

## **AI AND BEHAVIORAL FINANCE ANALYZING THE IMPACT OF CHAT BOTS ON INVESTMENT BEHAVIOR**

*\*Dr. Rajiv Khurana,*

*\* Associate Professor, Accountancy and Head of Accounts Department, Ramanand Arya DAV College, Mumbai*

### **Abstract:**

*This study examines the relationship between behavioural finance and artificially intelligent technology (AI), with an emphasis on how chat bots can affect investors' decisions. The study looks into the ways in which AI-driven chat bots can influence the emotions, biases, and financial decisions of investors. This study intends to shed light on the potential advantages and disadvantages of incorporating chat bots into the investing process by examining the present environment and empirical data. It also takes into account the moral ramifications and possible directions for additional study in this developing area. This study aims to shed light on the potential advantages and disadvantages of incorporating chat bots into the investing process by examining the present environment and empirical data. It also takes into account the moral ramifications and possible directions for additional study in this developing area.*

**Keywords:** *Chat Bots, Artificial Intelligence (AI), Behavioural Finance, Investment Behaviour, Financial Technology.*

**Copyright © 2023 The Author(s):** This is an open-access article distributed under the terms of the Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 International License (CC BY-NC 4.0) which permits unrestricted use, distribution, and reproduction in any medium for non-commercial Use Provided the Original Author and Source Are Credited.

### **Introduction:**

The development of artificial intelligence (AI) technology has undergone a significant shift the financial services industry in recent years. The use of algorithmic trading, risk assessment, fraud detection, and the provision of individualised client services all rely heavily on AI, which is increasingly pervasive in the financial sector. The study of behavioural finance has grown in popularity in recent years, shining light on the significant influence of psychological, cognitive, and personal prejudices on financial decision-making. An intriguing phenomenon—the incorporation of chatbots into the financial landscape—has evolved at the meeting point of AI and behavioural finance. The purpose of chatbots, which are AI-driven conversational agents, is to educate and counsel investors. They have a wide range of uses in the banking sector, from portfolio management to trading suggest and dealing with clients. The emergence of AI in financial services is a disruptive force that has the ability to boost efficiency, enhance consumer experiences, and spur innovation in a variety of financial sectors.

### **The Emergence of AI in Financial Services:**

The emergence of AI in financial services has significantly changed the sector and transformed how financial organisations run their businesses. AI has influenced almost every aspect of banking due to its capacity for processing massive quantities of data, making data-driven choices, and automating jobs. Algorithmic trading



uses real-time data analysis powered by AI to create quick, precise choices about investments, while risk evaluation systems powered by AI improve credit scoring, fraud detection, and market risk management. Chatbots with artificial intelligence (AI) powering them assist customers immediately and deal with common questions. Data analysis enables more educated decision-making, and robot-advisors provide personalised investing advice. AI also makes it easier to comply with regulations, improves security by detecting fraud, and lowers operational expenses. The incorporation of AI technologies will be crucial in facilitating the financial sector's further evolution.

### **Behavioural Finance and Its Relevance:**

A subset of financial theory known as "behavioural finance" acknowledges the enormous impact of human psychology, emotions, and cognitive biases have on financial decision-making. By putting light on the frequently illogical and emotionally motivated behaviour displayed by market participants, this discipline questions the classic finance premise of rational, utility-maximizing investors. Behavioural finance examines phenomena such as overreaction to market news, herding behaviour, and the influence of cognitive biases like loss aversion and overconfidence. It is pertinent in that it offers a more thorough framework for comprehending how financial markets function, taking into consideration the complex nature of human behaviour in economic models. Behavioural finance improves our capacity to comprehend market dynamics, investor behaviour, and the repercussions by recognising the significance of emotions and biases in financial choices.

### **The Advent of Chat BOTS in Investment:**

A major advancement in the field of financial technology includes the addition of chatbots into the investment environment. With the help of AI-powered chatbots, financial services may be more easily accessed and effectively delivered to investors in real time. These conversational bots can help investors with a variety of tasks, from responding to questions about account balances and portfolio performance to making investment suggestions based on unique risk profiles and financial objectives. Chatbot integration in investment platforms improves client service while also speeding up decision-making. Additionally, it is a response to the changing expectations of tech-savvy investors who demand immediate access to financial information and support. Chatbots have the potential to change how investors invest as they develop and grow more intelligent.

**Behavioural finance** is the study of how investors' or financial analysts' behaviour is influenced by psychological factors. The idea also considers the implications of the market. It highlights the fact that investors are not always logical; their capacity for self-control is constrained, and they occasionally succumb to their own prejudices.

**Financial study** has focused on the many acts and choices that people, institutions, or other entities make when investing money in financial assets or investment possibilities. It covers a broad range of options, such as asset selection, portfolio diversification, risk tolerance, trading tactics, and timing of investments. Numerous variables, such as personal objectives, risk perceptions, market conditions, and cognitive biases, influence investment behaviour. Understanding and analysing investment behaviour is essential in the financial sector because it can

provide insight into market dynamics, asset pricing, and the performance of investment instruments, assisting investors, financial institutions, and policymakers in making well-informed decisions.

### **The Advantages of Behavioural Finance:**

The study of the psychology that affects financial decisions is known as behavioural finance.

The following guidelines set behavioural finance apart from traditional finance:

1. Investors aren't always rational
2. Markets aren't really effective.
3. The level of risk will not only affect the predicted return.

### **Research Objectives:**

1. To examine the impact of chatbots on investment decision-making
2. To evaluate the influence of chatbots on investor emotions and biases
3. To assess the ethical considerations surrounding AI-driven chatbots in finance

### **Literature Review:**

**Kahneman and Tversky (1979)**, who proposed that people frequently assess possible losses more carefully than comparable rewards. We now see investor behaviour very differently as a result of this discovery and other behavioural biases. There are various cognitive biases that have been studied in the behavioural financial literature, including overconfidence, herding conduct, anchoring, and availability prejudice. Additionally, those who study this subject have looked at how feelings like fear and greed can cause market oddities, bubbles, and collapses. Numerous empirical research have confirmed the existence of these behavioural biases and their effects on asset pricing, trading tactics, and investment results, establishing behavioural finance as a crucial and pertinent discipline within the larger area of finance.

**Ritter (2003)** digs deeply into the subject. Models that are less constrained than those based on Von Neumann-Morgenstern arbitrage and expected utility theory assumptions are used to investigate and study financial markets in behavioural finance. The two main pillars of behavioural finance are arbitrage limitations and cognitive psychology. The word "cognitive" describes how people think. According to a substantial amount of psychological research, individuals commit systematic errors in their thinking. For example, they could be overconfident or place too much emphasis on recent experience. Their decisions might obscure the truth. Behavioural finance uses this corpus of knowledge as opposed to taking the conceited stance that it should be ignored in order to determine the "right" value.

Reputable scholars in the field of behavioural finance have thoroughly studied the emotional and cognitive aspects of investment. The Nobel laureate Daniel Kahneman and Amos Tversky's essential work on prospect theory established the framework for comprehending how emotional factors, particularly loss aversion, affect investing behaviour (Kahneman & Tversky, 1979). According to their research, people frequently dread losses more than they value equal profits, which results in poor decisions on taking risks and asset allocation. In addition, Richard Thaler's research on mental accounting (Thaler, 1980) has shed light on the ways in which cognitive biases can influence financial decisions. The significant impact of emotions in market dynamics has

also been demonstrated by Robert Shiller's studies on investor sentiment and market volatility (Shiller, 2000). The authors' contributions highlight the importance of emotional intelligence.

### **Significance of the Study:**

The study's importance rests in its ability to offer a thorough knowledge of how AI-driven chatbots affect investment behaviour, spanning decision-making, emotional responses, and cognitive biases. For investors, financial institutions, and regulators to successfully manage the changing financial AI landscape, these insights are crucial. The study may lead to solutions that improve investing outcomes, thereby assisting both individual investors and the financial sector as a whole. This is because it may lessen the negative consequences of behavioural biases and emotions. Additionally, by addressing ethical issues like data protection and transparency, the research helps in the responsible integration of artificial intelligence, ensuring that these advancements contribute to a more secure and accountable financial sector. Additionally, the study equips novice investors by providing navigational advice.

The foundational pillars of every economy are production, investment, exchange, and distribution. Through participation in the cyclical flow of economic activity, individuals and families contribute significantly to economic growth. Determining the importance of costs, investments, and savings decisions is a crucial task for every person and family today because of the many factors involved and their flexibility. Each person makes different financial decisions when it comes to spending and investing because of the influence of a number of behavioural finance factors.

AI in finance has found diverse applications, with one of its key domains being investment. By offering strong tools and insights across multiple financial spheres, AI has changed the investment landscape. The creation of robo-advisors, automated platforms that employ machine learning algorithms to generate and manage portfolios of investments, is one of the most well-known uses of artificial intelligence in the world of finance. These robo-advisors offer effective, affordable substitutes to conventional wealth management services by tailoring investment approaches to investors' tolerance for risk and financial goals (Clarke & de Silva, 2018). Furthermore, AI-driven predictive analytics has been crucial for asset management, where it can examine enormous datasets to find patterns and market trends, assisting in more well-informed investment decisions. Sentiment analysis, a subfield of natural language processing, analyses social media and news content to determine market sentiment and its potential impact.

### **The Role of Chat BOTS in Financial Services:**

The way financial institutions communicate with their consumers and offer services has changed significantly as a result of chat bots. As computerised conversational agents, chatbots provide prompt and effective customer service, direction, and even financial advice. Customers can receive information and support whenever it is convenient for them because they are open round-the-clock. These AI-powered chat bots are capable of performing a variety of activities, including processing transactions, tracking the status of accounts, and offering information on financial goods. Improving the customer service is one of their main responsibilities. Chat bots increase customer satisfaction by providing personalised interactions and quick responses. They are able to

respond to regular questions, which not only lessens the workload for human customer support personnel but also guarantees dependable and correct answers.

Additionally, chatbots are being used more frequently in areas like account administration to assist consumers in setting up automatic payments, setting savings objectives, and managing their investment portfolios. Using information specific to each consumer, they can also provide financial budgeting and planning direction. In terms of financial advice, specialised chatbots called robo-advisors have becoming more popular. These chatbots construct and maintain investment portfolios based on the client's risk tolerance, objectives, and financial status using algorithms. They offer investment advice and have the ability to modify portfolios in response to shifting market conditions. Chatbots' use in financial services not only simplifies processes for institutions, but also gives clients a more convenient and effective way to manage their money and investments. Chatbots are likely to advance as AI technology does.

This study's main goal is to examine how chatbots affect how people make investing decisions. The study intends to investigate the effects of chatbots' incorporation of artificial intelligence (AI) on investors' decisions and behaviour. Understanding whether chatbots help to lessen cognitive biases, offer logical counsel, and facilitate better educated financial decisions are all part of this. The research aims to provide useful insights into the emerging financial technology landscape driven by AI and its function in influencing investing behaviour by examining this influence.

Examining the impact of chatbots on investor emotions and cognitive biases is the main objective of this study. In order to understand how AI-powered chatbots affect investors' emotional reactions and cognitive biases during the decision-making process, this study aims to explore these issues. The project intends to determine whether chatbots can assist in lowering irrational behaviour, lessening the impact of psychological biases, and promoting more balanced, reasonable investment choices by analysing this influence. This study offers a critical analysis of how technology affects investor behaviour and decision-making in the setting of financial markets.

This study aims to evaluate the moral issues surrounding the use of AI-driven chatbots in the banking industry. The purpose of this research is to investigate how the use of chatbots in the banking industry would affect data privacy, transparency, accountability, and fairness. The research aims to support a responsible and moral integration of AI technology in the financial sector by evaluating these ethical factors. It will investigate how these factors might affect both investors and financial institutions, making sure that chatbots enabled by AI adhere to moral guidelines and industry best practises.

#### **Need of the Study:**

The intersection of several significant financial industry elements necessitates this investigation. The financial services industry is fast evolving due to the implementation of chatbots and artificial intelligence. The way investors make decisions, navigate market dynamics, and manage their portfolios could be greatly impacted by these technologies. But the psychological aspect of behavioural finance, such as emotions and cognitive biases, continues to be a crucial part of the investment process. Understanding how chatbots affect these factors is essential because doing so can help investors make more knowledgeable, effective, and ethical investment



decisions. In addition, as more individual investors enter the market, there is an increasing demand for easily available, data-driven financial help. Therefore, this study focuses on the need to close the gap between AI-driven technology and the psychological aspects of investing, thereby improving the experience of participating for a wider range of market participants.

**Research Methodology:**

The research utilizes secondary data obtained from various sources, including academic literature, industry reports, financial statements, and publicly available documents related to the behavioural finance and artificially intelligent technology (AI).

**Scope of the Study:**

This study's scope includes a thorough look into how chatbots affect investors' decision-making in relation to artificial intelligence and behavioural finance. It explores the various ways that AI-driven chatbots affect investor decision-making, emotions, and cognitive biases, affecting investing outcomes in the process. The study investigates the use of chatbots in financial services and investing, including robo-advisors, customer care, and individualised financial advice. The paper also discusses ethical issues related to AI in finance, such as data protection and accountability. This research intends to provide a comprehensive understanding of the implications and opportunities given by chatbots in the investing environment by looking at these dimensions, adding to our understanding of AI-driven financial services and behavioural finance.

**Findings of the Study:**

The results of this study highlight the significant influence that AI-driven chatbots have on investment behaviour in the context of behavioural finance. Chatbots have the ability to significantly impact investor decision-making by reducing cognitive biases and emotions and promoting rationality in investing decisions. They simplify the investment process by offering real-time support, individualised financial guidance, and a convenient way to manage portfolios. The need of data protection, accountability, and transparency in the use of chatbots is emphasised in the ethical aspects related to AI in finance. Overall, the study's findings point to the potential value of chatbots in assisting investors in making wiser financial decisions and highlight the growing significance of responsible AI integration in the financial services industry.

**Recommendations:**

The study's conclusions lead to a number of recommendations. Firstly, financial institutions should keep funding the creation and implementation of chatbots powered by AI in order to improve client service, increase investment performance, and offer approachable financial advice. In order to protect the interests of investors, it is essential that regulatory agencies create clear policies and standards for the application of AI in the financial sector. Particular attention should be paid to data protection, accountability, and transparency. Initiatives for financial education should also cover how AI influences investing decisions, since this will enable investors to better grasp the impact of technology and make smarter choices. Last but not least, additional study is suggested to examine the long-term effects and increasing capabilities of chatbots in the dynamic sector of finance, taking into account the potential for improved user experiences, new opportunities, and developing ethical issues. By

following these suggestions, AI will be effectively integrated into the financial sector while maintaining its advantages.

#### **Conclusion:**

As a result, this study highlights the significant influence that AI-driven chatbots have on investment behaviour in the context of behavioural finance. Chatbots have become significant instruments for improving investment choices, minimising cognitive biases, and offering easily accessible financial advice. They may offer a wide range of advantages, such as enhanced client relationships, higher investment results, and more financial inclusion. However, due thought must be given to their ethical implications, including data privacy and transparency. The safe application of AI in finance is essential as the financial environment changes constantly. The results highlight the value of bridging the technology-human psychology divide in the investment process, ultimately aiming for a more knowledgeable, logical, and approachable financial world.

#### **References:**

- Barber, B. M., & Odean, T. (2001). Boys will be boys: Gender, overconfidence, and common stock investment. *The quarterly journal of economics*, 116(1), 261-292.
- Clarke, A., & de Silva, H. (2018). Robo-advisory in finance: A review of current applications and developments. *Expert Systems with Applications*, 109, 1-14.
- Fagerstrom, S. (2008). Behavioral Finance: The Psychological Impact and Overconfidence in Financial Markets.
- Hagita, N. (2019). Algorithmic trading in finance. In R. U. Gobinda (Ed.), *Encyclopedia of Information Science and Technology* (4th ed., pp. 1762-1772). IGI Global.
- Herbert, A. S. (1979). Rational Decision Making in Business Organisations. *The American Economic Review*, 69(4), 493-513.
- Jaiswal ,Bimal, and Kamil Naela. "Gender, Behavioral Finance and the Investment Decision." *IBA Business Review* 7.2 , 2012: 8-22. Business Source Complete.
- Kahneman, D., & Tversky, A. (1979). Prospect theory: An analysis of decision under risk. *Econometrica*, 47(2), 263-292.
- Ranjit Kumar (2011), *Research Methodology*, Sage Publications.
- Shiller, R. J. (2000). *Irrational exuberance*. Princeton University Press.
- Skovde: University of Skovde. Hirshleifer, D. (2001). Investor psychology and asset pricing. *The Journal of Finance*, 56(4), 1533-1597.
- Thaler, R. H. (1980). Toward a positive theory of consumer choice. *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, 1(1), 39-60.

#### ***Cite This Article:***

**\* Dr. Khurana R., (2023). AI and Behavioral Finance Analyzing the Impact of Chat BOTS on Investment Behavior, *Educreator Research Journal*, Volume-X, Issue-V, Sept – Oct, 2023, 1-7.**