Streaming application for predictions of markets stocks

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Introduction

- The objective of this work is to use online regression with River to predict markets stocks returns.
- We decided to study the following stocks: Meta, BNP Paribas, Alibaba, Gazprom, Saudi Arabian Oil Company and Fiat Chrysler.
- We used algorithms from the regression and classification literature to predict the returns of the markets stocks.
- Bonus: we implemented the indicator from: A statistical test of market efficiency based on information theory, X.Brouty, M.Garcin, to see how it works with streaming data.
 - We also developed a really simple portfolio construction strategy to see the performance of the prediction in the markets.

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Batch Classification

 We started with the batch classification with two algorithms: the gradient boosting and the KNN Classifier. We did some features engineering to compute some interesting indicators to give us some insights about the sime series. We have the following results:



(a) Balanced accuracy for KNN Classifier

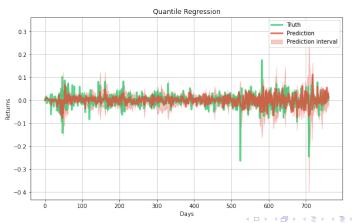


- (b) Balanced accuracy for Gradient Boosting
- We can see that some results are quite good compared to randomness depending on the number of lags we take in the features and if we have the aroon indicator or not.

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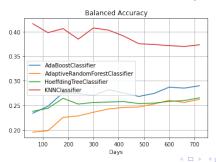
Regression with River

We started doing regression to predict the future returns of the stocks, because
predicting a single value is not really accurate and can be restrictive while taking a
decision about the future returns. We did a quantile regression to have an idea of
the distribution of the future returns instead of a single value. The interval can also
be interesting for risk management where ones want to predict the potential value of
a negative returns for a portfolio of stocks.



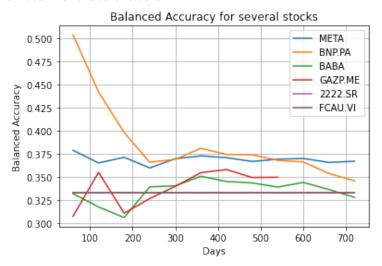
Classification with River

- We then did classification with the River library. We worked with three classes (we note P_t the close price of day t):
 - 0 if $\frac{P_{t+1}-P_t}{P_t} \leq \alpha_1$
 - 1 if $\alpha_1 < \frac{P_{t+1} P_t}{P_t} < \alpha_2$
 - 2 if $\frac{P_{t+1}-P_t}{P_t} \geq \alpha_2$
- We implemented the function evaluate binary to create the streaming data and apply the different models (KNNClassifier, HoeffdingTreeClassifier, AdaBoostClassifier, AdaptiveRandomForestClassifier) (see the github repo for more precisions of the code). We also added the features coming from the prediction with quantile regression above. We have the following figure (with META stock):



Classification with River

• We see that the KNN Classifier has the better balanced accuracy so we are going to use this model with the other stocks.



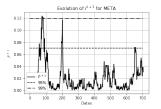
• We started by implementing the indicator of market information coming from [1]¹. The formula is the following :

$$I^{L+1} = H_{\star}^{L+1} - H^{L+1} \tag{1}$$

with:

$$H_{\star}^{L+1} = -\sum_{i=1}^{2^{L}} p_{i}^{L} \log_{2} \left(\frac{p_{i}^{L}}{2} \right)$$
 (2)

$$H^{L+1} = -\sum_{i=1}^{2^L} (\rho_i^L \pi_i^L \log_2(\rho_i^L \pi_i^L) + \rho_i^L (1 - \pi_i^L) \log_2(\rho_i^L (1 - \pi_i^L)))$$
(3)



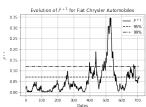


Figure: Information for META and Fiat

Construction of a portfolio

For the moment, we did the classification and the regression for the stock META, but it is important to construct a portfolio with several stocks in order to improve the performance of the strategy by reducing the risks for a single stock. We are then doing a prediction at each end of the day for the n stocks of the universe of investment and we buy the stocks with a prediction of 2. We will then run a backtest to see if this really simple strategy is working.



(a) Cumulative Returns for the S&P 500, the portfolio and an equal weighted portfolio of the stocks in the universe of investment

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Streaming application

• For the streaming application with Kafka, we have the following graphs :



Streaming application

• The above graphs are created from data coming in streaming from Kafka and the yahoo finance API. Every minute, a new financial data corresponding to the price of the stocks is given to the algorithm. We can also observe the tweets coming at the same time with the keyword corresponding to the name of the stock, in order to have a sentiment analysis of the traders on this stock. We combine both approaches and it gives us a prediction for the price of the next minute.

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