

InelidaMarketScan — Scientific Analysis of Financial Markets with Machine Learning

Quantitative Finance Research: ICT, Ichimoku, XGBoost & Stochastic Calculus By Didier Vally / Reuniware Systems Version 1.0.6 — 2026-07-19 □
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Abstract

This document presents the results of 6 months of quantitative finance research applied to algorithmic trading. The InelidaMarketScan framework combines ICT (Inner Circle Trader) technical analysis and multi-timeframe Ichimoku with an XGBoost Machine Learning pipeline (123 features) and stochastic calculus functions (Ornstein-Uhlenbeck, Hurst, GARCH, Monte Carlo, Kelly). Model v18 achieves 64.0% cross-validation accuracy on 1,210 historical trades. Analysis of 27 successive models reveals that Ichimoku features (Kijun/Tenkan distances, T/K crosses) are more predictive than ICT patterns (FVG, Order Blocks). Capital simulation with $ML\% \geq 50\%$ filtering shows a profit factor of 2.27 on in-sample data, while out-of-sample validation identifies a ceiling at 1.173. This document serves as a comprehensive scientific reference on the intersection of ICT, Ichimoku, and Machine Learning.

1. Introduction

1.1 Context and Problem Statement

Algorithmic trading relies on identifying recurring patterns in financial time series. ICT (Inner Circle Trader) concepts developed by Michael Huddleston describe institutional market behavior: liquidity sweeps, Fair Value Gaps, Order Blocks, Market Structure Shifts. In parallel, the Ichimoku Kinko Hyo indicator provides a multi-timeframe reading of market equilibrium. This project explores the fusion of these two paradigms through an automated scanner coupled with an XGBoost model.

1.2 Research Objectives

1. Develop an automated scanner combining ICT and Ichimoku across 8 timeframes (M5 to MN).
2. Build an ML pipeline with 123 named features extracted from the scanner.
3. Validate predictive power via historical backtest (2025-2026) and out-of-sample testing.
4. Integrate quantitative finance functions (OU, Hurst, GARCH, Monte Carlo, Kelly).
5. Achieve a profit factor > 1.5 under real conditions.

2. ICT Theoretical Foundations

ICT concepts model the behavior of financial institutions (banks, hedge funds) that manipulate price levels to accumulate positions. The following 8 concepts are automatically detected by the scanner:

ICT Concept	Description and Detection
Liquidity Sweeps	Brief break of a key level (Asian High/Low, London High/Low) to trigger stops before reversal. Detected on H1 with reversal confirmation.
Fair Value Gaps (FVG)	Gap between 3 consecutive candles where price did not trade. Detected on 6 TFs (M5 to D1) with mitigation percentage.
Order Blocks (OB)	Last candle before a directional impulse — zone where institutions placed orders. Detected via ATR(14) on 6 TFs.
Breaker Blocks (BRK)	Broken Order Block that reverses into opposite support/resistance. Derived from existing OBs, zero additional MT5 calls.
Market Structure Shift (MSS/BOS)	Change in market structure: Break of Structure and Change of Character on 6 TFs.
Volume HVN/LVN	High Volume Node and Low Volume Node based on MT5 tick volume. Detected on 6 TFs.
Reversal Pipeline	Complete sweep → reversal → confirmation chain with post-sweep bar counter.
Fibonacci Extensions	+1.618 to +4.0 extensions based on Asian range for TP targets.

3. Multi-TF Ichimoku Architecture

The Diamond scanner analyzes 8 timeframes simultaneously. For each TF, 5 Ichimoku components are computed:

Timeframe	Tenkan	Kijun	Kumo	T/K Cross	Flat History
M5	☐	☐	—	☐	—
M15	☐	☐	—	☐	—
M30	☐	☐	—	☐	—
H1	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
H4	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
D1	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
W1	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
MN	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

4. Diamond Scanner Architecture

The Diamond Scanner aggregates 109 scoring criteria across 10 categories:

Category	Criteria	Examples
Ichimoku HI-D1	24	Kijun/Tenkan distances, T/K crosses, Kumo positions, Flat bars
Ichimoku W1-MN	8	Kijun W1/MN, Kumo W1/MN, Cloud color, Double memory
FVG (6 TFs)	12	FVG bear/bull M5 to D1, mitigation %, time priority
Order Blocks (6 TFs)	12	OB bear/bull M5 to D1, position ABOVE/BELOW/AT
MSS/BOS (6 TFs)	18	Regime, BOS, CHoCH on M5 to D1
Volume HVN/LVN (6 TFs)	12	Volume spike, HVN, LVN on M5 to D1
Breaker Blocks (6 TFs)	12	BRK bear/bull M5 to D1
Asian/London Sweeps	4	AH/AL sweep, London H/L sweep
Reversal Pipeline	5	Sweep→reversal→confirmation, post-sweep FVG, retest
M30/M15/M5 Kijun	2	Kijun M30/M15/M5 directional cross

Maximum score: 109 criteria (107 without MN)

5. Machine Learning Pipeline

The ML pipeline transforms scanner results into win probability through 3 stages:

Stage	Tool	Details
1	ml_labeler.py	Feature extraction from Diamond scan (DB / manual CSV / backtest). Generates labeled CSV with outcome column (1=won, 0=lost).
2	ml_trainer.py	XGBoost training with 5-fold cross-validation, scale_pos_weight for imbalanced classes, hyperparameter grid search.
3	ml_predictor.py	Real-time inference: extract_features() → predict_proba() → ML% displayed in live scan. Simplified MLPredictor: 1 joblib.load instead of 5.

6. XGBoost Model v18 — Configuration

Model v18 is the active production model. Trained on 1,210 historical trades with 123 named features (including GARCH and stochastic).

Hyperparameter	Value
max_depth	6
learning_rate	0.03
n_estimators	200
subsample	0.8
min_child_weight	3
gamma	0.1
reg_alpha	0.5 (L1)
reg_lambda	1.0 (L2)
scale_pos_weight	auto (based on win/loss ratio)

123 named features include: scores/bias (6), Kijun 6 TFs (18), Tenkan 6 TFs (18), T/K crosses (6), Kumo (6), M5/M15/M30 crosses (12), Flat bars (2), Active FVGs (1), Order Blocks (6), Sweeps (5), Volume (6), MSS/BOS (6), Breaker Blocks (6), Compression (1), Stochastic (8: OU, Hurst, Monte Carlo, GARCH), Temporal (3), Asset type (3).

7. Model History

27 XGBoost models have been trained and evaluated since the project’s inception. Here is the history of major versions:

Model	Data	Features	Trades	CV	OOS PF
v1	6 majors	36	852	61.0%	—
v4	13 symbols	111	1,210	62.9%	1.26*
v7	13 symbols	25 best	2,923	60.1%	1.173
v13	4 models/asset	25	2,923	53-64%	4.000
v15	2025-2026	25 + OU/Hurst	5,009	59.8%	—
v18	13 symbols	123 (GARCH)	1,210	64.0%	0.503 F1

8. Feature Importance (v4)

Feature importance analysis reveals which criteria carry the most weight in model decisions:

Rank	Feature	Gain	Insight
1	is_dxy	14.2	The dollar follows a radically different logic from forex pairs
2	rr	10.0	Theoretical risk/reward ratio predicts actual outcome
3	tkx_h1	9.2	H1 Tenkan/Kijun cross is the single best predictor
4	kj_h1	6.9	Distance to H1 Kijun captures short-term equilibrium
5	s1	6.4	Stop-loss level is as important as take-profit
6	day_wednesday	6.4	Wednesdays (FOMC) show statistically distinct behavior
7	d_kj_h4	6.3	Distance to H4 Kijun indicates underlying trend
8	d_kj_d1	6.0	Distance to D1 Kijun anchors macro context
9	tkx_h4	6.0	H4 T/K cross confirms session trend
10	is_forex	5.9	FX pairs have distinct behavior vs indices/metals

9. Out-of-Sample Validation

OOS validation (training January-June 2026, testing July 2026) is the decisive test. Model v4 shows an in-sample PF of 2.27 at $ML\% \geq 50\%$ threshold, but this includes data leakage (the model saw 80% of test data during training). The true OOS PF of v7 is 1.173 — a statistically significant but modest edge. Model v13 (per-asset) achieves PF=4.000 on 15 trades, but the sample is too small to be reliable. Conclusion: ML provides a real edge ($PF > 1.0$), but the current ceiling is ~ 1.17 with a unified architecture. Improvement will come from more data and potentially asset-specialized models.

10. Capital Simulation — ML% Filtering

Simulation on 1,210 historical trades with initial capital of €10,000 and 1% risk per trade:

ML% Threshold	Trades	Win Rate	PF (RR)	P&L (€10k)
No filter	1,210	37.6%	1.02	+€1,442
$ML\% \geq 45\%$	661	54.3%	1.91 □	+€27,542
$ML\% \geq 50\%$	504	59.7%	2.27 □□	+€25,842
$ML\% \geq 55\%$	327	67.3%	2.80	+€19,242
$ML\% \geq 60\%$	170	78.8%	3.59	+€9,340
$ML\% \geq 70\%$	71	88.7%	1.64	+€514

11. Quantitative Finance & Stochastic Calculus

6 quantitative finance functions have been integrated into the scanner and ML pipeline. These functions compute risk, volatility, and market regime metrics:

Function	Purpose	ML Feature	v18 Rank
Ornstein-Uhlenbeck	Detects price overextension from long-term mean. Score 0-100%: >80% = likely reversal.	ou_score	Not tested
Hurst Exponent	Classifies market regime: $H < 0.45$ = RANGE (mean-reversion), $H > 0.55$ = TREND (momentum).	hurst_h	Not tested
GARCH(1,1)	Models conditional volatility. 4 features: persistence, long_run_vol, half_life, forecast_vol_1.	garch_persistence	#14
Monte Carlo	Simulates 10,000 price trajectories. Computes P(SL hit) and P(TP hit).	mc_p_sl, mc_p_tp	Not tested
Kelly Criterion	Optimal position sizing by asset type. Gain=0.00 (redundant with already-optimized SL/TP).	kelly_full	#124
FTMO Ruin	Ruin probability for a prop firm account with 10% drawdown over 100 simulated trades.	ftmo_ruin_prob	Not tested

12. Kelly Criterion by Asset Type

The Kelly Criterion uses real win rates by asset type (from backtest) rather than a uniform win_rate=0.40. Results:

Asset Type	Win Rate	Kelly Full	Kelly Half
DX	73%	46.0%	23.0%
XAUUSD	42%	13.0%	6.5%
Forex	31%	3.5%	1.8%
Indices	38%	7.0%	3.5%
Crypto	35%	2.5%	1.3%

13. Simplified MLPredictor (2026-07-19)

The MLPredictor previously loaded the same model 5 times (1× per prediction method).

The simplification of 2026-07-19 reduced this to a single `joblib.load()`. Result: 30 lines of code removed, loading time divided by 4, and the redundant `_ASSET_MODEL_MAP` eliminated. Model v18 is now the single unified model for all asset types.

14. Bug Fixes — 2026-07-19

A thorough code review on 2026-07-19 identified and fixed 4 bugs:

#	Severity	File	Description
1	CRITICAL	diamond_scanner.py	Dead code after return in <code>ml_available</code> — symbols were never activated. <code>initialize()</code> did not set <code>_initialized = True</code> .
2	HIGH	stochastic_analytics.py	GARCH: if no valid (α, β) pair found, silent fallback with invented parameters. Added <code>best_ll <= -1e100</code> check.
3	MEDIUM	stochastic_analytics.py	Monte Carlo: log-return volatility fallback was computed but never used when OU sigma was zero.
4	LOW	stochastic_analytics.py	FTMO: <code>pnl_avg/roi_avg</code> outside try block — risk of <code>NameError</code> if code added between computation and return.

15. Final Decision Matrix

The decision matrix combines Diamond score, ML%, safety guards, and macro context:

Condition	Action	Rationale
ML% $\geq$ 60% + TKx HI aligned + no HIGH NEWS	☐ GO	Triple confirmation: ML, Ichimoku, macro
ML% $\geq$ 60% + TKx HI conflict	☐ WAIT	ML is contradicted by T/K HI cross
ML% 50-60% + TKx HI aligned	☐ CAUTION	Moderate ML edge, needs additional confirmation
ML% < 50%	☐ NO GO	Model has no statistical edge
HIGH NEWS DAY + BULL	☐ WAIT	Macro days ($\geq$ 2 major events) break correlations
Wednesday (FOMC day) + Forex	☐ High Risk	Wednesdays show statistically distinct behavior

16. Conclusion and Perspectives

The InelidaMarketScan project demonstrates that an ML pipeline trained on Ichimoku features can generate a statistically significant edge (OOS PF = 1.173). The 4 critical bugs fixed on 2026-07-19 strengthen live scanner reliability. The 27 successive models revealed key insights: Ichimoku features (Kijun/Tenkan distances) are more predictive than ICT patterns, asset type (is_dxy, is_forex) is a major predictor, and stochastic calculus functions (GARCH, OU, Hurst) provide complementary volatility signal. The next performance leap will require a larger dataset (2024-2026, >5,000 trades/asset) and potentially deep learning architectures (LSTM, Transformer) to capture temporal dependencies that XGBoost does not model.

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