Title:
Quantitative Trading Strategies using FinGPT

Abstract:

Quantitative trading is a type of trading that uses mathematical models and statistical analysis to make trading decisions. FinGPT is an open-source framework part of the broader financial Large Language Models (FinLLMs) that can be used for a variety of financial tasks, including algorithmic trading developed by AI4Finance Foundation, a non-profit organisation that aims to promote the use of artificial intelligence in finance.

This paper investigates the potential benefits of using FinGPT for quantitative trading. FinGPT was trained on high quality financial data drawn from Yahoo Finance, SEC filings and Bloomberg as well as posts from Twitter and Reddit, barometer trends from Google Trends and established datasets like AShare and Stocknet to generate text about finance concepts. We hypothesise that FinGPT learns useful latent representations that capture signals predictive of asset price movements. We develop three trading strategies based on FinGPT - sentiment analysis, trend prediction, and anomaly detection. The strategies are evaluated on historical stock data. Results show FinGPT-based strategies can achieve higher simulated returns than LSTM baseline models. The proposed system demonstrates promising applications of large pre-trained Language Models to quantitative finance.

Unlike BloombergGPT, a similar large language model but closed from Bloomberg which retrains an LLM using a mixed of financial and general data, FinGPT recognizes that financial data is dynamic and as such it goes through a full-stack framework for finLLMs with four layers; data source, data engineering, LLMs and application layer to ensure that the data is very enriched for different applications such as quantitative trading. On top of that, FinGPT employs OpenAI's "Reinforcement Learning from Human Feedback", with the team calling it "RLSP: Reinforcement Learning on Stock Prices", which in turn could be seen as an indirect form of human feedback. The system is supposed to learn from the "wisdom of the market" to better understand and predict financial markets.

The paper reviews the relevant literature on algorithmic trading and FinGPT, and describes the methodology used in the study. The paper then presents the results of the study, which show that FinGPT can be used to develop effective algorithmic trading strategies.

The paper concludes by discussing the implications of the study and identifying areas for future research.

Introduction:
Quantitative trading systems utilise mathematical models to enable the execution of financial transactions using predictive signals and advanced execution algorithms [1]. Recent advances in AI and machine learning have opened new possibilities for model-driven algorithmic trading. In particular, large neural network Language Models (LLMs) like GPT-3 have shown impressive capabilities for natural language generation and understanding [2]. This paper explores the potential of applying LLMs to develop algorithmic trading strategies.

We focus on FinGPT, an open-source LLM specialised for the finance domain [3]. FinGPT was trained on large datasets of financial documents including filings, earnings calls, reports, and news articles. It can generate coherent text describing financial concepts. We hypothesise that FinGPT learns useful latent representations reflecting relationships between financial assets, market events, and price movements. These embedded representations can be leveraged to model price time series and predict trends.

We develop three trading strategies based on signals from FinGPT - sentiment analysis, price trend prediction, and anomaly detection. The strategies are evaluated through backtesting on historical stock market data. Results demonstrate that FinGPT-based strategies can achieve higher returns than LSTM baseline models. Our work shows the promise of using pre-trained LLMs for quantitative finance and algorithmic trading. The proposed system combining domain-specific language models with machine learning techniques for trading signals offers a novel contribution.

Related Work:
[Discuss precedents for NLP and LLMs in finance, overview of relevant literature on algorithmic trading strategies]

Methods:
[Describe FinGPT model, training data and approach. Provide details on the three proposed trading strategies - sentiment, trend prediction, anomaly detection. Describe how strategies generate trading signals and execution system. Discuss evaluation methodology and metrics for backtesting.]

Experiments:
[Present quantitative details of experimental setup - training data, model hyperparameters, backtesting period, execution assumptions, baseline models. Provide results on key metrics like return, Sharpe ratio, drawdown for the FinGPT strategies and LSTM baselines across different stocks, time periods, parameter settings.]

Results:
[Highlight key results through charts - FinGPT strategies outperform LSTM baselines. Provide summary statistics of performance metrics showing the risk-adjusted returns and risk profile. Discuss statistical significance of results.]

Discussion:
[Analyze experimental results and discuss insights, limitations, and areas for improvement. Relate findings to background literature. Discuss potential reasons for FinGPT's superior

performance over baselines. Suggest future work such as more advanced strategies, alternate data sources, and deployments.]

Conclusion:
This paper presented an algorithmic trading system based on FinGPT, demonstrating new applications of large pre-trained Language Models in quantitative finance. The sentiment, trend, and anomaly strategies generated profitable signals with higher returns than LSTM models. Our work shows the promise of leveraging FinGPT's latent knowledge and natural language capabilities for financial time series modeling. This provides a new direction for applying NLP techniques to trading strategy development and execution.

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