Stock Prediction System

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2 Symbols, Abbreviations and Acronyms

symbol	description
Т	Test
SVM	Support Vector Machine
RDD	Resilient Distributed Datasets
K	Kernel function
X	features of the data (date , price)
С	The price from different days
β	The error modifier
У	The result between 1 and -1

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3 General Information

This Document is a test plan of the software-Stock Prediction System which is a tool used to predict the stock prices using machine learning.

3.1 Purpose

This test plan describes the testing methods that will drive the testing of the Stock Prediction System and give a guide to the users about the QA. This document includes the descriptions of testing tool, testing functions, unit testing method and system test. Based on these testing, the users may cache the functional and non functional issues from the first release of the software and find out the improvement.

3.2 Scope

The testing plan will cover both system testing and unit testing. The functions are the data input, data format validation, calculation of SVM, data plot, Spark RDD Distributed System, and the output of the result. Basically every part of the system will be tested. In this plan, most of the testing will be done by unit testing.

3.3 Overview of Document

This document explains the testing plan for the software - Stock Prediction System. It includes the briefcase of software description, the different testing methods - unit testing and integration testing, testing tools. It will cover both functional and non functional requirements.

4 Plan

In this section, the general description of the testing plan for the software and corresponding testing tools will be introduced.

4.1 Software Description

The Stock Prediction System is used to analyze the future trend of stocks. The prediction was provided by machine learning algorithms based on the historical data. The system will be run on a big data platform (Spark), in order to obtain the more accurate results. In this case, we need to setup a distributed system to support Spark.

4.2 Test Team

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4.3 Automated Testing Approach

NA

4.4 Verification Tools

Python unit testing: This framework was included in Python standard library. It is easy to use by people familiar with the xUnit frameworks, strong support for test organization and reuse via test suites

Wing: A popular Python IDE which contents the code checking and indent correction.

PyChecker (Optional): A source checking tools which finds problems that are typically caught by a compiler for less dynamic languages; imports each module before checking it.

4.5 Non-Testing Based Verification

NA

5 System Test Description

This section describes the testing on the system environment, such as the data file input and spark distribution system. Users need to make sure the application run on the system without any issues.

5.1 Tests for Functional Requirements

The functional requirements includes the data input, the data format verification, the Spark RDD transaction, the plot generation and the display

of the output. The software must fulfill all of the functional requirements without issues.

5.1.1 Data Input

The system needs to load a dataset from a CSV file. This test ensures the data input method.

File loading Testing

1. File is loaded successfully

Type: Functional, Manual, Static etc. Initial State: NA Input: File Path Output: Successful Message How test will be performed: System tries to load the data set file based on the file name and location without issues.

2. Input Data Validation

Type: Functional, Manual Initial State: NA Input: Data from the file Output: Successful message How test will be performed: System have to ensure the data type and format is correct for each column of the file such as the pattern of the date, the formats of the price and number of digits of decimals. Shown in Figure 1

-4	A	В	C	D	E	F	G		
1	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Adj Close	Volume		
2	8/24/2017	957.42	959	941.14	952. 45	952.45	5195700		
3	8/25/2017	956	957.62	944.1	945. 26	945. 26	3324800		
4	8/28/2017	946.54	953	942.25	946.02	946.02	2596700		
5	8/29/2017	940	956	936.33	954.06	954.06	2874300		
6	8/30/2017	958. 44	969.41	956. 91	967.59	967.59	2904600		
7	8/31/2017	974.7	981	972.76	980.6	980.6	3331500		
8	9/1/2017	984. 2	984.5	976.88	978. 25	978. 25	2535900		
9	9/5/2017	975. 4	976.77	960.37	965. 27	965. 27	2883200		
10	9/6/2017	968.32	971.84	960.6	967.8	967.8	2129900		
11	9/7/2017	974	980.59	972.55	979.47	979.47	2566800		
12	9/8/2017	979.1	979.88	963.47	965.9	965.9	2583300		
13	9/11/2017	974, 46	981, 94	974, 22	977, 96	977, 96	2186700		

Figure 1:

5.1.2 Distributed System

This section focus on the distributed system of Spark platform. It guides the users to test the data flow on the spark system. RDD is the format of data flow in Spark. testers need to double check the data was distributed into each workers through RDD.

Spark RDD Testing

1. Data is distributed to workers

Type: Functional, Manual, Static etc. Initial State: NA Input: An Array from the driver Output: An updated array with marks of each worker How test will be performed: There will be an input array to the driver, driver assign the array to each workers. Workers add a mark with its identification to elements of the array and return it back to driver. Shown in Figure 2.

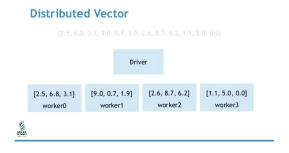


Figure 2:

5.1.3 Testing on The Algorithm

This section gives the guide to the testing on the Support Vector machine algorithms. It covers the plot test and the calculation of functions in SVM.

SVM Testing

1. Plot Testing

Type: Functional, Manual, Static etc. Initial State: NA Input: A pre-defined Array Output: A correct plot How test will be performed: System reads the data and generate a plot using the price and the date as the x and y axis.

2. SVM Calculation

Type: Functional, Manual, Static etc. Initial State: NA Input: A collection of data Output: correct results How test will be performed: The detail of the functions related to SVM Calculation can be found in Unit Test

5.2 Tests for Non functional Requirements

Non functional requirements are not as prior as functional requirements, but it is still necessary to have tests on them in order to improve the software performance and quality.

5.2.1 Big Data System Testing

In this section, the only requirement is the performance.

Performance Testing

1. Performance of the workers

Type: Manual Initial State: NA Input/Condition: NA Output/Result: Result of the time cost

How test will be performed: It is a good way to increase the performance by increase the number of works. Try to increase one more worker and compare the time cost on data training and testing.

5.3 Traceability Between Test Cases and Requirements

	Input Data	Plot	Data Validation	Calculation	Output	Performance
Input Data testing	X					
Data Validation	X		X			
RDD Testing	X					
Plot testing		X				X
Kernelling				X		
Volatility Testing				X		
Momentum Testing				X		
Prediction Testing				X	X	
Performance Testing						X

Table 1: Traceability Matrix Showing the Connections Between Requirements and Test Cases

6 Unit Testing Plan

The unit testing plan will involve the following modules: Load Data, SVM Kernelling, Volatility Calculating, Momentum Calculating, Predict and Output.

1. Load Data

The detail of the data loading was explained on 5.1.1

2. Kernelling

In machine learning, kernel methods are a class of algorithms for pattern analysis, whose best known member is the support vector machine (SVM) RBF Kernel is used for price forecasting. A correct result is expected by inputting the parameters to the equation

$$K(X_i, X_k) = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\delta^2} \sum_{n=1}^{j=1} (X_{ij} - X_{kj})^2\right)$$

3. Calculate Volatility

This function is use to calculate the price volatility and index volatility.

Since the calculation is similar they share the same function. A correct result is expected by inputting the parameters to the equation $\sum_{i=1}^{t} \frac{C_i - C_{i-1}}{C_i - C_{i-1}}$

$$\frac{\sum_{i=t-n+1}^{t} \frac{C_i - C_{i-1}}{C_{i-1}}}{n}$$

4. Calculate Momentum

This function is use to calculate the price momentum and index momentum. Since the calculation is similar they share the same function. A correct result is expected by inputting the parameters to the equation

$$\underbrace{\sum_{i=t-n+1}^{t} \frac{C_i - C_{i-1}}{C^{i-1}}}_{n}$$

5. Predict

The Predict module receives a set of parameters calculated from the previous functions and returns a result. A correct result is expected by inputing the parameters to the equation

$$y = \beta_0 + \sum a_i y_i K(x(i), x)$$

7 Appendix

NA

7.1 Symbolic Parameters

NA

7.2 Usability Survey Questions?

NA