

Bitcoin's Price History

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Our Motivation

Our project focuses on a macro view of Bitcoin's price history to uncover trends / patterns, and to better understand past & present valuation.

The questions we asked of the data were greatly influenced by Glassnode.com - They provide blockchain data, on-chain metrics, and a vast array of tools for any curious data explorers that may find conventional valuation metrics to be insufficient for analysing crypto markets.

What happens when inflation rate reaches 0?

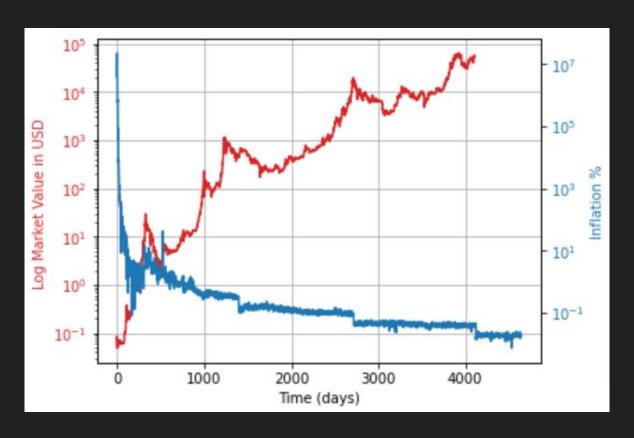
How does Bitcoins inflation rate affect value?

Bitcoin Inflation Rate

Bitcoin has a fixed supply of 21 million coins that will ever be in existence. However only ~18.9 million have been mined so far. New bitcoins are created in every new block. Blocks are created every 10 minutes (on average), when a miner finds the hash that satisfies the PoW required for a valid block. The first transaction in each block, called the coinbase (not the exchange), contains the block reward for the miner that found the block. The block reward consists of the fees that people pay for transactions in that block and the newly created coins (called subsidy). The subsidy started at 50 bitcoins, and is halved every 210,000 blocks (about 4 years). That's why 'halvings' are very important for bitcoins money supply and stock-to-flow. Halvings also cause the supply growth rate (in bitcoin context usually called 'monetary inflation') to be stepped and not smooth.

Inflation Rate = % of New Coins Issued / Current Supply

Bitcoin Inflation Rate



Bitcoin Inflation Rate Jupyter Notebook 1

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import json
import requests
import pandas as pd
import hvplot.pandas
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
# insert your API key here
GLASSNODE API KEY = os.getenv('GLASSNODE API KEY')
# make API request
res = requests.get('https://api.glassnode.com/v1/metrics/supply/inflation_rate',
    params={'a': 'BTC', 'api key': GLASSNODE API KEY})
res1 = requests.get('https://api.glassnode.com/v1/metrics/market/price usd close',
    params={'a': 'BTC', 'api key': GLASSNODE API KEY})
#reading the data
price = pd.read json(res1.text, convert dates=['t'])
price.rename({'t' : 'Date', 'v': 'Price'}, axis=1, inplace=True)
price.set index('Date', inplace=True)
inflation = pd.read json(res.text, convert dates=['t'])
inflation.rename({'t': 'Date', 'v': 'Inflation Rate'}, axis=1, inplace=True)
inflation.set index('Date', inplace=True)
price.reset index(drop=True, inplace=True)
inflation.reset index(drop=True, inplace=True)
btc = [price, inflation]
btc df = pd.concat(btc, axis=1)
btc df['Date'] = pd.date range(start='2/1/2009', periods=len(btc df), freq='D')
btc df.set index('Date', inplace=True)
btc df
```

Bitcoin Inflation Rate Jupyter Notebook 2

```
#plot the data
fig, ax1 = plt.subplots()
color = 'tab:red'
ax1.set xlabel('Time (days)')
ax1.set ylabel('Log Market Value in USD ', color=color)
ax1.set yscale('log')
ax1.plot(price, color=color)
ax1.grid()
ax1.tick params(axis='y', labelcolor=color)
ax2 = ax1.twinx() # instantiate a second axes that shares the same x-axis
color = 'tab:blue'
ax2.set ylabel('Inflation %', color=color) # we already handled the x-label with ax1
ax2.set yscale('log')
ax2.plot(inflation, color=color)
ax2.tick params(axis='y', labelcolor=color)
fig.tight layout() # otherwise the right y-label is slightly clipped
plt.show()
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Does scarcity drive value?

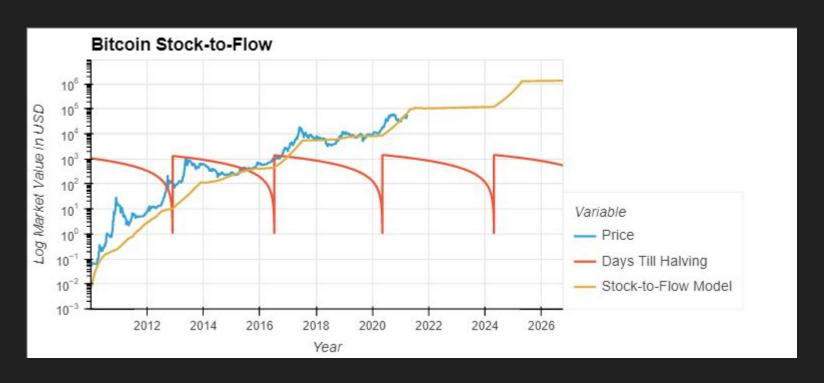
Bitcoin Stock-to-Flow

The Stock to Flow (S/F) Ratio is a popular model that assumes that scarcity drives value. Stock to Flow is defined as the ratio of the current stock of a commodity (i.e. circulating Bitcoin supply) and the flow of new production (i.e. newly mined bitcoins). Bitcoin's price has historically followed the S/F Ratio and therefore it is a model that can be used to predict future Bitcoin valuations.

SF = Stock / Flow

Stock-to-Flow Model: BTC Price = exp(-1.84) · SF ^ 3.36

Bitcoin Stock-to-Flow



Bitcoin Stock-to-Flow Jupyter Notebook 1

import ison

```
import requests
import pandas as pd
import hyplot.pandas
GLASSNODE API KEY = os.getenv('GLASSNODE API KEY')
res = requests.get('https://api.glassnode.com/v1/metrics/indicators/stock to flow ratio',
    params={'a': 'BTC', 'api key': GLASSNODE API KEY})
res1 = requests.get('https://api.glassnode.com/v1/metrics/market/price usd close'.
    params={'a': 'BTC', 'api key': GLASSNODE API KEY})
price = pd.read ison(res1.text, convert dates=['t'])
price.rename({'t' : 'Date', 'v': 'Price'}, axis=1, inplace=True)
price.set index( Date , inplace=True)
df = pd.read json(res.text, convert dates=['t'])
s2f = df[ o ].to list()
1st = []
                                                                                                                                              1st
days til halving = []
ratio = []
                                                                                                                                              [1061,
                                                                                                                                               0.006670564545956.
                                                                    s2f
for i in range(len(s2f)):
                                                                                                                                               0.006871940699592001.
    for k in s2f[i]:
                                                                    [{'daysTillHalving': 1061, 'ratio': 0.006670564545956},
        lst.append(s2f[i][k])
                                                                      {'daysTillHalving': 1060, 'ratio': 0.006871940699592001},
                                                                                                                                               0.007069040973185001,
                                                                      {'daysTillHalving': 1059, 'ratio': 0.007069040973185001},
                                                                                                                                               1058.
                                                                      {'daysTillHalving': 1058, 'ratio': 0.007286633171392},
1st2 = iter(1st)
                                                                                                                                               0.007286633171392.
                                                                      {'daysTillHalving': 1057, 'ratio': 0.00746727169217},
for x,y in zip(lst2,lst2):
                                                                      {'daysTillHalving': 1056, 'ratio': 0.007639155422806},
                                                                                                                                               1057.
                                                                      {'daysTillHalving': 1055, 'ratio': 0.0078110671702010005},
                                                                                                                                               0.00746727169217,
    days til halving.append(x)
                                                                      {'daysTillHalving': 1054, 'ratio': 0.007992897580761},
                                                                                                                                               1056,
    ratio.append(y)
                                                                      {'daysTillHalving': 1053, 'ratio': 0.008259015060790001},
                                                                                                                                               0.007639155422806.
```

Bitcoin Stock-to-Flow Jupyter Notebook 2

```
stock to flow = pd.read ison(res.text, convert dates=['t'])
stock_to_flow.rename({'t': 'Date'}, axis=1, inplace=True)
stock to flow = stock to flow.set index('Date', drop=True)
stock to flow['Stock-to-Flow Model']=ratio
stock to flow.drop(columns=['o'], inplace=True)
halving = pd.read json(res.text, convert dates=['t'])
halving.rename({'t': 'Date'}, axis=1, inplace=True)
halving = halving.set index('Date', drop=True)
halving['Days Till Halving']=days til halving
halving.drop(columns=['o'], inplace=True)
price.reset index(drop=True, inplace=True)
halving.reset index(drop=True, inplace=True)
stock to flow.reset index(drop=True, inplace=True)
btc = [stock to flow, halving, price]
btc df = pd.concat(btc, axis=1)
btc_df['Date'] = pd.date_range(start='1/2/2010', periods=len(df), freq='D')
btc_df.set_index('Date', inplace=True)
btc df
btc df.hyplot(logy=True, y=['Price', 'Days Till Halving', 'Stock-to-Flow Model'], ylabel='Log Market Value in USD', xlabel='Year', title='Bitcoin Stock-to-Flow', shared axes=False, grid=True)
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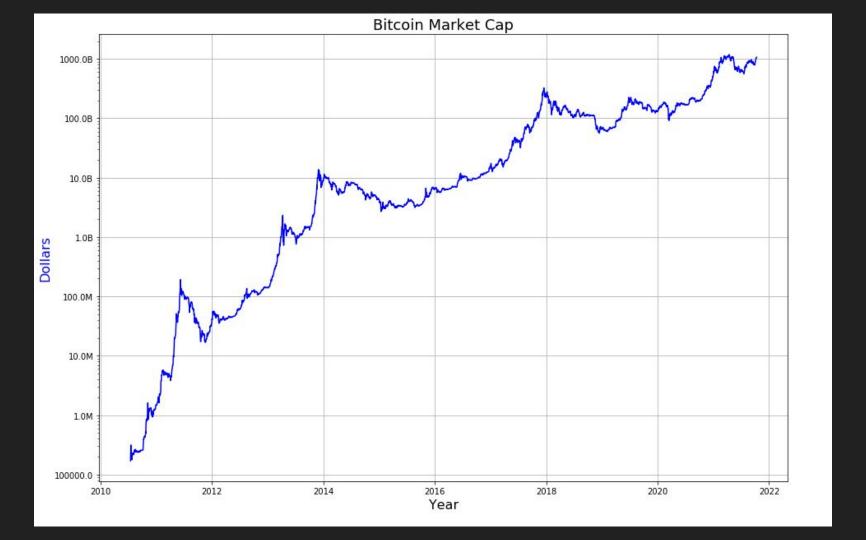
When is the best time to enter & exit the market?

MVRV

- Market-Value-to-Realized-Value = Market Cap / Realized Cap
- By comparing these two metrics, MVRV can be used to get a sense of when price is above or below "fair value"
- But first let's define Market Cap & Realized Cap!

Market Cap

- Market Capitalization is defined as the total network value of an asset
- Traditionally can be calculated as:
 Market Cap = Share Price * Shares Outstanding
- Calculated by multiplying the last traded price of the BTC/USD pair by the number of Bitcoin mined so far (~18,840,240 as of October 2021)



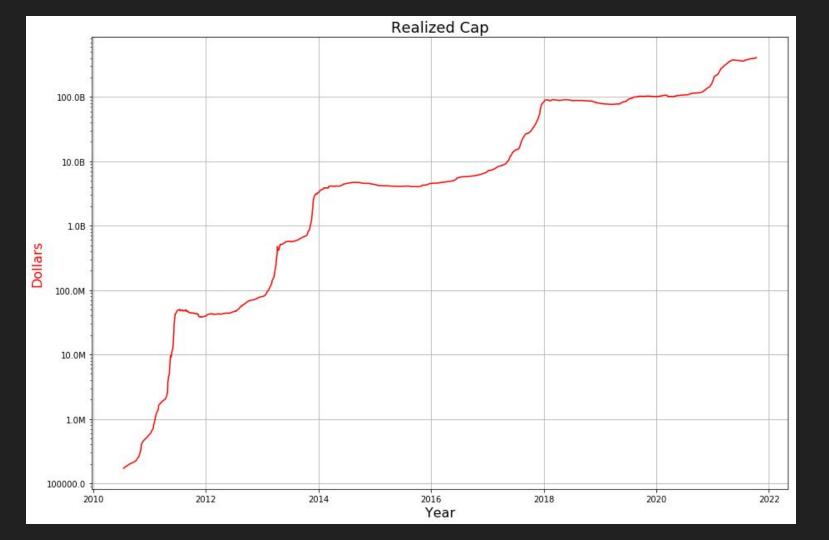
```
import json
      import requests
      import pandas as pd
      import os
      from dotenv import load_dotenv
      import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
      import datetime
      import numpy as np
      import matplotlib.ticker as tick
      # insert your API key here
     GLASSNODE API KEY = os.getenv('GLASSNODE API KEY')
     MVRV data = requests.get('https://api.glassnode.com/v1/metrics/market/mvrv',
         params={'a': 'BTC', 'api_key': GLASSNODE_API_KEY})
     Price_data = requests.get('https://api.glassnode.com/v1/metrics/market/price_usd_close',
         params={'a': 'BTC', 'api key': GLASSNODE API KEY})
     Realized Cap data = requests.get('https://api.glassnode.com/v1/metrics/market/marketcap realized usd',
         params={'a': 'BTC', 'api_key': GLASSNODE_API_KEY})
     Market_Cap_data = requests.get('https://api.glassnode.com/v1/metrics/market/marketcap_usd',
         params={'a': 'BTC', 'api_key': GLASSNODE_API_KEY})
     MVRV Z data = requests.get('https://api.glassnode.com/v1/metrics/market/mvrv z score',
         params { 'a': 'BTC', 'api_key': GLASSNODE API KEY})
     MVRV df = pd.read ison(MVRV data.text, convert dates=['t'])
     Price df = pd.read json(Price data.text, convert dates=['t'])
     Realized Cap df = pd.read json(Realized Cap data.text, convert dates=['t'])
     Market Cap df = pd.read json(Market Cap data.text, convert dates=['t'])
     MVRV Z df = pd.read json(MVRV Z data.text, convert dates=['t'])
[2]: Market_Cap_df.rename(columns={'t':'Date', 'v':'Market_Cap'}, inplace=True)
[3]: Market Cap df = Market Cap df.set index('Date')
[4]: Market Cap df
[4]:
                 Market Cap
     2010-07-17 1.702649e+05
     2010-07-18 2.225672e+05
     2010-07-19 3.138020e+05
     2010-07-20 2.757412e+05
      2010-07-21 2.444626e+05
     2021-10-07 1.024017e+12
     2021-10-08 1.025949e+12
      2021-10-09 1.031192e+12
     2021-10-10 1.039171e+12
     2021-10-11 1.068554e+12
    4105 rows × 1 columns
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Market Cap Notebook

```
fig,ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(15,10))
ax.plot(Market Cap df.index, Market Cap df.Market Cap, color="blue")
ax.set xlabel("Year", fontsize=16)
ax.set ylabel("Dollars", fontsize=16, color='blue')
ax.set yscale('log')
ax.set title('Bitcoin Market Cap', fontsize=18)
ax.grid(True)
def reformat large tick values(tick val, pos):
    if tick val >= 10000000000:
        val = round(tick val/10000000000, 1)
        new_tick_format = '{:}B'.format(val)
    elif tick val >= 1000000:
        val = round(tick_val/1000000, 1)
        new_tick_format = '{:}M'.format(val)
        new tick format = tick val
    new tick format = str(new tick format)
    return new tick format
# format ax3 y-labels and positioning
ax.formatter = tick.FormatStrFormatter('$%1.2f')
ax.yaxis.set major formatter(tick.FuncFormatter(reformat large tick values))
plt.show()
```

Realized Cap

- Invented by Nic Carter and Antoine Le Calvez in 2018
- Realized Capitalization is a variation of Market Cap that values each UTXO (Unspent Transaction Output) at the price when it was last moved - NOT the current price of Bitcoin
- Reduces the impact of lost and long dormant coins
- Weighs coins according to their actual presence in the economy of Bitcoin



```
[14]: # create figure and axis objects with subplots()
      fig,ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(15,10))
      # make a plot
      ax.plot(combined df.index, combined df.Realized Cap, color="red")
      # set x-axis label
      ax.set xlabel("Year", fontsize=16)
      # set y-axis label and scale
      ax.set ylabel("Dollars", fontsize=16, color='red')
      ax.set yscale('log')
      # title
      ax.set title('Realized Cap', fontsize=18)
      ax.grid(True)
      # define function to make y-values more readable
      def reformat large tick values(tick val, pos):
          if tick val >= 10000000000:
              val = round(tick_val/10000000000, 1)
              new_tick_format = '{:}B'.format(val)
          elif tick val >= 1000000:
              val = round(tick val/1000000, 1)
              new tick format = '{:}M'.format(val)
          else:
              new tick format = tick val
          new tick format = str(new tick format)
          return new tick format
      # format ax3 y-labels and positioning
      ax.formatter = tick.FormatStrFormatter('$%1.2f')
      ax.yaxis.set major formatter(tick.FuncFormatter(reformat large tick values))
      # plot
      plt.show()
```

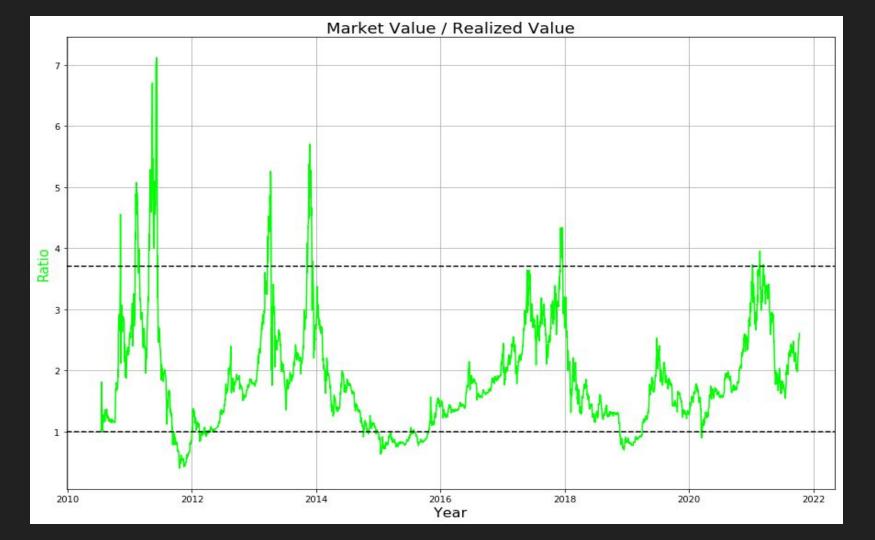
Realized Cap Notebook

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[9]: Realized Cap df.rename(columns={'t':'Date', 'v':'Realized Cap'}, inplace=True)
[10]: Realized Cap df
[10]:
                 Date Realized Cap
         0 2009-01-03 2.475500e+00
          1 2009-01-04
                               NaN
         2 2009-01-05
                               NaN
          3 2009-01-06
                               NaN
          4 2009-01-07
                               NaN
       4660 2021-10-07 4.065050e+11
       4661 2021-10-08 4.073032e+11
       4662 2021-10-09 4.078484e+11
       4663 2021-10-10 4.085543e+11
       4664 2021-10-11 4.097016e+11
      4665 rows × 2 columns
```

Back to MVRV

Some things to keep in mind:

- Best when applied to multi-year analysis
- As market cap decreases in volatility, the upper threshold of 3.7 might not prove as reliable
- Realized cap may drop given a black-swan shock event
- It is of particular interest whenever market value goes below a 1:1 ratio to realized value - these periods account for both undervaluation and the capitulation stages of market psychology.



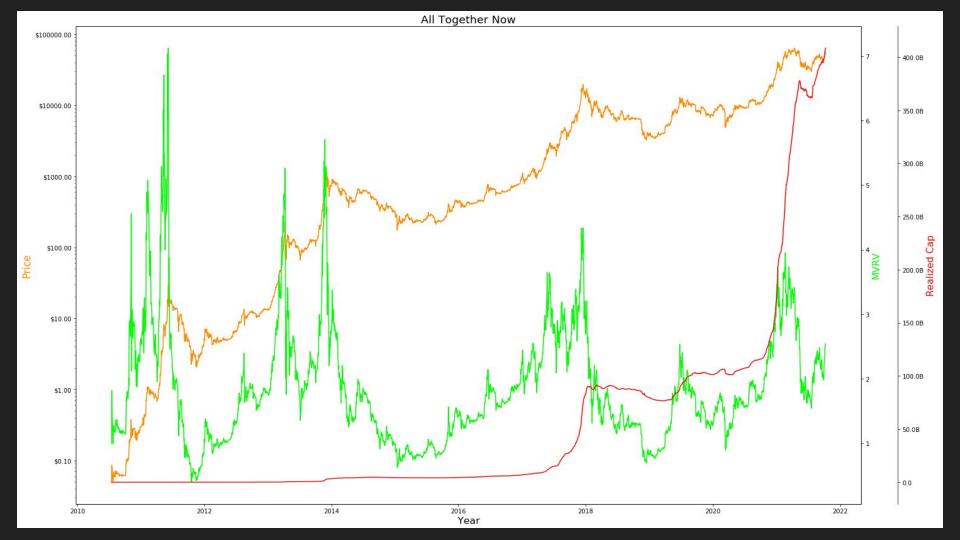
```
[5]: MVRV df.rename(columns={'t':'Date', 'v':'MVRV'}, inplace=True)
[6]: MVRV df
[6]:
                 Date
                        MVRV
         0 2010-07-17 1.000000
         1 2010-07-18 1.300600
         2 2010-07-19 1.814750
         3 2010-07-20 1.586253
         4 2010-07-21 1.399411
      4100 2021-10-07 2.519077
      4101 2021-10-08 2.518883
     4102 2021-10-09 2.528370
     4103 2021-10-10 2.543532
     4104 2021-10-11 2.608126
     4105 rows × 2 columns
```

MVRV Notebook

```
fig,ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(15,10))
# make a plot
ax.plot(combined df.index, combined df.MVRV, color="lime")
# set x-axis label
ax.set xlabel("Year",fontsize=16)
# set y-axis label and scale
ax.set ylabel("Ratio",fontsize=16, color='lime')
ax.set title('Market Value / Realized Value', fontsize=18)
ax.grid(True)
l1=ax.axhline(1,color='black',ls='--')
12=ax.axhline(3.7,color='black',ls='--')
# plot
plt.show()
```

And all together now!





All Together Notebook

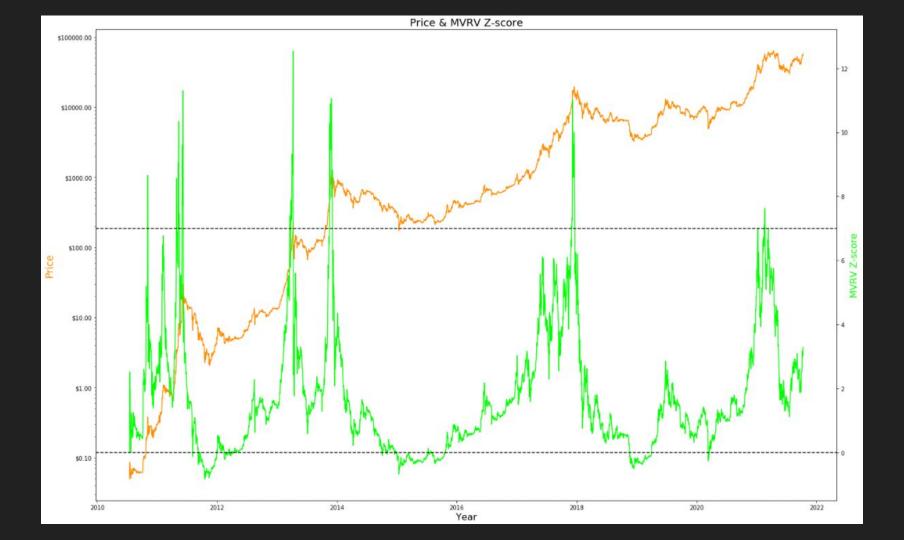
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fig,ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(23,15))
# make a plot
ax.plot(combined df.index, combined df.Price, color="darkorange")
# set x-axis label
ax.set_xlabel("Year", fontsize=16)
# set y-axis label and scale
ax.set_ylabel("Price",fontsize=17, color='darkorange')
ax.set yscale('log')
ax.set title('All Together Now', fontsize=18)
formatter = tick.FormatStrFormatter('$%1.2f')
ax.yaxis.set_major_formatter(formatter)
ax2=ax.twinx()
ax2.plot(combined df.index, combined df.MVRV, color="lime")
ax2.set_ylabel("MVRV",color="lime",fontsize=16)
# third axis
ax3=ax.twinx()
ax3.plot(combined df.index, combined df.Realized Cap, color='red')
ax3.set_ylabel('Realized Cap', color='red', fontsize=16)
def reformat large tick values(tick val, pos):
    if tick val >= 10000000000:
       val = round(tick val/1000000000, 1)
       new tick format = '{:}B'.format(val)
   elif tick val >= 1000000:
       val = round(tick val/1000000, 1)
       new tick format = '{:}M'.format(val)
       new tick format = tick val
    new_tick_format = str(new_tick_format)
    return new tick format
ax3.formatter = tick.FormatStrFormatter('$%1.2f')
ax3.yaxis.set_major_formatter(tick.FuncFormatter(reformat_large_tick_values))
ax3.spines['right'].set position(('outward', 60))
plt.show()
```

Can we use a standard deviation metric to even better

identify extreme periods of over / undervaluation?

MVRV Z-Score

- MVRV Z-Score = (Market Cap Realized Cap) / STD Dev(Market Cap)
- Used to identify periods when Bitcoin is extremely over or undervalued relative to its "fair value"
- Entering long positions when the ratio is near Zero or below, has historically produced outsized returns
- Particularly effective at identifying cycle tops when market value is unusually high above realized value



NUPL- Net Unrealized Profit/Loss

Interpretation

NUPL was created in order to determine the total amount of profits or losses from the circulating supply of a coin.

NUPL is calculated as the difference between market cap and realized cap divided by the market cap. If market cap is greater than realized cap, then NUPL>0, which means Bitcoin on-chain expected value is less than what they actually have. This value indicates the increase of selling pressure.

- Net Unrealized Profit (NUP): Sum of UTXO being in profit with the price difference between created and destroyed.
- Net Unrealized Loss (NUL): Sum of UTXO being in loss with the price difference between created and destroyed.
- Net Unrealized Profit and Loss (NUPL): The difference between market value and realized value.

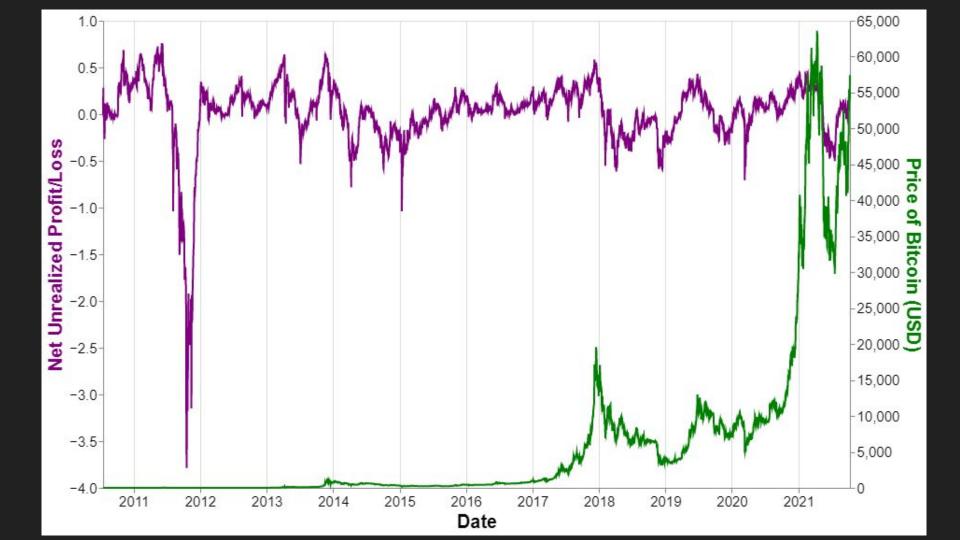
A UTXO is the amount of digital currency remaining after a cryptocurrency transaction is executed.

UTXO transactions sound complicated, but they really are fairly simple. UTXO or unspent transaction outputs are used in cryptocurrency transactions. These are the transactions that are left unspent after someone completes a transaction, similar to the change someone receives after conducting a cash transaction at the store.

Why is NUPL a useful metric?

Whenever you look at this metric and you see it at a certain point you can determine whether it's a good time to buy/sell/stay your position on your Bitcoin. This metric can be a very useful tool to better your investment strategy with Bitcoin to make you more profitable.

- Under 0% is the capitulation phase which is the best time to buy Bitcoin
- Between 0-25% is the hope/fear stage
- Between 25-50% is the optimism/anxiety stage
- Between 50-75% is the belief/denial stage
- Once above 75% is the euphoria/greed stage and the historical data shows that Bitcoin is at a market top. Best time to sell



```
[2]: import json
     import requests
     import pandas as pd
     import os
     from dotenv import load_dotenv
     import hyplot.pandas
     import altair as alt
     # insert your API key here
     GLASSNODE_API_KEY = 'glassnode_api'
     # make API request
     res = requests.get('https://api.glassnode.com/v1/metrics/indicators/nupl_less_155',
        params={'a': 'BTC', 'api_key': GLASSNODE_API_KEY})
     res1 = requests.get('https://api.glassnode.com/v1/metrics/market/price_usd_close',
         params={'a': 'BTC', 'api_key': GLASSNODE_API_KEY})
     # convert to pandas dataframe
     nupl = pd.read_json(res.text, convert_dates=['t'])
     price = pd.read_json(res1.text, convert_dates=['t'])
     # renaming my columns
     nupl.rename({'t' : 'Date', 'v' : 'NUPL'}, axis=1, inplace=True)
     price.rename({'t' : 'Date', 'v' : 'Price'}, axis=1, inplace=True)
     price
```

	Date	Price
0	2010-07-17	0.049510
-1	2010-07-18	0.085840
2	2010-07-19	0.080800
3	2010-07-20	0.074733
4	2010-07-21	0.079210

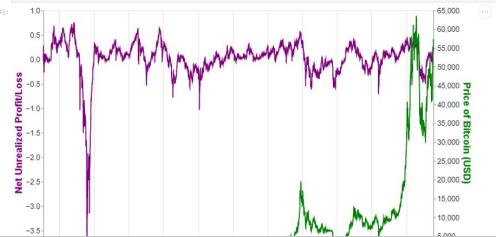
4101	2021-10-08	53884.290533
4102	2021-10-09	55068.643546
4103	2021-10-10	54675.093215
4104	2021-10-11	57434.240990
4105	2021-10-12	56745.906828

[3]: # combine the data frames combined_df = pd.concat([price.set_index('Date'), nupl.set_index('Date')], join='inner', axis='columns').reset_index()

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[4]: base = alt.Chart(combined_df).mark_line().transform_fold(
         ['NUPL', 'Price'],
         as_=['Measure', 'Value']
    ).encode(
         alt.Color('Measure:N'),
         alt.X('Date:T')
    ).properties(width=800,height=500)
    line_A = base.transform_filter(
         alt.datum.Measure == 'NUPL'
    ).encode(
         alt.Y('Value:Q', axis=alt.Axis(titleColor='purple', title='Net Unrealized Profit/Loss')),
         color=alt.value("purple")
    line_B = base.transform_filter(
         alt.datum.Measure == 'Price'
    ).encode(
       alt.Y('Value:Q',axis=alt.Axis(titleColor='green', title='Price of Bitcoin (USD)')),
         color=alt.value("green")
    alt.layer(line_A, line_B).resolve_scale(y='independent').configure_axis(
         labelFontSize=15,
         titleFontSize=20,
```



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