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A take profit ensures you exit with your desired profit without emotions or hesitation. It's the opposite of stop loss, which limits downside.

### Backtesting a daily DNN-Based Strategy:

Backtesting a Daily Deep Neural Network (DNN) - Based Strategy involves ~~backtesting~~ evaluating how well your trading model, built using a DNN, would have performed on historical data. Here is a step-by-step overview:

#### Step-by-step Guide:

##### (1) Data Collection:

- \* **Source:** Use data from reliable sources like Yahoo Finance, Alpha Vantage, Quandl etc.
- \* **Data Needed:** Daily OHLCV (Open, High, Low, Close, Volume) data.
- \* **Optional Features:** Technical Indicators (MACD, RSI), sentiment data etc.

##### (2) Data Preprocessing:

- \* **Normalize or scale input features.**
- \* **Handle missing values or outliers.**
- \* **Convert to supervised learning format.** (eg). Use a window of 10 days data to predict the next day's direction / return.

##### (3) DNN Model Design:

- \* **Inputs:** Previous  $N$  days of features (windowed input)
- \* **Architecture:**
- \* **Input layer:**  $N \times F$  features (where  $N$  is window size,  $F$  is number of features).





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\* **Hidden Layer** :- 2-4 dense layers (ReLU, dropout).

\* **Output** :-

Classification : Predict up/down or buy/sell.

Regression : Predict next - day return or price.

\* **Loss Function** : Cross-entropy (classification) or MSE (regression).

\* **Optimizer** : Adam usually works well.

(4) Training the Model :

\* Use a rolling or expanding window to avoid lookahead bias.

\* Use early stopping and cross-validation.

\* Split data chronologically : train (70%), validate (15%)  
test (15%)

(5) Backtesting the Strategy :

Simulate daily trades based on model predictions.

Key elements :-

The key elements to be considered are:

→ Starting capital.

→ Transaction costs/slippage.

→ Position sizing rules.

→ Portfolio rebalancing frequency.

→ Long/short or long-only strategy.

Performance Metrics :

The performance is checked by evaluating the below metrics:

→ Cumulative Return.





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- Sharpe Ratio
- Max drawdown
- Win/Loss ratio
- Hit rate (classification accuracy)

(6) Walk Forward Analysis:

- Train the model on a rolling window (eg. last 2 years), test on the next month.
- Continue forward, updating the model periodically.

(7) Evaluation and Comparison:

Compare DNN strategy with .

- \* Buy and hold model.
- \* Moving Average Crossover.
- \* Other ML models (Random Forest, XGBoost).

This is how backtesting a daily DNN based strategy is executed.