



Problem Statement



Understand Stock Prediction as a classical problem of non-stationary pattern recognition in machine learning.



Build a probabilistic model to extract important features of stocks from their historical prices to predict future trends.



Proposed Solution

НММ	Use Hidden Markov Model as a Probabilistic Model		
Train	Train the model on Huge Stock Market Dataset		
Form	Form a generative model		
Optimize	Tune Hyperparameters, optimize model		
Predict	Give predictions for next day's stock prices in terms of Open, Close, High and Low		

Data

- Huge Stock Market Dataset is used for the project.
- It contains the full historical daily price and volume data for all US-based stocks and ETFs trading on the NYSE, NASDAQ, and NYSE MKT.
- The data (last updated 11/10/2017) is presented in CSV format as follows: Date, Open, High, Low, Close, Volume, OpenInt.
- We only make use of the Open, High, Low and Close labels.
- The model was trained on 4521 datapoints, which was split as 4421 in training set and 100 in test/prediction set.

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Date, Open, High, Low, Close, Volume, OpenInt 2005-02-25, 16.951, 17.067, 16.951, 17.067, 7003, 0 2005-02-28, 17.027, 17.027, 16.951, 16.974, 9145, 0 2005-03-01, 17.036, 17.044, 17.013, 17.044, 16347, 0 2005-03-02, 16.867, 16.982, 16.859, 16.951, 72413, 0 2005-03-03, 17.027, 17.027, 17.027, 17.027, 389, 0
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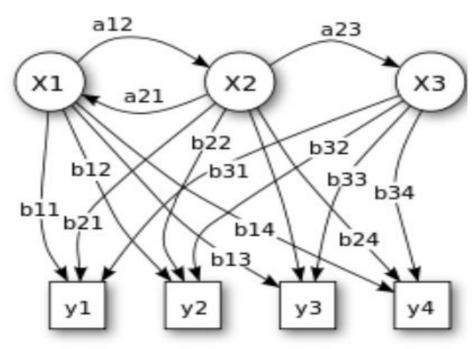


Figure 1. Probabilistic parameters of a hidden Markov model (example)

- X states
- y possible observations
- a state transition probabilities
- b output probabilities

Hidden Markov Models

- Strong probabilistic framework (Generative Model) for recognizing patterns in Stochastic Processes.
- Idea behind HMM- The likelihood of the observations depend on the states which are 'hidden' to the observer.
- The states keep changing as Markov Process with certain transition probability.
- The observations can be discrete or continuous, but the states are always discrete.
- The probability of observations given a state are determined by the emission probability.
- Emission probabilities can be PDF or PMF

Stocks as Hidden Markov Models



Underlying 'hidden' states drive the stock prices.



Investor can observe only the stock prices.



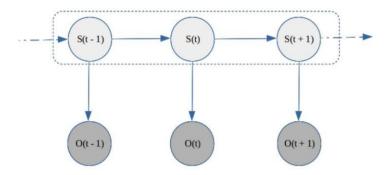
States and the transition probabilities are unknown.



Observations are in the form of a continuous vector- Open Price, Closing Price, High and Low.



Emission probabilities are PDF and assumed to be multivariate Gaussian distribution.



 O_t = Observation on day t (daily close, daily open, daily high, daily low) S_t = State on the day t

Questions to be answered for building HMM



Given the model, how likely it is to observe the given sequence of data?

FORWARD ALGORITHM



Given the model and observations, what is the best hidden state sequence?

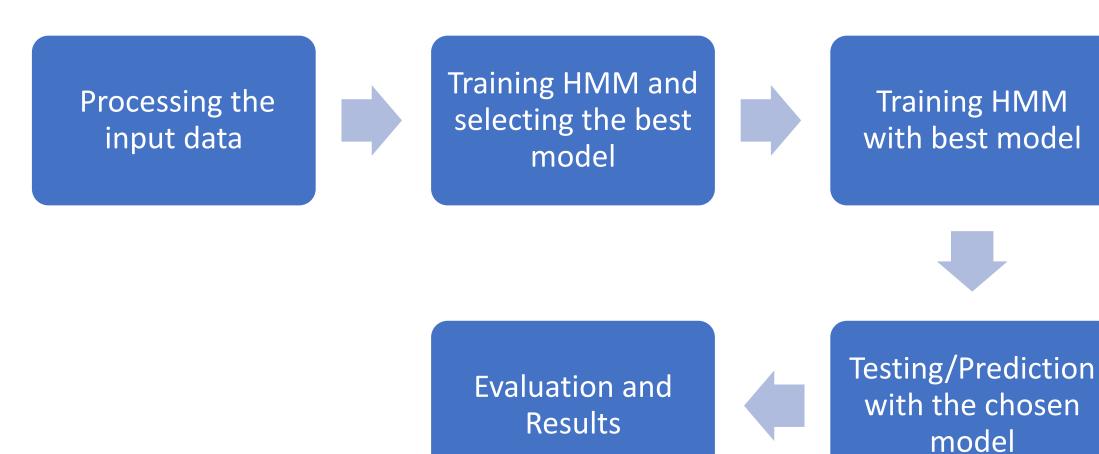
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Given the observations, what are the optimal model parameters?

BAUM-WELCH ALGORITHM

Implementation



Input

- The input to the model is data of size NX4
- N the training/test data size
- 4 columns corresponding to open, close, high, low values
- The data in decreasing order of time/date

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[66.81 67.35 67.58 66.7 ]
[67.47 67.92 67.98 66.91 ]
[68.11 68.1 68.33 67.771]
[68.25 68.32 68.64 68.04 ]
[68.22 68.22 68.45 68.22 ]
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Selecting the optimal model

Obtain HMM for different number of states

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model = hmm.GaussianHMM(n_components=states, covariance_type='full', tol=0.0001, n_iter=NUM_ITERS)
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Estimate the model parameters for training data

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model.fit(dataset[NUM_TEST:,:])
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 Optimal number of states(N=14) is chosen based on Bayesian Information Criterion(BIC)

$$BIC=-2\log\left(P\big(O_{train/\lambda}\big)\right)-p.\log(T)$$

(Where, p = number of model parameters, T = training data size, model = λ)

Prediction

For Testing the model, we aim to predict the stock for next 100 days(data points)



- For prediction of first day, consider 100th sample as test and all the remaining data to obtain the model.
- Consider windows of size K=200 to obtain the HMM

Window1- 1:200 Remaining training

Calculate its log likelihood given the model

Prediction

 We slide the window for training data to obtain multiple training dataset

Window 2-	2:201	Remaining training	
Window3-	3:202	Remaining training	
and so	on		

We calculate the log likelihood for each window

Identify a subsequence with log likelihood closest to the first window

Prediction

 Calculate the differential price change between the latest day of the chosen window and its next day's price and add it to the current day's price to get our next day's prediction.

$$O_{t+1} = O_t + (O_{t-j+1} - O_{t-j})$$

 After each prediction is made, it is included as part of train data for the subsequent predictions

• E.g. After 1st prediction

Test data=99

Train data=Remaining

Evaluation of model

 The model is evaluated using the MAPE (Mean Absolute Percentage Error) between the predicted values and the ground Truth Test values.

$$MAPE = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{|Predicted(i) - True(i)|}{True(i)}$$

- N-number of test samples
- MAPE is calculated for each feature- Open, Close, High and Low separately

Results

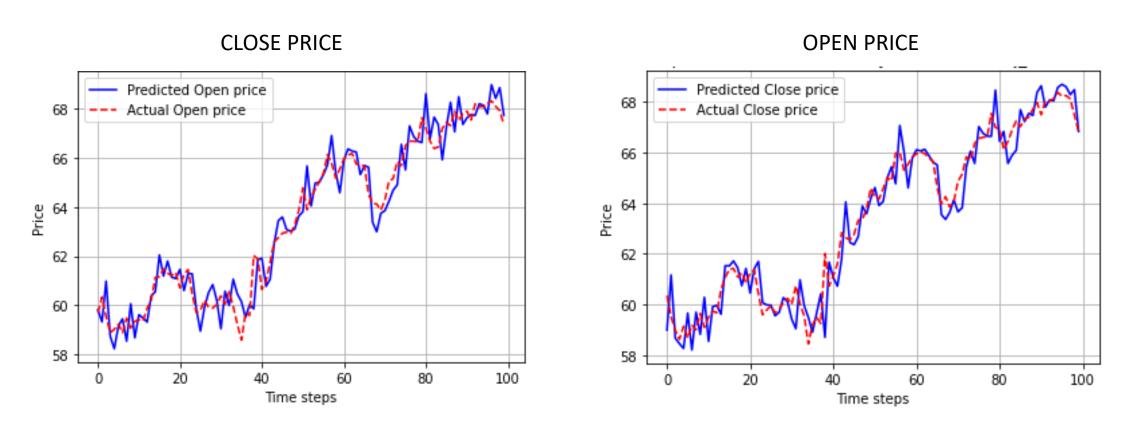


Fig: Plots showing Opening and Closing price prediction using HMM on the Huge Stock Market Dataset

Results



MAPE values for four categories of the Historical Stock Price Dataset

Baseline

- Long Short Term Recurrent Neural Network (LSTM) used
- Popularly used on time-series data for prediction
- Capability to process the entire sequence of data
- Architecture comprises of the cell, input gate, output gate and forget gate.

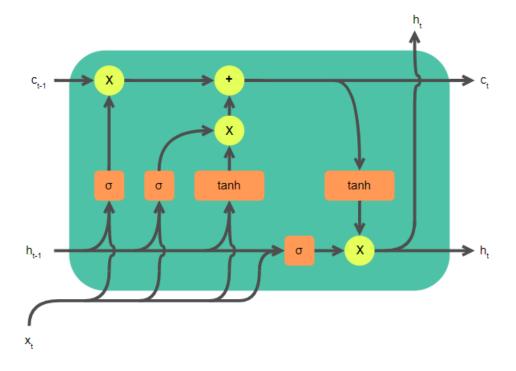


Fig: Architecture of a Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) cell

Comparison with Baseline

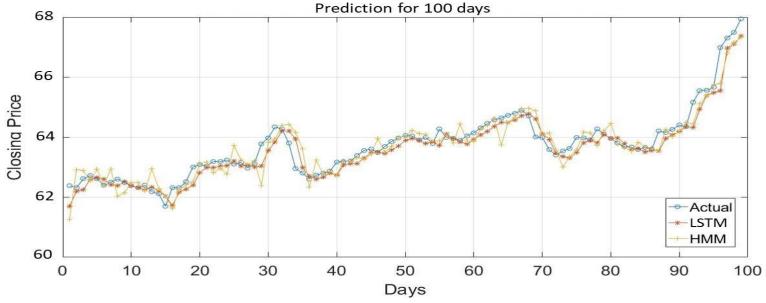


Fig: Plot showing comparison between ground truth data, HMM and LSTM predictions.

MODEL	CLOSE	OPEN	HIGH	LOW
НММ	0.0087	0.0091	0.0074	0.0085
LSTM	0.0062	0.0044	0.0057	0.0059

MAPE comparison of the 2 Models

Future Scope and Conclusion

- When compared to the Baseline: LSTM's, HMM's are suitable for capturing the dynamicity of the data while LSTM's are suitable for stable data.
- They both have a similar performance when BIC is used for finding optimal states.
- Predictions can be made with only a certain accuracy and diverge when made for more than a day.
- Other parameters such as OpenInt would greatly increase the prediction accuracy of the HMM.
- We will try to incorporate this and search for other parameters as well.

THANK YOU!