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## INTRODUCTION

The Modern Trading System is the name given to an evolutionary process that has developed over decades and contains the wisdom of hundreds of highly experienced traders. As such, there is no single author; it could be considered a history of corrections stemming from great mistakes and damages incurred by these traders. As they watched the markets jerk up and down and then settle into often long periods of rising then falling, when they looked back at the fallout and damage done to traders (investors if you like) and inquired how these poor folks wound up where they were, common traits emerged. The antithesis of these reasons for failure began to form a set of rules that have resulted in what we today call the Modern Trading System.

So, the Modern Trading System is a set of rules which, when followed, should cause you to avoid the most horrific results of many traders over the years. This is a truth, but then, as times changed, there were new opportunities to move past these notable pitfalls and add to the Modern Trading System new and exciting procedures learned from the research and exciting success of what we now call Quantitative Traders (called Quants). More notable is the new field of predictive artificial intelligence. Seemingly out of the blue, these procedures and philosophies have entirely changed the opportunities for traders.

The problem with using these new AI procedures is that they require vast computing power. This has put their use squarely in the hands of large investment banks or powerful hedge funds. The success gap between professional and non-professional traders (whom I call "the folks") has significantly widened. This gap in trading power and profitability is intolerable.

## **OUR TRADING PHILOSOPHY & PURPOSE**

TradeFinder was formed in 2019 to find ways for non-professional traders to profit from average stock market trading. We never intended to "knock it out of the park" by hitting an occasional trade to make vast money. Instead, we wanted to find a way to win in our trades by regularly trading affordable amounts of money in stocks or ETFs (Exchange Traded Funds) and having most of these trades return a positive gain.

As you know, this is generally what every non-professional trader wants. So, it is a common goal. We know that, but we thought we could accomplish it. We knew it would be challenging, but we had time and believed we were clever, if not bright. And so, the effort began.

I will not bore you with how many times and ways we found did not result in success. But believe me when I say there were many. What we learned along the way was critical to our success. As we moved down this path, we made wrong turns by the bushel, but we knew. It's worth noting here that our team had no financial professionals. We were engineers and programmers. This was good because if we had the other experiences, we likely would have gotten discouraged and stopped. But as they say, ignorance is bliss.

As time progressed, we would occasionally mention to someone what we were up to. And, of course, the response was, "You are wasting your time". Occasionally, we would get a different

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reaction like, "You are crazy or out of your mind." Nobody once said, OK, let me know how it is going sometimes." Over time, this condescension became motivational - in a way, they urged us on. We were convinced we could do it. I think the overriding motivation is that as we move through these times and learn of the almost unanimous unpreparedness of the public for retirement, we see a looming disaster ahead. If there is anything we can do to help folks improve their financial condition (even in a small way), it is worth the effort.

To be clear, we always wanted to make money by trading ourselves. Any of these higher callings just discussed depend on our success at finding ways to trade profitably. The good news is that we did find a way to be virtually always profitable using artificial intelligence, and we now want to share it with you.

You need to understand the basics of the Modern Trading System. Only then will you be able to use the A I enhancements correctly? So please go through the steps in this course one after another.