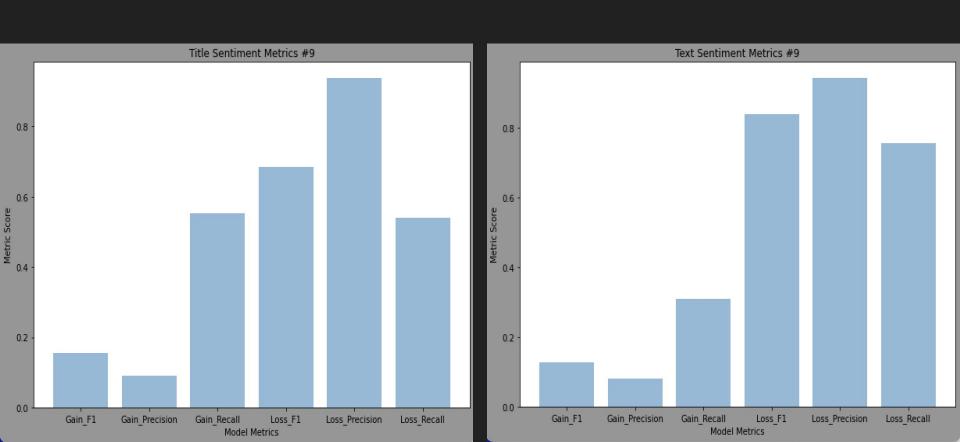


## Results #1

 Text & Title are equally important when classifying stock news data

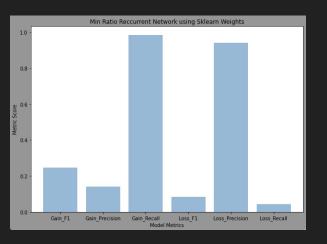


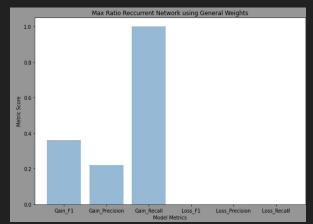
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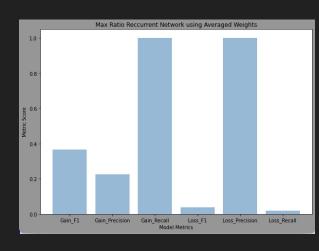


## Results #2

The best weighting system for larger ratios, loss/gain, is the averaged weights

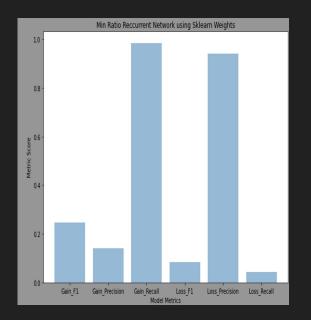


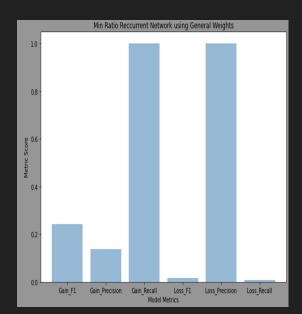


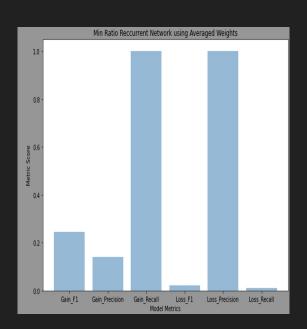


## Results #2

The best weighting system for smaller ratios, loss/gain, is the sklearn weights







# Results#3 Best Model

0.59

0.85

0.50

0.18

accuracy

macro avg

weighted avg

Recurrent	Network G	RU			Baseline (XGBOOST)				
	precision	recall	f1-score	support		precision	recall	f1-score	support
	0.00 0.19	0.00	0.00 0.32	2375 557	0 1	0.82	1.00	0.90	5302 1151
accuracy macro avo weighted avo	0.09	0.50 0.19	0.19 0.16 0.06	2932 2932 2932	accuracy macro avg weighted avg	0.41 0.68	0.50 0.82	0.82 0.45 0.74	6453 6453
Recurrent Network LSTM							Baseline (Sentiment   NON ML)		
	precision	recall	f1-score	support		precision	recall	f1-score	support
1		0.00 1.00	0.00	2415 518	loss gain NotEnoughData	0.10 0.51 0.00	0.00 0.99 0.00	0.00 0.67 0.00	1145 1201 4

accuracy

macro avg weighted avg

0.20

0.31

0.33

0.51

0.51

0.22

0.34

2350

2350

2350

2933

2933

2933

0.18

0.15

0.05

## Conclusions

- Develop & patent custom Natural Language Processing for stock news titles
   AND their corresponding text.
  - This will lead to higher return on investments,
  - business insights,
  - and allow your company to understand the sentiment of investors.
- To best handle the class imbalance where ratio = loss/gain:
  - Smaller Ratios (<8): Use Sklearn generated weights</li>
  - Larger Ratios (>8): Use the average weight between sklearn and the general formula class/class
- Develop a sentiment analysis tool specifically for stock data. This will include labeling data for training, this should be done by human experts.

## **Further Work**

Provided with more time, I would....

- Further develop transformer model
  - Parameter Optimization
  - Add weights
- Develop business product capable of analyzing stock sentiment to enhance company & customer return on investment
- Develop custom filtering methods capable of determining:
  - Optimal weights for class imbalance
  - Trending stocks (positive or negative)
- Develop process that collects equal gain & loss metrics so that models have higher performance

## Questions?



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