Software Requirements Specification

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STOCK PRICE PREDICTOR

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Introduction

Product Name: Stock Price Predictor

Version: 1.0

This document goes through the specifications of both the front end and the back end of the product.

Purpose

The stock market is a collection of buyers and sellers of stocks/shares, which represent ownership claims on businesses. Investments are usually made with an investment strategy in mind.

The stock market is always fluctuating and is known for being volatile, dynamic, and nonlinear. Accurate stock price prediction is challenging because of multiple external factors such as socioeconomic conditions, inflation, exchange rates, politics unexpected events, a company's financial performance, and so on.

However, this also means that there's a lot of data to find patterns and make models and predictions. These models don't even need to reach high levels of accuracy because even 60% accuracy can deliver solid returns. Thus, with the help of ML techniques, one can detect stock market trends.

Intended Audience and Reading Suggestions

This product is aimed to predict trends in the stock market and make predictions. The entire idea of predicting stock prices is to gain significant profits for the users.

It is intended that the document may be read by developers, project managers, marketing staff, users, testers, and documentation writers.

The remainder of the document contains all descriptions of product functions with functionality and basic Interface requirements. Readers are expected to read the stated references for a greater technical understanding.

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Product Scope

This product aims to predict trends in the stock market and allow users to gain significant profits for such as predictions. The product hopes to support cross-platform as web-based clients and terminal clients.

The product shall analyze quantitative information that could identify trading signals and capture the movement patterns of the stock market.

The product hopes to be a relevant indicator for long-term investment. The fundamental analysis relies on both historical and present data to measure profits/losses.

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Overall Description

Product Perspective

Stock price analysis has been a critical area of research and is one of the top applications of machine learning. A stock market is a public market where you can buy and sell shares for publicly listed companies. The stocks, also known as equities, represent ownership in the company. The stock exchange is the mediator that allows the buying and selling of shares.

Stock market prediction using machine learning means the ability of the software to predict the future stock prices based on past events. It takes time series and based on patterns and trends; it predicts the future price of a particular stock of a particular company. This not only helps companies to raise capital but also helps in raising personal wealth.

Product Functions

Stock market prediction and analysis are some of the most difficult jobs to complete. There are numerous causes for this, including market volatility and a variety of other dependent and independent variables that influence the value of a certain stock in the market. These variables make it extremely difficult for any stock market expert to anticipate the rise and fall of the market with great precision.



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However, with the introduction of Machine Learning and its strong algorithms, the most recent market research and Stock Market Prediction advancements have begun to include such approaches in analyzing stock market data.

The main objective of this project is to do the following:

- Although predicting the stock market is difficult since it is volatile, however with the help of machine learning, it is possible to help investors to make better decisions
- It gives investors a new perspective into the current trends in the stock market
- It also gives investors a new perspective into patters of the stock market based on historical data (long term data)
- It helps in correct prediction of a stock; a correct prediction of stocks can lead to huge profits for the seller and the broker. Frequently, it is brought out that prediction is chaotic rather than random, which means it can be predicted by carefully analyzing the history of respective stock market.

User Classes and Characteristics

Our target audience as mentioned above is for anyone and everyone that surfs through the internet, who are looking to gain profits from the predictions.

There will also be an Admin class to manage the product who will have majority permissions.

Operating Environment

The product can operate in:

- Web Browser
- Command Line

The product is designed this way to make it accessible to almost anyone with the knowledge of surfing the internet.

Design and Implementation Constraints

- The limitation of this project is that it only considers the closing price of the stock and no other attributes such as opening price, high and low price and volume.
- The stock market is very volatile and it is hard to predict even with a very good machine learning algorithm.
- The stock market is very noisy and it might throw some unexpected results.

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2.6 Assumptions and Dependencies

- Training data is either collected from past stock values.
- All users have the basic knowledge of the stock market.
- It is assumed the system is equipped with a GNU.
- It is assumed that there won't be any major noises or anything extremely unpredictable.

External Interface Requirements

User Interfaces

The user will be able to select the stock on the home screen that they want to predict using our product, upon the selection another page opens showing the projected graph inferred using the stock's past trends. Simple buttons like selection and enter are going to be used Error messages show if not enough data is available on the stock or the wrong stock name is entered.

Software Interfaces

We use python to code the network model, which will be running on a server. We will be using various libraries such as:

- Math
- · Pandas datareader
- NumPy
- Pandas
- Sklearn.preprocessing
- Keras models
- Keras.layers
- Matplotlib.pyplot

We plan on using JavaScript for the web browser clients.

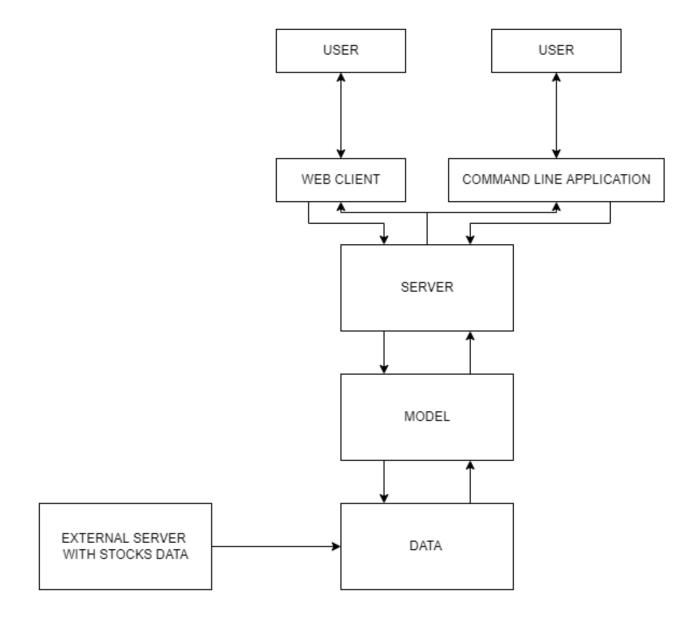
Communications Interfaces

Consists of a webpage which allows the user to access the predictions and will be using HTTP. The product will require an FTP connection as all computations will happen on a server. A command prompt, and a Python IDE downloaded version 3.8 above for development. set up of a working monitor for display and keyboard for user input. No cross-platform implementation.



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Analysis Model





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System Features

5.1.1 Description and Priority

System is implemented using python language

- Data is first scraped and then put into a data frame
- The data is the then scaled to normalize it using MinMaxScaler()
- Create the training dataset
- Train the dataset
- Get the models predicted value
- The data is then plotted

(All of this is implemented using python)

5.1.2 Stimulus/Response Sequences

- User enters the stock to be predicted
- The algorithm looks for past trends
- Our product displays the projected graph

5.1.3 Functional Requirements

REQ-1: Existence of the stock

If not present displays an error message
 REQ-2: Enough data on the stock

If not present, displays error message asking you to choose a stock with more data

Other Non-functional Requirements

Performance Requirements

- It is expected that the time taken to analyze the stock market does not exceed an appropriate time limit.
- The system is expected to give results within an acceptable error margin so it does not affect the investors and lead them to take a wrong decision.

Safety Requirements

- It is expected that in order to make the system safe and reliable, the data chosen and the preprocessing that takes place, happens correctly.
- It is expected that the machine learning algorithm that is implemented is error free and handle cases within a certain tolerance.
- Users should use the product with caution because of the volatile nature of the stock market.



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Software Quality Attributes

- It is expected that time taken to make the predictions does not take too long.
- The system should be adaptable and must be able to react to new trends and patterns in the stock market.
- The model should work for various stocks.
- The prediction made by the machine learning algorithm should be reliable.

Business Rules

Taxes will be applicable on the transaction of selling a share. Hopes to be profitable, successful, high-yielding, gainful, remunerative for the user.

Other Requirements

- An in-depth knowledge of the stock market
- Risk Assessment
- Natural ability to make good judgements
- Decide a time horizon before buying a stock
- Be responsible and spend money wisely



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Appendix: Glossary

Machine Learning
Long short-term memory
File Transfer Protocol
Hypertext Transfer Protocol
Integrated Development Environment ML LSTM FTP

HTTP IDE