

rBitrage Project Spec

Implementing Machine Learning to Analyze Dependent Price Movement between Bitcoin and Ethereum

The purpose of this project was to apply Microsoft's Azure machine learning platform to historical price and volume data on the two largest cryptocurrencies available today. A dataset of historical data was gathered for training and testing to a neural network to determine the accuracy of the results. Then, using a basic iOS app, we display the current market Ethereum price and predict the Ethereum price in several time intervals in the future with a confidence level using our algorithms.

In order to gather historical data, we connected to Coinbase's GDAX API to gather BTC and ETH statistics per minute for the past year. Our training data for the machine learning platform was the previous six months not including September (March, April, May, June, July, August). The total data accumulation was roughly 260,000 time intervals. Each time interval consisted of the currencies high, low, open, and close.

A back-testing program was implemented in C++, where we used the September data set that the machine learning platform had not seen yet. The code for the back-testing is available to look at and is designed to replicate an actual trading algorithm implementation.

The machine learning aspect of the project used Microsoft Azure. We used parameters in a regression based system, boosted decision tree, and neural network.

13 Parameters, 5 Price % variables, 5 % change volume variables, 1 5minute moving average % change, 2 special financial parameters

$$\text{Price: } \frac{P_n - P_{n-1}}{P_{n-1}} \frac{P_n - P_{n-2}}{P_{n-2}} \frac{P_n - P_{n-3}}{P_{n-3}} \frac{P_n - P_{n-4}}{P_{n-4}} \frac{P_n - P_{n-5}}{P_{n-5}}$$

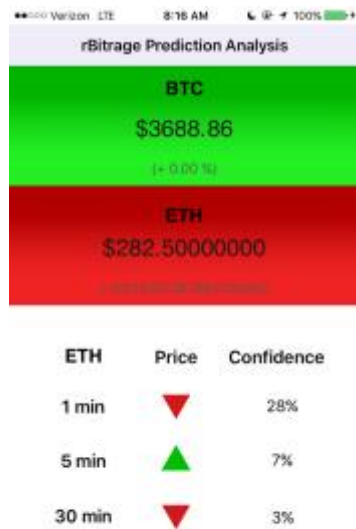
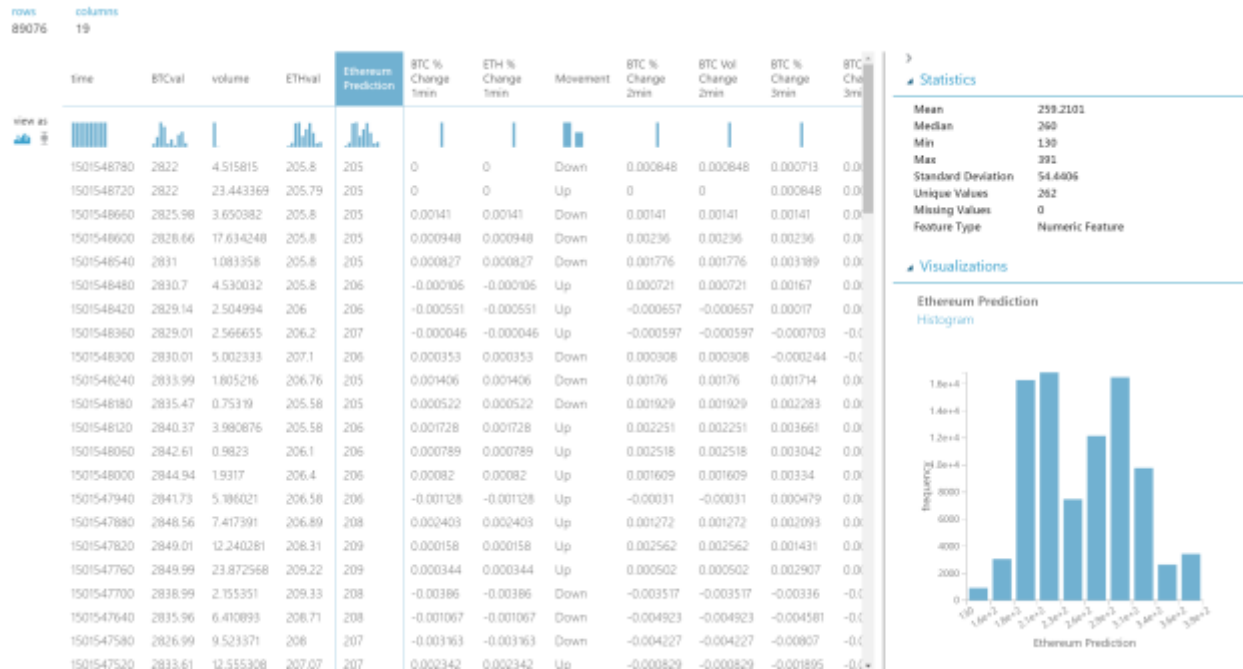
$$\text{Volume: } \frac{V - V_{n-1}}{V_{n-1}} \frac{V - V_{n-2}}{V_{n-2}} \frac{V - V_{n-3}}{V_{n-3}} \frac{V - V_{n-4}}{V_{n-4}} \frac{V - V_{n-5}}{V_{n-5}}$$

$$\text{Moving Average: } \frac{P_n - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n-5} P_i}{5}}{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n-5} P_i}{5}}$$

$$\text{Special Algorithms: } \frac{P_{btc_n} - P_{eth_n}}{P_{btc(n-5)} - P_{eth(n-5)}} \text{ BTC} - \text{ETH} \quad \frac{\frac{V - v_{n-5}}{v_{n-5}}}{\frac{v_{n-5}}{v_{n-5}}} \text{ BTC/ETH}$$

The algorithms above were used to test and train the neural network, and the special algorithms were just designed by us to test some theories regarding what specifically influences the relationship between BTC and ETH.

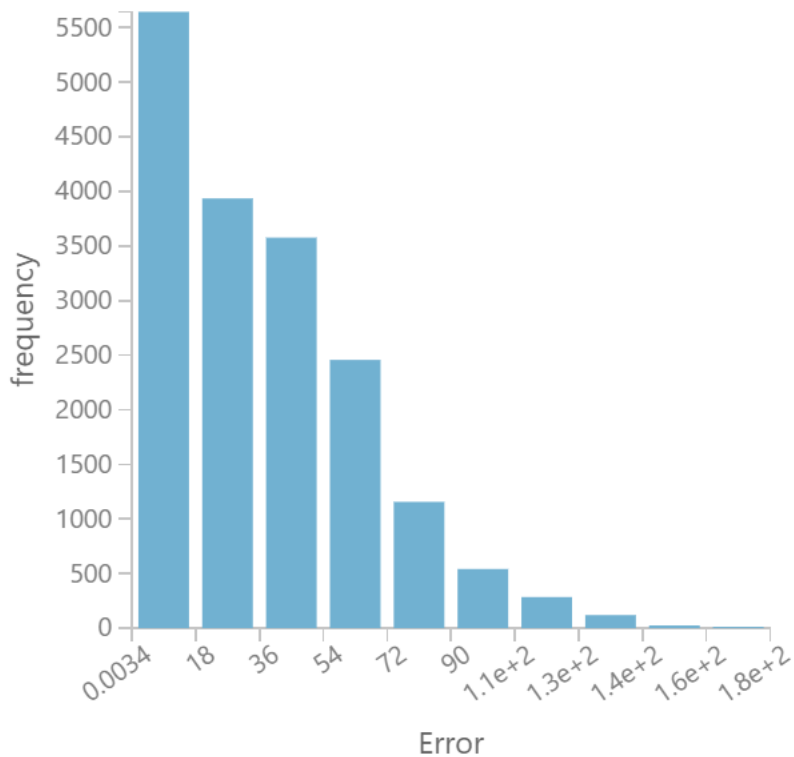
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48 inc main() {
49 //Initialize BUY/SELL
50 sellETH = false;
51 buyETH = false;
52 //Initialize quantities
53 quantityCash = 10000;
54 quantityETH = 0;
55 //Read in September Data
56 [filename input"SeptemberData.txt"];
57 input >> timeETHoriginal >> lowETHoriginal >> highETHoriginal >> openETHoriginal >> closeETHoriginal >> volumeETHoriginal >> timeFDOoriginal >> lowFDOoriginal
58 >> highFDOoriginal >> openFDOoriginal >> closeFDOoriginal >> volumeFDOoriginal;
59 if input.isempty() {
60 while (input >> timeETHnext >> lowETHnext >> highETHnext >> openETHnext >> closeETHnext >> volumeETHnext >> timeFDOnext >> lowFDOnext >> highFDOnext >>
61 openFDOnext >> closeFDOnext >> volumeFDOnext) {
62 BlackBox(openETHoriginal);
63 //Determine Investment Amount
64 //Backtest
65 //Update Holdings
66 //Reset next to original for next iteration
67 timeETHoriginal = timeETHnext;
68 timeFDOoriginal = timeFDOnext;
69 lowETHoriginal = lowETHnext;
70 lowFDOoriginal = lowFDOnext;
71 highETHoriginal = highETHnext;
72 highFDOoriginal = highFDOnext;
73 openETHoriginal = openETHnext;
74 openFDOoriginal = openFDOnext;
75 closeETHoriginal = closeETHnext;
76 closeFDOoriginal = closeFDOnext;
77 volumeETHoriginal = volumeETHnext;
78 volumeFDOoriginal = volumeFDOnext;
79 }
80 }
81 else {
82 cout << "There was an error reading the September Data file" << endl;
83 }
84 }
85 cout << "Closing Cash $" << quantityCash << endl;
86 cout << "Closing Quantity of ETH " << quantityETH << endl;
87 cout << "Closing Price of ETH $" << closeETHnext << endl;
88 cout << "Closing Amount of Holdings $" << (quantityCash + quantityETH * closeETHnext) << endl;
89 double percentReturns = ((quantityCash + quantityETH * closeETHnext) - 10000) / 10000 * 100;
90 cout << "Backtesting algorithm provides " << percentReturns << "% for month of September";
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Metrics

Mean Absolute Error	37.49719
Root Mean Squared Error	47.412749
Relative Absolute Error	0.799697
Relative Squared Error	0.757922
Coefficient of Determination	0.242078

Error Histogram



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56 rows, cols = combined_df.shape
57 rowCount_int = 0
58 predictAhead = 101
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60
61 while rowCount_int < rows - predictAhead:
62     if (rowCount_int > 1):
63         #Calculate BTC val and BTC val at (position -1)
64         BTC_valCurrent_float = (combined_df.iloc[rowCount_int, BTC_val_ind])
65         BTC_valPrevious_float = (combined_df.iloc[rowCount_int - 1, BTC_val_ind])
66         BTC_percentChange_float = (BTC_valCurrent_float - BTC_valPrevious_float) / (BTC_valPrevious_float)
67         combined_df.at[rowCount_int, 'BTC % Change 1min'] = BTC_percentChange_float
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69         #ETH_valCurrent_float = (combined_df.iloc[rowCount_int, ETH_val_ind])
70         #ETH_valPrevious_float = (combined_df.iloc[rowCount_int - 1, ETH_val_ind])
71         #ETH_percentChange_float = (ETH_valCurrent_float - ETH_valPrevious_float) / (ETH_valPrevious_float)
72         BTC_valCurrent_float = (combined_df.iloc[rowCount_int, BTC_val_ind])
73         BTC_valPrevious_float = (combined_df.iloc[rowCount_int - 1, BTC_val_ind])
74         BTC_percentChange_float = (BTC_valCurrent_float - BTC_valPrevious_float) / (BTC_valPrevious_float)
75         combined_df.at[rowCount_int, 'ETH % Change 1min'] = BTC_percentChange_float
76
77         #ETH_valCurrent_float = (combined_df.iloc[rowCount_int, ETH_val_ind])
78         #ETH_valPrevious_float = (combined_df.iloc[rowCount_int - 1, ETH_val_ind])
79         #ETH_percentChange_float = (ETH_valCurrent_float - ETH_valPrevious_float) / (ETH_valPrevious_float)
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81         #combined_df.at[rowCount_int, 'ETH % Change'] = ETH_percentChange_float
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83         #combined_df.at[rowCount_int, 'Difference'] = BTC_percentChange_float - ETH_percentChange_float
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85         combined_df.at[rowCount_int, 'Ethereum Prediction'] = (combined_df.iloc[rowCount_int + predictAhead, ETH_val_ind])
86
87         if ((combined_df.iloc[rowCount_int + predictAhead, ETH_val_ind]) > (combined_df.iloc[rowCount_int, ETH_val_ind])):
88             combined_df.at[rowCount_int, 'Movement'] = 'Up'
89         else:
90             combined_df.at[rowCount_int, 'Movement'] = 'Down'
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