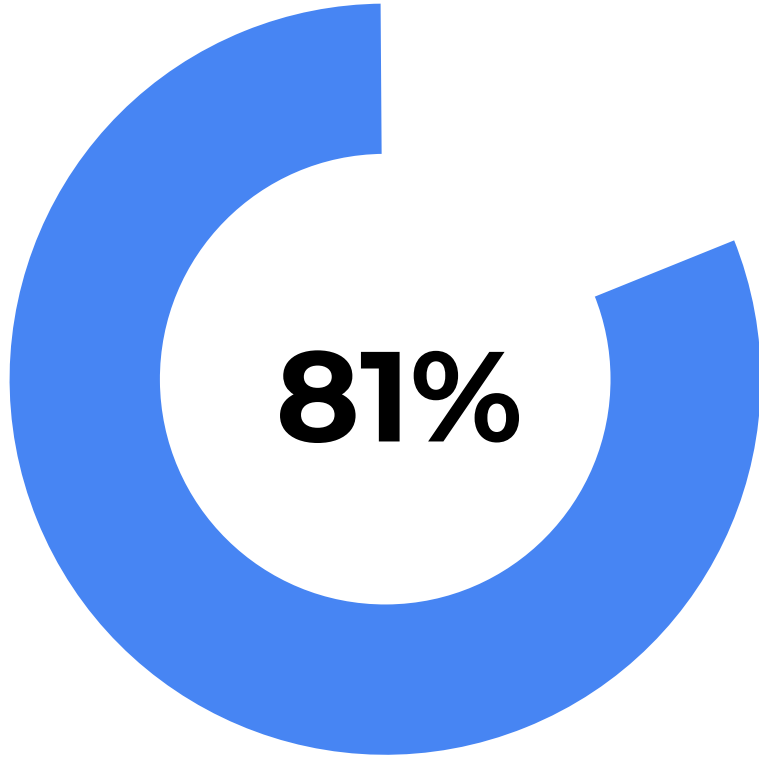


# **Stock Return Prediction with CNN and Attention- based LSTM Models**

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■ Trader with Negative Abnormal Return

■ Trader with Positive Abnormal Return

## Underperform

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- 19% made positive abnormal returns
- Annually underperform 10.3%
- What about computer?

# Overview

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# 01

# Preprocessing

Data Collection  
Normalization  
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# Data Collection

- Download information from Bloomberg
- Focus on TESLA
- 6<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup> day return as label

- $$r_i = \frac{P_{(close,i)} - P_{(close,i-1)}}{P_{(close,i-1)}}$$

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# Data Collection

**10**  
**Variables**

5 Fundamental  
5 Technical Indicators

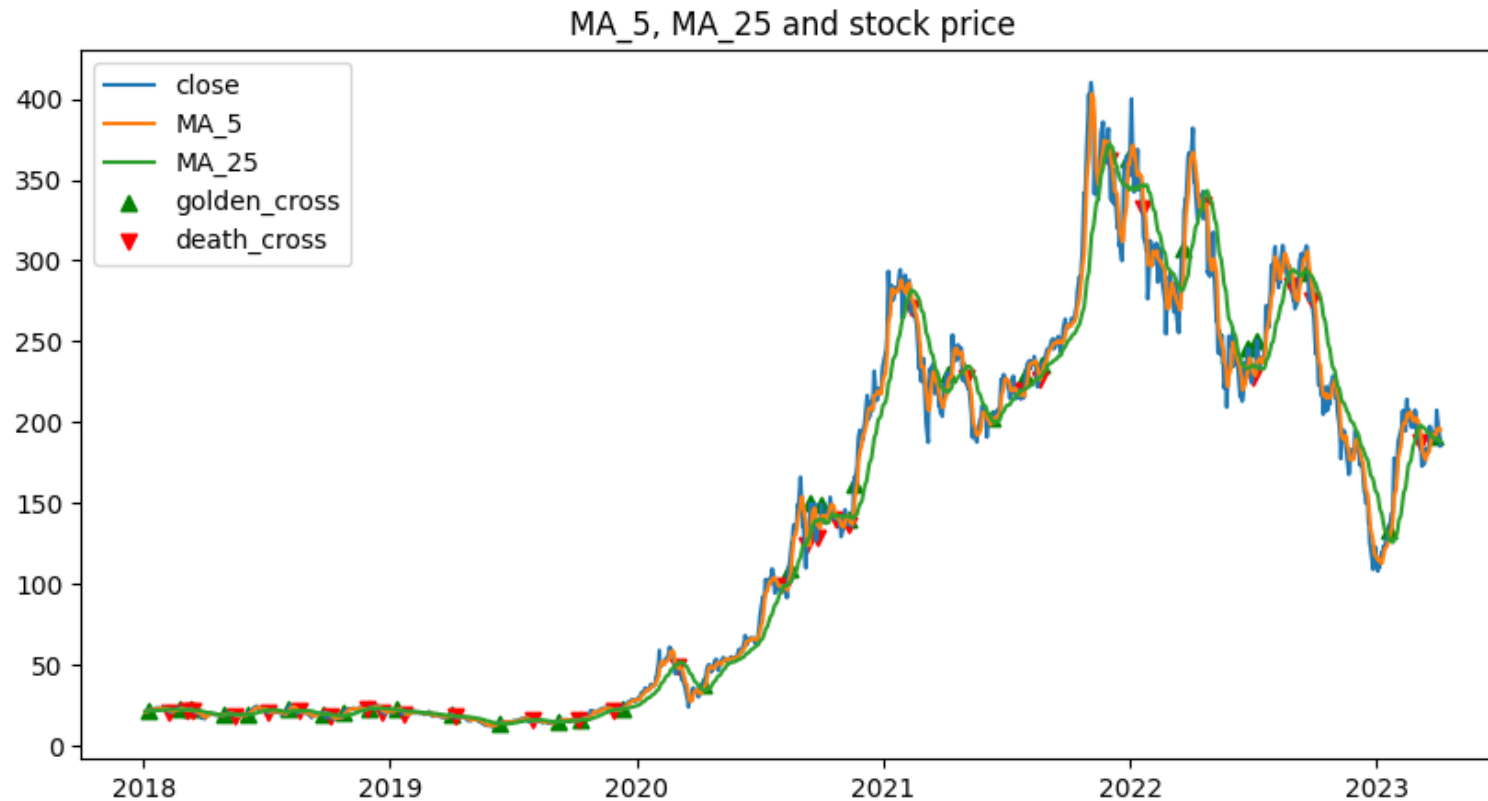
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Starting from **2017**  
Most recent data

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# Pattern Recognition



## Technical Patterns

- Intersection of MA(5) and MA(25)
- Golden cross & death cross

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# Data Collection

**12**  
**Features**

**5** Fundamental  
**5** Technical Indicators  
**2** Technical Patterns

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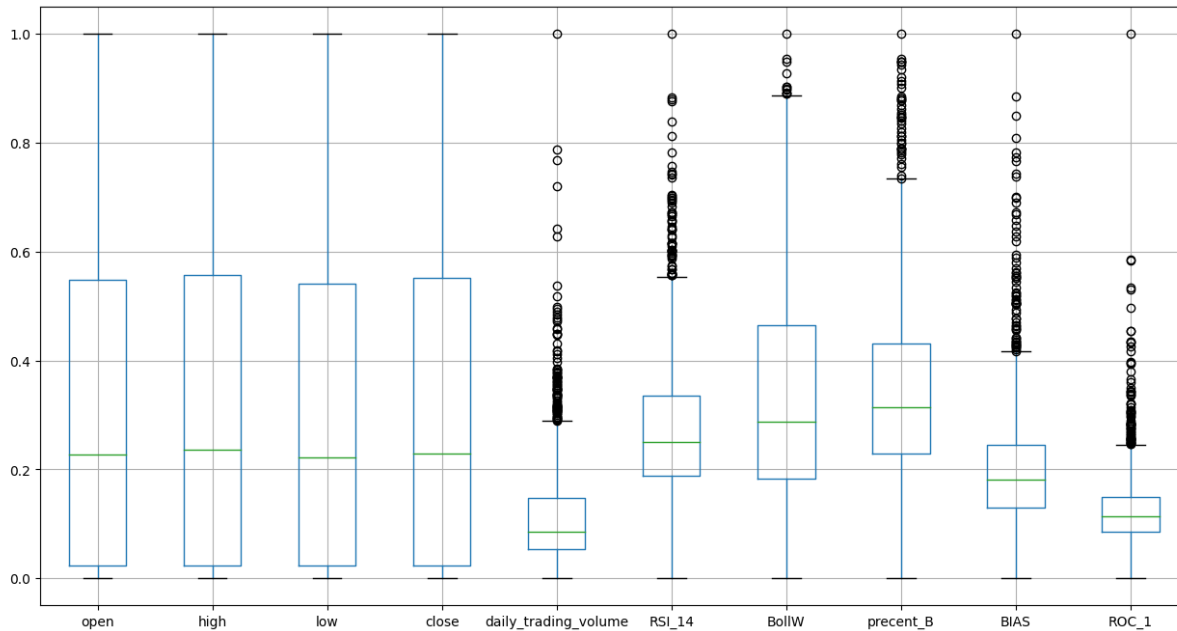
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# Normalization

## Min-Max Normalization

- The largest range: 150,048,598,784
- The smallest : 0.285
- $\hat{x} = \frac{x - \min(x)}{\max(x) - \min(x)}$
- Bound between [0,1]





# 02

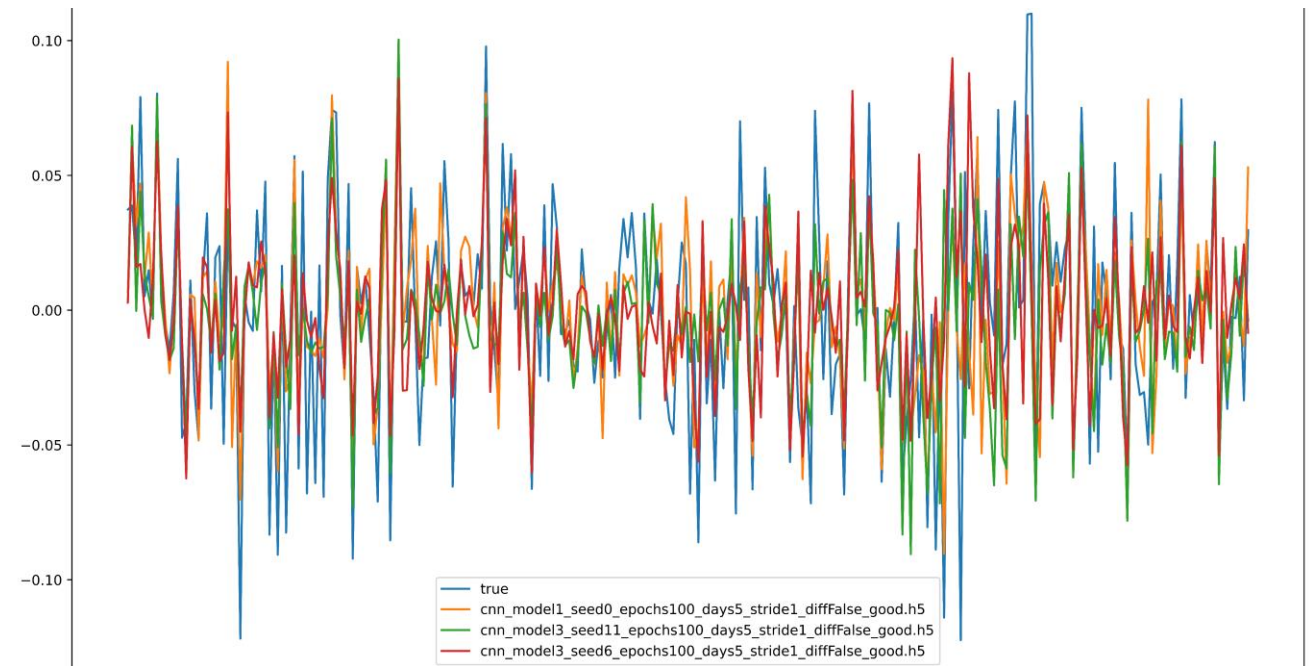
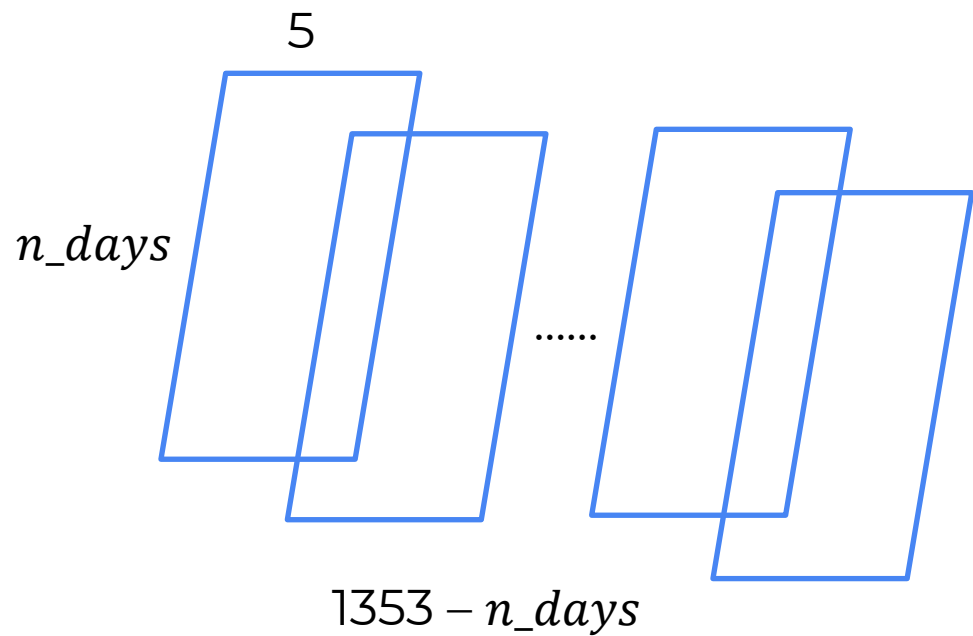
# Deep Learning Models

Convolutional Neural Network (CNN)  
Attention-based Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM)

# CNN + MLP

- 5 days or 10 days as one observation
- $(1353 - n\_days, n\_days, 5)$  input tensor flow

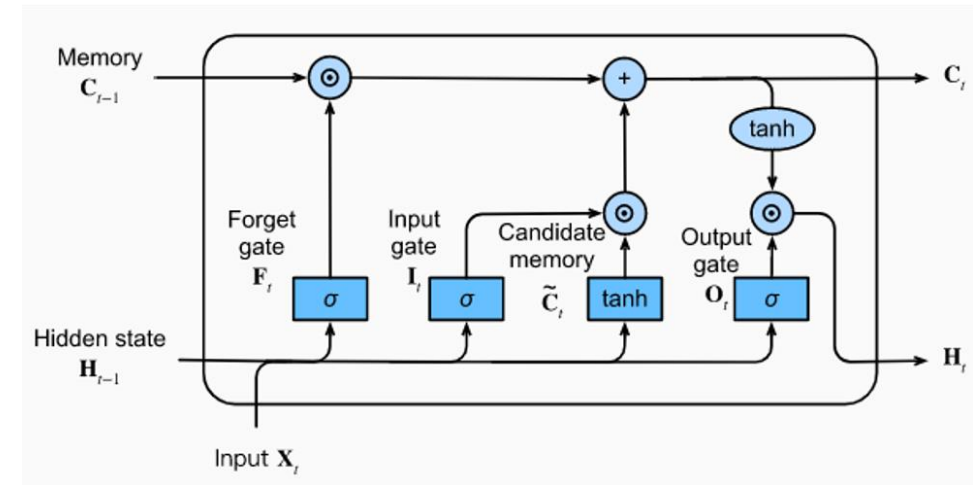
- Convo | Flatten | Dense
- MSE: 0.0004



# Attention-Base LSTM

## Long-Short Term Memory Model

- Better at handling **long-term dependencies** due to their ability to remember information for extended periods of time
- less susceptible to the **vanishing gradient problem** with the use of LSTM cell, which helps to preserve information over long sequences



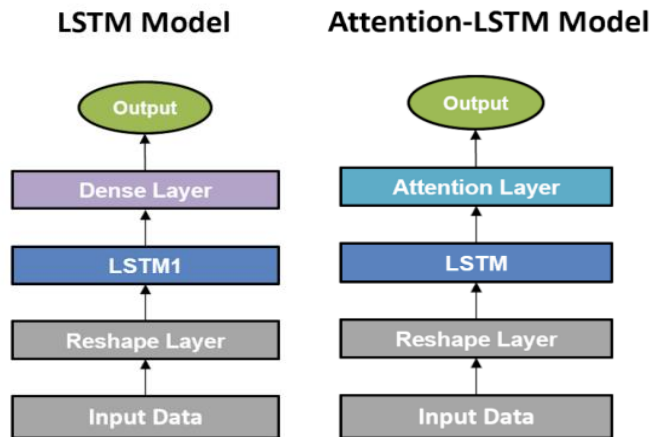
## Improvement: Attention Mechanism

- Inspired by biological phenomena and human perception: Instead of treating all information with equal importance, we focus more on those important



**Extract key features and ignore the redundant features**

# Model Architecture



## Soft Attention

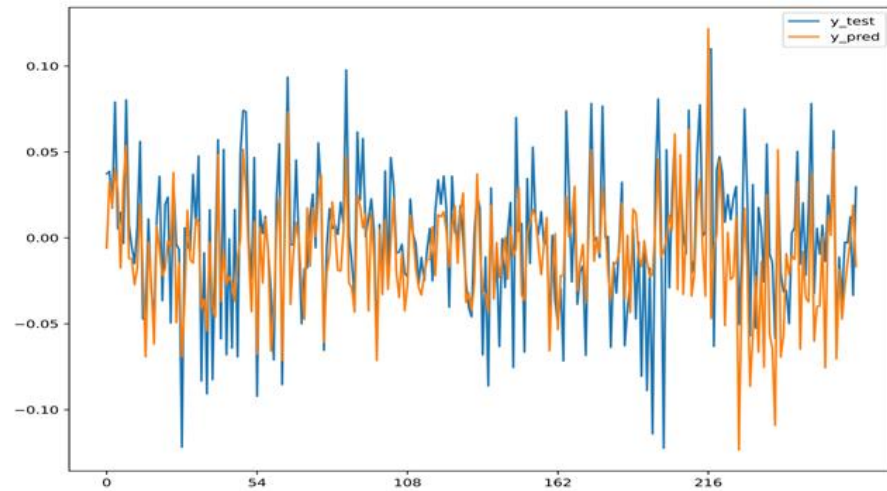
$$e_t = \tanh(W_a [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_T] + b) \quad \alpha_t = \frac{\exp(e_t)}{\sum_{k=1}^T \exp(e_k)}$$

$W_\alpha$ : Weight matrix reflecting the importance of each feature (trainable)

$\alpha_t$ : Resulting weights

- **Activation function:** ReLU
- **Optimization:** Adam; **Loss function:** mean squared error
- **Model Architecture:** Attention – LSTM(32) – Dense(64) – Dense(32) – Dense(1)

# Model Performance



## MSE

Pure LSTM	0.0025
Attention LSTM	0.00049

## Back Testing

Annualized return: 106%

**Attention Mechanism improved the performance**

# Time Series Model

## Build GARCH(1, 1) Model for Return

$$r_t = \mu + \epsilon_t$$

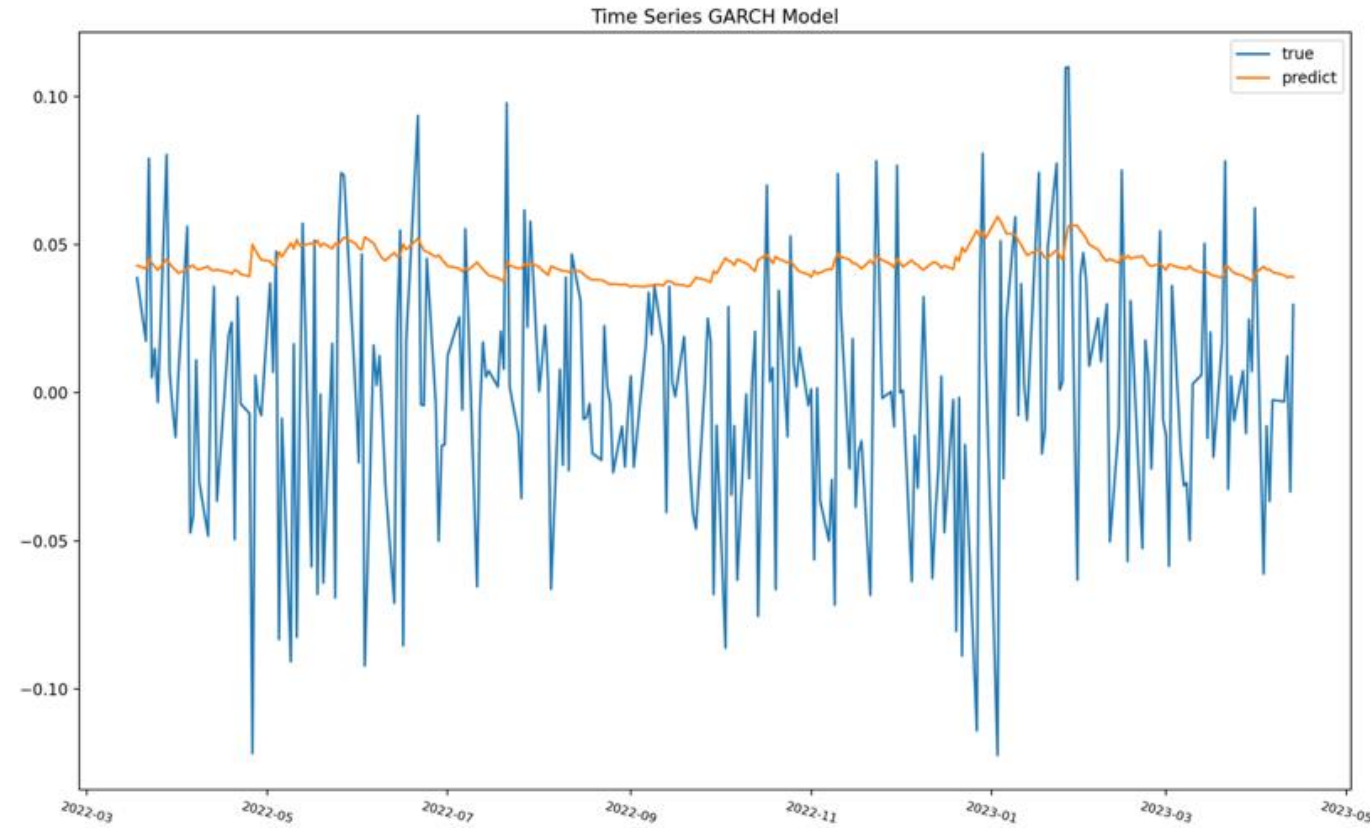
$$\epsilon_t = \sigma_t e_t$$

$$\sigma_t^2 = \omega + \alpha \epsilon_{t-1}^2 + \beta \sigma_{t-1}^2$$

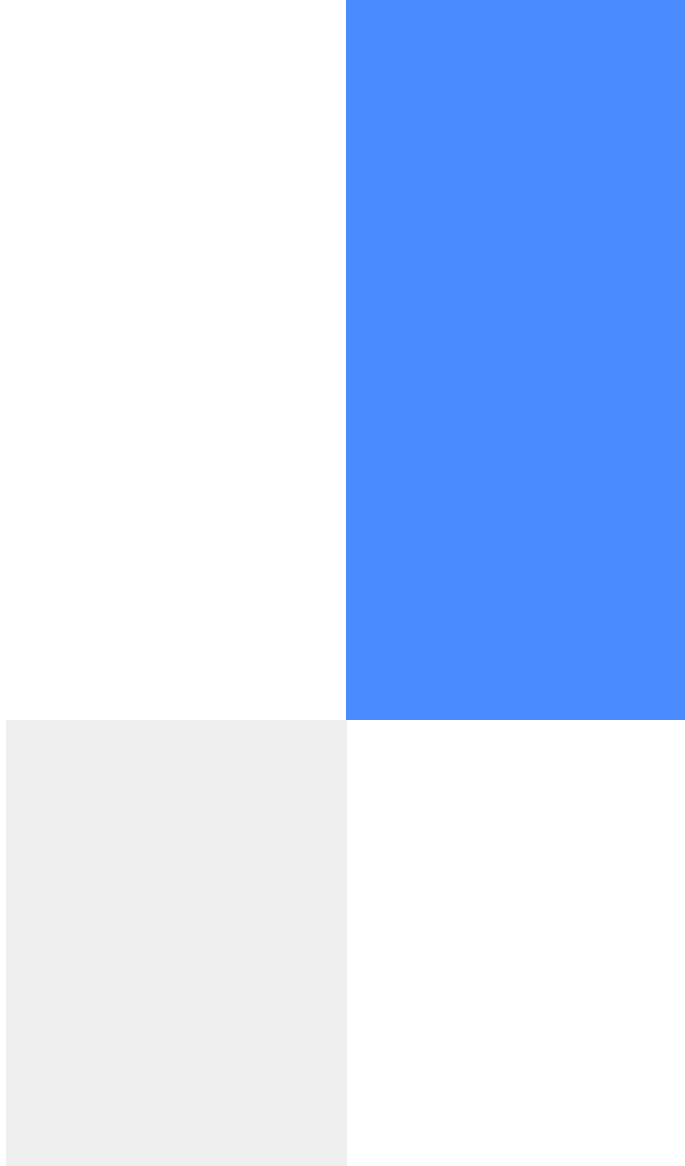
$$e_t \sim N(0, 1)$$

## Problem

The GARCH model hardly changes  
Cannot follow the variation of stock return







# 03

## Model Evaluation

# Trading Strategy

## Intraday Long Only

Use previous 5 days' information to predict 6<sup>th</sup> day's return

If predicted return  $> 3\%$ , go long position at Open price and close position at close price

## Back Testing

Initial Capital: \$100,000

Trade exposure: 60% cash

Commission fee: 0.01%

 Backtrader

## Evaluation Criteria

Portfolio value

Win rate

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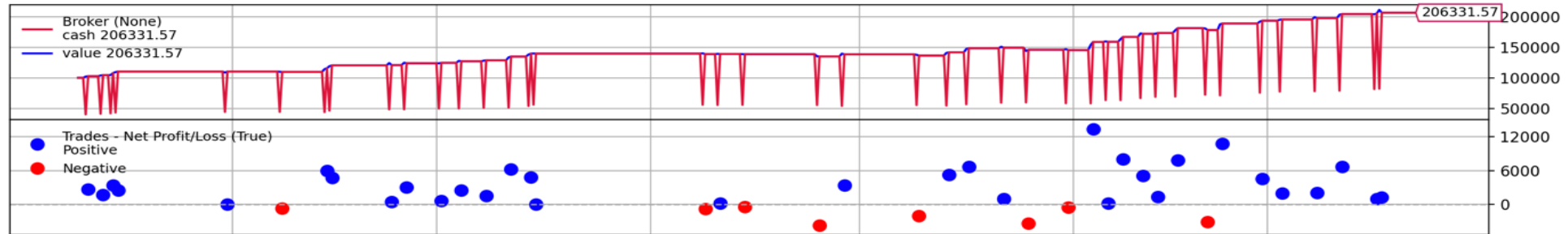


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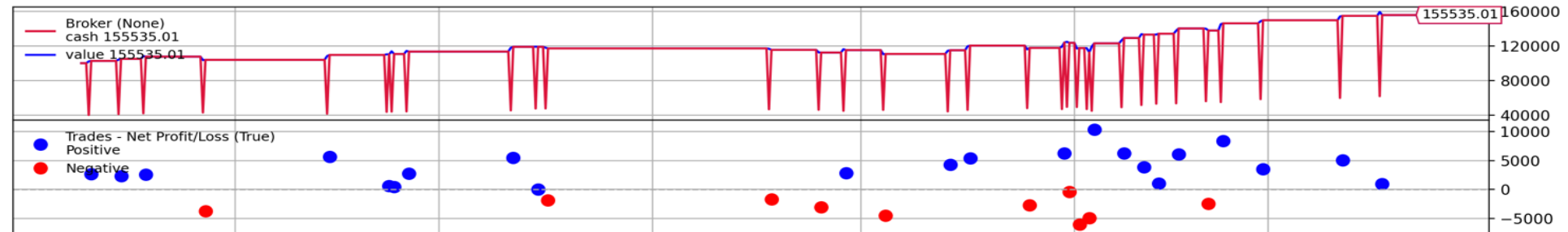
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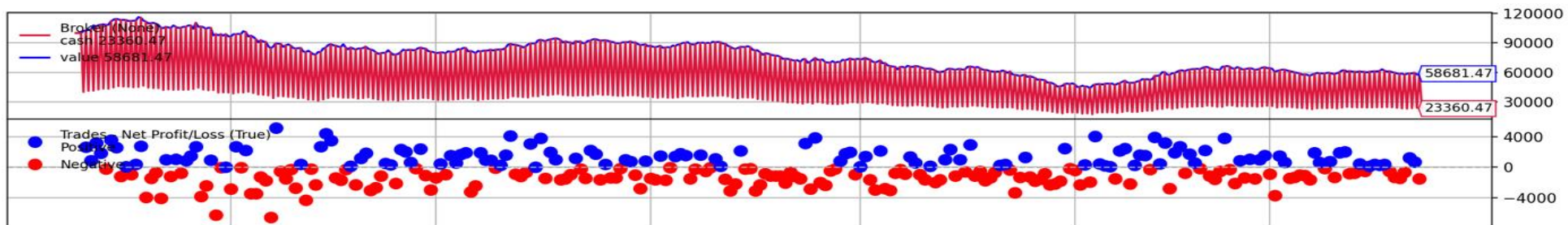
## Attention-LSTM



## CNN



## GARCH



# Q & A

Thank you!