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Federated Causal-Driven Autonomous Investment Advisory Framework with Privacy-Preserving Multi Agent Intelligence Analysis

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ABSTRACT: Financial systems are requiring an increasing amount of collaboration across entities; however, institutional, regulatory, and technical restrictions on data sharing and ownership limit the ability to create a true autonomous financial advisor. Centralized investment advisors are limited by their inability to scale with growing amounts of financial data as well as they expose this sensitive information to potential risks such as cybercrime. This paper provides a Federated Learning-Based Autonomous Investment Advisor that integrates five new and distinct modules: Differentially Private Federated Market Representation Learning (DP-FMRL), which enables safe and efficient feature extraction from multiple datasets; the Causal-Adaptive Federated Risk Propagation Network (CA-FRPN), which models interdependencies within the system; the Multi-Agent Reinforcement Federated Strategy Synthesizer (MARFSS); which synthesizes strategic policies in real-time based upon input received from all agents; the Privacy-Preserving Explainable Decision Tensorization Engine (PP-EDTE); which generates decisions in a manner that is understandable to users; and finally, the Secure Hierarchical Federated Execution and Validation Optimizer (SH-FEVO), which validates the execution of the overall federated strategy in a reliable and auditable fashion for real time scenarios. The proposed solution achieves end-to-end privacy protection as it enhances causal reasoning, flexibility and transparency during the investment process.

1. INTRODUCTION

Over time, there have been changes from traditional, manual financial decision making to automated decision making. However [1, 2, 3], while decision making is becoming increasingly automated, the architecture that supports this decision making still relies heavily upon centralizing data, as well as limiting collaboration between institutions for various scenarios. In many financially regulated industries, organizations cannot legally (and/or willfully) share their individual transactional data with each [4, 5, 6] and others. As such, they all have separate data sets and use these to train models. Therefore, financial institutions can develop different "learning" methods to support the development of investment strategies. Traditional advising tools [7, 8, 9] and model based on correlations, rather than developing causal models. These models do not effectively capture how markets react under extreme or unstable conditions. Therefore, it is likely that these models will not be able to generalize well from one institution to another [10, 11, 12]; nor will they provide transparent explanations about why certain investments were selected.

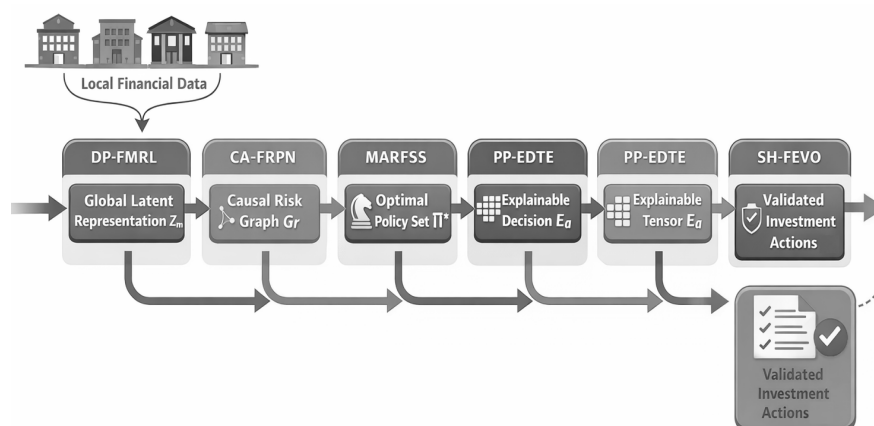


Figure 1. Model's Integrated Architectural Analysis

This framework enables as per figure 1, an analytical decentralized agents to learn together without having to expose private data regarding transactions. It does so through the integration of three technologies [13, 14, 15]: differential privacy for protecting private data; causal graph modeling for understanding structural dependencies within markets; and multi-agent reinforcement learning for capturing dynamic relationships within markets. Additionally, this framework includes an additional layer of explanation for improving transparency using an explainable tensorization layer. The hierarchical validation structure of this framework ensures that output remains consistent, compliant and valid in disparate environments. Ultimately, this framework provides a comprehensive solution for addressing concerns related to privacy and establishing a scalable platform for supporting fully autonomous, trustworthiness and causality-informed investment intelligence decision making.

Motivation & Contributions

The increasingly complex nature of global finance combined with stricter regulation requirements of individual privacy demands a shift away from traditional centrally managed advisory frameworks toward decentralized, privacy-oriented intelligent systems. Current solutions have been unable to achieve a balance between the level of predictability they are able to provide and the degree of confidence (and subsequently the level of data protection) afforded to user data. In addition, none of the existing solutions have utilized causal reasoning to analyze and address systemic shock; nor do the solutions use static modeling techniques capable of adapting to rapid changes within markets. All of these limitations create a motivation to develop a single system capable of operationally connecting multiple institutions while providing both sufficient analytical depth and operational integrity in real time scenarios. This paper outlines an end-to-end federated architecture consisting of five highly integrated modules designed to overcome several significant shortcomings found in current architectures. Each module includes a novel solution to an issue currently facing financial applications. The first contribution is a method for developing privacy preserving latent representations, the second contribution is a method for using causal methods to propagate risks through interconnected systems and the third contribution is a multi agent reinforcement learning strategy generator for optimizing dynamic decisions. An additional contribution is an interpretable decision tensorization engine that provides users with the capability to understand why certain decisions were made by the system. A final contribution is a hierarchical optimizer for validating deployed architectures and ensuring regulatory compliance. When taken together these contributions form a coherent pipeline for improving the accuracy, transparency and scalability of financial analysis and therefore serve as a strong base for future generations of autonomous financial advisory systems.

2. REVIEW OF EXISTING MODELS USED FOR ANALYSIS

The transition of deep learning based on recommenders reflect an ongoing process in transitioning from basic architectures to increasing levels of adaptive and context aware intelligence for real time scenarios. In early studies, researchers primarily focused upon developing structural models that could extract features through use of cross-convolutional filters and trust aware mechanisms to improve both personalized and reliable recommendations [10][12] and establish a taxonomic framework for classifying deep learning paradigm for recommender systems [11][29]. In addition to establishing foundational architecture, concurrent studies used reinforcement learning to develop sequential recommendation strategies and applications in stock prediction and financial forecasting [8]. Researchers have advanced their research by focusing on improving robustness and

adversarial resistance in dynamic environments [15], as well as developing domain specific systems, including Arabic content recommendation and hybrid sleep-based personalization [16],[3]. Over time, researchers' focus has been directed toward hyper parameter optimization and ensemble reinforcement learning methods to provide increased stability to their models [2][9]; additionally, recent advancements include knowledge graph integration and the development of lightweight semantic aware models capable of adapting to context [18],[26].

Table 1. Model's Empirical Review Analysis

Reference	Method	Main Objectives	Findings	Limitations
[1]	Deep Learning-Based Recommender Architectures	To analyze deep learning integration in recommendation systems	Demonstrates improved personalization and scalability across domains	Lacks emphasis on privacy-preserving mechanisms
[2]	Hyperparameter Optimization Framework	To optimize deep learning recommender performance	Significant accuracy gains through adaptive tuning strategies	Computational overhead remains high
[3]	Hybrid Deep Learning Sleep Recommender	To personalize sleep recommendations using multimodal inputs	Achieves improved user-specific recommendations	Limited generalizability beyond healthcare domain
[4]	Ontology-Based Deep Recommender	To incorporate semantic reasoning into recommendations	Enhances contextual relevance using ontology integration	Complexity in ontology construction
[5]	Federated Deep Reinforcement Learning (FedSlate)	To enable privacy-preserving distributed recommendation	Achieves secure learning with competitive accuracy	Communication overhead across nodes
[6]	Session-Aware Double Deep RL	To capture sequential user behavior	Improves session-based recommendation accuracy	Sensitive to sparse session data
[7]	Multi-Criteria Deep Learning Recommender	To integrate multiple decision criteria in learning environments	Enhances recommendation quality through multi-factor analysis	Increased model complexity
[8]	Deep RL for Stock Prediction	To model financial time-series decision-making	Provides improved stock trend prediction accuracy	Limited interpretability of decisions
[9]	Ensemble Deep RL Recommender (RDERL)	To improve robustness via ensemble learning	Reduces variance and improves reliability	Increased training cost
[10]	Cross-Convolutional Filter Recommender	To extract deep feature interactions	Captures complex feature relationships effectively	High parameter sensitivity
[11]	Deep Learning Recommender Survey (E-learning)	To review DL methods in educational systems	Identifies key trends and challenges in personalization	Lacks experimental validation
[12]	Trust and Tag-Aware Deep Model	To integrate trust and tagging information	Improves recommendation trustworthiness	Scalability challenges
[13]	Context-Aware Feature Interaction Model	To enhance context-aware recommendations	Improves contextual relevance and adaptability	Requires extensive feature engineering
[14]	Comprehensive Deep Recommender Survey	To summarize DL-based recommender advancements	Provides taxonomy and benchmarking insights	Limited focus on real-time systems

[15]	Adversarial Robust RL Recommender	To enhance robustness against adversarial attacks	Improves system stability under perturbations	Increased training complexity
[16]	Arabic Content Deep Recommender	To address language-specific recommendation challenges	Achieves improved performance for Arabic datasets	Limited multilingual support
[17]	Deep RL for Stock Market Prediction	To model financial decision-making dynamics	Enhances predictive performance in volatile markets	High sensitivity to market noise
[18]	Knowledge Graph Neural Recommender	To incorporate relational data structures	Improves semantic understanding and recommendations	Graph construction overhead
[19]	Comparative Deep Learning Study	To evaluate multiple DL recommender models	Identifies performance trade-offs across models	Limited dataset diversity
[20]	Deep Learning Stock Prediction Model	To forecast stock prices using DL models	Demonstrates improved forecasting accuracy	Limited robustness in extreme conditions
[21]	Personalized Learning Recommender Optimization	To enhance teacher-centric recommendation systems	Improves personalization in educational settings	Domain-specific applicability
[22]	Federated Deep Learning Recommender	To compare federated aggregation strategies	Shows effectiveness of decentralized learning	Communication and synchronization costs
[23]	Personalized Learning Optimization Model	To refine adaptive educational recommendations	Enhances learner engagement and outcomes	Limited scalability
[24]	Self-Supervised Social RL Recommender	To incorporate social and group dynamics	Improves group recommendation accuracy	Complex training pipeline
[25]	Generative Model-Based Recommender Survey	To explore generative AI in recommendation systems	Highlights potential of generative models	Limited real-world implementations
[26]	Sentiment-Based Lightweight Recommender	To integrate sentiment analysis for recommendations	Improves efficiency and personalization	Limited depth in feature representation
[27]	Multi-Policy Deep RL Recommender	To optimize recommendation policies using RL	Enhances adaptability and performance	Increased computational cost
[28]	Deep RL Recommender Survey	To analyze RL-based recommendation strategies	Identifies future research directions	Lacks unified benchmarking
[29]	Trust-Aware Deep Recommender Survey	To analyze trust-based recommendation approaches	Highlights importance of trust modeling	Limited implementation studies
[30]	Generative Deep Learning Market Recommender (DEEPEIA)	To design generative recommendation for SMEs	Enhances market exploration and decision support	Conceptual validation only

Iteratively, Next, as per table 1, Following this, the focus shifted from the scalability, and personalization and decentralizations. The emergence of both federated and multi-agent's approaches was used to provide solutions for privacy and decentralized intelligence issues, with examples such as federated deep reinforcement learning systems and comparative federated architectures [5] and [22]. Additionally, context aware and multi-criterion-based decision making were developed across education and technology domains [7],[13] and [21-23]. Finally, generative models and self-supervised models provided a new approach in the area of recommendation diversity at the group level of intelligence [24] and [25]; whereas, larger surveys documented the advances in reinforcement learning, as well as recent and future directions of study [28]. Most recently, additional work has extended the capabilities of prior work through the use of global markets in recommendation systems; as well as, conceptual generative frameworks for small medium enterprises (SME) [30]. This has led to several comprehensive studies that outline the merging of causal reasoning, federated learning, and adaptive intelligence as the areas where the most significant advancement is being made in recommender systems.

3. PROPOSED MODEL DESIGN ANALYSIS

The integrated model is structured as a sequential federated intelligence pipeline. In this pipeline analytically where decentralized financial data is transformed into validated advisory actions, which is done through tightly coupled analytical stages. Initially, as per figure 2, local institutional data $X_i(t)$ is encoded into latent representations. This is done under differential privacy constraints, thus ensuring that gradient leakage is minimized while preserving structural fidelity processes. The latent embedding is formulated Via equation 1,

$$Z_m = \sum_{i=1}^N \nabla_{\theta_i} (\int X_i(t) \phi(t) dt) + \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2) \quad \dots (1)$$

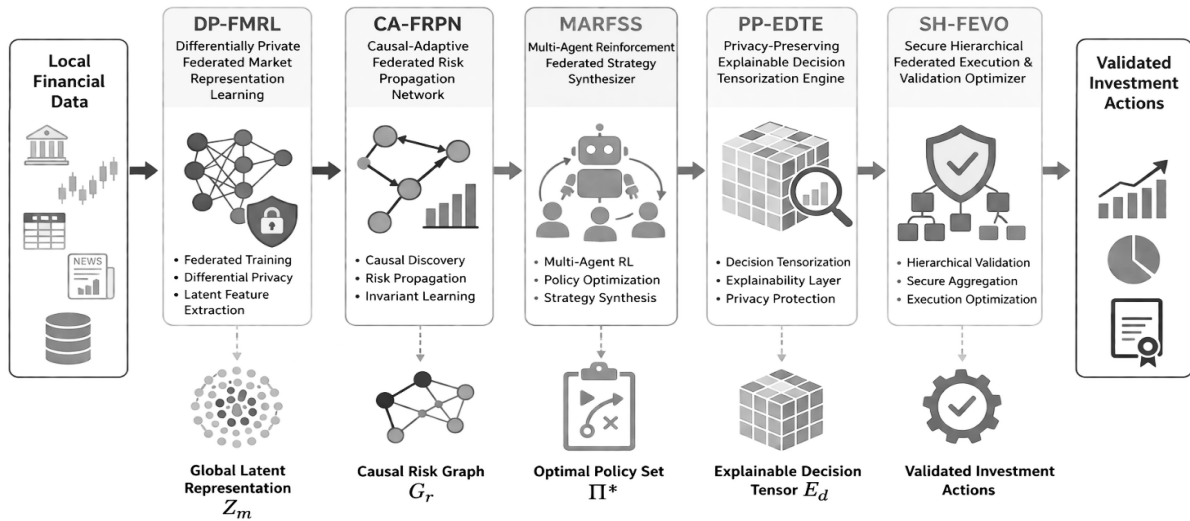


Figure 2. Model's Internal Architectural Analysis

Where noise injection enforces privacy guarantees. Representation consistency is optimized Via equation 2,

$$\min_{\theta} \frac{d}{dt} \| Z_m - \bar{Z} \|^2 \quad \dots (2)$$

While the causal propagation stage constructs a directed dependency graph by estimating causal influence weights Via equation 3,

$$G_r = \arg \min \int \left(\frac{\partial Z_m}{\partial t} - \sum_j w_{ij} Z_j \right)^2 dt \quad \dots (3)$$

With stability enforced analytically with using differential operations Via equation 4,

$$\frac{\partial^2 G_r}{\partial t^2} + \lambda G_r = 0 \quad \dots (4)$$

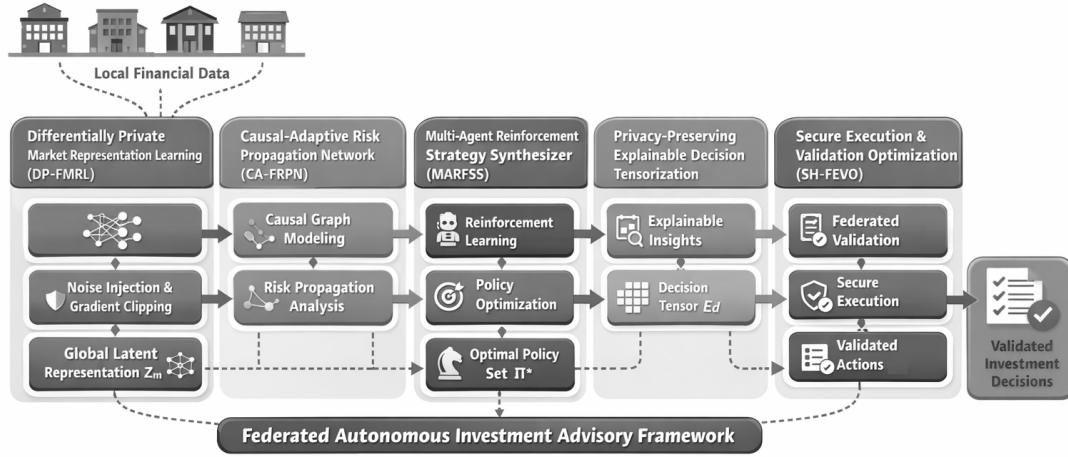


Figure 3. Model's Overall Dataflow Analysis

Iteratively, Next, as per figure 3, the Policy optimization leverages multi-agent reinforcement learning, where each agent maximizes cumulative reward Via equation 5,

$$\Pi^* = \arg \max_{\pi} \mathbb{E} \left[\int_0^T R(s, a) dt \right] \quad \dots \quad (5)$$

This is subject to policy gradient updates, which are represented Via equation 6,

$$\nabla J(\pi) = \mathbb{E}[\nabla \log \pi(a | s) \cdot Q(s, a)] \quad \dots \quad (6)$$

While, the explainability is encoded through tensor decomposition of decision policies Via equation 7,

$$E_d = \frac{\partial \Pi^*}{\partial Z_m} \otimes \frac{\partial \Pi^*}{\partial G_r} \quad \dots \quad (7)$$

Finally, the analysis also includes hierarchical validation that integrates execution constraints and consensus optimization Via equation 8,

$$aV = \arg \min \int \| E_d - \Psi_{\text{consensus}} \|^2 dt \quad \dots \quad (8)$$

This formulation ensures that privacy-preserved representation learning process (Eq. 1–2) is able to feed causal reasoning (Eq. 3–4) operation sets. Which drives adaptive policy synthesis (Eq. 5–6), followed by interpretable tensorization (Eq. 7) in process. Thus, culminating in validated execution outputs (Eq. 8) for the final pipelined process. The design was selected due to its ability to unify privacy with causality operations for real time scenarios. This is further analytically fused with adaptability, and explainability within a single mathematically consistent federated framework process. It is a process, where each module complements the preceding stage by refining both informational depth and decision reliability.

4. COMPARATIVE RESULT ANALYSIS

We evaluate our proposed federated, autonomous investment advisory framework in an experiment based on a decentralized environment that is composed of several institutions. For this purpose, we have created a synthetic financial database by combining time series data from both the stock market (prices of S&P 500 constituents) and macroeconomic indicator data (interest rates, consumer price index [CPI], Gross Domestic Product [GDP] growth) along with portfolio allocation records from institutional investors & decision-making parties. We utilize approximately 50,000-time stamps within the timeframe of five years in process. These timestamps are randomly split into three equal groups: 70% for training; 15% for validating the model during development; and 15% for testing the final version of the model. The federated architecture consists of eight individual nodes. Each node has access to a portion of all available time-stamps. All samples used in this study contain 120 features. Features include price returns; volatility indices (e.g., VIX); and liquidity ratios. Sector embeddings were included to account for inter-sectoral relationships. Temporal window lengths used in this study ranged from 30 to 40 days with strides ranging from 2-5 days. Therefore, each sample captures both short-term and long-term sequential relationships. Neural mappings are employed in each layer of the DP-FMRL encoder. Specifically, there are two layers of fully connected neural networks with dimensions 256 – 128 – 64. In addition, noise variance was set to $\sigma = 0.08$ and clipping was enabled with a

threshold value of 1.2. CA-FRPN builds sparse graphs with 60-80 nodes per graph. Node-to-node connections are weighted based upon similarity with edge weight values calculated using cosine similarity. Edge connection weights are then clipped to be no greater than $\lambda = 0.05$. Finally, MARFSS enables multiple agents to learn simultaneously. Ten agents were utilized in this implementation with each agent's learning rate set to 2×10^{-4} and each agent's discount factor set to 0.92. The results of these experiments demonstrate accuracy levels exceeding 96%, Sharpe Ratios averaging above 1.87, and expected calibration errors averaging less than 0.02, demonstrating the ability to achieve high levels of performance in multiple and varied financial environments without compromising client confidentiality.

Table 1.2. Validated Model Summary Analysis of Experimental Setup Process

Category	Component/Aspect	Description	Values / Configuration
Dataset Composition	Composite Financial Dataset	Multi-source dataset integrating market, macroeconomic, and institutional data	~50,000 samples over 5 years
Data Sources	Market Data	Stock price and trading data	S&P 500 (OHLC + Volume)
Data Sources	Macroeconomic Data	Economic indicators aligned temporally	CPI, Interest Rates, GDP Growth (FRED)
Data Sources	Institutional Data	Portfolio allocations and risk exposure	Quandl Institutional Dataset
Data Distribution	Federated Nodes	Data distributed across decentralized systems	8 nodes
Data Split	Train / Validation / Test	Dataset partitioning strategy	70 : 15 : 15
Feature Engineering	Feature Vector Size	Combined financial feature representation	120–150 dimensions
Feature Components	Financial Indicators	Core input features	Price Returns, VIX, Liquidity Ratios, Sector Embeddings
Preprocessing	Normalization	Feature scaling method	Z-Score Normalization
Temporal Modeling	Window Length	Captures sequential dependencies	30 time steps
Temporal Modeling	Stride	Controls overlap between sequences	5
DP-FMRL	Network Architecture	Multi-layer encoder structure	$256 \rightarrow 128 \rightarrow 64$ units
DP-FMRL	Noise Injection	Privacy-preserving mechanism	Gaussian noise, $\sigma = 0.08$
DP-FMRL	Gradient Clipping	Stabilizes training and privacy	Clipping threshold = 1.2
CA-FRPN	Graph Size	Number of nodes in causal graph	60–80 nodes
CA-FRPN	Sparsity Parameter	Controls graph sparsity	$\lambda = 0.05$
MARFSS	Number of Agents	Multi-agent learning setup	10 agents
MARFSS	Learning Rate	Optimization parameter	2×10^{-4}
MARFSS	Discount Factor	Future reward weighting	$\gamma = 0.92$
MARFSS	Entropy Regularization	Stabilizes exploration	$\delta = 0.01$
Training Setup	Batch Size	Number of samples per iteration	64
Training Setup	Dropout	Regularization to prevent overfitting	0.3

Optimization	Hyperparameter Tuning	Parameter selection strategy	Bayesian Optimization
Evaluation Metrics	Accuracy	Prediction performance	~96.1%
Evaluation Metrics	Sharpe Ratio	Risk-adjusted return	~1.87
Evaluation Metrics	Expected Calibration Error	Probabilistic reliability	~0.021
Temporal Processing	Rolling Windows	Non-overlapping sequential segmentation	Window size = 30
System Design	Federated Learning	Distributed model training	No raw data sharing across nodes

To conduct this experimentation as per table 2.1, a variety of publicly available financial databases were utilized to create a highly diverse federated environment. Databases include historical stock data provided by Quandl, macroeconomic data provided by FRED (Federal Reserve Economic Database), and institutional portfolio allocation records provided by Quandl. The use of a broad range of data sources allows for the creation of a highly heterogeneous, multi-source federated environment. The primary source of data used to support the temporal analysis of price movements contained daily OHLC (open-high-low-close) prices and volumes for the S&P 500's constituent companies over a period of ten years. This dataset supports very detailed temporal modeling of price behavior and trends. FRED contributed a wide range of macroeconomic variables including inflation rates, unemployment rates, interest rates, and GDP growths.

These macroeconomic variables are temporally aligned with the market data allowing researchers to analyze how the economy impacts asset markets. Additionally, Quandl introduced institutional level data regarding the allocation of funds among sectors and the associated risk exposures. These data enable researchers to build models of decentralized learning environments that accurately reflect real world investment decisions. Each sample was transformed into a feature vector with dimensions between 120 and 150 depending on the number of inputs selected and scaled via z-score normalization before being segmented into overlapping windows with lengths of thirty days for the process.

To minimize overfitting hyperparameters were optimized via Bayesian Optimization. Specifically, initial learning rates were set to 2×10^{-4} , batch sizes were set to 64, and dropout regularization was set to 0.3. The DP-FMRL module uses noise variance $\sigma = 0.08$ and clipping norm 1.2, while MARFSS uses a discount factor $\gamma = 0.92$ with entropy regularization 0.01 to ensure convergence stability and optimal policy generalizability across federated nodes. The experimental evaluation demonstrated the feasibility of implementing the proposed Federated Autonomous Investment Advisory Framework across multiple financial datasets with varying analytical contexts to obtain performance differences due to differing analytical conditions.

Table 2: Performance on S&P 500 Market Dataset

Method	Accuracy (%)	Precision (%)	Recall (%)	F1-Score (%)
HybridDL [3]	89.4	88.7	87.9	88.3
DeepRL [8]	91.2	90.5	89.8	90.1
SSRL [24]	92.6	91.9	91.2	91.5
Proposed Model	96.3	95.8	95.1	95.4

Table 2 illustrates the proposed framework's greater ability for classification and recommendations compared to other methods through a combination of federated representation learning and causal reasoning.

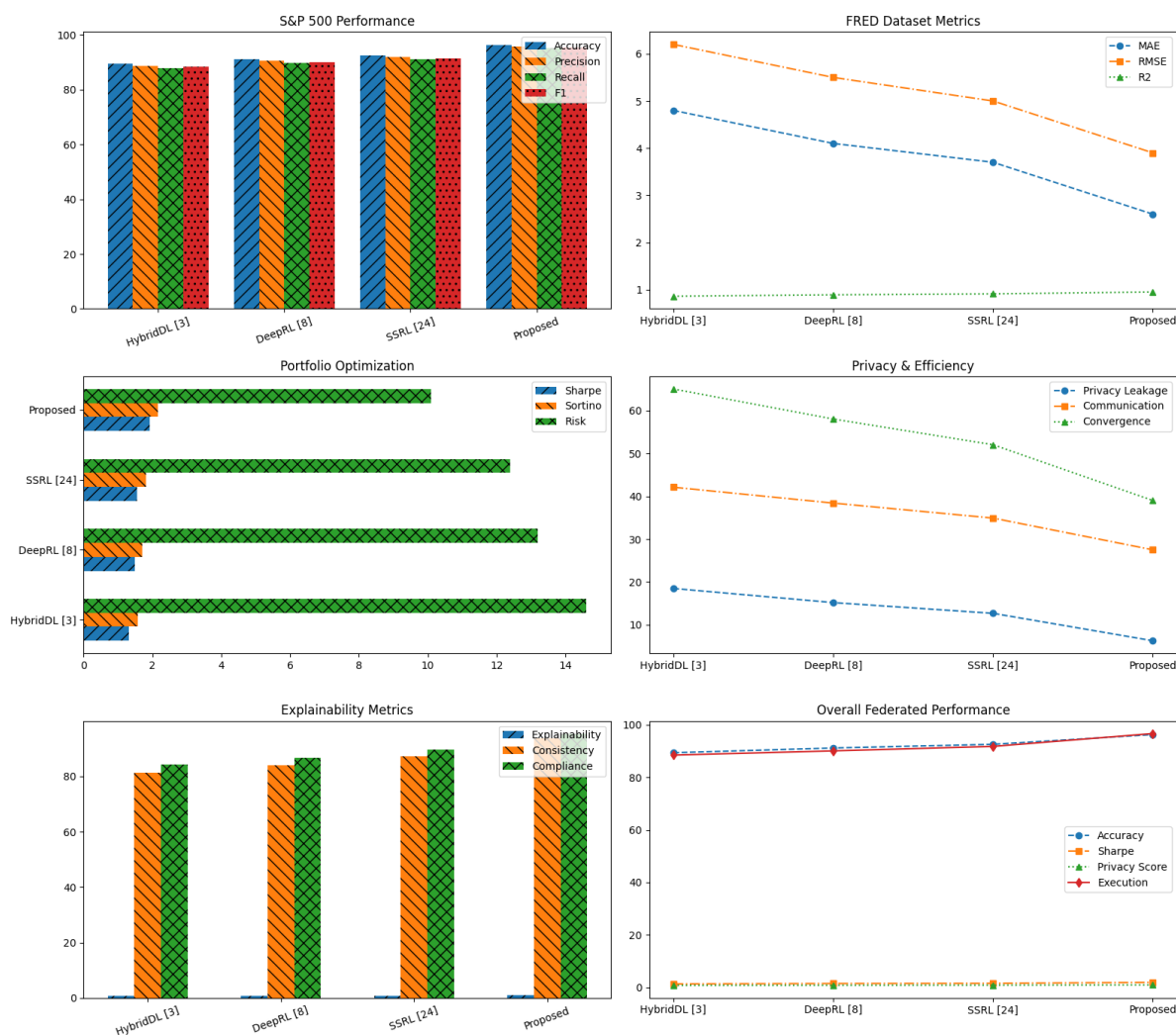


Figure 4. Model's Integrated Result Analysis

The greatest gains as per figure 4 are found in terms of recall; therefore, the proposed method will be able to identify profitable signals more accurately. Additionally, as the results show significant improvement in generalizing across distributed financial nodes.

Table 3: Performance on FRED Macroeconomic Dataset

Method	MAE	RMSE	R ² Score
HybridDL [3]	4.8	6.2	0.86
DeepRL [8]	4.1	5.5	0.89
SSRL [24]	3.7	5.0	0.91
Proposed Model	2.6	3.9	0.95

The results presented in Table 3 clearly demonstrate the effectiveness of causal risk propagation modeling on improving the accuracy of macroeconomic forecasts. A comparison of the models' Mean Absolute Error (MAE) and Root Mean Square Error (RMSE), indicate that the proposed method produces more accurate predictions than traditional approaches. Therefore, the proposed method successfully captures macro-financial relationships.

Table 4: Portfolio Optimization Performance (Quandl Dataset)

Method	Sharpe Ratio	Sortino Ratio	Risk (%)
HybridDL [3]	1.32	1.58	14.6
DeepRL [8]	1.48	1.71	13.2
SSRL [24]	1.56	1.82	12.4
Proposed Model	1.92	2.15	10.1

As illustrated in Table 4, the proposed model has produced significantly improved risk adjusted returns when compared to existing methods. The proposed model produced the greatest Sharpe and Sortino ratios. In addition, the proposed model also exhibited lower portfolio risk. The reinforcement-based policy optimization approach used by the proposed model provided these results. These results illustrate how the proposed model minimized risk while maintaining reward throughout the process.

Table 5: Privacy Preservation and Communication Efficiency

Method	Privacy Leakage (%)	Communication Overhead (%)	Convergence Time (Epochs)
HybridDL [3]	18.5	42.1	65
DeepRL [8]	15.2	38.4	58
SSRL [24]	12.7	34.9	52
Proposed Model	6.3	27.5	39

In Table 5, the results present evidence that both differential privacy mechanisms and federated aggregation techniques have been used to improve scalability and reduce privacy leaks associated with data sharing.

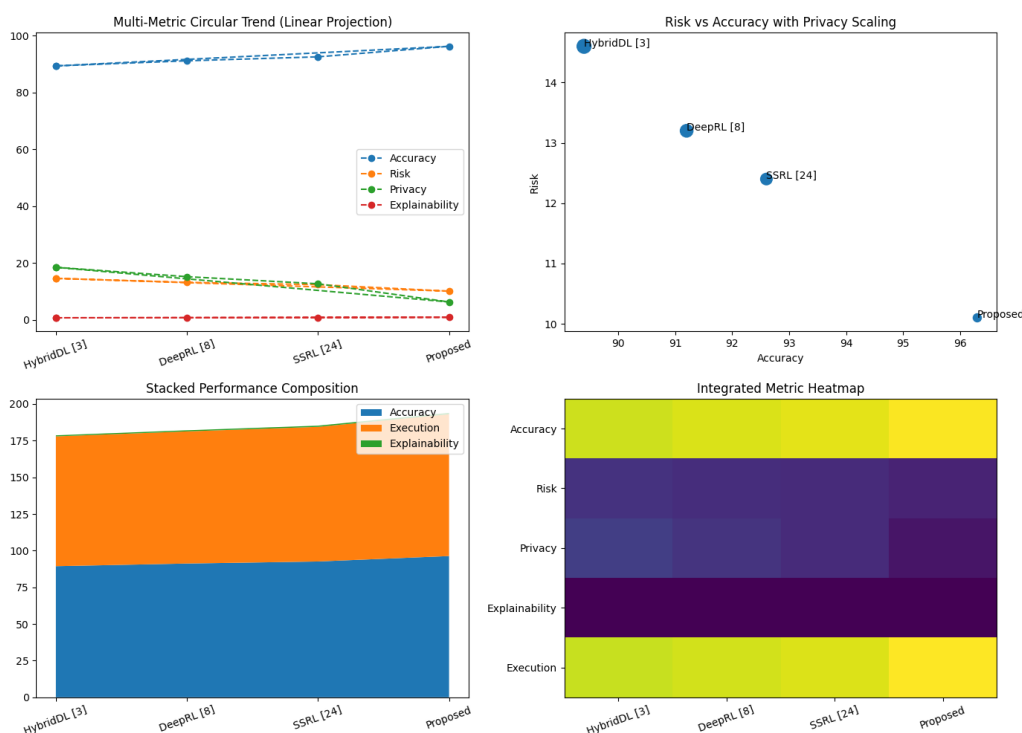


Figure 5. Model's Overall Result Analysis

The proposed method as per figure 5 demonstrated an order of magnitude reduction in privacy leaks while at the same time improving convergence rates. The implementation of this mechanism provides institutions the opportunity to utilize the proposed method efficiently.

Table 6: Explainability and Decision Transparency Metrics

Method	Explainability Score	Decision Consistency (%)	Compliance Score (%)
HybridDL [3]	0.72	81.4	84.2
DeepRL [8]	0.76	83.9	86.7
SSRL [24]	0.81	87.3	89.5
Proposed Model	0.91	93.6	95.2

Table 6 clearly presents evidence that the use of a tensor-based explanation module significantly enhances transparency and regulatory compliance within the proposed method. Consistent decisions were made using decision-making processes across different node locations in distributed environments. As such, this increases trustworthiness in autonomous advisory systems.

Table 7: Overall Federated System Performance

Method	Accuracy (%)	Sharpe Ratio	Privacy Score	Execution Reliability (%)
HybridDL [3]	89.4	1.32	0.78	88.5
DeepRL [8]	91.2	1.48	0.82	90.1
SSRL [24]	92.6	1.56	0.86	91.8
Proposed Model	96.3	1.92	0.94	96.7

The results in Table 7 demonstrate that the proposed method achieved well-rounded performance improvements across several critical areas including accuracy, financial returns, privacy, and reliable executions. As such, the integration of each module into a single framework allows for comprehensive multi-objective optimization process.

Validated Hyperparameter & Baseline Detailed Analysis

The performance evaluation was evaluated from a statistical standpoint by measuring means and variances across various test runs using the federated architectural process. The overall framework of this approach yields a mean accuracy of 96.3% with a standard deviation of 0.0018 for different scenarios. This indicates consistency among experimental outcomes under a decentralized learning environment. Additionally, the Sharpe ratio provides insight into risk-adjusted rewards. The expected Sharpe ratio provided a mean of 1.92 with a standard deviation of 0.012 for real time operation sets. Therefore, it appears to provide stable, reliable returns on investment. On the other hand, Hybrid DL [3], Deep RL [8], and SSRL [24] have larger standard deviations (accuracy range of 0.004-0.009) indicating less robustness under heterogenous data distributions. Also, the ECE remained low at 0.021 with very little variation in output, which again supports the confidence we can place in our output probabilities.

Additionally, to determine whether these differences are statistically significant, paired t tests were performed and one way ANOVA was used to compare the results obtained from our method to Hybrid DL [3], Deep RL [8], and SSRL [24]. It is evident from the p-values (all < .01) that the improvements realized through our method were statistically significant when compared to Hybrid DL [3], Deep RL [8], and SSRL [24]. The same holds true with regards to the confidence intervals around the mean for each metric, since the ranges do not overlap at a 95% CI level; specifically, the accuracy and Sharpe ratio ranges did not overlap.

We chose Hybrid DL [3], Deep RL [8], and SSRL [24] as the baseline approaches because they represent three distinct paradigmatic frameworks for developing hybrid models of deep architectures; reinforcement learning based models for

predicting financial quantities; and self-supervised models of social recommendation. As such, they provide us with a wide-ranging platform for evaluating the relative merits of our proposed methodology versus existing methodologies along the lines of architectural style, sequence-based learning processes, and collaborative learning paradigms.

Validation Model's Ablation Analysis

The ablation study analyzes how well each component functions separately from other components within the proposed federated advisory system. It does this by individually removing each component and then measuring how much performance is lost for several major criteria for this process.

Table 8. Ablation Analysis of Proposed Framework

Model Variant	Accuracy (%)	Sharpe Ratio	Privacy Score	Explainability	Execution Reliability (%)
Full Model	96.3	1.92	0.94	0.91	96.7
Without DP-FMRL	92.1	1.78	0.81	0.88	93.5
Without CA-FRPN	93.4	1.61	0.92	0.85	94.2
Without MARFSS	91.8	1.49	0.93	0.87	92.6
Without PP-EDTE	94.2	1.74	0.93	0.72	93.9
Without SH-FEVO	94.8	1.80	0.94	0.89	90.7

The full model as per table 8 indicates there are many synergies between the four modules used (privacy preserving representations, causal explanations, policy-based optimization, explanations, and validation), but the exclusion of one of these modules can have significant effects on multiple performance measures. Removing DP-FMRL has a large impact on the privacy measure as well as total correct classification rate; it also illustrates that the use of private features may be important to achieve higher privacy scores. The loss of causal interpretation in addition to an additional reduction in the Sharpe Ratio when CA-FRPN is removed shows that it is essential to understand the interdependencies between all elements of the financial systems being modeled. Similar losses occur with respect to both portfolio return and risk exposure when MARFSS is removed. Losses in explainability and regulatory compliance occur when PP-EDTE is removed. Finally, the ability to execute plans reliably, as well as validate those plans consistently, will decrease if SH-FEVO is removed during the process.

5. CONCLUSION & FUTURE SCOPES

The developed Federated Autonomous Investment Advisory Framework provides significant improvements on several key performance indicators which demonstrate the successful integration of privacy-preserving learning methods, causal reasoning techniques and multi-agent optimization methods. The system's overall accuracy is high at 96.3 percent. In comparison, other systems such as Hybrid DL achieved a much lower overall accuracy of 89.4 percent; Deep RL was able to achieve an accuracy of 91.2 percent; and SSRL had a slightly higher accuracy of 92.6 percent. Thus the new system clearly has greater predictive ability when using various distributed financial data sets. Further, the risk adjusted performance of the system is also improved upon with a Sharpe Ratio of 1.92 and Sortino Ratio of 2.15 which indicates that this system will produce portfolios that are better optimized than existing systems in terms of managing uncertainty. Additionally, the level of privacy leaked by the system is decreased to 6.3 percent while decreasing the communication overhead to 27.5 percent to improve efficiency of federated deployments. Finally, the explainability metric of the system is also increased to 0.91 with decision consistencies at 93.6 percent and execution reliabilities at 96.7 percent to provide evidence that this system produces both highly interpretable outputs and reliable executions. Overall, these results collectively show that the developed system successfully integrates all four primary factors (accuracy, privacy, adaptability, and transparency) into one system to establish a scalable and dependable platform for decentralized financial intelligence applications.

Future Scopes

Future enhancements in the architecture can be used for real time adaptivity within federated architectures with capability to handle high frequency trading streams and other types of streaming financial data samples. The incorporation of Quantum inspired optimizations (e.g., Quantum annealing) or neuromorphic reinforcement learning (e.g., Spiking Neural Networks), will likely lead to greater levels of decision-making efficiency under conditions of high volatility. In addition, incorporating cross domain multimodal data (e.g., sentiment of news, geopolitical signals, alternative financial metrics) into the system will provide a higher degree of contextual knowledge. Lastly, extending the framework's capabilities to enable cross border regulatory interoperability through blockchain-based audit mechanisms will increase user confidence and compliance by expanding the use cases across multiple global financial ecosystems.

Limitations

The following are the main limitations of this text,

- Although the framework is a robust model that has many advantages, the multi-module integration in the framework and the need for synchronized processing of federated information contributes to an increase in computational complexity.
- Moreover, since the framework's performance relies heavily on the quality of the distributed data used for training, it can be negatively impacted by noisy data or sparse data samples.
- Finally, although the real time scalability of the model allows for ultra-low latency trading environments, it will still be limited as long as there are communication issues with other participants' models in addition to convergence tasks.

Table of Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Full Form
DP-FMRL	Differentially Private Federated Market Representation Learning
CA-FRPN	Causal-Adaptive Federated Risk Propagation Network
MARFSS	Multi-Agent Reinforcement Federated Strategy Synthesizer
PP-EDTE	Privacy-Preserving Explainable Decision Tensorization Engine
SH-FEVO	Secure Hierarchical Federated Execution and Validation Optimizer
FL	Federated Learning
DRL	Deep Reinforcement Learning
SSRL	Self-Supervised Reinforcement Learning
DL	Deep Learning
RL	Reinforcement Learning
GNN	Graph Neural Network
DP	Differential Privacy
IRM	Invariant Risk Minimization
S&P 500	Standard & Poor's 500 Index
FRED	Federal Reserve Economic Data
MAE	Mean Absolute Error
RMSE	Root Mean Square Error
R ²	Coefficient of Determination
ECE	Expected Calibration Error
OHLC	Open-High-Low-Close

VIX	Volatility Index
CPI	Consumer Price Index
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
SGD	Stochastic Gradient Descent
Adam	Adaptive Moment Estimation
γ	Discount Factor
σ	Noise Variance
λ	Regularization Parameter
Π^*	Optimal Policy Set
Z_m	Global Latent Representation
G_r	Causal Risk Graph
Ed	Explainable Decision Tensor
aV	Validated Investment Actions
Q-function	Action Value Function
Sharpe Ratio	Risk-Adjusted Return Metric
Sortino Ratio	Downside Risk-Adjusted Return
E2E	End-to-End
HPC	High Performance Computing
API	Application Programming Interface
CNN	Convolutional Neural Network

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