Short-Term Volatility Prediction for Stocks

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- Volatility: a reflection of the degree to which stock price moves, usually defined by the standard deviation of the stock log returns in 1-year period
- Design a model to forecast volatility for hundreds of stocks across different sectors over 10-minute periods
- Source: Kaggle Competition Optiver Realized Volatility Prediction
- Stakeholder: Traders for options, ETFs, cash equities, bonds and foreign currencies on numerous exchanges around the world.



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- Provides order book ² data on the most competitive buy and sell orders entered into the market.
- stock_id: ID code for the stock, time_id: ID code for the time bucket
- seconds_in_bucket: Number of seconds from the start of the bucket, always starting from 0.
- bid_price[1/2]: Normalized prices of the most/second most competitive buy level ask_price[1/2]: Normalized prices of the most/second most competitive sell level
- bid_size[1/2]: The number of shares on the most/second most competitive buy level ask_size[1/2]: The number of shares on the most/second most competitive sell level.

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- stock_id, time_id, seconds_in_bucket
- price: The average price of executed transactions happening in one second.
- size: The sum number of shares traded.
- order_count: The number of unique trade orders taking place.

• train.csv

- target: The realized volatility computed over the 10 minute window following the feature data under the same stock_id/time_id.

• test.csv

stock_id, time_id

¹Apache Parquet is an open source, column-oriented data file format designed for efficient data storage and retrieval. It provides efficient data compression and encoding schemes with enhanced performance to handle complex data in bulk.

²The term order book refers to an electronic list of buy and sell orders for a specific security or financial instrument organized by price level.



• Weighted averaged price (stock valuation):

$$WAP = rac{BidPrice * AskSize + AskPrice * BidSize}{BidSize + AskSize}$$

• Log returns:

$$r_{t_1,t_2} = \log\left(rac{S_{t_2}}{S_{t_1}}
ight),$$

where S_t is the price (approximated by WAP) of the stock S at time t

• Realized volatility:

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\sum_t r_{t-1,t}^2}$$

• Root Mean Square Percentage Error:

$$\mathsf{RMSPE} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}((y_i - \hat{y}_i)/y_i)^2}$$



Observations

- There are 428932 rows
- The total number of different stocks is 112
- The total number of different time_id is 3830
- Mean: 0.0039 Median: 0.0030 Std: 0.0029
 Min: 0.0001 - 25%: 0.0020 - 50%: 0.0030 - 75%: 0.0047 - Max: 0.0703
 Skew: 2.8226 - Kurtosis: 14.9611



Train.csv 2 Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)



Top 10 Most Volatile Time Buckets

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Order Book 2 Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)









Feature Correlations 3 Feature Engineering



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- Baseline Model
 - target Mean: 1.110330
 - stock_id target Mean: 0.789618
 - stock_id target Median: 0.589135
 - Realized Volatility from WAP1: 0.341354
 - Realized Volatility from WAP2: 0.705453
 - Realized Volatility from price: 0.380267
- Linear Regression: 0.352226
- K-Nearest-Neighbors (KNN): 0.333281
- XGBoost: 0.028044



- XGBoost works the best but maybe have overfitting issue
- Build GNN model (GNN for Realized Volatility Prediction)