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#### Abstract

With the help of the study, a model named ADE-TFT will be created that will allow investors to forecast important developments in the cryptocurrency markets and make wise choices. To optimize hyperparameters and enhance prediction accuracy and stability, the model applies the Adaptive Differential Evolution (ADE) approach and Temporal Fusion Transformers (TFT) framework. Although Bitcoin's volatility has presented difficulties for investors, the suggested methodology has the potential for improving efficiency and accuracy in market predictions. The study's findings show that ADE-TFT produced favorable performance measures, including a Mean Absolute Percentage Error (MAPE) of 32.174 and a Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) of 32532, indicating its potential relevance in the decisionmaking process for bitcoin investments.

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## List of Acronyms

Artificial Intelligence
Artificial Neural Networks
Adaptive Differential Evolution
Temporal Fusion Transformers
Convolutional Neural Networks
Computational Linguistic
Deep Learning
K-Nearest Neighbors
Long Short Term Memories
Machine Learning
Machine Translation
Neural Networks
Natural Language Processing
Natural Language
Recurrent Neural Networks
Support Vector Machine
Transfer Learning

# Chapter 1

### Introduction

With the rise of global economic challenges in recent years, traditional currency values have fallen, stock markets are collapsing, and investors are losing wealth. Meeting costs and earning profit have changed the thinking of investors to focus on a digital currency. With the introduction of Bitcoin (BTC) in 2009, cryptocurrency trading started, bringing with it two key differences from conventional trading. Firstly, Cryptocurrency is one such application built on the blockchain that exists virtually and has a decentralized system to account for all transactions. Since individuals put everything on the ledger, those who own digital currencies can make global exchanges immediately rather than requiring a portion of a day



tor because of its extreme volatility and uncertainty [1]. As a result, the efficiency of the market is impacted by reduced daily trading volume and less experienced investors. This thesis aims to use the proposed model for cryptocurrency markets to forecast significant events and make better-informed investment decisions.

In this chapter, it is made clear how important the area of the subject is. The important difficulties are covered in detail, along with the recent techniques and developments. This chapter also includes a summary of our main research objectives and limitations.

#### 1.1 Background

A significant number of academic works have already examined the prediction of financial time series. Financial asset managers are always attempting to develop investment strategies by identifying financial assets, such as stocks and commodities, that will outperform or lag the market. Small improvements in the financial