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## Advance AI and Machine Learning Approaches for Financial Market Prediction and Risk Management: A Comprehensive Review

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| ABSTRACT

Stock market is one of the most important sectors of a country's economy. It is challenging to forecast the movements of stock values because they are subject to fluctuations. It is quite challenging to estimate stock market returns with any level of accuracy due to the non-linearity and volatility of the financial stock market. Stock market prediction is the process of making an effort to anticipate the future value of a company's shares or any other financial instrument traded on a financial exchange. Accurately predicting a stock's future price will maximize investor gains. Using a range of Machine Learning techniques and data sets, stock market prediction has long been a prominent field of study. In this paper a comprehensive review on the state-of-the-art methods in Advanced AI Models and Machine Learning Techniques in Financial Market Analysis, Investigating Hybrid and AI-Driven Approaches for Improved Stock Market Predictions, Machine Learning and Deep Learning Techniques for Stock Market Prediction, and Advanced AI and Hybrid Models for Financial Market Prediction is carried out. Future directions has been discussed.

| KEYWORDS

Artificial Intelligence, Deep Learning algorithms, Predictive Analysis, Time Series Analysis, Financial Forecasting, Real Time Stock Prediction, Machine, Data Preprocessing.

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### 1. Introduction

Stock market price prediction is crucial for investors, financial institutions, and policymakers to manage risk and make informed decisions. Despite their widespread use, traditional statistical models such as moving averages and ARIMA suffer from non-linearity and market volatility. While Deep Learning techniques like LSTM and CNN address long-term relationships in financial data, Machine Learning models like SVM and Random Forest increase accuracy by identifying hidden patterns. Although they need a lot of processing power, hybrid and reinforcement learning methods improve predictions even more. Issues with data quality, excessive volatility, overfitting, and interpretability still exist despite progress. This study offers a thorough analysis of current prediction models, highlighting both their advantages and disadvantages. It also explores potential avenues for future research to increase the precision and dependability of financial forecasting.

*Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Deep Learning (DL) have revolutionized stock market prediction by using sophisticated algorithms to examine massive financial datasets. Because of their inability to handle non-linear market behaviour, traditional models like GARCH and ARIMA have been replaced with AI-based methods. Lee et. al., [21] presented a Deep Q-Network (DQN) with CNN, which enhances pattern recognition but has significant processing overhead. By combining LSTM, GRU, and sentiment analysis, Parekh et. al., [22] created DL-Guess, which improved bitcoin projections but necessitated a significant amount of processing power. In order to improve NSE stock predictions, Hiransha et. al., [23] used RNN, LSTM, CNN, and text-processing approaches;*

nonetheless, they ran into problems with inconsistent market data. Xu *et. al.*, [26] developed a hybrid model using LASSO, PCA, LSTM, and GRU that produced reliable results but had scalability issues.

By combining NLP, LSTM, and ML classifiers to evaluate financial news and social media, Khan *et. al.*, [65] developed a sentiment-based stock market prediction model that improves short-term forecasting but faces difficulties including disinformation and sentiment categorization problems. Peivandizadeh *et. al.*, [63] presented a hybrid system that used sentiment analysis and transudative LSTM to improve prediction accuracy but struggled with dataset integration and computing efficiency. Li *et. al.*, [64] proposed a method to enhance stock prediction for stocks with little news data. This method achieved higher stability but had trouble incorporating various sentiment sources. Not with standing these developments, market noise, shifting investor sentiment, and problems with data reliability make sentiment analysis in financial markets difficult. Future studies ought to concentrate on improved feature engineering, hybrid AI techniques.

In stock market prediction, hybrid *Machine Learning* (ML) approaches have become more popular by fusing conventional ML algorithms like SVM and Random Forests with Deep Learning methods like CNN and LSTM. By combining ANN, SVM, and Genetic Algorithms. Strader *et. al.*, [56] presented a hybrid AI model that increased prediction accuracy but had computational complexity issues. Singh and Jha [58] suggested a CNN-LSTM model, which improved accuracy but came with a significant computational cost. Although hybrid models improve prediction performance, issues with processing power, feature selection, and market volatility adaptation still exist. For increased accuracy, future studies should concentrate on incorporating reinforcement learning and maximizing computational efficiency.

For risk management and stock market forecasting, statistical models such as *Moving Averages* (MA) and ARIMA are frequently utilized. While MA aids in trend identification and price fluctuation smoothing, ARIMA captures linear interdependence in financial time series. ARIMA's efficacy in short-term bitcoin forecasting was shown by Shamshad *et. al.*, [54], who also pointed out that it has limits when dealing with non-linear data. Although MA has trouble with abrupt changes in the market, Sattarov and Choi [29] emphasized its significance in lowering volatility. In risk management, GARCH predicts market volatility. To improve risk assessment, Bousoño-Calzón *et. al.*, [19] proposed merging GARCH and ARIMA with AI. However, managing financial crises presents difficulties for these structures. Deep learning and statistical models should be combined in future studies to increase prediction accuracy and risk management is shown in the Fig.1.

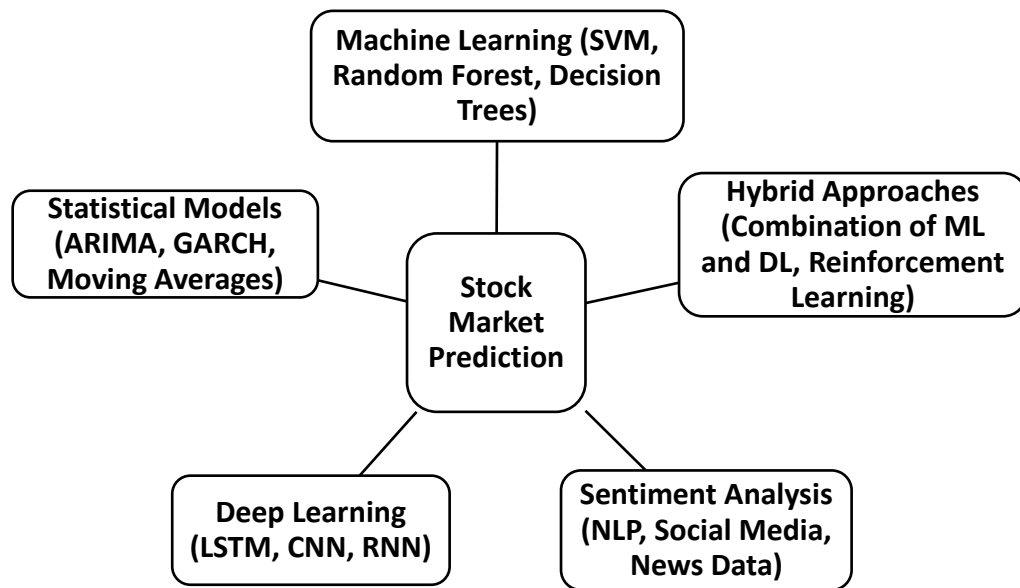


Fig.1. Stock Prediction Models: From Statistical to AI-Based Methods

**1.1 Organization**

The rest of this paper is organized as follows: Section 2 discusses the difficulties in predicting the stock market, such as computing complexity, data quality, and market volatility. The literature review on Deep Learning Architectures for Financial Time Series Forecasting is presented in Section 3. The literature review of AI-Driven Risk Management in Financial Markets is included in Section 4. Section 5 follows the literature survey on Advanced AI and Hybrid Models for Stock Market Prediction. The literature

review on Machine Learning Approaches for Stock Market Prediction is given in Section 6. The Stock Market Prediction's future direction is covered in Section 7, and the conclusion is presented in Section 8.

## **2. Challenges In Stock Market Prediction**

### **2.1 Market Volatility and Anomotics**

Due to a variety of financial, political, and economic considerations, stock markets frequently see price changes, which makes it difficult to create reliable prediction models. When market collapses, regulatory changes, or worldwide emergencies like the COVID-19 epidemic induce abrupt price swings, AI-based models find it difficult to adjust. According to Sirimevan *et. al.*, [40], high-frequency trading intensifies market anomalies and causes erratic price movements that are difficult for traditional models to adequately predict. Developing models that work in a variety of market scenarios is challenging due to the unpredictable nature of stock price swings. Volatility indicators have been used by researchers, but no single strategy has shown itself to be consistently successful in all market conditions.

### **2.2 Data Quality and Feature Selection**

The accuracy of stock market prediction models requires high-quality financial data. However, noise, inconsistencies, and missing values are common in financial datasets, which can have a detrimental effect on model performance. While successful feature selection methods like *Principal Component Analysis* (PCA) and *Recursive Feature Elimination* (RFE) increase accuracy, their implementation necessitates a high level of computational capacity and subject experience has been described by Parekh *et. al.*, [22]. Additionally, feature selection is essential for lowering dimensionality and guaranteeing that models concentrate on pertinent financial metrics. Poor feature selection, however, might produce deceptive findings and render model performance untrustworthy.

### **2.3 Computational Complexity and Scalability**

Large amount of processing power is needed for training and real-time inference in stock market prediction models, particularly those built on Deep Learning architectures like CNN, LSTM, and transformers. It is difficult to scale conventional AI models for real-time trading since *High-Frequency Trading* (HFT) algorithms demand execution speeds of milliseconds. Although there have been proposals for hybrid architectures that combine Cloud Computing and Edge AI, technology and cost limitations continue to hinder their adoption in Wang *et. al.*, [24]. The requirement for real-time processing makes matters more difficult because forecast delays might lead to large losses in terms of money. Because of this, striking a balance between computational effectiveness and prediction accuracy is still difficult.

### **2.4 Overfitting and Generalization Issues**

Overfitting is a common problem with AI-Driven stock market prediction models, which causes them to perform remarkably well on historical data but poorly in practical applications. These models become too stiff due to over-optimization of training data and hyperparameters, which limits their ability to adjust to changing financial and market situations. Overfitting can be reduced by using strategies like dropout layers, cross-validation, and ensemble learning, although Hiransha *et. al.*, [23] still struggle to find the ideal balance. Furthermore, because financial markets are dynamic, models must constantly adjust to new trends. Retraining models, however, usually results in extra processing overhead and necessitates constant access to current information.

### **2.5 Impact of Sentiment and External Factors**

Social media trends, news headlines, and investor mood all have a big impact on stock prices. Nevertheless, context fluctuations, fake news, and biased reporting frequently pose challenges for sentiment analysis methods that rely on NLP models such as FinBERT and Stock2Vec. According to El Mahjouby *et. al.*, [42], it is also challenging to depend exclusively on sentiment-driven forecasts because market rumours and false information disseminated on websites like Reddit and Twitter can cause strange stock movements. Although sentiment-based predictions have become more common, it is challenging to compare models due to the absence of standardized sentiment indicators. Additionally, before sentiment data can be utilized in predictive models, it must undergo a great deal of preprocessing because it is frequently unstructured.

### **2.6 Dependence on Historical Data**

Assuming that previous trends would persist in the future, the majority of AI-based stock prediction models mainly rely on historical market data. Unprecedented occurrences like financial crises, pandemics, and legislative changes, however, have the potential to invalidate historical data trends and render the models useless. According to Zhang *et. al.*, [5], integrating alternative financial data sources and real-time macroeconomic indicators is essential for enhancing flexibility, but it is still difficult to execute on a large scale. Model's capacity to identify black swan events is further constrained by their dependence on past patterns. Although dynamic features are being tried, the majority of current models still have trouble adapting in real time.

### **2.7 High Resource Requirements for AI Model**

Stock market prediction utilizing complex AI architectures such as deep reinforcement learning and *Generative Adversarial Networks* (GANs) requires significant computational power. These models are costly to implement since they require huge datasets, High-End GPUs, and hyperparameter adjustment for training. The sustainability and cost-effectiveness of AI-powered trading platforms are also challenges for Ferreira and colleagues [1] because of their high energy consumption. Financial institutions must invest in high-performance computing infrastructure AI research, striking a balance between forecast accuracy and resource efficiency is still a challenge.

### **2.8 Integration of Multisource Data**

Diverse data sources, including financial statements, social media sentiment, macroeconomic indicators, and alternative datasets like credit card transactions and satellite images, must be included into modern stock prediction algorithms. It is difficult to process this heterogeneous data in real-time because of variations in timing, structure, and format. To improve prediction accuracy, methods such as ensemble stacking and decision fusion have been suggested. These techniques, however, require a lot of computer power and add complexity to the system. One major challenge is maintaining quality and consistency across several data streams in Xu *et. al.*, [26].

## **3. Deep Learning Architectures for Financial Time Series Forecasting**

Financial time series forecasting plays a crucial role in stock market prediction, portfolio management, and automated trading. Because financial markets are so volatile, traditional statistical models find it difficult to capture intricate patterns. For this reason, deep learning approaches are becoming more and more popular. Because they can simulate sequential dependencies, *Recurrent Neural Networks* (RNNs) and *Long Short-Term Memory* (LSTM) networks are two of the most popular of these. For stock market trend prediction, Ferreira *et. al.*, [1] used CNN, LSTM, and RNN, while Nabipour *et. al.*, [2] contrasted these models with more conventional methods like Random Forests and Decision Trees. Sun *et. al.*, [10] used LSTM with LightGBM and CEEMDAN for noise reduction, which significantly increased predicting accuracy. Despite their superior ability to capture long-term dependencies, these models are computationally costly and prone to overfitting if improperly adjusted. *Convolutional Neural Networks* (CNNs), which are mostly used for feature extraction, are another important Deep Learning technique for financial forecasting. CNNs were used by Wen *et. al.*, [16] to find high-order patterns in financial time series, and they showed better accuracy than traditional techniques. CNNs are effective at identifying complex patterns, but they need a lot of preprocessing and careful hyperparameter adjustment. Researchers have looked into hybrid and ensemble models, which mix several methods for improved performance, to get around the drawbacks of standalone models. Bouktif *et. al.*, [6] used Naïve Bayes, SVM, and XGBOOST in an ensemble setting, Lin *et. al.*, [3] created a model that combined Random Forest, LSTM, and Logistic Regression.

Although these models improve forecast precision and flexibility in response to market swings, they necessitate substantial processing power and meticulous parameter selection. The capacity of *Reinforcement Learning* (RL) to dynamically adjust to shifting market conditions has also made it popular in financial forecasting. For stock prediction, Zhang *et. al.*, [11] used RL techniques, such as *Upper Confidence Bound* (UCB) algorithms, and Kabbani *et. al.*, [20] used *Deep Reinforcement Learning* (DRL) with the TD3 algorithm for trading automation is shown in the Fig.3.1. Because RL models enable automated systems to learn the best trading techniques through trial and error, they are especially useful for high-frequency trading. But these models need a lot of data for training, a lot of processing power, and they frequently make assumptions about the market that might not be accurate.

Sentiment research and feature engineering have become essential methods for integrating investor sentiment into financial forecasts, going beyond price-based forecasting. Mu *et. al.*, [18] showed a 10.74% increase in prediction accuracy by combining LSTM with investor sentiment research from stock forums. In a similar vein, Bouktif *et. al.*, [6] improved predicted accuracy by combining feature selection methods such as Recursive Feature Elimination with sentiment data from Twitter. These strategies give models an advantage over strictly numerical techniques by enabling them to capture abrupt changes in market sentiment. However, the quality of the data, the accessibility of labelled textual data, and the possibility of bias in sentiment extraction all have a significant impact on how effective they are.

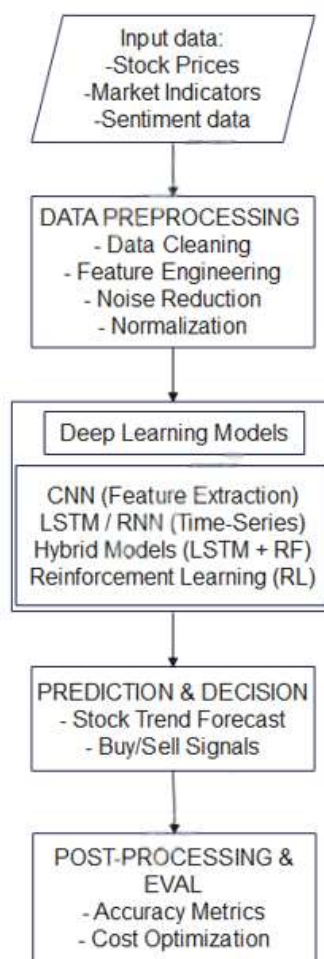


Fig.3.1. System Model of Deep Learning Architectures for Financial Time Series Forecasting

Researchers have also looked at sophisticated feature selection strategies to get rid of unnecessary variables in order to increase model efficiency. In order to improve feature selection, El Mahjouby *et. al.*, [15] developed techniques including Bagging and AdaBoost, Saud. S and Alotaibi [7] used a hybrid strategy that combined the Red Deer Algorithm and Grey Wolf Optimizer, which improved prediction accuracy by up to 98%. These methods improve model interpretability while lowering computational load and overfitting. Nevertheless, feature selection techniques themselves can be computationally costly and necessitate considerable fine-tuning to achieve the best results. The creation of cost-sensitive models, which put financial profitability ahead of pure prediction accuracy, is another potential strategy. In order to reduce high-cost misclassification mistakes, Zhao *et. al.*, [12] suggested a Light-GBM model based on *Cost Harmonization Loss* (CHL), which dynamically modifies weights. These models are useful for financial decision-making in areas like risk management and fraud detection, but they are prone to overfitting and might not generalize well in other markets.

There are still a number of issues with Deep Learning models for financial forecasting, notwithstanding their advancements. Given that financial data is frequently noisy, lacking, or extremely volatile, data quality and preprocessing are important issues. Furthermore, overfitting is a common problem with Deep Learning models, especially when they are trained on small datasets. Another major obstacle is computational expenses, since high-performance computer resources are needed to train and optimize complicated architectures like CNNs, LSTMs, and reinforcement learning models. Furthermore, a lot of models have trouble adapting to the market since unexpected financial crises or economic events might make previously trained models useless.

### 3.1 Data Preprocessing & Feature Engineering for Financial Forecasting

To improve the precision and effectiveness of predictive models, financial forecasting depends on feature engineering and data preparation. Preprocessing is crucial because raw financial data frequently contains noise, missing numbers, and errors. Prior to being fed into machine learning models, the data is refined using methods including data transformation, standardization, and cleansing. For example, statistical approaches can be used to identify outliers, and imputation methods can be used to manage missing values in Ferreira *et. al.*, [1]. Furthermore, to standardize numerical financial data and prevent bias in models caused by

different scales, normalization techniques such as Z-score transformation and Min-Max scaling are employed in Nabipour *et. al.*, [2]. The reliability of financial prediction models is further enhanced by handling imbalanced datasets using methods like SMOTE in Yuan *et. al.*, [4].

By identifying significant patterns in financial data, feature engineering is essential to enhancing model performance. Stock price trends and momentum are captured by technical indicators such as Bollinger Bands, MACD, and Moving Averages (SMA, EMA) has been implemented by Zhang *et. al.*, [5]. Insights into investor behaviour and market sentiment can also be gained through sentiment analysis of financial news, earnings announcements, and social media conversations in Bouktif *et. al.*, [6]. By lowering dimensionality while keeping the most important features, feature selection methods like *Principal Component Analysis* (PCA) and *Recursive Feature Elimination* (RFE) increase computing efficiency and lessen overfitting Alotaibi and Saud S[7]. Sequential dependencies and long-term patterns in stock market data can be captured by models using Time-Series Forecasting Approaches such CNN-based architectures and LSTM was proposed by Kim *et. al.*, [8].

In order to improve predicted accuracy, financial forecasting models use Machine Learning and Deep Learning techniques along with well Designed features. Many methods have been employed to forecast stock prices, including Decision Trees, Random Forest, XGBOOST, SVM, and Deep Learning architectures like RNN and LSTM in Sun *et. al.*, [10]. By merging predictions from several models, ensemble learning strategies like stacking, boosting, and bagging improve model performance even more in Zhang *et. al.*, [11]. Reinforcement learning methods, including the TD3 algorithm and *Upper Confidence Bound* (UCB), optimize trading strategies in high-frequency trading by dynamically adjusting to market conditions Kabbani *et. al.*, [20]. By integrating advanced data preprocessing and feature engineering techniques, financial forecasting models can achieve higher accuracy, improved robustness, and adaptability to dynamic market conditions. The combination of structured and unstructured data, coupled with cutting-edge machine learning methodologies, continues to push the boundaries of predictive analytics in finance.

### **3.2 Recurrent Neural Networks (RNN) & Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) for Financial Forecasting**

Financial forecasting now heavily relies on *Recurrent Neural Networks* (RNN) and *Long Short-Term Memory* (LSTM) networks, especially when dealing with time-series data such as stock prices, market patterns, and economic indicators. RNNs are ideal for financial time-series modeling because of their ability to analyse sequential data while preserving historical information through hidden states Ferreira *et. al.*, [1]. However, long-term relationships in financial data are hard to capture with typical RNNs due to problems such vanishing gradients Nabipour *et. al.*, [2]. LSTM networks, a specific kind of RNN, were developed to overcome these drawbacks. LSTMs are more reliable for stock market prediction because they efficiently store long-term dependencies through the use of memory cells and gating mechanisms (input, forget, and output gates) Lin *et. al.*, [3]. Research has demonstrated that LSTMs perform better than conventional RNNs in predicting erratic stock markets, where identifying long-term patterns is essential for precise forecasts Yuan *et. al.*, [4]. To increase predicting accuracy, LSTMs have specifically been used in hybrid models that combine sentiment analysis and technical indicators Zhang *et. al.*, [5].

LSTM-based models have been used by a number of researchers to increase the accuracy of financial forecasting. For instance, in order to lower prediction errors, Bouktif *et. al.*, [6] combined LSTMs with ensemble learning strategies like Random Forest and XGBOOST. Furthermore, to improve forecasting reliability, Kim *et. al.*, [8] integrated LSTM *Effective Transfer Entropy* (ETE) to examine market dependencies. For high-frequency trading applications, reinforcement learning frameworks with LSTM networks have also been investigated; these frameworks can dynamically adjust to changes in the market Kabbani *et. al.*, [20]. Financial forecasting models can more accurately and robustly predict market movements by utilizing RNNs and LSTMs to better capture sequential relationships. They are crucial to contemporary financial analytics because of their capacity to manage high-frequency data, non-linearity, and long-term interdependence.

### **3.3 Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN) In Financial Time Series Analysis**

*Convolutional Neural Networks* (CNN) have gained popularity in financial time-series analysis due to their ability to extract spatial and temporal patterns from stock market data. By transforming time-series data into structured representations like feature matrices or financial heatmaps, CNNs which were first created for image processing have been modified for use in financial forecasting Sun *et. al.*, [10]. CNNs are useful for forecasting market trends because they use convolutional layers to capture both short-term and long-term dependencies Zhang *et. al.*, [11]. The capacity of CNNs to automatically extract significant features from raw data, eliminating the need for manual feature engineering, is one of their main advantages in financial forecasting. CNNs, as opposed to Conventional Machine Learning models, are able to identify correlations, volatility patterns, and hidden trends in changes in stock prices by Zhao *et. al.*, [12]. In order to improve trading methods and increase predicted accuracy, researchers have also looked into integrating CNNs with other Deep Learning models, like LSTM and Reinforcement Learning, Chen *et. al.*, [13].

In predicting financial market patterns, recent research has shown that CNN-based models perform better than conventional time-series models like GARCH and ARIMA El Mahjouby *et. al.*, [15]. In contrast to LSTM and conventional statistical models, Wen

et. al., [16] introduced a high-order CNN-based model that uses *Modified Dynamic Time Warping* (MDTW) to analyse reconstructed financial time-series data with higher accuracy. Furthermore, Jeribi et. al., [17] shown up to 99.56% accuracy in market performance predicting by integrating CNNs with metaheuristic optimization methods, such as *Improved Black Widow Optimization* (IBWO), for portfolio prediction.

For stock price prediction, hybrid models that combine CNN with Sentiment Analysis, Reinforcement Learning, and Technical Indicators have also been proposed. Mu et. al., [18] used a CNN-based framework with Investor Sentiment Analysis, and it outperformed conventional models by capturing both textual and quantitative data. Kabbani et. al., [20] also used CNNs to develop a *Deep Reinforcement Learning* (DRL) model in which market states were encoded as financial heatmaps for automated trading strategies. CNNs' promise to enhance financial market decision-making, feature extraction, and forecast accuracy is demonstrated by their growing use in financial time-series analysis. They are a useful tool in contemporary financial forecasting because of their capacity to identify hidden structures and market patterns. The comparison table of Deep Learning Architecture for Financial Time Series Forecasting is show in table 1.

Table 1: Comparison of Deep Learning Architectures for Financial Time Series Forecasting

Author	Concept	Algorithm Used	Advantages	Disadvantages
Ferreira et. al., (2021) [1]	RNN for stock market forecasting	RNN	Captures sequential dependencies in financial data	Suffers from vanishing gradient problem
Nabipour et. al., (2020) [2]	RNN for continuous and binary stock trend prediction	RNN, Decision Trees, Random Forests	Effective for time-series analysis	Overfitting risk, high computational cost
Yuan et. al., (2020) [4]	LSTM for stock selection in China's A-share market	LSTM, SVM, RF, ANN	Automated feature selection, efficient modeling	High processing requirements
Zhang et. al., (2022) [5]	LSTM-based decision fusion model for stock forecasting	LSTM, ANN, SVM	Improved accuracy through model fusion	Complexity and high dependency on base models
Zhao et. al., (2023) [12]	CNN for stock price movement prediction	CNN, Technical Indicators	Reduces need for manual feature engineering	Sensitive to hyperparameter tuning
Jeribi et. al., (2024) [17]	CNN + Optimization for portfolio forecasting	CNN, IBWO (Black Widow Optimization)	Achieves 99.56% prediction accuracy	Computationally expensive
Mu et. al., (2023) [18]	CNN with sentiment analysis for stock forecasting	CNN, Investor Sentiment Analysis	Combines text & numerical data effectively	Dependency on reliable sentiment data
Wen et. al., (2019) [16]	High-order CNN model for trend prediction	CNN, MDTW	Captures market patterns with high accuracy	High computational requirements
Kabbani & Duman (2022) [20]	CNN in Deep Reinforcement Learning for trading	CNN, DRL, Financial Heatmaps	Learns optimal trading strategies dynamically	May struggle in unpredictable market shifts
Sun et. al., (2024) [10]	CNN for financial time-series forecasting	CNN, Feature Mapping	Extracts spatial & temporal patterns	Requires large datasets for training

#### 4. AI-Driven Risk Management In Financial Markets

The integration of *Artificial Intelligence* (AI) into risk management has brought about a paradigm shift by enabling automated, data-driven decision-making processes. AI-driven techniques, such as deep learning, reinforcement learning, and sentiment analysis, have improved risk assessment, portfolio optimization, and fraud detection, ensuring a more robust financial ecosystem.

Risk management is essential in financial markets because it helps investors, traders, and institutions minimize potential losses due to market volatility, economic fluctuations, and unanticipated global events. Traditional risk management approaches rely heavily on statistical models and historical data, but they frequently miss nonlinear patterns and real-time changes in financial markets. Lee *et. al.*, [21] introduced a *Deep Q-Network* (DQN) framework combined with *Convolutional Neural Networks* (CNN) for analyzing stock chart images to predict market risks. This model showed a strong ability to generalize across different stock markets, making it particularly useful for emerging economies with limited historical data. On the other hand, its effectiveness was hindered by high computational costs and trading inefficiencies caused by transaction fees.

AI-based models offer significant advantages over conventional methods by leveraging vast amounts of structured and unstructured data, enabling better pattern recognition and forecasting accuracy. Deep Learning, specifically *Recurrent Neural Networks* (RNN) and *Long Short-Term Memory* (LSTM) models, is one of the most popular AI techniques in financial risk management. Hiransha *et. al.*, [23] used a Deep-Learning-based model that combined CNN, LSTM, and RNN to forecast stock market trends; their model was able to capture complex time-series dependencies and increased the accuracy of stock price forecasting. However, Deep Learning models are difficult to integrate into real-time risk management systems due to their high processing demands and data inconsistencies is shown in the below Fig.4.1.

In risk prediction, hybrid models that combine statistical and sentiment-based methods with Artificial Intelligence techniques have demonstrated encouraging outcomes. In order to forecast cryptocurrency price swings and related risks, Parekh *et. al.*, [22] presented DL-Guess, a hybrid Deep Learning model that combines LSTM, GRU, and sentiment analysis using VADER. By integrating market sentiment from news and social media, our model showed increased forecasting accuracy. Its reliance on high-quality sentiment data had drawbacks, too, as biased viewpoints or false information might compromise its accuracy. The use of Fuzzy Logic and Reinforcement Learning models is another cutting-edge strategy for AI-driven risk management. For risk assessment, Wang [24] created a *Deep Convolutional Fuzzy System* (DCFS) that combines Deep Learning and Fuzzy Logic concepts. Better interpretability and flexibility in response to current market fluctuations were offered by this hierarchical model. However, when utilizing too many fuzzy sets, it experienced overfitting problems. Similar to this, Lee and Moon [36] used the *Transformer Actor-Critic with Regularization* (TACR) architecture to propose an Offline Reinforcement Learning model for automated trading. By effectively utilizing historical data, this model outperformed traditional Reinforcement Learning techniques; yet, its complexity and high processing requirements continued to be major obstacles.

The effectiveness of AI-driven models in risk management has been demonstrated, but in order to ensure broad adoption, issues like data quality, computational efficiency, overfitting, and regulatory compliance need to be resolved. Future developments should concentrate on creating hybrid AI models that combine Deep Learning, Reinforcement Learning, Fuzzy Logic, and sentiment analysis to produce more reliable risk prediction frameworks. Additionally, integrating *Explainable AI* (XAI) techniques will increase transparency and trust in AI-driven financial risk management systems, making them more accessible to financial institutions and regulatory bodies.



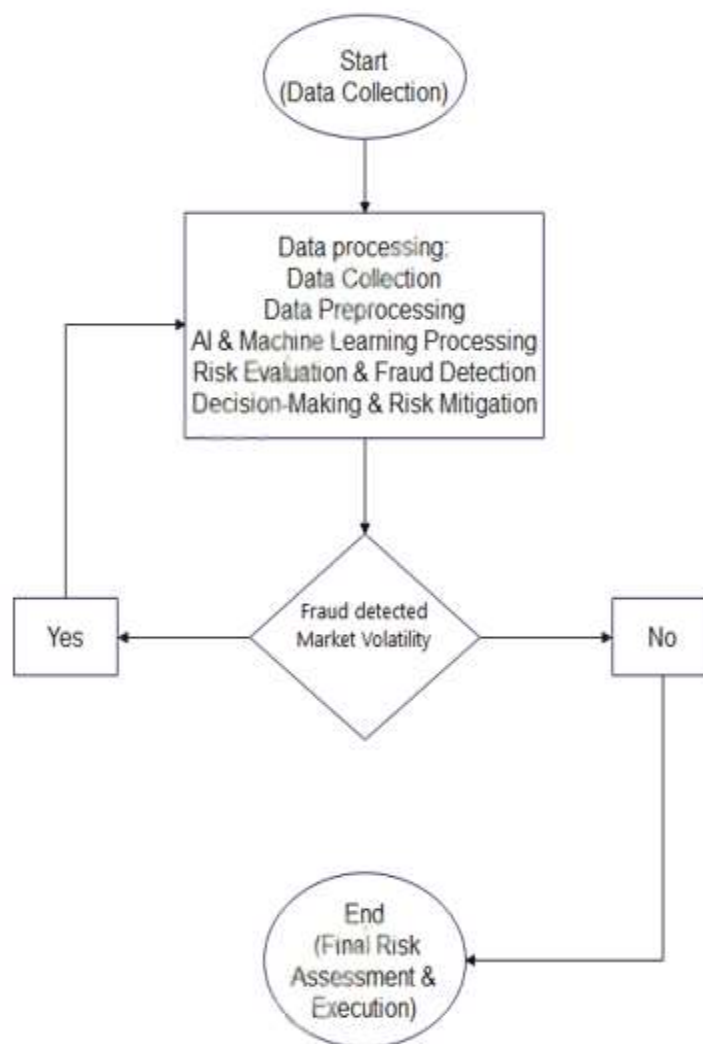


Fig.4.1 System model of AI-Driven Risk Management Models in Financial Markets.

#### 4.1 AI for Financial Risk Assessment and Market Volatility Prediction

Macroeconomic variables, geopolitical developments, investor attitude, and unexpected market shocks all have an impact on the naturally volatility nature of financial markets. Financial risks have long been predicted using conventional risk assessment methods like the GARCH and *Value at Risk* (VAR) models. These approaches, however, frequently have trouble with dynamic changes, non-linearity, and real-time risk adaptation. Deep learning and Reinforcement Learning, in particular, are AI-driven techniques that have shown notable advancements in financial risk assessment and volatility prediction. AI models may find hidden patterns, uncover early warning signs, and offer real-time risk mitigation solutions by evaluating vast amounts of organized and unstructured data.

Models for risk assessment based on Deep Learning have proved crucial in enhancing volatility forecasts. In order to forecast changes in the stock market, Hiransha *et. al.*, [23] presented a Deep Learning architecture that combines *Convolutional Neural Networks* (CNN), *Long Short-Term Memory* (LSTM), and *Recurrent Neural Networks* (RNN). Compared to conventional statistical models, their technique produced more accurate forecasts by successfully capturing intricate time-series dependencies and market patterns. High computing costs and difficulties with real-time flexibility, however, continue to be major disadvantages of Deep Learning-based risk assessment techniques. Similarly, a hybrid Index Prediction Model combining LASSO for feature selection, PCA for dimensionality reduction, and LSTM-GRU networks for financial trend forecasting was developed by Xu *et. al.*, [26]. Although this method increased prediction stability, scalability issues were brought about by its dependence on high-dimensional datasets.

One important AI-driven technique for forecasting market volatility is sentiment analysis. Investor mood, which may be gleaned from earnings reports, financial news, and social media, frequently drives financial risk. Parekh *et. al.*, [22] created DL-Guess, a

hybrid AI model that used the VADER method to integrate sentiment analysis with Deep Learning. Their research showed that, especially in cryptocurrency markets, market mood is a key factor in forecasting abrupt price changes. A reinforcement learning-based model for predicting the price of Bitcoin was developed by Sattarov *et. al.*, [29], who integrated Twitter features such as retweets, comments, and follower count. Their method's over-reliance on social media as a single data source limited its ability to enhance forecast accuracy by 12.5%.

For financial risk management, Reinforcement Learning has been extensively studied, especially in dynamic market environments. The *Transformer Actor-Critic with Regularization* (TACR) system for automated trading was presented by Lee *et. al.*, [36], who used historical market data to improve risk-adjusted returns. By adding a decision-transformer mechanism to optimize trading policies in unpredictable market settings, this model outperformed Conventional Reinforcement Learning techniques. In a similar vein, Muminov *et. al.*, [34] integrated historical price data, trading volume, and social factors to create a *Deep Q-Network* (DQN)-based model for predicting the direction of the price of bitcoin. Their study's impressive 95% F1 score demonstrated how well reinforcement learning works for risk assessment. The model had problems with data noise and overfitting hazards despite its accuracy.

#### **4.2 AI-Powered Fraud Detection and Anomaly Detection in Trading**

Market manipulation and financial fraud have grown to be serious issues in international trading markets, resulting in losses and regulatory worries. Conventional methods of detecting fraud depend on statistical anomaly detection and rule-based systems, which frequently fall short in identifying complex fraudulent activity. In order to detect anomalous trading patterns, insider trading, spoofing, and market manipulation in real time, AI-powered fraud detection uses machine learning, Deep Learning, and reinforcement learning. AI algorithms are more effective than traditional techniques at detecting fraudulent transactions and revealing hidden irregularities in large volumes of trade data.

Since Deep Learning can identify complex patterns in high-dimensional financial data, it has been widely used for trading fraud detection. Akba *et. al.*, [32] used *Support Vector Machines* (SVM), sentiment analysis, and statistical forecasting techniques to develop a fraud detection model for cryptocurrency markets, showing that combining sentiment data with machine learning significantly improved anomaly detection accuracy. However, the effectiveness of this approach depends on high-quality input data and real-time processing capabilities. Wang *et. al.*, [33] introduced a *Hierarchical Temporal Memory* (HTM)-based stock price prediction model, integrating morphological similarity clustering to detect fraudulent market activities. Although the model successfully identified manipulation patterns, its scalability remained a problem due to high computational overhead.

In high-frequency trading settings, reinforcement learning has also been applied to the identification of fraud. An Offline Reinforcement Learning Model with AI-based fraud detection features was presented by Lee and Moon [36] for automated stock trading. By spotting odd trading patterns that differed from the distributions of previous data, the model beat conventional fraud detection techniques. Similarly, Hu *et. al.*, [37] used extremely Machines Learning and *Support Vector Machines* (SVMs) to create an Enhanced Harris's Hawks Optimization Model for fraud detection and stock market risk assessment. Although their method had great detection accuracy, it had drawbacks with regard to computational complexity and parameter tweaking.

Identifying suspicious activity in financial transactions is mostly dependent on anomaly detection. In order to identify market abnormalities in financial time-series data, Chacón *et. al.*, [27] created a hybrid model that combines *Long Short-Term Memory* (LSTM) networks with *Empirical Mode Decomposition* (EMD). By removing noise and maintaining important market signals, their model greatly increased prediction accuracy. However, real-time fraud detection was hampered by the high model complexity and the requirement for hyperparameter adjustment. Carta *et. al.*, [35] combined financial news analysis and decision trees to offer an Explainable AI Model for stock market anomaly detection. Although this method improved fraud detection transparency, its efficacy was reliant on the availability of trustworthy financial news sources.

#### **4.3 Quantum AI for Financial Risk Optimization**

*Quantum Artificial Intelligence* (QAI) is being investigated as a potential game-changer in financial risk optimization due to the growing complexity of financial markets, which are marked by high volatility, enormous data volumes, and complicated risk variables. Even if they work well, traditional AI models are frequently limited by computational constraints when working with high-dimensional financial datasets. Utilizing quantum computing concepts like superposition and entanglement, quantum AI processes enormous volumes of financial data at previously unheard-of rates, providing enhanced fraud detection, portfolio optimization, and risk assessment capabilities.

Portfolio optimization is one of the most exciting uses of Quantum Artificial Intelligence in financial risk management. The combinatorial complexity of portfolio selection is difficult for classical AI models to handle, particularly when working with huge asset pools. In order to increase risk-adjusted portfolio returns, Hu *et. al.*, [37] presented an *Enhanced Harris's Hawks Optimization Model* (IHHO) that included components from quantum-inspired computing. Their research showed that compared to conventional machine learning techniques, hybrid quantum-classical algorithms could optimize financial strategies more

effectively. The study did point out, though, that quantum algorithms need to be adjusted to prevent overfitting and model instability problems.

Quantum AI also makes a substantial contribution to risk mitigation and high-frequency trading. The application of *Transformer Actor-Critic with Regularization (TACR)* in AI-driven stock trading was investigated by Lee and Moon [36], who pointed out that Conventional Reinforcement Learning techniques frequently call for significant computer resources. Decision-making procedures could be sped up by *Quantum Reinforcement Learning (QRL)*, which would enable trading algorithms to more effectively adjust to abrupt changes in the market. The integration of quantum algorithms with the current financial infrastructure, which primarily uses classical computing architectures is still difficult and nevertheless.

Quantum AI can also help with fraud detection and anomaly detection in financial markets. For example, Akba *et. al.*, [32] proposed a Manipulator Detection Model in Cryptocurrency Markets, which uses statistical forecasting and machine learning to identify fraudulent trading patterns. Applying Quantum AI to anomaly detection could further improve real-time fraud identification by using quantum state representations for probabilistic anomaly scoring. However, Quantum Fraud Detection models are still in their infancy and need improvements in Quantum Machine Learning techniques to effectively handle noisy and incomplete financial datasets.

Considering its promise, Quantum Artificial Intelligence in financial risk optimization is beset by issues like algorithmic stability, hardware constraints, and the viability of practical implementation. Practical Quantum AI applications in finance are still mostly in the experimental stage, despite the fact that firms like IBM, Google, and D-Wave are making progress in Quantum Computer Research. The wider effects of AI in financial markets were emphasized by Rahmani *et. al.*, [39], who also emphasized the significance of creating regulatory frameworks for cutting-edge technologies like Quantum AI in order to guarantee moral and open financial risk management. The Comparison table of AI-Driven Risk Management Models in Financial Markets is shown in Table 2.

Table: 2 Comparison of AI-Driven Risk Management Models in Financial Markets

Author	Concept	Algorithm/Technique	Advantages	Disadvantages
Rahmani <i>et. al.</i> , (2023) [39]	AI in financial risk, stock trading, and risk management	Various AI-based models (ML, DL, RL)	Increased prediction accuracy, automation in financial risk management	Ethical concerns, dependency on high-quality data
Lee <i>et. al.</i> , (2023) [36]	AI-based automated trading with Reinforcement Learning	Transformer Actor-Critic with Regularization (TACR)	Improved trading stability and higher returns	High processing requirements, complex implementation
Muminov <i>et. al.</i> , (2024) [34]	Bitcoin price forecasting using Deep Q-Network (DQN)	DQN with historical price and trade volume data	High accuracy (F1-score of 95%), robust for volatile markets	Issues with data noise, risk of overfitting
Xu <i>et. al.</i> , (2024) [26]	Hybrid Index Prediction Model	LASSO for feature selection, PCA for dimensionality reduction, LSTM-GRU for prediction	Stable time-series forecasting, improved feature selection	Computationally expensive, scalability limitations
Akba <i>et. al.</i> , (2021) [32]	Fraud detection in cryptocurrency markets	Support Vector Machines (SVM), sentiment analysis	High fraud detection accuracy, effective anomaly detection	Dependence on high-quality sentiment data, processing constraints
Carta <i>et. al.</i> , (2021) [35]	Explainable AI (XAI) for stock market forecasting	Decision Trees with financial news analysis	High interpretability, transparency in AI decision-making	Limited ability to handle complex semantic nuances in news data

Wang <i>et. al.</i> , (2021) [33]	Stock price prediction using Hierarchical Temporal Memory (HTM)	Morphological Similarity Clustering with HTM	Strong anomaly detection, real-time learning capabilities	Limited scalability, computationally expensive
Parekh <i>et. al.</i> , (2022) [22]	DL-Guess: AI for cryptocurrency price prediction	LSTM, GRU, VADER (sentiment analysis)	Leverages sentiment for better forecasting, improved model resilience	Dependent on sentiment data quality, complex architecture
Hiransha <i>et. al.</i> , (2018) [23]	Deep Learning for NSE Stock Market Prediction	RNN, LSTM, CNN, Word2Vec, TF-IDF	Captures complex time-series dependencies, improved prediction accuracy	High processing requirements, inconsistent results with volatile data

**5. Advanced AI and Hybrid Models for Stock Market Prediction**

Advanced AI and hybrid models are transforming stock market prediction by integrating Deep Learning, Machine Learning, and Statistical techniques to enhance forecasting accuracy. These approaches have been the subject of numerous investigations. In their review of stock market prediction methods, Strader *et. al.*, [56] emphasized the potential of *Artificial Neural Networks* (ANN), *Support Vector Machines* (SVM), *Genetic Algorithms* (GA), and Hybrid AI approaches to enhance investor decision-making and adjust to market swings. For stock selection and portfolio optimization, Singh *et. al.*, [58] created a CNN-LSTM hybrid model, which showed better accuracy than single models.

In order to improve short-term stock correlation forecasting, Zhong *et. al.*, [44] presented a CNN-BILSTM hybrid model that was augmented with an attention mechanism, leading to notable increases in prediction accuracy. For better exchange rate prediction, Wang *et. al.*, [45] have suggested a CNN-TLSTM model, which blends Convolutional Neural Networks with a sophisticated LSTM variation. Gao *et. al.*, [46] introduced a probabilistic fuzzy-fluctuation time series forecasting model to align predictions with behavioural preferences, boosting market adaptability. In their discussion of AI applications in economic analysis, Agarwal *et. al.*, [47] focused on Machine Learning, Deep Learning, And Reinforcement Learning for financial forecasting and risk management. By integrating external economic factors like oil prices and currency rates, Alsheebah *et. al.* [53] improved stock market predictions using a GRU-based Deep Learning model that included both endogenous and exogenous variables as shown in the Fig.5.1. All of these research show that hybrid AI models that use a variety of approaches can improve financial market decision-making, accuracy, and flexibility. But there are still significant obstacles that require more study and improvement, like computing complexity, reliance on big datasets, and market volatility.

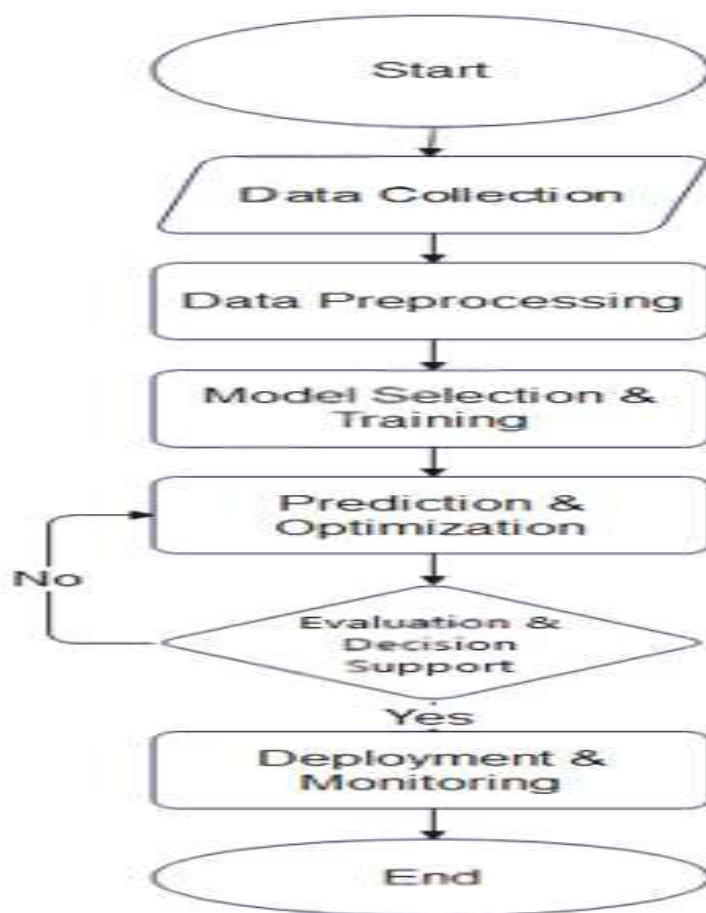


Fig. 5.1 System model of Advanced AI and Hybrid models for stock market prediction

### 5.1 CNN-BILSTM with Attention Mechanism

In order to improve financial time-series analysis, a hybrid Deep Learning technique called CNN-BILSTM with Attention Mechanism combines *Convolutional Neural Networks* (CNN) and *Bidirectional Long Short-Term Memory* (Bi-LSTM) networks with an attention mechanism. This technique is very useful for stock market prediction, risk management, and algorithmic trading since it is made to extract intricate temporal correlations and geographic elements from financial data Luo *et. al.*, [44]. CNN is mostly used to extract features from financial time-series data, identifying local patterns and transient variations. Bi-LSTM is more efficient than regular LSTM at detecting long-term dependencies in stock price movements because it processes sequential data from both past and future directions after the extracted features are passed through it was given by Wang *et. al.*, [45]. By giving big financial events greater weights and concentrating on crucial data points, the attention mechanism improves this model even more Zhao *et. al.*, [46].

For example, Zhong *et. al.*, [44] showed that this approach improved short-term stock correlation forecasting by 57%, making it highly effective for portfolio optimization and risk management; Agarwal *et. al.*, [47] pointed out that integrating AI-driven financial models, including CNN-BILSTM with attention, improves investment Decision-making by reducing prediction errors; and hybrid models combining CNN, Bi-LSTM, and attention mechanisms have been demonstrated to achieve higher prediction accuracy in financial applications compared to standalone Deep Learning models. The CNN-BILSTM with Attention Mechanism has drawbacks despite its benefits, such as high computational complexity, the requirement for sizable datasets, and the possibility of overfitting because of Deep Network Architecture Alsubaie *et. al.*, [48]. Nevertheless, this model can greatly enhance financial market forecasts with the right tuning, feature selection, and hyperparameter optimization, assisting analysts and investors in making better choices.

### 5.2 CNN-TLSTM for Exchange Rate Prediction

The CNN-TLSTM *Convolutional Neural Network-Tanh Long Short-Term Memory* is a hybrid Deep Learning model that combines the advantages of CNN and *Tanh-LSTM* (TLSTM), an improved version of LSTM, to improve exchange rate prediction. It is

especially helpful for handling complex, non-linear financial time-series data, like currency exchange rates, which are influenced by a variety of factors, such as historical price trends, market sentiment, and economic indicators Wang *et. al.*, [45]. By identifying short-term trends and local patterns in exchange rate time-series data, CNN plays a critical role in feature extraction. CNN lowers dimensionality while keeping important features by using pooling operations and convolutional filters. After that, these features are sent to TLSTM, a better LSTM variant that reduces the issue of disappearing gradients in long-term dependencies by incorporating a Tanh activation function for improved gradient flow Zhao *et. al.*, [46]. The model can learn sequential patterns over long periods of time thanks to TLSTM, which improves its ability to capture both short-term and long-term currency movements.

Research has demonstrated that when it comes to predicting exchange rates, CNN-TLSTM performs better than more conventional models like RNN, LSTM, and CNN-LSTM. For instance, when predicting the USD/CNY exchange rate, Wang *et. al.*, [45] showed that CNN-TLSTM outperformed the conventional CNN-LSTM and MLP models in terms of predictive accuracy. Processing massive amounts of high-frequency exchange rate data is one of CNN-TLSTM's main features, which makes it appropriate for algorithmic trading and risk management applications. High computational complexity, extended training periods, and the requirement for cautious hyperparameter adjustment to avoid overfitting remain obstacles, though Agarwal *et. al.*, [47]. Notwithstanding these difficulties, CNN-TLSTM is still a potent instrument for raising predict exchange rate accuracy, which will eventually help traders, investors, and financial institutions make data-driven currency trading choices.

**5.3 Sentiment Analysis and AI-Based Market Intelligence**

AI-based market intelligence and sentiment analysis have emerged as crucial instruments for risk assessment, stock market prediction, and financial forecasting. These methods examine news articles, financial reports, social media posts, and investor sentiment by utilizing *Machine Learning* (ML), Deep Learning Models, And *Natural Language Processing* (NLP). Financial institutions and traders can learn more about market trends, investor sentiment, and possible hazards by incorporating sentiment analysis into market intelligence systems Agarwal *et. al.*, [47]. Text mining techniques are used in sentiment analysis to categorize market sentiments into three groups: Neutral, Negative, And Positive. By capturing the contextual meaning of market-related text, AI-driven models like BERT, Fin-BERT, and LSTM-based sentiment classifiers have greatly increased the accuracy of financial sentiment analysis Jung & Jang [52]. Furthermore, by comprehending minute shifts in investor mood brought on by earnings reports, political developments, or economic swings, transformer-based language models have been created to improve financial text analysis Alsubaie *et. al.*, [48].

By combining structured financial data (stock prices, trading volumes) with unstructured data (news, tweets, earnings reports) to produce predictive insights, AI-based market intelligence systems go beyond sentiment analysis. To forecast stock price changes based on sentiment trends, hybrid models that combine CNN, LSTM, and reinforcement learning have been used Shamshad *et. al.*, [54]. In order to enhance market forecasts, financial institutions have also begun utilizing multi-source data fusion techniques, in which *Artificial Intelligence* (AI) compiles real-time data from news sources, analyst reports, and social media conversations Singh *et. al.*, [58]. Notwithstanding its advantages, sentiment analysis has drawbacks, including algorithmic biases, noisy data, and false signals. High-quality datasets, real-time processing capabilities, and sophisticated natural language processing algorithms are necessary for AI-based market intelligence to be accurate Reddy *et. al.*, [51]. However, the dependability of AI-driven financial decision-making is increasing due to ongoing developments in Deep Learning, ensemble learning, and real-time data analytics. These developments are changing investing methods, risk management, and algorithmic trading, which makes sentiment research an essential part of contemporary market intelligence systems. Comparison table of Advanced AI and Hybrid models for Stock market prediction is shown in Table 3.

Table 3: Comparison of Advanced AI and Hybrid models for stock market prediction

Author	Concept	Algorithm/Model Used	Advantages	Disadvantages
Jung & Jang <i>et. al.</i> , (2024) [52]	Enhancing financial sentiment analysis	Targeted Numerical Change-Related Masking (FinBERT)	Improved sentiment prediction accuracy; useful in low-resource scenarios	Computationally demanding
You & Jang <i>et. al.</i> , (2024) [59]	Social media sentiment analysis for	AI-based analysis of stock discussion forum posts	Accurately reflects investor sentiment; effective for	Accuracy depends on data quality and context

	stock prediction		high-participation sectors	
Ho & Hou <i>et. al.</i> , (2024) [57]	Predicting cryptocurrency price movements using social network analysis	Centrality metrics & network-based AI models	Improved short-term price prediction; useful in identifying major market events	Requires significant computational resources
Agarwal <i>et. al.</i> , (2023) [47]	AI applications in stock trading, market analysis, and risk management	Machine Learning (ML), Deep Learning (DL), Reinforcement Learning (RL)	Enhanced financial predictions and risk assessments	Integration of diverse AI algorithms remains challenging
Singh & Jha <i>et. al.</i> , (2023) [58]	Hybrid AI model for portfolio optimization	CNN-LSTM Hybrid Model	Higher prediction accuracy; potential for increased returns	High computational requirements
Sattarov & Choi <i>et. al.</i> , (2024) [55]	AI-driven cryptocurrency trading strategies	ARIMA, GARCH, LSTM, Sentiment Analysis	Improved adaptability to market volatility	Overfitting risks and external macroeconomic factors impact accuracy
Zhong <i>et. al.</i> , (2024) [44]	Short-term stock correlation forecasting	CNN-BiLSTM with Attention Mechanism	57% accuracy improvement; robust handling of non-linear data	High processing complexity, requires large datasets

### 6. Machine Learning Approaches for Stock Market Prediction

*Machine learning* (ML) has transformed the way financial trends are predicted, and stock market prediction has long been a crucial research topic. To improve the accuracy of stock price predictions, a number of *Machine Learning* (ML)-based approaches have been investigated, such as Deep Learning, sentiment analysis, hybrid models, and reinforcement learning. In order to find patterns and forecast future market trends, these techniques make use of both structured and unstructured data, including past stock prices, financial reports, and sentiment on social media. In order to connect financial news with stock price data, Minh *et. al.*, [61] suggested a Two-Stream *Gated Recurrent Unit* (GRU) Network that incorporates sentiment analysis and Stock2Vec embeddings. Through the analysis of textual and numerical data, this model increased prediction accuracy yet, it encountered difficulties scalability and processing with intensity.

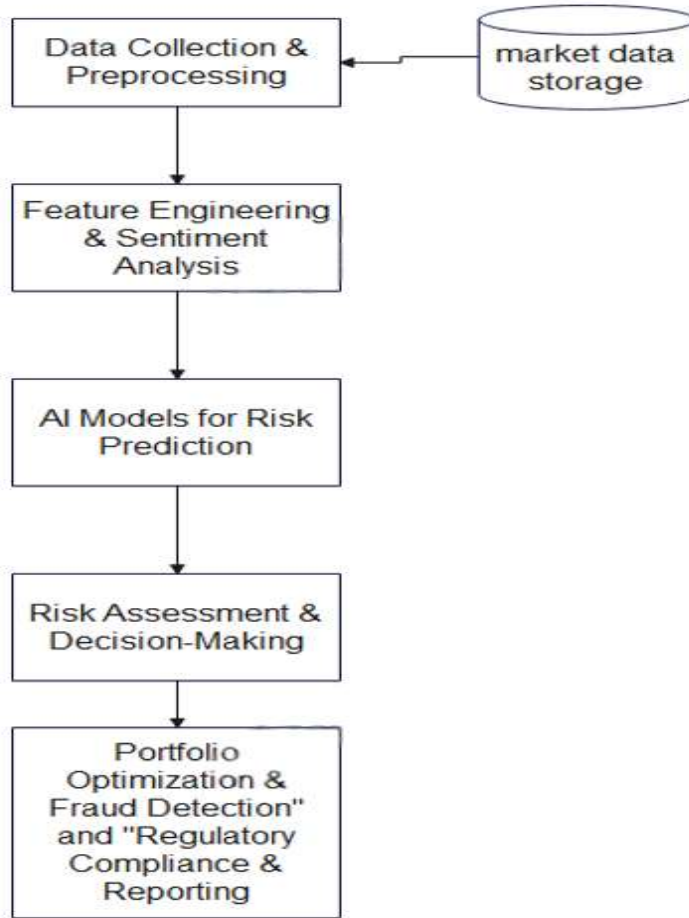


Fig.6.1: System model of Machine Learning Approaches in Stock Market Prediction

The capacity of hybrid models to effectively handle non-stationary and non-linear data has made them popular. The EMD-ARIMA-EWMA and EMD-EWMA-ARIMA models were presented by Hossain *et. al.*, [62] and broke down stock data into high- and low-frequency components. By increasing forecasting accuracy, these models fared better than independent statistical techniques. However, scalability was a problem due to their high computational resource requirements. To improve forecasting accuracy, Peivandizadeh *et. al.*, [63] also suggested a hybrid approach that combines sentiment analysis with Off-policy *Proximal Policy Optimization* (PPO) and *Transductive Long Short-Term Memory* (TLSTM). Although our model was limited by the difficulty of integrating disparate datasets, it successfully managed sentiment data imbalance and caught temporal trends is shown in the Fig.6.1.

Predicting the stock market has become even more sophisticated thanks to Deep Learning algorithms, especially those that integrate many data sources. A multi-source learning system was created by Zhang *et. al.*, [66] that included sentiment analysis, event extraction, and sophisticated Machine Learning methods including sentence2vec and restricted Boltzmann machines. By combining data from social media, stock prices, and financial news, this model was able to attain greater interpretability and accuracy. However, real-time applications faced difficulties due to its scalability limitations and computing demands. In a similar vein, Wang [71] suggested a hybrid AI model that combined *Temporal Convolutional Networks* (TCN), upgraded Transformers, and Bi-LSTM. This model improved generalization capabilities but came with a high processing overhead.

Stock prediction has also shown promise with the incorporation of *Reinforcement Learning* (RL). A cryptocurrency price prediction model that combines blockchain technology and reinforcement learning was presented by Shahbazi *et. al.* [68].

By lowering errors like *Mean Squared Error* (MSE) and *Mean Absolute Error* (MAE), their method improved financial transaction transparency. However, scaling was challenging because to the extreme volatility of cryptocurrency markets. Similar to this, Ansari and Yasmeen [69] suggested a *Multi-Cluster Graph* (MCG) model for stock price forecasting that integrated LSTM with



graph convolutional layers. The model's resilience was impacted by its reliance on grouping choices, even though it was quite accurate at capturing inter-stock correlations.

### 6.1 Traditional Machine Learning Techniques

Traditional *Machine Learning* (ML) techniques have played a fundamental role in stock market prediction, offering statistical and algorithmic methods to analyse historical stock data and forecast future trends. Regression models, *Support Vector Machines* (SVMs), decision trees, and time-series forecasting approaches like ARIMA are the main examples of these techniques. A strategy for forecasting stock market volatility using ARIMA and the Box-Jenkins technique was presented by Idrees *et. al.*, [70]. This technique helped investors make well-informed judgments by efficiently analysing time-series data to find stock price trends. However, its capacity to record abrupt market swings and dynamic financial behaviours was constrained by its dependence on past data.

Because *Support Vector Machines* (SVMs) can handle high-dimensional data and categorize financial trends, they are frequently employed for stock market prediction. Bousoño-Calzón *et. al.*, [73] evaluated the accuracy of stock market forecasting by combining SVMs with Bayesian frameworks and trading strategies such as buy-and-hold. Their approach, which demonstrated a balance between economic profitability and forecast accuracy, offered important insights into trading strategy creation. However, its actual implementation was hindered by market heterogeneity and transaction costs. Furthermore, Kumar *et. al.*, [78] investigated hybrid Machine Learning methods that combined Random Forest classifiers, SVM, and *Artificial Neural Networks* (ANN). Although the high computing complexity of this hybrid approach made it difficult to scale, it increased the accuracy of long-term stock market forecasting.

Forecasting the stock market has also made use of decision tree-based models. Decision Tree Regression was used by Hindrayani *et. al.*, [72] to forecast Indonesian stock values, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic. With a lower *Mean Absolute Percentage Error* (MAPE), this model performed better than more conventional regression techniques like Multiple Linear Regression and Support Vector Regression. Nevertheless, overfitting and a lack of flexibility in response to abrupt changes in the market are frequent problems with decision tree models. In a similar vein, Saha *et. al.*, [80] used Node2Vec for stock relationship extraction and a graph-based methodology to create a stock ranking prediction model. Their list-wise loss function helped with investment decision-making by increasing ranking accuracy. Notwithstanding its efficacy, the model's performance deteriorated with denser stock networks, creating challenges for improvement. *Multiple Instance Learning* (MIL) is another popular method for stock market prediction that allows models to accommodate a variety of data sources. A multi-source MIL-based approach that combined historical stock data, social media sentiment, and financial news was presented by Zhang *et. al.*, [79]. This method captured several data associations, which increased interpretability and resilience. However, its scalability for real-time applications was constrained by its high computing cost and reliance on huge datasets.

### 6.2 Hybrid and Ensemble Learning Models

Hybrid and ensemble learning models have gained significant attention in stock market prediction due to their ability to combine multiple machine learning techniques for improved accuracy and robustness. These models include a number of Deep Learning, reinforcement learning, and statistical techniques to maximize the benefits of each strategy while minimizing its drawbacks. The hybrid models EMD-ARIMA-EWMA and EMD-EWMA-ARIMA were presented by Hossain *et. al.*, [62] and broke down stock data into high- and low-frequency components. These models were more accurate than stand-alone ARIMA or EWMA approaches because they combined *Empirical Mode Decomposition* (EMD) with conventional forecasting methodologies. However, scaling issues were brought up by their computational complexity and dataset flexibility.

Peivandizadeh *et. al.*, [63] created a hybrid approach that combined sentiment analysis from social media with *Transductive Long Short-Term Memory* (TLSTM). The model improved stock market forecasts by using the Off-policy *Proximal Policy Optimization* (PPO) algorithm to balance sentiment data and boost temporal trend recognition. Real-time implementation was challenging due to the framework's computing demands and complexity, even with its increased accuracy. In a similar vein, Zhang *et. al.*, [66] presented a multi-source learning framework for processing unstructured financial data from several sources, such as stock prices, news, and social media, using sentiment analysis, event extraction, and restricted Boltzmann machines. Although this model was more accurate and interpretable, its high processing requirements made it difficult to scale.

By combining sophisticated feature engineering techniques with *Artificial Neural Networks* (ANN), *Support Vector Machines* (SVM), and Random Forest classifiers, Kumar *et. al.*, [78] investigated hybrid Machine Learning models. In long-term stock market forecasting and investor decision-making, their method performed better than others. Nevertheless, difficulties included the requirement for substantial computer power, the intricacy of feature selection, and susceptibility to erratic changes in the market. In a similar vein, Ansari *et. al.* [69] suggested a *Multi-Cluster Graph* (MCG) model that combined *Graph Neural Networks* (GNNs) with clustering methods like *Returns-Sharpe* (RS), *Volatility-Return* (VR), and *Yearly Variance-Return* (YR) clustering to increase forecasting accuracy. Although this model did a better job of capturing inter-stock interactions, its reliance on clustering algorithms affected its robustness and scalability across various datasets.

Hybrid models for stock market prediction have also incorporated Reinforcement Learning. A system for predicting cryptocurrency prices that combines blockchain technology and *Reinforcement Learning* (RL) was presented by Shahbazi *et. al.*, [68]. Better financial transparency was ensured by their model's lower prediction errors, as measured by *Mean Absolute Error* (MAE) and *Mean Squared Error* (MSE). However, its actual scalability was constrained by the high processing demands and intense volatility of bitcoin markets. Furthermore, Wang and Shuzhen [71] suggested a hybrid Deep Learning model for stock price forecasting that combines *Temporal Convolutional Networks* (TCN), enhanced Transformer networks, and Bi-LSTM. This method had issues with real-time adaptation and large computing costs, but it also improved generalization and feature extraction.

**6.3 Transfer Learning in Stock Market Prediction**

Transfer learning has emerged as a powerful approach in stock market prediction by leveraging pre-trained models and knowledge from one financial domain to improve predictions in another. Although financial markets frequently suffer from a lack of historical data for certain equities, traditional Machine Learning algorithms require large amounts of training data. By applying knowledge from stocks with extensive documentation to equities with less data, transfer learning helps to reduce this problem. Using sentimental feature mapping, Li *et. al.*, [64] presented a sentiment-based transfer learning method that moved knowledge from news-rich stocks to news-poor stocks. Although their method increased forecast stability, precise insight transfer necessitated the careful selection of comparable business sectors.

The capacity of transfer learning to improve prediction accuracy with fewer data points is one of its main benefits. In order to integrate data from multiple sources, such as historical stock prices, financial news, and social media sentiment, Zhang *et. al.*, [66] created a multi-source multiple-instance learning model using transfer learning principles. The model showed better interpretability and resilience in financial forecasting by integrating event extraction approaches. However, the complexity of processing many data sources caused scalability issues. Financial prediction has also successfully used pre-trained Deep Learning models. In order to learn patterns from high-confidence data sets and apply them to less dependable market conditions, Peivandizadeh *et. al.*, [63] adopted a *Transductive Long Short-Term Memory* (TLSTM) model. By incorporating temporal dependencies, this method increased forecasting accuracy; nevertheless, its computing complexity made real-time implementation difficult. In a similar vein, Wang and Shuzhen [71] suggested a hybrid AI model that combines Transformers, Bi-LSTM, and transfer learning to modify prediction models over time. Even with its success, it was still difficult to adapt these models to different financial situations.

Reinforcement learning is another cutting-edge use of transfer learning in stock market forecasting. In order to maximize future trading decisions, Shahbazi *et. al.*, [68] developed a bitcoin price prediction model based on Reinforcement Learning, which transferred knowledge from previous market actions. Although the model was successful in reducing prediction errors, it was challenging to apply Reinforcement Learning procedures due to the significant volatility of cryptocurrency. Ansari *et. al.*, [69] also used a *Multi-Cluster Graph* (MCG) model to enhance stock price forecasting across various stock indices by utilizing clustering-based transfer learning. Although this approach successfully caught inter-stock interactions, its robustness was impacted by its sensitivity to clustering techniques. Comparison table of Machine Learning Approaches in Stock Market Prediction is shown in Table 4.

Tabel 4: Comparison of Machine Learning Approaches in Stock Market Prediction

Author	Concept	Algorithms Used	Advantages	Disadvantages
Peivandizadeh <i>et. al.</i> , (2024) [63]	Stock market prediction integrating social media sentiment	Transductive LSTM (TLSTM), Proximal Policy Optimization (PPO)	Improved forecasting accuracy by handling sentiment imbalances	High computational requirements and integration complexity
Ansari and Yasmeen (2024) [69]	Multi-cluster graph-based stock price forecasting	Graph Neural Networks (GNN), Clustering (RS, VR, YR)	Captures inter-stock relationships, improves long-term prediction	High processing requirements, sensitive to clustering methods
Wang and Shuzhen (2023) [71]	Stock price forecasting using hybrid AI models	Bi-LSTM, Improved Transformers, Temporal Convolutional Networks (TCN)	High generalization ability, better handling of sequence dependencies	Requires significant computational power, scalability issues
Sidogi <i>et. al.</i> , (2023) [76]	Signature Transform of Limit	Rough path theory, Signature	Handles high-dimensional, noisy	Potential for overfitting,

	Order Book (LOB) data for prediction	Transform	financial data effectively	inconsistent results across markets
Shahbazi <i>et. al.</i> , (2021) [68]	Cryptocurrency price prediction using Reinforcement Learning	Reinforcement Learning (RL), Blockchain technology	Increased prediction precision, improved transparency	High volatility in crypto markets, computationally intensive
Hossain <i>et. al.</i> , (2021) [62]	Hybrid model for improving stock price prediction	EMD-ARIMA-EWMA, EMD-EWMA-ARIMA	Handles non-stationary and non-linear data better than standalone models	High processing demands, difficult adaptation to diverse datasets
Tiwari <i>et. al.</i> , (2021) [67]	Machine learning for financial market surveillance	Supervised, Unsupervised, Semi-supervised Learning, Ensemble Models	Improved adaptability and anomaly detection in financial markets	Imbalanced datasets, noisy inputs, limited model interpretability
Hindrayani <i>et. al.</i> , (2020) [72]	Stock price prediction in the COVID-19 era	Decision Tree Regression	Improved prediction accuracy during volatile periods	Overfitting, lower responsiveness to non-linear trends
Li <i>et. al.</i> , (2018) [64]	Sentimental Transfer Learning for stock prediction	Sentiment-based Transfer Learning, Harvard IV-4, Loughran-McDonald Dictionary	Better performance in low-data scenarios, enhanced stability	Difficult integration of multiple data sources, scalability issues
Zhang <i>et. al.</i> , (2018) [66]	Multi-source learning for stock market prediction	Event Extraction, Sentiment Analysis, Restricted Boltzmann Machines (RBM)	High accuracy by incorporating multiple financial data sources	High computational requirements, limited scalability

### 7. Future Direction

Innovations in *Artificial Intelligence* (AI), quantum computing, sentiment analysis, and algorithmic trading are poised to transform the future of stock market prediction using hybrid and ensemble learning models. Despite having better prediction accuracy, contemporary hybrid models like *Multi-Cluster Graph Neural Networks* (MCG) and EMD-ARIMA-EWMA are computationally costly and necessitate a great deal of parameter adjustment. In order to improve scalability and efficiency, future research should concentrate on refining these models using Cloud-Based Machine Learning Frameworks, GPU-accelerated computing, and lightweight AI architectures. Furthermore, by enabling the concurrent processing of enormous financial datasets, quantum computing is anticipated to drastically reduce computational complexity, improving the speed and accuracy of stock predictions.

*Reinforcement Learning* (RL) for real-time market adaption is another important avenue. Because stock markets are so dynamic, current models frequently find it difficult to adapt to abrupt changes in the market. AI-powered trading systems will be able to learn and adjust trading tactics dynamically in response to shifting market conditions thanks to advanced Reinforcement Learning techniques like Deep Q-Learning, *Proximal Policy Optimization* (PPO), and Actor-Critic Methods. To improve market forecasting and decision-making, future studies should incorporate investor mood, geopolitical developments, and real-time economic indicators into predictive models.

AI-driven stock market models' explainability and transparency are becoming more and more crucial, especially for institutional investors and regulatory agencies. Many of the AI-based models in use today operate as "black boxes," making it challenging to comprehend how predictions are made. To shed more light on AI-based financial forecasts, future studies should prioritize *Explainable AI* (XAI) methods like *Shapley Additive Explanations* (SHAP) and *Local Interpretable Model-Agnostic Explanations* (LIME). Investor trust will grow as a result, and regulatory bodies will be better able to enforce ethical business practices. Increasing the accuracy of stock market predictions will also require the integration of multi-modal data sources. To better capture market movements, hybrid AI models should use data from a variety of sources, including financial news, social media sentiment, macroeconomic indicators, and even satellite imagery, in addition to numerical stock data. In order to provide a more

thorough understanding of market trends, future research should concentrate on creating multi-source learning frameworks that smoothly integrate organized and unstructured data.

Another crucial area for development is sentiment analysis, especially AI-driven sentiment-aware trading. Existing sentiment models, such as FinBERT and Roberta, examine market sentiment from news stories and social media, but they frequently have trouble with biased data, sarcasm, and false information. To guarantee more accurate sentiment-based predictions, future AI models should incorporate credibility rating methods and fake news detection algorithms. In order to help investors make better judgments, cross-lingual sentiment analysis models should be created to examine global financial sentiment in a variety of languages. Future artificial intelligence models must be built for ultra-low latency decision-making in the context of high-frequency and algorithmic trading. AI algorithms that can process stock price fluctuations and execute transactions in microseconds are necessary for *High-Frequency Trading* (HFT) systems. To improve real-time trade execution, future studies should investigate edge computing, FPGA-based AI, and neuromorphic computing. Furthermore, to ensure increased transparency and regulatory framework compliance, AI-powered fraud detection systems should be created to keep an eye on financial markets for fraudulent transactions, insider trading, and market manipulation.

AI-driven financial forecasting needs to adjust to new financial ecosystems as a result of the emergence of blockchain technology and *Decentralized Finance* (DeFi). To enable safer and more transparent financial transactions, future stock prediction models ought to be combined with decentralized finance protocols and smart contract-based trading methods. Furthermore, ethical AI issues and regulatory compliance will become more crucial as algorithmic trading gains traction. In order to ensure a stable and reliable financial market environment, future AI research should concentrate on creating fair trading algorithms that stop market exploitation and unintentional flash crashes. In conclusion, developments in real-time AI processing, quantum computing, sentiment-aware trading, and AI systems that comply with regulations will influence the direction of stock market prediction in the future. Researchers must tackle issues with computational complexity, data integration, transparency, and market stability as AI-driven financial models develop further. The next generation of intelligent stock market prediction systems will revolutionize the way investors assess and traverse international financial markets by utilizing cutting-edge technologies and creative AI methodologies. These systems will offer improved accuracy, adaptability, and automation.

## **8. Conclusion**

Stock market prediction has significantly evolved with the integration of *Artificial Intelligence* (AI) and *Machine Learning* (ML) models, addressing the complexities of financial forecasting. Although they have offered fundamental techniques, traditional methods like ARIMA, Decision Trees, and Support Vector Machines find it difficult to handle the complex relationships, volatility, and non-linearity present in stock markets. By increasing accuracy and adaptability, *Deep Learning* (DL) models such as *Long Short-Term Memory* (LSTM), *Convolutional Neural Networks* (CNN), and hybrid architectures have transformed financial prediction. Nonetheless, difficulties like high processing demands, problems with data quality, and interpretability of the model continue to be major worries.

By facilitating flexible and dynamic decision-making strategies, the use of *Reinforcement Learning* (RL) techniques specifically, *Deep Q-Networks* (DQN) and *Proximal Policy Optimization* (PPO) has improved stock market prediction even further. To reduce trading losses, these algorithms optimize investment strategies based on ongoing market conditions. Notwithstanding its benefits, real-world implementation of Reinforcement Learning models is difficult due to their large processing requirements, high-frequency trading environments, and training data requirements. Additionally, sentiment analysis, which combines stock price predictions with *Natural Language Processing* (NLP) tools, has become an essential part of financial forecasting. AI-driven sentiment models like FinBERT and Stock2Vec offer greater insights into investor sentiment and market movements by examining news articles, financial reports, and social media trends. Hybrid models combining Deep Learning, reinforcement learning, and sentiment analysis have demonstrated promising results in enhancing prediction accuracy. By capturing inter-stock connections and volatility-return clustering, transformer-based financial forecasting models and *Multi-Cluster Graph Neural Networks* (MCG) have significantly enhanced market trend research. More accurate long-term forecasting is made possible by these methods, but their best results necessitate extensive data processing and effective clustering strategies.

Even with these developments, there are still a number of obstacles in AI-driven stock market forecasting. Since Deep Learning models have a propensity to recall historical trends rather than extrapolating to future market situations, overfitting is still a serious risk. To reduce overfitting, methods like ensemble learning, data augmentation, and dropout regularization have been investigated. Furthermore, low-latency AI systems are necessary for high-frequency trading and real-time decision-making, making computational efficiency a critical concern. New approaches to these computational problems, like cloud-based computing, quantum AI, and lightweight AI models, show promise.

Since institutional investors and regulatory frameworks need interpretable forecasts, explainability and transparency in AI financial models have also drawn more attention. To improve interpretability, methods like *Local Interpretable Model-Agnostic*

*Explanations* (LIME) and *Shapley Additive explanations* (SHAP) have been incorporated into stock market models. For AI-driven financial decision-making systems, striking a balance between explainability and accuracy is still difficult. In summary, real-time decision-making, risk management, and forecasting accuracy have all improved significantly thanks to AI and ML-based stock market prediction models. Even if issues like explainability, computing efficiency, and overfitting still exist, financial forecasting could be revolutionized by continuing developments in AI research and hybrid modeling techniques. Future financial markets can gain from more intelligent, flexible, and transparent investing methods by tackling these issues and utilizing cutting-edge AI technology.

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