



# SUPERVISED LEARNING:

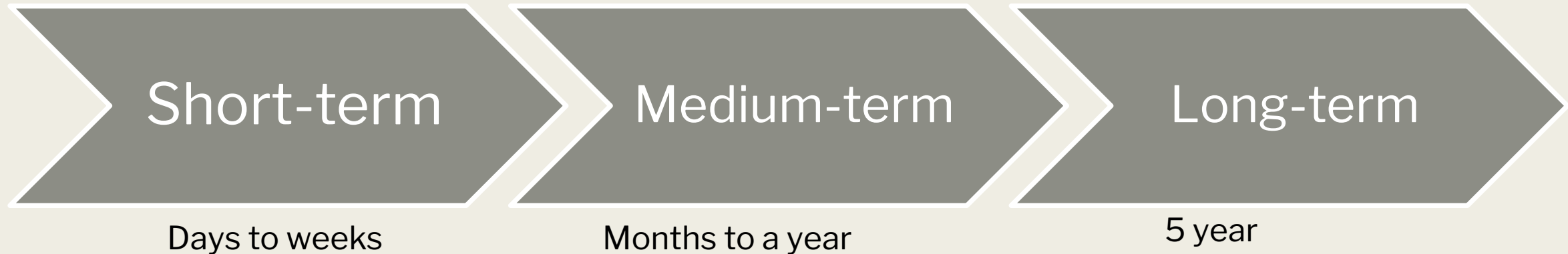
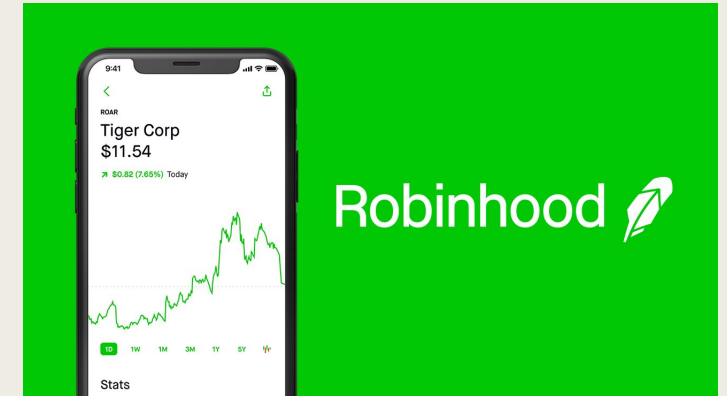
Next Day Rise/Fall Stock Price Predictor

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# Motivation

- Stock price prediction is a topic of interest for companies and investors
  - *Buy low, sell high*
- Difficult to predict and highly volatile due to changes in:
  - *Politics*
  - *Leadership*
  - *New releases*
  - *Investor sentiment*



# Short-term prediction

- Next day stock price prediction can:
  - *Help day/swing traders decide when to buy/sell*
- Recently tech company stocks skyrocketed in August
  - *Tesla grew 81% in 20 days!*
- Two ways to handle prediction model
  - *Classification (rise/fall)*
  - *Regression (predict actual \$ price)*

## Tesla Stock Price



# Goal

- Use supervised learning to predict whether any companies closing stock price will INCREASE or DECREASE the next day based on that day's news headlines and historical stock price data.
- Stretch Goal:
  - *Test basic regression model*

# OUTLINE

- Data set
- Base model
- Feature engineering
- Models on augmented data
- Results
- Future work



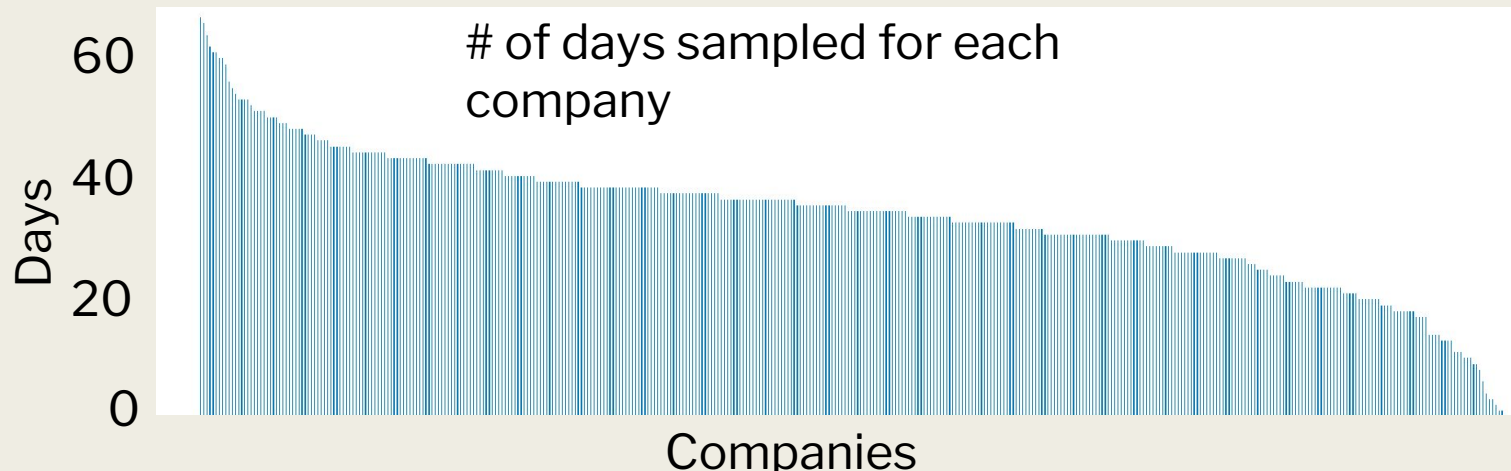
# Data set: Collection

API requests to get most recent 100 news headlines for companies from S&P 500 list

- Sentiment analysis using NLTK library
- Scores of 0 were removed, and remaining scores were averaged for each day

Gather historical stock price data from Yahoo Finance

- Use the yfinance Python library
- Also collected next-day stock price to use as target variable



# Feature data set

- 14,134 Observations
- 18 columns
- No missing data

## Target data

- 14,134 Observations
- 2 columns
- Add column for binary target

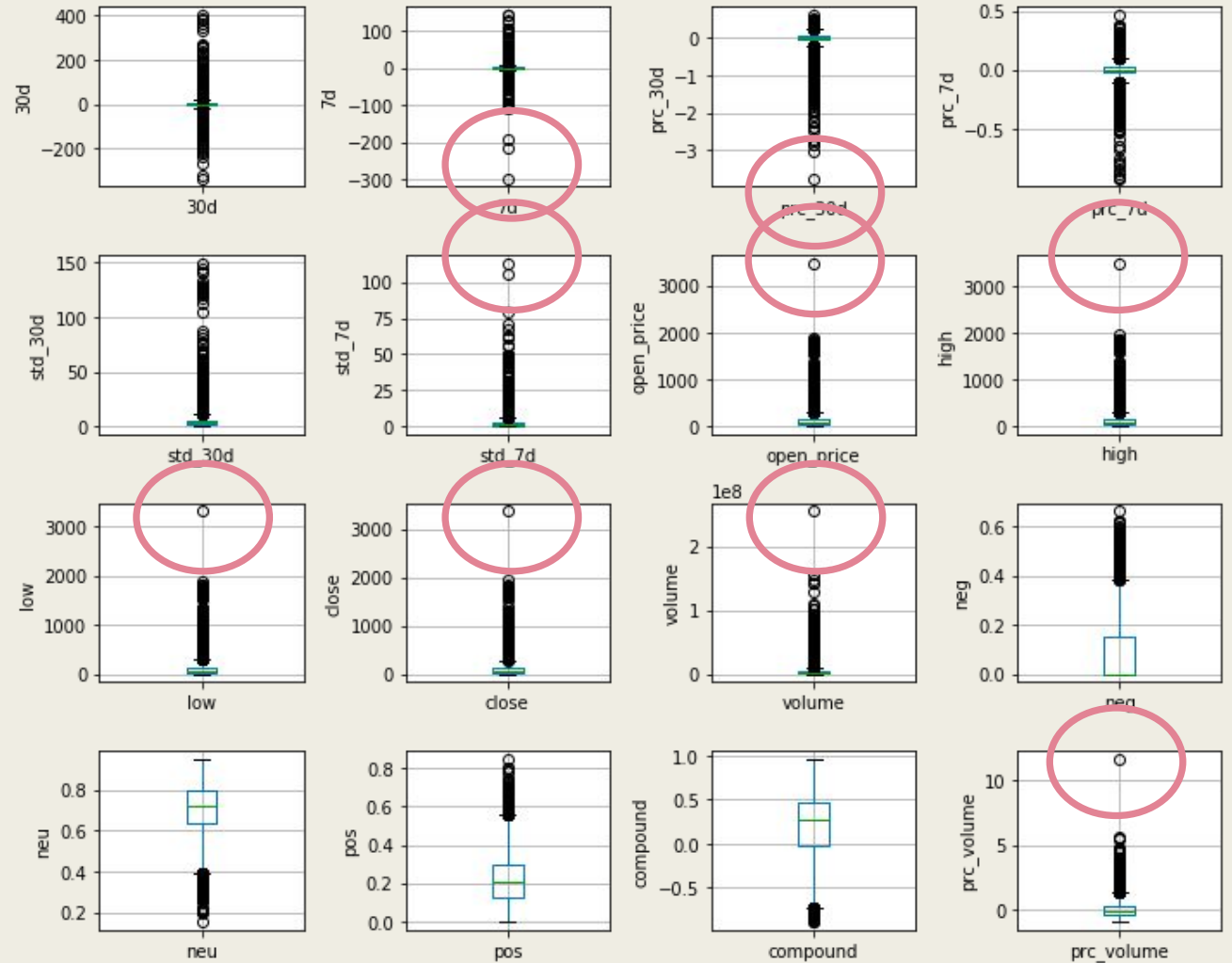
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3   7d               14134 non-null  float64
4   prc_30d          14134 non-null  float64
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14  neu              14134 non-null  float64
15  pos              14134 non-null  float64
16  compound         14134 non-null  float64
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# Outlier removal

- 6 outliers stand out

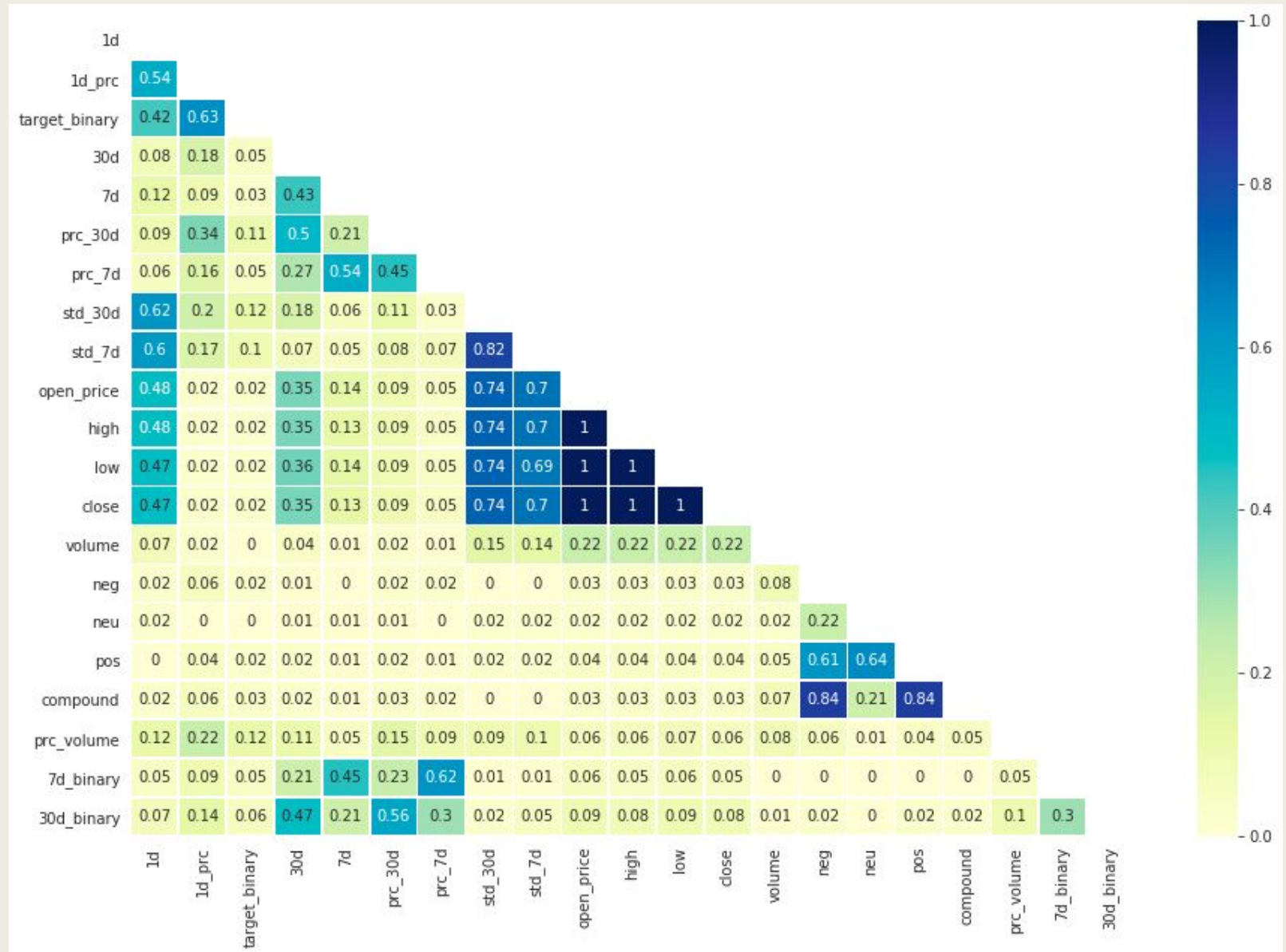
## Boxplots of continuous variable distribution





# Initial correlation matrix

- There collinearity
- Std\_30d is strongly correlated with std\_7d, close, low, high, and open price
  - Drop std\_7d because it has weaker correlation with target
- Open, high, low, and close are very strongly correlated
  - Try to combine into new variables
- Neg and pos are strongly correlated with compound sentiment score
  - Drop them from feature set



# TARGET IS BINARY:

0 : NO CHANGE OR DECREASE

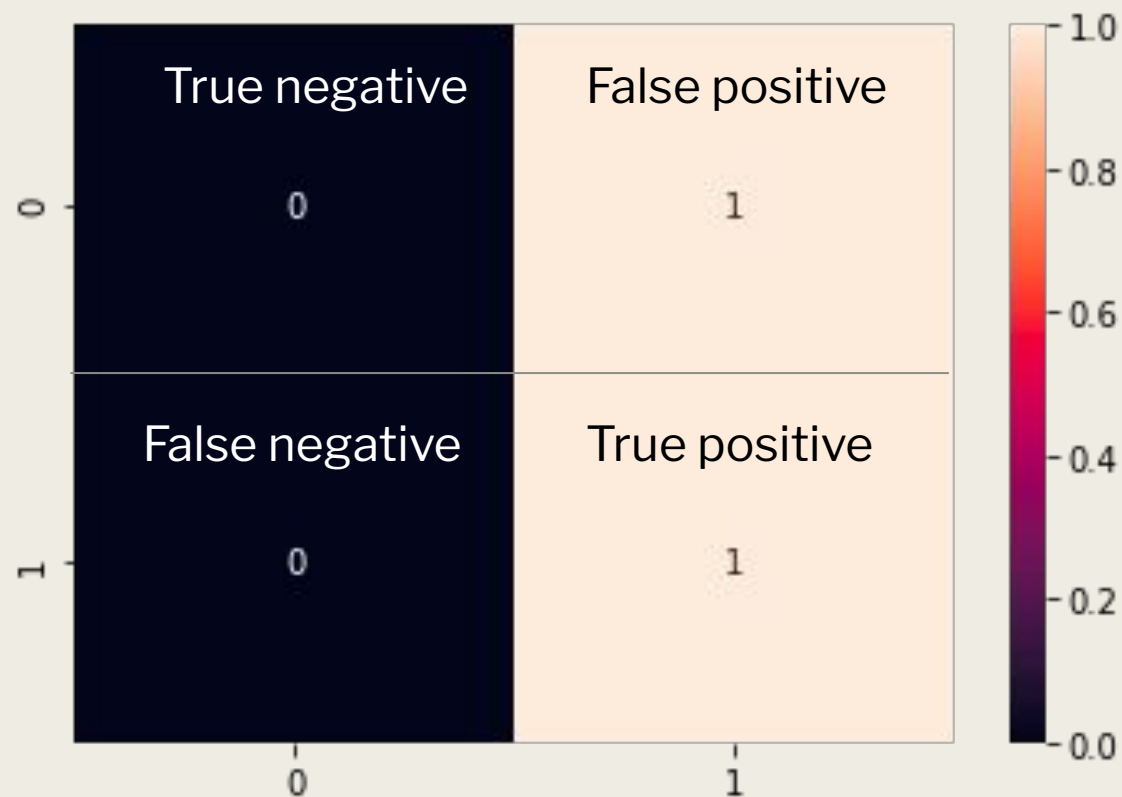
1: POSITIVE NEXT DAY CHANGE

- 8944 observations == 1
- 5190 observations == 0

# Baseline Logistic Regression Model

- 0.7/0.3 train-test-split
- Accuracy: 0.62
- Assigning everything to be a next day increase (1)
- n next day increase observations/ total observations = 2,628/4,239
- = 0.62

Confusion Matrix

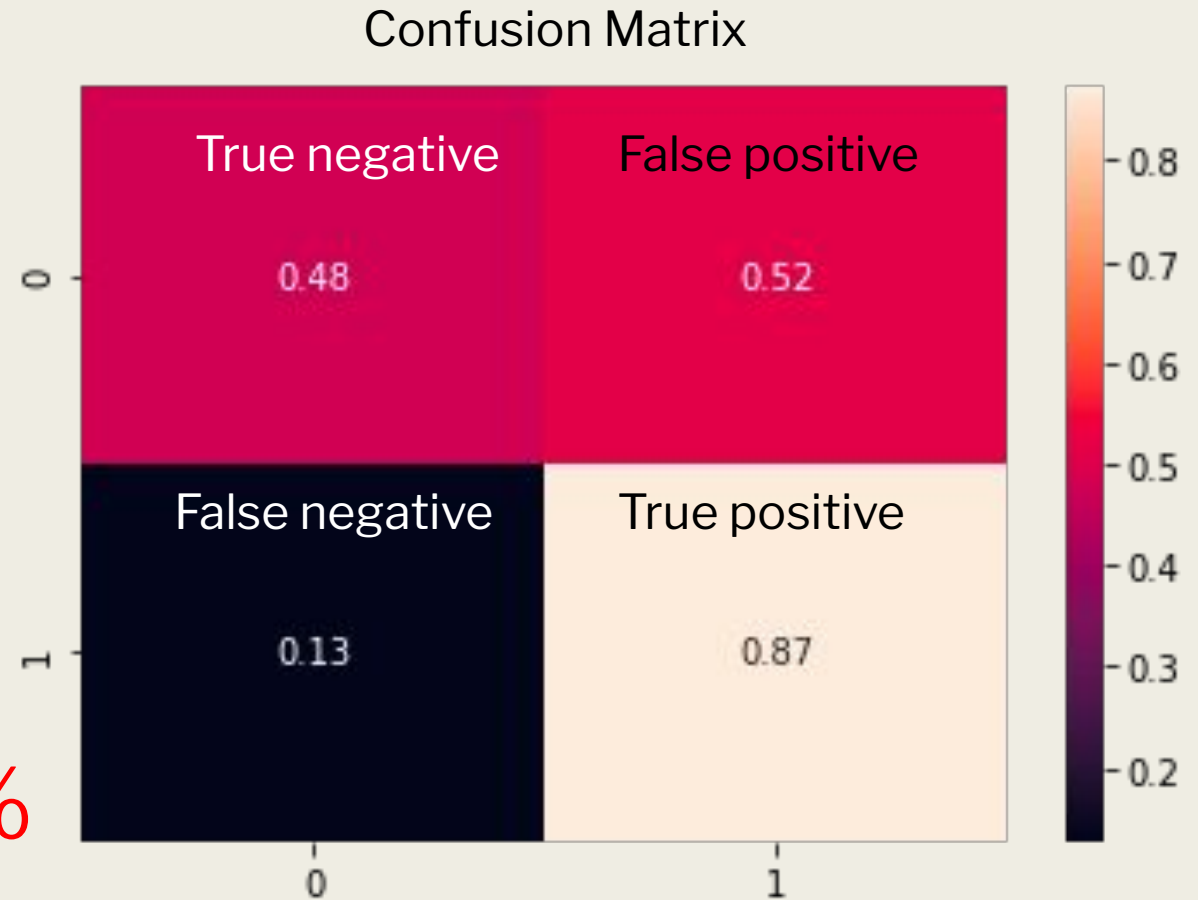


Not a very good model!

# Baseline Gradient Boosting Model

- GridSearchCV() used to find optimal parameters
- Learning rate: 0.1
- Max depth: 9
- N\_estimators: 500
- Subsample: 0.7
  
- Accuracy: 0.72
- Precision: 0.73
- Recall: 0.87

Slightly better accuracy,  
but it is still scoring >50%  
false positives, which is  
too risky!

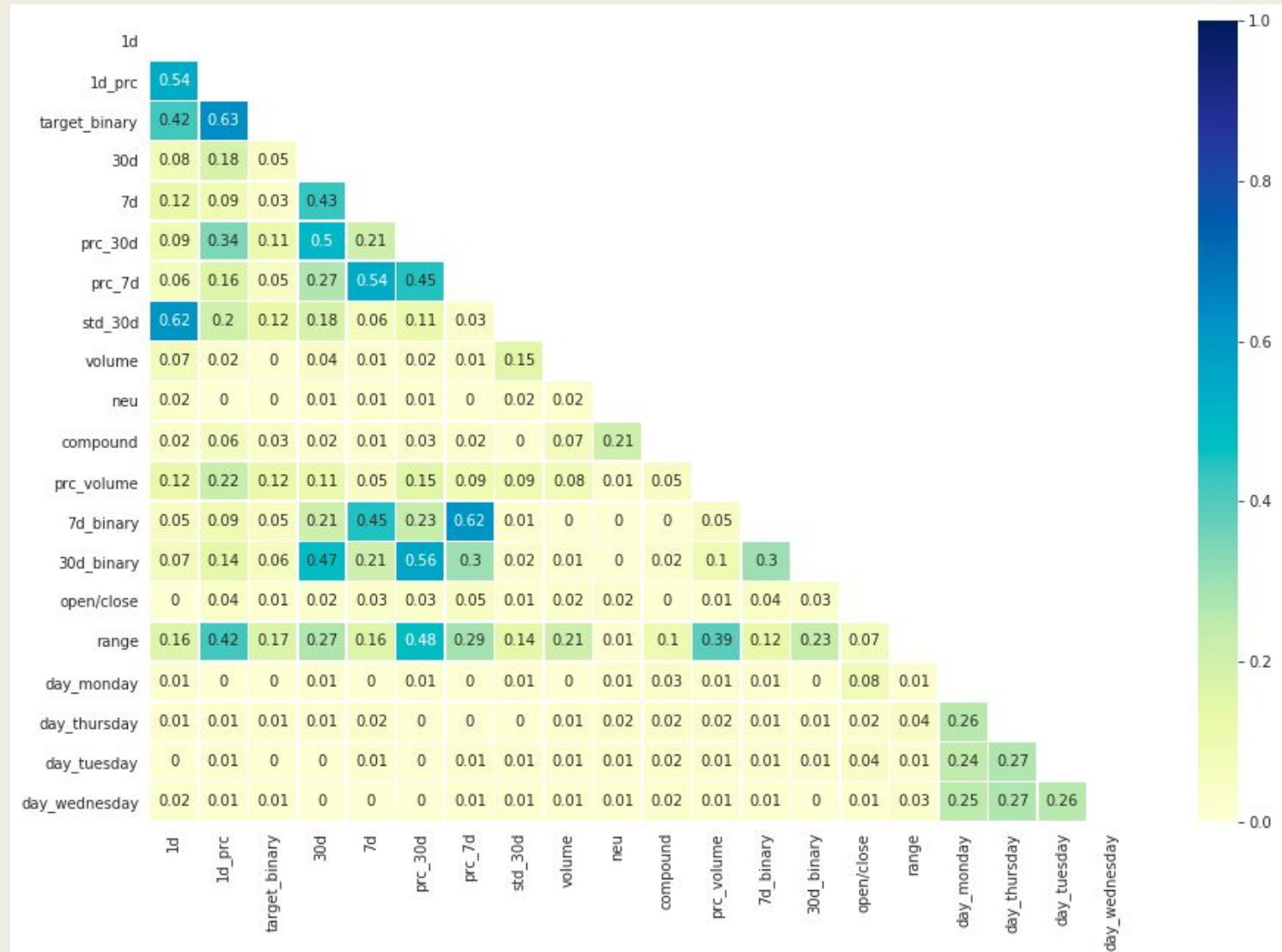


# IMPROVING THE MODEL

- MinMaxScaler() used to scale the data from 0 to 1 to account for binary features (such as day of the week).
  - *Scaler was fit to only the training feature set, and this scaler was then applied to the test feature set.*
  - *Target values were not scaled.*
- GridSearchCV() used to identify optimal parameters for each model
- Reduce collinearity of variables

# Feature engineering

- Convert date to day of week categorical variable
- Create open : close price ratio variable
- Calculate daily range : close price ratio.
- Drop neg, pos, std\_7d, and date

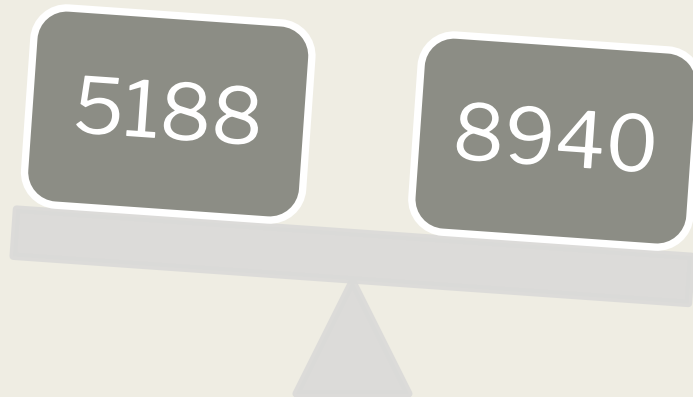


No features correlated > 0.7

# Balancing target data

Decrease/  
no change:  
0

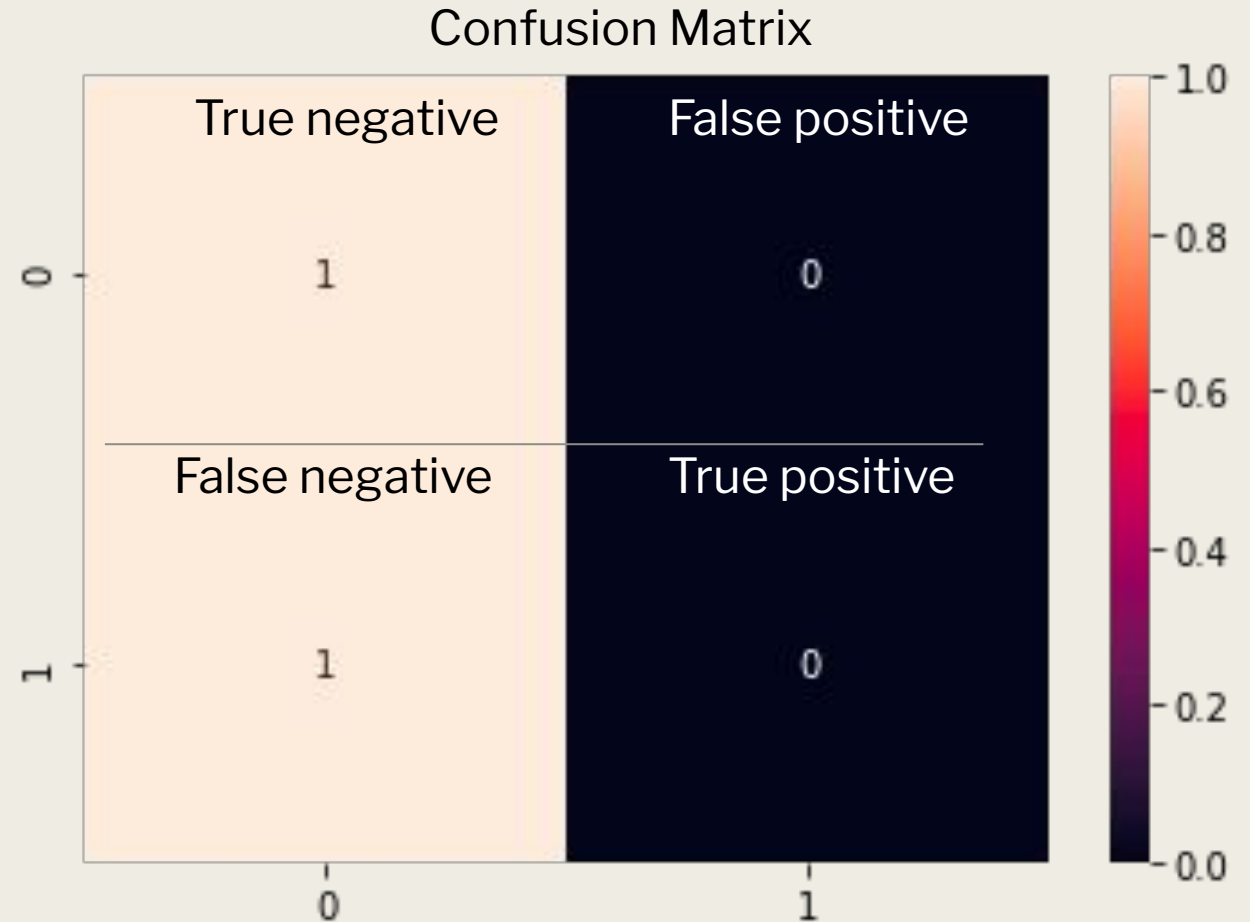
Increase: 1



- Impact of unbalanced target variable:
  - *Contributing to over-predicting false-positives*
- Solution:
  - *Re-sample the observations with target == 0*
  - *Random sampling with replacement to create 8940 observations with target == 0*

# Logistic Regression Model after feature engineering

- Still a very poor estimator
- Predicting everything to be a next day decrease
- Accuracy: 0.5



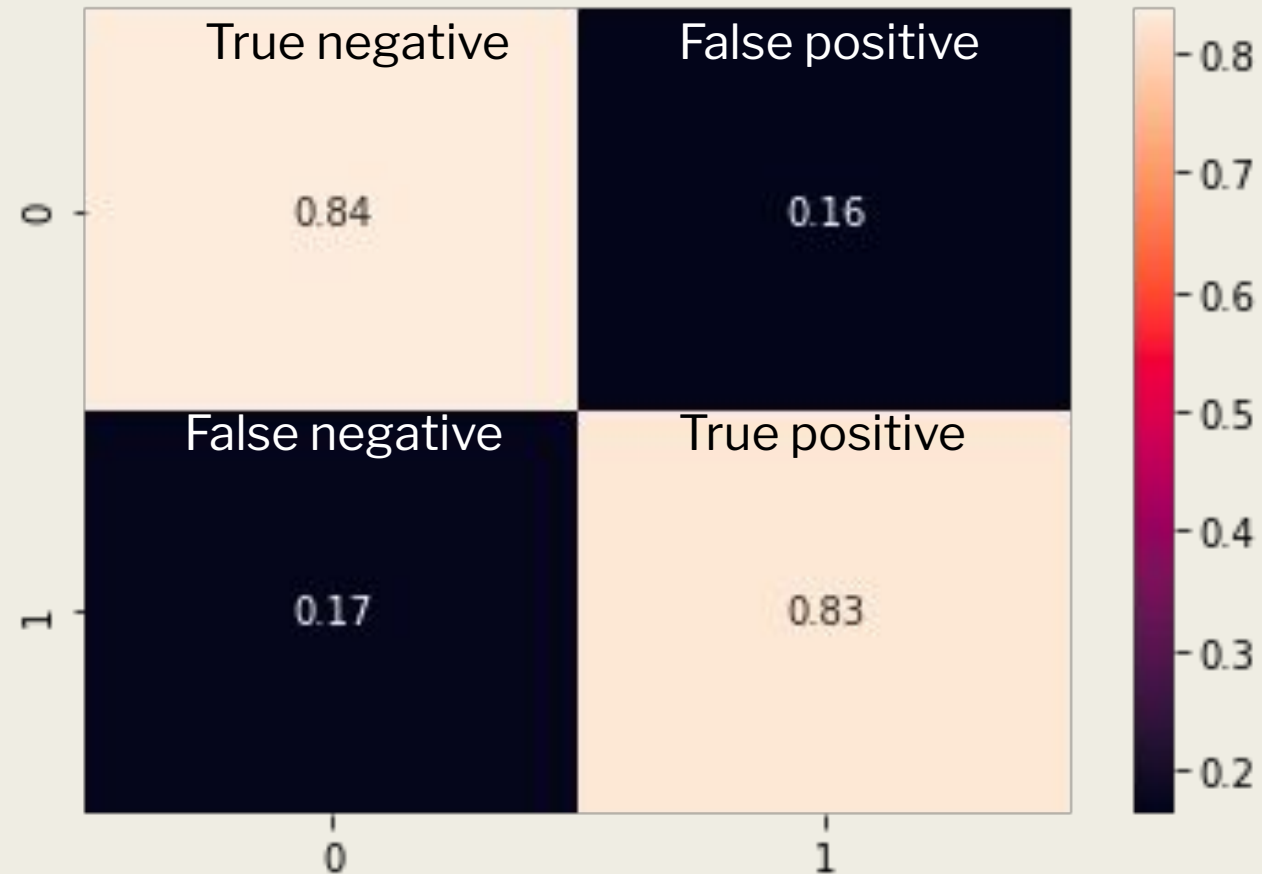


# Gradient Boosting Model after feature engineering

- Accuracy: 0.83
- Precision: 0.83
- Recall: 0.82

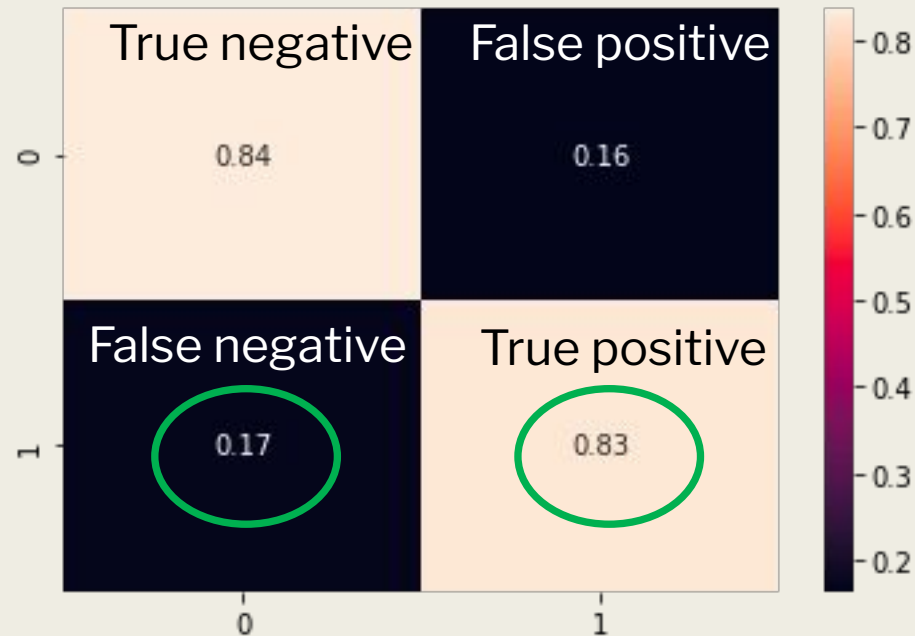
Significant  
improvement in  
performance!

Confusion Matrix

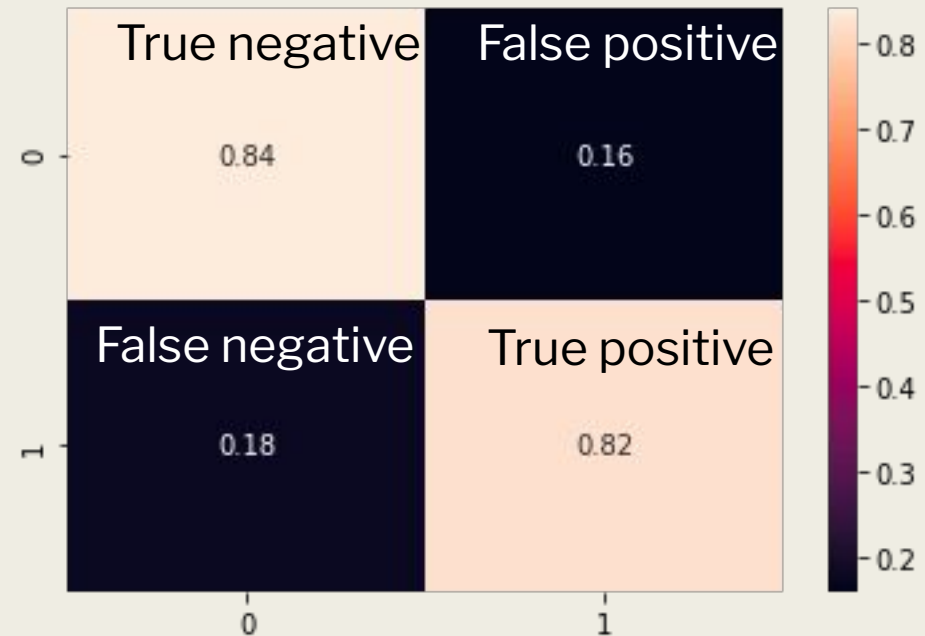


# Is Sentiment Analysis of Headlines Significantly Impacting Results?

With sentiment analysis



Without Sentiment analysis

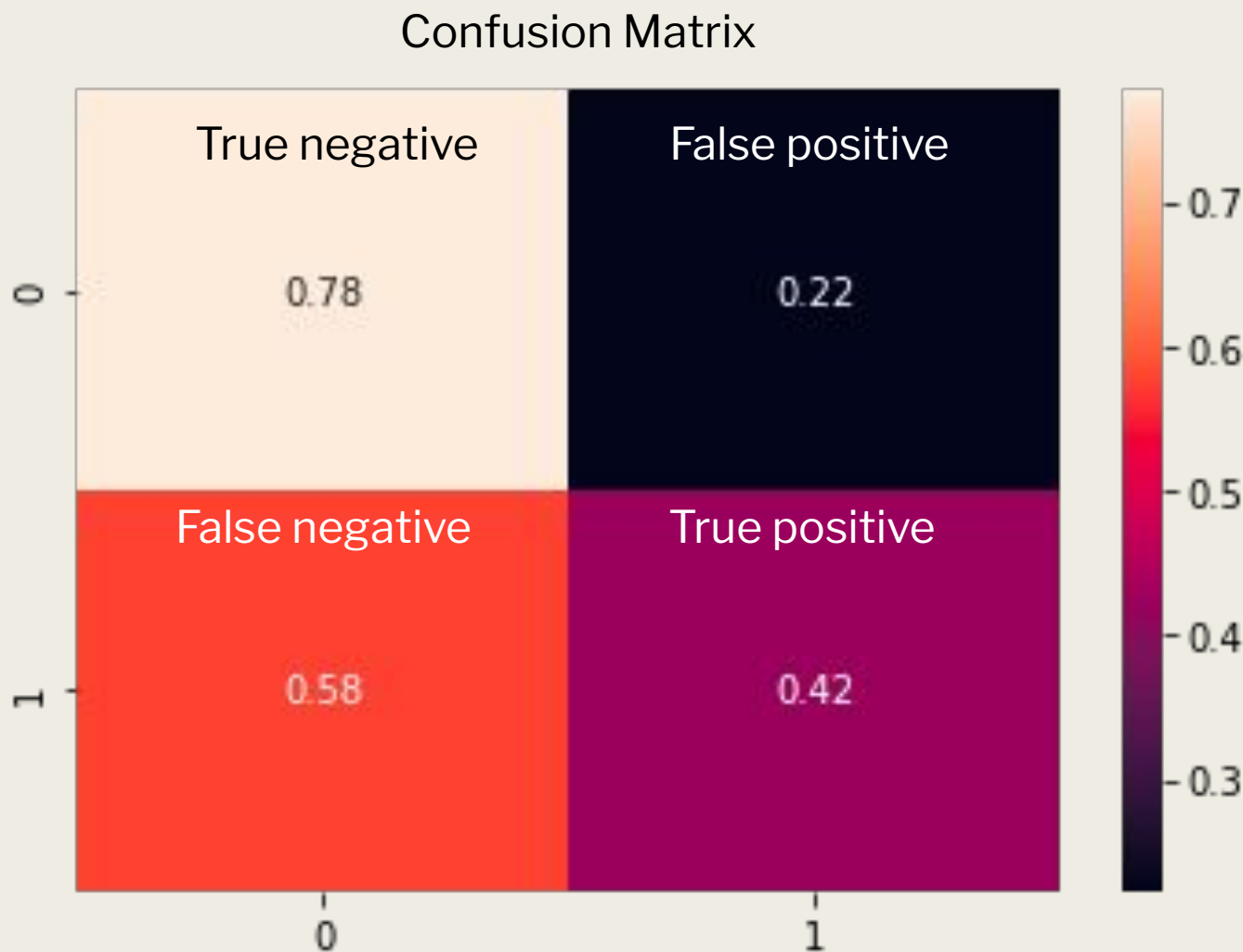


- Sentiment analysis is not contributing heavily to the model performance
- Sentiment analysis does improve false negative and true positive scores
- Worth keeping and attempting to improve in the future

# Support Vector Machines Model

- GridSearchCV()
  - $C = 10$
  - $\text{Gamma} = 1$
  - $\text{Kernel} = \text{'rbf'}$
- Accuracy: 0.6
- Precision: 0.66
- Recall: 0.42

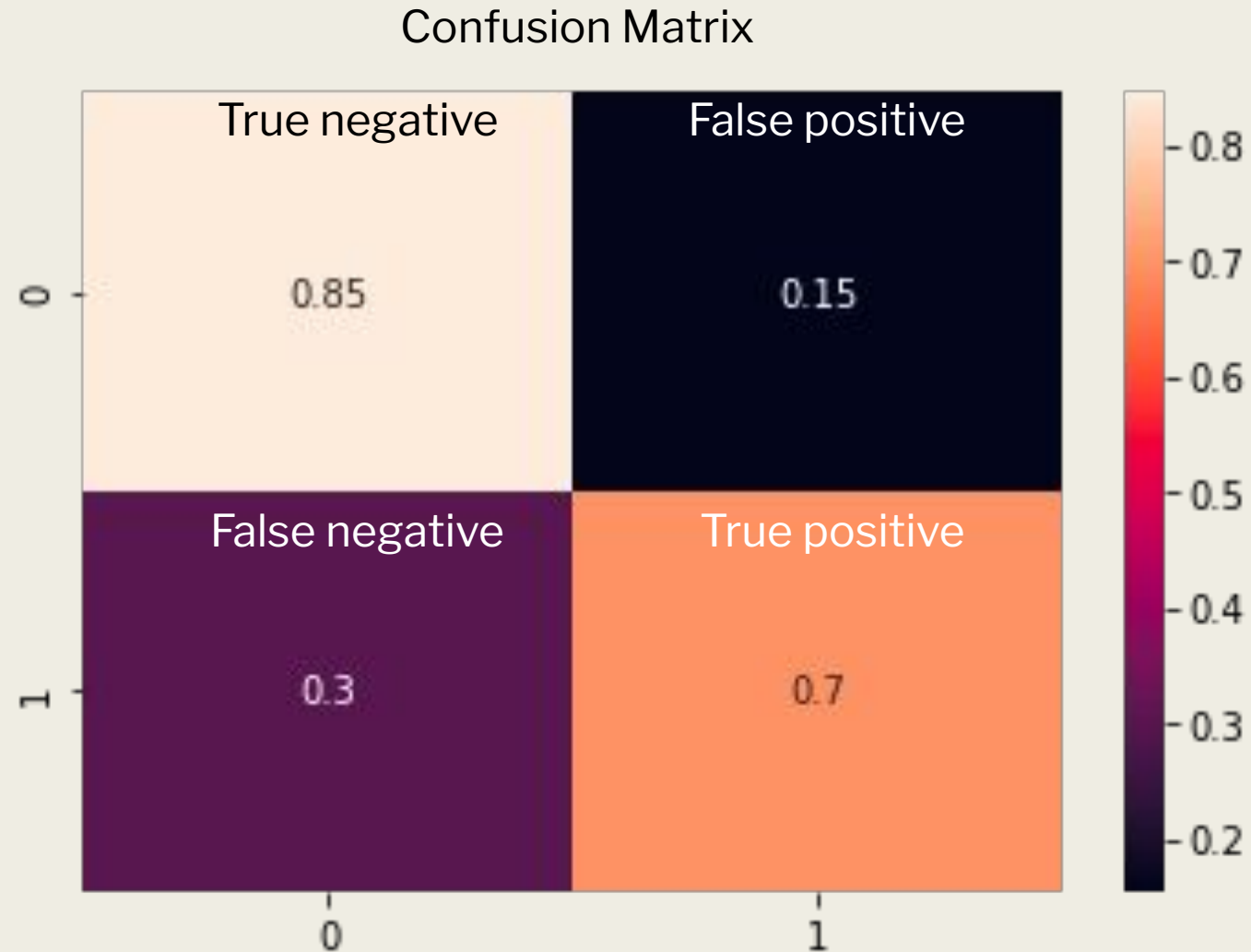
All around weaker performance than gradient boosting model



# Random Forest Classifier

- GridSearchCV()
  - Criterion: 'gini'
  - Max depth: 15
  - Min samples split: 10
  - n\_estimators: 300
- Accuracy: 0.77
- Precision: 0.82
- Recall: 0.70

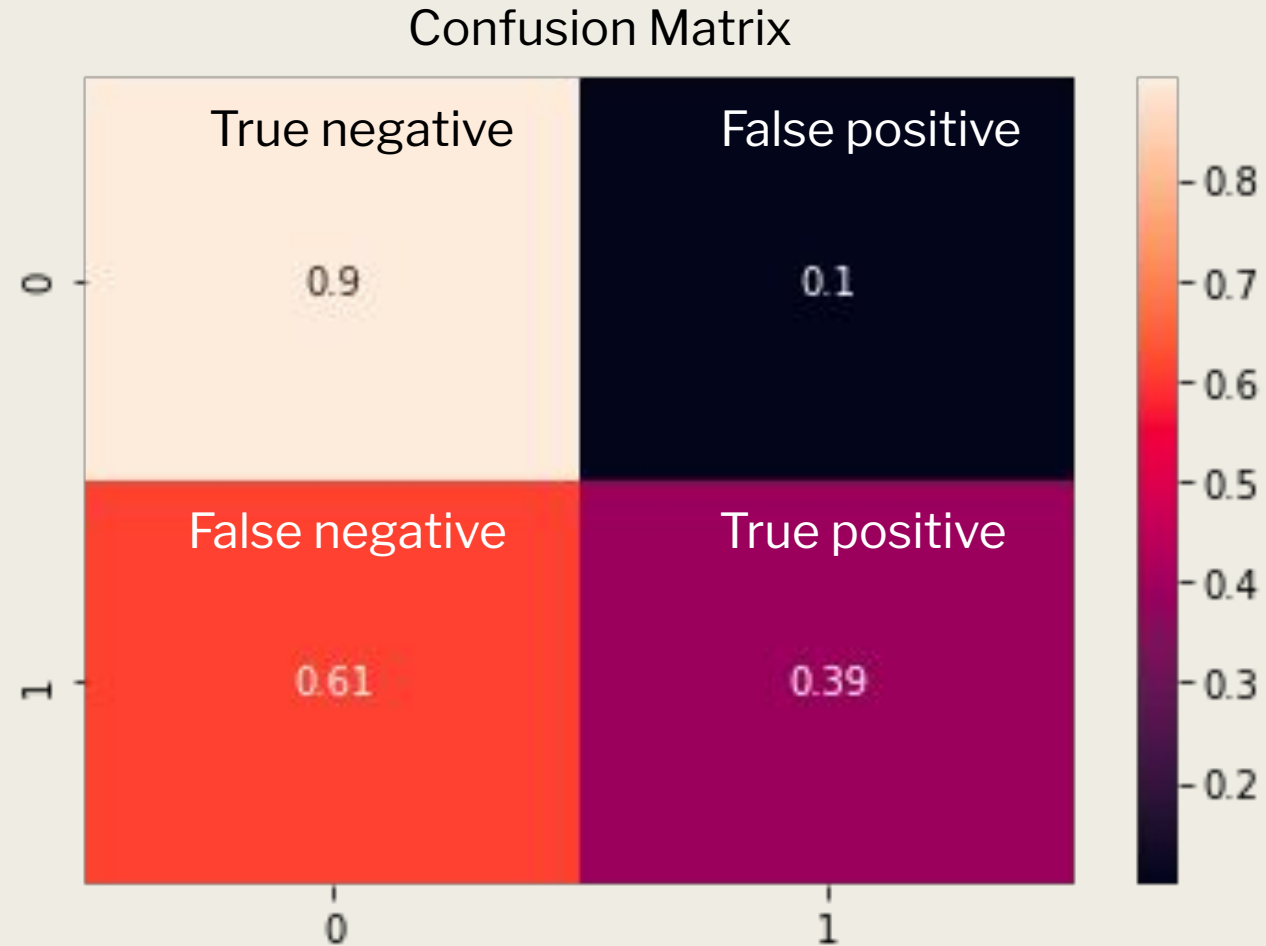
Slightly better and slightly worse than gradient boosting model



# K-Nearest Neighbors model

- $K = \text{sqrt}(n)$ 
  - $N = 10,730$
  - $K = 105$
- Accuracy: 0.64
- Precision: 0.79
- Recall: 0.39

Really good at identifying next-day decreases, not so good at identifying increases

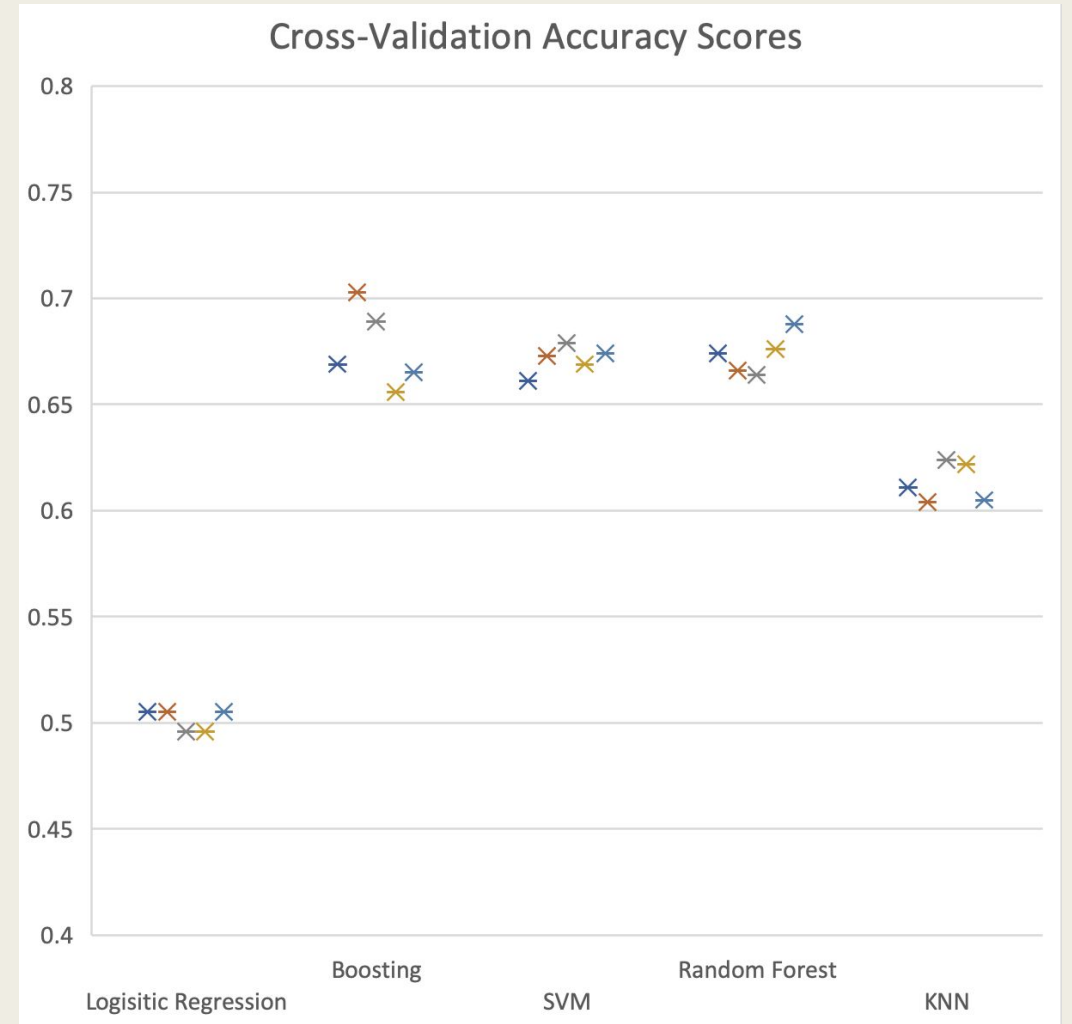


# Results

	Logistic Regression	Gradient Boosting	Support Vector Machines	Random Forest	K-NN
Accuracy	0.5	0.83	0.6	0.77	0.64
Precision	0	0.83	0.66	0.82	0.79
Recall	0	0.82	0.42	0.7	0.39
True positive	0	0.83	0.42	0.7	0.39
True negative	1	0.84	0.78	0.85	0.9
False positive	0	0.16	0.22	0.15	0.1
False negative	1	0.17	0.58	0.3	0.61

# Cross-validation

- All models seem to be relatively consistent.
- Gradient Boosting Model has the greatest variation, but still only has a range of 0.05, which is not too bad.



# Results

- KNN Model:
  - *Really good for identifying next day decreases*
  - *Conservative, risk-averse model*
- Gradient Boosting Classifier:
  - *All around best performance*



# Bonus Model: Regression

- OLS regression model:
  - *Adj. R-squared: 0.2*
  - *Very poor performance*

## Future work:

- Improve regression model
- More feature engineering
  - *Make more specialized dictionary for sentiment analysis*
- Pull additional stock history data
  - *Running averages*

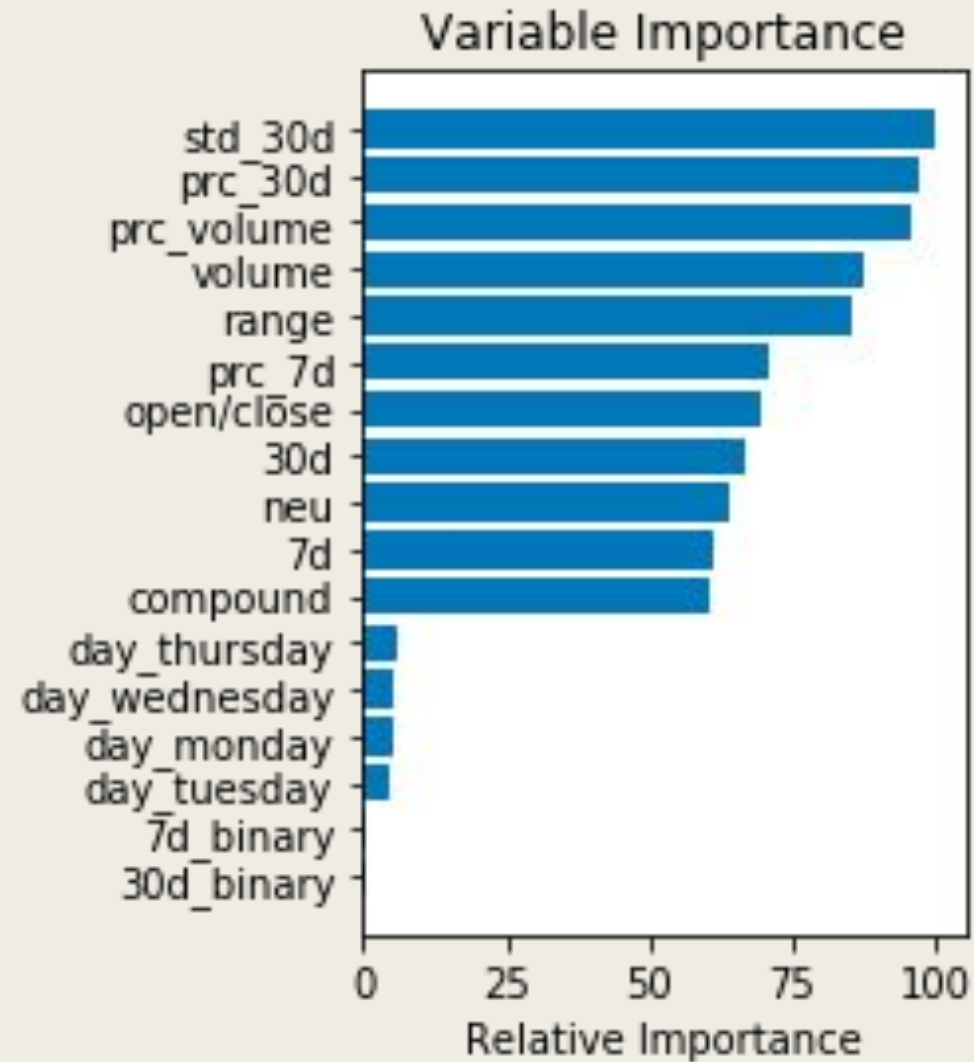
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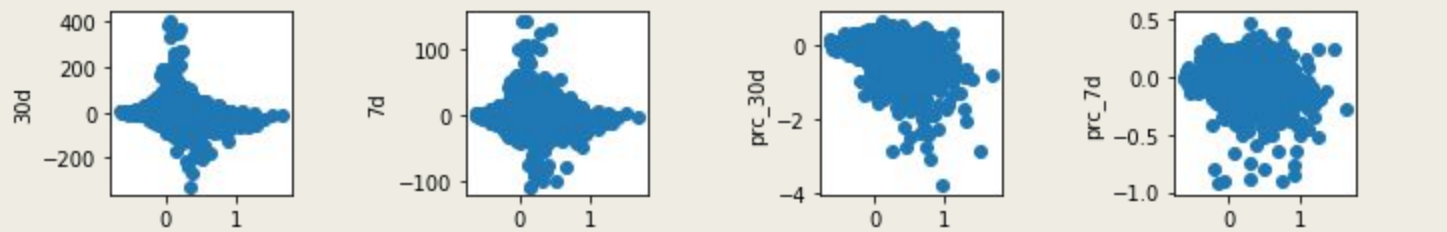


BACKUP SLIDES

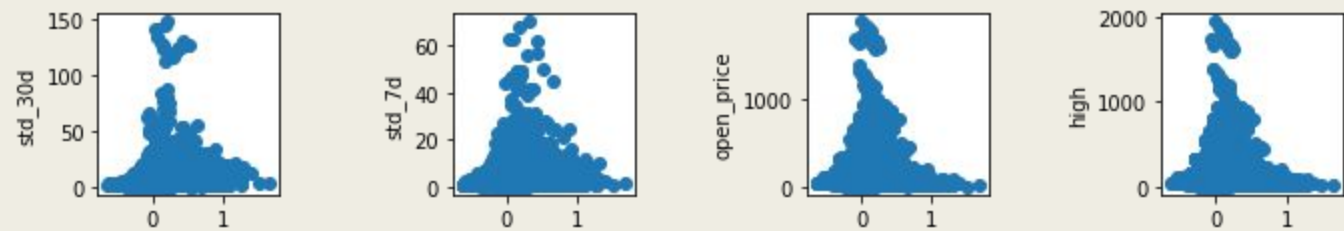


Feature importance of gradient boosting model with augmented features

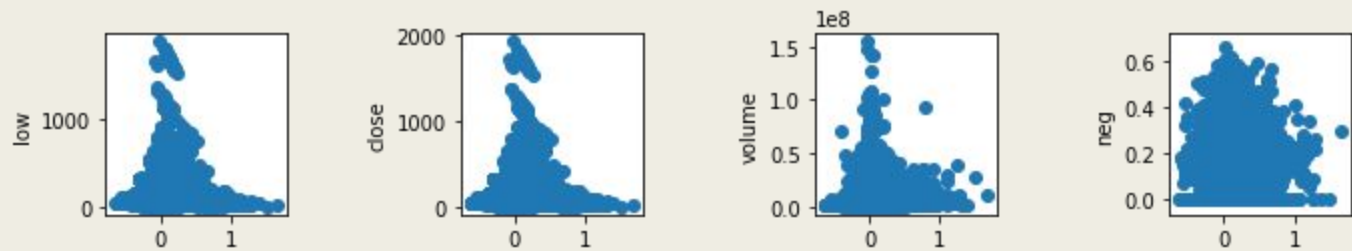




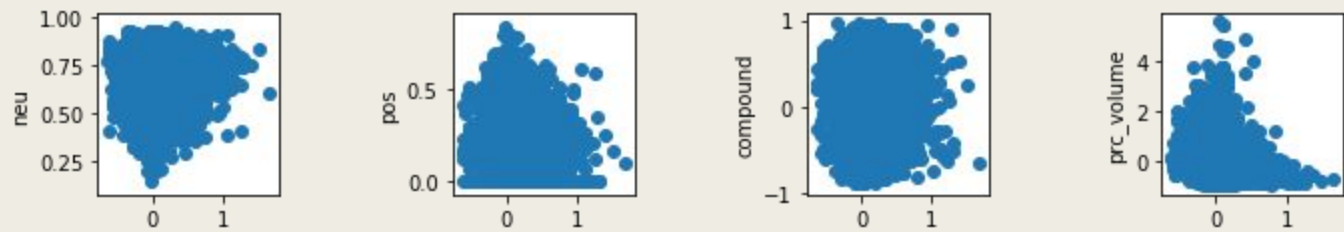
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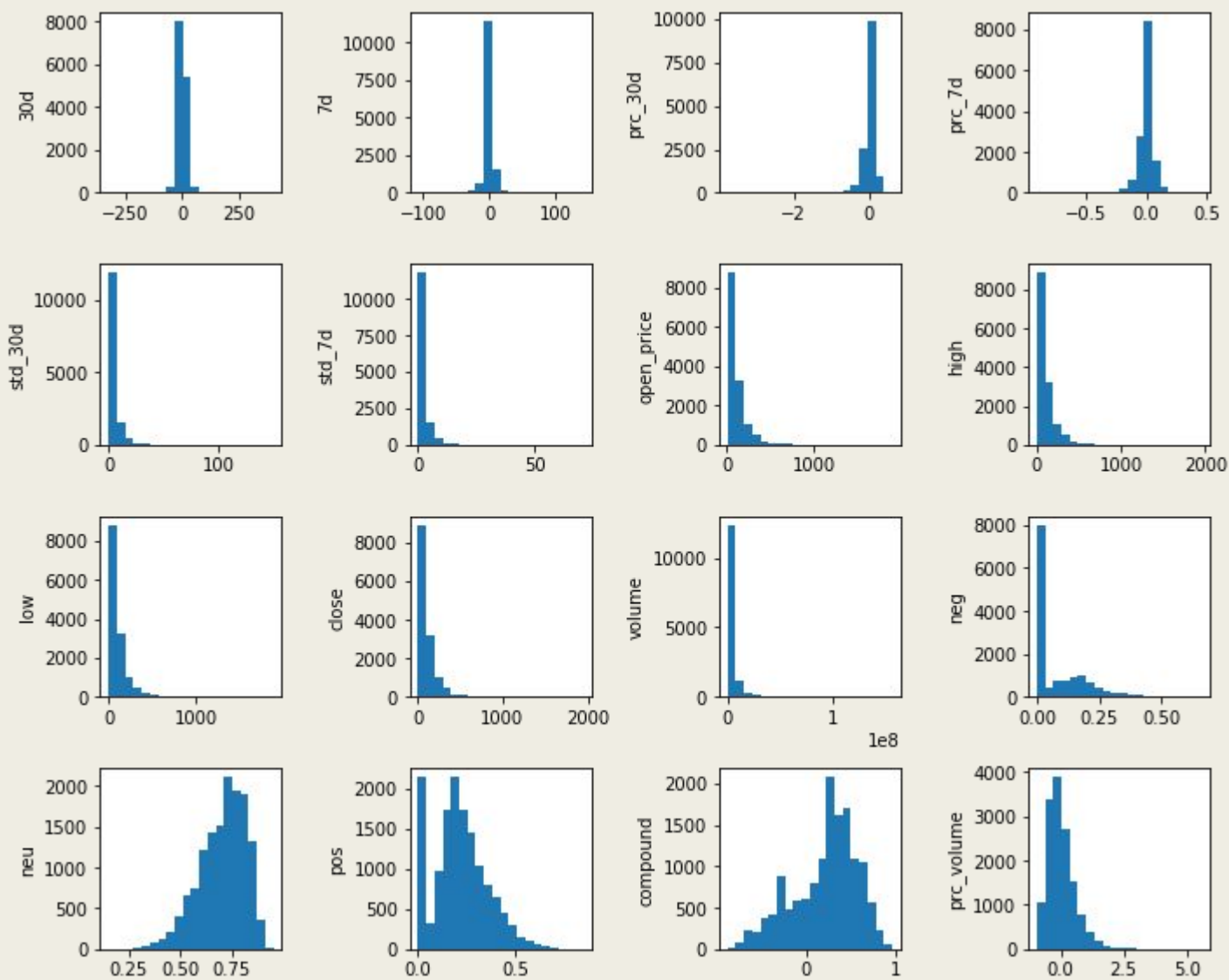
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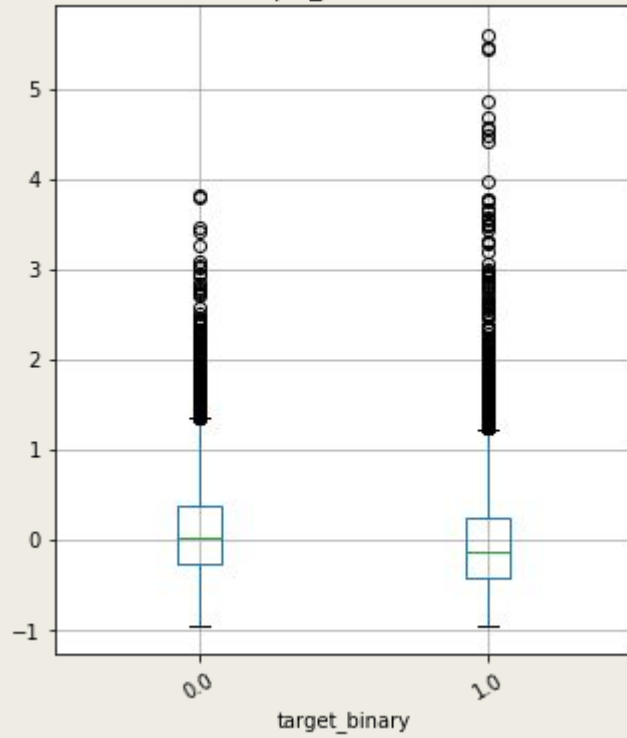
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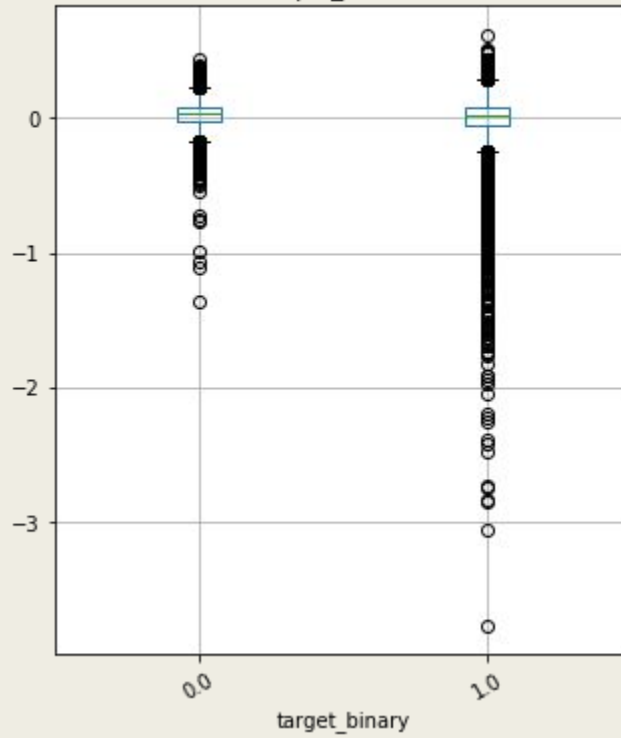
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Boxplot grouped by target\_binary  
prc\_volume



Boxplot grouped by target\_binary  
prc\_30d



Boxplot grouped by target\_binary  
prc\_7d

