



# Cryptocurrency Prediction using Social Media Sentiment & Volume

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# Executive Summary

- ▶ Background:
  - ▶ The cryptocurrency market is very nascent and volatile. This makes the asset class very risky but also potentially lucrative.
  - ▶ Understanding the impact of social media on price direction can provide a cryptocurrency trader a better trading strategy.

**Objective: To collect market information and social media engagement data for the major cryptocurrencies and tokens to create a platform for short-term trading strategy.**

# Business Use Case

A price prediction model based on metrics and sentiments from multiple online resources and incorporate it into larger system that automatically and intelligently manages a cryptocurrency portfolio.

Users:

- ▶ Day-traders can use our database to build complex trading models based on social media sentiment and volume
- ▶ Long-term investors can find established/safer assets to diversify their portfolio
- ▶ Industry experts can use the dataset to analyze the public's knowledge and interest in their specific cryptocurrency/blockchain technology

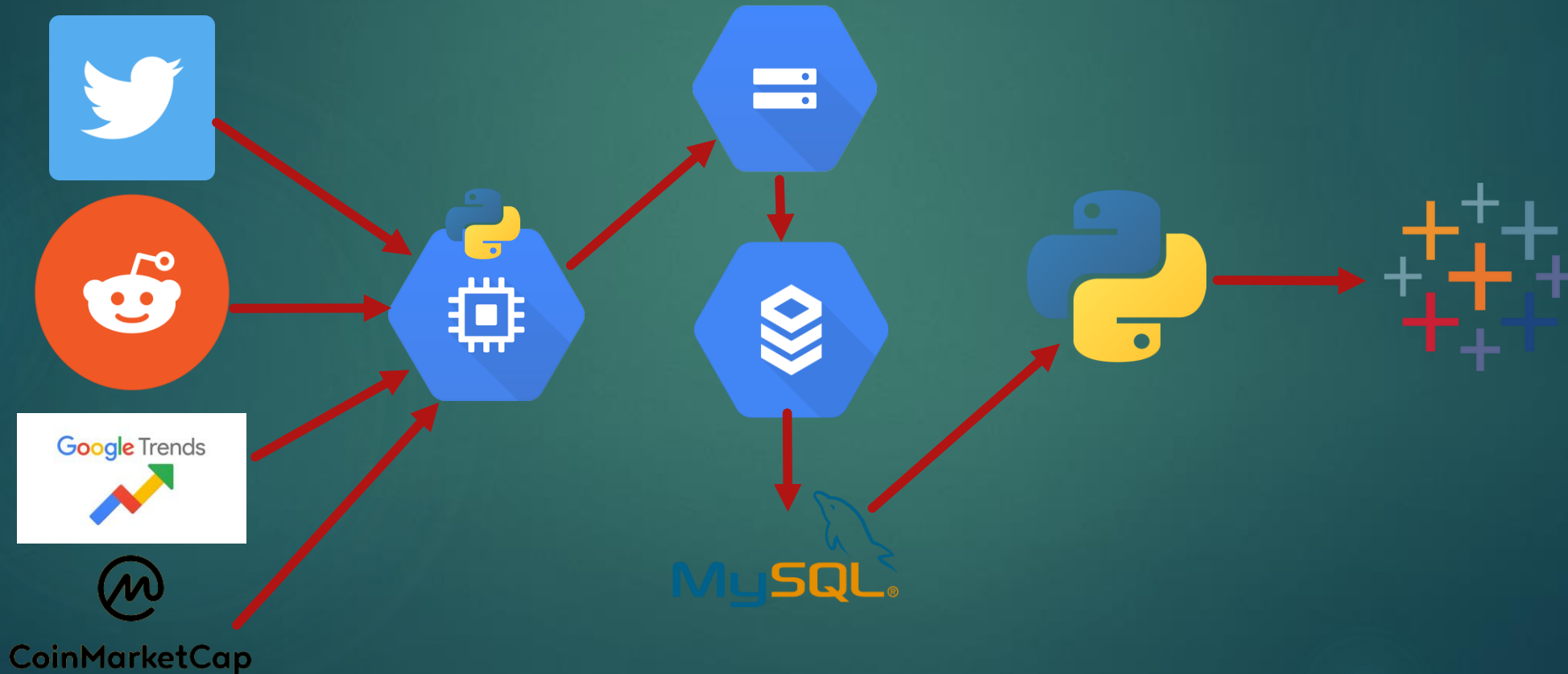
# Business Use Case

- ▶ Question:

- ▶ Is there a close relationship between social media and price fluctuations in cryptocurrency?
- ▶ If so, can we predict short-term returns from activity and sentiments on various social media platforms such as Reddit, Twitter, Google Trends, etc. ?

Our goal is to build a price prediction model based on metrics and sentiments from multiple online resources and incorporate it into larger system that automatically and intelligently manages a cryptocurrency portfolio.

# Data & Tools



# Database Design Considerations

- ▶ Application Type: Online Analytical Processing for Business Intelligence and end users (OLAP)
- ▶ Data Format and Size: Cryptocurrency Financial Data
- ▶ Data Maintenance and Support: Open Source Project
- ▶ Hardware and Software: Google Cloud compute and virtual machines, and Google Cloud buckets for storage
- ▶ Number of Users:
- ▶ Location: Distributed System (as run through GCP's VM)
- ▶ Schedule and Budget:

# Data Extraction



praw/psaw API

## Reddit Table

Reddit posts from r/Cryptocurrency from 2017-2019

```
In [5]: 1 import praw
2 from praw import PushshiftAPI

In [6]: 1 #Connect to reddit API
2 reddit = praw.Reddit(client_id='GjFUMQ8AynXlg', client_secret='PfbhtxKGAUNiY8PRGPuFJ0ro', user_agent='DEPA_Pr
3 api = PushshiftAPI()

In [ ]: 1 #Extract all posts to r/CryptoCurrency from 2017-2019
2
3 start_epoch=int(dt.datetime(2017, 1, 1).timestamp())
4 end_epoch = int(dt.datetime(2019, 1, 1).timestamp())
5
6 reddit_data = pd.DataFrame(reddit.search_submissions(after=start_epoch,
7 before=end_epoch,
8 subreddit='CryptoCurrency',
9 filter=['author', 'title', 'subreddit', 'num_comments', 'created', 'score']))
```

	author	created_utc	num_comments	score	subreddit	title	date_id
0	robertbint	2019-01-01	0	1	CryptoCurrency	Buy or Sell Bitcoins online - A Few Pointers a...	3652
1	h214289	2019-01-01	0	1	CryptoCurrency	Dec 31 2018 Important Crypto News	3652
2	coinmarshal	2019-01-01	5	1	CryptoCurrency	I am sharing Crypto with my WhatsApp buddies. ...	3652
3	h1121900	2019-01-01	0	1	CryptoCurrency	Dec 31 2018 Important Crypto News	3652
4	instasmarter	2019-01-01	13	1	CryptoCurrency	Best places to spend Bitcoin	3652
5	h1121900	2019-01-01	0	1	CryptoCurrency	Dec 31 2018 Important Crypto News	3652
6	h2022395	2019-01-01	0	1	CryptoCurrency	Dec 31 2018 Important Crypto News	3652



beautifulsoup

## Twitter Table

```
In [125]: 1 import re
2 import csv
3 import requests
4 from bs4 import BeautifulSoup
5 from IPython.display import HTML

In [182]: 1 import pandas as pd
2 tweets_df = pd.DataFrame({'Date': [], 'No. of Tweets': [], 'Coin': []})
3
4 for i in range(1, len(df_names['symbol'])-1):
5     #len(coin_name['symbol'])-1
6
7     coin = df_names['symbol'][i]
8     url = 'https://twitter.com/comparison/tweets?coin_lower='+coin
9     headers = {'User-Agent': 'Chrome/54.0.2840.90'}
10    response = requests.get(url, headers=headers)
11    html = response.text
12
13    from bs4 import BeautifulSoup
14    soup = BeautifulSoup(html, 'html.parser')
15
16    x = soup.find_all('script')
17
18    data_1 = re.findall(r'\\newData\\.\\}\\}\\}', str(x))
19    data_1 = str(data_1)
20
21    if data_1 == '{}':
22
23        continue
24    data_2 = data_1.split(',')
25    data_2[0] = data_2[0][1:]
26    data_2[1:len(data_2)-1] = data_2[1:len(data_2)-1][1:-1]
27    data_df = pd.DataFrame(data_2)
28    data_clean = data_df[['symbol', 'count', 'created_at']].reset_index(drop=True)
29    data_clean.columns = ['Date', 'No. of Tweets']
30    data_clean['Date'] = data_clean['Date'].str.slice(10,20)
31    data_clean['Coin'] = data_clean['symbol'].str.upper()
32    tweets_df = tweets_df.append(data_clean, ignore_index = True)
```

	Date	No. of Tweets	coin_id	date_id
0	2018-01-08	7	0	3294
1	2018-01-09	20	0	3295
2	2018-01-10	21	0	3296
3	2018-01-11	4	0	3297
4	2018-01-12	6	0	3298
5	2018-01-13	14	0	3299
6	2018-01-14	3	0	3300
7	2018-01-15	18	0	3301
8	2018-01-16	1	0	3302

Google Trends



cryptory API

## Google Trends table

```
In [ ]: 1 #Pulling google trends data from cryptory
2
3 i=1
4 google_data_list = []
5 for name in list(df_names['name']):
6     if(i>0 and i<101):
7         i=i+1
8         kw_list = []
9         kw_list.append(name)
10        try:
11            data = my_cryptory.get_google_trends(kw_list)
12            google_data_list.append(data)
13        except:
14            continue

In [ ]: 1 trend_df1 = pd.concat(google_data_list)
2
3 trend_df2 = pd.DataFrame(df1.pivot_table(index = 'date').unstack().reset_index())
```

	date	trend	coin_id
0	2017-01-01	14.939345	0
1	2017-01-02	14.939345	0
2	2017-01-03	15.686312	0
3	2017-01-04	24.276435	0
4	2017-01-05	22.035534	0
5	2017-01-06	17.553730	0
6	2017-01-07	13.071927	0
7	2017-01-08	10.457541	0
8	2017-01-09	8.216640	0
9	2017-01-10	18.300697	0



# Data Storage

STEP 1

## Compute Engine VM

- Run all webscraping scripts in python 3
- Transform and normalize tables
- Push data to buckets

STEP 2

## Storage Buckets

- Store data as .csv files
- Store raw data files for potential future use-cases

STEP 3

## CloudSQL Instance

- Cryptodb Database created through MySQL connection
- Run DDL scripts
- Import DML/Data from storage bucket csv's

# Enhanced Entity Relationship Diagram

## Entities:

- ▶ reddit: /r/cryptocurrency sub post data
- ▶ reddit\_subs: subscriber count for >150 coin subreddits
- ▶ Pricing: cryptocurrency market OHLCV data
- ▶ Twitter: tweet count by coin mentioned
- ▶ gtrends: Google trend data by coin
- ▶ reddit\_Coin: join-table linking reddit post data to coin ID
- ▶ date : date information

Relationship & Cardinality: <-- not sure if we need this since the arrows already show it

Datatypes: <-- also already shown in the table ?

