

**Research Article****Predicting COVID-19 impact on demand and supply of cryptocurrency using machine learning**

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ABSTRACT

In the wake of recent pandemic of COVID-19, we explore its unprecedented impact on the demand and supply of cryptocurrencies' market using machine learning such as Naïve Bayes (NB), Decision Trees (C5), Decision Trees Bagging (BG), Support Vector Machine (SVM), Random Forest (RF), Multinomial Logistic Regression (MLR), Recurrent Neural Network (RNN), Long Short Term Memory and Noise Bagging (NBG). The study employed Noise filters to enhance the performance of Decision Trees Bagging named NBG. Dataset utilized for this analysis were obtained from the website of Coin Market Cap, including: Binance Coin (BCN), BitCoin Cash (BCH), BitCoin (BTC), BitCoinSV (BSV), Cardano (CDO), Chainlink (CLK), CryptoCoin (CCN), EOS (EOS), Ethereum (ETH), LiteCoin (LTC), Monero (MNO), Stellar (SLR), Tether (TTR), Tezos (TZS), XRP (XRP), and daily data collected from exchange markets platforms spans from 2nd January 2018 to 7th July 2020. Auto encoder was utilized for the labelling of the trading strategies buy-hold-sell.

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1. Introduction

Cryptocurrency is a digital currency in which transactions are validated and records are kept by a decentralized system rather than a centralized authority utilizing encryption. Cryptocurrencies have reached the pinnacle of prominence in the global financial markets. This type of currency exists exclusively as a means of trade in the digital realm. The most well-known cryptocurrency is Bitcoin, which is available on the internet. As of January 2021, there are over 4,000 cryptocurrencies in circulation [1]. The top 5 cryptocurrencies include Bitcoin, Ethereum, XRP, Tether and Bitcoin Cash, depending on their market capitalization [2]. Bitcoin has grown incredibly famous throughout the years as a first ever crypto-currency type proclaimed in 2009 because of its unique features. It is not only the first type of a decentralized peer-to-peer network, but is also exclusively managed by Bitcoin users

worldwide. Bitcoin allows its users to be in complete control while ensuring identity protection without having any central authority to oversee transactions. More specifically, there's no link beyond the possession of a Bitcoin owner, suggesting that the identity of anyone engaged in a Bitcoin transaction is practically anonymous [3]. The Novel Coronavirus, sometimes called COVID-19, was one of the newest economic concerns; China officially recognized the pneumonia virus in 2019. Wuhan, China, the source of coronavirus was quarantined by 23 January 2020 as the virus spreads wildly over several nations and continents [4]. With COVID-19 rapidly spreading throughout the country, it became a national issue causing to massive industrial and corporate shutdowns. Given that the worldwide Chinese trade share is as high as 14 percent [4], its influence on financial markets globally is far greater than any previous economic uncertainty.

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Cryptocurrencies (including Bitcoin (BTC), ETH and Ripple (XRP)) were studied for the connection of cases and fatalities between COVID-19 by [5]. The results suggest that the study of the wavelet consistency demonstrates a negative link between the Bitcoin case and the number of reported deaths. The findings are comparable, but with weakest connections for Ethereum and Ripple. This promotes the role of cryptocurrencies in protecting against the uncertainty that COVID-19 raises. Cryptocurrency markets are complicated speculative systems. The herding distortions were explored in a research [6] by measuring the intensity of cryptocurrency returns' self-similarity during the COVID-19 epidemic. In multifractal investigation before and after the coronavirus epidemic, the researchers examined the level of effectiveness of cryptocurrencies. The results demonstrate that COVID-19 has a favorable effect on the effectiveness of the bitcoin market. Following the recent COVID-19 epidemic [7], the researcher explores the unprecedented consequences on the market for cryptocurrencies. They investigate how the change of COVID-19 intensity indicated by the daily increase in new global infections impacts the daily returns according to market capitalization of the top 10 cryptocurrencies. The results of the Quantile-on-Quantile Regression (QQR) approach indicate that the changing intensity of the COVID-19 influence cryptocurrencies differently in the Bearish and Bullish market. The findings of this new asset class indicate novel, asymmetrical dynamics versus a very stressful and unexpected occurrence of COVID-19. In the pre-pandemic and post-pandemic of COVID-19, the authors [8] analyze the relationship among the leading cryptocurrencies on crypto markets utilizing nine cryptocurrencies such as Bitcoin, Ethereum, Ripple, Litecoin, Eos, BitcoinCash, Binance, Stellar and so on. Findings demonstrate that Bitcoin and altcoins have significant evidence of long-lasting relationships regardless of whether they are in pre-pandemic or pandemic times. They also noticed that the pricing and interrelationship of cryptocurrencies are robust to the pandemic. The idea was that investors should consider Bitcoin and Altcoins together when creating investment plans and strategies, because they provide sustainability and resistance against geopolitical risks and even in the difficult times of the 19-COVID epidemic. The predictable nature of three main cryptocurrencies (Bitcoin, Ethereum and Litecoin) and of trade methods based on machine learning techniques such as linear models, random forests, and support vector machines is explored in a study by [9]. They utilized assembling of models in their trading strategies comprises of five models, the best performance was achieved from etherium and litecoin. Also, the annualised Sharpe ratios are 80.17% and 91.35%, and annualized returns are 9.62% and 5.73%. The authors [10] employed machine learning and Artificial Intelligence

(AI)-assisted trading in their research. They assess the cryptocurrency market's effectiveness on the basis of day-to-day data on 1,681 coins between November 2015 and April 2018. Their findings indicated that basic trading techniques, supported by state-of-the-art machine learning algorithms, exceed standard benchmarks. A model was developed for active trading based on reinforcement machine learning [11]. They utilized reinforcement machinery learning with the help of buy-and-hold strategy to five main cryptocurrencies. They show how this approach provides increased risk-adjusted returns and reduces downside risks. The authors [12] employed machine learning in stock market prediction using machine learning, deep learning, stochastic process and proposed Auditory algorithms such as Logistic Regression (LR), Support Vector Machine (SVM), Feed forward neural network (FFN), Recurrent Neural Network (RNN), Stochastic Differential Equation (SDE) and Geometric Brownian Motion (GBM). The performance of Auditory Algorithm (AA) is compared with that of high performing machine learning, deep learning algorithms and continuous-time stochastic process. The results show that the overall performance of AA is superior to that of other algorithms compared in the paper. Table I displays the summary of related work on cryptocurrency.

Our contributions to this work are outlined below:

The impact of COVID-19 on Demand and Supply of cryptocurrency prediction and analysis of Binance Coin (BCN), BitCoin Cash (BCH), BitCoin (BTC), BitCoinSV (BSV), Cardano (CDO), Chainlink (CLK), CryptoCoin (CCN), EOS (EOS), Ethereum (ETH), Litecoin (LTC), Monero (MNO), Stellar (SLR), Tether (TTR), Tezos (TZS), XRP (XRP) and others was presented in this paper.

Performance comparison of these cryptocurrencies using Machine learning such as Naïve Bayes (NB), Decision Trees (C5), Decision Trees Bagging (BG), Support Vector Machine (SVM), Random Forest (RF), Multinomial Logistic Regression (MLR), Recurrent Neural Network (RNN), Long Short Term Memory and Noise Bagging (NBG) respectively was analyzed.

The effectiveness of the machine learning model was analysis using different performance metrics such as Sensitivity, Specificity and Accuracy.

2. Materials and Methods

2.1. Description of Cryptocurrency Dataset

Dataset utilized for this analysis were obtained from the website of Coin Market Cap, including: Binance Coin (BCN), BitCoin Cash (BCH), BitCoin (BTC), BitCoinSV (BSV), Cardano (CDO), Chainlink (CLK), CryptoCoin (CCN), EOS (EOS), Ethereum (ETH), Litecoin (LTC), Monero (MNO), Stellar (SLR), Tether (TTR), Tezos (TZS), XRP (XRP), and daily data collected from

exchange markets platforms spans from 2nd January 2018 to 7th July 2020 as shown in Fig. 1. Cryptocurrency data obtained from the website contains the daily closing price, open price, high price, low price, volume and change percentage in US dollars. The data sets for the exchange market are split into two sets, training and testing dataset. The training dataset spans from January 2018 to December 2019 of the daily data of exchange market cryptocurrency and the remaining of the daily data from January 2020 to July 2020 were utilized for the testing dataset as shown in Fig. 2. The period of testing dataset was selected due to the impact of COVID-19 in the world economy, which has become a global pandemic [13-14].

Table 1. Summary of related work on Cryptocurrency

Reference	Methods	Results
Thomas et al [11]	Direct Reinforcement Learning	Portfolio Metrics: Cumulative Returns (DR) = 3.39%
Laura et al. [10]	Gradient Boosting, Decision Trees, Long Short Memory, Recurrent Neural Network	Geometric mean return: 98.5, 98.8%
Helder et al. [9]	Linear Models, Random Forest, Support Vector Machine	Sharpe Ratio: 80.17% Annualized Return: 91.35%
Erdinc et al. [24]	k-Nearest Neighbours, Logistic Regression, Naïve Bayes, Random Forest, Support Vector Machine, Extreme Gradient Boosting	Logistic Regression: 54% Naïve Bayes: 45%, Extreme Gradient Boosting: 55% Support Vector Machine: 71% k-Nearest Neighbour: 87% Random Forest: 83%
Muhammed et al. [25]	Artificial Neural Network (ANN), Stacked Artificial Neural Network (SANN), Support Vector Machine (SVM), Long Short Term Memory (LSTM)	ANN: 57% SANN: 62% SVM: 65% LSTM: 54%

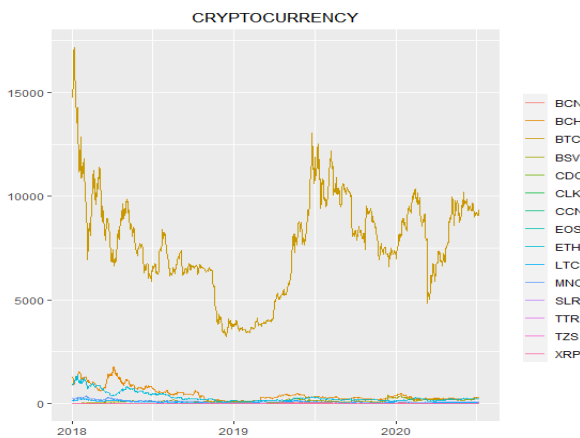


Figure 1. Cryptocurrency dataset (x-axis represents the year and y-axis is the Closing price of the cryptocurrency)

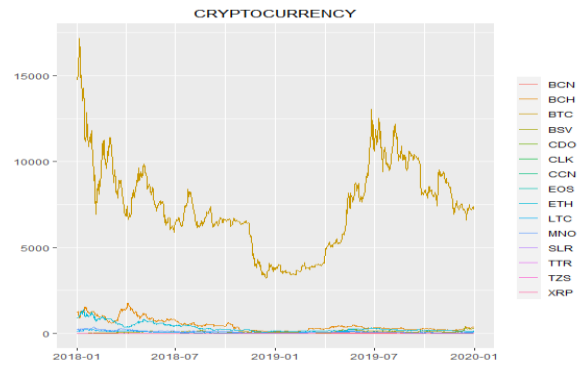


Figure 2. Training dataset of BCN, BCH, BTC, BSV, CDO, CLK, CCN, EOS, ETH, LTC, MNO, SLR, TTR, TZS, XRP (x-axis represents the year and y-axis is the Closing price of the cryptocurrency)

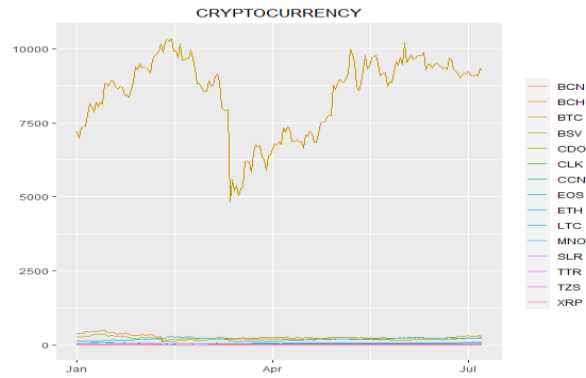


Figure 3. Testing dataset of BCN, BCH, BTC, BSV, CDO, CLK, CCN, EOS, ETH, LTC, MNO, SLR, TTR, TZS, XRP (x-axis represents the year and y-axis is the Closing price of the cryptocurrency).

2.2. Technical Indicators

In order to monitor the development of cryptocurrency prices as well as to develop trading rules to buy-sell-hold decisions, researchers and investors have used a wide range of technical indicators. Throughout this analysis, five famous technical indicators such as Simple Moving Average (SMA), Chande Momentum Oscillator (CMO), Detrended Price Oscillator (DPO), Exponential Moving Average (EMA) and Weighted Moving Average (WMA) are chosen as input to the model. The technical indicators are determined from historical prices as follows:

Simple Moving Average (SMA)

SMA can be expressed as:

$$S_m = \frac{1}{t} \sum_{i=1}^t C_t \tag{1}$$

Chande Momentum Oscillator (CMO)

CMO can be expressed as:

$$C_m = \frac{H(\sum_{i=1}^t C_t) - L(\sum_{i=1}^t C_t)}{H(\sum_{i=1}^t C_t) + L(\sum_{i=1}^t C_t)} \tag{2}$$

Detrended Price Oscillation (DPO)

DPO can be expressed as:

$$D_p = C_t - (SMA(\frac{t}{2} + 1)) \tag{3}$$

Exponential Moving Average (EMA)

Exponential moving average of n days is calculate as:

$$E_m = C_t \times \alpha + E_{(m-1)} \times (1-\alpha) \tag{4}$$

$$\alpha = 2 \div (n + 1)$$

Weighted Moving Average (WMA)

$$W_m = \sum_{i=1}^t \frac{t \times C_i - (t-1)C_i \dots C_t}{\frac{t(t+1)}{2}} \tag{5}$$

Where C_t is the closing price at time t , H is the highest price, L is the lowest price,

E_m is the exponential moving average at time t , α is the exponential smoothing factor.

2.3. Machine Learning framework for cryptocurrency prediction

Naïve Bayes (NB)

The classification method Naïve Bayes is based on the Bayes theorem. Bayes theorem offers a method to estimate posterior probability, $P(c/x)$, from class prior probability $P(c)$, predictor prior probability $P(x)$, and likelihood $P(x/c)$. The classifier of Naive Bayes presumes that the predictor value (x) on a given class (c) is independent of other predictors values. This presumption is referred to as a class conditional independence. The Bayes principle [15] is based on Bayes formula as follows:

$$P(c|x) = \frac{P(x|c)P(c)}{P(x)} \tag{6}$$

Where $P(c|x)$ is the posterior probability of the buy-sell-hold target class given S_m, C_m, D_p, E_m, W_m predictor, $P(c)$ is the prior probability of class, $P(x|c)$ is the likelihood which is the probability of S_m, C_m, D_p, E_m, W_m predictor given class and $P(x)$ is the prior probability of S_m, C_m, D_p, E_m, W_m predictor.

Decision Trees (C5)

The algorithm C5.0 is C4.5 extensions. The performance and memory of C5.0 is higher than C4.5. C5.0 model works by dividing the sample into a field which provides the highest gain of information. On the basis of the most significant knowledge gains region, the C5.0 model will separate samples. The sample subset obtained from the previous division is subsequently divided. The cycle continues until a subset of the sample cannot be divided and normally depends on another field. Lastly, the lowest division is examined, which will be rejected for those subset that do not contribute considerably to the model [16].

Decision Tree Bagging (BG)

Decision Tree Bagging (BG) is a general approach by which many variations of predictive model are modified to merge them into an aggregated prediction [17]. Bagging is a very direct algorithm in which the original training data is generated using bootstrap copy b . The base learners' predictions are combined in a classification problem with the majority voting or by combining the measured class probabilities. The equations for bagging are as follows:

$$b_g = f_1(X) + f_2(X) + \dots + f_n(X) \tag{7}$$

where X is the record for which we want to generate a prediction, b_g is the bagged prediction, and $f_1(X), f_2(X), f_n(X)$ are the predictions from the individual base learners.

Proposed Method

In cryptocurrency it is very important to be able to predict buy-sell-hold trading decision signal accurately. When traders are aware of the best time to buy-sell-hold assets on the cryptocurrency market, many traders will benefit more. It is worth observing the price movements of virtual coins, as well as the exchange in physical goods and products. In a nutshell, market timing is a buying-selling-holding trading strategy will be built upon the concept of beating the market by predicting it using proposed method. In this section, in order to beat the exchange market cryptocurrency, we employ auto-encoder.

Auto Encoder

Autoencoder is unsupervised learning that comprises three layers: a hidden layer, output layer, input layer as shown in Fig. 4. Two important elements which are encoder and decoder components are involved in an autoencoder. An encoder maps the input layer to the hidden layer, while the decoder map returns this hidden layer to the original input layer. The input dataset $\{x_n\}$ is all the cryptocurrency dataset used in this research.

The encoding and decoding process is as follows:

$$h_n = \sigma(W_1 x_n + b_1) \tag{8}$$

$$\hat{x}_n = \rho(W_2 h_n + b_2) \tag{9}$$

where σ is the encoding function, ρ is the decoding function, W_1 is the weight matrix of the encoder, W_2 is the weight matrix of the decoder, b_1 is the bias vector of the encoder, b_2 is the bias vector of the decoder.

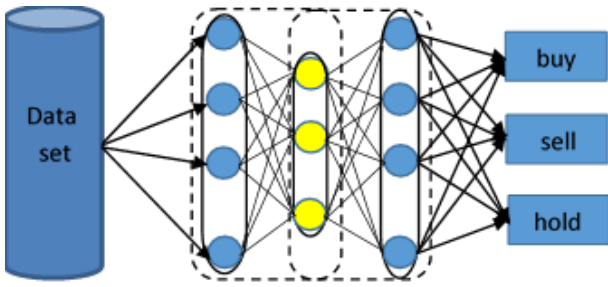


Figure 4: Structure of buy-sell-hold strategy using Auto-encoder

Trading strategy of buy-sell-hold decisions

The output obtained from the decoder, is then processed using straight forward rules as follows:

- If (action is greater than 1) then decision is “buy”
- If (action is between 1 and 0.5) then decision is “sell”
- If (action is less than 0.5) then decision is “hold”

Enhancement of Noise Filter Bagging (NBG)

The efficiency of the classifiers designed under such circumstances which we generally want to optimize will depend heavily on the quality of the training data but also on the ruggedness of the classifier against noise. So training or test data with noise are complex problems and often difficult to achieve accurate solutions [18-22].

Noise in data can influence the intrinsic characteristics of a classification problem, as this can lead to new properties being introduced into the problem region. The dataset collected from the real-world are never flawless and often distorted that may inhibit the system efficiency. Therefore, data gathered from real-world problems are never perfect and often suffer from corruptions that may hinder the performance of the system. In order to have a clean data from the classes of buy, sell and hold strategy, we employed the approach of Tomek [23]. The mathematics equation is given as:

$$C_d = \aleph(x_{bsh}, r) \tag{10}$$

Where C_d is the clean data, \aleph is the noise filters algorithm, x_{bsh} is the decision output buy-sell-hold, r is the technical indicators (S_m, C_m, D_p, E_m, W_m).

The main steps taken to predict cryptocurrency by enhanced decision tree bagging (BG) are listed below:

Firstly, cryptocurrency datasets containing fifteen major currencies was used for our experiments.

Secondly, preprocessing operations to transform the data to buy-sell-hold decisions was carried out prior to training the machine learning model.

Thirdly, preprocessing operation obtained is used as target class while the technical indicator is used as the predictor on all the three machine learning. To improve the accuracy of BG, next stage is employ.

Lastly, noise filter was carried out on the training dataset and the selected test dataset obtained from the clean data was applied to decision tree bagging (BG) which will enable us to improve the accuracy of the BG.

3. Results

Table II presents the statistical summary of the entire cryptocurrency utilized in this study. The minimum, first quartile, median, mean, third quartile, maximum and standard deviation. The highest closing price is obtained from BitCoin (BTC) while the lowest price is CryptoCoin (CCN). The prices of Tether (TTR), Cardano (CDO), CrptoCoin (CCN), Stellar (SLR) and XRP have shown lower volatility which indicated that the coin prices tend to be more stable. The reward can be high for trader investing in BitCoin (BTC) and BitCoin Cash (BCH) coin, but the risk associated with high volatility must be taken into account.

Biplot is a useful visualization tool for assessing the performance of cryptocurrency data. All the fifteen cryptocurrencies utilized in this study are present in the same plot. As shown in Fig. 5 most of the cryptocurrency data tends cluster together. BCN, BSV, BTC, CDO, CLK, ETH, MNO, TZS and XRP are positive correlated while there is no correlation between TTR and SLR.

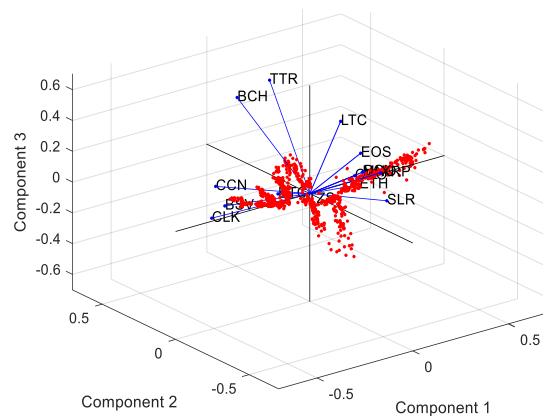


Figure 5. Biplot of Cryptocurrency

The investor who take advantage of the buy-sell-hold strategy will be able to predict when to buy, to sell and to hold. Table III display all the fifteen cryptocurrency strategy of the buy-sell-hold decisions. The exchange market of cryptocurrency works on the concepts of supply and demand, buyers tends to bid more of ETH, BTC, BSC, this result in the increase price of cryptocurrency while CDO, CCN, SLR, TTR and TZS have no supply, this cause the price of the cryptocurrency to fall. CDO, BCH, XRP, TTR tends to have more sellers while BTC, ETH, BCN have low sellers. Most traders tend to hold more of TZS, CLK and SLR. Table IV shows impact of demand and supply of cryptocurrency on COVID-19. The results show that traders hold more of cryptocurrency during COVID-

19 which shows that demand and supply of cryptocurrency was very low.

It is of paramount importance to address the strength and accuracy of the proposed method. We have carried out noise filters technique on decision tree bagging (BG) named NBG in this paper. Noise filters removes noise from the training data and improve the accuracy of the test data set of NBG as shown in Table V-VI. The performance of NB, C5, BG, NBG, SVM, RF, MLR, RNN and LSTM classification model is evaluated using Sensitivity, Specificity, Positive Predicted Value (PPV), Negative Predicted Value (NPV), Balanced Accuracy, Overall Accuracy, Kappa and 95% confidence interval (CI) to demonstrate how accurately the classifier distinguishes between buy, sell and hold. In Table V NBG is able to classify buy, sell and hold decision compared to other three algorithms. In Table VI NBG performs best with 99% in almost all the fifteen cryptocurrency.

Table III. buy-sell-hold decision

Cryptocurrency	Buy	Sell	Hold
Binance Coin (BCN)	287	27	604
BitCoin Cash (BCH)	45	323	550
BitCoin (BTC)	292	0	626
BitCoinSV (BSV)	268	81	569
Cardano (CDO)	0	497	421
Chainlink (CLK)	3	278	637
CryptoCoin (CCN)	0	291	627
EOS (EOS)	8	308	602
Ethereum (ETH)	316	4	598
LiteCoin (LTC)	201	142	575
Monero (MNO)	250	77	591
Stellar (SLR)	0	286	632
Tether (TTR)	0	298	620
Tezos (TZS)	0	262	656
XRP (XRP)	0	320	598

4. Conclusions

Because of inaccurate policy making, classification of cryptocurrency is very difficult. Nevertheless, machine learning techniques have been successful in cryptocurrency classification in recent years. Several algorithms, for example gradient boosting, neural network, and so on were explored for strength in the classification of crypto-market decision strategy. However, removing noise from data have remained unexploited in this field. In this paper, we have used auto encoder for detecting strategy of buy, sell and hold and noise filter algorithms to remove noise from all the cryptocurrency dataset utilized in this study. In addition, NBG classification model has produced very impressive results for our predictive model. The technique has proven very effective in buying, selling and holding decision. Our model performance is assessed through several parameters such as sensitivity, specificity, PPV, NPV, balanced accuracy, overall accuracy, kappa and 95% confidence interval. For all the fifteen cryptocurrency datasets we have used for example, BCN, BCH, BTC, BSV, CDO, CLK, CCN, EOS, ETH, LTC, MNO, SLR, TTR, TZS, and XRP, we were able to achieve

accuracy in the range 88-100%. We also observed that COVID-19 has great impact in demand and supply of cryptocurrency during the global pandemic of COVID-19 that ravages the whole world.

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Table II. Summary Statistics of Closing Price of Cryptocurrency

ryptocurrency	Minimum	1 st Quartile	Median	Mean	3 rd Quartile	Maximum	Standard deviation
Binance Coin (BCN)	4.516	10.458	15.123	15.975	19.163	38.650	7.040053
BitCoin Cash (BCH)	78.35	226.51	306.74	440.41	519.68	1760.31	334.1657
BitCoin (BTC)	3229	6375	7700	7666	9299	17172	2367.341
BitCoinSV (BSV)	15.49	73.96	106.06	122.80	169.41	425.36	66.85932
Cardano (CDO)	0.0200	0.0400	0.0700	0.09431	0.10750	0.4600	0.079783
Chainlink (CLK)	0.160	0.400	0.685	1.719	2.587	10.200	1.768353
CryptoCoin (CCN)	0.00200	0.01090	0.03430	0.03927	0.05828	0.17430	0.0358074
EOS (EOS)	1.746	2.754	4.028	5.003	5.930	21.418	3.084323
Ethereum (ETH)	83.81	161.51	209.82	302.84	310.51	1380.00	238.8569
LiteCoin (LTC)	23.21	44.90	59.02	74.04	88.50	228.70	40.63152
Monero (MNO)	32.11	56.57	72.98	96.11	109.59	371.65	60.70651
Stellar (SLR)	0.03243	0.06840	0.10169	0.14264	0.21630	0.47279	0.098484
Tether (TTR)	0.9506	0.9990	1.0007	0.9998	1.0031	1.0288	0.007308
Tezos (TZS)	0.344	1.054	1.420	1.845	2.717	5.795	1.145645
XRP (XRP)	0.1360	0.2433	0.3120	0.3726	0.4500	1.1781	0.1890485

Table IV. Impact of COVID-19 on Cryptocurrency

Cryptocurrency	6 months before COVID-19				6 months during COVID-19		
	Buy	Sell	Hold		Buy	Sell	Hold
Binance Coin (BCN)	60	4	120		55	4	125
BitCoin Cash (BCH)	7	69	108		8	52	124
BitCoin (BTC)	57	0	127		49	0	135
BitCoinSV (BSV)	55	15	114		42	14	128
Cardano (CDO)	0	96	88		0	89	95
Chainlink (CLK)	0	54	130		1	45	138
CryptoCoin (CCN)	0	56	128		0	47	137
EOS (EOS)	1	60	123		1	58	125
Ethereum (ETH)	62	1	121		60	2	122
LiteCoin (LTC)	38	33	113		39	22	123
Monero (MNO)	49	17	118		49	11	124
Stellar (SLR)	0	58	126		0	54	130
Tether (TTR)	0	59	125		0	46	138
Tezos (TZS)	0	58	126		0	45	139
XRP (XRP)	0	64	120		0	60	124

Table V. Performance Metrics of NB, C5, NBG, SVM, RF, MLR, RNN and LSTM

Cryptocurrency		Sensitivity			Specificity			PPV			NPV			Accuracy		
		Buy	Sell	Hold	Buy	Sell	hold	Buy	Sell	Hold	Buy	Sell	hold	Buy	Sell	hold
BCH	NB	0.00	30.19	65.62	100	65.44	31.15	-	25.39	66.67	95.77	70.64	30.16	50.00	47.82	48.39
	C5	0.00	0.00	100.00	100	100	0.00	-	-	67.72	95.77	71.96	-	95.77	71.96	-
	BG	0.00	24.53	77.34	100	77.21	24.59	-	29.55	68.28	95.77	34.09	72.41	50.00	50.88	50.97
	NBG	100	97.37	100	100	100	97.62	100	100	99.32	100	99.34	100	100	98.68	98.81
	SVM	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.00	-	-	67.72	95.77	71.96	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	RF	0.00	20.75	78.12	100	78.68	19.67	-	27.57	67.11	95.77	71.81	30.00	50.00	49.72	48.90
	MLR	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	67.72	95.77	71.96	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	RNN	0.00	23.84	80.91	100	80.17	24.46	-	39.49	61.55	95.01	65.98	46.15	50.00	52.04	52.68
	LSTM	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	59.91	95.09	64.81	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
BCN	NB	3.64	0.00	95.38	95.52	100	3.39	25.00	-	68.51	70.72	97.88	25.00	49.58	50.00	49.39
	C5	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	68.78	70.90	97.88	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	BG	18.18	0.00	80.00	79.85	99.46	20.34	27.03	0.00	68.87	70.39	97.87	31.58	49.02	49.73	50.17
	NBG	92.86	-	100	100	100	92.86	100	-	98.77	98.77	-	100	96.43	-	96.43
	SVM	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.00	-	-	68.78	70.90	97.88	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	RF	12.73	0.00	82.31	82.09	99.46	15.25	22.58	0.00	68.15	69.62	97.87	28.12	47.42	48.78	49.73
	MLR	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	68.78	70.90	97.88	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	RNN	0.00	100	1.49	100	1.24	99.36	-	2.98	81.82	68.74	100	34.40	50.00	50.62	50.43
	LSTM	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	65.84	68.74	97.06	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
BSV	NB	9.52	0.00	86.47	87.76	99.43	8.93	18.18	0.00	69.28	77.25	92.55	21.74	48.64	49.71	47.70
	C5	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	70.37	77.78	92.59	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	BG	14.29	0.00	81.95	85.03	96.00	19.64	0.00	21.43	0.00	70.78	77.64	92.31	49.66	48.00	50.80
	NBG	98.33	100	100	100	100	98.41	100	100	99.71	99.72	100	100	99.17	100	99.21
	SVM	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.00	-	-	70.37	77.78	92.59	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	RF	9.52	0.00	88.72	90.48	98.29	10.71	22.22	0.00	70.24	77.78	92.47	28.57	50.00	49.14	49.72
	MLR	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	70.37	77.78	92.59	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	RNN	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
	LSTM	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	61.98	70.81	91.18	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
BTC	NB	2.04	-	-	100	-	-	100	-	-	74.47	-	-	51.02	-	-
	C5	0.00	-	-	100	-	-	-	-	-	74.07	-	-	50.00	-	-
	BG	16.33	-	-	76.43	-	-	19.51	-	-	72.30	-	-	46.38	-	-
	NBG	96.15	-	-	100	-	-	100	-	-	99.39	-	-	98.08	-	-
	SVM	0.00	-	-	100	-	-	-	-	-	74.07	-	-	50.00	-	-
	RF	10.20	-	-	82.86	-	-	17.24	-	-	72.50	-	-	46.53	-	-
	MLR	0.00	-	-	100	-	-	-	-	-	74.07	-	-	50.00	-	-
	RNN	0.00	-	-	100	-	-	-	-	-	68.19	-	-	50.00	-	-
	LSTM	3.42	-	-	100	-	-	100	-	-	68.27	-	-	50.17	-	-

CCN	NB	-	-	44.68	-	-	45.83	-	-	70.79	-	-	22.00	-	-	45.26
	C5	-	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	74.60	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
	BG	-	-	62.41	-	-	41.67	-	-	75.86	-	-	27.40	-	-	52.04
	NBG	-	-	100	-	-	83.33	-	-	98.88	-	-	100	-	-	91.67
	SVM	-	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	74.6	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
	RF	-	-	74.47	-	-	20.83	-	-	73.43	-	-	21.74	-	-	47.65
	MLR	-	-	0.00	-	-	100	-	-	74.60	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
	RNN	-	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	68.3	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
	LSTM	-	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	68.3	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
CDO	NB	-	-	0.00	-	-	100	-	-	-	-	-	47.62	-	-	50.00
	C5	-	-	0.00	-	-	100	-	-	-	-	-	47.62	-	-	50.00
	BG	-	-	44.44	-	-	61.11	-	-	55.70	-	-	50.00	-	-	52.78
	NBG	-	-	100	-	-	100	-	-	100	-	-	100	-	-	100
	SVM	-	-	0.00	-	-	100	-	-	-	-	-	47.62	-	-	50.00
	RF	-	-	43.43	-	-	67.78	-	-	59.72	-	-	52.14	-	-	55.61
	MLR	-	-	0.00	-	-	100	-	-	-	-	-	47.62	-	-	50.00
	RNN	-	99.60	-	-	0.00	-	-	54.04	-	-	0.00	-	-	49.80	-
	LSTM	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	54.14	-	-	-	-	-	50.00	-
CLK	NB	100	8.51	32.62	39.36	95.07	64.58	0.87	36.36	73.02	100	75.84	24.60	69.68	51.79	48.60
	C5	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	75.13	99.47	75.13	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	BG	0.00	10.64	84.40	100	84.51	10.42	-	18.52	73.46	99.47	74.07	18.52	50.00	47.57	47.41
	NBG	-	76.92	92.61	100	92.61	76.92	-	43.48	98.19	-	98.19	43.48	-	98.19	43.48
	SVM	-	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	74.6	-	74.6	-	-	50.00	50.00
	RF	-	12.50	90.78	100	90.78	12.50	-	31.57	75.29	-	75.29	31.58	-	51.64	51.64
	MLR	-	0.00	96.45	100	96.45	0.00	-	0.00	73.91	-	73.91	0.00	-	48.23	48.23
	RNN	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	69.39	99.67	69.72	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	LSTM	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	69.39	99.67	69.72	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
EOS	NB	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	68.78	99.47	69.31	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	C5	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	68.78	99.47	69.31	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	NB	0.00	37.93	65.38	100	65.66	37.29	-	32.84	69.67	99.47	70.49	32.84	50.00	51.79	51.34
	NBG	-	92.59	100	100	100	92.59	-	100	98.78	-	98.78	100	-	96.63	96.63
	SVM	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	68.78	99.47	69.31	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	RF	0.00	31.03	65.38	100	65.64	30.51	-	28.58	67.46	99.47	68.25	28.57	50.00	48.34	47.95
	MLR	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	68.78	99.47	69.31	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	RNN	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	65.58	99.13	66.45	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	LSTM	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	65.58	99.13	66.45	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
ETH	NB	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	67.2	68.25	98.94	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	C5	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	67.2	68.85	98.94	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	BG	20.00	0.00	77.95	78.30	100	19.35	30.00	-	66.44	67.79	98.94	30.00	49.15	50.00	48.65

	NBG	67.74	-	92.41	92.41	100	67.74	63.63	-	93.59	93.59	-	63.64	80.07	80.07	-
	SVM	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	67.2	68.25	98.94	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	RF	23.33	0.00	74.80	75.19	100	22.58	30.44	-	66.43	67.83	98.94	30.43	49.26	50.00	48.69
	MLR	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	67.20	68.25	98.94	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	RNN	0.00	100	0.00	100	0.00	100	-	0.45	-	-	0.44	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	LSTM	0.32	0.00	100	100	100	0.31	100	-	65.21	65.65	99.56	100	50.16	50.00	50.16
LTC	NB	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	67.2	79.37	87.83	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	C5	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	67.2	79.37	87.83	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	BG	15.39	4.35	85.04	90.00	95.78	16.13	28.57	12.50	67.50	80.36	87.84	34.48	52.69	50.07	50.58
	NBG	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
	SVM	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	67.2	79.37	87.83	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	RF	7.69	4.35	88.98	93.33	96.39	9.68	23.08	14.29	66.86	79.55	87.91	30.00	50.51	50.37	49.33
	MLR	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	67.20	79.37	87.83	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	RNN	0.00	100	0.00	100	0.00	100	-	15.47	-	78.1	-	37.36	50.00	50.00	50.00
	LSTM	0.00	0.00	100	100	98.7	0.29	-	0.00	62.70	78.10	84.51	100	50.00	49.93	50.15
MNO	NB	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	68.25	74.07	94.18	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	C5	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	68.25	74.07	94.18	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	BG	18.37	0.00	85.27	86.43	97.75	21.67	32.14	0.00	70.06	75.16	94.05	40.62	52.40	48.88	53.47
	NBG	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
	SVM	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	68.25	74.07	94.18	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	RF	1.02	9.09	90.70	92.14	95.51	21.67	31.25	11.11	71.34	74.57	94.44	52.00	51.17	52.29	56.18
	MLR	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	68.25	74.07	94.18	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	RNN	0.00	100	0.00	100	0.00	100	-	8.38	-	72.77	-	35.62	50.00	50.00	50.00
	LSTM	0.00	100	0.00	100	100	0.00	-	-	64.38	72.77	91.62	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
SLR	NB	-	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	71.43	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
	C5	-	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	71.43	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
	BG	-	-	80.00	-	-	11.11	-	-	69.23	-	-	18.18	-	-	45.56
	NBG	-	-	100	-	-	100	-	-	100	-	-	100	-	-	100
	SVM	-	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	71.43	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
	RF	-	-	80.74	-	-	16.67	-	-	70.78	-	-	25.71	-	-	48.70
	MLR	-	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	-	-	71.43	-	-	50.00
	RNN	-	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	68.85	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
	LSTM	-	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	68.85	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
TTR	NB	-	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	75.66	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
	C5	-	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	75.66	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
	BG	-	-	81.82	-	-	8.70	-	-	73.59	-	-	13.33	-	-	45.26
	NBG	-	-	100	-	-	100	-	-	100	-	-	100	-	-	100
	SVM	-	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	75.66	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
	RF	-	-	83.92	-	-	13.04	-	-	75.00	-	-	20.69	-	-	48.48
	MLR	-	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	75.66	-	-	-	-	-	50.00

	RNN	-	0.33	-	-	100	-	-	100	-	-	67.62	-	-	50.17	-
	LSTM	-	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	67.54	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
TZS	NB	-	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	76.19	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
	C5	-	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	76.19	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
	BG	-	-	73.61	-	-	17.78	-	-	74.13	-	-	17.39	-	-	45.69
	NBG	-	-	100	-	-	100	-	-	100	-	-	100	-	-	100
	SVM	-	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	76.19	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
	RF	-	-	83.33	-	-	11.11	-	-	75.00	-	-	17.24	-	-	47.22
	MLR	-	-	100	-	-	2.22	-	-	76.60	-	-	100	-	-	51.11
	RNN	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	71.46	99.89	71.57	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
	LSTM	0.00	0.00	100	100	100	0.00	-	-	71.46	98.89	71.57	-	50.00	50.00	50.00
XRP	NB	-	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	68.25	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
	C5	-	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	68.25	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
	BG	-	-	86.05	-	-	10.00	-	-	67.27	-	-	25.00	-	-	48.02
	NBG	-	-	100	-	-	100	-	-	100	-	-	100	-	-	100
	SVM	-	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	68.25	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
	RF	-	-	89.15	-	-	8.33	-	-	67.65	-	-	26.32	-	-	48.74
	MLR	-	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	68.25	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
	RNN	-	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	65.14	-	-	-	-	-	50.00
	LSTM	-	-	100	-	-	0.00	-	-	65.14	-	-	-	-	-	50.00

Table VI. Performance Metrics of NB, C5, NBG, SVM, RF, MLR, RNN and LSTM

Cryptocurrency	Model	Accuracy	Kappa	95% Confidence Interval
BCH	NB	52.91	-0.0349	(0.4553,0.602)
	C5	67.72	0.0000	(0.6056, 0.7433)
	BG	59.26	0.0186	(0.5189, 0.6633)
	NBG	99.47	0.9849	(0.9709, 0.9999)
	SVM	67.72	0.0000	(0.6056, 0.7433)
	RF	58.73	-0.0147	(0.5136,0.6583)
	MLR	67.72	0.0000	(0.6056,0.7433)
	RNN	56.86	0.0486	(0.5359, 0.6009)
LSTM	59.91	0.0000	(0.5666, 0.6310)	
BCN	NB	66.67	-0.0133	(0.5946, 0.7334)
	C5	68.78	0.0000	(0.6165, 0.7531)
	BG	60.32	-0.0088	(0.5296, 0.6734)
	NBG	98.94	0.9568	(0.9623, 0.9987)
	SVM	68.78	0.00	(0.6165, 0.7531)
	RF	60.32	-0.0421	(0.5296,0.6734)
	MLR	68.78	0.0000	(0.6165, 0.7531)
	RNN	3.92	0.0024	(0.0276, 0.0539)
LSTM	65.80	0.0000	(0.6263, 0.6886)	
BSV	NB	62.96	-0.0413	(0.5565, 0.6986)
	C5	70.37	0.0000	(0.6331, 0.7678)
	BG	60.85	-0.0015	(0.535, 0.6785)
	NBG	99.76	0.9906	(0.9865, 0.9999)
	SVM	70.37	0.00	(0.6331,0.7678)
	RF	64.55	-0.0067	(0.5728,0.7136)
	MLR	70.37	0.0000	(0.6331, 0.7678)
	RNN	100	1.0000	(0.9960,1.0000)
LSTM	61.98	0.0000	(0.5875, 0.6513)	
BTC	NB	74.60	0.0299	(0.6778, 0.8064)
	C5	74.07	0.0000	(0.6721, 0.8016)
	BG	60.85	-0.0765	(0.535, 0.6785)
	NBG	99.79	0.9916	(0.9886, 0.9999)
	SVM	74.07	0.0000	(0.6721,0.8016)
	RF	64.02	-0.08	(0.5674,0.7086)
	MLR	74.07	0.0000	(0.6721, 0.8016)
	RNN	1.63	0.0030	(0.0092, 0.0268)
LSTM	68.3	0.0047	(0.6518, 0.7130)	
CCN	NB	44.97	-0.0699	(0.3775, 0.5236)
	C5	74.60	0.0000	(0.6778, 0.8064)
	BG	57.14	0.0348	(0.4976, 0.643)
	NBG	98.94	0.9035	(0.9623, 0.9987)
	SVM	74.60	0.00	(0.6778,0.8064)
	RF	60.85	-0.0476	(0.5350,0.6785)
	MLR	74.60	0.0000	(0.6778, 0.8064)
	RNN	68.30	0.0000	(0.6518, 0.7130)
LSTM	68.30	0.0000	(0.6518, 0.7130)	
CDO	NB	47.62	0.0000	(0.4032, 0.5499)
	C5	47.62	0.0000	(0.4032, 0.5499)
	BG	52.38	0.0550	(0.4501, 0.5968)
	NBG	100	1	(0.9807, 1)
	SVM	47.62	0.0000	(0.4032,0.5499)
	RF	55.03	0.1106	(0.4764,0.6225)
	MLR	47.62	0.0000	(0.4032, 0.5499)
	RNN	53.92	-0.0440	(0.5063, 0.5718)
LSTM	54.14	0.0000	(0.5085, 0.5740)	
CLK	NB	26.98	0.0047	(0.208, 0.3391)
	C5	74.60	0.0000	(0.6778, 0.8064)
	BG	65.61	-0.0581	(0.5837, 0.7235)
	NBG	91.53	0.5127	(0.8662, 0.9508)
	SVM	74.60	0.00	(0.6778,0.8064)
	RF	70.90	0.041	(0.6387,0.7726)
	MLR	71.96	-0.0503	(0.6498, 0.7824)
	RNN	69.39	0.0000	(0.6630, 0.7236)
LSTM	69.39	0.0000	(0.6630, 0.7236)	
EOS	NB	68.78	0.0000	(0.6165, 0.7531)
	C5	68.78	0.0000	(0.6165, 0.7531)
	BG	56.61	0.0299	(0.4923, 0.6379)
	NBG	98.94	0.9554	(0.9623, 0.9987)
	SVM	68.78	0.0000	(0.6165,0.7531)
	RF	54.5	-0.0361	(0.4711,0.6174)
	MLR	68.78	0.0000	(0.6165, 0.7531)
	RNN	65.58	0.0000	(0.6240, 0.6865)
LSTM	65.58	0.0000	(0.6240, 0.6865)	
ETH	NB	67.72	0.0000	(0.6001, 0.7384)

	C5	67.72	0.0000	(0.6001,0.7384)
	BG	58.73	-0.0239	(0.5136, 0.6583)
	NBG	88.36	0.5863	(0.8291, 0.9256)
	SVM	67.20	0.0000	(0.6001,0.7384)
	RF	57.67	-0.0216	(0.5029,0.6481)
	MLR	67.20	0.0000	(0.6001, 0.7384)
	RNN	0.04	0.0000	(0.0012, 0.0111)
	LSTM	65.25	0.0041	(0.6207, 0.6833)
LTC	NB	67.20	0.0000	(0.6001, 0.7384)
	C5	67.20	0.0000	(0.6001,0.7384)
	NB	60.85	0.0286	(0.535, 0.6785)
	NBG	100	1.0000	(0.9807, 1.0000)
	SVM	67.20	0.000	(0.6001,0.7384)
	RF	61.90	-0.0013	(0.5457, 0.6886)
	MLR	67.20	0.0000	(0.6001, 0.7384)
	RNN	15.47	0.0000	(0.1319, 0.1797)
	LSTM	62.64	0.0014	(0.5942, 0.6578)
MNO	NB	68.25	0.0000	(0.611, 0.7482)
	C5	68.25	0.0000	(0.611, 0.7482)
	NB	62.96	0.0585	(0.5565, 0.6986)
	NBG	100	1.0000	(0.9807, 1.0000)
	SVM	68.25	0.0000	(0.6110,0.7482)
	RF	65.08	0.0883	(0.5782,0.7185)
	MLR	68.25	0.0000	(0.6110, 0.7482)
	RNN	8.39	0.0000	(0.0683, 0.1037)
	LSTM	64.38	0.0000	(0.6118, 0.6748)
SLR	NB	71.43	0.0000	(0.6442, 0.7775)
	C5	71.43	0.0000	(0.6442,0.7775)
	NB	60.32	-0.1006	(0.5296, 0.6734)
	NBG	100	1.0000	(0.9807, 1.0000)
	SVM	71.43	0.000	(0.6442,0.7775)
	RF	62.43	-0.029	(0.5511, 0.6936)
	MLR	71.43	0.0000	(0.6442, 0.7775)
	RNN	68.85	0.0000	(0.6574, 0.7183)
	LSTM	68.85	0.0000	(0.6574, 0.7183)
TTR	NB	75.66	0.0000	(0.689, 0.816)
	C5	75.66	0.0000	(0.689,0.816)
	NB	64.02	-0.1075	(0.5674, 0.7086)
	NBG	100	1.0000	(0.9807, 1.0000)
	SVM	75.66	0.0000	(0.6890,0.8160)
	RF	66.67	-0.0348	(0.5946,0.7334)
	MLR	75.66	0.0000	(0.689, 0.8160)
	RNN	67.65	0.0045	(0.6451, 0.7067)
	LSTM	67.54	0.0000	(0.6440, 0.7056)
TZS	NB	76.19	0.0000	(0.6947, 0.8207)
	C5	76.19	0.0000	(0.6947,0.8207)
	NB	60.32	-0.0855	(0.5296, 0.6734)
	NBG	100	1.0000	(0.9807, 1.0000)
	SVM	76.19	0.0000	(0.6947,0.8207)
	RF	66.14	-0.0630	(0.5891, 0.7285)
	MLR	76.72	0.0335	(0.7004, 0.8255)
	RNN	71.46	0.0000	(0.6842, 0.7436)
	LSTM	71.46	0.0000	(0.6842, 0.7436)
XRP	NB	68.25	0.0000	(0.611, 0.7482)
	C5	68.25	0.0000	(0.611, 0.7482)
	NB	61.90	-0.0471	(0.5457, 0.6886)
	NBG	100	1.0000	(0.9807, 1.0000)
	SVM	68.25	0.0000	(0.6110,0.7482)
	RF	63.49	-0.0380	(0.5619, 0.7036)
	MLR	68.25	0.0000	(0.6110, 0.7482)
	RNN	65.14	0.0000	(0.6196, 0.6823)
	LSTM	65.14	0.0000	(0.6196, 0.6823)