Cryptocurrency & Tech Stock Analysis

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https://github.com/quantieme/Final-Project

1. THE GOALS FOR YOUR PROJECT (5 POINTS)

APIs/Websites Planned to Work With

API 1: CoinGecko API
- Base URL: https://api.coingecko.com/api/v3
- Purpose: Gather cryptocurrency market data
- No API key required (free tier)

API 2: Alpha Vantage API
- Base URL: https://www.alphavantage.co/query
- Purpose: Gather stock market data
- API Key: AKTPHZ9R94F6893U (free tier)

Data Planned to Gather

From CoinGecko API:
- Cryptocurrency: Bitcoin (BTC), Ethereum (ETH), Solana (SOL)
- Data fields: Date, price in USD, market capitalization, 24-hour volume
- Goal: At least 100 rows per cryptocurrency
- Date range: Historical daily data (up to 180 days)

From Alpha Vantage API:
- Stocks: NVIDIA (NVDA), AMD, Coinbase (COIN)
- Data fields: Date, open price, high price, low price, close price, volume
- Goal: At least 100 rows per stock
- Date range: Daily stock prices (last 100 days with compact outputsize)

Calculations Planned
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1. Daily price volatility for cryptocurrencies and stocks
2. 7-day price momentum (percentage change over 7-day window)
3. Correlation analysis between cryptocurrency returns and stock returns
4. Average volatility rankings
5. Identify top 5 momentum days for each asset

Visualizations Planned
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1. Dual-axis line chart showing normalized price movements (cryptocurrencies on one axis, stocks on another axis)
2. Correlation heatmap showing relationships between all cryptocurrency-stock pairs

Database Design Planned **[please note that all the TEXT will be converted to INT as requested]**

Table 1: crypto_symbol (lookup table)
- Columns: id (INTEGER PRIMARY KEY), symbol (TEXT), name (TEXT)

Table 2: crypto_price (shares integer key with crypto_symbol)
- Columns: date (INTEGER), crypto_id (INTEGER FOREIGN KEY), price_usd (REAL), market_cap (REAL), volume (REAL)

Table 3: stock_symbol (lookup table)
- Columns: id (INTEGER PRIMARY KEY), symbol (TEXT), name (TEXT)

Table 4: stock_price (shares integer key with stock_symbol)
- Columns: date (INTEGER), stock_id (INTEGER FOREIGN KEY), open (REAL), high (REAL), low (REAL), close (REAL), volume (INTEGER)

Note: Dates stored as integers (YYYYMMDD format) to avoid duplicate strings.

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2. THE GOALS THAT WERE ACHIEVED (5 POINTS)

APIs/Websites Actually Worked With

✓ API 1: CoinGecko API
- Successfully implemented
- Base URL: https://api.coingecko.com/api/v3
- Endpoint used: /coins/{id}/market_chart
- No authentication issues

✓ API 2: Alpha Vantage API
- Successfully implemented
- Base URL: https://www.alphavantage.co/query
- Endpoint used: TIME_SERIES_DAILY
- API Key worked correctly

Data Actually Gathered

From CoinGecko API (475 total rows):
- Bitcoin (BTC): 180 rows ✓ (exceeds 100 requirement)
- Ethereum (ETH): 180 rows ✓ (exceeds 100 requirement)
- Solana (SOL): 115 rows ✓ (exceeds 100 requirement)
- Fields: date (as integer YYYYMMDD), price_usd, market_cap, volume

From Alpha Vantage API (300 total rows):
- NVIDIA (NVDA): 100 rows ✓ (meets 100 requirement)
- AMD: 100 rows ✓ (meets 100 requirement)
- Coinbase (COIN): 100 rows ✓ (meets 100 requirement)
- Fields: date (as integer YYYYMMDD), open, high, low, close, volume

Total database rows: 775 rows

Database Structure Achieved

✓ Created 4 tables as planned:
1. crypto_symbol (3 rows: BTC, ETH, SOL)
2. crypto_price (475 rows)
3. stock_symbol (3 rows: NVDA, AMD, COIN)
4. stock_price (300 rows)

✓ Two sets of tables share integer keys:
• crypto_price.crypto_id → crypto_symbol.id
• stock_price.stock_id → stock_symbol.id

✓ Zero duplicate strings:
• All dates stored as integers (20251215 instead of "2025-12-15")
• All symbols stored once in lookup tables
• No TEXT columns in price tables

✓ 25-row limit enforced:
• Each execution of data collection scripts stores maximum 25 rows total
• No code changes needed between runs
• Automatic duplicate detection

Calculations Achieved

✓ All planned calculations completed:
1. Crypto volatility (estimated from daily price changes)
2. Stock volatility (calculated from high-low-close range)
3. 7-day price momentum for all 6 assets
4. Daily percentage returns
5. Pearson correlation coefficient between crypto and stock returns
6. Average volatility per symbol
7. Top 5 momentum days for each asset

Visualizations Achieved

✓ Both visualizations created:
1. price_movement_chart.png - Dual-axis normalized price chart
2. correlation_heatmap.png - Cross-market correlation heatmap

Code Organization Achieved

✓ Created 7 Python files:
- config.py - Configuration
- database_setup.py - Database schema and utilities
- collect_crypto_data.py - CoinGecko data collection
- collect_stock_data.py - Alpha Vantage data collection
- analyze_data.py - Data analysis with SQL JOINs
- visualize_data.py - Visualization generation
- main.py - Interactive menu

✓ All data stored in single SQLite database: crypto_stock_analysis.db

✓ Results written to text file: output/analysis_results.txt

3. THE PROBLEMS THAT YOU FACED (5 POINTS)

Problem 1: Alpha Vantage API Premium Feature Error

What happened: The initial code used outputsize='full' parameter to get complete historical data. The API returned an error message saying this is a premium-only feature.

Why it was a problem: Could not collect stock data, blocking progress on the entire project.

How I solved it: Changed the parameter from outputsize='full' to outputsize='compact', which returns the last 100 days of data and is available on the free tier. This was sufficient for the project requirements.

Result: Successfully collected 100 rows per stock. No further API errors.

Problem 2: Duplicate String Data - Stock Symbols

What happened: After collecting stock data, I inspected the database and

discovered that stock symbols "NVDA", "AMD", and "COIN" were each stored 100 times (once per row = 300 duplicate TEXT strings total). The project requirements explicitly state "You must not have duplicate string data in your database!"

Why it was a problem: Would lose points for having duplicate strings.

How I solved it:
1. Created a new lookup table called stock_symbol with integer primary key
2. Inserted each stock symbol only once into stock_symbol table
3. Changed stock_price table structure from symbol (TEXT) to stock_id (INTEGER foreign key)
4. Updated all functions to use get_stock_id() to retrieve integer IDs
5. Deleted the old database and recollected all stock data with the new schema

Result: Each stock symbol now stored only once. Zero duplicate strings.

Problem 3: Duplicate String Data - Dates

What happened: After fixing stock symbols, I did a thorough check and discovered dates were stored as TEXT strings like "2025-12-15". Since we have 3 cryptocurrencies and 3 stocks, each date appeared 6 times in the database, resulting in hundreds of duplicate date strings.

Why it was a problem: Would lose significant points for duplicate strings.

How I solved it:
1. Changed date column type from TEXT to INTEGER in all tables
2. Created date_string_to_int() function to convert "2025-12-15" to integer 20251215
3. Created date_int_to_string() function to convert back to string format for display
4. Updated collect_crypto_data.py to convert dates before inserting
5. Updated collect_stock_data.py to convert dates before inserting
6. Updated analyze_data.py to convert dates back to strings for output
7. Deleted old database and recollected all 775 rows with integer dates

Result: All dates now stored as integers. Zero duplicate date strings.

Problem 4: Visualization Date Formatting

What happened: After implementing integer dates, the price movement chart showed x-axis labels as raw numbers like "600, 700, ... 2.25e7" instead of actual dates.

Why it was a problem: Visualization was unreadable and unprofessional.

How I solved it:
1. Imported datetime module in visualize_data.py
2. Created a date mapping dictionary to convert integer dates to Python datetime objects before plotting
3. Used matplotlib.dates.DateFormatter to format x-axis labels
4. Used matplotlib.dates.AutoDateLocator for proper date spacing

Result: X-axis now displays properly formatted dates like "2025-06-19", "2025-07-15", etc.

Problem 5: API Rate Limiting

What happened: Alpha Vantage free tier has rate limits of 5 calls per minute and 25 calls per day. Without delays, the script would hit rate limits and fail.

Why it was a problem: Could not collect data efficiently.

How I solved it: Implemented automatic 12-second delays between API calls in collect_stock_data.py using time.sleep(12). This ensures we stay under the 5 calls per minute limit.

Result: Successfully collected all stock data without hitting rate limits.

4. THE CALCULATIONS FROM THE DATA IN THE DATABASE (5 POINTS)

Below is the output from output/analysis_results.txt showing calculations

performed on data retrieved from the database using SQL JOINs:

CROSS-MARKET CORRELATIONS

Correlation between cryptocurrency and stock daily returns:

BTC-AMD : 0.3573
BTC-COIN : 0.6496
BTC-NVDA : 0.2710
ETH-AMD : 0.3593
ETH-COIN : 0.6521
ETH-NVDA : 0.2398
SOL-AMD : 0.3225
SOL-COIN : 0.5673
SOL-NVDA : 0.2436

Interpretation:
1.0 = Perfect positive correlation
0.0 = No correlation
-1.0 = Perfect negative correlation

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AVERAGE VOLATILITY RANKINGS

Cryptocurrencies:
SOL : 3.25% average daily volatility
ETH : 2.73% average daily volatility
BTC : 1.46% average daily volatility

Stocks:
COIN : 4.86% average daily volatility
AMD : 4.26% average daily volatility
NVDA : 2.88% average daily volatility

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TOP 5 MOMENTUM DAYS (7-Day Price Change)

Cryptocurrencies:

BTC:
2025-11-20: -13.12%

2025-11-17: -13.10%
2025-10-04: +11.61%
2025-10-03: +11.43%
2025-11-22: -11.33%

ETH:
2025-08-13: +29.30%
2025-08-12: +27.53%
2025-07-20: +26.37%
2025-08-09: +25.55%
2025-07-21: +25.01%

SOL:
2025-07-22: +25.20%
2025-09-25: -22.37%
2025-10-02: +22.08%
2025-10-11: -21.77%
2025-09-13: +21.22%

Stocks:

AMD:
2025-10-08: +45.98%
2025-10-09: +43.95%
2025-10-07: +32.64%
2025-10-14: +32.44%
2025-10-10: +31.03%

COIN:
2025-10-06: +25.88%
2025-08-05: -23.92%
2025-11-20: -21.66%
2025-11-21: -20.92%
2025-10-07: +20.21%

NVDA:
2025-09-04: +13.51%
2025-09-05: +13.47%
2025-09-03: +12.78%
2025-09-09: +12.20%
2025-08-19: -11.38%

Key Findings from Calculations:

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1. Strong correlation between cryptocurrencies and Coinbase stock (COIN):
   • BTC-COIN: 0.6496
   • ETH-COIN: 0.6521
   This makes sense because Coinbase's business depends on crypto trading.

2. Coinbase (COIN) is the most volatile asset:
   • 4.86% average daily volatility
   • Even more volatile than cryptocurrencies ETH (2.73%) and BTC (1.46%)

3. AMD showed the highest single momentum spike:
   • +45.98% price increase over 7 days in October 2025

4. Bitcoin (BTC) is the least volatile asset:
   • 1.46% average daily volatility
   • More stable than all stocks analyzed

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CRYPTOCURRENCY & TECH STOCK ANALYSIS RESULTS
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    2025-11-22:  -11.33%
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  ETH:
    2025-08-13:  +29.30%
    2025-08-12:  +27.53%
    2025-07-20:  +26.37%
    2025-08-09:  +25.55%
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  NVDA:
    2025-11-03:  +13.57%
    2025-10-29:  +13.36%
    2025-10-31:  +12.32%
    2025-10-30:  +11.99%
    2025-10-28:   +9.72%

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Analysis complete. All data calculated from database SELECT queries.
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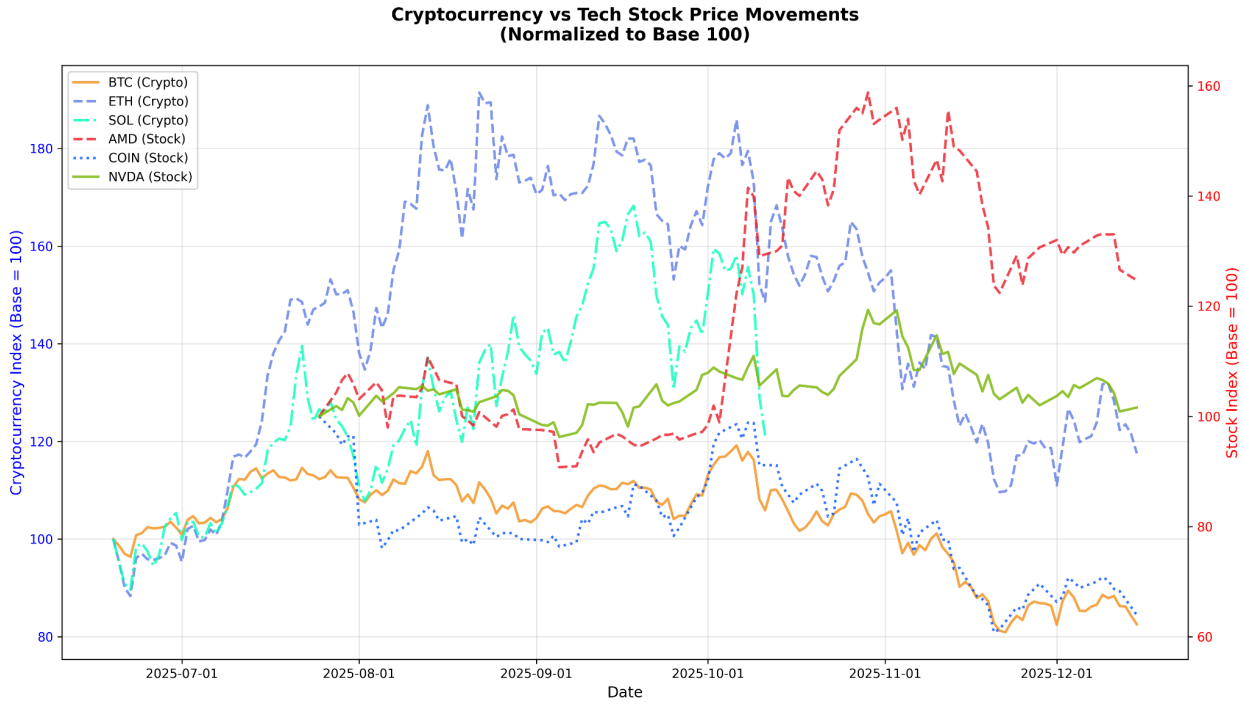
5. THE VISUALIZATIONS THAT YOU CREATED (5 POINTS)

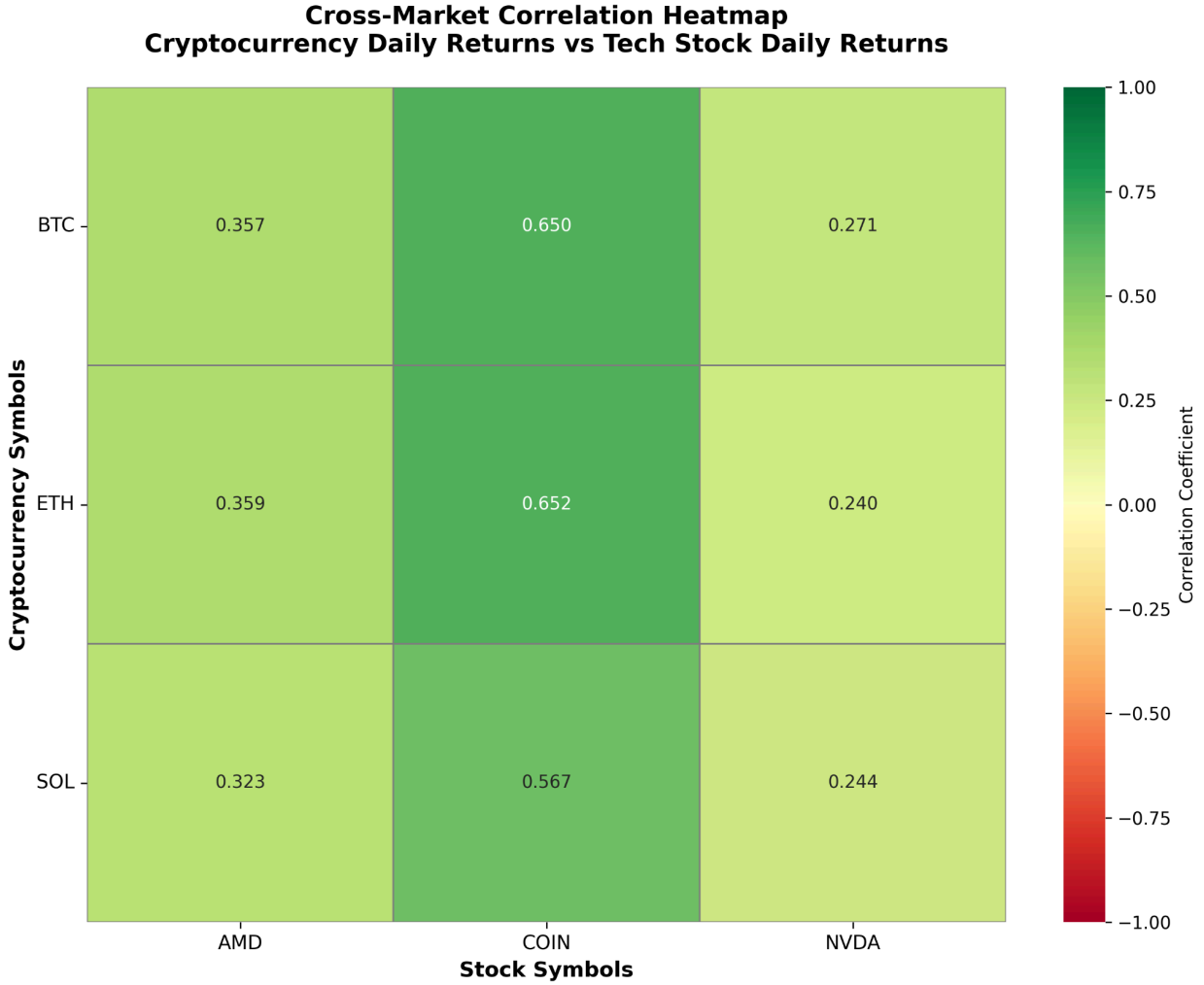
Visualization 1: Price Movement Chart
File: output/visualizations/price_movement_chart.png



Description:
- Type: Dual-axis line chart
- Left y-axis: Cryptocurrency index values (normalized to base 100)
- Right y-axis: Stock index values (normalized to base 100)
- X-axis: Dates (properly formatted as YYYY-MM-DD)
- Shows price movements for all 6 assets over time
- Different colors and line styles for each asset:
  - BTC: Orange solid line
  - ETH: Purple dashed line
  - SOL: Cyan dash-dot line
  - NVDA: Green solid line
  - AMD: Red dashed line
  - COIN: Blue dotted line

- Uses dual y-axis (twinx)
- Normalizes all prices to base 100 for comparison
- Custom color scheme for each asset
- Proper date formatting on x-axis

Visualization 2: Correlation Heatmap
File: output/visualizations/correlation_heatmap.png



Description:
- Type: Seaborn heatmap
- Shows correlation between all cryptocurrency-stock pairs
- 3 rows (BTC, ETH, SOL) × 3 columns (AMD, COIN, NVDA) = 9 correlations
- Color gradient:
  - Red = Negative correlation
  - Yellow = Neutral (near zero)
  - Green = Positive correlation
- Each cell shows the correlation coefficient (3 decimal places)
- Values range from -1 (perfect negative) to +1 (perfect positive)

- Heatmap visualization
- Uses Seaborn library (not just basic matplotlib)
- Shows statistical correlation matrix
- Custom colormap (RdYlGn - Red-Yellow-Green)

6. INSTRUCTIONS FOR RUNNING YOUR CODE (5 POINTS)

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Prerequisites
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1. Install Python 3.x (project tested with Python 3.12)

2. Install required libraries:

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pip install requests matplotlib seaborn
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Step-by-Step Instructions

OPTION 1: Using Interactive Menu (Recommended)

Run this command:

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python3 main.py
```

Then follow the menu prompts:

1. Choose option 1: Initialize Database (run ONCE at the start)
2. Choose option 2: Collect Cryptocurrency Data (run 4-5 times)
3. Choose option 3: Collect Stock Data (run 4-5 times)
   Note: Each stock data run takes 30-40 seconds due to API rate limits
4. Choose option 4: Check Progress (verify you have 100+ rows per source)
5. Choose option 5: Run Analysis
6. Choose option 6: Create Visualizations
7. Choose option 0: Exit

OPTION 2: Manual Execution (Step-by-Step)

Step 1 - Initialize Database (run ONCE):

```
python3 database_setup.py
```

Expected output:
- "Database tables created successfully!"
- Creates crypto_stock_analysis.db file

Step 2 - Collect Cryptocurrency Data (run 4-5 times):

```
python3 collect_crypto_data.py
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Expected output for each run:
- "Total rows inserted: 25" (or fewer if reaching limit)
- Shows count of rows for BTC, ETH, SOL

Why run multiple times:
- Each run stores maximum 25 rows total
- Need 100+ rows per cryptocurrency
- 4-5 runs will collect sufficient data

Step 3 - Collect Stock Data (run 4-5 times):

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python3 collect_stock_data.py
```

Expected output for each run:
- "Total rows inserted: 25" (or fewer if reaching limit)
- Shows count of rows for NVDA, AMD, COIN
- Takes 30-40 seconds (includes automatic 12-second delays for API limits)

Why run multiple times:
- Each run stores maximum 25 rows total
- Need 100+ rows per stock
- 4-5 runs will collect sufficient data

Step 4 - Run Analysis:

python3 analyze_data.py

Expected output:
• "Analysis complete!"
• Creates output/analysis_results.txt
• Shows number of records loaded from database

Step 5 - Create Visualizations:

python3 visualize_data.py

Expected output:
• "Visualization creation complete!"
• Creates output/visualizations/price_movement_chart.png
• Creates output/visualizations/correlation_heatmap.png

Verification

After completing all steps, verify you have:

• crypto_stock_analysis.db (database file, ~30 KB)
• output/analysis_results.txt (text file with results, ~2-3 KB)
• output/visualizations/price_movement_chart.png (~600-700 KB)
• output/visualizations/correlation_heatmap.png (~170-180 KB)

Important Notes

• Each data collection script enforces 25-row limit automatically
• NO code changes needed between runs
• Duplicates are automatically detected and skipped
• All dates stored as integers to avoid duplicate strings
• Alpha Vantage collection is slower due to API rate limits (12-sec delays)

Troubleshooting

If you get "Database not initialized" error:

→ Run python3 database_setup.py first

If you get "Not enough data" error during analysis:
→ Run collection scripts more times to gather 100+ rows per source

If you get "Module not found" error:
→ Install missing library: pip install [library-name]

7. FUNCTION DIAGRAM (10 POINTS)

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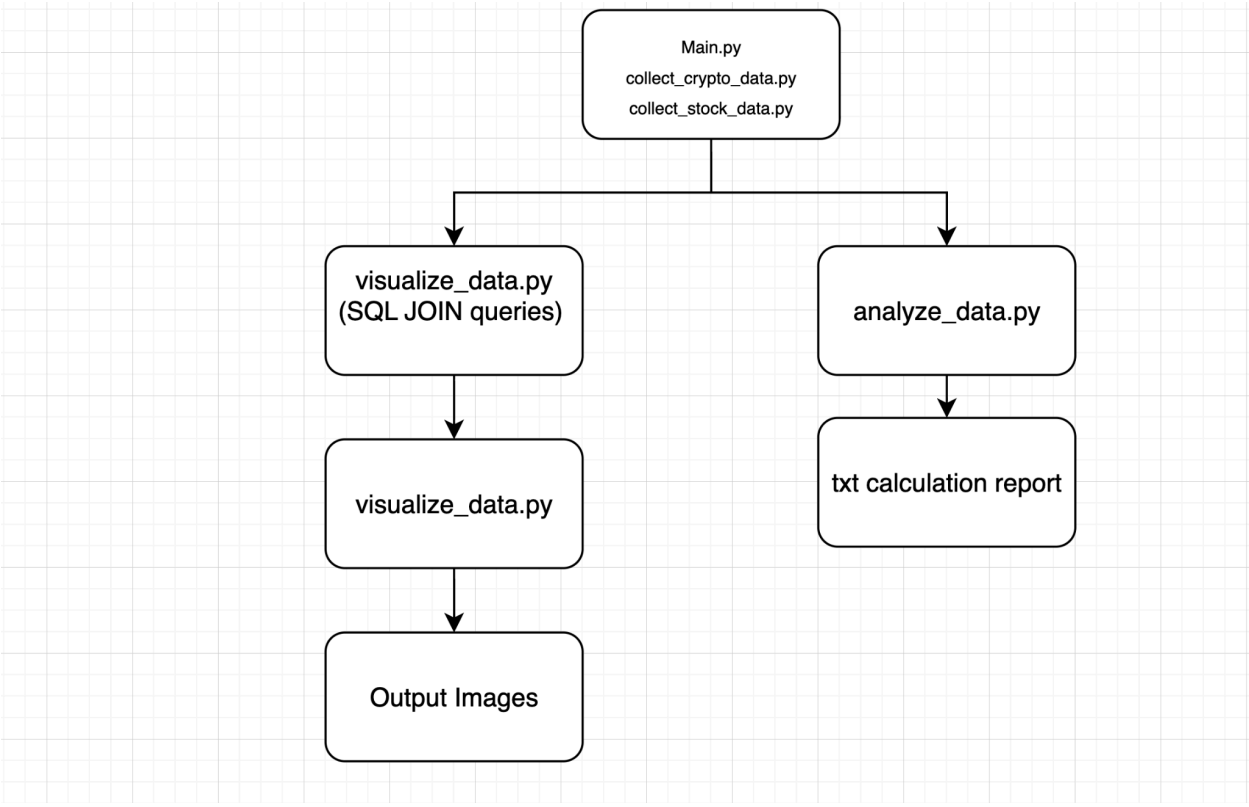
Author: Kevin Zang. (Solo project - all functions)



database_setup.py

Author: Kevin N.

date_string_to_int(date_string)
  Input: String "YYYY-MM-DD" (e.g., "2025-12-15")
  Output: Integer YYYYMMDD (e.g., 20251215)
  Purpose: Convert date string to integer to avoid duplicate strings

date_int_to_string(date_int)
  Input: Integer YYYYMMDD (e.g., 20251215)
  Output: String "YYYY-MM-DD" (e.g., "2025-12-15")
  Purpose: Convert integer date back to string for display

get_db_connection()
  Input: None
  Output: SQLite connection object
  Purpose: Create and return database connection with Row factory

create_tables()
  Input: None
  Output: None (creates tables as side effect)
  Purpose: Create 4 database tables if they don't exist

insert_crypto_symbol(symbol, name)
  Input: symbol (string, e.g., "BTC"), name (string, e.g., "Bitcoin")
  Output: Integer crypto_id (primary key)
  Purpose: Insert crypto symbol into lookup table, return its ID

get_crypto_id(symbol)
  Input: symbol (string, e.g., "BTC")
  Output: Integer crypto_id or None if not found
  Purpose: Retrieve integer ID for a crypto symbol

insert_stock_symbol(symbol, name)
  Input: symbol (string, e.g., "NVDA"), name (string, e.g., "NVIDIA")
  Output: Integer stock_id (primary key)
  Purpose: Insert stock symbol into lookup table, return its ID

get_stock_id(symbol)
  Input: symbol (string, e.g., "NVDA")
  Output: Integer stock_id or None if not found
  Purpose: Retrieve integer ID for a stock symbol

get_crypto_row_count(crypto_id)
  Input: crypto_id (integer)
  Output: Integer count of rows
  Purpose: Count how many price records exist for a cryptocurrency

get_stock_row_count(stock_id)
  Input: stock_id (integer)
  Output: Integer count of rows
  Purpose: Count how many price records exist for a stock

check_crypto_data_exists(crypto_id, date)
  Input: crypto_id (integer), date (integer YYYYMMDD)
  Output: Boolean (True if exists, False otherwise)
  Purpose: Check if data already exists to avoid duplicates

check_stock_data_exists(stock_id, date)
  Input: stock_id (integer), date (integer YYYYMMDD)
  Output: Boolean (True if exists, False otherwise)
  Purpose: Check if data already exists to avoid duplicates

get_last_crypto_date(crypto_id)
  Input: crypto_id (integer)
  Output: Integer date (YYYYMMDD) or None
  Purpose: Get most recent date for a cryptocurrency

get_last_stock_date(stock_id)
  Input: stock_id (integer)
  Output: Integer date (YYYYMMDD) or None

Purpose: Get most recent date for a stock

initialize_database()
Input: None
Output: None (creates tables and inserts symbols)
Purpose: Complete database initialization

collect_crypto_data.py

Author: Kevin Z.

fetch_crypto_history(coin_id, days=90)
Input: coin_id (string, e.g., "bitcoin"), days (integer, default 90)
Output: Dictionary (JSON response from CoinGecko API) or None if error
Purpose: Fetch historical price data from CoinGecko API

parse_crypto_data(data, crypto_symbol)
Input: data (dict from API), crypto_symbol (string, e.g., "BTC")
Output: List of tuples (date_int, crypto_id, price, market_cap, volume)
Purpose: Parse API response into database-ready format

insert_crypto_data(records, crypto_symbol, max_rows=25)
Input: records (list of tuples), crypto_symbol (string), max_rows (int)
Output: Integer count of rows actually inserted
Purpose: Insert records into database up to max_rows limit

collect_crypto_data()
Input: None
Output: None (stores data in database as side effect)
Purpose: Main function to collect crypto data from all symbols

collect_stock_data.py

Author: Kevin Zang.

fetch_stock_history(symbol)
Input: symbol (string, e.g., "NVDA")
Output: Dictionary (JSON response from Alpha Vantage) or None if error
Purpose: Fetch historical stock data from Alpha Vantage API

parse_stock_data(data, symbol)
Input: data (dict from API), symbol (string, e.g., "NVDA")
Output: List of tuples (date_int, stock_id, open, high, low, close, vol)
Purpose: Parse API response into database-ready format

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analyze_data.py

Author: Kevin Zang.

get_crypto_prices_with_symbols()
Input: None
Output: List of dictionaries with crypto data (uses SQL JOIN)
Purpose: Retrieve crypto price data joined with symbol names

get_stock_prices_with_symbols()
Input: None
Output: List of dictionaries with stock data (uses SQL JOIN)

Purpose: Retrieve stock price data joined with symbol names

calculate_crypto_volatility(crypto_data)
Input: crypto_data (list of dicts)
Output: Dictionary {symbol: [(date, volatility), ...]}
Purpose: Calculate daily volatility for cryptocurrencies

calculate_stock_volatility(stock_data)
Input: stock_data (list of dicts)
Output: Dictionary {symbol: [(date, volatility), ...]}
Purpose: Calculate daily volatility for stocks

calculate_price_momentum(data, symbol_key, price_key, window=7)
Input: data (list), symbol_key (str), price_key (str), window (int)
Output: Dictionary {symbol: [(date, momentum), ...]}
Purpose: Calculate price momentum over window days

calculate_daily_returns(data, symbol_key, price_key)
Input: data (list), symbol_key (string), price_key (string)
Output: Dictionary {symbol: [(date, return_pct), ...]}
Purpose: Calculate daily percentage returns

calculate_correlation(series1, series2)
Input: series1 (list of tuples), series2 (list of tuples)
Output: Float (correlation coefficient from -1 to 1)
Purpose: Calculate Pearson correlation between two series

calculate_average_volatility(volatility_data)
Input: volatility_data (dictionary)
Output: Dictionary {symbol: avg_volatility}
Purpose: Calculate average volatility for each symbol

find_top_momentum_days(momentum_data, top_n=5)
Input: momentum_data (dict), top_n (integer, default 5)
Output: Dictionary {symbol: [(date, momentum), ...]}
Purpose: Find days with highest absolute momentum

perform_analysis()
Input: None
Output: Dictionary with all calculation results
Purpose: Orchestrate all calculations and return results

write_results_to_file(results, filename=None)
Input: results (dict), filename (string or None for default)
Output: None (writes file as side effect)
Purpose: Write formatted results to text file

visualize_data.py

Author: Kevin Zang.

get_normalized_prices()
Input: None
Output: Tuple (crypto_normalized dict, stock_normalized dict)
Purpose: Get price data normalized to base 100 for comparison

create_price_movement_chart()
Input: None
Output: None (saves PNG file as side effect)
Purpose: Create dual-axis line chart of price movements

create_correlation_heatmap(results)
Input: results (dictionary from perform_analysis)
Output: None (saves PNG file as side effect)
Purpose: Create heatmap of cross-market correlations

create_all_visualizations()
Input: None
Output: None (saves both PNG files as side effect)

Purpose: Orchestrate creation of all visualizations

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print_header(title)
Input: title (string)
Output: None (prints to console)
Purpose: Print formatted header

print_menu()
Input: None
Output: None (prints to console)
Purpose: Display interactive menu options

initialize_database()
Input: None
Output: None (calls database_setup functions)
Purpose: Menu handler for database initialization

collect_crypto_data()
Input: None
Output: None (calls crypto collection function)
Purpose: Menu handler for crypto data collection

collect_stock_data()
Input: None
Output: None (calls stock collection function)
Purpose: Menu handler for stock data collection

check_progress()
Input: None
Output: None (prints progress to console)
Purpose: Display data collection progress

run_analysis()
Input: None
Output: None (calls analysis functions)
Purpose: Menu handler for running analysis

create_visualizations()
Input: None
Output: None (calls visualization functions)
Purpose: Menu handler for creating visualizations

run_everything()
Input: None
Output: None (runs all steps automatically)
Purpose: Automated execution of all project steps

view_database_summary()
Input: None
Output: None (prints database info to console)
Purpose: Display database structure and sample data

main()
Input: None
Output: None (runs interactive menu loop)
Purpose: Main program loop

8. RESOURCES USED (10 POINTS)

Date	Issue Description	Location of Resource	Result (did it solve the issue?)
Dec 15, 2025	Understanding CoinGecko API endpoint structure for historical data	https://docs.coingecko.com/reference/coins-id-market-chart	Yes - Successfully implemented market_chart endpoint to fetch price history
Dec 15, 2025	Alpha Vantage API documentation and parameter options	https://www.alphavantage.co/documentation/	Yes - Successfully implemented TIME_SERIES_DAILY endpoint
Dec 15, 2025	Alpha Vantage "premium endpoint" error when using outputsize='full'	https://www.alphavantage.co/support/#support	Yes - Changed from 'full' to 'compact' outputsize, resolved error
Dec 15, 2025	SQLite FOREIGN KEY constraints syntax for lookup tables	https://www.sqlite.org/foreignkeys.html	Yes - Successfully implemented FOREIGN KEY constraints in table creation
Dec 15, 2025	Python sqlite3 Row factory for dict-like access to query results	https://docs.python.org/3/library/sqlite3.html#sqlite3.Row	Yes - Used conn.row_factory = sqlite3.Row for cleaner code
Dec 15, 2025	Matplotlib dual y-axis (twinx) implementation	https://matplotlib.org/stable/gallery/subplots_axes_and_figures/two_scales.html	Yes - Successfully created dual-axis chart with twinx()
Dec 15, 2025	Seaborn heatmap customization and annotation options	https://seaborn.pydata.org/generated/seaborn.heatmap.html	Yes - Successfully created correlation heatmap with annotations
Dec 15, 2025	Matplotlib date formatting for integer dates	https://matplotlib.org/stable/api/dates_api.html	Yes - Used DateFormatter and AutoDateLocator to display dates properly
Dec 15, 2025	Pearson correlation coefficient formula and implementation	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pearson_correlation_coefficient	Yes - Implemented manual calculation: $r = \Sigma[(x-\bar{x})(y-\bar{y})] / \sqrt{[\Sigma(x-\bar{x})^2\Sigma(y-\bar{y})^2]}$
Dec 15, 2025	Database normalization best practices to avoid duplicate strings	SI 201 Course lecture notes (Week 10)	Yes - Implemented lookup tables to avoid duplicate strings
Dec 15, 2025	Python datetime strftime and strptime format codes	https://docs.python.org/3/library/datetime.html#strftime-and-strptime-format-codes	Yes - Used for date string conversions in helper functions
Dec 15, 2025	requests library timeout parameter to prevent hanging	https://requests.readthedocs.io/en/latest/user/advanced/#timeouts	Yes - Added timeout=10 to prevent hanging on API calls
Dec 15, 2025	Python time.sleep for API rate limiting	https://docs.python.org/3/library/time.html#time.sleep	Yes - Implemented 12-second delays between Alpha Vantage API calls