

Overview of Project Developments and Applications in Data Science

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Project development and application - Cultivating programming skills through problem discovery and solving.

• Project development and application - Using news to judge the trend of the stock market

During my time working in PwC, I not only developed financial programs to optimize workflows but also accumulated extensive financial expertise. I also had exposure to various industries and participated in IPO (initial public offering) cases for multiple companies. After gaining experience at the firm, I participated in an industry trial program at the Institute for Information Industry to further study model building using machine learning, deep learning, and natural language analysis techniques, which were then applied to actual projects.

International events, stock trading information, futures trading information, and financial reports are important indicators when the firm conducts financial outlooks and predicts company performance. During the program, I used deep learning models to predict stock market trends to see if it could be effective. After continuous experimentation and effort, the model prediction achieved 87%, surpassing the initial benchmark of 70% from the reference literature. However, there is still room for improvement in the program's internal structure and language usage, so I hope to further my studies in graduate school to continue increasing my programming logic and abilities and gain more systematic and comprehensive programming skills from structured teaching in school.

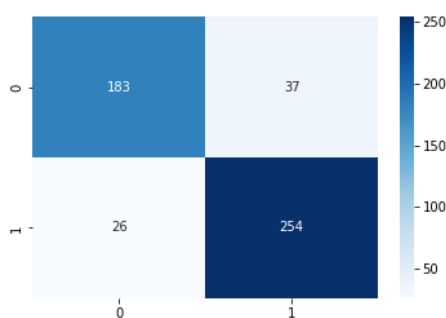
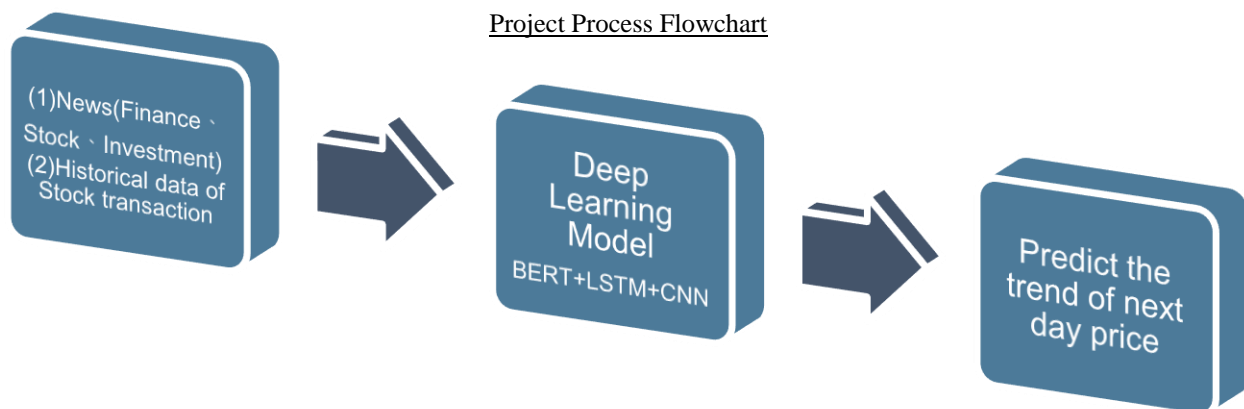


Figure 1-1 Confusion Matrix

Explanation for Figure 1-1:

0 represents a decrease in the stock market, while 1 represents an increase in the stock market.

Project Results Presentation

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.88	0.83	0.85	220
1	0.87	0.91	0.89	280
accuracy			0.87	500
macro avg	0.87	0.87	0.87	500
weighted avg	0.87	0.87	0.87	500

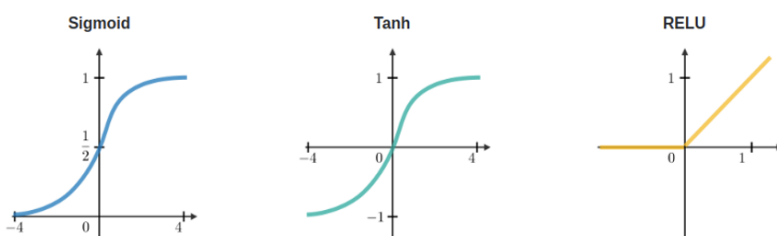
Note

Figure 1-2 Classification

Explanation for Figure 1-2:

Based on the notes in the figure, it can be seen that the default accuracy rate is 87%, and both precision and recall also have good performance.

Activation Function



Important findings:

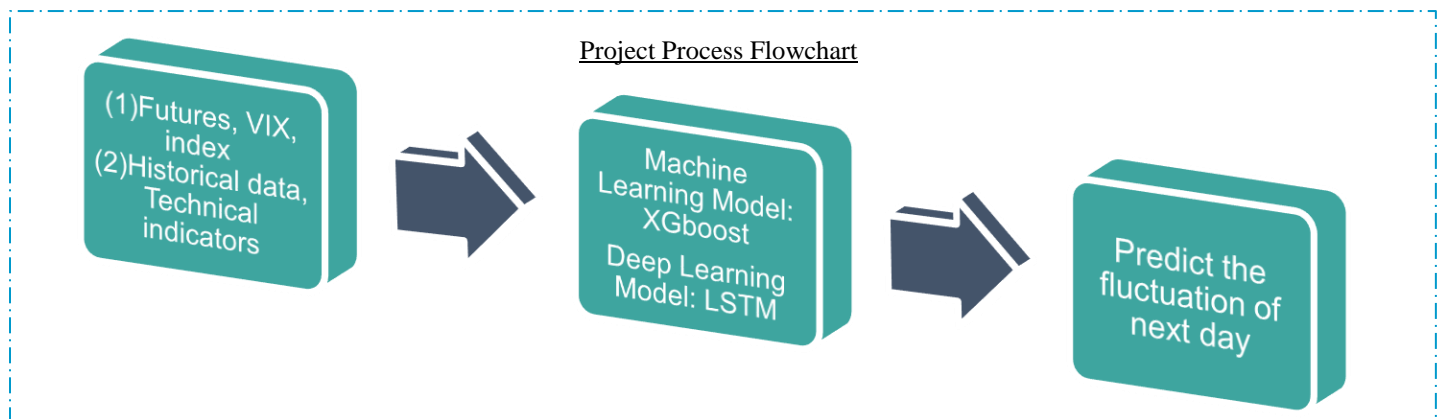
Activation function is a critical component in the model as it determines the "magnitude and sign" of the output value and has a crucial impact on model training. Adjustments need to be made for different datasets.

- **Project Development and Application - Predicting Stock Index Changes Through Futures Trading Information**

stock market trading history data and futures trading information are used to predict the magnitude of stock market fluctuations. Futures can be considered as a pioneer indicator of the stock market, as market trends can be inferred from the trend of futures, the price difference and deviation between futures and spot prices. Therefore, machine learning models and deep learning models are used to explore the relationship between futures and the stock market, to see if they can effectively predict stock market volatility.

This project aims to predict stock market fluctuation. Technical indicators such as Simple Moving Average (SMA), Relative Strength Index (RSI), and Moving Average Convergence Divergence (MACD) are used as features for training. In addition to predicting stock market volatility, F score is used to calculate the importance of each feature, and to determine the ranking and importance of each feature in predicting the target.

Although this project has shown positive results in predicting stock price fluctuation and trend (MAE decreased from 7.578 to 1.008), there are still many issues that need to be further studied, such as how to find the rules of volatility, how to incorporate effective features, and how to construct better models and practical applications. These are the goals of further research and development.



Project Result Presentation (Experimental Group)

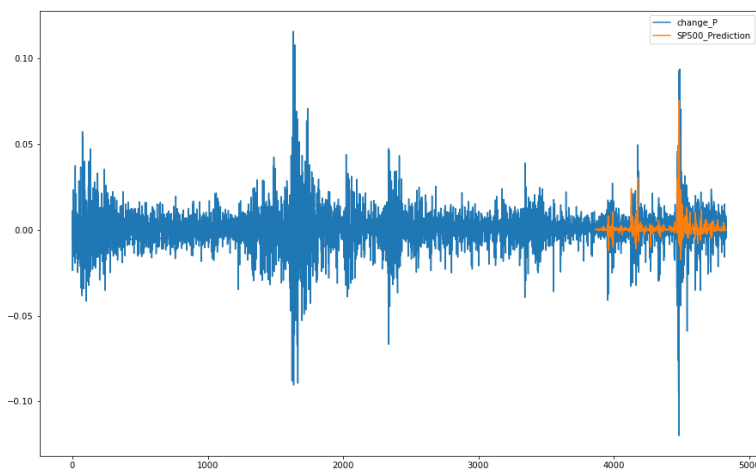


Figure 2-1: Comparison of **actual stock price volatility ratio (blue)** with **predicted volatility ratio (orange)**



Figure 2-2: Comparison of **actual stock price (blue)** with **predicted stock price (orange)** converted from predicted volatility ratio

Experimental Group Result Explanation:

- (1) Figures 2-1 and 2-2 are predictions made for the S&P 500 index. From Figure 2-1, we can see that the volatility is kept within the actual range, although the performance of profit limit for upward trends is limited, it also reduces the risk of loss during downward trends.
- (2) Figure 2-2 shows that after converting to stock prices, the model can effectively capture the trend and trend of stock prices.

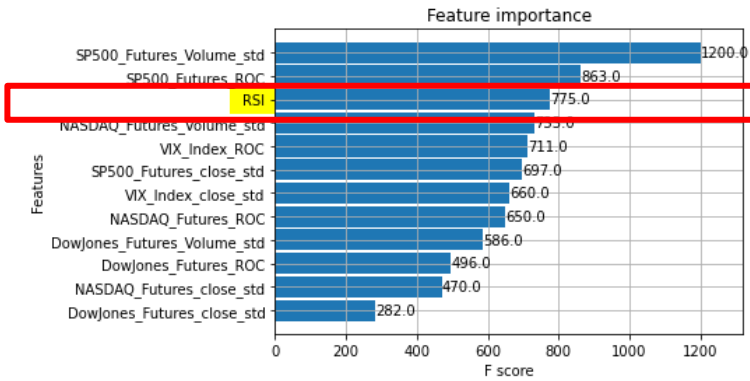


Figure 2-3: Feature Importance

Important findings:

After trial and adjustment, it was found that RSI can reduce MAE, and its effect is better than the other two technical indicators. At the same time, the F-score of each feature was calculated, and it was found that RSI is indeed an important indicator in this project prediction.

Mean Absolute Error = 1.007666

Project Results Presentation (Control Group)

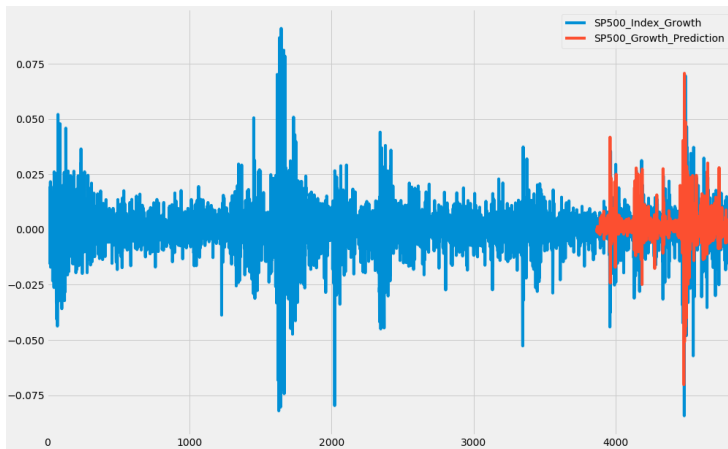


Figure 2-4: Comparison of **actual price volatility ratio (blue)** and **predicted price volatility ratio (red)**

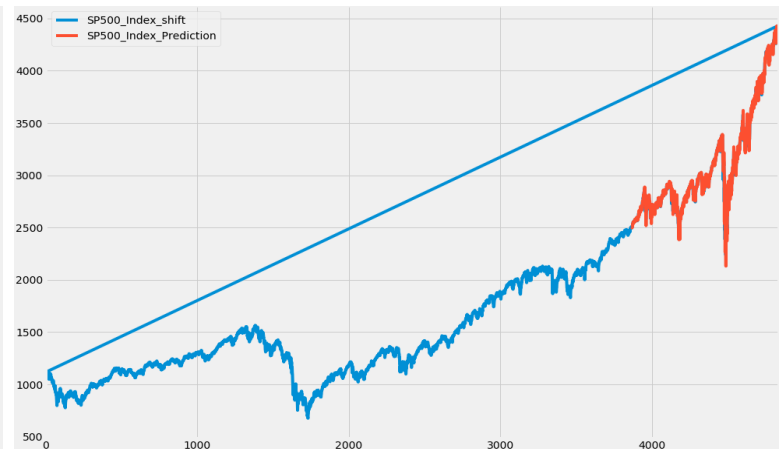


Figure 2-5: Comparison of **actual stock price (blue)** and **predicted stock price (red)** after conversion of volatility ratio

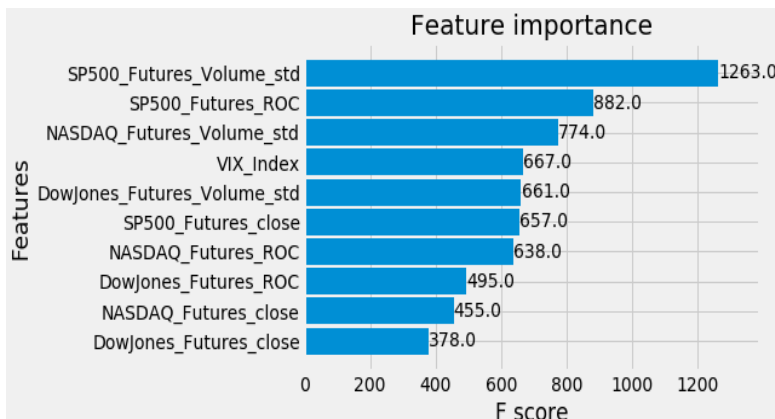


Figure 2-6: Feature Importance

Explanation of control group results:

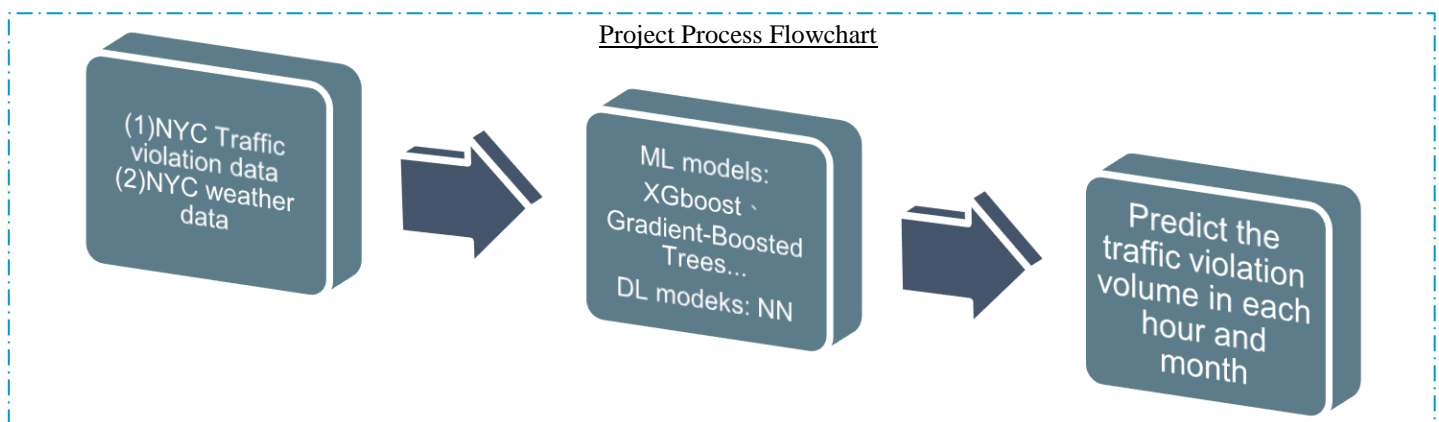
The prediction results of Figures 2-4 and 2-5 show that **although the trend of volatility is captured, the predicted fluctuation range of price movement will exceed the actual volatility**, resulting in corresponding risks and larger losses.

Mean Absolute Error = 7.57784

• Project Development and Application - New York City Traffic Violation Data Analysis and Prediction

In addition to the required coursework for my graduate program, I also enhanced my skills through programming courses offered by the Computer Science department. As I am passionate about data science, I am interested in exploring the analysis and application of big data. Therefore, I chose to take Professor Vincent Tseng's course on Big Data Analysis Techniques and Applications to gain further knowledge about big data and to learn [Apache Spark and big data processing techniques through hands-on experience](#).

For this project, we focused on [predicting and analyzing traffic violations in order to assist in city traffic planning, police deployment, and predicting violation occurrences under different conditions](#). Our dataset, which match 3V (Volume, Variety, Velocity) of big data. Our data include traffic information, violation records, geographical information, weather data, numeric types, and text. It is approximately **20 GB**. In addition, we used an experimental and control group approach to examine whether [weather factors could effectively improve prediction accuracy](#).



Project Result Presentation (Experimental Group)

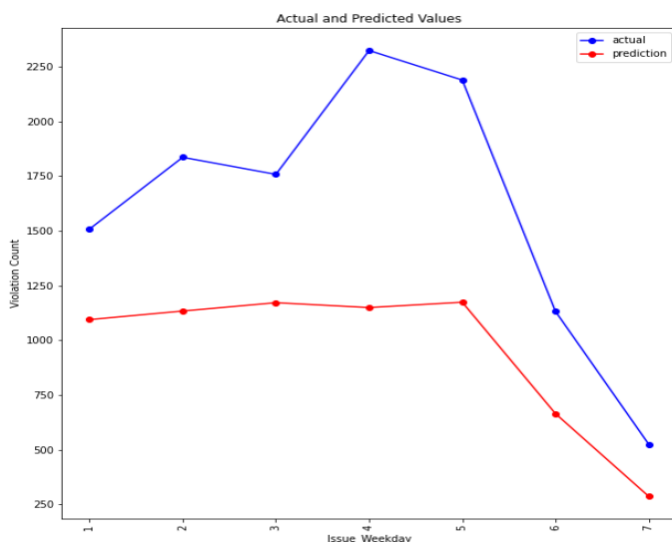


Figure 3-1: Comparison of **actual (blue)** and **predicted (red)** violation occurrences during the week

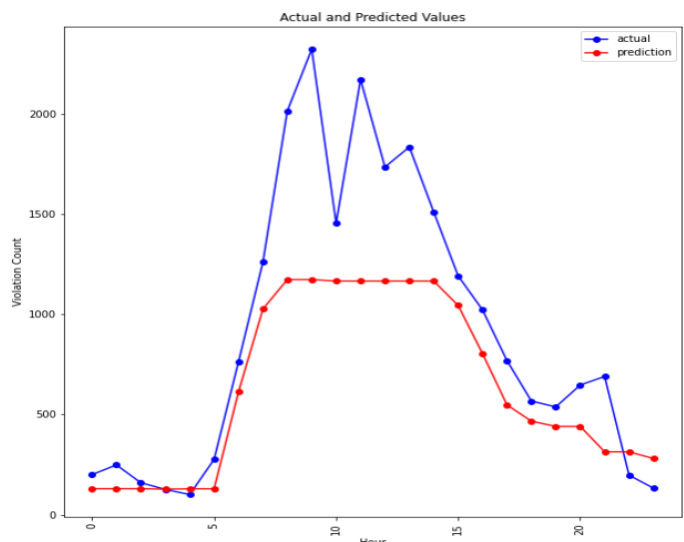


Figure 3-2: Comparison of **actual (blue)** and **predicted (red)** violation occurrences during the day

Explanation of experimental results:

- (1) Figures 3-1 and 3-2 indicate that weather data is an important factor in predicting traffic violations, as the inclusion of [weather data effectively captures patterns and trends](#).
- (2) See the next page for a comparison of feature importance between the experimental and control groups.

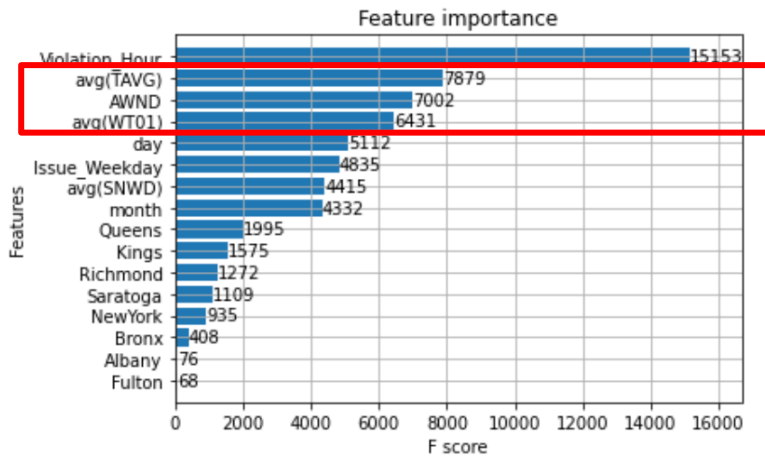


Figure 3-3: Feature Importance

Important findings:

After experimenting and calculating feature importance, it is evident from the red box that **weather data is a key factor** in predicting the number of violations, and **contributes significantly to improving prediction accuracy**.

R2 score = **0.7422**

Project Results Presentation (Control Group)

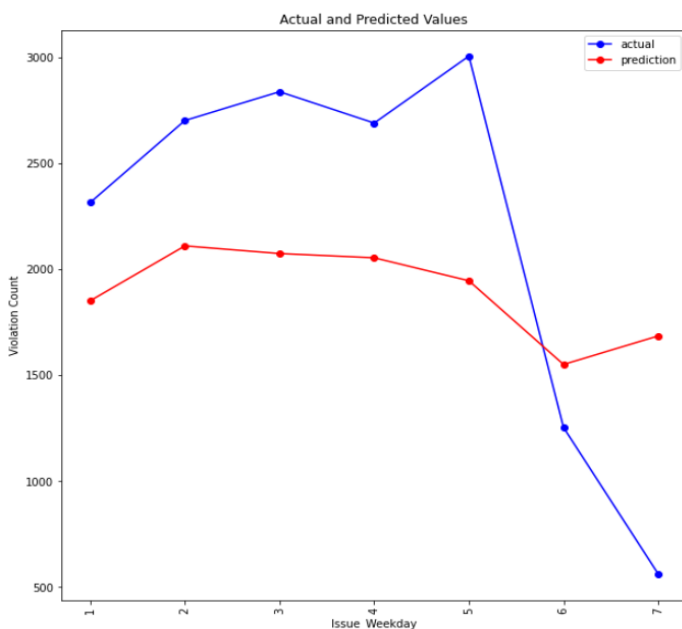


Figure 3-4: Comparison of **actual** (blue) and **predicted** (red) violation occurrences during the week

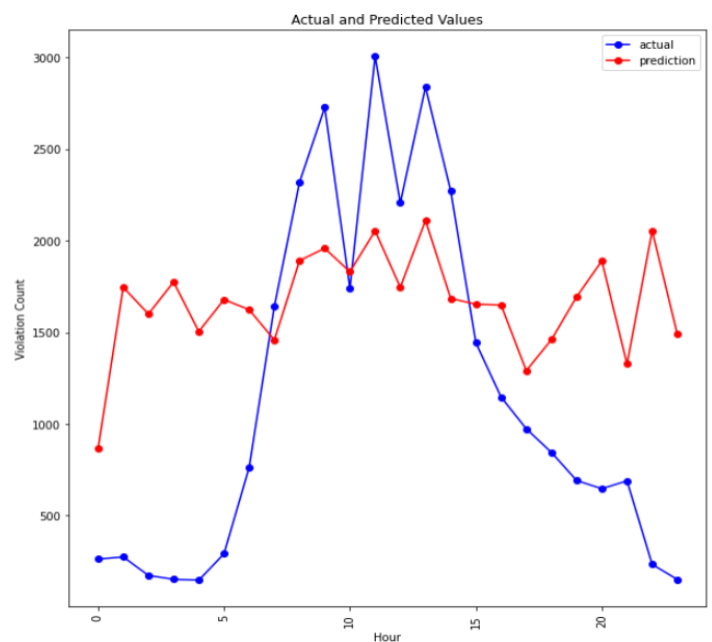


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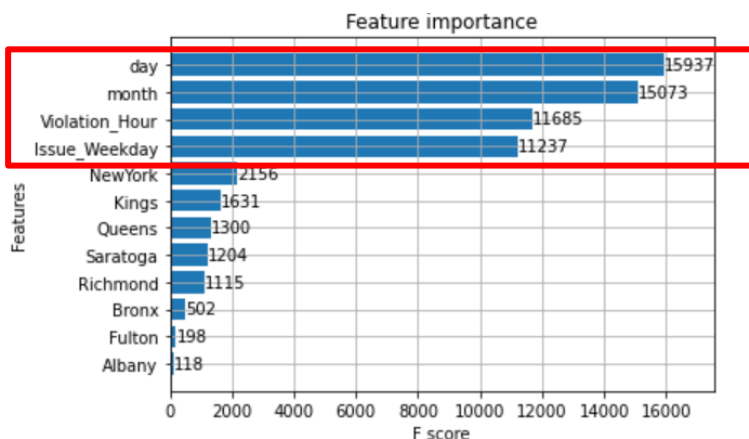


Figure 3-6: Feature Importance

Control Group Results Explanation:

The prediction results in Figures 3-4 and 3-5 show that without including weather data, **it is difficult to capture patterns effectively**, and the accuracy of the prediction decreases significantly.

R2 score = **0.5744**

Projects from Work and Internship Experience:

- Financial Tool Development - Filtering and Verification of Important Financial Accounting Items and Financial Statement Amounts**

During my work at the PwC, I had to deal with large amounts of financial data from different companies. Due to differences in accounting methods used by various institutions and units, it was necessary to standardize the financial data before analyzing and comparing it. In order to effectively shorten the time needed to standardize the accounting data, I decided to develop a financial tool to address this pain point.

To optimize the workflow, I recorded the accounting processing methods, logic, and related accounting details one by one, and used Python to establish programs for each process. This enabled the standardization of accounting information from different companies, and allowed for quick organization and analysis of financial data, while meeting accounting standards. As a result of this program, the workload that originally took two to three days was reduced to less than a morning to organize and verify the data, greatly improving work efficiency and reducing human errors.

Note 2

Note 1

科目代码	科目名称	币别	期初借方余额	期初贷方余额	本期借方发生额	本期贷方发生额	本年借方累计	本年贷方累计	期末借方余额	期末贷方余额	
0	1001	库存现金	NaN	2.160038e+04	NaN	1.806533e+05	1.952537e+05	9.353043e+05	9.653603e+05	7.000000e+03	NaN
1	1002	银行存款	NaN	3.871741e+06	NaN	3.282268e+07	3.664804e+07	4.420992e+08	4.445966e+08	4.638650e+04	NaN
2	1002.01	人民币	NaN	3.871552e+06	NaN	3.282268e+07	3.664804e+07	4.096306e+08	4.121281e+08	4.619776e+04	NaN
3	1002.01.01	重庆农商行营业部	NaN	3.795155e+06	NaN	3.259327e+07	3.636335e+07	3.756830e+08	3.781030e+08	2.507588e+04	NaN
4	1002.01.02	中行建东支行	NaN	1.683940e+03	NaN	3.200000e-01	3.510100e+02	5.350000e+00	4.210100e+02	1.333250e+03	NaN
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1378	6701	资产减值损失	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	3.708432e+07	3.708432e+07	NaN	NaN
1379	6711	营业外支出	NaN	NaN	NaN	1.001035e+05	NaN	1.506466e+06	1.406362e+06	1.001035e+05	NaN
1380	6801	所得税	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	1.519917e+06	1.519917e+06	NaN	NaN
1381	6901	以前年度损益调整	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	3.442725e+04	9.140318e+05	9.484591e+05	NaN	3.442725e+04
1382	NaN	合计	NaN	4.957791e+08	4.957791e+08	2.356380e+08	2.356380e+08	3.515946e+09	3.515946e+09	5.234237e+08	5.234237e+08

Figure 4-1: Original Financial Data

Explanation of Figure 4-1: Original Financial Data

- Note 1 in Figure 1 indicates that the institution had many duplicate and excessive items that would cause problems such as duplicate calculations or missing numbers during calculation and analysis, resulting in significant financial calculation errors.
- Note 2 shows that there were missing values in the accounting numbers that needed to be reorganized and recalculated.

Result Explanation:

Using a program to organize and select the correct accounting items improved efficiency and reduced human error rates.

Note 1: There were a total of 1,382 original accounting items, but after reorganization, only 295 actual accounting items were used.

Note 2: The original financial data was also calculated, leaving only the final result.

Note 2

Note 1

科目代码	科目名称	借-贷	
0	1001	库存现金	7000.00
3	1002.01.01	重庆农商行营业部	25075.88
4	1002.01.02	中行建东支行	1333.25
5	1002.01.03	珠海华润银行深圳支行	841.03
6	1002.01.05	厦门银行重庆分行	18947.60
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291	6603.04	汇兑损益	-490002.82
292	6701	资产减值损失	37084321.19
293	6711	营业外支出	1406362.05
294	6801	所得税	1519917.28
295	6901	以前年度损益调整	948459.09

Figure 4-2: Data after Reorganization and Verification

• Financial Tool Development - Data Acquisition, and Exchange Rate Analysis in Various Countries

- Additionally, as multiple companies were multinational enterprises and required currency conversion, a program was developed for updating exchange rates. **Data acquisition and update were performed based on the required period and currency type.** This not only improved efficiency and data accuracy but also significantly **reduced the time required for manual searching of different currencies and the probability of human error.**

幣別	現金匯率		即期匯率	
	本行買入	本行賣出	本行買入	本行賣出
美金 (USD)	31.375	32.045	31.725	31.825
港幣 (HKD)	3.891	4.095	4.017	4.077
英鎊 (GBP)	34.05	36.17	35.06	35.46
澳幣 (AUD)	20.2	20.98	20.49	20.69
加拿大幣 (CAD)	22.66	23.57	23.06	23.26
新加坡幣 (SGD)	21.58	22.49	22.07	22.25
瑞士法郎 (CHF)	31.74	32.94	32.42	32.67
日圓 (JPY)	0.2105	0.2233	0.2178	0.2218
南非幣 (ZAR)	-	-	1.722	1.802
瑞典幣 (SEK)	2.45	2.97	2.79	2.89
紐元 (NZD)	17.68	18.53	18.06	18.26
泰幣 (THB)	0.7099	0.8999	0.8223	0.8623
菲律賓比索 (PHP)	0.468	0.601	-	-
印尼幣 (IDR)	0.00173	0.00243	-	-
歐元 (EUR)	30.33	31.67	30.95	31.35
韓元 (KRW)	0.02044	0.02434	-	-
越南盾 (VND)	0.00111	0.00152	-	-
馬來幣 (MYR)	5.835	7.315	-	-
人民幣 (CNY)	4.37	4.532	4.442	4.492

Figure 5-1: Taiwan Bank Exchange Rate Table (Daily)

Date	幣別	遠期買入	遠期賣出	Date	幣別	遠期買入	遠期賣出	Date	幣別	遠期買入	遠期賣出
2022/01/03	美金 (USD)	27.575	27.675	2022/01/03	日圓 (JPY)	0.2377	0.2417	2022/01/03	歐元 (EUR)	31.15	31.55
2022/01/04	美金 (USD)	27.57	27.67	2022/01/04	日圓 (JPY)	0.2366	0.2406	2022/01/04	歐元 (EUR)	30.99	31.39
2022/01/05	美金 (USD)	27.565	27.665	2022/01/05	日圓 (JPY)	0.236	0.24	2022/01/05	歐元 (EUR)	31.01	31.41
2022/01/06	美金 (USD)	27.59	27.69	2022/01/06	日圓 (JPY)	0.2365	0.2405	2022/01/06	歐元 (EUR)	31	31.4
2022/01/07	美金 (USD)	27.635	27.735	2022/01/07	日圓 (JPY)	0.237	0.241	2022/01/07	歐元 (EUR)	31.1	31.5
2022/01/10	美金 (USD)	27.61	27.71	2022/01/10	日圓 (JPY)	0.2369	0.2409	2022/01/10	歐元 (EUR)	31.14	31.54
2022/01/11	美金 (USD)	27.63	27.73	2022/01/11	日圓 (JPY)	0.2382	0.2422	2022/01/11	歐元 (EUR)	31.2	31.6
2022/01/12	美金 (USD)	27.62	27.72	2022/01/12	日圓 (JPY)	0.2378	0.2418	2022/01/12	歐元 (EUR)	31.23	31.63
2022/01/13	美金 (USD)	27.59	27.69	2022/01/13	日圓 (JPY)	0.2396	0.2436	2022/01/13	歐元 (EUR)	31.49	31.89
2022/01/14	美金 (USD)	27.56	27.66	2022/01/14	日圓 (JPY)	0.2407	0.2447	2022/01/14	歐元 (EUR)	31.45	31.85
2022/01/17	美金 (USD)	27.54	27.64	2022/01/17	日圓 (JPY)	0.2392	0.2432	2022/01/17	歐元 (EUR)	31.33	31.73
2022/01/18	美金 (USD)	27.56	27.66	2022/01/18	日圓 (JPY)	0.2384	0.2424	2022/01/18	歐元 (EUR)	31.28	31.68
2022/01/19	美金 (USD)	27.585	27.685	2022/01/19	日圓 (JPY)	0.2396	0.2436	2022/01/19	歐元 (EUR)	31.12	31.52
2022/01/20	美金 (USD)	27.575	27.675	2022/01/20	日圓 (JPY)	0.2396	0.2436	2022/01/20	歐元 (EUR)	31.19	31.59
2022/01/21	美金 (USD)	27.64	27.74	2022/01/21	日圓 (JPY)	0.2413	0.2453	2022/01/21	歐元 (EUR)	31.18	31.58
2022/01/22	美金 (USD)	27.64	27.74	2022/01/22	日圓 (JPY)	0.2421	0.2461	2022/01/22	歐元 (EUR)	31.21	31.61
2022/01/24	美金 (USD)	27.64	27.74	2022/01/24	日圓 (JPY)	0.2415	0.2455	2022/01/24	歐元 (EUR)	31.16	31.56
2022/01/25	美金 (USD)	27.655	27.755	2022/01/25	日圓 (JPY)	0.2413	0.2453	2022/01/25	歐元 (EUR)	31.12	31.52
2022/01/26	美金 (USD)	27.685	27.785	2022/01/26	日圓 (JPY)	0.2414	0.2454	2022/01/26	歐元 (EUR)	31.12	31.52
2022/01/27	美金 (USD)	27.75	27.85	2022/01/27	日圓 (JPY)	0.2403	0.2443	2022/01/27	歐元 (EUR)	30.93	31.33
2022/01/28	美金 (USD)	27.775	27.875	2022/01/28	日圓 (JPY)	0.2387	0.2427	2022/01/28	歐元 (EUR)	30.79	31.19

Figure 5-2: Exchange Rate Data Extracted by Program

幣別	本期期末匯率	本期平均匯率
USD	27.825	27.6686
EUR	30.99	31.3519
JPY	0.2407	0.2411
HKD	3.57	3.5503
AUD	19.52	19.8819
GBP	37.26	37.5433
THB	0.8399	0.838
SGD	20.52	20.4967
CNY	4.367	4.3502
KRW	0.0232	0.0234
CNY to USD	6.3746	6.3588

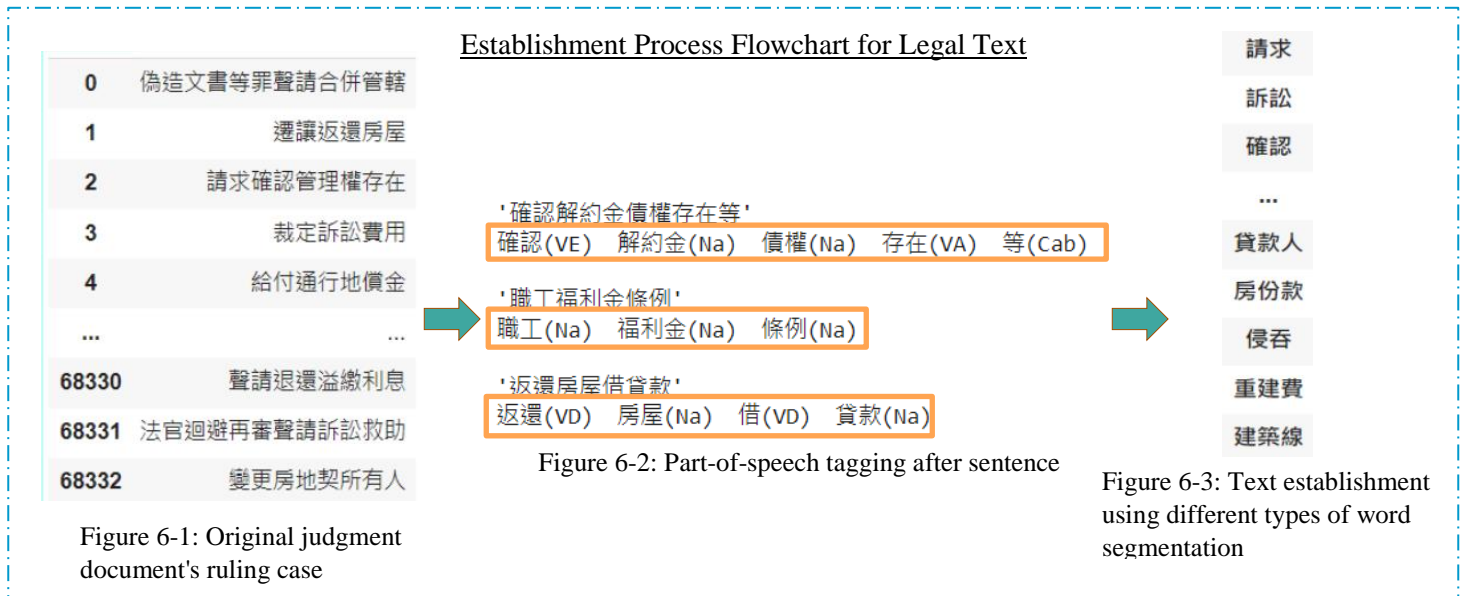
Explanation:

Figure 5-2 uses a program to extract exchange rate data for various currencies. The program then calculates the average and period-end exchange rates to analyze the fluctuations in exchange rates (as shown in Figure 5-3).

Figure 5-3: Exchange Rate Fluctuation Analysis using the Program's Calculated Average and Period-End Exchange Rates.

• Application of Natural Language Processing Tools - Tools for Correspondence of Litigation Judgments and Laws, Legal Text Establishment, and Amount Extraction and Conversion

At the same time, during the summer internship, I was responsible for developing natural language analysis tools suitable for Traditional Chinese. The tools are used to extract violations of laws, important keywords, and compensation and fines from judicial judgments. The compensation amounts in Chinese characters are also converted into numerical format for ease of subsequent applications and classification. Furthermore, legal text is established for subsequent text mining.



Explanation:

1. The ruling case of the Judicial Yuan is first subjected to text cleaning.
2. The case is segmented into words and tagged with parts of speech.
3. Different segments of words are collected to establish legal text.



Explanation:

1. The text of the Judicial Yuan's ruling document is first subjected to text cleaning.
2. The text is segmented into words, and the amount is extracted and tagged.
3. The Chinese currency amounts are converted into numerical format for ease of subsequent operations.