

FinTech101 Task B.1 Report

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Task B.1: Setup

1. Introduction

This report summarizes the setup process for the FinTech101 project, including environment setup, testing of provided code bases, and initial understanding of the project structure.

2. Environment Setup

I set up a virtual environment for the project using the following steps:

```
python -m venv .venv  
source .venv/bin/activate
```

OR

Bash file I have created to automate the set up the environment and downloading requirements files.

```
./init.sh
```

I created a `requirements.txt` file with the following contents:

```
numpy  
pandas  
matplotlib  
scikit-learn  
tensorflow  
yfinance  
pandas_datareader  
mplfinance
```

To install the required packages, I ran:

```
pip install -r requirements.txt
```

3. Code Implementation

For this task, I focused on setting up and testing the provided code bases:

1. v0.1 ([stock-prediction.py](#)) - provided
2. P1 (<https://github.com/x4nth055/pythoncode-tutorials/tree/master/machine-learning/stock-prediction>)

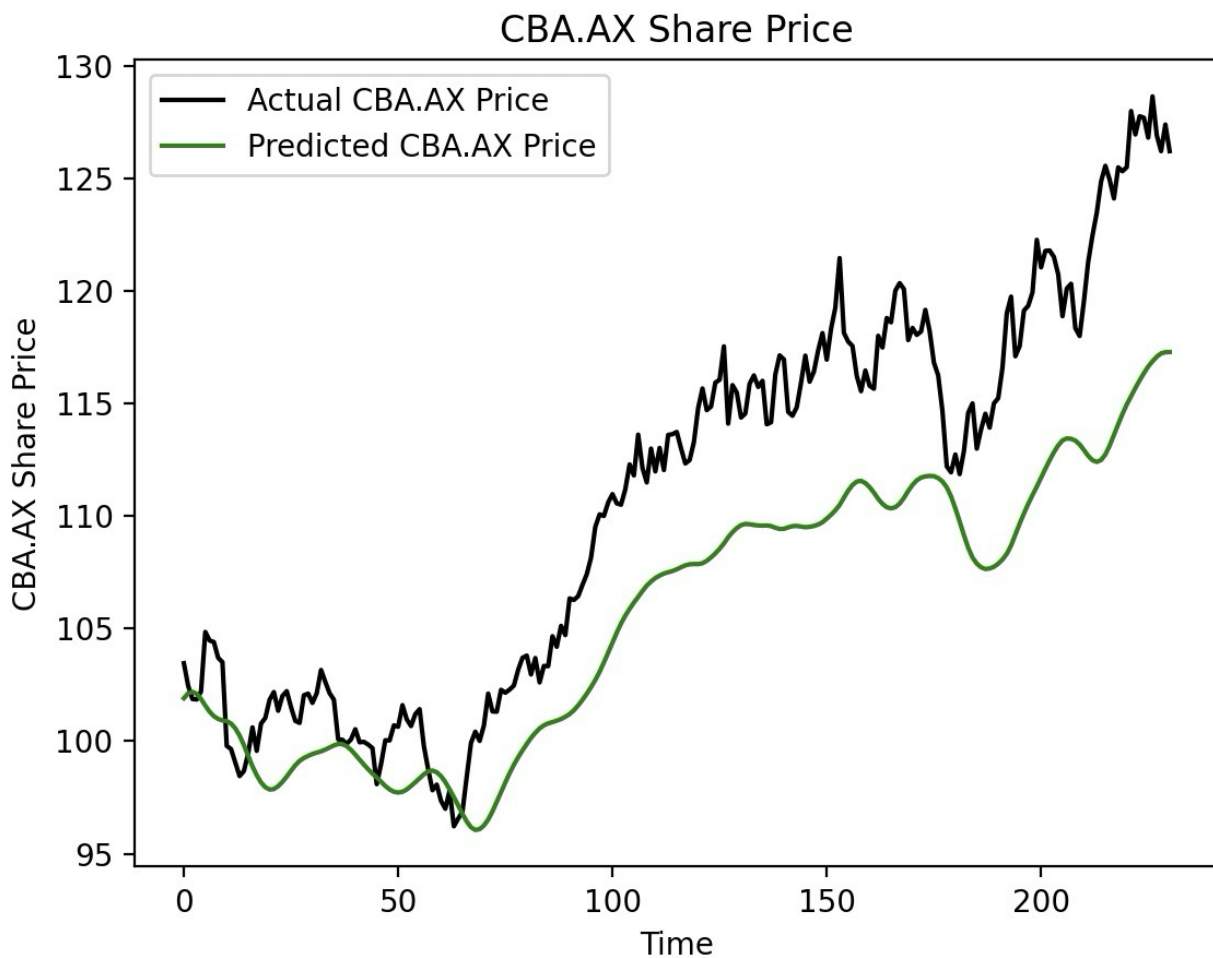
I cloned both repositories to my local machine and ensured they were runnable within the virtual environment.

4. Testing and Results

v0.1 ([stock-prediction.py](#))

I successfully ran the v0.1 code. Here's a summary of the results:

- The code downloads stock data for CBA.AX (Commonwealth Bank of Australia) from 2020-01-01 to 2023-08-01.
- It trains an LSTM model to predict stock prices.
- The model makes predictions for the period 2023-08-02 to 2024-07-02.
- A plot is generated comparing actual and predicted prices.



P1

I also tested the code from the P1 repository. This implementation includes:

- More sophisticated data preprocessing

- A different model architecture
- Additional visualization options

[Pics]

5. Challenges and Solutions

1. Challenge: Deprecation warnings for pandas-datareader Solution: Updated the code to use yfinance instead of pandas-datareader for downloading stock data.
2. Challenge: Ensuring consistent environments across v0.1 and P1 Solution: Created a comprehensive requirements.txt file that satisfies the dependencies of both projects.

6. Conclusions and Next Steps

I successfully set up the development environment and tested both v0.1 and P1 code bases. The initial v0.1 code provides a basic framework for stock prediction, while P1 offers more advanced techniques that could be incorporated into the project.