

Crypto Currencies Analysis

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1. Introduction

A crypto currency is a digital currency designed to work as a medium of exchange that uses cryptography to secure its transactions, to control the creation of additional units, and to verify the transfer of currencies.

Cryptocurrencies use decentralized control as opposed to centralized electronic money and central banking systems. Decentralized cryptocurrency is produced by the entire cryptocurrency system collectively, at a rate which is defined when the system is created and which is publicly known. In case of decentralized cryptocurrency, companies or governments cannot produce new units, and have not so far provided backing for other firms, banks or corporate entities which hold asset value measured in it.

2. Overview

Bitcoin, created in 2009, was the first decentralized cryptocurrency. As of September 2017, over a thousand cryptocurrency specifications exist; most are similar to and derive from the first fully implemented decentralized cryptocurrency, bitcoin. Most cryptocurrencies are designed to gradually decrease production of currency, placing an ultimate cap on the total amount of currency that will ever be in circulation. Cryptocurrencies can be more difficult for seizure by law enforcement. This difficulty is derived from leveraging cryptographic technologies.

3. Architecture

Blockchain

A blockchain is a continuously growing list of records, called blocks, which are linked and secured using cryptography. Each block typically contains a hash pointer as a link to a previous block, a timestamp and transaction data. By design, blockchains are inherently resistant to modification of the data. The validity of each cryptocurrency's coins is provided by a blockchain.

Timestamping

Cryptocurrencies use various timestamping schemes to avoid the need for a trusted third party to timestamp transactions added to the blockchain ledger.

4. Study of a few crypto currencies' everyday's price details.

Overview

The main aim of this study was to perform a detail analysis of crypto currencies prices all across the globe and to construct a model that will describe the price trends over a long period of time. Cryptocurrencies are in demand at a rate faster than they were ever before. Bitcoin, the first ever crypto currency raised by 171% in the year 2017 itself and has risen by 20566% in the year 2010.

Data

for this study the data was collected from kaggle (<https://www.kaggle.com/jessevent/all-crypto-currencies>). this data set contains 5572 observations over 12 variables. data description is as follows : slug : name of the crypto currency symbol : symbol used to the respective crypto currency. name : name of crypto currency. ranknow : current rank of crypto currency in the world. open : opening price of the day. high : peak price of the day. low : least price of the day. close : closing price of the day. market : volume currently in circulation in market. close_ration : daily close rate, min-maxed with the high and low values for the day. spread : difference between the high and low values for the day.

reading the data set:

```
coin.df <- read.csv(paste("crypto-markets.csv"), sep=",")
dim(coin.df)
```

```
## [1] 5572 12
```

there are 670420 rows containing the details of all crypto currencies available till date.

List of all the crypto currencies available in the world.

```
table(coin.df$slug)
```

```
##
## bitcoin      dash ethereum      iota litecoin  ripple
##      999      1444      898      229      1001      1001
```

minimum open value of all the coins

```
aggregate(coin.df$open, by=list(coin.df$slug), min)
```

```
##      Group.1      x
## 1  bitcoin 68.500000
## 2    dash 0.213899
## 3 ethereum 0.431589
## 4    iota 0.157961
## 5 litecoin 1.150000
## 6  ripple 0.002809
```

maximum open value of all the coins

```
aggregate(coin.df$open, by=list(coin.df$slug), max)
```

```
##      Group.1      x
## 1  bitcoin 1152.730000
## 2    dash 1555.590000
## 3 ethereum 1397.480000
## 4    iota  5.370000
## 5 litecoin 44.530000
## 6  ripple  0.058772
```

min close value of all the coins

```
aggregate(coin.df$close,by=list(coin.df$slug),min)
```

```
##      Group.1      x
## 1  bitcoin 68.430000
## 2    dash  0.314865
## 3 ethereum 0.434829
## 4    iota  0.158688
## 5 litecoin 1.160000
## 6  ripple  0.002810
```

maximum close value of all the coins

```
aggregate(coin.df$close,by=list(coin.df$slug),max)
```

```
##      Group.1      x
## 1  bitcoin 1151.170000
## 2    dash 1550.850000
## 3 ethereum 1396.420000
## 4    iota   5.370000
## 5 litecoin  44.730000
## 6  ripple   0.058692
```

one way contingency table

```
table(coin.df$slug)
```

```
##
##  bitcoin    dash ethereum    iota litecoin    ripple
##      999    1444      898    229    1001    1001
```

two way contingency table

```
library(gmodels)
CrossTable(coin.df$slug,coin.df$ranknow)
```

```
##
##
##      Cell Contents
## |-----|
## |              N |
## | Chi-square contribution |
## |      N / Row Total |
## |      N / Col Total |
## |      N / Table Total |
## |-----|
##
##
## Total Observations in Table:  5572
##
##
##              | coin.df$ranknow
## coin.df$slug |      1 |      2 |      3 |      7 |      11 |
## 12 | Row Total |
```

```

12 | Row Total |
## -----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----
-----|-----|
##      bitcoin |      999 |      0 |      0 |      0 |      0 |
0 |      999 |
##      | 3753.110 | 161.002 | 179.469 | 179.469 | 41.057 | 25
8.894 |
##      | 1.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
0.000 | 0.179 |
##      | 1.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
0.000 |
##      | 0.179 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
0.000 |
## -----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----
-----|-----|
##      dash |      0 |      0 |      0 |      0 |      0 |
1444 | 1444 |
##      | 258.894 | 232.719 | 259.412 | 259.412 | 59.346 | 305
8.217 |
##      | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
1.000 | 0.259 |
##      | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
1.000 |
##      | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
0.259 |
## -----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----
-----|-----|
##      ethereum |      0 |      898 |      0 |      0 |      0 |
0 |      898 |
##      | 161.002 | 3920.724 | 161.324 | 161.324 | 36.906 | 23
2.719 |
##      | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
0.000 | 0.161 |
##      | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
0.000 |
##      | 0.000 | 0.161 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
0.000 |
## -----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----
-----|-----|
##      iota |      0 |      0 |      0 |      0 |      229 |
0 |      229 |
##      | 41.057 | 36.906 | 41.139 | 41.139 | 5123.412 | 5
9.346 |
##      | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 |
0.000 | 0.041 |
##      | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 |
0.000 |
##      | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.041 |
0.000 |
## -----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----
-----|-----|
##      litecoin |      0 |      0 |      0 |      1001 |      0 |
0 |      1001 |
##      | 179.469 | 161.324 | 179.828 | 3749.828 | 41.139 | 25
9.412 |
##      | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 |
0.000 | 0.180 |
" "      | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 |

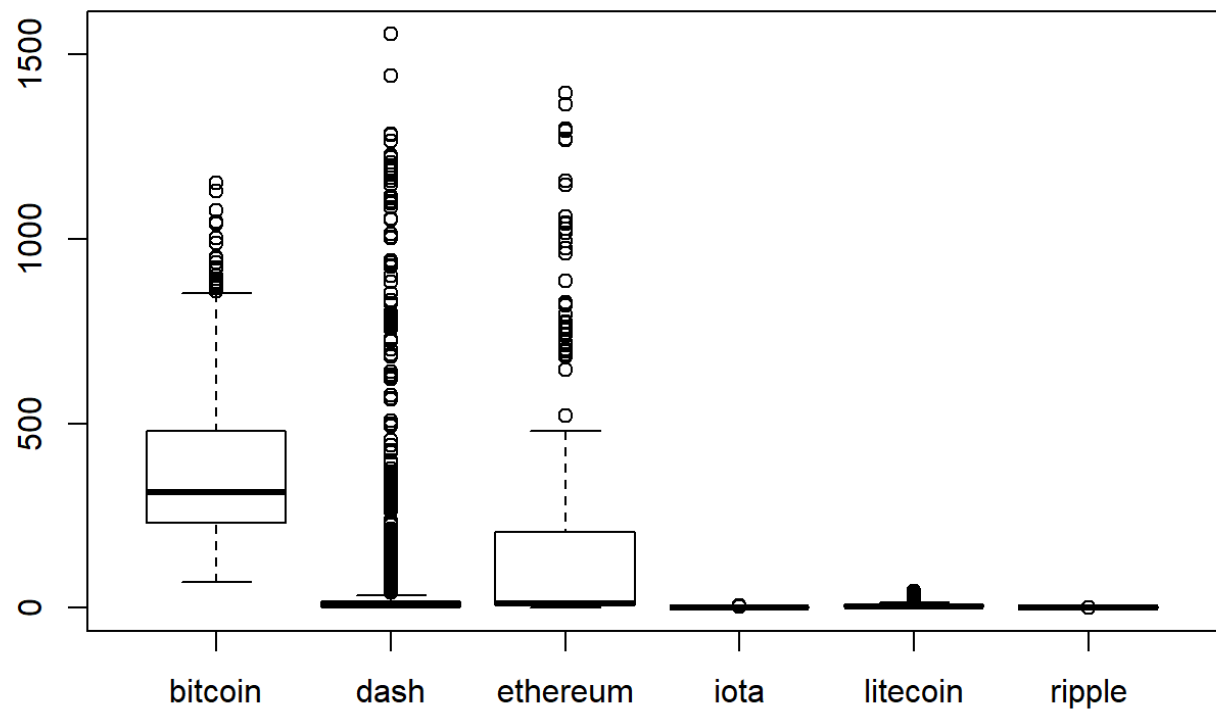
```

```
##          |          0.000 |          0.000 |          0.000 |          1.000 |          0.000 |
0.000 |          |
##          |          0.000 |          0.000 |          0.000 |          0.180 |          0.000 |
0.000 |          |
## -----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----
-----|-----|
##      ripple |          0 |          0 |          1001 |          0 |          0 |
0 |          1001 |
##          |      179.469 |      161.324 |      3749.828 |      179.828 |      41.139 |      25
9.412 |          |
##          |          0.000 |          0.000 |          1.000 |          0.000 |          0.000 |
0.000 |          0.180 |
##          |          0.000 |          0.000 |          1.000 |          0.000 |          0.000 |
0.000 |          |
##          |          0.000 |          0.000 |          0.180 |          0.000 |          0.000 |
0.000 |          |
## -----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----
-----|-----|
## Column Total |          999 |          898 |          1001 |          1001 |          229 |
1444 |          5572 |
##          |          0.179 |          0.161 |          0.180 |          0.180 |          0.041 |
0.259 |          |
## -----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----
-----|-----|
##
##
```

the bitcoin is ranked no. 1 follwed by ethereum.

boxplot of open prices of coins

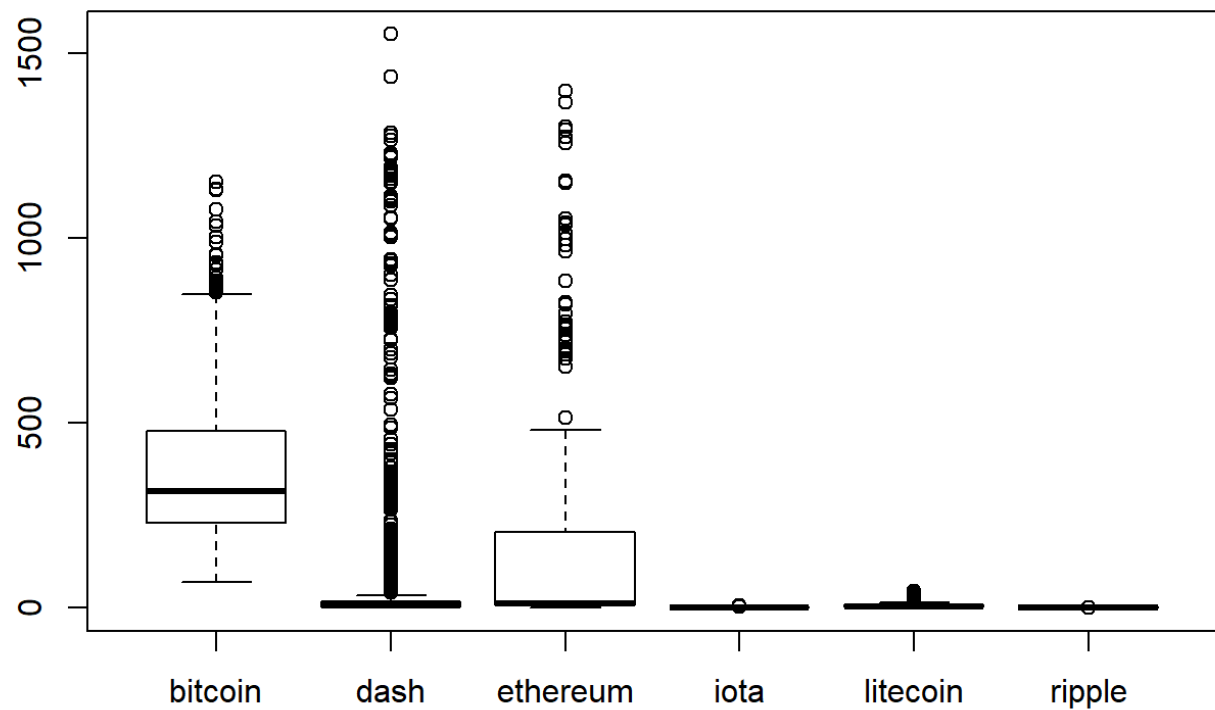
```
boxplot(coin.df$open~coin.df$slug)
```



as we can see there is no grouping of the opening prices for the crypto coin “dash”. it is due to it’s highle diverse opening on a regular basis.let us see for closing prices.

boxplot of closing prices of coins

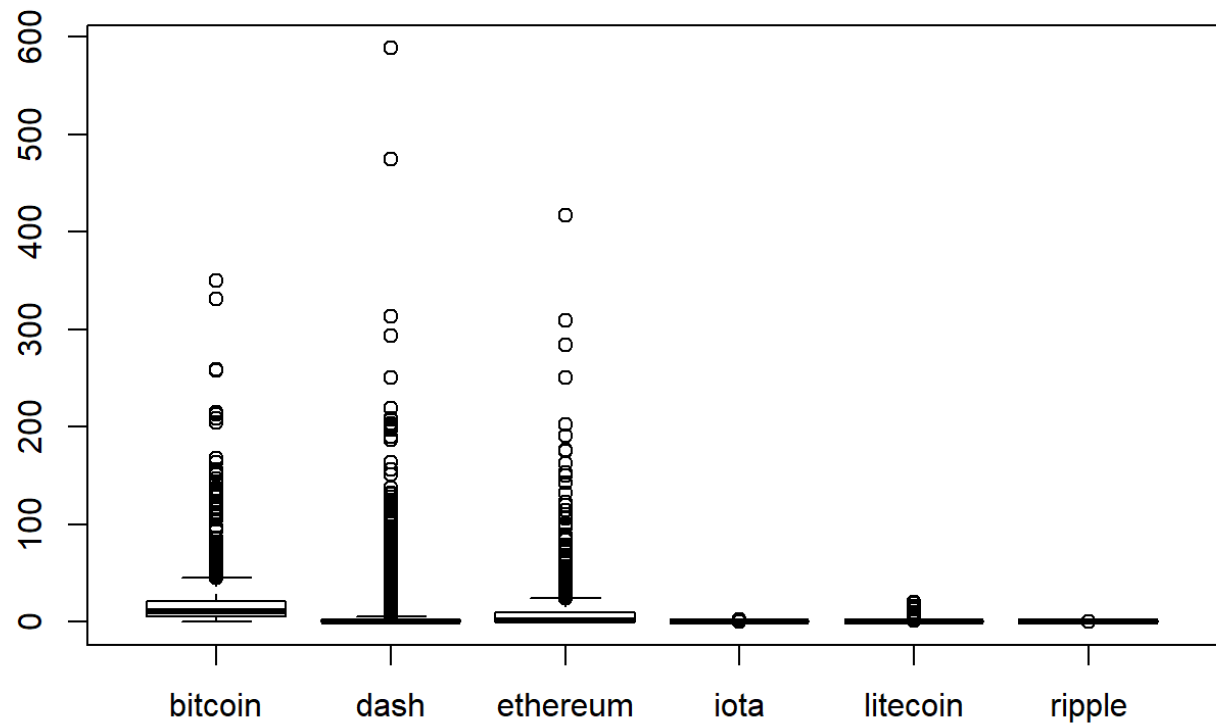
```
boxplot(coin.df$close~coin.df$slug)
```



similar is the case for closing prices also. the closing pricess of “dash” doesn’t fit in any region. while on the other hand we can see the from the above box plot that bitcoin for most of time has remained in a fixed range and had a sudden jump to a high opening and closing price.

let us have a look on the difference between highs and low of the day for a crypto coin.

```
boxplot(coin.df$spread~coin.df$slug)
```

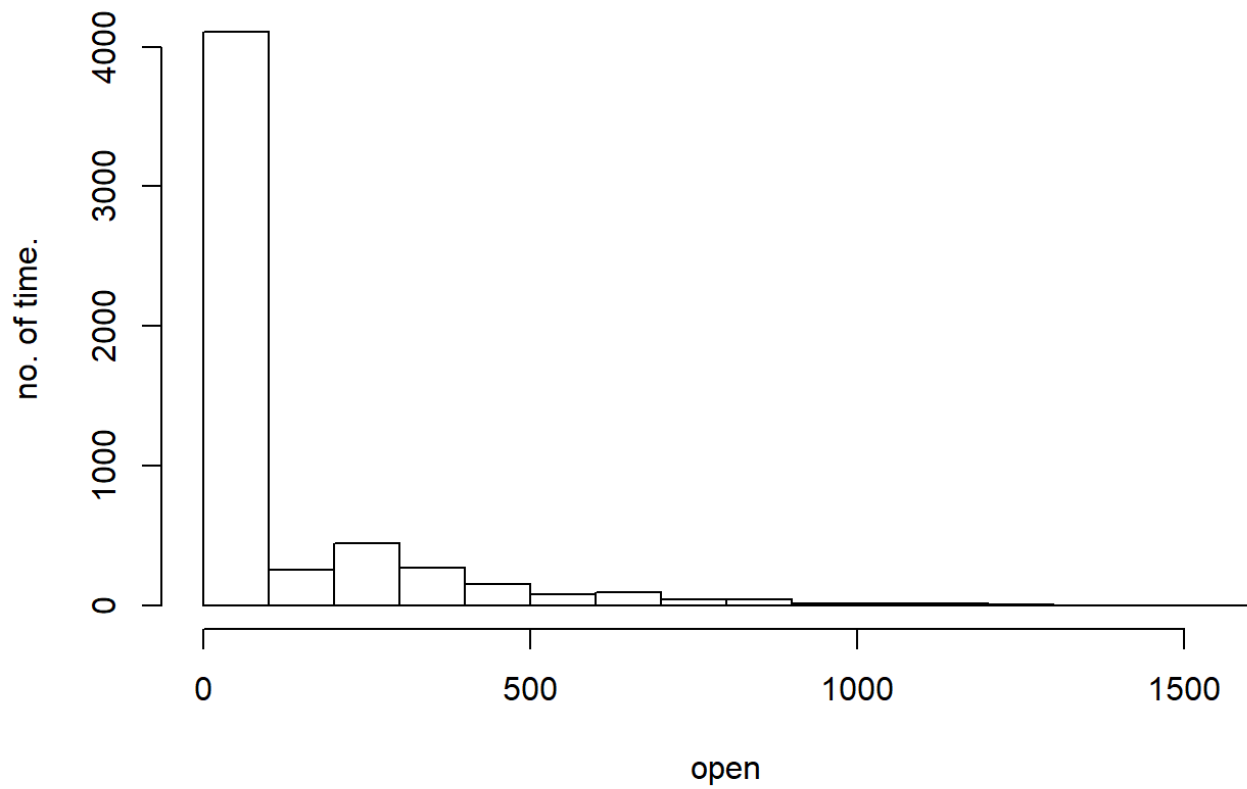


the difference between highest and lowest price for the day of any crypto currency is very less as compared to their high and low prices.

histograms for suitable data fields.

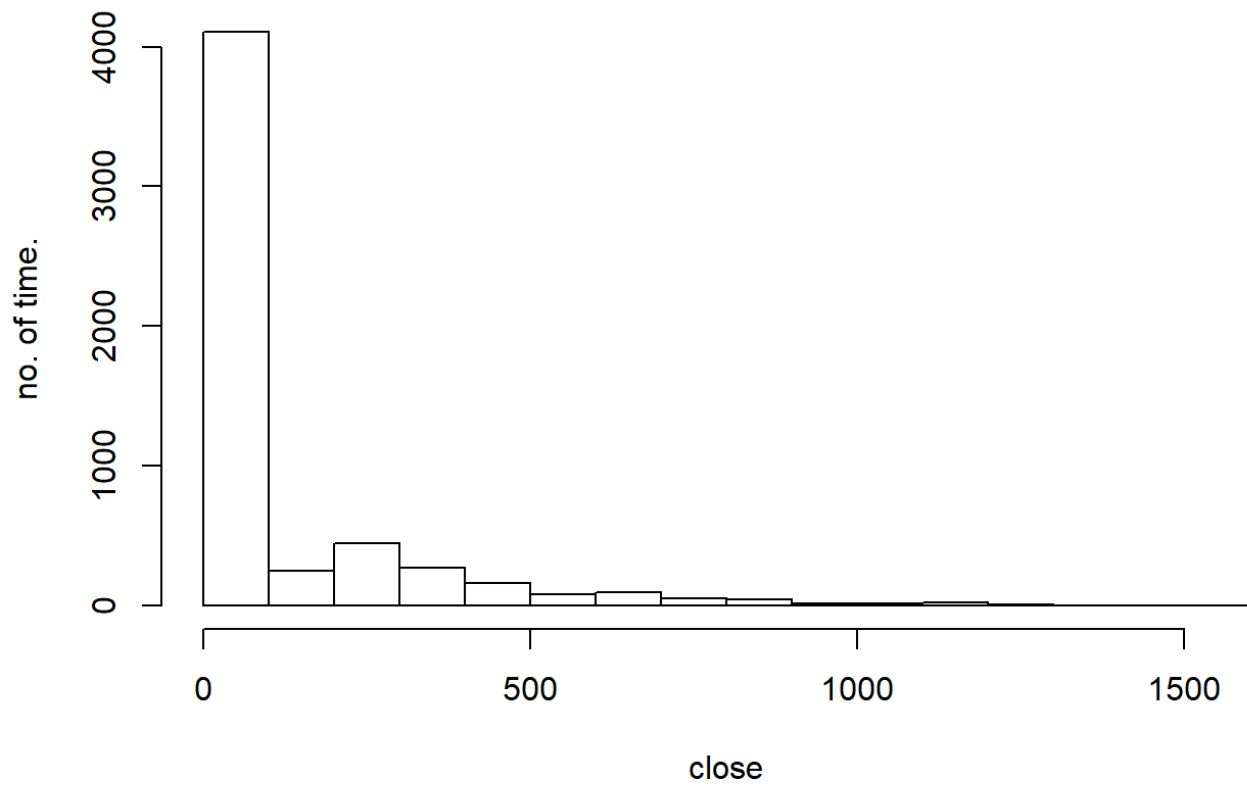
```
hist(coin.df$open,main="opening values of crypto currencies.",xlab="open",ylab = "n  
o. of time.")
```


opening values of crypto currencies.



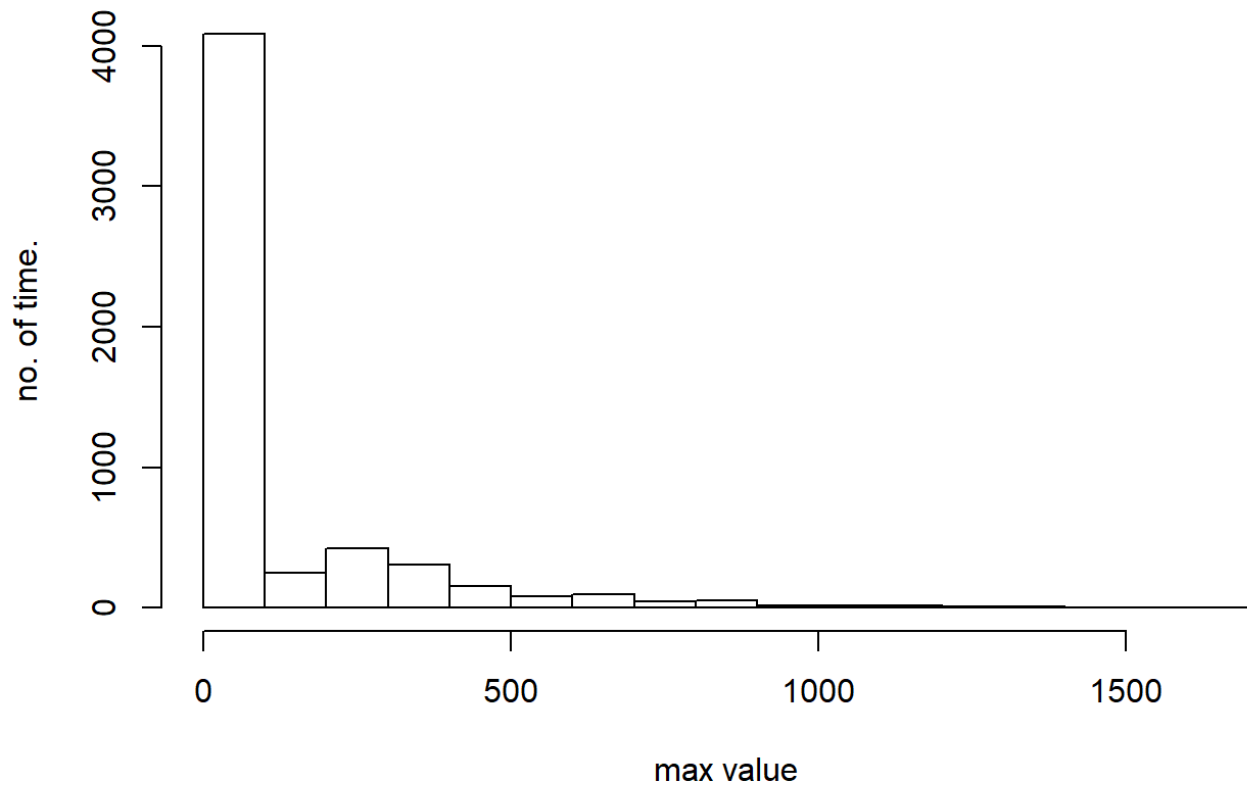
```
hist(coin.df$close,main="closing values of crypto currencies.",xlab="close",ylab =  
"no. of time.")
```

closing values of crypto currencies.



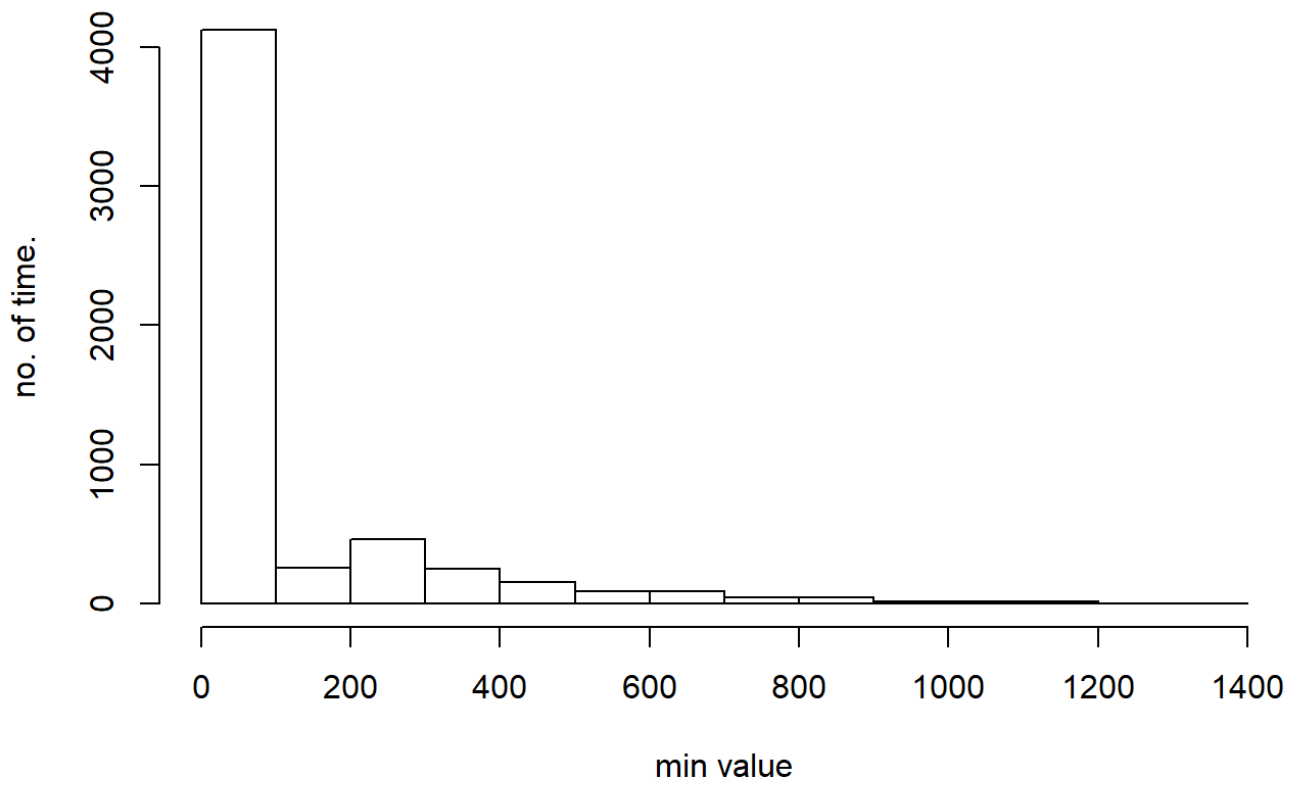
```
hist(coin.df$high,main="maximum values of crypto currencies.",xlab="max value",ylab = "no. of time.")
```

maximum values of crypto currencies.



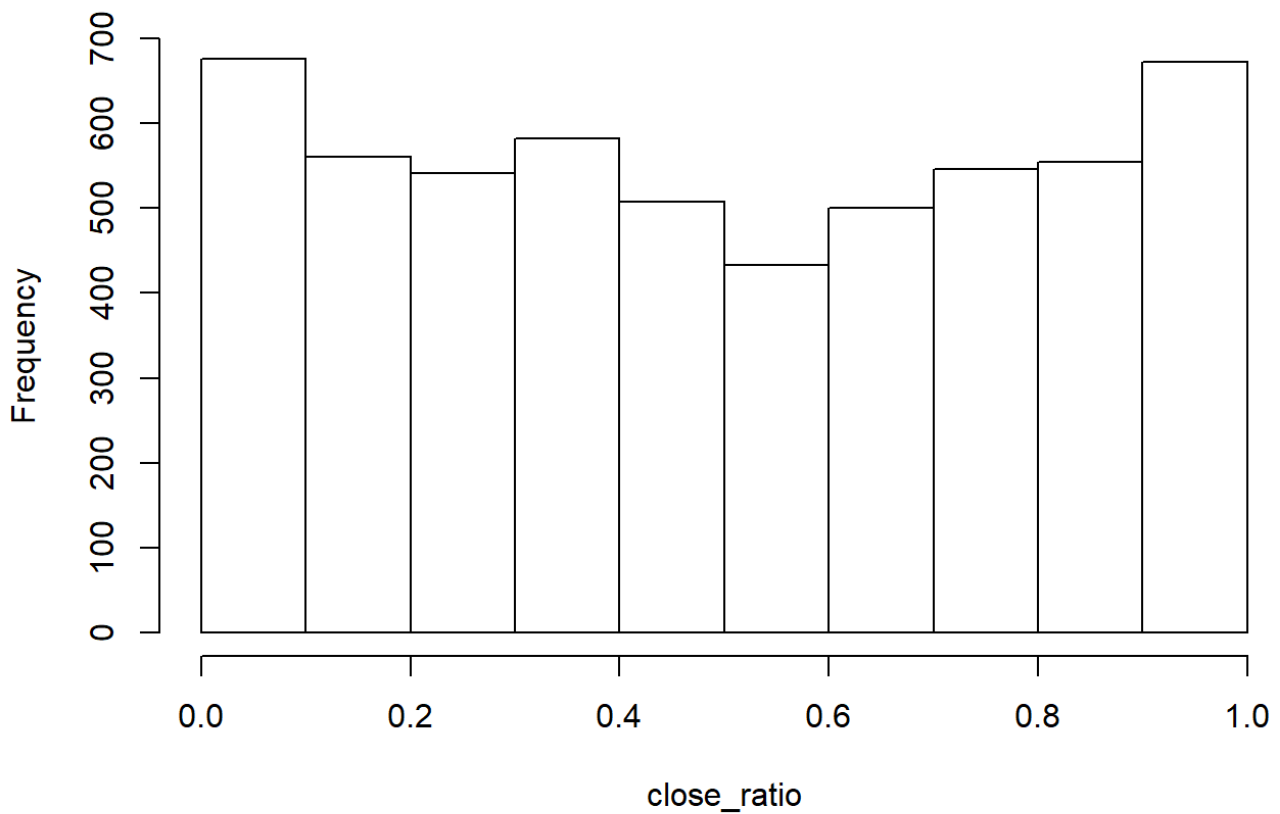
```
hist(coin.df$low,main="minimum values of crypto currencies.",xlab="min value",ylab  
= "no. of time.")
```

minimum values of crypto currencies.

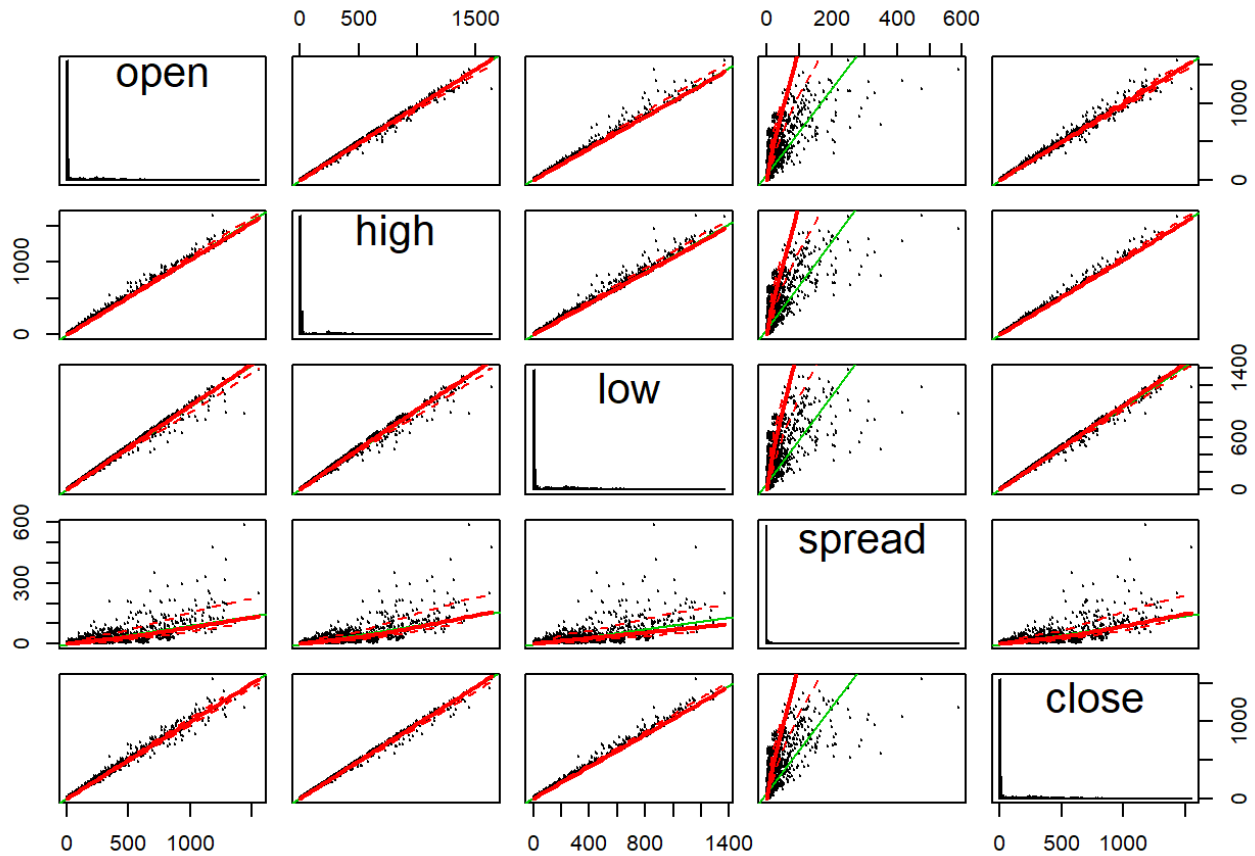
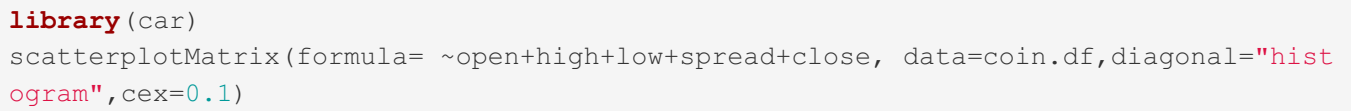


```
hist(coin.df$close_ratio,main = "histogram for close ratio",xlab="close_ratio")
```

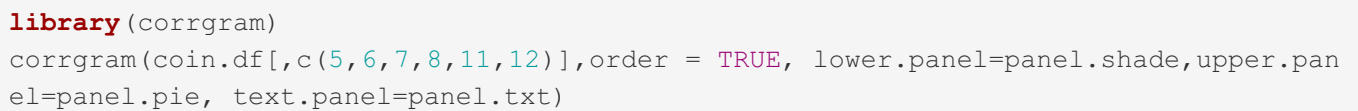
histogram for close ratio

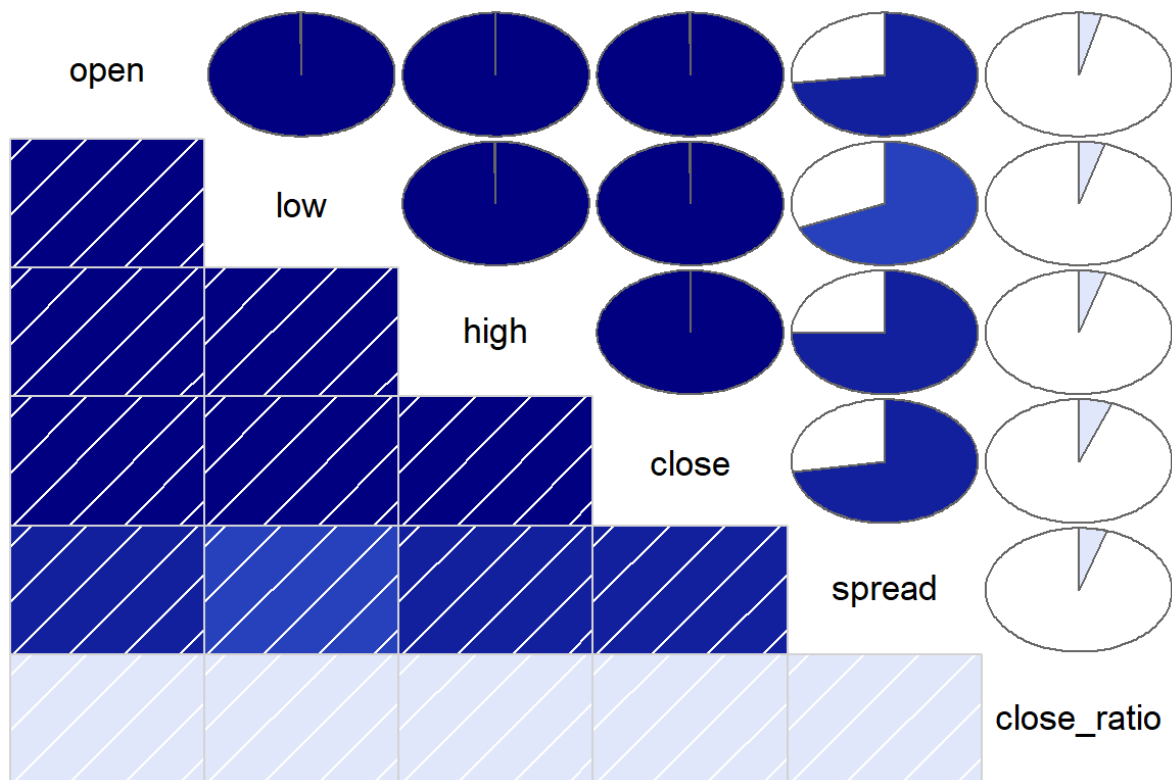


scatter plot:



correlation matrix.





generating correlation matrix :

```
cor(coin.df[,c(5,6,7,8,12)])
```

```
##           open      high      low      close      spread
## open      1.000000  0.998225  0.996746  0.996837  0.727973
## high      0.998225  1.000000  0.995967  0.998624  0.748141
## low       0.996746  0.995967  1.000000  0.998000  0.685593
## close     0.996837  0.998624  0.998000  1.000000  0.721942
## spread    0.727973  0.748141  0.685593  0.721942  1.000000
```

Model

we proposed the following null hypothesis :

null hypothesis : there is no significant relation between change in daily price and number of corresponding coins in market.

```
fit <- lm(coin.df$spread~ coin.df$market)
summary(fit)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = coin.df$spread ~ coin.df$market)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -91.50  -4.31  -3.97  -3.25  568.20
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)   4.022e+00  3.290e-01   12.22  <2e-16 ***
## coin.df$market 1.416e-09  3.317e-11   42.68  <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 23.37 on 5570 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.2465, Adjusted R-squared:  0.2463
## F-statistic: 1822 on 1 and 5570 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

we can see that since the p-value is less than 0.05 we can reject the null hypothesis. this means that the change in price of crypto-currencies is highly correlated on the number of crypto currencies floating in the market.

```
fit1 <- lm(coin.df$spread~ coin.df$close_ratio+coin.df$open+coin.df$close+coin.df$
market)
summary(fit1)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = coin.df$spread ~ coin.df$close_ratio + coin.df$open +
##      coin.df$close + coin.df$market)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -64.22    0.19    1.31    2.45   438.30
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)   -3.195e+00  4.871e-01  -6.560 5.86e-11 ***
## coin.df$close_ratio  2.873e+00  8.195e-01   3.505  0.00046 ***
## coin.df$open       1.815e-01  1.512e-02  12.004  < 2e-16 ***
## coin.df$close      -9.668e-02  1.511e-02  -6.400 1.68e-10 ***
## coin.df$market     3.363e-10  3.170e-11  10.610  < 2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 18.22 on 5565 degrees of freedom
## (2 observations deleted due to missingness)
## Multiple R-squared:  0.5425, Adjusted R-squared:  0.5421
## F-statistic: 1650 on 4 and 5565 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

getting confidence interval :-

```
confint(fit1)
```

```
##              2.5 %          97.5 %
## (Intercept) -4.150346e+00 -2.240556e+00
## coin.df$close_ratio 1.266043e+00 4.479171e+00
## coin.df$open      1.518370e-01 2.111099e-01
## coin.df$close     -1.262987e-01 -6.706965e-02
## coin.df$market     2.741632e-10 3.984329e-10
```

getting coefficients :

```
coefficients(fit1)
```

```
##      (Intercept) coin.df$close_ratio      coin.df$open
##      -3.195451e+00      2.872607e+00      1.814735e-01
##      coin.df$close      coin.df$market
##      -9.668416e-02      3.362981e-10
```

Results

from the above coefficients we can formulate the regression model for the given data , “spread” beong the dependent variable and rest being the independent variable.

spread = -3.19 + 2.872 x close_ratio + 0.181 x open -0.0966 x close + 3.3 x 10^{-10} x market

Coclusion

-we can see from the given data set that price of crypto currencies are highly dependent on the volume floating in the market.

-data set provides us the top 8 crypto currencies with “bitcoin” at the top followed by “ethereum” followed by “ripple” and so on.

- the price of crypto currencies is also dependent on the opening and closing of the price of the day.

-the high and low values are the peak values of the day for the crypto currencies and Close ratio is the daily close rate, min-maxed with the high and low values for the day.

Table statistics

```
summary(coin.df)
```



```

##          slug          symbol          name          ranknow
## bitcoin : 999    BTC   : 999    Bitcoin : 999    Min.      : 1.00
## dash      :1444    DASH :1444    Dash      :1444    1st Qu.: 2.00
## ethereum: 898    ETH   : 898    Ethereum: 898    Median  : 3.00
## iota      : 229    LTC   :1001    IOTA      : 229    Mean     : 5.86
## litecoin:1001    MIOTA: 229    Litecoin:1001    3rd Qu.:12.00
## ripple    :1001    XRP   :1001    Ripple    :1001    Max.      :12.00
##
##          open          high          low
## Min.      : 0.0028    Min.      : 0.0031    Min.      : 0.0028
## 1st Qu.: 1.2700    1st Qu.: 1.3700    1st Qu.: 1.1775
## Median : 4.9850    Median : 5.2950    Median : 4.6350
## Mean     : 107.5167    Mean     : 111.6705    Mean     : 103.3272
## 3rd Qu.: 120.4700    3rd Qu.: 123.8800    3rd Qu.: 117.5975
## Max.      :1555.5900    Max.      :1642.2200    Max.      :1371.3900
##
##          close          volume          market
## Min.      : 0.0028    Min.      :0.000e+00    Min.      :0.000e+00
## 1st Qu.: 1.2875    1st Qu.:1.735e+05    1st Qu.:6.142e+07
## Median : 5.0000    Median :1.587e+06    Median :2.569e+08
## Mean     : 107.8857    Mean     :8.653e+07    Mean     :3.052e+09
## 3rd Qu.: 121.1625    3rd Qu.:1.854e+07    3rd Qu.:2.011e+09
## Max.      :1550.8500    Max.      :9.215e+09    Max.      :1.355e+11
##
##          close_ratio          spread
## Min.      :0.0000    Min.      : 0.000
## 1st Qu.:0.2321    1st Qu.: 0.070
## Median :0.5000    Median : 0.340
## Mean     :0.4987    Mean     : 8.343
## 3rd Qu.:0.7748    3rd Qu.: 5.140
## Max.      :1.0000    Max.      :588.080
## NA's      :2

```