# Math23C Spring 2018 Final Project

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library(xts)

## Loading required package: zoo

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## Attaching package: 'zoo'

## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':

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## as.Date, as.Date.numeric

library(quantmod)

## Loading required package: TTR

## Version 0.4-0 included new data defaults. See ?getSymbols.

library(ggplot2)
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#### Abstract

Cryptocurrencies such as Bitcoin, Ethereum, etc. generated significant attention in 2017. Cryptocurrencies have significant volalility as there is rampant speculation. Given the high variance in prices, can data science methods explored in this class be used to model the market dynamics?

#### **Data Source**

We obtained a history cryptocurrency price data from https://www.kaggle.com/sudalairajkumar/cryptocurrencypricehistory/data for four different cryptocurrencies (BTC, ETH, XMR, XRP)

(REQ: a dataframe, at least two numeric columns, at least 20 rows)

### Data Ingestion, clean up and normalization

```
# Read one price history file per currency
BTCdf = read.csv("data/bitcoin_price.csv", stringsAsFactors = F)
ETHdf = read.csv("data/ethereum_price.csv", stringsAsFactors = F)
XMRdf = read.csv("data/monero_price.csv", stringsAsFactors = F)
XRPdf = read.csv("data/ripple_price.csv", stringsAsFactors = F)

# Fix rest of data:
# 1- Make dates native format
# 2- Convert Volume and market cap:
# a) From string ("123,456") to numeric (123456).
# b) Convert "-" to 0.
# 3- Sort chronologically
fixVolCap = function(df) {
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df$Date = as.Date(df$Date,"%b %d, %Y")
  df$Volume = as.numeric(gsub("-","0",gsub(",","",df$Volume)))
  df$Market.Cap = as.numeric(gsub("-","0",gsub(",","",df$Market.Cap)))
  return (df[order(df$Date),])
BTCdf = fixVolCap(BTCdf)
ETHdf = fixVolCap(ETHdf)
XMRdf = fixVolCap(XMRdf)
XRPdf = fixVolCap(XRPdf)
# Ensure that all data start from the same date
earliestCommonDate = max(min(BTCdf$Date),
                          min(ETHdf$Date),
                          min(XMRdf$Date),
                          min(XRPdf$Date))
BTCdf = BTCdf[BTCdf$Date>=earliestCommonDate,]
ETHdf = ETHdf [ETHdf$Date>=earliestCommonDate,]
XMRdf = XMRdf[XMRdf$Date>=earliestCommonDate,]
XRPdf = XRPdf[XRPdf$Date>=earliestCommonDate,]
# Read in traditional, noncryptocurrency data
noncrypto = read.csv("data/noncrypto.csv",stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
noncrypto$DATE = as.Date(noncrypto$DATE,"%Y-%m-%d")
```

### **Exploratory Data Analysis**

```
plotSeries = function(df) {
    dfdata = xts(df[,2:7],order.by = df[,1])
    # TODO fix weekly plot
    #wk = dfdata
    #data.wk = to.weekly(wk)
    #plot(data.wk)
    #plot.new()
    OHLC = as.quantmod.OHLC(dfdata)
    chartSeries(OHLC)
}
plotSeries(BTCdf)
```

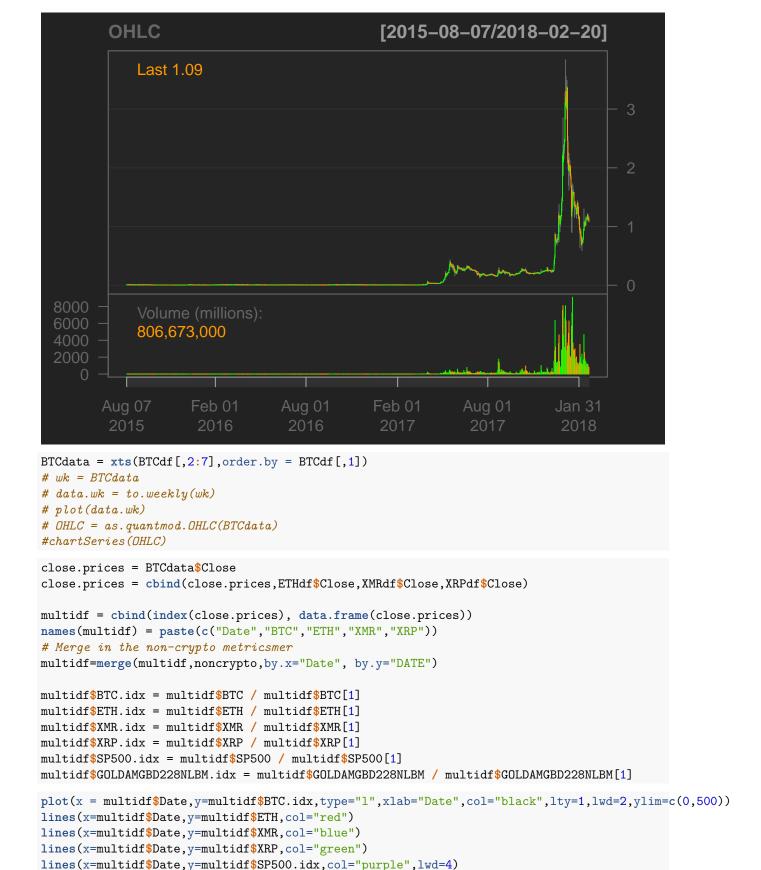


plotSeries(ETHdf)

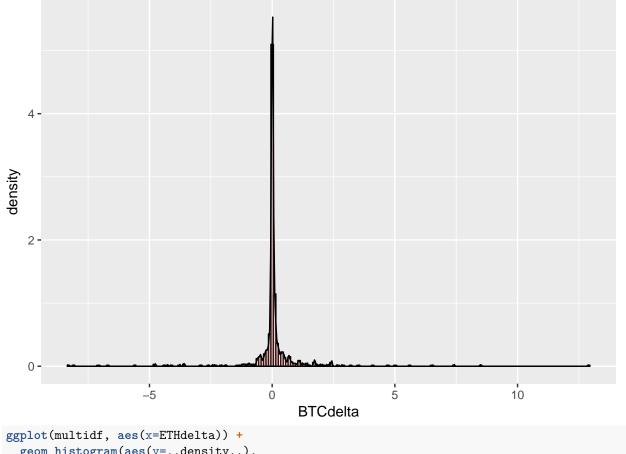


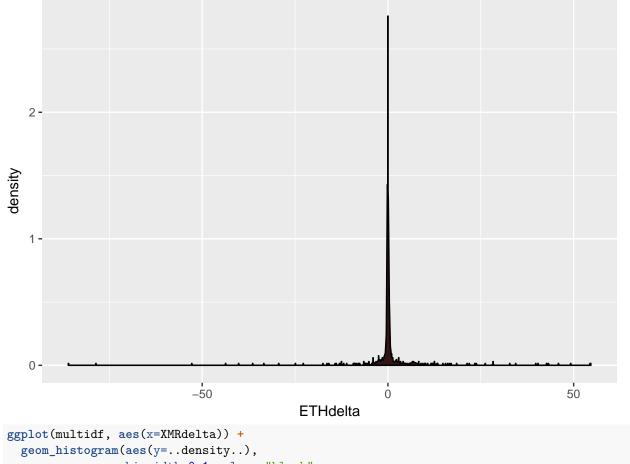


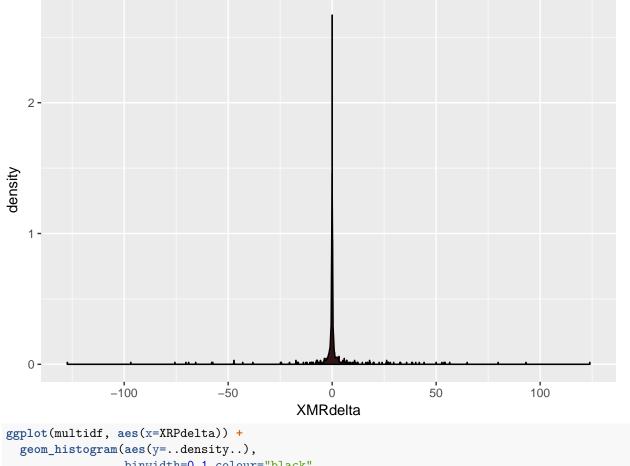
plotSeries(XRPdf)

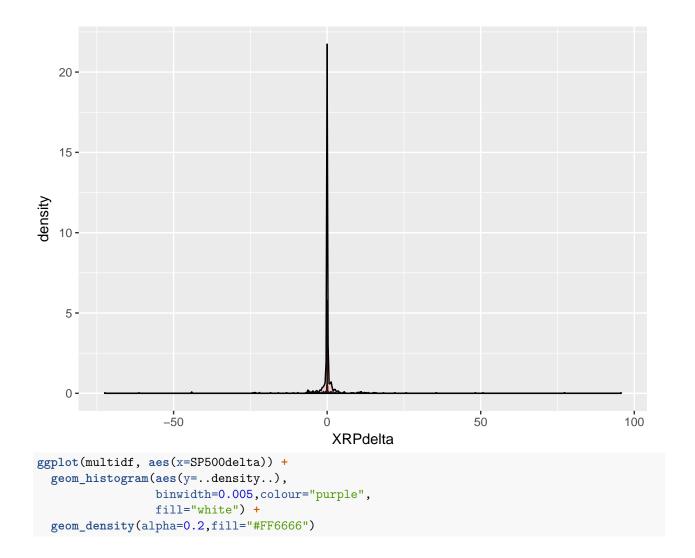


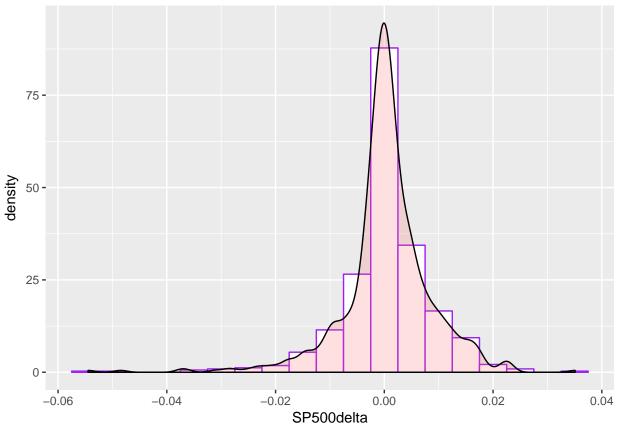
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legend("topleft",c("BTC","ETH","XMR","XRP","SP500"),col=c("black","red","blue","green","purple"),
       lty=c(1,1,1,1,1),
       lwd=c(2,2,2,2,2))
     500
                   BTC
                   ETH
     400
                   XMR
                   XRP
multidf$BTC.idx
     300
                   SP500
     200
     100
                      2016
                                                 2017
                                                                             2018
                                              Date
# distribution of relative price changes
multidf$BTCdelta = c(0,diff(multidf$BTC.idx))
multidf$ETHdelta = c(0,diff(multidf$ETH.idx))
multidf$XMRdelta = c(0,diff(multidf$XMR.idx))
multidf$XRPdelta = c(0,diff(multidf$XRP.idx))
multidf$SP500delta = c(0,diff(multidf$SP500.idx))
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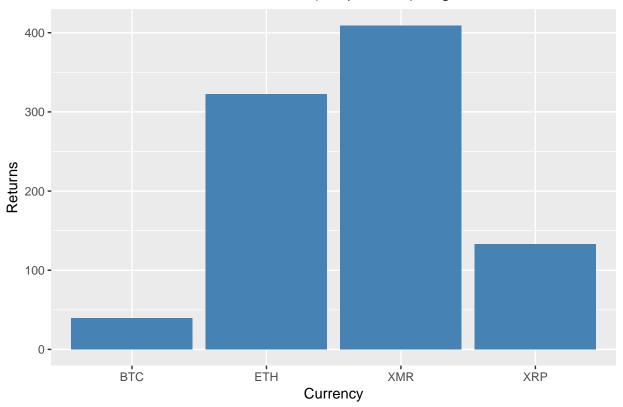






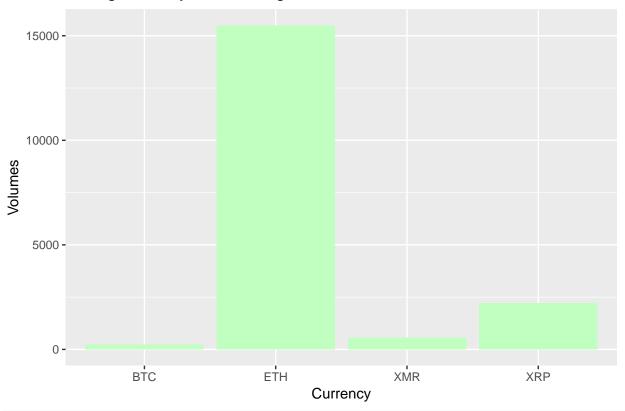
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# Display bar plots showing Overall Return and Change in Daily Volume
overallReturn = function(df){
  return ((df$Close[nrow(df)] - df$Close[1]) / df$Close[1])
}
volIncrease = function(df){
  return ((df$Volume[nrow(df)] - df$Volume[1]) / df$Volume[1])
}
returns = c(overallReturn(BTCdf),overallReturn(ETHdf),overallReturn(XMRdf),overallReturn(XRPdf))
volumes = c(volIncrease(BTCdf),volIncrease(ETHdf),volIncrease(XMRdf),volIncrease(XRPdf))
barData = data.frame(Currency=c("BTC","ETH","XMR","XRP"), Returns=returns, Volumes=volumes)
barData
##
     Currency
                           Volumes
                Returns
## 1
          BTC
               39.78868
                          232.6492
## 2
          ETH 322.23827 15487.8060
## 3
          XMR 409.08121
                          551.9270
## 4
          XRP 132.70952
                         2217.3103
# REQ: barplot
ggplot(data=barData, aes(x=Currency, y=Returns)) +
  geom_bar(stat="identity",fill="steelblue") +
  ggtitle("Cumulative Return on Investment (not percent!) Aug 2015 - Feb 2018")
```

## Cumulative Return on Investment (not percent!) Aug 2015 – Feb 2018



```
ggplot(data=barData, aes(x=Currency, y=Volumes)) +
geom_bar(stat="identity",fill="darkseagreen1") +
ggtitle("Change in Daily Volume Aug 2015 - Feb 2018")
```

### Change in Daily Volume Aug 2015 - Feb 2018



# Categorical Variables

# Converting VIX into a categorical

"' ## Topic 1 - Volalitility Exploration

### Topic 2 -

## [1] 0.8798746

### Topic 3 - Correlation between Cryptocurrencies

```
cor(BTCdf$Close, ETHdf$Close)
## [1] 0.9060949
cor(BTCdf$Close, XMRdf$Close)
## [1] 0.9691732
cor(BTCdf$Close, XRPdf$Close)
## [1] 0.8049156
cor(ETHdf$Close, XMRdf$Close)
## [1] 0.9525516
cor(ETHdf$Close, XRPdf$Close)
```

```
cor(XMRdf$Close, XRPdf$Close)
## [1] 0.8847865
#Largest correlation between BTC and XMR
plot(BTCdf$Close,XMRdf$Close,pch = ".",cex = 3)
#b is slope
b <- cov(BTCdf$Close,XMRdf$Close)/var(BTCdf$Close)
#a is intercept
a <- mean(XMRdf$Close) - b*mean(BTCdf$Close);a</pre>
## [1] -10.16858
#We can add this regression line to the plot of the data
abline(a, b, col = "red")
     400
XMRdf$Close
      300
      200
      100
                             5000
            0
                                              10000
                                                                 15000
                                                                                   20000
                                          BTCdf$Close
                                                                                           ##
```

Summary of Project Requirements

### Required dataset standards

- [x] A dataframe
- [] At least two categorical or logical columns
- [x] At least two numeric columns
- [x] At least 20 rows, preferably more, but real-world data may be limited

#### Required graphical displays (all graphs must be colored and nicely labeled)

- [x] A barplot
- [x] A histogram
- [] A probability density graph overlaid on a histogram
- [] A contingency table

### Required Analysis

- [] A permutation test
- [] A p-value or other statistic based on a distribution function
- [] Analysis of a contingency table
- [] Comparison of analysis by classical methods (chi-square, CLT) and simulation methods

#### Required submission uploads

- [] A .csv with the dataset
- [] A long, well-commented script that loads the dataset, explores it, and does all the analysis.
- [] A shorter .Rmd with compiled .pdf or .html file that presents highlights in ten minutes.
- [] A one-page handout that explains the dataset and summarizes the analysis.

### Additional points for creativity or complexity (up to 10 points)

#### References

Clifford S. Ang, Analyzing Financial Data and Implementing Financial Models Using R, Springer, 2015 Berlinger et al. Mastering R for Quantitative Finance, Packt Publishing, 2015