

## Using ML for **Stock Selections**

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## **Objectives**

Stock market prices are affected by various information and driving factors. With this knowledge, my goal is to build ML models that incorporate market-based, macro-economic, fundamental and sentiment data using a machine learning model based on the **tree-based** algorithm to predict the directions of stock price changes.

#### **Objectives**





Goal

Selecting 5 stocks that will be worth more on Aug 23 than Aug 16



Stock Universe

S&P 500 Components



Investment horizon

Short: 5 trading days



#### **Machine Learn Models**

- Ingest data/features from various sources
- Tree-based models are leveraged (Decision trees+ Random forest)
- Scores are customized to focus on the performance of top
  5 stocks/instances

#### Macro-economic

Such as CPI, PPI, GDP, Minimum wage data from *Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis* 

#### **Fundemantal**

EBITDA/EV, EPS Variability, Operating Margin, Low leverage, Predicted revenue growth, Sectors, etc. obtaining from the Factset



#### Data Feeds

10-years data from end of 2010 (weekly)

#### Financial-market data

Stock price, Market value of stocks

#### Google trends data

Popularities of each stock ticker

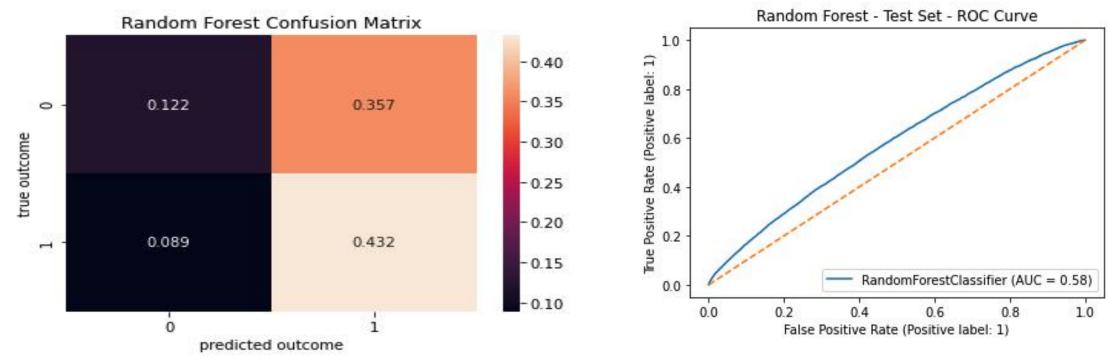


**Process** 

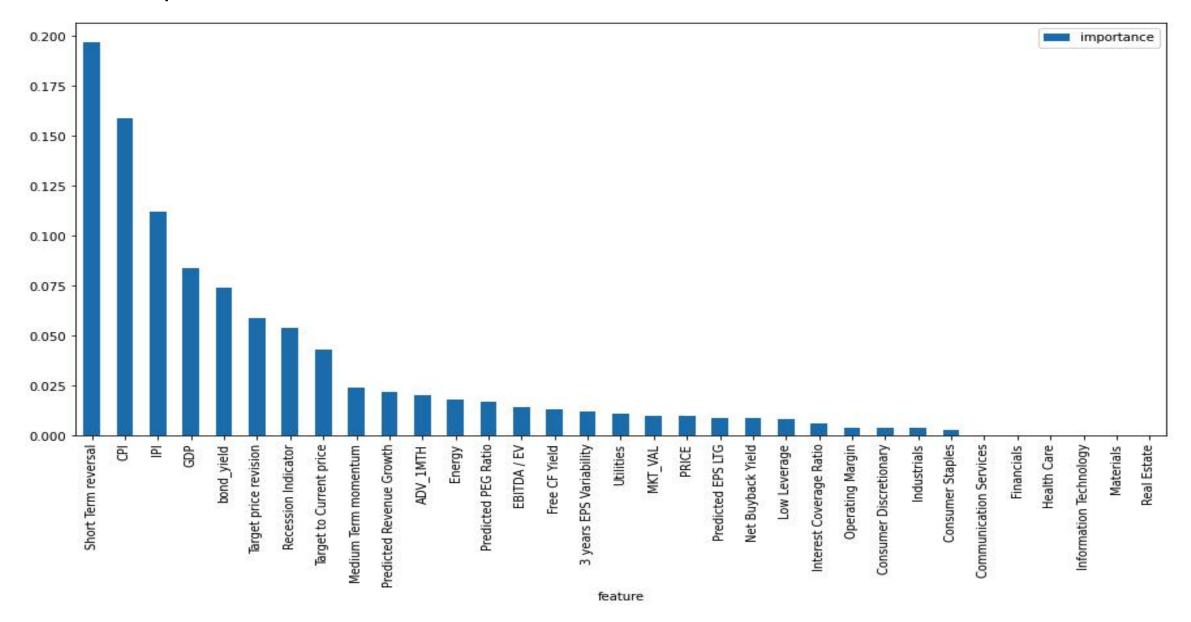
Model performance evaluation

#### Best model's perfomance (based on the test sample)

Metrics	Values
Accuracy	0.54177
F1_score	0.50626
Precision_score	0.56272
Recall_rate	0.54177



#### Feature Importance





### **Results**

• 5 stocks are selected to be outperfoming in a week

#### 5 stocks recommended

Company	Symbol	Close Price (as of 16 Aug, 2021)	Mkt_v	Sector	Medium Term momentum	Short Term reversal	Target to Current price	EBITDA / EV	3 years EPS Variability
Visa Inc. Class A	V	235.4	500567.6	Information Technology	26.7	-5	0.2	30.4	0.1
Leidos Holdings, Inc.	LDOS	97.9	13857.8	Real Estate	13.6	-7.9	0.2	14.6	0.3
Citrix Systems, Inc.	CTXS	102.2	12692.8	Information Technology	-13.7	-12.1	0.1	20.8	0.3
FMC Corporation	FMC	92.8	11943.3	Utilities	-2.4	-11.7	0.3	13.9	1.4
Lamb Weston Holdings, Inc.	LW	66.5	9643.2	Real Estate	21.2	-14.1	0.3	21.4	0.2



#### **Conclusion**

- Tree based algorithms are leveraged to select 5 stocks from S&P 500 which will generate a positive return in a week (we consider return > 0.1% as a positive return to incorporate trading cost)
- Given more time and resources, model performance should be increased by using more sentiment data (bull/bearish), and the back-testing should be considered.



## **THANK YOU**



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