# Fiona's blood and tears-v2

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Note: The following is the code illustration for formation period and holding period both equal to 3 months.

# 0.0.1 1. Data Cleaning

```
[1]: import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

- [2]: path = '/Users/Fiona/Desktop/Term paper/crypto-markets.xlsx'
  df = pd.read\_excel(path)
- [3]: df.head()
- [3]: symbol ranknow close volume name date open high low Bitcoin 2013-04-28 0 BTC 1 135.30 135.98 132.10 134.21 0 1 BTC Bitcoin 2013-04-29 1 134.44 147.49 134.00 144.54 0 2 BTC Bitcoin 2013-04-30 146.93 134.05 139.00 0 1 144.00 3 BTC Bitcoin 2013-05-01 1 139.00 107.72 116.99 0 139.89 4 BTC Bitcoin 2013-05-02 1 116.38 125.60 92.28 105.21 0

market

- 0 1488566728
- 1 1603768865
- 2 1542813125
- 3 1298954594
- 4 1168517495
- [4]: # there are 2071 cryptocurrencies
  df.name.value\_counts()
- [4]: Litecoin 2042 Namecoin 2042

```
2042
    Bitcoin
                                         2041
    Peercoin
    Novacoin
                                         2041
    STACS
                                            3
    Atlas Protocol
                                            2
    BEAT
                                            2
    Blockchain Certified Data Token
                                            2
    BitNautic Token
    Name: name, Length: 2071, dtype: int64
[6]: # symbols and names have different value counts. This shows some cryptos have
     → the same symbol
     df.symbol.value_counts()
[6]: BITS
              3189
    PXC
              2123
    BTB
              2049
    BTM
              2043
    NMC
              2042
    STACS
                 3
    ATP
                 2
    BCDT
                 2
    BTNT
                 2
    BEAT
                 2
    Name: symbol, Length: 2005, dtype: int64
    0.0.2 Get rid of rows which do not have volume records
[7]: df1 = df.loc[(df['volume'] != 0)]
     df1.shape
[7]: (914477, 10)
    0.0.3 choose period between 2015-09-01 and 2018-11-29 - 39 months of data
[8]: df2 = df1.loc[(df['date'] >= '2015-09-01') & (df['date'] <= '2018-11-29')]
     df2.symbol.value_counts()
[8]: BITS
             2307
    BTM
             1662
    GCC
             1656
    FAIR
             1494
    CPC
             1484
```

```
ILC 3
BTNT 2
BCDT 2
BEAT 2
ATP 2
Name: symbol, Length: 1999, dtype: int64
```

## 0.0.4 Pick the ones with at least \$1 million and daily volume at least 100

use 'name' as value\_counts() because there are different coins use the same symbol

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[11]: df4 = df2.loc[df2['name'].isin(df3['name'])]
# print(df4.shape)
# print(df4['name'].value_counts())
```

### 0.0.5 Keep only currencies with more than 90 days records

we narrowed it down to 750 cryptocurrencies left

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[28]: df5 = pd.DataFrame(df4['name'].value_counts() >= 90)
df5 = df5[df5['name'] == True]
df5 = df4.loc[df4['name'].isin(df5.index)]
# print('the shape of df5 is: ', df5.shape)
# print(df5.name.value_counts())
```

### 0.0.6 Exclude USDT (Thether) - a stablecoin tied to US dollars

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[29]: df5 = df5[df5['symbol'] != 'USDT']
print(df5.shape)
print(df5.name.value_counts())
```

```
(337078, 10)
Dotcoin
                    1186
ReddCoin
                    1186
FLO
                    1186
OKCash
                    1186
Namecoin
                    1186
Cryptosolartech
                      94
Qubitica
                      93
Timicoin
                      92
Moneytoken
                      92
```

Ethersocial 90

Name: name, Length: 749, dtype: int64

# 0.0.7 2. Calculate Monthly Returns

```
[85]: df5.tail()
[85]:
             symbol
                       name
                                   date ranknow
                                                      open
                                                                high
                                                                           low \
                XSD
                     SounDAC 2018-11-25
                                            1290
                                                 0.069628 0.100426
                                                                      0.060031
      564278
      564279
                XSD
                     SounDAC 2018-11-26
                                            1290
                                                 0.086572 0.102605
                                                                      0.063123
      564280
                XSD
                     SounDAC 2018-11-27
                                            1290
                                                 0.065282 0.098405
                                                                      0.064442
                XSD
                    SounDAC 2018-11-28
      564281
                                            1290
                                                  0.081352 0.106668
                                                                      0.081352
      564282
                XSD
                    SounDAC 2018-11-29
                                            1290
                                                 0.091048 0.364850
                                                                      0.074758
                 close volume
                                market
      564278 0.086558
                           508 1262178
      564279 0.065963
                          1499
                                961864
      564280 0.081527
                          1088 1188817
      564281 0.091134
                          835 1328897
      564282 0.075003
                           535 1093675
[86]: df6 = df5.drop(['symbol', 'ranknow', 'open', 'high', 'low', 'volume', 'market'], axis
      →=1)
      df6 = df6.set_index(['date'])
[87]: df6 = df6.pivot_table(index='date', columns='name', values = 'close')
      # df6.tail()
[33]: df7 = df6.resample('M').ffill().pct_change().fillna(0)
[34]: # save df7 on my desktop as monthly return and import it back to python
      df8 = pd.read csv('/Users/Fiona/Desktop/monthly return.csv')
[35]: df_returns = df8.drop(['date'], axis =1)
      df_returns.tail()
[35]:
            0chain
                          Ox OxBitcoin
                                           1World
                                                      2GIVE
                                                                 4NEW AI Doctor \
      34 0.000000 0.364329
                             -0.149514  0.130952  -0.224000  0.000000
                                                                        0.054916
      35 -0.534670 -0.284973
                             -0.295870 -0.366528 -0.135939
                                                             0.000000 -0.377192
                             0.004668 -0.104963 0.008047 -0.513911
      36 -0.097753 -0.155488
                                                                       -0.203914
      37 0.765346 0.174734
                             -0.268176  0.220365  -0.256813  -0.320219
                                                                       0.099099
      38 -0.564908 -0.429983 -0.040125 -0.318219 -0.288519 -0.327870 -0.438575
             ALIS
                       ALQO
                                  AMLT ...
                                            bitUSD carVertical district0x \
      34 -0.244072 -0.503321 -0.033540 ... -0.077586
                                                        0.077096
                                                                    0.097868
      35 -0.092612  0.066267  0.060795  ... -0.009346
                                                      -0.478805
                                                                   -0.301347
      36 -0.215623  0.560011 -0.060925  ... -0.047170
                                                       -0.025333
                                                                   -0.026910
```

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37 -0.135306 0.392085 -0.377918 ... -0.009901 0.120383 0.365508
     38 -0.260614 -0.579813 1.061385 ... -0.010994
                                                      -0.575092
                                                                  -0.593121
         doc.com Token
                          eosDAC iExec RLC indaHash
                                                           nUSD savedroid \
     34
             -0.566039 - 0.607357 - 0.172928 - 0.081040 0.000000 0.000000
             -0.257709 -0.190806 -0.279431 -0.377053 -0.002169 0.000000
     35
             -0.426027 -0.223038 -0.065649 -0.217861 0.004035 -0.193868
     36
     37
             -0.245350 0.304548 0.107927 -0.056570 -0.004615 -0.241611
             -0.375513 -0.653097 -0.434102 -0.384325 -0.010762 -0.333333
     38
          ugChain
     34 0.189014
     35 -0.547719
     36 -0.335361
     37 -0.234875
     38 -0.596240
     [5 rows x 749 columns]
[36]: flattened_returns = df_returns.values.flatten('F')
     flattened_returns
[36]: array([ 0.
                       , 0.
                                    , 0.
                                                 , ..., -0.33536104,
            -0.2348746 , -0.59624049])
[37]: Returns = pd.DataFrame(flattened returns, columns = ['ret'])
     Returns
[37]:
                 ret
     0
            0.000000
     1
            0.000000
     2
            0.000000
     3
            0.000000
     4
            0.000000
     29206 0.189014
     29207 -0.547719
     29208 -0.335361
     29209 -0.234875
     29210 -0.596240
     [29211 rows x 1 columns]
[38]: df8.set_index(['date'], inplace = True)
     names = list(df8.columns)
[39]: import itertools
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[42]: X = 39
[43]: res = list(itertools.chain.from_iterable(itertools.repeat(i, X)
                                                 for i in names))
[44]: len(res)
[44]: 29211
[45]: Names = pd.DataFrame(res, columns = ['Names'])
[46]: df8 = df8.reset_index()
      df9 = df8['date']
[47]: Date = pd.concat([df9]*749, ignore_index=True)
[48]: Date = pd.DataFrame(Date)
[49]: data = pd.concat([Date, Names, Returns], axis = 1)
      data.set_index(['date'], inplace = True)
      data.columns = ['name', 'ret']
      data
[49]:
                   name
                              ret
      date
      9/30/15
                 Ochain 0.000000
      10/31/15
                 Ochain 0.000000
      11/30/15
                 Ochain 0.000000
      12/31/15
                 Ochain 0.000000
      1/31/16
                 Ochain 0.000000
      7/31/18
                ugChain 0.189014
      8/31/18
                ugChain -0.547719
                ugChain -0.335361
      9/30/18
      10/31/18 ugChain -0.234875
      11/30/18 ugChain -0.596240
      [29211 rows x 2 columns]
[50]: # data.loc[data['name'] == 'Bitcoin']
     0.0.8 3. Calculate the rolling culmulative returns
[51]: J = 3 \# formation period length
      K = 3 # holding period length
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[52]: data['logret'] = np.log(1 + data['ret'])
      umd = data.groupby(['name'])['logret'].rolling(J, min_periods=J).sum()
      umd = umd.reset_index()
      umd['cumret']=np.exp(umd['logret'])-1
     0.0.9 4. Formation of 10 Momentum Porfolios
[54]: # For each date: assign ranking 1-10 based on cumret
      # 1=lowest 10=highest cumret
      umd.replace(0, np.nan, inplace = True )
      umd = umd.dropna(axis=0, subset=['cumret'])
      umd = umd.drop_duplicates()
[55]: umd['momr']=umd.groupby('date')['cumret'].transform(lambda x: pd.qcut(x, 10, ____
       →labels=False))
[56]: umd.momr=umd.momr.astype(int)
      umd['momr'] = umd['momr']+1
[57]: # change the date format using pd.to_datetime()
      umd['date'] = pd.to_datetime(umd.date)
[58]: umd.loc[umd['momr'] == 10]
[58]:
                             date
                                     logret
                  name
                                               cumret momr
                    0x 2018-01-31 2.367888 9.674822
      67
                                                         10
      71
                    0x 2018-05-31 0.333319 0.395593
                                                         10
      72
                    0x 2018-06-30 0.369068 0.446385
                                                         10
      73
                    0x 2018-07-31 -0.088553 -0.084746
                                                         10
      112
             OxBitcoin 2018-07-31 -0.161947 -0.149514
                                                         10
                          •••
                                  •••
      28851
                bitUSD 2018-03-31 0.129068 0.137767
                                                         10
      28855
                bitUSD 2018-07-31 0.057708 0.059406
                                                         10
      28856
                bitUSD 2018-08-31 -0.009390 -0.009346
                                                         10
      29009
                eosDAC 2018-05-31 0.356011 0.427623
                                                         10
      29129
                  nUSD 2018-08-31 -0.002171 -0.002169
                                                         10
      [1077 rows x 5 columns]
[59]: from pandas.tseries.offsets import MonthEnd
      from pandas.tseries.offsets import MonthBegin
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[60]: umd['form\_date'] = umd['date']

umd['medate'] = umd['date']+MonthEnd(0)

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[61]: umd['hdate1']=umd['medate']+MonthBegin(1)
      umd['hdate2'] = umd['medate'] + MonthEnd(K)
      umd = umd[['name', 'form_date', 'momr', 'hdate1', 'hdate2']]
[62]: umd
[62]:
                name form_date momr
                                          hdate1
                                                     hdate2
      35
              Ochain 2018-08-31
                                    7 2018-09-01 2018-11-30
              Ochain 2018-09-30
      36
                                    3 2018-10-01 2018-12-31
      37
              Ochain 2018-10-31
                                    7 2018-11-01 2019-01-31
              Ochain 2018-11-30
      38
                                    8 2018-12-01 2019-02-28
                  0x 2017-09-30
      63
                                    3 2017-10-01 2017-12-31
      29206
            ugChain 2018-07-31
                                    8 2018-08-01 2018-10-31
      29207
            ugChain 2018-08-31
                                    5 2018-09-01 2018-11-30
      29208
            ugChain 2018-09-30
                                    2 2018-10-01 2018-12-31
      29209
            ugChain 2018-10-31
                                    1 2018-11-01 2019-01-31
      29210 ugChain 2018-11-30
                                    1 2018-12-01 2019-02-28
      [10644 rows x 5 columns]
[63]: # join rank and return together
      data.reset_index(inplace = True)
      data = data[['name','date','ret']]
[64]: port = pd.merge(data, umd, on =['name'], how = 'inner')
      port.replace(0, np.nan, inplace = True)
[65]: port['date'] = pd.to_datetime(port.date)
[66]: # the date has to be between hdate1 and hdate2
      port = port[(port['hdate1']<=port['date']) & (port['date']<=port['hdate2'])]</pre>
[67]: umd2 = port.sort_values(by=['date', 'momr', 'form_date', 'name']).drop_duplicates()
      umd2.shape
[67]: (27438, 7)
[68]: umd3 = umd2.groupby(['date', 'momr', 'form_date'])['ret'].mean().reset_index()
      umd3.head(20)
[68]:
               date momr form_date
                                           ret
      0 2015-12-31
                        1 2015-11-30 0.363597
      1 2015-12-31
                        2 2015-11-30 -0.002330
      2 2015-12-31
                        3 2015-11-30 0.098868
      3 2015-12-31
                       4 2015-11-30 0.190355
      4 2015-12-31
                        5 2015-11-30 0.543714
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5 2015-12-31
                       6 2015-11-30 0.080233
     6 2015-12-31
                       7 2015-11-30 0.063129
     7 2015-12-31
                       8 2015-11-30 0.000391
     8 2015-12-31
                       9 2015-11-30 -0.134231
     9 2015-12-31
                      10 2015-11-30 0.026343
     10 2016-01-31
                       1 2015-11-30 0.051819
     11 2016-01-31
                       1 2015-12-31 0.645427
     12 2016-01-31
                       2 2015-11-30 0.564772
     13 2016-01-31
                       2 2015-12-31 0.237809
     14 2016-01-31
                       3 2015-11-30 0.475278
     15 2016-01-31
                       3 2015-12-31 0.196431
     16 2016-01-31
                       4 2015-11-30 -0.011661
     17 2016-01-31
                       4 2015-12-31 1.810724
     18 2016-01-31
                       5 2015-11-30 1.671957
     19 2016-01-31
                       5 2015-12-31 0.229588
[69]: umd3 = umd3.sort_values(by=['date', 'momr'])
     umd3.shape
[69]: (1050, 4)
[73]: # Create one return group per momentum group
     fionaret = umd3.groupby(['date','momr'])['ret'].mean().reset_index()
     fionastd = umd3.groupby(['date','momr'])['ret'].std().reset_index()
     fionaret = fionaret.rename(columns = {'ret': 'fionaret'})
     fionastd = fionastd.rename(columns = {'ret': 'fionastd'})
     fionaretdata = pd.merge(fionaret, fionastd, on=['date', 'momr'], how='inner')
     fionaretdata = fionaretdata.sort_values(by=['momr'])
      # fionaretdata = fionaretdata.dropna(axis = 0)
      # fionaretdata.head(20)
[76]: fionaretdata.groupby(['momr'])['fionaret'].describe()[['count', 'mean', 'std']]
[76]:
           count
                      mean
                                 std
     momr
     1
             36.0 0.812538 1.688072
     2
             36.0 0.360346 0.685876
     3
             36.0 0.287231 0.653371
     4
            36.0 0.304946 0.688136
     5
             36.0 0.492138 1.079526
     6
             36.0 0.429907 0.971345
     7
             36.0 0.373626 0.854265
     8
             36.0 0.419659 0.889817
     9
             36.0 0.604897 1.631351
             36.0 0.708243 1.668174
     10
```

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[77]: fretdata2 = fionaretdata.pivot(index='date', columns='momr', values='fionaret')

# Add prefix port in front of each column
fretdata2 = fretdata2.add_prefix('port')
fretdata2 = fretdata2.rename(columns={'port1':'losers', 'port10':'winners'})
fretdata2['long_short'] = fretdata2['winners'] - fretdata2['losers']

# Compute Long-Short Portfolio Cumulative Returns
fretdata3 = fretdata2
fretdata3['1+losers']=1+fretdata3['losers']
fretdata3['1+winners']=1+fretdata3['winners']
fretdata3['1+winners']=fretdata3['long_short']

fretdata3['cumret_winners']=fretdata3['1+winners'].cumprod()-1
fretdata3['cumret_losers']=fretdata3['1+losers'].cumprod()-1
fretdata3['cumret_long_short']=fretdata3['1+ls'].cumprod()-1
```

[78]: from scipy import stats

# 0.0.10 5. Portfolio Summary Statistics

[80]: mom\_output

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[80]: momr mean t-stat p-value
0 winners 0.708243 2.547372 0.015404
1 losers 0.812538 2.888047 0.006607
2 long_short -0.104295 -0.654167 0.517280
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# 0.0.11 6. Visualization

# [81]: %matplotlib inline [82]: plt.figure(figsize = (10, 8)) plt.plot(fretdata3.index, fretdata3['cumret\_winners'], 'r-', label = 'winners') plt.plot(fretdata3.index, fretdata3['cumret\_losers'], 'b-',label = 'losers') plt.title("Cumulative Returns for Winners and Losers") plt.legend() plt.show()

/Users/Fiona/opt/anaconda3/lib/python3.7/site-packages/pandas/plotting/\_matplotlib/converter.py:103: FutureWarning: Using an implicitly registered datetime converter for a matplotlib plotting method. The converter was registered by pandas on import. Future versions of pandas will require you to explicitly register matplotlib converters.

To register the converters:

>>> from pandas.plotting import register\_matplotlib\_converters

>>> register\_matplotlib\_converters()

warnings.warn(msg, FutureWarning)



