Crypto Forecasting Sync 1

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Me

- Machine Learning Quant Researcher at Bloomberg
- Worked on Liquidity Assessment model, signal seeking with weather data, and application of recommender system in financial service
- Research interests include Bayesian deep learning, generative models, and application of language models in finance
- Lately working with my intern on a reinforcement learning algorithm for recommender system
- PhD in Statistics from University of Florida and BS in Statistics from Nankai University

Group intro

- 15 students signed up
- Will be equally divided into 5 teams
 - Already formed 3 teams
- Let's get to know each other

Project overview

- To build a deep neural network model to predict crypto returns using pricing data, alternative data, news and social feeds
- To construct a profitable long-short equity strategy based on the predicted returns and backtest on historical data

Sep

- Env set up (jupyter notebooks, colab, gpu)
- Data: Pricing (<u>cbpro</u>), alternative, social feeds, news
- Sources: Bloomberg stations, Quandl, the Wharton School database

Oct

- Modeling (neural nets, gradient boosting trees)
- Nov
 - Strategies (long-short, long-only)
- Dec
 - Report

Weekly sync

- Sync on a weekly basis
 - Could be more in the first few weeks
- Each team is expected to give a 10-min update on what's done in the past week
- Interactive, sharing updates, collecting feedbacks

Workspace

- Slack
- Github
- Google drive shared folder

Todo

- Familiarize with slack, github, jupyter notebook, colab, etc.
- Explore Bloomberg stations, Quandl, the Wharton School database to find useful datasets for crypto forecasting