

# Spectral Temporal Graph Neural Network for Multivariate Time-series Forecasting with applications to crypto data

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Why:

- Graph based methods are now finding their use in finance
- Captures both inter- and intra-series correlations
- Converts multiple-time series to graph data structure through transformer based module
- Versatile framework

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## How it works

- The first step converts matrix  $X$ , a multiple time series table of size  $N \times T$  in graph data structure, in particular, it returns a pair  $(X, W)$ , where  $W$  is the adjacency matrix
- (Advantage) Constructing the adjacency matrix operation takes  $O(N^2 * d)$  (usually  $N$  is fixed and  $d$  is not a very large constant)
- The second step works with the obtained pair and applied so-called StemGNN block (this roughly does some inter and intra-series analysis)

# Data

- Kaggle dataset with 400+ cryptocurrency pairs with resolution of 1 minute collected from Bitfinex exchange
- Observations are temporally misaligned
- 95110 observations for each of 12 cryptocurrencies: BTC, ZEC, OMG, UST, LEO, NEO, ETCIOT, EOS, XRP, LTC and ETH.
- We take 80% of the dataset for training, 10% for validation and the 10% for testing

# Trading strategy

- Pairs trading statistical arbitrage strategy that aims at exploiting long-run relationships between asset prices  $X$  and  $U$
- Need to calculate spread  $S=X - U$ , thresholds  $\alpha_L$  for buying assets,  $\alpha_s$  for selling and  $\alpha_{exit}$  for exiting position.
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- Spread  $S=X-U$  is calculated and is used to fit the model. This model is used to make a 1 step prediction of spread, which is used to calculate expected spread change.
- If this change is less than the lowest threshold,  $\alpha_s$  then we sell all of  $X$  and invest all in  $U$  If this change is larger than highest threshold  $\alpha_L$ , sell all of  $U$  and invest in  $X$
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- The portfolio is revalued on each day prior to any trades
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# Results

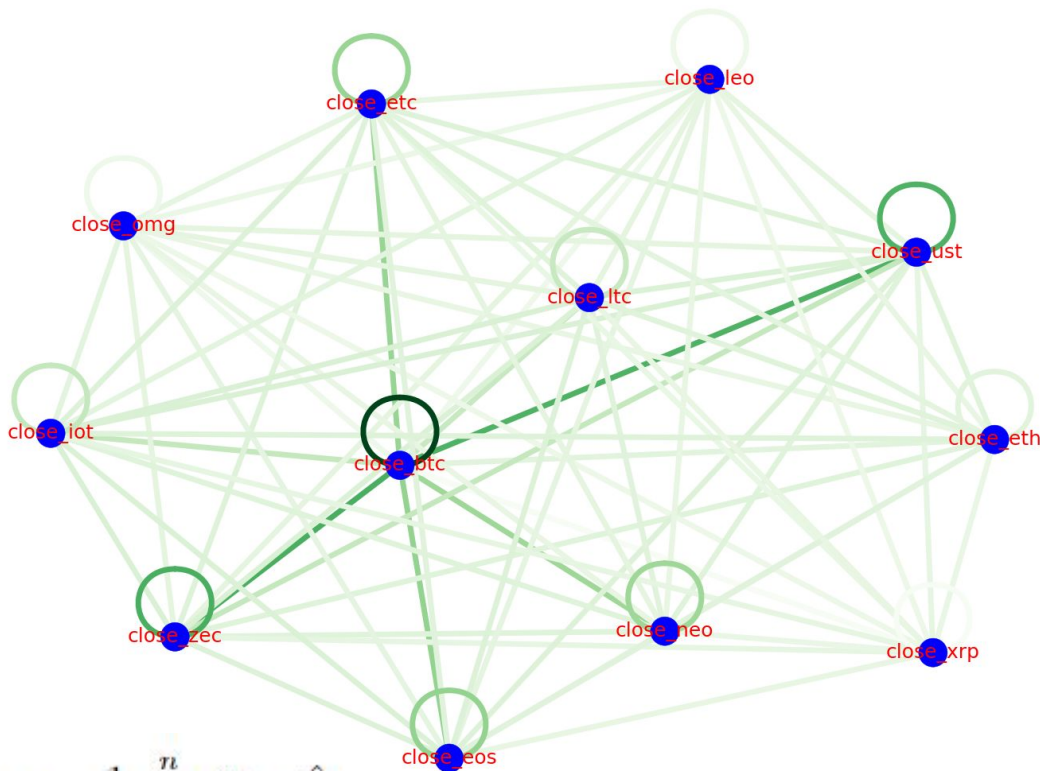
Obtain the following graph  
(MAE 26.14, MAPE 0.01,  
RMSE 107.62)

Use minimum spanning tree  
and disparity filter to obtain  
backbone

$$MAPE = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left| \frac{y_i - \hat{y}_i}{y_i} \right|$$

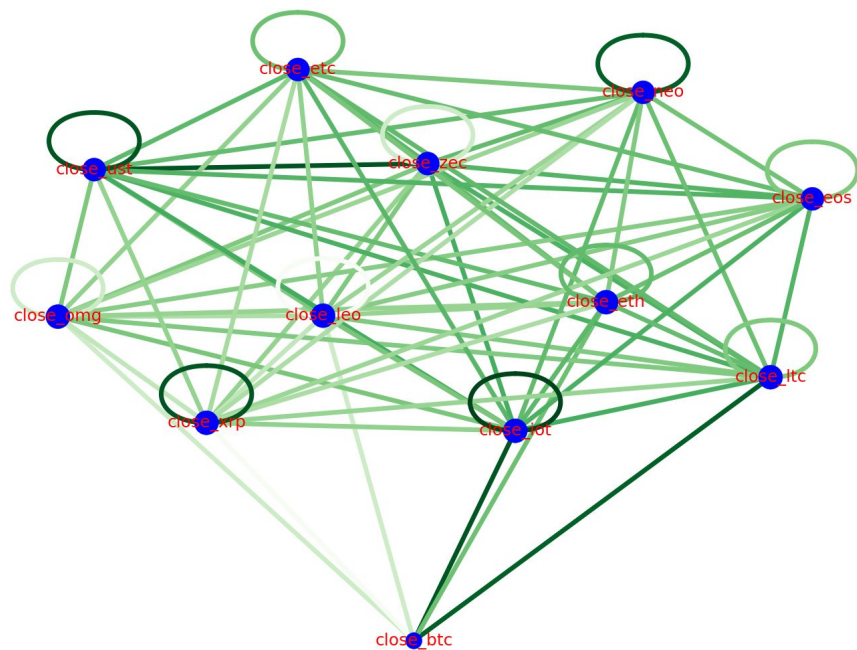
$$RMSE = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2}$$

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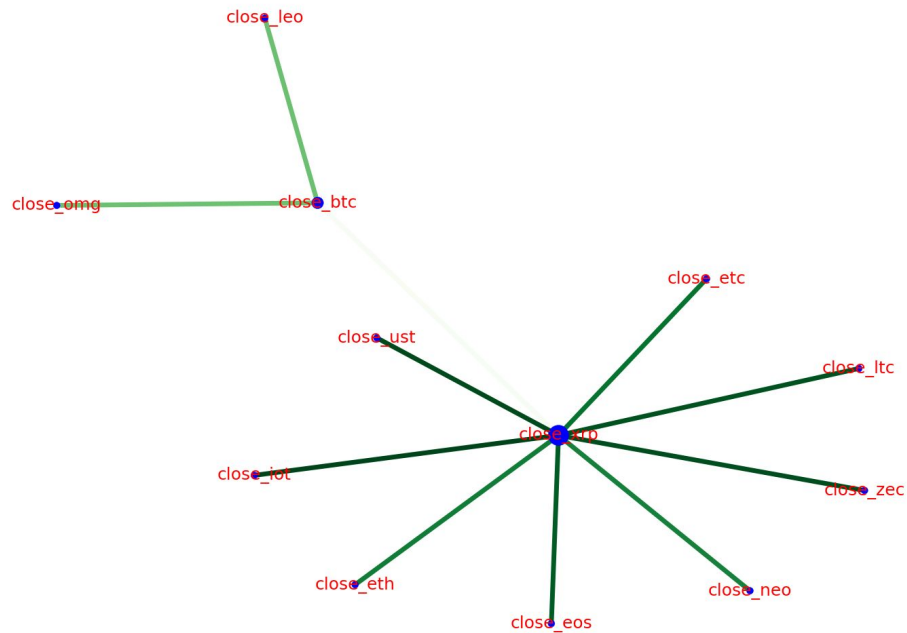


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Disparity filter



Minimum spanning tree



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Based on the graph constructed from adjacency matrix  $W$ , we identified the following cryptocurrencies with the highest correlation from which 3 pairs were constructed based on validation dataset: BTC, ZEC and UST

We use ARIMA(1,0,1) as baseline model

$$y_t = a_0 + a_1 y_{t-1} + b_1 e_1$$

StemGNN seems to underperform in comparison with simple ARIMA model, since it does not identify any profitable pairs while ARIMA finds BTC-ZEC and BTC-UST profitable

Pair	StemGNN return (%)	ARIMA return (%)
BTC-ZEC	-1.20	1.00
BTC-UST	-0.10	1.00
ZEC-UST	-0.10	-1.18



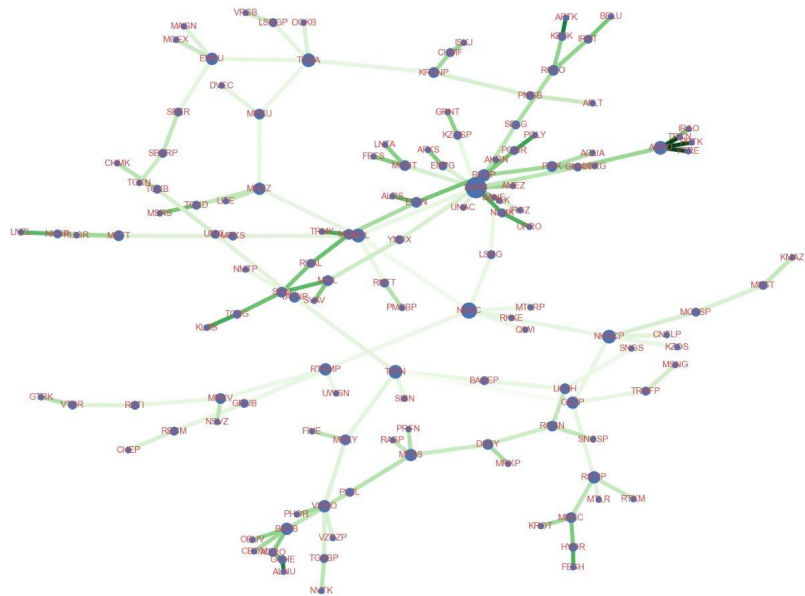
# Social Network Analysis for stocks: additional case study

- We study a more classical approach of SNA applied to daily stock data
- Motivation: capture more fundamental properties that are not present in higher frequency
- Data is simpler (and aligned which is perfect). Data was collected for Russian stocks from 2010 to 2020 september on daily basis
- Interesting to combine with other approaches such classical time series analysis and classical machine learning such as boosting

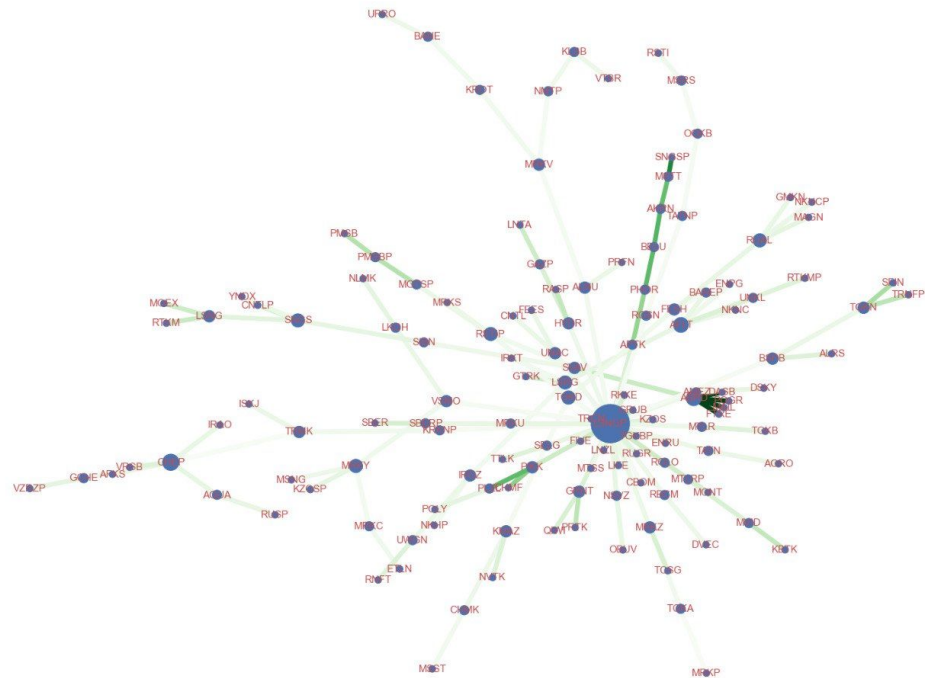
# Social Network Analysis for stocks: results

- By using graph-based methods we can analyze stock data in a form of a network
- This gives opportunities to generate statistically significant features and do an interpretable analysis

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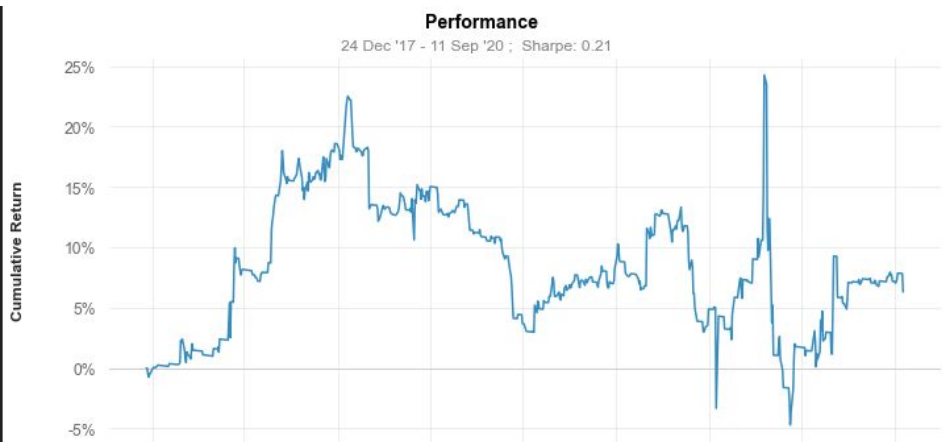


Network of Russian stocks 5 months prior to coronavirus crisis



Network of Russian stocks during the peak of coronavirus crisis in March-April

# Social Network Analysis for stocks: results



Performance of dynamic portfolio allocation strategy with network-based features



Performance of dynamic portfolio allocation strategy based on basic time series analysis