# Ethereum price Prediction



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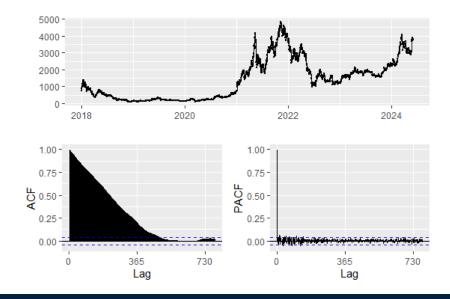
# Univariate Time series model Introduction

Since its launch in 2015, Ethereum, the second-largest cryptocurrency by market value, has experienced unusually high price volatility. Ethereum has grown in popularity over time as a platform for smart contracts and decentralized apps in addition to being a popular digital currency. Trading, investors, and other blockchain ecosystem participants need to be aware of and able to forecast Ethereum's price fluctuations.

Ethereum has seen a range of market dynamics between January 1, 2018, and June 1, 2024, including bull runs, bear markets, changes in regulations, technological breakthroughs, and adoption trends. Analyzing Ethereum's historical price data over this period might assist in predicting future patterns and offer insightful information about the pricing behavior of the cryptocurrency.

Based on historical data, time series analysis techniques like the SARIMA model can be used to model the price movements of Ethereum. We can try to estimate Ethereum's price trajectory within the given timeframe by using past Ethereum price data and predictive algorithms like SARIMA. This analysis aims to provide stakeholders and investors with useful information as they navigate the ever-changing cryptocurrency market.

**EDA**Firstly, let's illustrate the historical trends of Ethereum's value by charting its price fluctuation s over time.

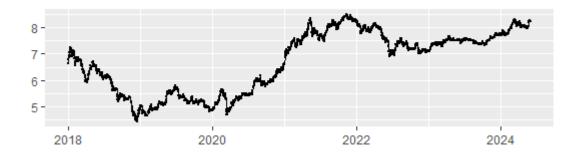


lambda

### [1] 0.0865862

Next, we'll assess the normality of the Ethereum price data. To do this, we'll apply the Box-Cox transformation, which stabilizes variance and reduces skewness in time-series data.

After applying the transformation Ethereum price graph



### **Checking stationarity**

To determine non-stationarity, we use augmented dickey fuller and Phillips-perron.

```
Phillips-Perron Unit Root Test

data: eth_bc
Dickey-Fuller = -2.1077, Truncation lag parameter = 8, p-value = 0.5327
Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test

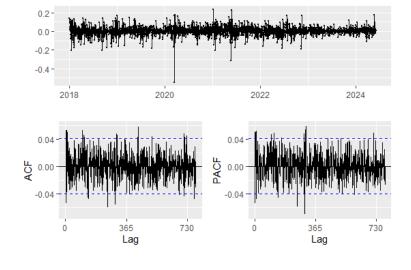
data: eth_bc
Dickey-Fuller = -2.762, Lag order = 13, p-value = 0.2557
alternative hypothesis: stationary
```

Since the process has been shown as non-stationary, we first difference the process Then we rechecked stationarity using the augmented Dickey fuller test and Phillips-perron we got the result like this.

```
Phillips-Perron Unit Root Test

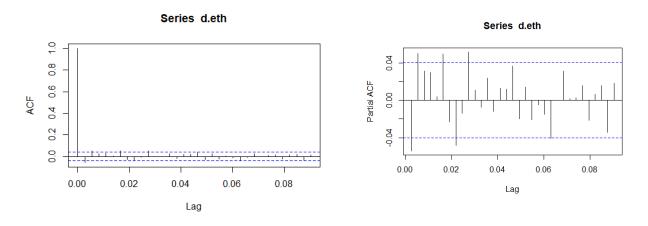
data: d.eth
Dickey-Fuller = -51.104, Truncation lag parameter = 8, p-value = 0.01
Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test

data: d.eth
Dickey-Fuller = -12.484, Lag order = 13, p-value = 0.01
alternative hypothesis: stationary
```



We successfully transformed our time series into a stationary process by applying first differencing. The above-augmented dickey fuller test, Phillips-perron, and the graph show the stationary process.

### **Checking ACF and PACF**



According to ACF and PACF graph p should be equal to 2 and q should be equal to range from 1 or 2.

### Model selection.

Utilizing the Autocorrelation Function (ACF) and Partial Autocorrelation Function (PACF), we evaluate a variety of combinations of 'p' (lag order for the AR part) and 'q' (lag order for the MA part) for a time series model. Subsequently, we compare the performance of these models using the Akaike Information Criterion (AIC), Akaike Information Criterion with Correction (AICc), and Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC) to determine the most suitable ARIMA model.

**Checking auto Arima** 

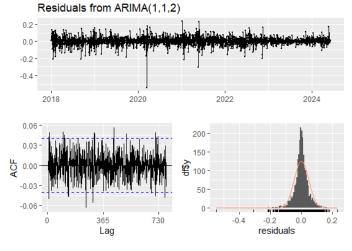
Significant outcomes were obtained using the ARIMA 3 model as well as the automatically chosen ARIMA model via the auto ARIMA function.

Upon selecting the ARIMA model, it was found that the errors were not serially correlated. The Ljung-Box test further confirmed this, indicating that the errors are, in fact, white noise.

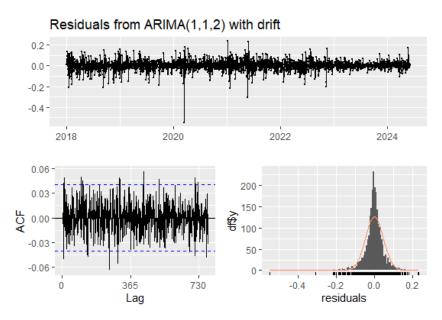
```
> checkresiduals(arima3)
        Ljung-Box test

data: Residuals from ARIMA(1,1,2)
Q* = 468.86, df = 466, p-value = 0.4541

Model df: 3. Total lags used: 469
```

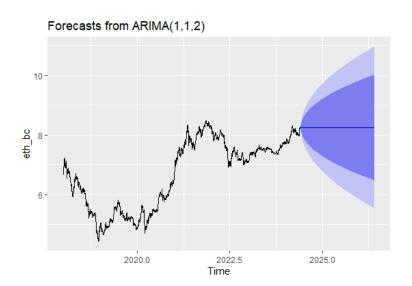


Next, we checked Arima with drift.



Upon applying the ARIMA model with drift, we proceeded to conduct the Ljung-Box test on the residuals of the ARIMA (1,1,2) model. The results of the test revealed yielding a p-value of 0.4538. These findings suggest that the errors in our model can be considered white noise.

The below line graph shows a forecast of the price of a stock using an auto plot. The forecast is based on an ARIMA (1,1,2) model and auto Arima since they got the same value.



### **Model Training and validation**

The whole dataset was partitioned into two segments train and test.

Then we Check the accuracy of the above model

```
> accuracy(forecast(arima.train, h=120), eth.test)

ME RMSE MAE MPE MAPE MASE ACF1

Training set -0.04500507 74.89154 39.60739 -0.2428612 3.21506 0.03761128 0.0008556777

Test set 677.05789979 850.71094 686.42934 20.1105788 20.52881 0.65183501 0.9732732483

Theil's U

Training set 7.422753

> accuracy(forecast(arima.train2, h=120), eth.test)

ME RMSE MAE MPE MAPE MASE ACF1

Training set 7.428753

Test set 0.6831961 74.89486 39.6013 -0.06321808 3.201828 0.03760549 0.0006524283

Test set 721.2859522 897.18796 727.6572 21.50811385 21.793528 0.69098507 0.9740289038

Theil's U

Training set 7.850071

> accuracy(forecast(arima.train5, h=120), eth.test)

ME RMSE MAE MPE MAPE MASE ACF1

Training set 7.850071

> accuracy(forecast(arima.train5, h=120), eth.test)

ME RMSE MAE MPE MAPE MASE ACF1

Training set -0.02377479 74.52444 39.35962 -0.2469339 3.221456 0.03737599 -0.003670625

Test set 679.43646214 852.88968 688.50143 20.1892273 20.593994 0.65380267 0.973393675

Theil's U

Training set 7.442908
```

**RMSE** - When compared to Model 2(Arima 1,1,2), Models 1(Arima 1,1,2 with drift) and 3(Arima 2,1,2 with drift) have somewhat lower RMSE values, suggesting more accuracy in ETH price predictions.

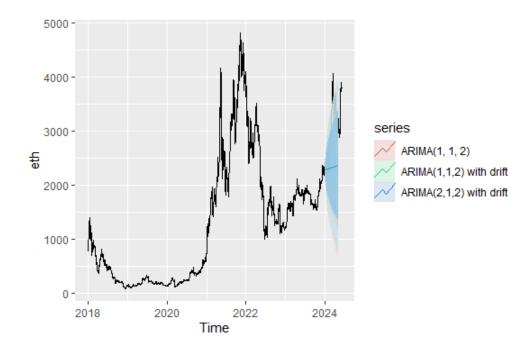
**MAPE** - In terms of percentage error, Models 1 and 3 appear to have a better match to the observed data, as indicated by their lower MAPE values.

**Theil's U -** Theil's U value for Model 1 is the lowest, suggesting greater overall forecast accuracy.

**MASE** - With a little lower MASE value than a naive forecast, Model 3 performs better in terms of prediction.

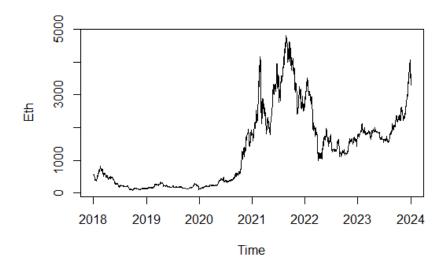
This information suggests that Model 1 performs somewhat better overall, with Model 3 following in a close second.

# **Forecasting**



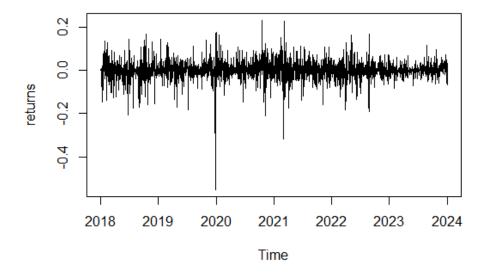
The model's ARIMA forecast for Ethereum prices is shown graphically. The predicted price ranges over the last 154 days are represented by the colored regions. larger areas denote higher uncertainty. It shows an overall increasing trend in Ethereum prices. Analysts can determine which ARIMA model provides the most dependable forecasts by looking at these various models, such as ARIMA (1, 1, 2) without drift, ARIMA (1, 1, 2) with drift, and ARIMA (2, 1, 2) with drift.

### ARCH/GRACH model



The graph shows that the price of Ethereum has been volatile over the past few years. The graph does show slight signs of volatility clustering since periods of high volatility are followed by high volatility and low volatility periods are followed by low volatility. For example, the price of Ethereum increased rapidly in 2021, but then it decreased in 2022.

The logarithmic form of the dataset was then applied to determine the relative change in stock prices. To further capture series instability and guarantee series stationarity, the series was differenced once.



The graph indicates that the time series exhibits fluctuation across time. Volatility clustering, in which periods of low volatility are followed by low volatility and times of high volatility are followed by high volatility, may be responsible for this fluctuation.

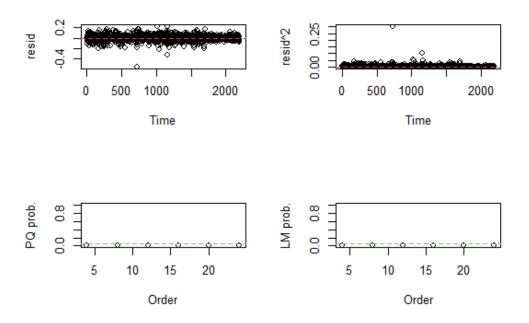
### **Testing of ARCH**

Testing of ARCH effects formally (order: AR (1), I(1), MA(2)) since, it got the best result in the Arima

```
ARCH heteroscedasticity test for residuals alternative: heteroscedastic

Portmanteau-Q test:

order PQ p.value
[1,] 4 43.1 9.66e-09
[2,] 8 65.9 3.18e-11
[3,] 12 70.3 2.85e-10
[4,] 16 73.3 2.62e-09
[5,] 20 75.3 2.44e-08
[6,] 24 76.4 2.24e-07
Lagrange-Multiplier test:
order LM p.value
[1,] 4 6978 0
[2,] 8 2646 0
[3,] 12 1755 0
[4,] 16 1314 0
[5,] 20 1029 0
[6,] 24 852 0
```



Less than 0.001 indicates that every PQ test p-value is extremely significant. This suggests that the null hypothesis that there are no ARCH effects at any of the lag orders examined can be rejected. That means the residuals of your ARIMA model clearly show the presence of ARCH effects.

Additionally, the LM test's p-values are very significant in this instance, which means its less than 0.001. This is consistent with the findings of the Portmanteau-Q test, indicating compelling proof of ARCH effects in the residuals of Ethereum price return data.

According to both tests, the residuals continuously display fluctuating variance over time, which is a feature of the ARCH effect, in which the variance at any one time is dependent on errors made in the past.

Fitting an ARCH (1) model

The distribution assumed for the error term under this model is normal.

Error analysis - The p values of both terms (omega and alpha) are significant indicating both terms are important in explaining the conditional variance of the Ethereum price returns.

```
Standardised Residuals Tests:
 Jarque-Bera Test
Shapiro-Wilk Test
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Q(10)
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               Test
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Q(20)
Q(10)
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               Test
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2.642524e-
1.168877e-
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                            R^2
R^2
    ung-Box
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     ung-Box Te
Arch Test
Information Criterion Statistics:
```

The Jarque-Bera test checks whether the residuals follow a normal distribution. A very low p-value indicates that the residuals do not follow a normal distribution. The Shapiro-Wilk test also assesses normality. A p-value of zero indicates strong evidence against the normality of

the residuals. However, the normality of the residuals is not a strict requirement for ARCH models.

#### LM-ARCH test

```
(H0) - no ARCH effects
```

(H1) - there is an ARCH effect

The result of the LM Arch test indicates that there might still be some ARCH effects present in a model since its p-value is less than 5% significant.

### Fitting an ARCH (2) model

Based on the LM Arch test results, the data set is set to a higher order model ARCH (2), assuming that the squared errors of the past two periods influence the current volatility.

```
Title:
GARCH Modelling
 garchFit(formula = ~garch(2, 0), data = returns, include.mean = FALSE,
trace = FALSE)
Mean and Variance Equation:
data ~ garch(2, 0)
<environment: 0x0000028848ba0048>
[data = returns]
Conditional Distribution:
Coefficient(s):
omega alpha1 alpha2
0.0016802 0.0987087 0.1253845
Std. Errors:
based on Hessian
Error Analysis:
                         Std. Error
7.482e-05
2.873e-02
2.803e-02
                                          t value Pr(>|t|)
22.457 < 2e-16
         Estimate
1.680e-03
                                                436 0.000591
474 7.69e-06
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Log Likelihood:
3677.486 no
                  normalized: 1.677685
Description: Fri May 24 14:08:08 2024 by user: aabidh musthaq
Standardised Residuals Tests:
 Jarque-Bera Test
Shapiro-Wilk Test
Ljung-Box Test
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                                    ..
Q(10)
    ung-Box
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               Test
    iuna-Box
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                Test
    una-Box
    ung-Box
Information Criterion Statistics:
 -3.352633 -3.344842 -3.352637 -3.349786
```

all p-values are significant, suggesting that all three parameters play a vital role in explaining the conditional variance of the Ethereum price returns. Jarque-Bera and Shapiro-Wilk tests: since the p-values are high it indicates that the residuals are not normally distributed. This is not a problem for ARCH models as the residuals are not autocorrelated.

The LM Arch test still with a less than 5% significant p-value suggests that there are ARCH effects in the residuals not captured. However, it is not as significant as the ARCH (1) model.

```
Information Criterion for arch1 Statistics:

AIC BIC SIC HQIC
-3.337140 -3.331946 -3.337142 -3.335242
Information Criterion for arch 2 Statistics:

AIC BIC SIC HQIC
-3.352633 -3.344842 -3.352637 -3.349786
```

Since arch2 has lower values for all information criteria (AIC, BIC, SIC, HQIC), it is the better model according to these metrics.

Fitting an ARCH (3) model

```
Title:
GARCH Modelling
Call:
garchFit(formula = ~garch(3, 0), data = returns, include.mean = FALSE,
trace = FALSE)
Mean and Variance Equation:
data ~ garch(3, 0)
<environment: 0x0000028847dc85b0>
[data = returns]
Conditional Distribution:
Coefficient(s):
omega alpha1 alpha2
0.0016037 0.0849170 0.1078636
                                                     alpha3
0.0625603
Std. Errors:
based on Hessian
Error Analysis:
Estimate
omega 1.604e-03
                             Std. Error
7.396e-05
2.740e-02
2.659e-02
1.949e-02
                                                              Pr(>|t|)
< 2e-16
0.00194
4.98e-05
0.00133
alpha1 8.492e-02
alpha2 1.079e-01
alpha3 6.256<u>e-02</u>
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Log Likelihood: 3686.15 nor
                   normalized: 1.681638
Description:
Fri May 24 14:15:32 2024 by user: aabidh musthaq
Standardised Residuals Tests:
                                         Chi^2
  Jarque-Bera Test
Shapiro-Wilk Test
                                                                         0.00000000
                                                    1.916899e+01
2.390811e+01
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2.034474e+01
2.140620e+01
                                         Q(10)
Q(15)
Q(20)
                                                                         0.03816799
0.06667054
    jung-Box Test
jung-Box Test
                                                                         0.06182207
0.02615556
    jung-Box
                  Test
                                 R∧2
     ung-Box
                  Test
     ung-Box
     ung-Box Test
 Information Criterion Statistics:
                                                         HQIC
```

The same procedure is carried out for an ARCH (3) model. The coefficients of all term's omega, alpha1, alpha2, and alpha3 are significant indicating they are all important parameters in explaining the conditional variance of the Ethereum price returns. LM Arch tests' p-value is no longer significant at 5% suggesting that the ARCH (3) model captures all ARCH effects. Based on all these tests, the squared residuals from the ARCH (3) model seem to approximate white noise more closely than those from the ARCH (1) and ARCH (2) models. This indicates that the ARCH (3) model is more effective in capturing the volatility dynamics of the data.

### **GARCH** models

```
GARCH Modelling
 garchFit(formula = \sim garch(1, 1), data = returns, include.mean = FALSE,
     trace = FALSE)
Mean and Variance Equation:
data ~ garch(1, 1) ·
<environment: 0x0000028848a99010>
 [data = returns]
Conditional Distribution:
 norm
Coefficient(s):
omega
3.4772e-05
                     alpha1
                                      beta1
                7.0763e-02
                                9.1756e-01
Std. Errors:
 based on Hessian
Error Analysis:
Estimate
omega 3.477e-05
alpha1 7.076e-02
beta1 9.176e-01
                        Std. Error 1.108e-05
                                        t value
                                          3.140
7.075
                                                  0.00169 **
1.49e-12 **
                                                             ***
                         1.000e-02
                                         73.445
                                                      2e-16 ***
                         1.249e-02
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Log Likelihood:
 3793.2
              normalized:
                               1.730475
Standardised Residuals Tests:
                                                           p-Value
0.000000000
0.000000000
                                          Statistic
5187.4327436
0.9344623
 Jarque-Bera Test
Shapiro-Wilk Test
                          R
                                 Chi^2
                          R
 Ljung-Box Test
                                 Q(10)
                                             24.8213896
                                                           0.005694536
                          R
                                 Q(10)
Q(15)
Q(20)
Q(10)
 Ljung-Box Test
                          R
                                             29.1816105
                                                           0.015239841
                                             35.4276431
8.9298301
                                                           0.017941426
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                                                .0226286
                          R∧2
 Ljung-Box Test
LM Arch Test
                          R^2
                                             14.6415449
                                             10.4693205
                                                           0.
                          R
Information Criterion Statistics:
                     BIC
                                              HQIC
             -3.450421
                          -3.458216
```

The GARCH (1,1) model can be written as,

conditional variance (t)= omega + alpha1 \* squared residual of the previous period + beta1 \* volatility from the previous period on the current volatility

GARCH (1,1) model is:

Omega: 3.4772×10-5

Alpha1: 0.070763*ϵt*−12

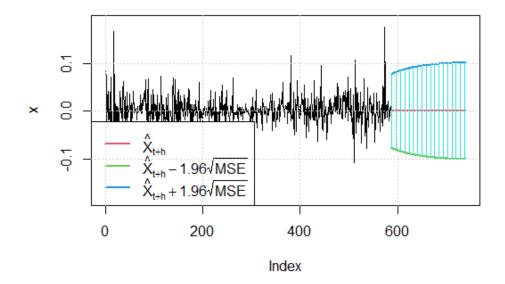
Beta1: 0.91756*σt*-12

### $\sigma t = 3.4772 \times 10 - 5 + 0.070763 \epsilon t - 12 + 0.91756 \sigma t - 12$

All coefficients omega, alpha1, and beta1 are statistically significant which indicates the importance of explaining the conditional variance. According to the Jarque-Bera and Shapiro-Wilk tests, test statistics are extremely high, with a p-value of 0, suggesting non-normality. LM Arch test further indicates that there are no ARCH effects present in the residuals.

### **Predictions using GARCH (1,1) model**

### Prediction with confidence intervals

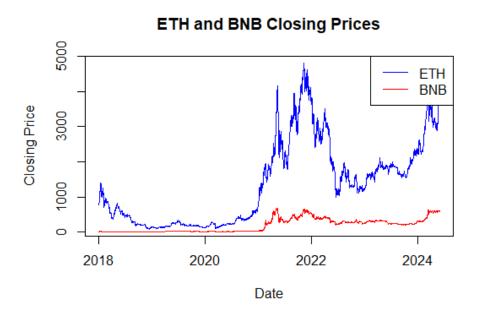


The graph indicates that within the next 154 days, the model predicts a gain in the price of Ethereum. When the prediction first starts, the confidence interval is larger and gets smaller over time. This may indicate that the model has greater confidence in its predictions on later days of the forecast.

# Multivariate Time series model Introduction

Multivariate time series models offer a robust framework for capturing the joint behavior of multiple time series. By incorporating BNB alongside ETH, we aim to enhance the predictive accuracy of our model, leveraging the potential correlations and cross-dependencies between these two prominent cryptocurrencies. First, we use the Engle-Granger and Johansen tests to find the best way to detect co-integration relationships. We use the Vector Autoregression (VAR) or Vector Error Correction Model (VECM) for our study depending on these findings. Because of its significant market presence and excellent connection with ETH, BNB has been selected to enhance forecasting performance overall and offer more in-depth insights into market trends (Binance, 2024).

### **EDA**



### Verma or VEC

### Ethereum price

### BNB price

Since both p values are greater than 5% significance, we cannot reject null therefore processes are non-stationary

### Engle-Granger cointegration model based on two equities baskets

```
Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test

data: comb1$residuals
Dickey-Fuller = -3.8284, Lag order = 1, p-value = 0.01756
alternative hypothesis: stationary

> adf.test(comb2$residuals, k =1)

Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test

data: comb2$residuals
Dickey-Fuller = -3.9624, Lag order = 1, p-value = 0.01086
alternative hypothesis: stationary
```

Since the p-values for both tests are less than 0.05, we reject the null hypothesis of a unit root (non-stationarity). This means the residuals are stationary, indicating that the two-time series (ETH and BNB) are cointegrated.

The coefficient -0.07004-0.07004-0.07004 indicates that 7.004% of the deviation from the equilibrium in the last period will be corrected in the next period.

### Johanson test

```
> lagselect
$selection
AIC(n) HQ(n) SC(n) FPE(n)
```

According to the AIC, HQ, and FPE, we can select 7 lags because it has the lowest among 15 lags.

### There are two main types of Johansen test of cointegration

### Lambda Trace test results

```
1. > vecm1 <- ca.jo(v1, type = "trace", K = 7, ecdet = "none", spec = "longrun")
2. > summary(vecm1)
3.
4. ###################
5. # Johansen-Procedure #
6. ################
7.
8. Test type: trace statistic , with linear trend
9.
10. Eigenvalues (lambda):
11. [1] 0.0081337104 0.0002247577
12.
13. Values of teststatistic and critical values of test:
14.
15. test 10pct 5pct 1pct
16. r <= 1 | 0.53 6.50 8.18 11.65
17. r = 0 | 19.61 15.66 17.95 23.52</pre>
```

H0 = no cointegrating vectors

**H1** = at most one cointegrating vector

The findings of the Johansen Lambda Trace test show that there is proof of at least one cointegrating vector in the series. This indicates that the time series has a long-term equilibrium relationship, indicating that despite short-term aberrations, they move in the same direction over an extended period.

### Lambda Max test results

H0 =no cointegrating vectors

**H1** = at most one cointegrating vector

The results of the Johansen maximal eigenvalue test show that the series appears to have at least one cointegrating vector. This indicates that the time series has a long-term equilibrium relationship, meaning that even with short-term aberrations, they move in tandem over time.

According to the above result in Engle-Granger cointegration, Lambda Trace test results, and Lambda Max test results suggest that we must use an error correction model in the multivariate time series.

### **Error Correction Model (ECM)**

```
End sample size: 2336
Number of estimated slope parameters 32
.4 SSR 14075304
                                                                        Intercept
2.2890(1.7623)
0.0269(0.2736)
EQUATION ETH -0.0064(0.0043) Equation BNB 0.0013(0.0007).
                                                                                                                  ETH -1
0.0015(0.0292)
0.0048(0.0045)
                            ETH -2
-0.0191(0.0289)
-0.0053(0.0045)
                                                                                                                                                             BNB -3
0.2783(0.1873)
0.0569(0.0291)
                                                                             B -2
2277(0.1875)
                                                                                                                  ETH -3
0.0226(0.0289)
Equation ETH Equation BNB
Equation BNB -0.0053(0.0043)

ETH -4

Equation ETH 0.0387(0.0289)

Equation BNB 0.0212(0.0045)***

BNB -5

Equation ETH -0.2241(0.1869)

Equation BNB -0.0252(0.0290)

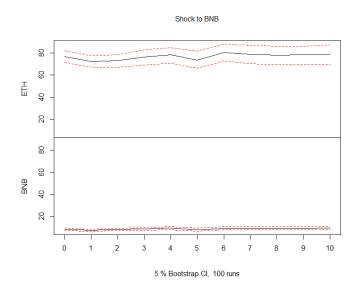
BNB -7

Equation ETH 0.1478(0.1868)

Equation BNB 0.0364(0.0290)
                                                                      BNB -4
-0.0804(0.1862)
                                                                                                                  ETH -5
-0.0300(0.0290)
                                                                       -0.0998(0.0289)
                                                                                                                  -0.0143(0.0045)**
                                                                                                               BNB -6
-0.7702(0.1862)***
0.0132(0.0289)
                                                                                                                                                        ETH -7
-0.0231(0.0293)
-0.0025(0.0045)
                                                                        ETH -6
0.1565(0.0291)***
0.0100(0.0045)*
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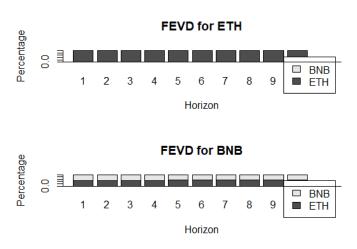
Each lagged variable's effect on the current value of its corresponding variable is represented by the coefficients. The cointegrating vector shows how the variables have interconnected Ethereum and BNB coins throughout time.

Then we plotted the impulse response function which is a graphical representation of the response of a variable to a one-time shock to another variable in a dynamic system.



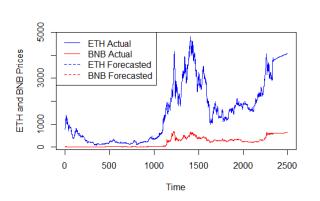
The Ethereum line varies just above suggesting that the initial shock to BNB's price was followed by a somewhat beneficial reaction over time. This IRF helps analyze how BNB price shocks impact Ethereum's price. The IRF plot provides useful information about the dynamic relationships between the variables in a system and can be used to answer questions like, how does a shock to one variable affect the other variables in the system? What is the speed of adjustment of the variables in response to the shock? and how persistent is the response of each variable to the shock?

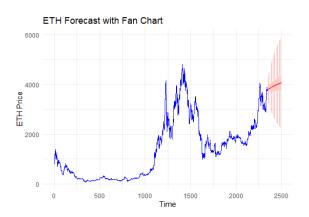
Then we plotted variance decomposition it shows proportion of movement in the Ethereum price



The graph shows the results of a Forecast Error Variance Decomposition. It shows how much of the unpredictable error in forecasting one variable is due to variations in its past values and the past values of the other variable in the model.

## **Model forecasting**





The first graph combines predicted and actual figures to show how the prices of BNB and Ethereum are expected to behave. The anticipated values and prediction intervals are shown in a fan chart, which effectively visualizes the forecast uncertainty. Ethereum's price-rising trend is represented by a wide red region on the graph in the forecasting period, emphasizing the increased level of uncertainty around it.

# ETH Accuracy Metrics:

Since the Ethereum price Mean Absolute Percentage Error is less than 15% shows high accuracy.

### References

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