Task 4 Report: Model Optimization and Final Results

Overview:

- Hyperparameter tuning was performed using **Grid Search with 5-fold cross-validation** over 27 parameter combinations for the Random Forest model.
- The goal was to optimize model parameters (max_depth, min_samples_split, n_estimators) to improve prediction performance.

Best Parameters Found:

- max_depth: 5
- min_samples_split: 2
- n_estimators: 100

Performance Metrics After Optimization:

Metric	Value
Accuracy	0.4897
Precision	0.7273
Recall	0.1013
F1 Score	0.1778
ROC AUC	0.6020

Backtest Metrics:

Metric Value

Cumulative Return 2.48%

Sharpe Ratio 1.48

Max Drawdown -1.22%

Summary:

- Despite systematic hyperparameter tuning, no significant improvement in model performance or trading strategy results was observed compared to the initial model.
- Metrics remain largely unchanged, indicating the model's predictive power is limited with the current features and data.
- The backtest results reflect the same modest but positive returns and risk metrics as before.

Conclusion:

- The current Random Forest setup appears stagnant in performance despite optimization efforts.
- Future improvements may require exploring additional features, alternative modeling approaches (e.g., deep learning), or more sophisticated data preprocessing to boost predictive accuracy and trading performance.