

# Stock Prediction Flask API

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# Why interested in stocks?

#### Market size:

- ► The NYSE and Nasdaq exchanges are worth a collective \$32 trillion in market capitalization, making up a sizable portion of the global equities market.
- For May 30, 2019, the total dollar volume from all trading venues on which Nasdaq® Issues are traded is >\$85 billions.
- Due to its enormous market size, it might affect your employer as well as your work environment.

### Investment potential:

- US stocks have consistently earned more than investment-grade bonds over the long term, despite regular ups and downs in the market, returned an average of 10.01% annually (from 1926 to now).
- ▶ Great option for retirement, since long-term stock ownership you can withstand the riskier investments and ride the ups and downs that are inevitable.

## What methods are used?

- Composed of a tight-knit community of researchers, engineers, and business professionals, Alpha Vantage Inc. is a leading provider of free APIs for realtime and historical data on stocks, forex (FX), and digital/crypto currencies
- Data was collected in JSON format from Alpha Vantage API through Python
- ► The prediction model uses auto.arima method in Python's pmdarima package to fit a ARIMA model with the best (lowest) AIC score on the univariate time series stock data.

# How is the result presented?

- ► The model is written in Python, and it is wrapped in a docker container for reproduction purpose. Finally, it is hosted on an EC2 instance through Flask API that everyone can access it.
- The detail direction on how to access the API and reproduce the model is posted on <a href="https://github.com/JustinFightOn/stat418\_final\_project">https://github.com/JustinFightOn/stat418\_final\_project</a>.
- ► Here is a sample of result for stock AMZN:

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"Forecasted Stock Price": {
  "2019-06-03": 1799.46,
  "2019-06-04": 1806.91,
  "2019-06-05": 1806.2,
  "2019-06-06": 1802.54,
  "2019-06-07": 1805.27,
  "2019-06-10": 1810.43,
  "2019-06-11": 1810.59
"Last Refreshed": "2019-05-31",
"Previous Stock Price": {
  "2019-05-22": 1871.48,
  "2019-05-23": 1844.0,
  "2019-05-24": 1841.76,
  "2019-05-28": 1849.27,
  "2019-05-29": 1830.0,
  "2019-05-30": 1829.47,
  "2019-05-31": 1795.59
"Stock": "AMZN"
```

# What is the purpose of the API?

- User can use the tool to guide him/her when to invest/sell the stock
- Finding potential stocks to invest:
  - ▶ Potential users can run the prediction API on all available stocks, and sort those stocks by % increase against last refreshed date, and invest in those stocks with high potential

## **Future Improvements**

- Build user interface on an app to show plots of observed and predicted to improve user experience
- Build long term prediction tool that utilize all historical stock data (>20 years) to predict stock price, which can be used for planning.

