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Causal relationships between cryptocurrencies: the effects of sampling interval and sample size

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Abstract: For this paper, the relationship between seventeen popular cryptocurrencies was analyzed by multivariate Granger causality tests and simple linear regression, using data spanning the period 1 September 2020 to 8 December 2021. The novelty of this work is that it studies the effects of sampling interval and sample size in cryptocurrency markets, which can yield significantly different results. Minute-by-minute, hourly and daily data were collected to examine the Granger causality relationship between cryptocurrencies. It was found that all the currencies demonstrated a significant causality relationship when high frequency (such as minute-by-minute) data was used, in contrast to hourly and daily data. The bigger the sample size, the higher the probability of rejecting the null hypothesis. Hence, the null hypothesis for the Granger causality test can be rejected for minute-by-minute time series data because of too large a sample size. Granger causality test results for hourly and daily data indicated that Bitcoin, Ethereum Classic, and Neo were leading indicators among the cryptocurrencies included in the research. In addition, according to simple linear regression analysis, the short term marginal effect of Bitcoin plays an important role by creating significant impacts on other cryptocurrencies.

Keywords: cryptocurrency; multivariate Granger causality test; sample size; sampling interval; simple linear regression.

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1 Introduction

Digital platforms and globalization have made it necessary for the world to use virtual assets. Cryptocurrency markets emerged with Bitcoin (Nakamoto 2008), and there are now many coins that try to attract funds in large amounts in exchange markets. Cryptocurrencies create value by digital connection and energy resources (Yan et al. 2022). They are widely accepted in all countries even if they do not have a physical identity. There is a free market environment, and this gives both professionals and ordinary individuals easy access to cryptocurrencies. This is a revolution in the financial markets because these valuable virtual assets have expanded the concept of investments from conventional investments such as stock exchanges, foreign currencies, gold and bonds to cryptocurrencies. These new assets have become a reality and attracted a large amount of investments around the globe. Unlike conventional investments, cryptocurrency markets are open to spot sale for twenty four hours a week. Investors can connect to this market even via mobile phones. This has made it easy for people to invest their savings with many options, using cryptocurrencies not only for buying and selling, but also

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for earning interest, or being used for futures. Moreover, most of the companies are also engaged in this digital market for garnering funds by issuing coins. This market gives investors the opportunity to diversify their portfolios (Culjak et al. 2022). Cryptocurrencies can also serve as safe havens. It has been found that they behave as safe havens during panics in financial markets (Corbet et al. 2022). They can also be attractive for risk-appetite investors. Both individuals and firms have significant power to influence the market (Breidbach and Tana 2021). Returns and volatility can be explained by the attention of investors (Guindy 2021; Li et al. 2021a; Smales 2022). In addition, cryptocurrencies can behave as speculative assets. This means they cannot be predicted by conventional assets. Therefore, it is important to conduct a causal relationship analysis to predict their behaviors in the markets using a high frequency and big data sample.

The impact of conventional assets, commodities and stock exchanges on the cryptocurrencies, and also their impacts on these indicators, have been comprehensively analyzed (Caferra 2022; Cao and Ling 2022; Lahiani et al. 2021). Canh et al. (2019a) studied the diversification capability of seven cryptocurrencies against risks from the oil price, the gold price, interest rate, USD strength, and S&P500 by using weekly data between August 2014 and June 2018. It was found that causality between cryptocurrencies and economic factors was undirected. The results implied that cryptocurrencies could not be assumed as financial assets to hedge risks caused by economic factors. However, the causal relationship between cryptocurrencies has been neglected in terms of high frequency by using minute-by-minute data. When a large data sample is considered, it can be seen that research about how a change in one cryptocurrency can impact on those in others remains limited. This work is going to fill this gap in the research. For conventional empirical analysis, it is difficult to collect high frequency data, but for this digital market, it is easy to select minute-by-minute, hourly and daily data for analysis. The cryptocurrency markets have become important but there is not enough information on how these coins impact upon each other. Hence, this work is going to focus on a comparative analysis of the effects of sampling intervals and sample size between seventeen cryptocurrencies, listed in the tables. For the research, it was assumed that both a multivariate Granger causality test and simple linear regression can be used to examine the connection between the currencies. Twenty-four-hour markets are favorable for analyzing causality relationships by examining big data. The main questions of this work are as follows: First, what is the causal relationship between the currencies on a minute-by-minute, hourly and daily basis? Second, which is the leading currency – that which has the largest impact? This work is going to find answers to these

It can be observed in the cryptocurrencies when the trend is downward, all currencies usually experience falling prices. It was estimated that there is connection between Bitcoin volume and returns and the volumes of other cryptocurrencies (Yarovaya and Zieba 2022). This indicates that the trading volume of Bitcoin can impact on changes of other players in the financial market. Moreover, it is expected that the Bitcoin price can be dominant, with a larger impact than other coins. Comparing sampling interval and sample size could help understand how movements can be differentiated. Most research is more limited with daily data. This paper goes beyond this by including minute-by-minute and hourly data. The world is becoming more connected to twenty-fourhour cryptocurrency markets and instant investments are crucial. Hence, this can help investors diversify their portfolios between currencies and decide how to invest. To our knowledge, this work is the first to analyze the relationship between cryptocurrencies by considering both different sampling intervals (data frequencies) and a large sample size for the comparison of minute-by-minute, hourly and daily data. Causal relationships analysis data were between seventeen cryptocurrencies. This research showed significant connections among cryptocurrencies when minute-by-minute data were in the analysis. However, the Granger causality test results for hourly and daily data indicated that Bitcoin, Ethereum Classic, and Neo could be leading indicators. In addition, simple linear regression analysis showed that Bitcoin could significantly affect other cryptocurrencies. According to the study, causal relationships can be present when the analysis employs high frequency data, even if there might not be any actual causal relationship. Henceforth, researchers, policy-makers, portfolio managers, and investors should consider alternative methods, sampling intervals, and sample sizes in big data analysis.

The paper is organized as follows: In Section 2, previous research and the novelty of current work were discussed. In Section 3, how data was collected explained. In Section 4, multivariate Granger causality test and simple linear regression analysis were conducted. Section 5 is discussion. In Section 6, the paper is concluded.

2 Previous research and the current work

2.1 Previous research

Research about the relationship between cryptocurrencies is more limited when high frequency is considered. Nevertheless, there are some recent works that have considered the relationship between coins. Naeem et al. (2022) investigated connectedness network of returns by using standard VAR and quantile vector autoregression (VAR) spillovers, focusing on daily data from 7 August 2015 to 31 October 2020. The research highlighted that Bitcoin, Litecoin and Ripple were dominant transmitters to return spillover. Moreover, it was found that Ethereum can be influenced by most cryptocurrencies. Bouri et al. (2021) applied quantile-based connectedness measures via a quantile VAR model using daily price data of seven cryptocurrencies for the period between 8 August 2015 and 31 December 2020. It was pointed out that extreme events caused stronger connectedness than calm periods. Li et al. (2021b) investigated MAX effects between cryptocurrencies for daily data between 1 January 2014 and 30 June 2020. It was estimated that higher daily returns create higher returns in the future. Moratis (2021) used Bayesian VAR analysis to investigate spillover effects in the cryptocurrency market using daily data between 10 October 2016 and 28 May 2020. It was found that Bitcoin dominates spillover in the market. Kim et al. (2021) implemented a Granger non-causality tests in quantiles to investigate causality relationships among eight popular cryptocurrencies by using daily data spanning from 23 July 2017 to 28 November 2019. The results of the non-causality tests indicated that there was a significant causal relationships in the tail quantiles. Hence, it was mentioned that it could be hard for investors to hedge risks in cryptocurrency markets. Schinckus et al. (2020) used a network analysis to explore interdependences among a large number of cryptocurrencies for daily period between 28 April 2013 and 14 July 2018. It was estimated that although Bitcoin is the older and the most famous cryptocurrency, it is not an influential asset on the virtual cryptocurrency market. Canh et al. (2019b) used cumulative sum test for parameter stability, Granger causality test, LM test for ARCH and DCC-MGARCH model to investigate structural breaks and volatility spillovers in seven largest cryptocurrencies including Bitcoin, Litecoin, Ripple, Stellar, Monero, Dash, and Bytecoin by using daily data between 5 August 2014 and 31 December 2018. It was mentioned that the structural breaks are universally presents in these cryptocurrencies, and the shifts spread from smaller cryptocurrencies to larger ones. Moreover, volatility spillovers exist with strong positive correlations among cryptocurrencies. Tu and Xue (2019) implemented Granger causality test and a BEKK-MGARCH model to analyze the return and volatility spillovers between Bitcoin and Litecoin by using daily data spanning from 28 April 2013 to 31 July 2017. This work indicated that shock-transmission being reversed from Litecoin to Bitcoin after bifurcation.

2.2 The current work and research gap

Previous studies are highly likely to ignore the causal relationships in different sampling intervals and sample sizes. These works are limited to daily data. Contrary to previous studies, this paper includes more leading cryptocurrencies with data in different frequencies, such as minute-by-minute, hourly and daily data. Our work proves that Granger causality can be present among cryptocurrencies in minute-by-minute analysis. In other words, sampling intervals and sample size affect causality analysis. In addition, previous works did not discover that high frequency data would lead to significant causal relationships between variables. In the big data world, this work highlights that the Granger causality test finds relationships among variables when high frequency data are in the analysis. In other words, the null hypothesis for the Granger causality test can be rejected because of the too-large sample size. This is a novelty for researchers to consider this situation when applying causality tests. This will help them create favorable discussions and meaningful results.

3 Data collection

Binance was used for the collection of variables because this data base makes data available at the three levels of frequency required for our statistical analysis. This cryptocurrency exchange application is widely used around the globe. Moreover, it is assumed that this database is an honest platform compared with other emerging crypto applications (Chen et al. 2022). It shows instant changes in the figures and provides the opportunity to compare with other cryptocurrencies. Vidal-Tomás (2022) examined several exchange platforms in cryptodatadownload.com for the underlying process of Bitcoin. It was found that this database is appropriate for the conduct of research. In this paper, the available data was collected for Binance exchange platform from cryptodatadownload.com for seventeen cryptocurrencies over the period between 1 September 2020 and 8 December 2021. These are described as follows: Bnb (Binance), Btc (Bitcoin), Btt (Bittorrent), Cel (Celsius), Dash (Dash), Eos (EOS), Etc (Ethereum Classic), Eth (Ethereum), Link (Chainlink), Ltc (Litecoin), Neo (Neo), One (One), Qtum (Qtum), Trx (Tronix), Xlm (Stellar), Xmr (Monero) and Zec (Zcash).

4 Empirical analysis

4.1 Unit root test results

To check the stationarity of the variables in a robust manner, two alternative unit root tests, Augmented Dickey-Fuller (ADF) and Phillips-Perron (PP), were used. The unit root test results are reported in Table 1. Both ADF and PP unit root test results indicate that the integrated order of each variable is one for minute-by-minute, hourly, and daily data. These results show that all series are stationary in the logarithmic first difference.

4.2 Multivariate Granger causality tests

Causality was defined as in Granger (1969): a variable y causes a variable x if the variance of the forecast error of x obtained by using the past of y is smaller than the variance of the forecast error of x obtained without using the past of y. The Granger causality test is sensitive to a misspecified lag length, insufficiently frequent observations, too small a sample, or the lack of Granger causality even if philosophical causation occurs.

In empirical studies, the causal relationship between two variables is commonly estimated by applying the traditional Granger causality test proposed by Granger (1969). While the traditional Granger causality test is easy to carry out, it has its limitations. For instance, the test is sensitive to model specification and the number of lags included. In a multivariate time series, bivariate causality measures may estimate indirect causality from x to y stemming from intermediate interaction with another variable z, e.g., from the direct causal effect $x \to z$ and $z \to y$, the indirect causal effect $x \to y$ arises. Thus, bivariate analysis cannot distinguish between direct and indirect causal effects and may give erroneous results when applied to multivariate systems. Therefore, it is essential to account for the presence of the other observed variables of a multivariate time series when testing for directional relationships between two variables. Multivariate causality measures utilize all the

Table 1: Unit root test results.

				Min	ute-by-minu	te data						
	Logarithmic level Logarithmic first difference lable Lag ADF p-Value PP p-Value Lag ADF p-Value PP 36 -1.21 0.6723 -1.22 0.6693 35 -138.38 0.0001 -791.20											
Variable	Lag	ADF	p-Value	PP	p-Value	Lag	ADF	p-Value	PP	p-Value		
Bnb	36	-1.21	0.6723	-1.22	0.6693	35	-138.38	0.0001	-791.20	0.0001		
Btc	28	-2.21	0.2030	-2.22	0.2008	27	-160.24	0.0001	-790.57	0.0001		
Btt	48	-1.16	0.6951	-1.15	0.6985	47	-118.17	0.0001	-802.94	0.0001		
Cel	10	-1.05	0.7381	-0.97	0.7643	9	-259.32	0.0001	-826.95	0.0001		
Dash	28	-1.96	0.3063	-1.91	0.3263	27	-157.49	0.0001	-770.03	0.0001		
Eos	28	-2.29	0.1756	-2.24	0.1938	27	-158.02	0.0001	-782.68	0.0001		
Etc	37	-1.26	0.6524	-1.25	0.6557	36	-137.11	0.0001	-787.10	0.0001		
Eth	38	-1.38	0.5933	-1.38	0.5922	37	-133.88	0.0001	-794.33	0.0001		
Link	29	-2.06	0.2607	-2.03	0.2726	28	-156.24	0.0001	-783.19	0.0001		
Ltc	29	-2.11	0.2413	-2.08	0.2511	28	-158.42	0.0001	-795.82	0.0001		
Neo	29	-1.66	0.4498	-1.65	0.4583	28	-155.21	0.0001	-786.76	0.0001		
One	29	-0.82	0.8136	-0.82	0.8139	28	-157.05	0.0001	-811.40	0.0001		
Qtum	25	-1.36	0.6035	-1.34	0.6128	24	-166.23	0.0001	-779.89	0.0001		
Trx	17	-1.24	0.6588	-1.21	0.6718	16	-193.12	0.0001	-777.02	0.0001		
Xlm	31	-1.96	0.3040	-1.94	0.3121	30	-152.30	0.0001	-789.81	0.0001		
Xmr	28	-2.51	0.1129	-2.48	0.1216	27	-158.22	0.0001	-772.62	0.0001		
Zec	57	-1.84	0.3634	-1.88	0.3429	56	-114.44	0.0001	-764.40	0.0001		
					Hourly dat	a						
Bnb	0	-1.17	0.6876	-1.17	0.6878	1	-77.50	0.0001	-107.17	0.0001		
Btc	0	-1.78	0.3911	-1.78	0.3888	0	-105.92	0.0001	-105.96	0.0001		
Btt	1	-0.94	0.7757	-0.95	0.7711	0	-111.87	0.0001	-111.75	0.0001		
Cel	2	-0.76	0.8295	-0.76	0.8305	1	-78.58	0.0001	-107.10	0.0001		
Dash	2	-1.74	0.4101	-1.79	0.3861	1	-78.19	0.0001	-108.34	0.0001		
Eos	2	-2.16	0.2222	-2.24	0.1920	1	-78.08	0.0001	-108.92	0.0001		
Etc	2	-1.00	0.7565	-1.02	0.7475	1	-79.30	0.0001	-111.70	0.0001		
Eth	2	-1.02	0.7500	-1.02	0.7466	1	-77.54	0.0001	-104.29	0.0001		
Link	0	-1.93	0.3185	-1.88	0.3443	1	-77.91	0.0001	-107.34	0.0001		
Ltc	2	-1.68	0.4395	-1.71	0.4284	1	-79.76	0.0001	-112.09	0.0001		
Neo	2	-1.58	0.4934	-1.57	0.4959	1	-78.75	0.0001	-109.85	0.0001		
One	2	-0.58	0.8730	-0.58	0.8722	1	-78.67	0.0001	-109.02	0.0001		
Qtum	0	-1.25	0.6546	-1.23	0.6621	1	-77.40	0.0001	-107.35	0.0001		
Trx	2	-1.30	0.6338	-1.36	0.6046	1	-78.22	0.0001	-106.96	0.0001		
Xlm	2	-1.68	0.4439	-1.71	0.4251	1	-79.68	0.0001	-112.61	0.0001		
Xmr	2	-2.17	0.2171	-2.22	0.2000	1	-78.22	0.0001	-109.37	0.0001		
Zec	1	-1.69	0.4386	-1.65	0.4544	0	-112.96	0.0001	-113.23	0.0001		
					Daily data	1						
Bnb	0	-1.19	0.6784	-1.19	0.6785	0	-23.41	0.0000	-23.35	0.0000		
Btc	0	-1.79	0.3872	-1.79	0.3857	0	-22.44	0.0000	-22.42	0.0000		
Btt	0	-0.92	0.7831	-0.93	0.7771	0	-21.12	0.0000	-21.13	0.0000		
Cel	0	-0.69	0.8477	-0.63	0.8612	0	-21.68	0.0000	-21.72	0.0000		
Dash	2	-1.77	0.3940	-1.73	0.4131	0	-25.15	0.0000	-24.89	0.0000		
Eos	1	-1.96	0.3047	-2.16	0.2202	0	-25.25	0.0000	-25.14	0.0000		
Etc	0	-1.02	0.7490	-1.07	0.7300	0	-20.41	0.0000	-20.51	0.0000		
Eth	0	-1.05	0.7362	-1.03	0.7439	0	-23.38	0.0000	-23.34	0.0000		
Link	1	-1.66	0.4514	-1.67	0.4446	0	-24.82	0.0000	-25.13	0.0000		
Ltc	0	-1.70	0.4291	-1.68	0.4412	0	-22.28	0.0000	-22.28	0.0000		

Table 1: (continued)

				Min	ute-by-minut	e data				
			Logarithmic	level			Loga	rithmic first o	lifference	
Variable	Lag	ADF	p-Value	PP	p-Value	Lag	ADF	p-Value	PP	p-Value
Neo	0	-1.58	0.4923	-1.58	0.4923	0	-23.59	0.0000	-23.56	0.0000
One	0	-0.57	0.8736	-0.54	0.8812	0	-23.36	0.0000	-23.30	0.0000
Qtum	0	-1.24	0.6599	-1.22	0.6683	0	-22.27	0.0000	-22.26	0.0000
Trx	0	-1.37	0.5977	-1.29	0.6339	0	-24.13	0.0000	-24.13	0.0000
Xlm	0	-1.70	0.4292	-1.69	0.4375	0	-22.46	0.0000	-22.46	0.0000
Xmr	1	-1.94	0.3150	-2.03	0.2721	0	-27.13	0.0000	-27.19	0.0000
Zec	5	-1.90	0.3338	-1.69	0.4340	4	-9.88	0.0000	-24.40	0.0000

Exogenous variable is only constant, Appropriate lag length for ADF test has been selected using Schwarz information criterion (SC) while maximum lag for minute-by-minute, hourly, and daily data is 120, 48, and 12 periods, respectively. Appropriate Newey-West bandwidth for PP unit root tests is selected using Bartlett kernel

available information and aim to indicate only direct causality (Geweke 1982). Granger causality tests depend on which additional variables are included or excluded from a statistical model. If the model omits an important causal variable, the omitted variable bias can generate false conclusions about Granger causality (Lütkepohl 1982). The advantage of multivariate Granger tests over bivariate Granger tests is that they can help avoid spurious correlations and can aid in testing the general validity of the causation test. This is through adding additional variables that may be responsible for causing y or whose effects might obscure the effect of x on y (Lütkepohl 1982; Stern 2011). There may also be indirect channels of causation from x to y, which VAR modeling can uncover.

As already noted by Granger (1969), an important problem is the choice of the sampling interval for the Granger causality test. Data frequency is the sampling interval which is collected of time series data. In this study, as stated, causal relationships between seventeen cryptocurrencies were examined using minute-by-minute, hourly and daily data in a multivariate Granger causal test.

Park and Phillips (1989), Sims et al. (1990) and Toda and Phillips (1993) have shown that the standard asymptotic theory is not applicable to hypothesis testing in a level VAR model if the variables are integrated or cointegrated. Therefore, the usual Wald test statistics for Granger non-causality based on level VAR not only have non-standard asymptotic distribution, but depend on nuisance parameters in general if variables are nonstationary. In other words, if the variables in VAR are integrated of order one, F-statistics may not be used to jointly test the Granger causality since the test statistics do not have a standard distribution. According to unit root test results, the integrated order of each variable is one for all three data periods. These results show that all series are stationary in the logarithmic first difference. Also, Engle and Granger (1987) and Hansen (1992) cointegration tests were performed, and cointegrated relationships were not determined between cryptocurrencies at 5% level. Therefore, a VAR model in the logarithmic first differences of the variables can be estimated so that the standard asymptotic theory is valid for hypothesis testing in the VAR, since both integrated order for all variables is one and non-cointegrated with each other. Due to these reasons, multivariate Granger causality tests were performed by using the logarithmic first difference data.

It is well known that the Granger causality test is sensitive to the choice of lag length. If the chosen lag length is less than the true lag length, the omission of relevant lags can cause bias. If the chosen lag length is high, irrelevant lags in the equation cause the estimates to be inefficient (Clarke and Mirza 2006). To avoid this problem, Alternative lag selection criteria were used for optimum lag length selection.

¹ LR: Sequential modified LR test statistic at 5% level, FPE: Final prediction error, AIC: Akaike information criterion, SC: Schwarz information criterion, HQ: Hannan-Quinn information criterion.

While the maximum lag length for minute-by-minute data is 60, the appropriate lag length is estimated at 60 by LR, AIC and FPE, 4 by SC and 27 by HQ. The maximum lag is 48, while the appropriate lag for hourly data is 48 with LR testing, 13 by AIC, 2 by FPE and HO and 1 by SC. For daily data, the LR test determined the appropriate lag length to be 12, with a maximum lag of 12, while the appropriate lag length was determined as 1 by other lag selection criteria. Sawa (1978) has argued that the AIC tends to choose models of higher order than the true model, but states that the bias is negligible when the appropriate lag length is less than (Number of observations/10), as in this study. Therefore, the appropriate lag lengths for minute-by-minute, hourly, and daily data, using AIC, were taken as 60, 13 and 1, respectively.

Multivariate Granger causality test results for all data frequencies are given in Table 1A in Appendix. Those for minute-by-minute data indicate that each cryptocurrency is the cause of the other cryptocurrencies at 1% significant level in the Granger sense. In other words, there is a causal relationship between the seventeen cryptocurrencies, minute-by-minute in the sense of Granger.

The appropriate lag length for minute-by-minute data was selected as 4 by SC and 27 by HQ. In these lags, Granger causality tests were performed and the results remained the same. In addition, bivariate Granger causality tests were performed for the same data and it was determined that the results remained the same at the 1% significant level. These results show that Granger causality tests for minute-by-minute data are not sensitive to lag order and definition by VAR model as bivariate or multivariate. A major obstacle to detecting causality is temporal aggregation. Low frequency financial data such as that garnered monthly or weekly may mask the true causal relationship between variables since aggregation may make the relationship between x and y simultaneous. High frequency data such as hourly and minute-by-minute thus offer an opportunity to analyze causal effects (Dufour et al. 2012). On the other hand, as the sample size increases, standard errors will decrease, thereby greatly improving the value of the test statistics. The number of observations for minute-by-minute data was 645.768, and it is too large a sample size. Thus, the null hypothesis, where x is not a Granger cause of y, can be rejected for minute-by-minute time series data because of the over-large sample size. In other words, the bigger the sample size, the higher the probability of rejecting the null hypothesis. Therefore, for minute-by-minute data, each cryptocurrency may have been determined as the cause of other cryptocurrencies in the Granger sense.

The results of how many of the cryptocurrencies for the other sixteen currencies are Granger causes at 1% and 5% levels using hourly and daily data are given in Table 2. At 5% significant level for hourly data, Zec was found to be the cause for the other sixteen cryptocurrencies in the Granger sense. In addition, at 5% level, Link, Btc, One and Etc cryptocurrencies were determined as Granger causes of 14, 13, 13 and 10 of the other crypto currencies, respectively. However, the results show that *One* cryptocurrency is not the cause of Granger of any of the other cryptocurrencies at both 5% and 1% significant level for daily data, Zec is also Granger cause of one cryptocurrency. However, in daily frequency, it was determined that the cryptocurrencies that stand out in sense of Granger causality are Neo, Btc, and Etc. Maddala and Kim (1998) argue that a better term for Granger causality would be precedence. Hence, Granger causality test results can be used to determine the leading cryptocurrencies. Cryptocurrencies which can be the leading indicators for hourly data are Link, Btc, One and Etc, while those for daily frequency are Neo, Btc, Btt and Etc. When both hourly and daily data frequencies are taken into account, it is seen that the cryptocurrencies that stand out are Btc, Etc and Neo. Thus, these cryptocurrencies are the ones that will be used as leading indicators among the cryptocurrencies included in the research.

4.3 Simple linear regression results

Using high frequency data increases the chance of detecting causal links since temporal aggregation may make the relationship between cryptocurrencies simultaneous. On the other hand, the sample size for minute-byminute and hourly data is too large. The bigger the sample size, the higher the probability of rejecting the null

Table 2: Granger causality numbers between cryptocurrencies.

Cryptocurrency	Hour	ly data	Daily	data data
	Granger causality numbers (1% level)	Granger causality numbers (5% level)	Granger causality numbers (1% level)	Granger causality numbers (5% level)
Bnb	1	7	0	0
Btc	9	13	1	3
Btt	4	5	2	4
Cel	2	5	0	1
Dash	2	3	0	2
Eos	2	8	1	2
Etc	6	10	2	4
Eth	0	5	0	0
Link	10	14	0	1
Ltc	1	3	1	1
Neo	3	8	2	7
One	9	13	0	0
Qtum	0	3	0	1
Trx	6	8	0	0
Xlm	4	5	0	1
Xmr	0	1	0	0
Zec	13	16	1	1

hypothesis. The fact that the Granger non-causality null hypothesis between crypto coins for daily data cannot be mostly rejected indicates that the relationships between cryptocurrencies can be simultaneous in daily frequency. The instantaneous causality can be explained by either temporal aggregation or missing causal variables (Granger 1988). For example, variables which are Granger causal based on hourly data may not be Granger causal based on daily data (Breitung and Swanson 2002). Therefore, the results obtained from simple linear regression analysis for daily data are informative about the simultaneous relationships between cryptocurrencies. Namely, simple linear regression with daily data will uncover which cryptocurrency has a higher marginal impact on other cryptocurrencies. In other words, the instantaneous response of other cryptocurrencies to the change in any cryptocurrency in the daily period will be determined.

If the relationship between two cryptocurrencies is cointegrated, there is a long term equilibrium relationship between them. If two cryptocurrencies are not cointegrated, then simple linear regression at a logarithmic level would be spurious. In this study, both Engle and Granger (1987) and Hansen (1992) cointegration tests were performed, and cointegrated relationships were not obtained between cryptocurrencies at 5% level. Therefore, simple linear regression analyses were carried out to determine short term relationships between daily cryptocurrencies using series with logarithmic first-order differences. The results of simple linear regression in logarithmic first difference for daily data are given in Table 2A in Appendix.

The results of simple linear regression indicate that all slope coefficients are statistically significant at 1% level. The values of the estimated slope coefficients range from 0.19 to 1.26. This indicates a positive and statistically significant simultaneous relationship between cryptocurrencies. The R-square, which is the explanation power of the model, yielded values ranging from 0.165 to 0.708. While the highest R-squared value was determined in the regressions between Dash and Zec, the lowest R-squared value was obtained from regressions between Etc and One. When the mean R-square results are examined, the cryptocurrencies that explain 50% of the total change in other cryptocurrencies are Neo and Ltc, while the cryptocurrencies with the lowest explanatory power were found to be Cel and One, with values of 28% and 24%.

Table 3: The average marginal effect of any cryptocurrency on other cryptocurrencies and the average R-square coefficients.

Independent variable	Ordered mean coef.	Independent variable	Ordered mean R-sq
Btc	1.12	Neo	0.499
Eth	0.88	Ltc	0.498
Ltc	0.79	Eos	0.477
Xmr	0.73	Link	0.464
Trx	0.72	Dash	0.463
Neo	0.71	Zec	0.463
Dash	0.66	Eth	0.460
Link	0.66	Qtum	0.430
Eos	0.66	Etc	0.419
Zec	0.65	Trx	0.412
Etc	0.62	Btc	0.407
Bnb	0.59	Xmr	0.393
XIm	0.58	XIm	0.374
Qtum	0.54	Bnb	0.345
Btt	0.48	Btt	0.313
Cel	0.39	Cel	0.278
One	0.36	One	0.244

Table 4: Descriptive statistics for cryptocurrencies in logarithmic first order difference.

Cryptocurrency	Mean	Ordered std. deviation
Btc	0.3172	4.0288
Eth	0.4957	5.4677
Xmr	0.1725	6.0088
Ltc	0.2109	6.2439
Trx	0.2433	6.3682
Bnb	0.6952	6.9546
Neo	0.0806	7.0257
Dash	0.1020	7.1412
Etc	0.3875	7.2323
Link	0.0652	7.2739
XIm	0.2341	7.3054
Zec	0.1726	7.3398
Eos	0.0009	7.3530
Btt	0.4551	8.1469
Qtum	0.2593	8.4025
Cel	0.4265	9.4209
One	0.6428	9.6290

Based on the results obtained from simple linear regression analysis, the mean marginal effects (slope coefficients) and the mean of the R-square values are given in Table 3. The marginal effect of Btc on other cryptocurrencies has always been greater than other marginal impacts in each regression equality. The marginal effect of Btc on other cryptocurrencies ranges from approximately 1.00 to 1.26. The mean marginal effect of Btc was estimated to be 1.12. Another cryptocurrency with a large marginal effect is Eth. The mean marginal effect of this cryptocurrency on the others was estimated at 0.88. The slope coefficients corresponding to the marginal effects of cryptocurrencies on other cryptocurrencies were determined to be less than 1, with the exception of Btc. In addition, the cryptocurrency with the lowest marginal effect on the other cryptocurrencies, was usually One. The slope coefficients for One ranged from 0.19 to 0.68. The average marginal impact of this cryptocurrency was found to be 0.36. These results show that the cryptocurrency with the greatest marginal effect on the others is Btc, while that with the lowest marginal effect is One.

In simple linear regression, the least squares estimator of the slope coefficient is $\widehat{Cov}(X,Y)/\widehat{V}(x)$, so in equations where the independent variable is Bitcoin, the value $\widehat{V}(x)$ corresponds to the variance value for Bitcoin. For daily data, the marginal influence of Bitcoin on other cryptocurrencies is high. In other words, the variance of this cryptocurrency is lower than that of other cryptocurrencies. The mean and variance values for the cryptocurrencies included in the research are in Table 4. The lowest variance value is in Bitcoin. This finding also indicates that the volatility for Bitcoin is at a lower level than other cryptocurrencies. Volatility is known to be high for percentage changes in the price of cryptocurrencies. The low volatility in Bitcoin compared to other cryptocurrencies causes less uncertainty in this cryptocurrency. Thus, Bitcoin can be considered a leading indicator cryptocurrency. It has the highest marginal effect on other cryptocurrencies.

5 Discussion

Big data analysis has gained importance in every field in the global and digital world. Deriving high frequency and large data samples is much easier than before. One of the prominent econometric analyses using a large data sample has been performed via Granger causality tests. Many scientific fields can study the causal relationships between variables. In analysis, the sampling intervals and sample size should be appropriate to obtain favorable results. To our knowledge, this is the first work that considered sampling intervals and sample size in cryptocurrencies. This research highlights that "the bigger the sample size, the higher the probability of rejecting the null hypothesis. Therefore, the null hypothesis for the Granger causality test can be rejected for minute-by-minute time series data because of too large a sample size". This work indicates that researchers, policymakers, portfolio managers, and investors should be cautious about the instantaneous changes in cryptocurrencies in big data analysis. Cryptocurrencies are open to investments for every moment in digital platforms. Hence, it is easy for investors to connect to this market. Nevertheless, choosing a currency that could have a hedge effect is challenging. In other words, investors may not diversify their investments among cryptocurrencies to avoid risks. When Granger causality tests utilize high frequency data, there were significant relationships between all cryptocurrencies. Therefore, the analyses should use low frequency data or different sampling intervals and sample sizes. It cannot be favorable to conduct causality tests with high frequency data because it is already clear that researchers would always find significant relationships between cryptocurrencies.

It is not easy to know which cryptocurrency can help reduce risks in the market. Therefore, the changes in leading cryptocurrencies should be monitored. Granger causality test results for hourly and daily data indicated that Bitcoin, Ethereum Classic, and Neo were leading currencies. In addition, according to the simple linear regression analysis, the short term marginal effect of Bitcoin on other cryptocurrencies always had a more powerful impact than others. When researchers analyze using a large data sample, they must be aware that the null hypothesis for the Granger causality test can be rejected. Thus, they should select an alternative method or alternative sampling intervals and sample size. This work employed an alternative method to discuss the results using simple linear regression analysis, different sampling intervals, and sample sizes. Canh et al. (2019b) pointed out that there could be a high degree of non-diversifiable risk within seven popular cryptocurrencies. This work is limited to causality analysis using daily data, similar to the study by Tu and Xue (2019). They found that smaller cryptocurrencies are indicators of changes in larger ones. Our work showed that larger capitalized cryptocurrencies could also be leading indicators such as Bitcoin. Kim et al. (2021) also pointed out that

it is difficult for investors to hedge risks among cryptocurrencies. Similarly, our research proves that selecting cryptocurrencies for diversification is challenging, specifically in minute-by-minute analysis. However, when different sampling intervals and sample sizes are considered, the leading cryptocurrencies can be detected. Schinckus et al. (2020) reported that Bitcoin is not an influential asset on other cryptocurrencies. Nevertheless, our work proves that the short term marginal impact of Bitcoin on other cryptocurrencies is always more profound. This information can provide an opportunity to reduce risks. Hence, researchers, policymakers, portfolio managers, and investors should consider results from different sampling intervals and sample sizes in big data analysis.

6 Conclusions

In this work, the effects of the sampling interval and sample size on the causal relationships between seventeen popular cryptocurrencies were examined by comparing minute-by-minute, hourly and daily data for the period from September 1, 2020 to December 8, 2021. Multivariate Granger causality tests were used to determine the leading cryptocurrencies for both different sampling intervals and sample sizes. Linear simple regression by daily data was conducted to indicate the simultaneous relationships between cryptocurrencies.

Multivariate Granger causality test results showed that each cryptocurrency is the cause of the other cryptocurrencies at 1% significant level in the Granger sense using minute-by-minute data. In other words, there is a minute-by-minute causal relationship between all cryptocurrencies in the sense of Granger. The bigger the sample size, the higher the probability of rejecting the null hypothesis. Therefore, each cryptocurrency may be determined as the cause of other cryptocurrencies for minute-by-minute data in the Granger sense.

As the sampling interval changes, the causality relationship also produced different results. When the sampling interval changed hourly or daily, the causal relationship in the sense of Granger between some cryptocurrencies could not be rejected. However, the most causal relationships between cryptocurrencies emerged with Bitcoin, Ethereum Classic, and Neo. For this reason, Bitcoin, Ethereum Classic, and Neo may be used as leading indicators among the cryptocurrencies included in the research.

In addition, high frequency data increases the chance of detecting causal links because temporal aggregation can create simultaneous relationship between cryptocurrencies. Hence, daily data for simple linear regression analysis was conducted, and may indicate a simultaneous relationship. The result showed that the short term marginal effect of Bitcoin on other cryptocurrencies always had a larger impact compared with those of others. As a result, sampling intervals and sample size are crucial for Granger causality tests, and Bitcoin plays a leading role as an indicator for other currencies.

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Appendix A

 Table 1A:
 Multivariate Granger causality test results.

		Depende	nt varia	ble is <i>Bnb</i>					Depend	ent varia	able is <i>Btc</i>		
		te-by- te data	Hou	rly data	Dail	y data		Minut minute	•	Hou	rly data	Dai	ily data
х	χ²	Prob.	χ²	Prob.	χ^2	Prob.	X	χ²	Prob.	χ²	Prob.	χ^2	Prob.
Btc	381.0	0.000*	34.4	0.001*	0.6	0.4331	Bnb	17,356.8	0.000*	17.4	0.180	0.1	0.7959
Btt	334.4	0.000^{*}	41.9	0.000^{*}	1.9	0.1685	Btt	478.0	0.000^{*}	24.8	0.024**	0.2	0.6559
Cel	363.0	0.000^{*}	25.6	0.019**	0.0	0.9715	Cel	603.5	0.000^{*}	10.7	0.633	0.6	0.4306
Dash	317.2	0.000^{*}	14.7	0.328	0.3	0.5831	Dash	3243.9	0.000^{*}	12.3	0.503	0.1	0.7718
Eos	445.5	0.000^{*}	19.2	0.117	0.3	0.6085	Eos	4876.8	0.000^{*}	11.1	0.604	1.9	0.1730
Etc	322.9	0.000^{*}	23.9	0.032**	0.0	0.8604	Etc	4655.0	0.000^{*}	21.0	0.073	0.0	0.9801
Eth	415.1	0.000^{*}	24.5	0.027**	1.1	0.2851	Eth	16,388.1	0.000^{*}	25.4	0.021**	0.4	0.5494
Link	296.2	0.000^{*}	23.2	0.040**	1.9	0.1668	Link	5620.2	0.000^{*}	29.6	0.006^{*}	8.0	0.3658
Ltc	465.4	0.000^{*}	9.1	0.766	0.0	0.8660	Ltc	1906.5	0.000^{*}	12.7	0.474	1.6	0.2122
Neo	420.7	0.000^{*}	22.0	0.055	0.6	0.4347	Neo	2087.8	0.000^{*}	16.7	0.214	3.0	0.0825
One	164.7	0.000^{*}	32.3	0.002^{*}	2.2	0.1367	One	508.9	0.000^{*}	20.7	0.080	0.9	0.3556
Qtum	886.0	0.000^{*}	12.7	0.474	0.1	0.8140	Qtum	1736.9	0.000^{*}	7.2	0.893	0.5	0.4779
Trx	196.4	0.000^{*}	37.0	0.000^{*}	0.3	0.5677	Trx	2175.2	0.000^{*}	14.9	0.317	0.4	0.5497
Xlm	286.2	0.000^{*}	11.2	0.596	0.2	0.6783	Xlm	1769.6	0.000^{*}	29.7	0.005^{*}	3.8	0.0509
Xmr	434.7	0.000^{*}	20.9	0.075	0.2	0.6398	Xmr	249.4	0.000^{*}	20.1	0.094	0.5	0.4920
Zec	451.9	0.000^{*}	29.4	0.006^{*}	1.0	0.3121	Zec	3653.4	0.000^{*}	24.0	0.031**	1.1	0.3013
All	8752	0.000^{*}	418	0.000^{*}	16.0	0.4501	All	747,551	0.000^{*}	338	0.000^{*}	29.4	0.0215**

		The state of the s							Depend	ent vari	able is <i>Cel</i>		
		•	Hou	rly data	Dai	y data			te-by- e data	Houi	rly data	Da	ily data
X	χ^2	Prob.	χ²	Prob.	χ^2	Prob.	X	χ²	Prob.	χ^2	Prob.	χ2	Prob.
Bnb	1293.7	0.000^{*}	21.0	0.073	0.1	0.7731	Bnb	1389.6	0.000*	20.3	0.089	1.7	0.1859
Btc	1082.5	0.000^{*}	30.6	0.004^{*}	2.9	0.0910	Btc	610.5	0.000^{*}	29.5	0.006^{*}	1.7	0.1978
Cel	164.4	0.000^{*}	40.7	0.000^{*}	1.4	0.2426	Btt	456.9	0.000^{*}	38.8	0.000^{*}	7.2	0.0072^*
Dash	766.2	0.000^{*}	12.8	0.460	1.0	0.3177	Dash	697.6	0.000^{*}	8.5	0.809	0.1	0.7401
Eos	372.0	0.000^{*}	39.7	0.000^{*}	0.0	0.8916	Eos	681.0	0.000^{*}	31.4	0.003^{*}	1.4	0.2437
Etc	1462.7	0.000^{*}	26.4	0.015**	8.0	0.3684	Etc	887.9	0.000^{*}	20.0	0.096	0.7	0.3953
Eth	2991.9	0.000^{*}	16.1	0.243	0.0	0.9106	Eth	2511.4	0.000^{*}	14.5	0.340	0.0	0.9649
Link	2198.2	0.000^{*}	29.3	0.006^{*}	0.8	0.3608	Link	2465.0	0.000^{*}	51.1	0.000^{*}	0.0	0.9792
Ltc	1465.8	0.000^{*}	18.1	0.154	0.2	0.6370	Ltc	1023.5	0.000^{*}	20.0	0.095	8.0	0.3598
Neo	507.2	0.000^{*}	18.2	0.149	2.8	0.0950	Neo	621.5	0.000^{*}	28.1	0.009^{*}	5.5	0.0188**
One	326.6	0.000^{*}	21.0	0.074	0.5	0.4654	One	1330.4	0.000^{*}	56.6	0.000^{*}	0.3	0.5886
Qtum	713.1	0.000^{*}	24.3	0.029**	0.5	0.4667	Qtum	871.8	0.000^{*}	11.5	0.573	0.1	0.7644
Trx	7271.0	0.000^{*}	13.3	0.427	0.2	0.6861	Trx	839.9	0.000^{*}	27.0	0.012**	0.1	0.8068
XIm	722.5	0.000^{*}	13.7	0.399	0.0	0.9552	Xlm	355.4	0.000^{*}	10.8	0.628	1.7	0.1948
Xmr	628.3	0.000^{*}	10.5	0.651	1.7	0.1873	Xmr	364.6	0.000^{*}	9.2	0.760	0.4	0.5428
Zec	307.9	0.000^{*}	26.8	0.013**	0.1	0.8000	Zec	488.9	0.000^{*}	30.6	0.004^{*}	0.5	0.4784
All	68,725	0.000*	423	0.000^{*}	21.0	0.1773	All	63,999	0.000*	450	0.000*	24.0	0.0897

Table 1A: (continued)

		Depende	nt varia	ble is <i>Dash</i>					Depend	ent vari	able is <i>Eos</i>		
		te-by- e data	Hour	ly data	Dail	y data			te-by- e data	Hou	rly data	Da	ily data
Х	χ2	Prob.	χ2	Prob.	χ²	Prob.	X	χ²	Prob.	χ²	Prob.	χ2	Prob
Bnb	293.5	0.000*	23.5	0.036**	9.9	0.627	Bnb	353.4	0.000*	26.5	0.014**	0.0	0.8882
Btc	377.5	0.000^{*}	25.6	0.019**	23.2	0.027**	Btc	474.6	0.000^{*}	30.8	0.004^{*}	3.7	0.0545
Btt	185.7	0.000^{*}	8.6	0.803	14.9	0.246	Btt	319.0	0.000^{*}	19.7	0.103	0.2	0.6905
Cel	218.0	0.000^{*}	14.0	0.376	15.5	0.214	Cel	245.1	0.000^{*}	18.2	0.148	2.1	0.1440
Eos	359.1	0.000^{*}	6.2	0.940	25.1	0.014**	Dash	202.4	0.000^{*}	22.8	0.044**	1.6	0.2102
Etc	430.0	0.000^{*}	37.8	0.000^{*}	14.4	0.274	Etc	632.0	0.000^{*}	42.4	0.000^{*}	5.1	0.0237**
Eth	463.9	0.000^{*}	12.8	0.465	11.0	0.526	Eth	379.2	0.000^{*}	9.3	0.751	0.1	0.6994
Link	279.2	0.000^{*}	32.6	0.002^{*}	13.0	0.368	Link	531.6	0.000^{*}	36.3	0.001*	0.7	0.3977
Ltc	721.5	0.000^{*}	14.9	0.313	15.4	0.219	Ltc	1146.1	0.000^{*}	23.1	0.041**	1.0	0.3121
Neo	279.1	0.000^{*}	11.3	0.585	24.2	0.019**	Neo	408.6	0.000^{*}	13.5	0.408	6.7	0.0098^{*}
One	169.0	0.000^{*}	28.9	0.007^{*}	8.9	0.711	One	160.1	0.000^{*}	34.7	0.001*	0.0	0.9330
Qtum	1023.7	0.000^{*}	10.2	0.680	11.5	0.486	Qtum	1344.6	0.000^{*}	19.8	0.100	0.8	0.3582
Trx	178.6	0.000^{*}	11.9	0.538	7.5	0.825	Trx	234.3	0.000^{*}	32.3	0.002^{*}	3.6	0.0585
Xlm	256.0	0.000^{*}	32.0	0.002^{*}	14.3	0.280	Xlm	473.2	0.000^{*}	36.5	0.001*	2.9	0.0875
Xmr	380.5	0.000^{*}	15.6	0.271	7.6	0.814	Xmr	399.4	0.000^{*}	24.2	0.029**	1.1	0.3035
Zec	523.2	0.000^{*}	41.5	0.000^{*}	11.2	0.512	Zec	592.0	0.000^{*}	32.0	0.002^{*}	0.1	0.8220
All	8037	0.000^{*}	370.8	0.000^{*}	263.8	0.001*	All	10,471	0.000^{*}	454	0.000^{*}	32.9	0.0077*

		Depend	lent var	iable is <i>Etc</i>					Depend	ent varia	ble is <i>Eth</i>		
		te-by- te data	Hou	rly data	Da	ily data		Minut minut	•	Hour	ly data	Da	ily data
X	χ^2	Prob.	χ²	Prob.	χ²	Prob.	X	χ²	Prob.	χ²	Prob.	χ^2	Prob.
Bnb	352.8	0.000^{*}	17.6	0.172	0.2	0.6796	Bnb	2537.0	0.000^{*}	15.1	0.299	0.2	0.6538
Btc	423.6	0.000^{*}	25.7	0.018**	0.0	0.8721	Btc	560.8	0.000^{*}	37.0	0.000^{*}	6.0	0.0146**
Btt	321.0	0.000^{*}	10.8	0.624	0.7	0.4092	Btt	1294.0	0.000^{*}	8.2	0.833	0.2	0.6674
Cel	296.7	0.000^{*}	23.9	0.033**	2.8	0.0932	Cel	274.7	0.000^{*}	10.5	0.649	2.9	0.0900
Dash	319.1	0.000^{*}	22.3	0.050^{***}	3.3	0.0688	Dash	1085.6	0.000^{*}	11.0	0.611	0.9	0.3391
Eos	708.8	0.000^{*}	16.2	0.239	5.2	0.0230**	Eos	1085.4	0.000^{*}	16.6	0.218	0.7	0.3887
Eth	631.8	0.000^{*}	22.9	0.043**	0.0	0.8976	Etc	2564.6	0.000^{*}	18.5	0.139	0.1	0.7087
Link	326.4	0.000^{*}	25.9	0.018**	0.0	0.9763	Link	7385.1	0.000^{*}	32.5	0.002^{*}	0.1	0.7569
Ltc	763.5	0.000^{*}	19.0	0.125	5.0	0.0250**	Ltc	1742.5	0.000^{*}	18.2	0.151	1.1	0.2851
Neo	370.8	0.000^{*}	23.3	0.038**	8.0	0.0047^*	Neo	747.4	0.000^{*}	24.2	0.029^{**}	4.7	0.0299^{**}
One	227.2	0.000^{*}	29.8	0.005^{*}	0.4	0.5378	One	491.1	0.000^{*}	29.4	0.006	0.0	0.9676
Qtum	1025.1	0.000^{*}	23.7	0.034^{**}	0.6	0.4220	Qtum	1396.9	0.000^{*}	7.6	0.871	1.0	0.3144
Trx	389.6	0.000^{*}	36.9	0.000^{*}	0.4	0.5381	Trx	1019.1	0.000^{*}	13.9	0.382	0.3	0.6046
XIm	352.3	0.000^{*}	14.2	0.361	0.8	0.3627	Xlm	1208.1	0.000^{*}	19.2	0.118	1.0	0.3220
Xmr	452.8	0.000^{*}	11.6	0.559	2.5	0.1155	Xmr	865.3	0.000^{*}	11.1	0.598	0.1	0.8093
Zec	454.3	0.000^{*}	60.7	0.000^{*}	0.1	0.7928	Zec	1239.6	0.000^{*}	31.3	0.003*	1.1	0.2968
All	9441	0.000^{*}	416	0.000^{*}	36.8	0.0022*	All	100,348	0.000^{*}	342.0	0.000^{*}	31.8	0.0106**

Table 1A: (continued)

		Depende	ent varia	able is <i>Link</i>					Depend	ent vari	able is <i>Ltc</i>		
		te-by- e data	Hou	rly data	Da	ily data		Minut minute	•	Hou	rly data	Da	ily data
X	χ ²	Prob.	χ²	Prob.	χ ²	Prob.	X	χ²	Prob.	χ²	Prob.	χ ²	Prob.
Bnb	219.2	0.000*	12.8	0.465	0.0	0.9603	Bnb	2617.1	0.000*	9.5	0.734	0.1	0.7654
Btc	394.2	0.000^{*}	37.3	0.000^{*}	3.9	0.0495^{**}	Btc	498.6	0.000^{*}	35.8	0.001*	8.8	0.0031*
Btt	212.7	0.000^{*}	11.8	0.541	0.2	0.6523	Btt	413.7	0.000^{*}	15.4	0.281	0.2	0.6965
Cel	253.9	0.000^{*}	14.1	0.368	2.6	0.1036	Cel	516.1	0.000^{*}	22.0	0.056	6.0	0.0145**
Dash	281.3	0.000^{*}	18.2	0.150	0.5	0.4714	Dash	2960.5	0.000^{*}	15.1	0.301	0.2	0.6686
Eos	362.6	0.000^{*}	8.3	0.826	0.7	0.4199	Eos	5939.7	0.000^{*}	17.3	0.187	2.1	0.1456
Etc	335.4	0.000^{*}	18.3	0.146	3.9	0.0497**	Etc	4294.3	0.000^{*}	17.6	0.174	1.7	0.1895
Eth	379.3	0.000^{*}	13.2	0.436	0.4	0.5162	Eth	609.6	0.000^{*}	17.9	0.163	0.0	0.8589
Ltc	487.8	0.000^{*}	13.3	0.428	0.5	0.4638	Link	5791.4	0.000^{*}	24.6	0.026**	0.0	0.8284
Neo	322.5	0.000^{*}	23.3	0.039**	5.5	0.0186**	Neo	1045.3	0.000^{*}	31.6	0.003*	4.2	0.0406**
One	202.1	0.000^{*}	38.1	0.000^{*}	0.0	0.8744	One	463.8	0.000^{*}	28.0	0.009^*	0.0	0.9179
Qtum	1011.8	0.000^{*}	17.3	0.186	0.1	0.7514	Qtum	1563.4	0.000^{*}	8.2	0.830	0.0	0.8373
Trx	290.3	0.000^{*}	16.7	0.212	0.0	0.9226	Trx	778.2	0.000^{*}	8.0	0.841	2.0	0.1612
Xlm	226.9	0.000^{*}	11.4	0.578	0.4	0.5037	Xlm	4491.9	0.000^{*}	13.2	0.433	0.9	0.3557
Xmr	310.7	0.000^{*}	15.1	0.300	0.2	0.6291	Xmr	1853.0	0.000^{*}	21.1	0.070	2.4	0.1187
Zec	438.8	0.000^{*}	32.0	0.002^{*}	0.4	0.5282	Zec	2032.0	0.000^{*}	23.3	0.038**	1.0	0.3139
All	8314	0.000^{*}	344	0.000^{*}	23.2	0.1087	All	235,899	0.000^{*}	388	0.000^{*}	40.2	0.0007^*

		Depend	ent varia	able is <i>Neo</i>					Depende	ent varia	able is <i>One</i>		
		te-by- e data	Hou	rly data	Dai	ily data			te-by- e data	Hou	rly data	Dai	ily data
X	χ^2	Prob.	χ^2	Prob.	χ²	Prob.	X	χ2	Prob.	χ²	Prob.	χ^2	Prob.
Bnb	275.0	0.000*	24.4	0.028**	0.4	0.5229	Bnb	2118.3	0.000*	24.3	0.028**	0.6	0.4240
Btc	554.5	0.000^{*}	33.7	0.001*	2.2	0.1408	Btc	987.2	0.000^{*}	17.7	0.171	2.2	0.1404
Btt	302.0	0.000^{*}	14.0	0.372	4.8	0.0291**	Btt	534.7	0.000^{*}	39.6	0.000^{*}	9.6	0.0020^{*}
Cel	187.2	0.000^{*}	23.0	0.041**	0.1	0.7479	Cel	448.0	0.000^{*}	28.6	0.007^{*}	1.3	0.2457
Dash	349.3	0.000^{*}	7.0	0.903	0.1	0.7211	Dash	1032.5	0.000^{*}	17.2	0.188	0.3	0.5632
Eos	416.5	0.000^{*}	23.2	0.040**	7.9	0.0048^{*}	Eos	867.7	0.000^{*}	25.6	0.020**	1.5	0.2136
Etc	666.1	0.000^{*}	29.7	0.005^{*}	11.7	0.0006^{*}	Etc	1549.4	0.000^{*}	23.5	0.036**	3.1	0.0800
Eth	496.1	0.000^{*}	10.2	0.679	0.3	0.5684	Eth	2563.5	0.000^{*}	16.8	0.206	0.2	0.6897
Link	417.3	0.000^{*}	47.5	0.000^{*}	0.1	0.7408	Link	3034.2	0.000^{*}	35.6	0.001*	0.7	0.4164
Ltc	710.8	0.000^{*}	30.5	0.004^{*}	0.0	0.8871	Ltc	2059.1	0.000^{*}	19.5	0.107	0.4	0.5069
One	175.3	0.000^{*}	22.4	0.049^{**}	0.9	0.3477	Neo	939.4	0.000^{*}	17.5	0.179	1.9	0.1733
Qtum	2355.7	0.000^{*}	9.5	0.738	0.0	0.9678	Qtum	823.4	0.000^{*}	15.7	0.265	0.0	0.9898
Trx	267.4	0.000^{*}	31.0	0.003^{*}	0.0	0.9024	Trx	1038.6	0.000^{*}	6.8	0.910	1.3	0.2494
XIm	517.2	0.000^{*}	9.5	0.735	2.3	0.1284	Xlm	544.7	0.000^{*}	10.3	0.668	2.5	0.1173
Xmr	454.5	0.000^{*}	15.0	0.306	0.5	0.4800	Xmr	681.7	0.000^{*}	8.9	0.777	0.3	0.5915
Zec	528.7	0.000^{*}	68.5	0.000^{*}	1.0	0.3231	Zec	481.4	0.000^{*}	29.6	0.005^{*}	0.8	0.3742
All	12,221	0.000^{*}	441	0.000^{*}	28.4	0.0285**	All	73,582	0.000^{*}	360	0.000^{*}	26.2	0.0512

Table 1A: (continued)

		Depende	nt varia	ble is <i>Qtum</i>					Depend	lent vari	able is <i>Trx</i>		
		te-by- te data	Hou	rly data	Da	ily data			te-by- e data	Hou	rly data	Da	ily data
Х	χ²	Prob.	χ^2	Prob.	χ^2	Prob.	X	χ^2	Prob.	χ²	Prob.	χ ²	Prob.
Bnb	251.8	0.000*	30.5	0.004*	0.1	0.7320	Bnb	230.8	0.000*	17.6	0.174	2.7	0.1012
Btc	357.4	0.000^{*}	26.2	0.016**	1.8	0.1848	Btc	374.3	0.000^{*}	43.9	0.000^{*}	8.0	0.3848
Btt	162.6	0.000^{*}	21.8	0.059	1.1	0.3050	Btt	1074.4	0.000^{*}	45.7	0.000^{*}	4.2	0.0402**
Cel	179.6	0.000^{*}	12.1	0.520	1.4	0.2359	Cel	227.7	0.000^{*}	20.3	0.088	0.5	0.4998
Dash	259.9	0.000^{*}	7.9	0.850	4.6	0.0316**	Dash	251.8	0.000^{*}	15.0	0.305	0.7	0.3982
Eos	532.0	0.000^{*}	20.0	0.095	1.0	0.3062	Eos	488.1	0.000^{*}	26.2	0.016**	4.3	0.0374**
Etc	640.3	0.000^{*}	44.0	0.000^{*}	9.6	0.0019*	Etc	503.9	0.000^{*}	31.2	0.003*	1.0	0.3130
Eth	322.0	0.000^{*}	8.3	0.825	0.2	0.6186	Eth	283.8	0.000^{*}	24.9	0.024**	0.0	0.8928
Link	266.2	0.000^{*}	32.7	0.002^{*}	0.1	0.6986	Link	259.1	0.000^{*}	29.7	0.005^{*}	0.1	0.7428
Ltc	480.2	0.000^{*}	22.1	0.053	0.1	0.7170	Ltc	708.6	0.000^{*}	16.5	0.222	0.3	0.6168
Neo	472.0	0.000^{*}	24.1	0.030**	0.6	0.4454	Neo	266.2	0.000^{*}	23.7	0.034**	9.5	0.0020*
One	185.3	0.000^{*}	26.5	0.014**	1.0	0.3122	One	158.6	0.000^{*}	20.2	0.092	0.4	0.5303
Trx	216.0	0.000^{*}	41.5	0.000^{*}	0.4	0.5504	Qtum	843.4	0.000^{*}	12.8	0.467	3.9	0.0484**
Xlm	341.9	0.000^{*}	17.2	0.190	0.1	0.7466	XIm	292.7	0.000^{*}	59.5	0.000^{*}	0.6	0.4531
Xmr	296.1	0.000^{*}	10.2	0.678	2.6	0.1089	Xmr	287.5	0.000^{*}	6.4	0.929	0.8	0.3762
Zec	459.3	0.000^{*}	54.6	0.000^{*}	0.2	0.6419	Zec	315.3	0.000^{*}	32.4	0.002^{*}	0.2	0.6264
All	7396	0.000^{*}	431	0.000^{*}	21.0	0.1768	All	8958	0.000^{*}	455	0.000^{*}	27.3	0.0379**

		Depende	nt varia	ble is <i>Xlm</i>			Dependent variable is <i>Xmr</i>							
	Minut minut	•	Hourly data		Daily data			Minut minute	•	Hourly data		Daily data		
X	χ²	Prob.	χ²	Prob.	χ²	Prob.	X	χ²	Prob.	χ²	Prob.	χ²	Prob.	
Bnb	1344.5	0.000*	25.2	0.022**	0.2	0.6725	Bnb	3084.9	0.000*	20.3	0.089	0.7	0.3909	
Btc	301.8	0.000^{*}	17.2	0.192	0.4	0.5227	Btc	302.1	0.000^{*}	23.2	0.040**	1.7	0.1954	
Btt	128.0	0.000^{*}	5.2	0.971	0.2	0.6941	Btt	159.7	0.000^{*}	9.0	0.774	0.9	0.3490	
Cel	398.4	0.000^{*}	15.2	0.293	0.7	0.4035	Cel	742.4	0.000^{*}	18.7	0.133	0.2	0.6683	
Dash	1744.5	0.000^{*}	5.4	0.966	0.0	0.9610	Dash	4312.4	0.000^{*}	31.3	0.003^{*}	0.9	0.3466	
Eos	3192.8	0.000^{*}	23.1	0.041**	3.6	0.0562	Eos	3188.4	0.000^{*}	24.7	0.025**	0.0	0.9366	
Etc	2997.9	0.000^{*}	34.1	0.001*	0.6	0.4252	Etc	2779.7	0.000^{*}	17.5	0.177	2.0	0.1523	
Eth	585.1	0.000^{*}	25.4	0.020**	2.6	0.1055	Eth	687.7	0.000^{*}	21.6	0.062	0.3	0.6097	
Link	4327.4	0.000^{*}	21.0	0.073	1.8	0.1848	Link	4176.6	0.000^{*}	22.0	0.056	1.8	0.1836	
Ltc	7863.3	0.000^{*}	14.6	0.333	0.0	0.8540	Ltc	10,032.9	0.000^{*}	26.6	0.014**	0.4	0.5033	
Neo	1488.2	0.000^{*}	29.6	0.005^{*}	2.2	0.1389	Neo	1529.9	0.000^{*}	19.5	0.109	0.6	0.4401	
One	424.6	0.000^{*}	22.7	0.045**	0.0	0.9200	One	637.7	0.000^{*}	33.3	0.002^{*}	1.8	0.1828	
Qtum	1455.8	0.000^{*}	24.5	0.027**	0.3	0.6159	Qtum	1906.9	0.000^{*}	8.7	0.798	0.4	0.5200	
Trx	751.3	0.000^{*}	27.9	0.009^{*}	0.5	0.4595	Trx	595.0	0.000^{*}	25.1	0.023**	0.1	0.8078	
Xmr	1608.9	0.000^{*}	12.6	0.482	1.3	0.2579	XIm	3971.7	0.000^{*}	8.8	0.788	1.1	0.2928	
Zec	1411.1	0.000^{*}	39.4	0.000*	0.0	0.9386	Zec	4332.3	0.000^{*}	66.8	0.000^{*}	0.2	0.6485	
All	162,926	0.000^{*}	410	0.000^{*}	20.6	0.1960	All	225,132	0.000^{*}	397	0.000^{*}	16.6	0.4093	

Table 1A: (continued)

		Dependo	ent variable is <i>Zec</i>				
	Minute-by	-minute data	Hou	rly data	Daily data		
X	χ²	Prob.	χ²	Prob.	χ²	Prob.	
Bnb	306.8	0.000*	25.5	0.020**	0.1	0.7528	
Btc	506.9	0.000^{*}	20.7	0.079	0.8	0.3654	
Btt	230.2	0.000^*	12.6	0.475	0.5	0.4823	
Cel	197.5	0.000^*	14.4	0.346	1.3	0.2563	
Dash	1001.3	0.000^{*}	38.1	0.000^{*}	1.5	0.2205	
Eos	537.5	0.000^{*}	24.0	0.031**	0.0	0.9072	
Etc	474.4	0.000^*	23.9	0.032**	0.5	0.4872	
Eth	585.7	0.000^{*}	14.8	0.320	0.0	0.9588	
Link	352.5	0.000^*	22.8	0.044**	1.2	0.2648	
Ltc	715.4	0.000^*	18.6	0.136	0.5	0.4647	
Neo	282.8	0.000^{*}	15.2	0.296	5.3	0.0213**	
One	216.3	0.000^*	24.6	0.026**	0.0	0.8898	
Qtum	941.7	0.000^*	15.2	0.294	2.8	0.0942	
Trx	258.6	0.000^{*}	21.9	0.056	0.0	0.9377	
Xlm	273.8	0.000^*	24.7	0.026**	0.4	0.5273	
Xmr	397.3	0.000^*	21.4	0.065	1.4	0.2406	
All	9701.9	0.000^*	410.4	0.000^{*}	17.3	0.3664	

 $^{^*}$ Indicate significance at the 1% level. ** Indicate significance at the 5% level.

Table 2A: Results of simple linear regression in logarithmic first difference for daily data.

Dej	oendent v	ariable is <i>Bn</i>	ıb	De	pendent v	ariable is <i>Bt</i>	c	Dep	endent v	ariable is <i>Bti</i>	t
Variable	Coef.	p-Value	R-sq	Variable	Coef.	p-Value	R-sq	Variable	Coef.	p-Value	R-sq
Btc .	1.06	0.0000	0.379	Bnb	0.36	0.0000	0.379	Bnb	0.63	0.0000	0.286
Btt	0.46	0.0000	0.286	Btt	0.30	0.0000	0.380	Btc	1.06	0.0000	0.380
Cel	0.33	0.0000	0.200	Cel	0.21	0.0000	0.237	Cel	0.43	0.0000	0.242
Dash	0.60	0.0000	0.374	Dash	0.37	0.0000	0.430	Dash	0.64	0.0000	0.309
Eos	0.58	0.0000	0.372	Eos	0.36	0.0000	0.437	Eos	0.67	0.0000	0.366
Etc	0.50	0.0000	0.273	Etc	0.33	0.0000	0.343	Etc	0.58	0.0000	0.260
Eth	0.82	0.0000	0.417	Eth	0.56	0.0000	0.586	Eth	0.85	0.0000	0.324
Link	0.61	0.0000	0.408	Link	0.37	0.0000	0.451	Link	0.61	0.0000	0.298
Ltc	0.70	0.0000	0.400	Ltc	0.51	0.0000	0.615	Ltc	0.74	0.0000	0.317
Neo	0.66	0.0000	0.444	Neo	0.39	0.0000	0.458	Neo	0.70	0.0000	0.369
One	0.34	0.0000	0.227	One	0.19	0.0000	0.211	One	0.39	0.0000	0.210
Qtum	0.51	0.0000	0.378	Qtum	0.29	0.0000	0.364	Qtum	0.53	0.0000	0.300
Trx	0.62	0.0000	0.323	Trx	0.39	0.0000	0.371	Trx	0.90	0.0000	0.495
Xlm	0.50	0.0000	0.281	Xlm	0.34	0.0000	0.373	XIm	0.56	0.0000	0.249
Xmr	0.71	0.0000	0.372	Xmr	0.45	0.0000	0.445	Xmr	0.74	0.0000	0.293
Zec	0.59	0.0000	0.384	Zec	0.36	0.0000	0.428	Zec	0.62	0.0000	0.311

De	pendent v	ariable is <i>Ce</i>	<i>!</i>	Dep	endent v	ariable is <i>Da</i>	sh	Dependent variable is <i>Eos</i>				
Variable	Coef.	p-Value	R-sq	Variable	Coef.	p-Value	R-sq	Variable	Coef.	p-Value	R-sq	
Bnb	0.61	0.0000	0.200	Bnb	0.63	0.0000	0.374	Bnb	0.65	0.0000	0.372	
Btc	1.14	0.0000	0.237	Btc	1.16	0.0000	0.430	Btc	1.21	0.0000	0.437	
Btt	0.57	0.0000	0.242	Btt	0.49	0.0000	0.309	Btt	0.55	0.0000	0.366	
Dash	0.65	0.0000	0.240	Cel	0.37	0.0000	0.240	Cel	0.41	0.0000	0.280	
Eos	0.68	0.0000	0.280	Eos	0.73	0.0000	0.571	Dash	0.78	0.0000	0.571	
Etc	0.60	0.0000	0.210	Etc	0.76	0.0000	0.596	Etc	0.78	0.0000	0.593	
Eth	0.97	0.0000	0.314	Eth	0.89	0.0000	0.465	Eth	0.94	0.0000	0.491	
Link	0.80	0.0000	0.384	Link	0.68	0.0000	0.477	Link	0.74	0.0000	0.532	
Ltc	0.84	0.0000	0.310	Ltc	0.89	0.0000	0.601	Ltc	0.92	0.0000	0.610	
Neo	0.73	0.0000	0.293	Neo	0.77	0.0000	0.574	Neo	0.82	0.0000	0.609	
One	0.68	0.0000	0.480	One	0.35	0.0000	0.224	One	0.36	0.0000	0.221	
Qtum	0.58	0.0000	0.265	Qtum	0.57	0.0000	0.457	Qtum	0.67	0.0000	0.585	
Trx	0.80	0.0000	0.292	Trx	0.75	0.0000	0.445	Trx	0.84	0.0000	0.531	
Xlm	0.62	0.0000	0.233	XIm	0.61	0.0000	0.395	XIm	0.74	0.0000	0.537	
Xmr	0.70	0.0000	0.198	Xmr	0.88	0.0000	0.550	Xmr	0.77	0.0000	0.393	
Zec	0.67	0.0000	0.268	Zec	0.82	0.0000	0.708	Zec	0.72	0.0000	0.511	

De	pendent v	ariable is <i>Et</i>	c	De	pendent v	ariable is <i>Et</i>	h	Dependent variable is <i>Link</i>				
Variable	Coef.	p-Value	R-sq	Variable	Coef.	p-Value	R-sq	Variable	Coef.	p-Value	R-sq	
Bnb	0.54	0.0000	0.273	Bnb	0.51	0.0000	0.417	Bnb	0.67	0.0000	0.408	
Btc	1.05	0.0000	0.343	Btc	1.04	0.0000	0.586	Btc	1.21	0.0000	0.451	
Btt	0.45	0.0000	0.260	Btt	0.38	0.0000	0.324	Btt	0.49	0.0000	0.298	
Cel	0.35	0.0000	0.210	Cel	0.32	0.0000	0.314	Cel	0.48	0.0000	0.384	
Dash	0.78	0.0000	0.596	Dash	0.52	0.0000	0.465	Dash	0.70	0.0000	0.477	
Eos	0.76	0.0000	0.593	Eos	0.52	0.0000	0.491	Eos	0.72	0.0000	0.532	
Eth	0.90	0.0000	0.463	Etc	0.51	0.0000	0.463	Etc	0.68	0.0000	0.451	
Link	0.67	0.0000	0.451	Link	0.61	0.0000	0.650	Eth	1.07	0.0000	0.650	
Ltc	0.86	0.0000	0.556	Ltc	0.70	0.0000	0.641	Ltc	0.90	0.0000	0.595	
Neo	0.77	0.0000	0.564	Neo	0.57	0.0000	0.539	Neo	0.80	0.0000	0.590	
One	0.30	0.0000	0.165	One	0.28	0.0000	0.237	One	0.41	0.0000	0.294	

Table 2A: (continued)

De	pendent v	ariable is <i>Et</i>	c	De	pendent v	ariable is <i>Et</i>	h	Dependent variable is <i>Link</i>			
Variable	Coef.	p-Value	R-sq	Variable	Coef.	p-Value	R-sq	Variable	Coef.	p-Value	R-sq
Qtum	0.63	0.0000	0.528	Qtum	0.44	0.0000	0.449	Qtum	0.61	0.0000	0.496
Trx	0.74	0.0000	0.425	Trx	0.57	0.0000	0.446	Trx	0.76	0.0000	0.441
Xlm	0.62	0.0000	0.386	Xlm	0.48	0.0000	0.419	XIm	0.67	0.0000	0.455
Xmr	0.75	0.0000	0.390	Xmr	0.59	0.0000	0.423	Xmr	0.77	0.0000	0.404
Zec	0.70	0.0000	0.501	Zec	0.53	0.0000	0.504	Zec	0.70	0.0000	0.498

De	pendent v	ariable is <i>Lt</i>	c	Dej	pendent v	ariable is <i>Ne</i>	20	Dependent variable is <i>One</i>				
Variable	Coef.	p-Value	R-sq	Variable	Coef.	p-Value	R-sq	Variable	Coef.	p-Value	R-sq	
Bnb	0.57	0.0000	0.400	Bnb	0.67	0.0000	0.444	Bnb	0.66	0.0000	0.227	
Btc	1.21	0.0000	0.615	Btc	1.18	0.0000	0.458	Btc	1.10	0.0000	0.211	
Btt	0.43	0.0000	0.317	Btt	0.52	0.0000	0.369	Btt	0.54	0.0000	0.210	
Cel	0.37	0.0000	0.310	Cel	0.40	0.0000	0.293	Cel	0.71	0.0000	0.480	
Dash	0.68	0.0000	0.601	Dash	0.75	0.0000	0.574	Dash	0.64	0.0000	0.224	
Eos	0.66	0.0000	0.610	Eos	0.75	0.0000	0.609	Eos	0.62	0.0000	0.221	
Etc	0.64	0.0000	0.556	Etc	0.73	0.0000	0.564	Etc	0.54	0.0000	0.165	
Eth	0.91	0.0000	0.641	Eth	0.94	0.0000	0.539	Eth	0.86	0.0000	0.237	
Link	0.66	0.0000	0.595	Link	0.74	0.0000	0.590	Link	0.72	0.0000	0.294	
Neo	0.68	0.0000	0.586	Ltc	0.86	0.0000	0.586	Ltc	0.80	0.0000	0.268	
One	0.34	0.0000	0.268	One	0.38	0.0000	0.271	Neo	0.71	0.0000	0.271	
Qtum	0.53	0.0000	0.517	Qtum	0.67	0.0000	0.637	Qtum	0.55	0.0000	0.230	
Trx	0.65	0.0000	0.443	Trx	0.81	0.0000	0.536	Trx	0.73	0.0000	0.236	
Xlm	0.57	0.0000	0.438	XIm	0.66	0.0000	0.467	Xlm	0.56	0.0000	0.183	
Xmr	0.73	0.0000	0.489	Xmr	0.81	0.0000	0.476	Xmr	0.73	0.0000	0.208	
Zec	0.65	0.0000	0.579	Zec	0.72	0.0000	0.572	Zec	0.64	0.0000	0.236	

Dep	Bnb 0.74 0.0000 0.378 Bnl Btc 1.26 0.0000 0.364 Btc Btt 0.56 0.0000 0.300 Btt Cel 0.46 0.0000 0.265 Cel Dash 0.80 0.0000 0.457 Das Fos 0.87 0.0000 0.585 Eos					ariable is <i>Tr</i>	x	Dependent variable is Xlm				
Variable	Coef.	p-Value	R-sq	Variable	Coef.	p-Value	R-sq	Variable	Coef.	p-Value	R-sq	
Bnb	0.74	0.0000	0.378	Bnb	0.52	0.0000	0.323	Bnb	0.56	0.0000	0.281	
Btc	1.26	0.0000	0.364	Btc	0.96	0.0000	0.371	Btc	1.11	0.0000	0.373	
Btt	0.56	0.0000	0.300	Btt	0.55	0.0000	0.495	Btt	0.45	0.0000	0.249	
Cel	0.46	0.0000	0.265	Cel	0.36	0.0000	0.292	Cel	0.37	0.0000	0.233	
Dash	0.80	0.0000	0.457	Dash	0.59	0.0000	0.445	Dash	0.64	0.0000	0.395	
Eos	0.87	0.0000	0.585	Eos	0.63	0.0000	0.531	Eos	0.73	0.0000	0.537	
Etc	0.84	0.0000	0.528	Etc	0.57	0.0000	0.425	Etc	0.63	0.0000	0.386	
Eth	1.03	0.0000	0.449	Eth	0.78	0.0000	0.446	Eth	0.86	0.0000	0.419	
Link	0.81	0.0000	0.496	Link	0.58	0.0000	0.441	Link	0.68	0.0000	0.455	
Ltc	0.97	0.0000	0.517	Ltc	0.68	0.0000	0.443	Ltc	0.77	0.0000	0.438	
Neo	0.95	0.0000	0.637	Neo	0.66	0.0000	0.536	Neo	0.71	0.0000	0.467	
One	0.42	0.0000	0.230	One	0.32	0.0000	0.236	One	0.32	0.0000	0.183	
Trx	0.84	0.0000	0.408	Qtum	0.48	0.0000	0.408	Qtum	0.57	0.0000	0.437	
Xlm	0.76	0.0000	0.437	XIm	0.55	0.0000	0.403	Trx	0.73	0.0000	0.403	
Xmr	0.87	0.0000	0.385	Xmr	0.63	0.0000	0.348	Xmr	0.68	0.0000	0.310	
Zec	0.77	0.0000	0.450	Zec	0.58	0.0000	0.442	Zec	0.64	0.0000	0.419	

Table 2A: (continued)

	Dependent v	ariable is <i>Xmr</i>			Dependent v	ariable is <i>Zec</i>	
Variable	Coef.	p-Value	R-sq	Variable	Coef.	p-Value	R-sq
Bnb	0.53	0.0000	0.372	Bnb	0.65	0.0000	0.384
Btc	1.00	0.0000	0.445	Btc	1.19	0.0000	0.428
Btt	0.40	0.0000	0.293	Btt	0.50	0.0000	0.311
Cel	0.28	0.0000	0.198	Cel	0.40	0.0000	0.268
Dash	0.62	0.0000	0.550	Dash	0.87	0.0000	0.708
Eos	0.51	0.0000	0.393	Eos	0.71	0.0000	0.511
Etc	0.52	0.0000	0.390	Etc	0.72	0.0000	0.501
Eth	0.71	0.0000	0.423	Eth	0.95	0.0000	0.504
Link	0.52	0.0000	0.404	Link	0.71	0.0000	0.498
Ltc	0.67	0.0000	0.489	Ltc	0.89	0.0000	0.579
Neo	0.59	0.0000	0.476	Neo	0.79	0.0000	0.572
One	0.28	0.0000	0.208	One	0.37	0.0000	0.236
Qtum	0.44	0.0000	0.385	Qtum	0.59	0.0000	0.450
Trx	0.56	0.0000	0.348	Trx	0.77	0.0000	0.442
Xlm	0.46	0.0000	0.310	XIm	0.65	0.0000	0.419
Zec	0.63	0.0000	0.600	Xmr	0.95	0.0000	0.600

Standard errors are corrected for autocorrelation and/or heteroscedasticity with the Newey-West HAC. The bold values indicate the explanatory power.

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