

Summary of From Man vs. Machine to Man + Machine: The art and AI of stock analyses

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1. What are the research questions?

- Whether the synergy between humans and machines can do better when analyzing stocks?

2. Why are the research questions interesting?

- The existing literature has mostly been focusing on characterizing the type of jobs that are vulnerable to disruption by AI's evolution, as well as those it could create.
- It's necessary to figure out whether the synergy between humans and machines can get better results while analyzing stocks than just use machines.

3. What is the paper's contribution?

1. Literature on the competition and threat to human workers posed by new technology.
 - **Past studies:** when lower intermediate-skill jobs are replaced by machines, humans tend to move to high-skill jobs.
 - **Expand:** focuses on humans' relative advantage over machines and the potential synergies between humans and machines.
2. Papers study the impact of big data and AI in the financial industry.
 - **Past studies:** ignore the internal mechanism of the AI process.
 - **Expand:** explore the internal mechanism of the AI process; identify their relative advantages to, as well as synergies with, humans.
3. Literature of building and assessing the performance of machine learning models in financial applications.
 - **Past studies:** they predict asset prices, forecast earnings, and so on.
 - **Expand:** explore the complementary value humans can offer in the age of AI.

4. What hypotheses are tested in the paper?

- H1: MDM exhibits better performance than the raw forecasts.
- H2: AI forecasts outperform analyst consensus.
- H3: Man + Machine outperforms Machine-alone.

a) Do these hypotheses follow from and answer the research questions?

- Yes, they investigate the incremental contributions of the synergy between humans and machines.

b) Do these hypotheses follow from theory? Explain logic of the hypotheses.

- Theory: machine can treat larger data and skilled analyst can help avoid extreme errors made by AI.
- Logic: machines outperforms humans since they can treat information more efficiently(H1,H2), but human analyst can also provide useful message, as a result, man+machine outperforms machine-alone(H3).

5. Sample: comment on the appropriateness of the sample selection procedures.

- The sample selection is appropriate while covering stocks and their features fully.

6. Comment on the appropriateness of variable definition and measurement.

- This paper studies the performance of human and machine, just need stock features and analysts' predictions. These variables can be download from dataset directly.

7. Comment on the appropriateness of the regress/predict model specification.

- The model specification is appropriate as it incorporates a comprehensive set of predictors.

8. What difficulties arise in drawing inferences from the empirical work?

- If some analysts use AI-technology while analyzing stocks, the performance of analysts is not only driven by human and the inferences may be influenced.

9. Describe at least one publishable and feasible extension of this research.

- Can furtherly study the case of bond/fund markets.