



Article Assessing the Credit Risk of Crypto-Assets Using Daily Range Volatility Models

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Abstract: In this paper, we analyzed a dataset of over 2000 crypto-assets to assess their credit risk by computing their probability of death using the daily range. Unlike conventional low-frequency volatility models that only utilize close-to-close prices, the daily range incorporates all the information provided in traditional daily datasets, including the open-high-low-close (OHLC) prices for each asset. We evaluated the accuracy of the probability of death estimated with the daily range against various forecasting models, including credit scoring models, machine learning models, and time-series-based models. Our study considered different definitions of "dead coins" and various forecasting horizons. Our results indicate that credit scoring models and machine learning methods incorporating lagged trading volumes and online searches were the best models for short-term horizons up to 30 days. Conversely, time-series models using the daily range were more appropriate for longer term forecasts, up to one year. Additionally, our analysis revealed that the models using the daily range signaled, far in advance, the weakened credit position of the crypto derivatives trading platform FTX, which filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in the United States on 11 November 2022.

Keywords: daily range; bitcoin; crypto-assets; cryptocurrencies; credit risk; default probability; probability of death; ZPP; cauchit; random forests

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1. Introduction

FTX was a Bahamas-based cryptocurrency exchange that at its peak in July 2021, had over one million users and was the third-largest cryptocurrency exchange by volume [1]. A revelation at the beginning of November 2022 that FTX's partner trading firm Alameda Research held a significant portion of its assets in FTX's native token FTT [2] prompted the rival exchange Binance to sell its holdings of this token. This event was immediately followed by customer withdrawals from FTX so large that FTX was unable to meet their demand [3]. On 11 November 2022, FTX, FTX.US (a separate associated exchange for US residents), Alameda Research, and more than 100 affiliates filed for bankruptcy in Delaware [4]. The price of the FTX token that reached a maximum of 80\$ in September 2021 for a total market capitalization of almost 10 billion \$ fell to single digits after the FTX bankruptcy and was *still* trading at the end of December 2022 close to 1\$.

Aside from the significant financial losses incurred, the FTX bankruptcy is similar to numerous failed cryptocurrency projects in the past. These failures have been attributed to deficient corporate governance standards, inadequate cybersecurity measures, and inadequate management of credit and liquidity risks. It is noteworthy that Samuel Bankman-Fried, the former CEO of FTX, acknowledged that dedicating more time to risk management could have potentially prevented the collapse of the company, as stated on 30 November 2022 (see [5]).

Unfortunately, there is a lack of interest in credit risk management for crypto-assets, which is reflected in the scarce academic financial literature on the topic. This can be



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Copyright: © 2023 by the author. Licensee MDPI, Basel, Switzerland. This article is an open access article distributed under the terms and conditions of the Creative Commons Attribution (CC BY) license (https:// creativecommons.org/licenses/by/ 4.0/). attributed to two main factors: the absence of sufficient financial and accounting data, and the need to use a different definition of credit risk. In this regard, in [6], a new definition of credit risk for crypto-assets was proposed based on their "*death*", which occurs when their price drops significantly and they become illiquid. It is worth noting that there is no unique definition for a dead asset, either in the professional or academic literature, as outlined in [7–11]. Furthermore, even when a crypto-asset is considered dead, it may still show some minimal trading volumes (as is the case with the current trading of the FTX token at the end of December 2022), either due to the possibility of recovering a small amount of the initial investment or simply to speculate on its possible revival. It is also worth noting that the "death" state of a crypto-asset may be temporary rather than permanent: indeed, in [10], it was demonstrated that some coins were abandoned and subsequently "resurrected" up to five times over several years.

This paper proposes for the first time to forecast the probability of death (PD) of a crypto-asset using the daily range, which employs all the information provided in traditional daily datasets such as open-high-low-close (OHLC) prices instead of only close-to-close prices that are used by low-frequency volatility models. Recent literature has revived the interest in range-based estimators that employ OHLC prices by showing that volatility models using high-frequency data outperformed low-frequency volatility models using range-based estimators only for short-term forecasts (usually for 1-day-ahead forecasts), while this was not the case for longer horizons (see [12,13]). This is particularly important for crypto-assets where the possibility to find long time series of high-frequency data is usually confined to a small number of well-established crypto-assets, such as Bitcoin and Ethereum.

The first contribution of this paper is a set of models to forecast the probability of death that combines the daily range with the zero-price-probability (ZPP) model byy [14], which is a methodology to compute the probabilities of default using only market prices. Recent literature has shown that the ZPP models tend to outperform the competing models in terms of default probability estimation over a 1-year horizon; see [6,15–18] for more details.

The second contribution of this paper is a large-scale forecasting exercise using a set of 2003 crypto coins that were active from the beginning of 2014 until the end of May 2020, which was first examined by [11]. We considered a large set of competing models ranging from credit scoring models to machine learning and time- series-based models, with different definitions of dead coins and different forecasting horizons. Our empirical evidence showed that credit-scoring models and machine-learning methods using lagged trading volumes and online searches were the best models for short-term horizons up to 30 days ahead. Meanwhile, time-series models using the daily range were better choices for longer-term forecasts up to 1-year ahead.

The third contribution of the paper is a robustness check to examine how the best forecasting models for the probability of death over a 1-year-ahead horizon behaved when modeling the token of the crypto trading platform FTX, which filed for the Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in the United States on 11 November 2022.

The paper is organized as follows: Section 2 reviews the literature devoted to the credit risk of crypto-assets, crypto exchanges, and the daily range, while the methods proposed to model and forecast the probability of death of crypto-assets are discussed in Section 3. The empirical results are reported in Section 4, while robustness checks are discussed in Section 5. Section 6 concludes the paper.

2. Literature Review

2.1. Credit Risk of Crypto-Assets

The financial literature dealing with the credit risk involved in crypto-assets is very small, and, as of the time of writing this paper, only five papers have examined the topic of dead coins, while only three of these have proposed methods to forecast the probability of a coin death. In this regard, we remark that there is no unique definition of dead coins:

in the professional literature, some define dead coins as those whose value drops below 1 cent (https://www.investopedia.com/news/crypto-carnage-over-800-cryptocurrencies-are-dead/, accessed on 1 December 2022), while others consider a coin dead if there is no trading volume, no nodes running, and no active community and if the coin has been delisted from (almost) all exchanges (https://www.coinopsy.com/dead-coins/, accessed on 1 December 2022).

The work by [7] (the original workshop proceedings by [7] were later published as [10]) was the first to propose a formal definition of dead coins in the academic literature based on a complex formula involving price and volumes peaks and rolling time windows. Moreover, their approach allows a coin to be "resurrected" if there is a resurgence of trading volumes.

In Ref. [9], a simplified version of the previous method by [7] was proposed, where a crypto-currency can be considered as dead if its average daily trading volume for a given month is lower or equal to 1% of its past historical peak. dead crypto-currency is classified as "resurrected" if this average daily trading volume reaches a value of more or equal to 10% of its past historical peak again. We remark that [9] presented this method as the [7] approach when, in reality, the latter involves many more restrictions. The methodology used by [9] in their work is much simpler, and it assumes that a coin is (temporarily) dead if data gaps are present in its time series.

In [6,8,11], the first and only models to predict crypto-currency defaults/deaths were proposed. In [8], an in-sample analysis was performed using 146 proof-of-work-based cryptocurrencies that started trading before 2015 whose performance was followed until December 2018. It was found that about 60% of those cryptocurrencies died. The authors used linear discriminant analysis to forecast these defaults and found that their model could predict most of the crypto-currency bankruptcies but not the crypto-currencies that remained alive. Interestingly, the authors of [8] had to discard several variables to build a meaningful dataset because this information was not available for most dead coins.

Other authors [6] proposed a set of models to estimate the probability of death for a group of 42 crypto-currencies using the zero-price-probability (ZPP) model, as well as credit-scoring models and machine-learning methods. They found that credit-scoring models performed better in the training sample, whereas the models' performances were much closer in the validation sample.

The authors of [11] were the first to examine a very large dataset of over two thousand crypto-coins observed between 2015 and 2020 to estimate their credit risk by computing their probability of death using different definitions of dead coins, different forecasting models, and different horizons. They found that the choice of the coin-death definition affected the set of the best forecasting models to compute the probability of death, but this choice was not critical, and the best models were the same in most cases. They showed that the cauchit and the ZPP based on the random walk or the MS-GARCH(1,1) were the best models for newly established coins, while credit-scoring models and machine-learning methods performed better for older coins.

Finally, we remark that the dead coins collected in online repositories such as coinopsy. com or deadcoins.com are indeed dead, but they are not useful for credit risk management because their technical information and historical market data are no longer available for almost all of them. Therefore, it is better to use the methods proposed by [7,9] to detect dead crypto-assets or the professional rule that defines a crypto-asset as dead if its value drops below 1 cent: as highlighted by [11], even if there is still some trading for the assets defined as "dead" according to these methods, this is not a problem but an advantage because we can still analyze them when market data and other information are still available.

2.2. Credit Risk of Crypto Exchanges

Similar to crypto-assets, the financial literature dealing with the credit risk involved in crypto exchanges is very small and as of the writing of this paper, only five works have examined the main determinants that can lead to the closure/default of an exchange.

The authors of [19] used a dataset of 40 exchanges and found that exchanges that processed more transactions were less likely to shut down, whereas past security breaches and an antimoney laundering indicator were not statistically significant. The authors of [20] extended the work by [19] through considering data between 2010 and March 2015 and up to 80 exchanges, using a panel logit model with an expanded set of explanatory variables. They found that a security breach increases the odds that the exchange will close the same quarter, while an increase in the daily transaction volume significantly decreases the probability that the exchange will shut down that quarter. A significant negative time trend that decreases the probability of closure over time was also reported. Moreover, they showed that exchanges are 91% less likely to close than are other exchanges that trade fiat currencies with higher competition. Similarly to the findings in [19], an antimoney laundering indicator and two-factor authentication were found to not be significant.

The authors of [21] used the dataset first examined by [19] to propose several alternative approaches to forecast the probability of closure of a crypto exchange, ranging from credit scoring models to machine learning methods, but without any comprehensive forecasting analysis.

The authors of [22] considered a dataset of 144 exchanges active from the first quarter of 2018 to the first quarter of 2021 to analyze the determinants surrounding the decision to close an exchange using credit-scoring and machine-learning techniques. They found that having a public developer team is by far the most important determinant, followed by the CER cybersecurity grade, the age of the exchange, and the number of traded cryptocurrencies available on the exchange. Both in-sample and out-of-sample forecasting confirmed these findings.

The authors of [23] built a database containing eight publicly available characteristics for 238 cryptocurrency exchanges. They used four popular machine learning classifiers to predict which digital markets remained open and which faced closure. Their best model was the random forest classifier, while the most important variables in terms of feature importance across multiple algorithms were the exchange lifetime, the transacted volume, and cybersecurity measures such as security audit, cold storage, and bug bounty programs.

Finally, we remark that if an exchange issues tokens representing ownership and they are traded daily, or even if these tokens are simply utility tokens (such as is the FTX token), then the probability of default/closure of the exchange can be forecast using the methods for crypto-assets discussed in Section 2.1; see [21] for a discussion at the textbook level.

2.3. Daily Range

The price range has long been known in both the academic and professional literature. For example, the opening, highest, lowest, and closing (OHLC) prices of an asset have been used in Japanese candlestick charting techniques since the 19th century [24], while the first applications in the financial literature can be traced to Mandelbrot [25]. Several authors, starting from [26], then developed volatility measures based on the daily range that were more efficient than were return-based volatility estimators; see [27] for an extensive review and the references therein.

Recent literature has revived interest in range-based estimators that employ OHLC prices to estimate the daily volatility; see [27–30]. Interestingly, the authors of [12] found that high-frequency volatility models outperformed low-frequency volatility models using range-based estimators only for short-term forecasts (usually for 1-day-ahead forecasts). As the forecast horizon increased (up to one month), the difference in forecast accuracy became statistically indistinguishable for most market indices.

Similarly, in [13], the role of high-frequency data in multivariate volatility forecasting was examined for investors with different investment horizons. The authors found that that models using high-frequency data significantly outperformed models with low-frequency data over the daily forecasting horizon, but this evidence decreased when longer horizons were considered. Moreover, they showed that investors may not obtain significant eco-

nomic benefits from using high-frequency data depending on the type of economic loss they employ.

This encouraging evidence about the daily range stimulated our work of using this volatility estimator to model and forecast the probability of death for crypto-assets, given that finding high-frequency data for all 2003 crypto coins in our dataset was impossible.

3. Materials and Methods

In the context of crypto-assets, credit risk refers to the potential for gains and losses on the value of an abandoned and deemed "dead" cryptocurrency that can potentially be revived; see [6] for more details. This scenario occurs when the price of the crypto-asset plummets close to or to zero, as evidenced by a lack of trading activity for an extended period. Despite being considered dead, crypto-assets may continue to be traded as investors attempt to recover a portion of their initial investment or bet on the potential revamp of the asset.

Three criteria have been employed in the literature to classify crypto-assets as dead or alive [11]: (1) This first is the restrictive approach by [7,10]. According to this approach, first a "candidate peak" is defined as a day where the 7-day rolling price average is greater than any value 30 days before or after. A candidate peak is considered valid only if it is at least 50% greater than the minimum value in the 30 days prior to the candidate peak and at least 5% of the cryptocurrency's maximum peak. Using this peak data, the authors of [7,10] classified a coin as abandoned or dead if the average daily volume for a given month is less than or equal to 1% of the peak volume. A coin's status is changed to "resurrected" if the average daily trading volume for the month following a peak is greater than 10% of the peak value and the coin is currently considered dead). (2) The simplified approach proposed by [9] classifies a cryptocurrency as dead if its average daily trading volume for a given month is lower than or equal to 1% of its historical peak, while it is considered "resurrected" if this average daily trading volume reaches a value of 10% or more of its historical peak. The third criterion (3) is the professional rule, which considers a coin dead if its value drops below 1 cent.

The aim of this work is to propose a new model to forecast the probability of death (PD) of a crypto-asset using the daily range computed with open-high-low-close (OHLC) prices, a departure from traditional models that use only close-to-close prices. A simple way to use the OHLC prices for the computation of the PD of crypto-assets is to combine the daily range with the zero-price-probability (ZPP) model by [14], which is a methodology to compute the probabilities of default using only market prices P_t . This method calculates the market-implied probability of the stock's or crypto-asset's price being less than or equal to zero $\mathcal{P}(P_{\tau} \leq 0)$ within a specified time horizon ($t < \tau \leq t + T$), considering that the price of a traded asset is a truncated variable that cannot fall below zero. The ZPP represents the probability of the price falling below the truncation level of zero, serving as a default indicator; see [14] for further details. For a univariate time series, the ZPP can be computed as follows:

- 1. Establish a conditional model for the price differences, $X_t = P_t P_{t-1}$ without log transformation, $X_t = \mu_t + \sigma_t z_t$, where $z_t \sim i.i.d f(0, 1)$, and μ_t and σ_t are the conditional mean and standard deviation, respectively.
- 2. Simulate a large number *N* of price trajectories up to time t + T, utilizing the estimated time-series model from step 1. We will consider the 1-day-ahead, 30-day-ahead, and 365-day0ahead probability of death for each crypto-asset, that is $T = \{1, 30, 365\}$, respectively.
- 3. The probability of default for a crypto-asset is computed as n/N, where n is the number of times among N simulations when the simulated price P_{τ}^k touches or crosses the zero barrier for a specified time interval $t < \tau \le t + T$, and k = 1, ..., N.

In this study, we introduce, for the first time, the use of a price range estimator to model the conditional standard deviation of the price differences $X_t = P_t - P_{t-1}$ in the ZPP model. As we discussed in the literature review, there is an increasing amount of literature that has revived

the interest in range-based estimators that employ OHLC prices to estimate the daily volatility; see [27–30].

We adopt the Garman–Klass [31] volatility estimator, which [29] found to be the best volatility estimator based on large-scale simulation studies. The authors of [29] showed that the Garman-Klass estimator is capable of producing standardized returns that are normally distributed and that the estimates obtained from daily data are comparable to those obtained from high-frequency data. This is important for crypto-assets, which have high-frequency data availability for only a limited number of assets. The Garman-Klass estimator assumes a Brownian motion with zero drift and no opening jumps, which is appropriate for crypto-assets since most of them eventually become worthless (see, e.g., [32,33]) and are traded 24/7. However, in the event of an opening jump (as may occur for illiquid assets), the jump-adjusted Garman–Klass volatility estimator described in [29] was used. In addition, we also evaluated the Yang and Zhang volatility estimator [34], which is unbiased, independent of drift, and consistent in the presence of opening price jumps. This estimator is interesting because it can be used to calculate the average daily volatility over multiple days, which could be more appropriate for crypto-assets used for trading strategies that involve dividing large orders over several days (these kind of strategies are often used by miners and "whales", where the latter are entities or people that hold enough crypto-assets to influence their market prices, see [35,36] for more details). Moreover, the author wants to thank three anonymous professional traders in crypto-assets for highlighting this issue). After evaluating different values of n, we found that n = 2produced the best results.

The formulas for the jump-adjusted Garman–Klass (GK) volatility estimator and the Yang and Zhang (YZ) volatility estimator, to be used for the daily conditional variance σ_t^2 of the price differences $X_t = P_t - P_{t-1}$ without log transformation, are presented below.

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{GK,t}^2 &= \left[(O_t - C_{t-1})^2 + \frac{1}{2} (H_t - L_t)^2 - (2 \times \log 2 - 1) (C_t - O_t)^2 \right] \\ \sigma_{YZ,t}^2 &= \sigma_{o,t}^2 + k \sigma_{c,t}^2 + (1 - k) \sigma_{RS,t}^2, \quad \text{where} \\ \sigma_{o,t}^2 &= \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{j=t-n}^t \left((O_j - C_{j-1}) - \mu_o \right)^2, \quad \mu_o = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=t-n}^t (O_j - C_{j-1}) \\ \sigma_{c,t}^2 &= \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{j=t-n}^t \left((C_j - O_j) - \mu_c \right)^2, \quad \mu_c = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=t-n}^t (C_j - O_{j-1}) \\ \sigma_{RS,t}^2 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=t-n}^t \left((H_j - C_j) \times (H_j - O_j) + (L_j - C_j) \times (L_j - O_j) \right) \\ k &= \frac{1.34 - 1}{1.34 + \frac{n+1}{n-1}} \end{aligned}$$

We employed four competing models to forecast the dynamics of the range-based daily volatilities σ_t^2 : the simple random walk model by [27], the HAR model by [37], the ARFIMA model by [38], and the CARR model by [39].

The random walk model by [27] simply assumes that the log of the daily volatility follows a random walk without drift, so the the best prediction of tomorrow's log-volatility is today's log-volatility. The "no-change" forecast is a traditional benchmark used in several fields of research; see [40] for a comprehensive survey.

The HAR model by [37] assumes that the daily volatility is influenced by the past volatility over different time periods and is represented as follows:

$$\sigma_t^2 = \beta_0 + \beta_D \sigma_{t-1,D}^2 + \beta_W \sigma_{t-1,W}^2 + \beta_M \sigma_{t-1,M}^2 + \epsilon_t, \text{ where}$$

$$\sigma_{t-1,W}^2 = \frac{1}{7} \sum_{j=1}^7 \sigma_{t-j,D}^2, \quad \sigma_{t-1,M}^2 = \frac{1}{30} \sum_{j=1}^{30} \sigma_{t-j,D}^2$$

and σ_D^2 , σ_W^2 , and σ_M^2 stand for the daily, weekly, and monthly volatility components, respectively. We used 7 and 30 days for the weekly and monthly volatilities instead of the usual 5 and 22 days, as cryptocurrency exchanges operate continuously without weekends.

The auto-regressive fractional integrated moving average model, ARFIMA(p,d,q), was proposed by [38] to forecast the daily realized volatility, and it can be used to model the range-based volatility estimates as follows:

$$\Phi(L)(1-L)^d(\sigma_t^2-\mu) = \Theta(L)\varepsilon_t$$

where *L* is the lag operator, and $\Phi(L) = 1 - \varphi_1 L - \ldots - \varphi_p L^p$, $\Theta(L) = 1 + \theta_1 L + \ldots + \theta_q L^q$, and $(1 - L)^d$ form the fractional differencing operator defined by

$$(1-L)^d = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(k-d)L^k}{\Gamma(-d)\Gamma(k+1)}$$

where $\Gamma(\cdot)$ is the gamma function. Given our large dataset, we employed the ARFIMA(1,*d*,1) model to keep the computational burden tractable and with consideration to its past empirical provess; see [41] and the references therein.

The CARR(1,1) model by [39] can be used to model the conditional standard deviation σ_t computed using range-based estimators as follows:

$$\sigma_t = \lambda_t \varepsilon_t, \quad \varepsilon_t \sim \exp(1, \cdot)$$

$$\lambda_t = \omega + \alpha_1 \sigma_{t-1} + \beta_1 \lambda_{t-1}$$

where λ_t is the conditional mean of σ_t , and ε_t is the error term which has an exponential density function with a unit mean. The exponential distribution is a common choice for the conditional distribution of ε_t because it takes positive values. Moreover, it allows the parameters of the CARR model to be estimated using the quasi-maximum likelihood method; see [39] for more details.

Finally, we remark that the conditional mean μ_t of the price difference X_t was set to zero when the Garman—Klass volatility estimator was used, while it was set to the sample mean of the price differences X_t when the Yang and Zhang volatility estimator was employed.

In this work, we will compare our novel models based on the daily range to the traditional models used in credit risk management such as credit-scoring models, machine learning, and time-series methods that rely on close-to-close prices for the ZPP model. A brief overview of these models is provided below.

Credit scoring models employ a set of variables to build a quantitative score, which is then used to estimate the probability of default/death. The standard form of a credit scoring model is represented as follows:

$$PD_{i,t+T} = \mathcal{P}(D_{i,t+T} = 1 | D_{i,t} = 0; \mathbf{X}_{i,t}) = F(\beta' \mathbf{X}_{i,t})$$

where $PD_{i,t+T}$ is the probability of death for the crypto-asset *i* over a time period of t + T given that it is not dead at time *t*, and $X_{i,t}$ is a vector of variables. Three popular models used in credit risk management are the logit model, the probit model, and the cauchit model, each obtained by using the logistic, standard normal, or standard Cauchy cumulative distribution function for $F(\beta'X_{i,t})$, respectively. The parameters of these models can be estimated through maximum likelihood methods; see [42] for more details. The logit and probit models are commonly used in credit risk management (see [43–46]), while the cauchit model is favored under high levels of sparseness in the input space due to its ability to handle more extreme values; see [47,48].

In this study, we will also use machine learning (ML) techniques to analyze data and develop a system for modeling and forecasting complex patterns. Specifically, we will employ the random forest algorithm proposed by [49,50], which was found to be the best

model for short-term forecasting of the PD for crypto-assets with a long time series in [11]. Moreover, it has an excellent past track record in forecasting binary variables; see [22,51–53] for more details. This algorithm aggregates multiple decision trees into a "forest", where each tree is constructed differently from the others to decrease the correlation among trees and prevent overfitting. The probability of death is then computed using a majority vote among the trees in the forest.

Finally, following [11], we will also consider zero price probability (ZPP) models that utilize only close-to-close prices. This includes a simple random walk with drift model with constant variance (i.e., $\sigma_t = \sigma$) and a GARCH(1,1) model with normal errors, both of which have closed-form solutions for ZPP computation, as described in [6]. Additionally, we will consider the case of a GARCH(1,1) model with Student's t errors, as introduced in [14]. We will also evaluate the ZPP using the GARCH(1,1) model with errors following the generalized hyperbolic skewed Student distribution, which has a polynomial behavior in one tail and exponential behavior in the other, as proposed in [54]. Finally, we will examine the ZPP computed using the two-regime Markov-switching GARCH model introduced in [55,56].

4. Results

4.1. Data

Our study analyzed a dataset consisting of 2003 crypto-assets that were either alive or dead (according to different criteria) between January 2014 and May 2020. This dataset was first used in [11]. The daily data, obtained from Coinmarketcap.com and Google Trends, included daily open, high, low, and close prices; volume; market capitalization; and the search volume index that shows the number of searches performed for a particular keyword or topic on Google within a specific time frame and region. The dataset was divided into two groups: "young coins" with fewer than 750 observations and "old coins" with more than 750 observations. The young coin group was used to forecast the 1-day and 30-day probabilities of death, while the old coin group was used to forecast the 1-day, 30-day, and 365-day probabilities of death. The dataset available on crypto-asset credit risk. It is unique in that the data for several crypto-assets are no longer available, and we had to reconstruct them through extensive online searches.

To assess the normality of the price differences X_t of each crypto-asset, the Jarque–Bera and Kolmogorov–Smirnov statistics were computed. The same tests were employed with the standardized price differences, which were obtained by dividing the price differences by the daily volatility estimated using range-based methods $X_t / \sqrt{\sigma_t^2}$. The results of the normality tests, represented as the percentage of *p*-values higher than 5%, are presented in Table 1 for both young and old coins.

The price differences of cryptocurrencies are not normally distributed. However, when standardized using the squared root of the Garman–Klass volatility estimator, the majority of cryptocurrencies display normality. Only a small fraction of price differences standardized with the Yang and Zhang volatility estimator seem to be normally distributed. This evidence supports the findings of [29], who demonstrated that the Garman–Klass estimator is the only one that can yield standardized returns that are normally distributed.

Table 1. Number of times (in percentage) when the *p*-values of the Jarque–Bera (J.B.) and the Kolmogorov–Smirnov (K.S.) tests were higher than 5% for the price differences X_t and for the price differences standardized with the squared root of the range-based daily volatility $X_t / \sqrt{\sigma_t^2}$. GK = Garman–Klass volatility estimator. YZ = Yang and Zhang volatility estimator.

YOUNG	COINS (%)
<i>p</i> -value J.B. $(X_t) > 0.05$	<i>p</i> -value K.S. $(X_t) > 0.05$
0.09	0.17
<i>p</i> -value J.B. $\left(X_t / \sqrt{\sigma_{GK,t}^2}\right) > 0.05$	<i>p</i> -value K.S. $\left(X_t / \sqrt{\sigma_{GK,t}^2}\right) > 0.05$
60.86	71.93
p -value J.B. $\left(X_t / / \sqrt{\sigma_{YZ,t}^2}\right) > 0.05$	<i>p</i> -value K.S. $\left(X_t / / \sqrt{\sigma_{YZ,t}^2}\right) > 0.05$
1.97	27.73
OLD CO	DINS (%)
<i>p</i> -value J.B. $(X_t) > 0.05$	<i>p</i> -value K.S. $(X_t) > 0.05$
0.00	0.00
p -value J.B. $\left(X_t / / \sqrt{\sigma_{GK,t}^2}\right) > 0.05$	<i>p</i> -value K.S. $\left(X_t / / \sqrt{\sigma_{GK,t}^2}\right) > 0.05$
53.70	68.85
<i>p</i> -value J.B. $\left(X_t / \sqrt{\sigma_{YZ,t}^2}\right) > 0.05$	<i>p</i> -value K.S. $\left(X_t / / \sqrt{\sigma_{YZ,t}^2}\right) > 0.05$
0.12	16.47

To classify a cryptocurrency as "dead" or "alive," three criteria were employed as discussed in Section 3 and listed here:

- The approach proposed by [7];
- The approach proposed by [9];
- The professional rule that defines an asset as dead if its value drops below 1 cent and alive if its value rises above 1 cent.

The total number of coins available each day and the number of dead coins each day computed using these criteria are presented in Figures A1 and A2 in Appendix A. For convenience, the approach proposed by [7] will be referred to as "*restrictive*", the simplified approach proposed by [9] will be referred to as "*simple*", and the professional rule will be referred to as "*1 cent*".

The approach of [7] was found to be the most restrictive, as it identified fewer dead coins. On the other hand, the professional rule, which defines a coin as dead if its value drops below 1 cent, was found to be more lenient, leading to a higher number of identified dead coins. In [9], a simplified version of the [7] approach is proposed, which falls in between the two previously mentioned methods for young coins. However, for old coins, it was found to be the least restrictive approach. Moreover, the restrictive approach proposed by [7] is the most stable, whereas the professional rule is the most volatile.

In this study, credit scoring models and machine learning methods employed the lagged average monthly trading volume and the lagged average monthly search volume index obtained from Google Trends as predictors. The future probabilities of death were directly forecast by using 1-day-lagged predictors to forecast the 1-day-ahead probability of death, 30-day-lagged predictors to forecast the 30-day-ahead probability of death, and so on. To account for potential structural breaks, two types of estimation windows were considered: a rolling fixed window of 100,000 observations and an expanding window.

The time-series models for each coin were estimated separately using zero-point progression (ZPP) with and without the daily range, based on an expanding window approach. The first estimation sample consisted of 30 observations, and full estimation details can be found in [11]. The probabilities of deaths for various forecast horizons were calculated by employing recursive forecasts. It should be noted that the datasets utilized for credit scoring and machine learning models were distinct from those used for the time-series models, which resulted in some dates for which forecasts from all models were not available. Although this did not have an impact on the calculation of the area under

the curve (AUC) metrics, it did affect the estimation of the model confidence sets and Brier scores, as detailed in the following section. Therefore, only those dates that were common across all models were used to calculate these metrics.

4.2. Forecasting Analysis

In accordance with [11], two groups of crypto-assets were considered:

- A total of 1165 young coins with a total of 537,693 observations, listed in Tables A1–A3 in Appendix B, were used to forecast the 1-day- and 30-day-ahead probabilities of death.
- A total of 838 old coins with a total of 987,018 observations, listed in Tables A4 and A5 in Appendix B, were used to forecast the 1-day-, 30-day-, and 365-day-ahead probabilities of death.

The classification performance of the models was evaluated using the area under the receiver operating characteristic curve (AUC or AUROC), which measures the ability of the model to discriminate between alive and dead crypto-assets regardless of the discrimination threshold. A higher AUC score, close to 1, indicates a better performing model, as detailed in [57] pages869–875 and references therein. Due to limitations of the AUC, as discussed in [58], the model confidence set (MCS) proposed by [59] and extended by [60] was also used. This method selects the best forecasting models among a group of models based on a confidence level using an evaluation rule that is based on a loss function, in this case the Brier's score [61].

The Rdata file, which contains the forecasts of the probability of deaths across all horizons (1-, 30-, and 365-day ahead) for the three definitions of "dead coins" (*restricted* [7], *simple* [9], and 1 *cent* [professional rule]) for both small young coins (SCs) and old big coins (BCs), along with the binary dependent variable, is now available on the author's website: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1hVZYt6W_nwvvTtqicsUJFoBzUJfX0kJH/view? usp=share_link, accessed on 28 February 2023. This dataset includes the merged forecasts that were used to compute the model confidence set and the Brier scores for all models. The ZPPs were computed using functions from the R package bitcoinFinance (https://github.com/deanfantazzini/bitcoinFinance, accessed on 1 December 2022) and straightforward modifications of these functions. The random forest model was computed using the R package randomForest, while the credit scoring models were computed using the glm function from the R package stats.

The results of the AUC scores, the models included in the MCS, the Brier scores, and the percentage of times when the models failed to reach numerical convergence are reported in Table 2 for young coins and in Tables 3 and 4 for old coins for all three criteria used to classify a crypto-asset as dead or alive.

In the case of young crypto-assets, the results confirm the findings of [11], in that the cauchit model is the best model for all forecast horizons and across most classification criteria. Additionally, the ZPP computed using an MS-GARCH(1,1) model remains the best model when using the professional rule that defines a dead coin as one whose value drops below 1 cent, while the ZPP computed with the simple random walk provides good forecasts for all horizons and classification criteria.

For old coins, the random forests model with an expanding estimation window remains the best model for forecasting the probability of death up to 30 days ahead, but differently from [11], the ZPP models computed with the range-based estimators are the best models for forecasting the 365-day-ahead probability of death. This horizon is crucial for risk management, as it is the horizon considered by national regulations and international agreements, such as the Basel 2 and Basel 3 agreements.

Table 2. Young coins: AUC scores (highest values are in bold fonts), Brier scores (smallest values are in bold fonts), models included in the MCS, and numerical convergence failures in percentage across three competing criteria to classify a coin as dead or alive. Ref. [7] approach = *"restrictive"*; simplified [7] approach = *"simple"*; professional rule = *"1 cent"*; D.R. = daily range-based estimator. Highest AUC, lowest Brier score and model included in the MCS are reported in bold font.

Young Coins: 1-Day-Ahead Probability of Death										
Models	AUC (Restrictive)	AUC (Simple)	AUC (1 Cent)	Brier Score (Restrictive)	Brier Score (Simple)	Brier Score (1 Cent)	MCS (Restrictive)	MCS (Simple)	MCS (1 Cent)	% Not Converged
Logit (expanding window)	0.79	0.73	0.60	0.048	0.137	0.242	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Probit (expanding window)	0.75	0.70	0.59	0.049	0.140	0.244	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Cauchit (expanding window)	0.86	0.80	0.64	0.044	0.121	0.235	included	included	included	0.00
Random Forest (expanding window)	0.78	0.78	0.72	0.047	0.120	0.275	not included	included	not included	0.00
Logit (fixed window)	0.84	0.77	0.58	0.046	0.127	0.285	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Probit (fixed window)	0.83	0.74	0.58	0.047	0.133	0.286	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Cauchit (fixed window)	0.86	0.80	0.64	0.044	0.120	0.264	not included	Included	not included	0.00
Random Forest (fixed window)	0.74	0.75	0.65	0.056	0.147	0.354	not included	not included	not included	0.00
ZPP—Random walk	0.79	0.75	0.77	0.093	0.178	0.338	not included	not included	not included	0.00
ZPP—Normal GARCH(1,1)	0.74	0.69	0.65	0.068	0.184	0.387	not included	not included	not included	1.70
ZPP—Student'st GARCH(1,1)	0.60	0.57	0.66	0.057	0.182	0.398	not included	not included	not included	0.90
ZPP—GH Skew-Student GARCH(1,1)	0.62	0.59	0.44	0.057	0.187	0.407	not included	not included	not included	43.17
ZPP—MSGARCH(1,1)	0.73	0.70	0.83	0.054	0.182	0.379	not included	not included	not included	0.81
ZPP—D.R.(Garman and Klass)RW	0.58	0.55	0.59	0.056	0.197	0.416	not included	not included	not included	0.00
ZPP—D.R.(Garman and Klass)HAR	0.75	0.72	0.73	0.084	0.176	0.344	not included	not included	not included	7.40
ZPP—D.R.(Garman and Klass)ARFIMA	0.75	0.70	0.74	0.081	0.173	0.342	not included	not included	not included	67.62
ZPP—D.R.(Garman and Klass)CARR	0.70	0.66	0.64	0.058	0.188	0.397	not included	not included	not included	9.88
ZPP—D.R.(Yang and Zhang)RW	0.64	0.61	0.64	0.083	0.218	0.414	not included	not included	not included	0.00
ZPP—D.R.(Yang and Zhang)HAR	0.75	0.71	0.73	0.087	0.177	0.345	not included	not included	not included	0.00
ZPP—D.R.(Yang and Zhang)ARFIMA	0.76	0.69	0.74	0.084	0.176	0.347	not included	not included	not included	69.29
ZPP—D.R.(Yang and Zhang)CARR	0.72	0.66	0.66	0.080	0.204	0.396	not included	not included	not included	7.39

Young Coins: 30-Day-Ahead Probability of Death

Models	AUC (Restrictive)	AUC (Simple)	AUC (1 Cent)	Brier Score (Restrictive)	Brier Score (Simple)	Brier Score (1 Cent)	MCS (Restrictive)	MCS (Simple)	MCS (1 Cent)	% Not Converged
Logit (expanding window)	0.71	0.63	0.60	0.052	0.155	0.241	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Probit (expanding window)	0.69	0.61	0.59	0.052	0.157	0.243	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Cauchit (expanding window)	0.82	0.74	0.63	0.048	0.140	0.236	included	not included	not included	0.00
Random Forest (expanding window)	0.65	0.65	0.64	0.064	0.175	0.328	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Logit (fixed window)	0.71	0.66	0.57	0.055	0.150	0.284	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Probit (fixed window)	0.69	0.66	0.57	0.057	0.151	0.285	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Cauchit (fixed window)	0.82	0.76	0.60	0.049	0.136	0.272	not included	included	not included	0.00
Random Forest (fixed window)	0.64	0.65	0.61	0.068	0.180	0.368	not included	not included	not included	0.00

Young Coins: 30-Day-Ahead Probability of Death										
Models	AUC (Restrictive)	AUC (Simple)	AUC (1 Cent)	Brier Score (Restrictive)	Brier Score (Simple)	Brier Score (1 Cent)	MCS (Restrictive)	MCS (Simple)	MCS (1 Cent)	% Not Converged
ZPP—Random walk	0.73	0.71	0.76	0.390	0.328	0.248	not included	not included	not included	0.00
ZPP—Normal GARCH(1,1)	0.69	0.66	0.65	0.281	0.290	0.332	not included	not included	not included	1.70
ZPP—Student'st GARCH(1,1)	0.67	0.63	0.55	0.189	0.233	0.387	not included	not included	not included	0.90
ZPP—GH Skewed Student GARCH(1,1)	0.69	0.64	0.50	0.154	0.211	0.373	not included	not included	not included	43.17
ZPP—MSGARCH(1,1)	0.72	0.70	0.85	0.150	0.178	0.189	not included	not included	Included	0.81
ZPP—D.R.(Garman and Klass)RW	0.59	0.56	0.60	0.095	0.194	0.347	not included	not included	not included	0.00
ZPP—D.R.(Garman and Klass)HAR	0.75	0.72	0.72	0.264	0.239	0.217	not included	not included	not included	7.40
ZPP—D.R.(Garman and Klass)ARFIMA	0.75	0.70	0.74	0.261	0.240	0.226	not included	not included	not included	67.62
ZPP—D.R.(Garman and Klass)CARR	0.68	0.65	0.56	0.196	0.217	0.307	not included	not included	not included	9.88
ZPP—D.R.(Yang and Zhang)RW	0.73	0.69	0.73	0.473	0.425	0.391	not included	not included	not included	0.00
ZPP—D.R.(Yang and Zhang)HAR	0.73	0.71	0.74	0.418	0.348	0.253	not included	not included	not included	0.00
ZPP—D.R.(Yang and Zhang)ARFIMA	0.72	0.69	0.76	0.414	0.344	0.253	not included	not included	not included	69.29
ZPP—D.R.(Yang and Zhang)CARR	0.74	0.70	0.69	0.470	0.404	0.360	not included	not included	not included	7.39

Table 2. Cont.

Table 3. Old coins: AUC scores (highest values are in bold fonts), Brier scores (smallest values are in bold fonts), models included in the MCS, and numerical convergence failures in percentage across three competing criteria to classify a coin as dead or alive. Ref. [7] approach = "*restrictive*"; simplified [7] approach = "*simple*"; professional rule = "*1 cent*"; D.R. = daily range-based estimator. Highest AUC, lowest Brier score and model included in the MCS are reported in bold font.

Old Coins: 1-Day-Ahead Probability of Death										
Models	AUC (Restrictive)	AUC (Simple)	AUC (1 Cent)	Brier Score (Restrictive)	Brier Score (Simple)	Brier Score (1 Cent)	MCS (Restrictive)	MCS (Simple)	MCS (1 Cent)	% Not Converged
Logit (expanding window)	0.74	0.74	0.69	0.060	0.212	0.165	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Probit (expanding window)	0.73	0.71	0.67	0.073	0.232	0.171	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Cauchit (expanding window)	0.76	0.86	0.74	0.051	0.128	0.138	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Random Forest (expanding window)	0.96	0.97	0.95	0.015	0.045	0.051	included	included	included	0.00
Logit (fixed window)	0.77	0.75	0.75	0.049	0.198	0.156	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Probit (fixed window)	0.76	0.74	0.74	0.054	0.206	0.168	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Cauchit (fixed window)	0.77	0.85	0.76	0.050	0.131	0.125	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Random Forest (fixed window)	0.78	0.84	0.77	0.041	0.133	0.100	not included	not included	not included	0.00

Old Coins: 1-Day-Ahead Probability of Death										
Models	AUC (Restrictive)	AUC (Simple)	AUC (1 Cent)	Brier Score (Restrictive)	Brier Score (Simple)	Brier Score (1 Cent)	MCS (Restrictive)	MCS (Simple)	MCS (1 Cent)	% Not Converged
ZPP—Random walk	0.76	0.75	0.71	0.090	0.227	0.136	not included	not included	not included	0.00
ZPP—Normal GARCH(1,1)	0.64	0.59	0.64	0.062	0.294	0.140	not included	not included	not included	1.22
ZPP—Student'st GARCH(1,1)	0.57	0.54	0.63	0.056	0.284	0.145	not included	not included	not included	1.92
ZPP—GH Skewed Student GARCH(1,1)	0.57	0.55	0.42	0.057	0.290	0.147	not included	not included	not included	42.70
ZPP—MSGARCH(1,1)	0.69	0.68	0.70	0.053	0.282	0.139	not included	not included	not included	0.67
ZPP—D.R.(Garman and Klass)RW	0.51	0.50	0.58	0.057	0.311	0.152	not included	not included	not included	0.00
ZPP—D.R.(Garman and Klass)HAR	0.70	0.75	0.72	0.074	0.247	0.128	not included	not included	not included	12.06
ZPP—D.R.(Garman and Klass)ARFIMA	0.74	0.74	0.72	0.072	0.252	0.127	not included	not included	not included	74.30
ZPP—D.R.(Garman and Klass)CARR	0.64	0.60	0.66	0.056	0.305	0.148	not included	not included	not included	11.86
ZPP—D.R.(Yang and Zhang)RW	0.57	0.53	0.62	0.061	0.313	0.153	not included	not included	not included	0.00
ZPP—D.R.(Yang and Zhang)HAR	0.71	0.73	0.74	0.073	0.250	0.128	not included	not included	not included	0.00
ZPP—D.R.(Yang and Zhang)ARFIMA	0.76	0.73	0.75	0.073	0.254	0.127	not included	not included	not included	75.17
ZPP—D.R.(Yang and Zhang)CARR	0.64	0.59	0.67	0.060	0.307	0.148	not included	not included	not included	13.97

Old Coins: 30-Day-ahead Probability of Death

Models	AUC (Restrictive)	AUC (Simple)	AUC (1 Cent)	Brier Score (Restrictive)	Brier Score (Simple)	Brier Score (1 Cent)	MCS (Restrictive)	MCS (Simple)	MCS (1 Cent)	% Not Converged
Logit (expanding window)	0.71	0.73	0.68	0.051	0.188	0.164	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Probit (expanding window)	0.70	0.68	0.67	0.051	0.199	0.170	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Cauchit (expanding window)	0.74	0.77	0.74	0.049	0.181	0.138	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Random Forest (expanding window)	0.76	0.80	0.77	0.047	0.172	0.117	included	included	included	0.00
Logit (fixed window)	0.74	0.77	0.74	0.049	0.181	0.158	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Probit (fixed window)	0.73	0.77	0.74	0.049	0.181	0.165	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Cauchit (fixed window)	0.75	0.79	0.75	0.049	0.176	0.127	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Random Forest (fixed window)	0.69	0.72	0.71	0.052	0.202	0.127	not included	not included	not included	0.00
ZPP—Random walk	0.75	0.69	0.68	0.321	0.246	0.301	not included	not included	not included	0.00
ZPP—Normal GARCH(1,1)	0.66	0.58	0.58	0.189	0.280	0.214	not included	not included	not included	1.22
ZPP—Student'st GARCH(1,1)	0.63	0.55	0.61	0.184	0.275	0.254	not included	not included	not included	1.92
ZPP—GH Skew-Student GARCH(1,1)	0.64	0.57	0.60	0.160	0.264	0.229	not included	not included	not included	42.70
ZPP—MSGARCH(1,1)	0.68	0.67	0.74	0.123	0.218	0.144	not included	not included	not included	0.67
ZPP—D.R.(Garman and Klass)RW	0.52	0.50	0.58	0.087	0.296	0.143	not included	not included	not included	0.00
ZPP—D.R.(Garman and Klass)HAR	0.70	0.74	0.70	0.276	0.214	0.260	not included	not included	not included	12.06
ZPP—D.R.(Garman and Klass)ARFIMA	0.75	0.75	0.71	0.273	0.213	0.257	not included	not included	not included	74.30
ZPP—D.R.(Garman and Klass)CARR	0.64	0.61	0.58	0.162	0.247	0.193	not included	not included	not included	11.86
ZPP—D.R.(Yang and Zhang)RW	0.70	0.57	0.68	0.273	0.382	0.257	not included	not included	not included	0.00
ZPP—D.R.(Yang and Zhang)HAR	0.74	0.69	0.73	0.346	0.254	0.315	not included	not included	not included	0.00
ZPP—D.R.(Yang and Zhang)ARFIMA	0.77	0.73	0.73	0.338	0.244	0.309	not included	not included	not included	75.17
ZPP—D.R.(Yang and Zhang)CARR	0.73	0.61	0.68	0.298	0.316	0.290	not included	not included	not included	13.97

Table 4. Old coins (continuation): AUC scores (highest values are in bold fonts), Brier scores (smallest values are in bold fonts), models included in the MCS, and numerical convergence failures in percentage across three competing criteria to classify a coin as dead or alive. Ref. [7] approach = "*restrictive*"; simplified [7] approach = "*simple*"; professional rule = "*1 cent*"; D.R. = daily range-based estimator. Highest AUC, lowest Brier score and model included in the MCS are reported in bold font.

Old Coins: 365-Day-Ahead Probability of Death										
Models	AUC (Restrictive)	AUC (Simple)	AUC (1 Cent)	Brier Score (Restrictive)	Brier Score (Simple)	Brier Score (1 Cent)	MCS (Restrictive)	MCS (Simple)	MCS (1 Cent)	% Not Converged
Logit (expanding window)	0.59	0.57	0.61	0.088	0.337	0.179	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Probit (expanding window)	0.58	0.55	0.61	0.085	0.331	0.182	Included	not included	not included	0.00
Cauchit (expanding window)	0.63	0.61	0.65	0.089	0.354	0.172	not included	not included	included	0.00
Random Forest (expanding window)	0.61	0.60	0.59	0.089	0.341	0.206	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Logit (fixed window)	0.60	0.58	0.65	0.103	0.366	0.188	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Probit (fixed window)	0.60	0.57	0.63	0.107	0.363	0.198	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Cauchit (fixed window)	0.63	0.60	0.65	0.096	0.381	0.177	not included	not included	not included	0.00
Random Forest (fixed window)	0.62	0.61	0.61	0.086	0.327	0.190	Included	not included	not included	0.00
ZPP—Random walk	0.69	0.50	0.63	0.697	0.503	0.584	not included	not included	not included	0.00
ZPP—Normal GARCH(1,1)	0.66	0.51	0.55	0.802	0.554	0.718	not included	not included	not included	1.22
ZPP—Student'st GARCH(1,1)	0.68	0.52	0.56	0.360	0.414	0.355	not included	not included	not included	1.92
ZPP—GH Skew-Student GARCH(1,1)	0.67	0.50	0.54	0.328	0.411	0.330	not included	not included	not included	42.70
ZPP—MSGARCH(1,1)	0.63	0.52	0.69	0.333	0.354	0.298	not included	not included	not included	0.67
ZPP—D.R.(Garman and Klass)RW	0.51	0.55	0.58	0.292	0.286	0.276	not included	Included	not included	0.00
ZPP—D.R.(Garman and Klass)HAR	0.64	0.62	0.66	0.544	0.301	0.467	not included	not included	not included	12.06
ZPP—D.R.(Garman and Klass)ARFIMA	0.69	0.60	0.70	0.543	0.296	0.467	not included	not included	not included	74.30
ZPP—D.R.(Garman and Klass)CARR	0.60	0.55	0.51	0.513	0.312	0.477	not included	not included	not included	11.86
ZPP—D.R.(Yang and Zhang)RW	0.70	0.47	0.64	0.914	0.702	0.771	not included	not included	not included	0.00
ZPP—D.R.(Yang and Zhang)HAR	0.69	0.52	0.66	0.766	0.495	0.639	not included	not included	not included	0.00
ZPP—D.R.(Yang and Zhang)ARFIMA	0.68	0.54	0.69	0.686	0.443	0.575	not included	not included	not included	75.17
ZPP—D.R.(Yang and Zhang)CARR	0.70	0.51	0.65	0.756	0.509	0.660	not included	not included	not included	13.97

The estimated AUCs for the models without the daily range in Tables 2–4 are consistent with the findings reported in [11] (using the same dataset). However, this is not the case for the model confidence sets (MCS) and the Brier scores, which now incorporate models using range-based volatility estimators. Due to significant numerical convergence failures of some models, such as the GARCH model with the generalized hyperbolic skewed Student distribution and ARFIMA models, the number of forecasts used to calculate the MCS and the Brier scores is significantly lower than those used to calculate the AUC. The former metrics require common data for all models, whereas the latter can be calculated individually. Therefore, for our dataset, the AUC is probably a more appropriate evaluation metric than are the MCS and the Brier score. However, we also provide the latter for completeness and interest.

Our results suggest that ZPP models utilizing range-based volatility estimators are generally more effective for long-term forecasts, supporting the evidence presented in [12], which found that high-frequency volatility models outperformed low-frequency models using range-based estimators only for short-term forecasts but not for longer horizons. In [12], it is posited that volatility exhibits long memory and changes gradually over time, so an accurate estimate of current day's volatility is useful in predicting the following day's volatility but less so for forecasts several weeks ahead. A similar dynamic may apply here: lagged trading volumes and online search data utilized by credit scoring models and ML methods are useful for short-term PD forecasts up to 30 days ahead but less so for 1-year-ahead forecasts, which are the standard in credit risk management. In this case, range-based estimators with long-memory models or the simple random walk may be sufficient. Furthermore, given the lack of a single ZPP model that is best across all classification criteria, this empirical evidence supports the possibility of improved forecasts through forecast combinations methods, which we leave as a topic for future research.

Regarding the differences between range-based estimators, we observe that the Yang– Zhang estimator produces better AUC forecasts than does the Garman–Klass estimator, particularly for long-term forecasts. However, this is not universally true for all forecasting models, and the Yang–Zhang estimator has significantly worse Brier scores than does the Garman–Klass estimator. This highlights the potential for improved forecasts through forecast combinations methods, and we leave this as an interesting topic for future research.

Finally, we wish to emphasize the poor numerical performance of the ARFIMA models, which failed to converge in almost 70% of cases. It is well established in the literature that the estimation of the fractional parameter *d* in ARFIMA(p, d, q) models is challenging, as documented in large simulation studies; see [62–66]. We used the exact maximum likelihood procedure with normal errors proposed in [67], which is theoretically efficient and has quasi-maximum likelihood properties. Unfortunately, the noisy nature and short time series of most crypto-assets had a significant impact on the numerical performance of this model. To keep the computational time within reasonable limits, we did not attempt alternative model estimators, leaving this as an interesting avenue for future research.

5. A Robustness Check: Forecasting the 1-Year-Ahead PD of the Crypto Trading Platform FTX

We evaluated the performance of the best forecasting models for the probability of death (PD) over the one-year horizon in modeling the token of the crypto trading platform FTX (symbol: FTT), which filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in the United States. on 11 November 2022. FTT, the native cryptocurrency token of FTX, was launched on 8 May 2019 and initially served as a reward for exchange transactions. However, over time, the list of functions for the FTT token expanded, and it became mainly used for reducing trading fees and securing futures positions. Further details can be found in a comprehensive summary available at coinmarketcap.com/currencies/ftx-token (accessed on 1 December 2022). Figure 1 displays the price in US dollars of the FTX token over the time sample from 1 August 2019 to 11 November 2022.



Figure 1. Price in USD of the FTX token over the time sample 1 August 2019/11 November 2022.

We computed the 1-year-ahead PD using the ZPP with all the range-based estimators, as well as the ZPP based on the random walk or the Markov-switching GARCH(1,1), which were found to be the best models for long-term PD forecasts in [11]. All models were estimated using an expanding window with the first estimation sample consisting of 365 observations. The estimated probabilities of death for all models are reported in Figures 2 and 3 from July 2020 until the end of October 2022, which is 11 days prior to the official bankruptcy of FTX.

The 1-year-ahead probabilities of death computed with range-based volatility estimators reached their highest values approximately one year prior to the official bankruptcy of FTX, thereby indirectly confirming why they were the best models for forecasting the 1-year-ahead PD in the baseline case. However, both the HAR models with the daily range and the models using close-to-close prices showed steadily increasing probabilities of death from the end of 2021 until just before the bankruptcy.

In general, it is noted that models using range-based estimators resulted in much noisier signals compared to models using close-to-close prices. Furthermore, the HAR models experienced numerical instability at the beginning of the sample due to the small sample size, while ARFIMA models with daily range were not reported because they failed to converge several times in the sample, thereby confirming the estimation problems discussed in Section 4.2.

This empirical evidence leads to two conclusions: first, the market was pricing a potential credit event related to FTX well in advance of the official bankruptcy. Second, this evidence supports the potential for forecasting gains by combining the estimates of the PD obtained from different methods. We leave this topic as an interesting avenue for future research.

Finally, we would like to note that, in line with the methodology outlined in [11], we tested the robustness of our findings using different data samples, including data prior to and after 2017, and by stratifying crypto-assets based on their market capitalization. Specifically, the authors of [11] separated their dataset into two subsamples consisting of data before and after 10 December 2017 to investigate how their models' forecasting performances would change in these two subsamples. This date was chosen because it marked the introduction of the first bitcoin futures on the CBOE, and there is a significant body of literature demonstrating that there was a financial bubble in bitcoin prices in 2016–2017 that burst at the end of 2017, potentially triggered by the introduction of these new bitcoin futures (see [11] and references therein for more details). We conducted the same robustness check using range-based volatility estimators and found no significant differences between the two subsamples. Additionally, as per [11], we conducted a second

robustness check where we separated the 100 crypto coins with the largest market capitalization from all other coins with a smaller market capitalization. We did not identify any qualitative differences from the baseline case. While the tables containing the results of these robustness checks were quite extensive, they did not contribute anything new to our findings and are not reported here. However, they are available on the author's webpage at https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1pqM0HdBPPyZAzBKsgiarkisCoQhmbCae/ edit?usp=share_link&ouid=103750598646225124705&rtpof=true&sd=true, accessed on 28 February 2023.



Figure 2. One-year-ahead probability of death (PD) estimated over the time sample 30 July 2020/30 October 2022 using an expanding window with the first estimation sample consisting of 365 observations for these ZPP models: CARR model with the Garman—Klass estimator, CARR model with the Yang—Zhang estimator, HAR model with the Garman—Klass estimator, and HAR model with the Yang—Zhang estimator.



Figure 3. One-year-ahead probability of death (PD) estimated over the time sample 30 July 2020/30 October 2022 using an expanding window with the first estimation sample consisting of 365 observations for these ZPP models: random walk with Garman—Klass estimator), random walk with Yang—Zhang estimator, random walk, and Markov-switching GARCH.

6. Discussion and Conclusions

This paper aimed to estimate the credit risk of crypto-assets by computing their probability of death using the daily range data, which incorporate all the information available in traditional daily datasets, such as the open-high-low-close prices.

To achieve this aim, we first proposed a set of models to forecast the probability of death that combines the daily range with the zero-price probability (ZPP) model, which is an approach to compute these probabilities using only market prices. Then, we conducted a comprehensive forecasting exercise using a sample of 2003 crypto coins active from 2014 to 2020, as previously examined by [11]. We employed a wide range of competing models, including credit-scoring models, machine-learning models, and time-series-based models, with various definitions of dead coins and forecasting horizons. The results showed that credit-scoring models and machine-learning methods using lagged trading volumes and online searches were the most effective models for short-term forecasts, up to 30 days ahead, whereas time-series models using the daily range were better suited for longer-term forecasts,

up to 1 year ahead. Furthermore, we conducted a robustness check and found that our best models for forecasting the 1-year-ahead probability of death indicated that the market was anticipating a potential credit event related to FTX well before its official bankruptcy, which occurred on 11 November 2022.

The main recommendation for investors is to use credit-scoring and machine-learning models for short-term forecasting up to 30 days ahead, particularly the cauchit and the random forest models first suggested by [11]. Meanwhile, ZPP-based models using range-based volatility estimators are a better choice for long-term forecasts up to 1 year ahead, which is the traditional horizon for credit risk management. This evidence is consistent with the results reported in [12,13], which found that high-frequency volatility models outperformed low-frequency models using range-based estimators only for short-term forecasts but not for longer horizons. The authors of [12] argued that volatility exhibits long memory and changes gradually over time, so an accurate estimate of the current day's volatility is useful in predicting the following day's volatility but less so for forecasts several weeks ahead. A similar dynamic may apply in our case, where lagged trading volumes and online search data utilized by credit scoring models and ML methods are useful for short-term PD forecasts up to 30 days ahead but less so for 1-year-ahead forecasts, which is the standard horizon in credit risk management. In this case, range-based estimators with long-memory models or the simple random walk can be sufficient.

Our research findings strongly support the notion of improving credit risk reporting for crypto-assets. Our stance aligns with similar proposals made by [6,11,21]. We recommend that crypto exchanges be mandated to publish daily death probability estimates for their traded crypto-assets, utilizing either one of the models discussed in this paper or any other methodology that regulators deem appropriate. Such information would facilitate more informed investment decisions for investors interested in crypto-assets. Furthermore, the collapse of FTX and its associated trading firm, Alameda Research, highlights the need for more stringent regulators should consider including fiat currencies, precious metals, or tangible assets, such as power plants, in the list of potential capital reserves. Conversely, digitally generated tokens that function as discount cards should not be used as reserve assets.

It is important to also highlight the limitations of this study. Firstly, we did not attempt to model the returns of crypto-assets. Modeling the volatility of assets is generally more important for risk modeling purposes than is modeling the returns, as discussed in [68] and the references therein. However, recent advances in time series forecasting and nonlinear modeling may aid in producing more accurate risk estimates; see [69–73] for more details. Moreover, we focused on end-of-day data due to its availability for all crypto-assets. However, exploring how our results may differ when using high-frequency data would be of interest. We leave these matters as future research possibilities.

Our work leaves a number of other issues for future research: the computational problems that emerged in this work seem to suggest Bayesian methods as a possible solution for smoothing noisy data and improving the model's computation in the case of small-time series. Moreover, several instances in our empirical analysis highlighted the possibility of forecasting gains by combining the estimated PDs obtained from different methods. We leave all these issues as avenues of future work.

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Appendix A. Daily Number of Total Available Coins and of Dead Coins

Figure A1. Young coins: Daily number of total available coins and the daily number of dead coins computed using the previous three criteria. The data are from [11]. For convenience, the approach proposed by [7] is referred to as "*restrictive*", the simplified approach proposed by [9] as "*simple*", and the professional rule as "1 cent".



Figure A2. Old coins: Daily number of total available coins and the daily number of dead coins computed using the previous three criteria. The data are from [11]. For convenience, the approach proposed by [7] is referred to as "*restrictive*", the simplified approach proposed by [9] as "*simple*", and the professional rule as "*1 cent*".

Appendix B. Lists of Young and Old Coins

 Table A1. Names of the 1165 young coins: coins 1–400.

1	Bitcoin SV	101	Band Protocol	201	TROY	301	ETERNAL TOKEN
2	Crypto.com Coin	102	PLATINCOIN	202	Anchor	302	Pirate Chain
3	Acash Coin	103	UNICOIN	203	ShareToken	303	USDQ
4	UNUS SED LEO USD Coin	104	Qubitica MX Tokon	204	QuarkChain Content Value Network	304	VNIDC
6	HFX	105	Ocean Protocol	205	Gemini Dollar	305	Foretia
7	Cosmos	107	BitMax Token	207	FLETA	307	Bitcoin Rhodium
8	VeChain	108	Origin Protocol	208	Cred	308	IPChain
9	HedgeTrade	109	XeniosCoin	209	Metadium	309	Digital Asset Guarantee Token
10	INO COIN	110	Project Pai	210	Cocos-BCX	310	BQT
11	OKB	111	WINk	211	MEXC Token	311	LINKA
12	FTX Token	112	Function X	212	Sport and Leisure	312	UGAS
13	VestChain Payos Standard	113	Fetch.ai	213	Nectar Morphous Network	214	Yan Stone
15	MimbleWimbleCoin	115	Wirey Token	214	Dimension Chain	315	Ondori
16	PlayFuel	116	Grin	216	Kleros	316	Lvkke
17	Hedera Hashgraph	117	Aurora	217	Hxro	317	BOX Token
18	Algorand	118	Karatgold Coin	218	StakeCubeCoin	318	Sense
19	Largo Coin	119	SynchroBitcoin	219	Dusk Network	319	Newscrypto
20	Binance USD	120	DAD	220	Wixlar	320	CUTcoin
21	Hyperion The Midee Touch Cold	121	Ecoreal Estate	221	Diamond Platform Token	321	15G Clobal Social Chain
22	Ine Midas Iouch Gold	122	AgaveCoin Folgory Coin	222	Aladdin	322	Agrossin
23	ThoreCoin	123	BOSAGORA	223	VITE	323	MVL
25	TAGZ5	125	Tachyon Protocol	225	VNX Exchange	325	Robotina
26	Elamachain	126	Ultiledger	226	AMO Coin	326	Nyzo
27	MINDOL	127	Nash Exchange	227	XMax	327	Akropolis
28	Dai	128	NEXT	228	FNB Protocol	328	Trade Token X
29	Baer Chain	129	Loki	229	Aergo	329	VeriDocGlobal
30	HUSD	130	BigONE Token	230	CoinEx Token	330	Verasity
31	Flexacoin	131	WOM Protocol BitKan	231	QuickX Protocol Mass Coin	222	BitCapital Vendor
32	Velas Metaverse Dualchain Network Architecture	132	CONTRACOIN	232	Safe	332	FURBASE
34	ZB Token	134	Rocket Pool	234	Perlin	334	Cryptocean
35	GlitzKoin	135	IDEX	235	LiquidApps	335	GoCrypto Token
36	botXcoin	136	Egoras	236	OTOCAŜĤ	336	Sentivate
37	Divi	137	LuckySevenToken	237	Sentinel Protocol	337	Ternio
38	Terra	138	Jewel	238	LCX	338	CryptoVerificationCoin
39	DxChain Token	139	Celer Network	239	Tellor	339	VeriBlock
40 41	Quant Seele-N	140	Kusama	240 241	CoinMetro Token	340 341	VIINCHAIN PCHAIN
42	Course Coin	142	General Attention Currency	241	Levolution	342	Cardstack
43	Nervos Network	143	Everipedia	243	Endor Protocol	343	Tokoin
44	Matic Network	144	CryptalDash	244	IONChain	344	AmonD
45	Blockstack	145	Bitcoin 2	245	HyperDAO	345	MargiX
46	Energi	146	Apollo Currency	246	#MetaHash	346	S4FE
47	Chiliz	147	BORA	247	Digix Gold Token	347	SnapCoin
48	QCash BitTorront	148	Cryptoindex.com 100	248	Effect.Al	348 240	
49 50	ABBC Coin	149	MovieBloc	249	GreenPower	350	FansTime
51	Unibright	151	TOP	251	PlayChip	351	EOS Force
52	NewYork Exchange	152	Bit-Z Token	252	Cosmo Coin	352	ContentBox
53	Beldex	153	IRISnet	253	Atomic Wallet Coin	353	Maincoin
54	ExtStock Token	154	Machine Xchange Coin	254	IQeon	354	BaaSid
55	Celsius	155	CWV Chain	255	HYCON	355	Constant
56	Bitbook Gambling	156	NKN	256	LNX Protocol	356	USDx stablecoin
57	SOLVE	157	ZEUN Noutrino Dollar	257	Prometeus V ID	357	PumaPay
59	Tratin	150	WazirX	250	v-1D suterusu	359	ID Coin
60	RSK Infrastructure Framework	160	Nimig	260	T.OS	360	FarmaTrust
61	v.systems	161	BHPCoin	261	XYO	361	Futurepia
62	PAX Gold	162	Fantom	262	ChronoCoin	362	Themis
63	BitcoinHD	163	Newton	263	YOU COIN	363	IntelliShare
64	Elrond	164	The Force Protocol	264	Telos	364	Content Neutrality Network
65	Bloomzed loken	165	UCoin .	265	Contents Protocol	365	BitMart Token
67	Indicitati	167	Etheroum Meta	260	EveryCom Ferrum Network	367	Humanscape
68	Xensor	168	TrustVerse	268	LINA	368	CanonChain
69	CRYPTOBUCKS	169	sUSD	269	Origo	369	Litex
70	STEM CELL COIN	170	VideoCoin	270	Atlas Protocol	370	Waves Enterprise
71	APIX	171	Ankr	271	VIDY	371	Spectre.ai Utility Token
72	Tap	172	Chimpion	272	Ampleforth	372	Esportbits
73	Bankera	173	Kakon Travala aom	273	GNY ChainY	373	Beaxy
74 75	FABRK	174	Thavala.com ThoreNext	274 275	DAPS Coip	375	SIX
76	Bitball Treasure	176	BitForex Token	276	Zano	376	Phantasma
77	BHEX Token	177	Wrapped Bitcoin	277	0Chain	377	BetProtocol
78	Theta Fuel	178	ZBG Token	278	GAPS	378	pEOS
79	Gatechain Token	179	Orchid	279	DigitalBits	379	MIR COIN

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80	STASIS EURO	180	TTC	280	HitChain	380	Winding Tree
81	Kava	181	LTO Network	281	WeShow Token	381	Grid+
82	BTU Protocol	182	MicroBitcoin	282	apM Coin	382	BlockStamp
83	Thunder Token	183	Contentos	283	Sakura Bloom	383	BOLT
84	Beam	184	Lambda	284	Clipper Coin	384	INLOCK
85	Swipe	185	Constellation	285	FOÂM	385	CEEK VR
86	Reserve Rights	186	Ultra	286	qiibee	386	Nuggets
87	Digitex Futures	187	FIBOS	287	Nestree	387	Lition
88	Orbs	188	DREP	288	SymVerse	388	Rublix
89	Buggyra Coin Zero	189	Invictus Hyperion Fund	289	ROOBEE	389	Spendcoin
90	IoTeX	190	CONUN	290	CryptoFranc	390	Bitrue Coin
91	inSure	191	Standard Tokenization	291	DDKoin	391	HoryouToken
			Protocol				-
92	Davinci Coin	192	Mainframe	292	Zel	392	RealTract
93	USDK	193	Chromia	293	Metronome	393	BidiPass
94	Super Zero Protocol	194	ARPA Chain	294	NPCoin	394	PlayCoin [ERC20]
95	Huobi Pool Token	195	REPO	295	ProximaX	395	MultiVAC
96	Harmony	196	Carry	296	NOIA Network	396	Artfinity
97	Poseidon Network	197	Valor Token	297	Eminer	397	EXMO Coin
98	Handshake	198	Zenon	298	Observer	398	Credit Tag Chain
99	12Ships	199	Elitium	299	Baz Token	399	Wowbit
100	Vitae	200	Emirex Token	300	KARMA	400	RSK Smart Bitcoin

Table A2. Names of the 1165 young coins: coins 401–800.

401 PegNet	501 ZeuxCoin	601 SPINDLE	701 Raise
402 Trias	502 TurtleCoin	602 Proton Token	702 Arbidex
403 PIBBLE	503 WPP TOKEN	603 Swap	703 W Green Pay
404 PLANET	504 Linkey	604 Olive	704 Digital Insurance Token
405 Snetwork	505 Noku	605 ImageCoin	705 Essentia
406 Cryptaur	506 Coineal Token	606 Infinitus Token	706 BioCoin
407 Arvacoin	507 Hashgard	607 ATMChain	707 Zen Protocol
408 Safe Haven	508 Fast Access Blockchain	608 WinStars live	708 ZUM TOKEN
409 Rotharium	509 MEET ONE	609 Alpha Token	709 Celeum
410 Traceability Chain	510 DACSEE	610 Grimm	710 MTC Mesh Network
411 Abyes Tokon	510 Briebell	611 TouchCon	711 TrueFoodBack
412 Naka Bodhi Tokon	512 ADAMANT Mossonger	612 Lobstov	712 7Coro
412 Raka Doulli Token 413 Etorbaso Coin	512 ADAMANT Messenger 513 Morculat	613 Bitblocks	712 Agrolot
414 CashBat Coin	515 Welchet	614 Sapion	714 Jobshain
	514 SDallK E1E OCh:	615 NOW Taken	714 JODCHalli 715 Clobal Avyanda Talvan
415 AZDIL 416 ZumCain	515 QCIII 516 VCCDRACH	615 NOW TOKEN	715 Global Awarus Token 716 Fidoria
410 Zuncom	510 IGGDRASH	610 GAIVID	710 FIGEILIAA
417 MenaPay	517 Ouroboros		717 Nerva
418 Fatcoin	518 Insureum	618 Alphacat	718 Scorum Coins
419 Netbox Coin	519 Sparkpoint	619 BitNewChain	719 Patron
420 VNI Chain	520 LHI	620 FLIP	720 ICASH
421 Cajutel	521 MassGrid	621 Nebula Al	721 ALL BESTICO
422 Vexanium	522 QuadrantProtocol	622 OVCODE	722 wave edu coin
423 Callisto Network	523 KuboCoin	623 Plair	723 Membrana
424 Smartlands	524 Hashshare	624 Auxilium	724 PlayGame
425 TERA	525 Ivy	625 RED	725 Rapidz
426 GoWithMi	526 Banano	626 EUNO	726 Eristica
427 Egoras Dollar	527 DABANKING	627 NeuroChain	727 CryptoPing
428 Tolar	528 Ubex	628 Rivetz	728 x42 Protocol
429 Vetri	529 Bitsdaq	629 Coinsuper Ecosystem Network	729 Cubiex
430 WinCash	530 VegaWallet Token	630 BZEdge	730 OSA Token
431 1World	531 Ecobit	631 Bancacy	731 EvenCoin
432 Airbloc	532 Liquidity Network	632 CrypticCoin	732 CREDIT
433 Pigeoncoin	533 Eden	633 Evedo	733 Coinlancer
434 OneLedger	534 Beetle Coin	634 Niobium Coin	734 EXMR FDN
435 DEX	535 Merebel	635 LocalCoinSwap	735 TrueDeck
436 Pivot Token	536 Open Platform	636 EBCoin	736 AC3
437 Kuai Token	537 Locus Chain	637 Moneytoken	737 DAV Coin
438 Mcashchain	538 TEAM (TokenStars)	638 CoinÚs	738 Jarvis+
439 Leverj	539 Proxeus	639 Enecuum	739 3DCoin
440 Databroker	540 BonusCloud	640 Noir	740 Silent Notary
441 Unification	541 Business Credit Substitute	641 BeatzCoin	741 IP Exchange
442 Blue Whale EXchange	542 MalwareChain	642 Quasarcoin	742 Moneynet
443 Color Platform	543 IO.cash	643 Graviocoin	743 OWNDATA
444 Flowchain	544 Digital Gold	644 Max Property Group	744 uPlexa
445 CoinDeal Token	545 Brickblock	645 Ethereum Gold	745 StarCoin
446 PlatonCoin	546 MARK SPACE	646 TigerCash	746 Mithril Ore
447 Krios	547 Conceal	647 DPRating	747 Ryo Currency
448 Nasdacoin	548 SafeCoin	648 Almeela	748 StarterCoin
449 LikeCoin	549 Spiking	649 Nexxo	749 CryptoBonusMiles
450 Okschain	550 COVA	650 smARTOFGIVING	750 MMOCoin
451 Bitex Clobal XBX Coin	551 PUBLISH	651 On Live	751 FSBT API Token
452 Colu Local Network	552 Socia	652 XcelToken Plus	752 PAI Network
452 Conclocal Network	553 DOS Notwork	653 Ovcort	753 Shadow Tokon
453 Caspian 454 BOOM	555 DOS Network 554 NeoWorld Cash	654 Block Logic	755 Shadow loken 754 Scapatchain
455 Payon Protocol	555 ESBC	655 Actinium	755 BlitzDrodict
455 Kaven Frotocol	JJJ EBDC	000 Actinium	755 DHZFTedict

456 DECOIN BitBall 656 MineBee 556 756 Truegame 457 Gleec 557 Gold Bits Coin 657 eXPerience Chain 757 EurocoinToken 758 458 Amoveo 558 CoTrader 658 TurtleNetwork Typerium Coinsbit Token 459 Teloscoin 559 659 HashCoin 759 Ether-1 Lisk Machine Learning TrakInvest 460 Zipper461 Quanta Utility Token 560 660 VeriSafe 760 USDX ZENZO GoNetwork 561 661 761 462 IG Gold 562 SureRemit 662 Paytomat 762 Blockparty (BOXX Token) 463 ROAD SnowGem 663 Seal Network OptiToken 563 763 464 Midas 564 0xBitcoin 664 SnodeCoin 764 Bigbom 465 Cloudbric Bittwatt Bethereum 565 Rate3 665 765 466 Stronghold Token Sharpay Amino Network SpectrumCash 566 Faceter 666 766 X-CASH FREE Coin ŴebDollar 767 467 567 667 Iconiq Lab Token TV-TWO PTON 468 568 Qwertycoin 668 768 469 Blockchain Certified Data Token 569 Gene Source Code Chain 669 Master Contract Token 769 MFCoin Golos Blockchain 670 BetterBetting671 BitScreener Token 470 Fountain 570 770 DeVault 471 MB8 Coin472 Origin Sport ICE ROCK MINING 671 771 GoldFund 571 REAL 572 672 Smartshare 772 Leadcoin 473 Tixl 573 PAYCENT 673 Vodi X Carboneum [C8] Token 773 474 ParkinGo StableUSD 674 Naviaddress 774 iDealCash 574 475 Ether Zero 575 NEXT.coin 675 FortKnoxster 775 Alt.Estate token 476 Asian Fintech 576 UpToken 676 HorusPay 776 EnergiToken 477 Bitcoin Confidential 577 SafeInsure Eureka Coin 677 Ulord 777 MorCrypto Coin 478 DreamTeam Token 578 678 Q DAO Governance token v1.0 778 Hyper Speed Network 479 nOS DEEX 679 **ODUWA** eSDChain 579 779 480 HashBX 580 ZPER RedFOX Labs 780 DogeCash 680 481 TEMCO Bob's Repair 681 781 Daneel 581 XPA 482 Axe 582 Tarush 682 Birake 782 Gravity 483 BOMB savedroid TOKPIE 583 Mallcoin 683 783 Kuende 484 HyperExchange 485 AIDUS TOKEN 584 MIB Coin 684 784 Kuverit Decentralized Machine Learning 585 Skychain 685 Halo Platform 785 486 Qredit 686 DeltaChain 786 Winco Amon 586 487 Education Ecosystem Project WITH Mindexcoin 787 Monarch 587 687 X8X Token TRONCLASSIC DOWCOIN 488 588 Zippie 688 View 788 489 589 FYDcoin 689 Swace 789 Relex Ubcoin Market OLXA 790 Bitcoin CZ 490 Footballcoin 590 Howdoo 690 491 Block-Chain.com 691 791 591 MidasProtocol Omnitude Maximine Coin Bee Token 492 SafeCapital 592 Shivom 692 792 493 POPCHAIN 593 Cashbery Coin 693 Webflix Token 793 RightMesh 494 Vision Industry Token 594 Lunes 694 Trittium 794 Catex Token 495 Opacity 595 Bitcoin Free Cash 695 Thrive Token 795 Bridge Protocol 496 Titan Coin497 Blocktrade Token Honest Safex Cash Bitcoin Incognito Bitfex 796 Birdchain BLOC.MONEY 596 696 597 697 797 498 598 GMB **FNKOS** Business Credit Alliance Chain 698 798 Semux 499 Uptrennd 599 PIXEL 699 Rapids 799 Alchemint Standards 500 Veil 600 Vezt 700 ebakus 800 Dynamite

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Table A3. Names of the 1165 young coins: coins 801–1165.

801	Mainstream For The Underground	901	Blockburn	1001 BitRent	1101 Dash Green
802	WandX	902	LOCIcoin	1002 Decentralized Asset	1102 Joint Ventures
				Trading Platform	
803	Blockpass	903	OPCoinX	1003 ROIyal Coin	1103 WXCOINS
804	ZMINE	904	BitCoen	1004 ShareX	1104 e-Chat
805	CryptoAds Marketplace	905	FUZE Token	1005 RefToken	1105 iBTC
806	CROAT	906	Commercium	1006 SHPING	1106 VikkyToken
807	BoatPilot Token	907	Hurify	1007 ETHplode	1107 CPUchain
808	Storiqa	908	Impleum	1008 Bitcoin Classic	1108 MiloCoin
809	Rupiah Token	909	Transcodium	1009 Bitcoin Adult	1109 Bunny Token
810	Ifoods Chain	910	Knekted	1010 GenesisX	1110 Electrum Dark
811	AiLink Token	911	No BS Crypto	1011 Intelligent Trading	1111 Playgroundz
				Foundation	
812	Parachute	912	BlockMesh	1012 Zenswap Network Token	1112 Kora Network Token
813	Swapcoinz	913	PluraCoin	1013 Signatum	1113 Ragnarok
814	ONŌToken	914	Aigang	1014 MetaMorph	1114 Escroco Emerald
815	Helium Chain	915	Arqma	1015 ShowHand	1115 Helper Search Token
816	Fire Lotto	916	Regalcoin	10164NEW	1116 Fivebalance
817	The Currency Analytics	917	Thar Token	1017 GoldenPyrex	1117 1X2 COIN
818	Matrexcoin	918	Mobile Crypto Pay Coin	1018 RPICoin	1118 Crystal Clear
819	BitClave	919	XMCT	1019 EOS TRUST	1119 Xenoverse
820	Zennies	920	Xuez	1020 Gold Poker	1120 VectorAI
821	BBSCoin	921	Ethouse	1021 Neural Protocol	1121 Bitcoinus
822	Civitas	922	Kind Ads Token	1022 EtherInc	1122 PAXEX
823	Aston	923	CommunityGeneration	1023 Sola Token	1123 MNPCoin
824	Bitnation	924	Agora	1024 SkyHub Coin	1124 Apollon
825	SRCOIN	925	nDEX	1025 Global Crypto Alliance	1125 Project Coin
826	PYRO Network	926	BTC Lite	1026 Level Up Coin	1126 Crystal Token
827	Veles	927	PUBLYTO Token	1027 Havy	1127 Veltor
828	BEAT	928	EtherSportz	1028 QUINADS	1128 Decentralized Crypto Token

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829	Streamit Coin
830	Oxycoin
831	HeartBout
832	Atonomi
833	Swincash PDATA
835	Artis Turba
836	Rentherry
837	Plus-Coin
838	Bitcoin Token
839	ProxyNode
840	Signals Network
841	Giant
842	RoBET
843	XDNA
844	TENA
845	EtherGem Vanta Natuork
847	Linfinity
848	StrongHands Masternode
849	Voise
850	Kalkulus
851	CryptoSoul
852	WOLLO
853	Cashpayz Token
854	InterValue
855	WIZBL
856	Ethereum Gold Project
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859	Waveshet
860	HeroNode
861	Gentarium
862	Webcoin
863	SignatureChain
864	Bitcoin Fast
865	Fiii
866	CrowdWiz
867	Fox Irading
000 860	Verny
870	PRASM
871	MODEL-X-coin
872	Menlo One
873	Arionum
874	BlockCAT
875	Version
876	KAASO
877	CyberFM
8/8	Ethersocial Neutral Dollar
880	Paymon
881	Taklimakan Network
882	HashNet BitEco
883	Netko
884	ZINC
885	Asian Dragon
886	IFX24
887	KanadeCoin
000	LALA World
890	SiaCashCoin
891	CYCLEAN
892	Bitether
893	INMAX
894	Thore Cash
895	Guaranteed Ethurance Token Extra
896	Niobio Cash
897	Social Activity Token
898	Iriaium SE Capital

929 Freyrchain 930 NetKoin 931 REBL 932 Vivid Coin 933 EveriToken UChain 934 935 Bitsum Cheesecoin APR Coin 936 937 938 Soverain 939 HyperQuant 940 Bitcoin Zero 941 Narrative 942 HOLD 943 Italo 944 Gossip Coin 945 BLAST 946 ZeusNetwork Japan Content Token 947 948 HYPNOXYS 949 Biotron 950 UNICORN Token 951 BUDDY 952 Guider 953 InternationalCryptoX 954 InvestFeed 955 BitStash 956 IOTW 957 Stipend 958 CyberMusic 959 Herbalist Token 960 Thingschain 961 Arion 962 WABnetwork 963 EZOOW Arepacoin Waletoken 964 965 966 Datarius Credit 967 TrustNote 968 Data Transaction Token 969 CYBR Token 970 FantasyGold 971 IGToken 972 Coinchase Token 973 Micromines 974 Exosis 975 SteepCoin 976 TOKYO 977 Galilel 978 MesChain 979 Bitcoiin 980 PRiVCY 981 CFun 982 Zealium 983 Connect Coin GoHelpFund 984 985 xEURÓ 986 BitStation 987 Italian Lira 988 Iungo 989 MESG 990 Parkgene 991 BitNautic Token 992 SCRIV NETWORK 993 FundRequest 994 JSECOIN AirWire 995 Kabberry Coin 996 997 Digiwage 998 Ether Kingdoms Token 999 BitRewards 1000 BitcoiNote

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Table A4. Names of the 838 old coins: coins 1–420.

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5	Bitcoin Cash
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7	Pinanao Coin
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8	EOS
9	Cardano
10	Tezos
11	Chainlink
11	
12	Stellar
13	Monero
14	TRON
15	Huobi Token
16	Ethonour Classic
10	Ethereum Classic
17	Neo
18	Dash
19	IOTA
20	Maker
21	Zeash
21	NEM
22	
23	Ontology
24	Basic Attention Token
25	Dogecoin
26	Synthetix Network Token
27	DigiByte
20	o.
28	UX
29	Kyber Network
30	OMG Network
31	Zilliga
22	тиста
32	D'ID
33	BitBay
34	Augur
35	Decred
36	ICON
37	Δανο
20	Otum
30	Qtuin
39	Nano
40	Siacoin
41	Lisk
42	Bitcoin Gold
42	Eniin Coin
45	Enjin Com
44	Ravencoin
45	TrueUSD
46	Verge
47	Waves
18	MonaCoin
40	Ritaria Diaman d
49	bitcoin Diamond
50	Advanced Internet Blocks
51	Ren
52	Nexo
53	Loopring
E4	Hala
54	Holo
55	SwissBorg
56	Cryptonex
57	IOST
58	Status
50	Komodo
60	Mivin
60	Mixin
61	Steem
62	MCO
63	Bytom
64	KuCoin Shares
65	Controlity
05	Liniany
66	Horizen
67	WAX
68	BitShares
69	Numeraire
70	Flectroneum
70	Decembraland
/1	Decentraland
72	Bancor
73	aelf
74	Golem
75	Ardor
74	Stratic
70	
77	HyperCash
78	iExec RLC
79	MaidSafeCoin
80	ERC20
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316 Insights Network 317 Sentinel 318 Aeron ChatCoin 319 Red Pulse Phoenix 320 Blockmason Credit Protocol 321 322 Hydro Protocol Tidex Token 323 324 Litecoin Cash Refereum Counterparty 325 326 327 MintCoin MediShares 328 329 Incent 330 PolySwarm 331 Nucleus Vision 332 Blackmoon 333 NAGA Lamden 334 335 Global Cryptocurrency Lympo Spectrecoin Penta 336 337 338 339 Emercoin Feathercoin 340 BOScoin 341 342 Lunyr 343 Switcheo ColossusXT NaPoleonX 344 345 346 BitGreen 347 Blockport 348 DeepBrain Chain 349 LinkEye 350 BitTube 351 Hydro Boolberry 352 353 Mobius 354 Skrumble Network 355 Odyssey 356 Myriad PotCoin 357 358 FintruX Network 359 Cube 360 Apex carVertical 361 Paypex YEE 362 363 CanYaCoin 364 365 BlackCoin Radium 366 367 Loopring [NEO] 368 OKČash 369 Cryptopay GridCoin 370 Scry.info 371 372 Pluton 373 AI Doctor Crown TokenPay Change 374 375 376 377 bitUSD Bloom 378 379 Ixcoin 380 Sumokoin Unikoin Gold 381 382 Curecoin DAOBet 383 384 WeOwn 385 Chrono.tech 386 THEKEY 387 Mysterium Stealth Restart Energy MWAT 388 389 AMLT 390 391 VeriCoin 392 ZClassic 393 Denarius Primas 394 Bean Cash 395 396 Banca

82	Aeternity	187 LATOKEN	292 OAX	397 DAEX
83	Zcoin	188 Bezant	293 Presearch	398 CoinPoker
84	WhiteCoin	189 Veritaseum	294 Hi Mutual Society	399 PayBX
85	CyberVein	190 Metaverse ETP	295 Morpheus Labs	400 Peerplays
86	Bytecoin	191 Propy	296 Etheroll	401 I/O Coin
87	Power Ledger	192 Gifto	297 VIBE	402 Bismuth
88	WaykiChain	193 AirSwap	298 Measurable Data Token	403 e-Gulden
89	Aragon	194 Mooncoin	299 Selfkey	404 Remme
90	NUĽS	195 Bluzelle	300 DigitalNote	405 Diamond
91	Streamr	196 Blocknet	301 Hiveterminal Token	406 SpaceChain
92	ReddCoin	197 Achain	302 SunContract	407 ATC Coin
93	Ripio Credit Network	198 ODEM	303 TrueFlip	408 indaHash
94	Crypterium	199 OST	304 Edge	409 Clams
95	Dragonchain	200 Polis	305 Viberate	410 ATLANT
96	GXČhain	201 SingularDTV	306 Everus	411 Rise
97	Ark	202 Monolith	307 Bitcore	412 Pascal
98	Pundi X	203 Credits	308 Xaurum	413 Rubycoin
99	Insolar	204 EDC Blockchain	309 Monetha	414 COS
100	PRIZM	205 Po.et	310 Phore	415 GoldMint
101	Gnosis	206 TenX	311 QunQun	416 Substratum
102	TomoChain	207 Game.com	312 DATA	417 Swarm
103	Eidoo	208 TaaS	313 Tripio	418 NewYorkCoin
104	Elastos	209 Particl	314 Credo	419 Adshares
105	Wanchain	210 Monero Classic	315 Flash	420 Flixxo

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 Table A5. Names of the 838 old coins: coins 421–838.

421	Bottos	526	DECENT	631	Dether	736	BERNcash
422	CommerceBlock	527	ION	632	Primalbase Token	737	VoteCoin
423	Dynamic	528	Waves Community Token	633	PiplCoin	738	Aricoin
424	AguariusCoin	529	Playkey	634	Bitcloud	739	GuccioneCoin
425	IHT Real Estate Protocol	530	Sentient Coin	635	Ties.DB	740	Zurcoin
426	Dinastycoin	531	Karbo	636	bitEUR	741	PureVidz
427	CPChain	532	Internet of People	637	Indorse Token	742	Adzcoin
428	Nexty	533	Neutron	638	Energo	743	ELTCOIN
429	Aventus	534	Minereum	639	RealChain	744	SmartCoin
430	Sharder	535	Ink Protocol	640	Tokenbox	745	Bela
431	HalalChain	536	CryCash	641	Chronologic	746	EDRCoin
432	BANKEX	537	BÚZZCoin	642	Limitless VIP	747	Blocklancer
433	42-coin	538	SIBCoin	643	Maxcoin	748	MarteXcoin
434	Pandacoin	539	DecentBet	644	Emerald Crypto	749	SparksPay
435	Omni	540	TraDove B2BCoin	645	Lampix	750	PayCoin
436	NuBits	541	AllSafe	646	PutinCoin	751	ClearPoll
437	Primecoin	542	XEL	647	AdHive	752	Ellaism
438	Ormeus Coin	543	AudioCoin	648	Pesetacoin	753	Digital Money Bits
439	MonetaryUnit	544	Pirl	649	Dropil	754	Acoin
440	Hush	545	Trinity Network Credit	650	Emphy	755	Theresa May Coin
441	Medicalchain	546	ProChain	651	KZ Cash	756	BTCtalkcoin
442	Hubii Network	547	Sentinel Chain	652	BitBar	757	GeyserCoin
443	Datum	548	Zeepin	653	BitSend	758	Nitro
444	Humaniq	549	GlobalBoost-Y	654	LEOcoin	759	Citadel
445	Lendingblock	550	The ChampCoin	655	Bonpay	760	YENTEN
446	KickToken	551	Zap	656	ACÉ (TokenStars)	761	STRAKS
447	PAC Global	552	Trollcoin	657	Gems	762	MojoCoin
448	EXRNchain	553	Datawallet	658	Bata	763	Blakecoin
449	PetroDollar	554	Espers	659	Rupee	764	Coin2.1
450	Nework	555	BitDegree	660	Adelphoi	765	Elementrem
451	NativeCoin	556	Qbao	661	PWR Coin	766	MedicCoin
452	Zero	557	OBITS	662	Carboncoin	767	ICO OpenLedger
453	SoMee.Social	558	Patientory	663	Unify	768	GoldBlocks
454	ToaCoin	559	Freicoin	664	InsaneCoin	769	FuzzBalls
455	SolarCoin	560	DATx	665	Bitradio	770	Titcoin
456	GeoCoin	561	adToken	666	Energycoin	771	Jupiter
457	Upfiring	562	Starbase	667	Profile Utility Token	772	Dreamcoin
458	Cappasity	563	HEROcoin	668	Digitalcoin	773	NevaCoin
459	DeepOnion	564	HOQU	669	TrumpCoin	774	Ratecoin
460	Edgeless	565	LIFE	670	Aditus	775	ParkByte
461	eosDAC	566	Electrify.Asia	671	Bitcoin Interest	776	Dalecoin
462	Snovian.Space	567	HempCoin	672	Cobinhood	777	Spectiv
463	NoLimitCoin	568	ExclusiveCoin	673	Litecoin Plus	778	Datacoin
464	Matryx	569	Zilla	674	Elcoin	779	BoostCoin
465	CloakCoin	570	Memetic / PepeCoin	675	Photon	780	Open Trading Network
466	Terracoin	571	Solaris	676	Lethean	781	Desire
467	SpankChain	572	VouchForMe	677	Zetacoin	782	X-Coin
468	Bitswift	573	Friendz	678	Synergy	783	PostCoin
469	Experty	574	Zeitcoin	679	Kobocoin	784	Galactrum
470	iEthereum	575	Swarm City	680	MicroMoney	785	bitJob

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471	PayPie	576	LanaCoin	681	Global Currency Reserve	786	Ccore
472	SHIELD	577	Sociall	682	Eroscoin	787	Quebecoin
473	UNIVERSAL CASH	578	EverGreenCoin	683	Capricoin	788	BriaCoin
474	CannabisCoin	579	IDEX Membership	684	MktCoin	789	SpreadCoin
475	NuShares	580	Zeusshield	685	PoSW Coin	790	Ĉenturion
476	DomRaider	581	DopeCoin	686	Cryptonite	791	Zayedcoin
477	Neurotoken	582	FujiCoin	687	Opal	792	Independent Money System
478	STK	583	EncryptoTel [WAVES]	688	SounDAC	793	ARbit
479	Delphy	584	KekĆoin	689	Universe	794	Litecred
480	Sphere	585	IXT	690	CDX Network	795	Nekonium
481	MobileGo	586	CoinFi	691	Paragon	796	Rupaya
482	Pinkcoin	587	VeriumReserve	692	Bitstar	797	Bitcoin 21
483	Zebi Token	588	Motocoin	693	ATBCoin	798	Californium
484	Infinitecoin	589	Ignition	694	Kurrent	799	Comet
485	LUXCoin	590	FedoraCoin	695	Deutsche eMark	800	Phantomx
486	Manna	591	FlypMe	696	Suretly	801	AmsterdamCoin
487	BitCrystals	592	IET8	697	bitBTC	802	High Voltage
488	HEAT	593	CaixaPay	698	Rimbit	803	MustangCoin
489	Internxt	594	Ultimate Secure Cash	699	GCN Coin	804	Dollar International
490	Pylon Network	595	Pakcoin	700	BlueCoin	805	Dollarcoin
491	Dovu	596	Devery	701	FirstCoin	806	CrevaCoin
492	BitcoinZ	597	Bitzeny	702	Fyil Coin	807	BowsCoin
493	StrongHands	598	Swing	703	ParallelCoin	808	Coinonat
494	Dimecoin	599	MineyCoin	704	BitWhite	809	DNotes
495	WoTrust	600	Masari	704	Autonio	810	LiteBitcoin
496	Bitcoin Plus	601	EventChain	706	TransferCoin	811	BitCoal
497	adhank	602	BountyOv	707	TaiCoin	812	SONO
108	EchoLink	602	NANICOIN	708	2CIVE	813	SpeedCash
100	ATN	604	DIMCOIN	700	Colos	814	PlatinumBAR
500	Moracoin	605	Monkov Project	710	ClobalTokon	815	Exportion co Points
501	Auroracoin	606	Veres	710	TagCoin	Q16	HollyWoodCoin
502	EnergypCon	607	Mayorick Chain	712	SkinCoin	817	Primo-XI
502	Phoonixcoin	608	CoByto	712	Anoncoin	818	Cabbago
503	FuzoY	600	HolloCold	714	DraftCoin	810	BonjiRolle
505	Ink	610	CravityCoin	715	Cryptoiacka	820	PosEv
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507	Bitcoin Drivato	612	Introin	710	Ritagin Rod	822	Icopic
502		612	MyWich	719	Advanced Technology Coin	872	PI Maoin
500	AICHAIN Seele	614	Crowyd Machina	710	Advanced Technology Com	023	f Elycolif SocialCoin
509	Scala	614	Crowd Machine	719	xcox	024	SocialCom
510	Magazaras	610	LitaDaga	720	AGUA Plashtiv	020	Broingt V
511	Protection	610	Bazan	721	Mortheore	020	Project-A BongiCoin
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515	AldColn	620	Gran	725	Gariicoin	830	SongCoin
510	Pil-1-D	(22	Fruel	720	Carlie TV	031	A same Talana
517	Dibleray	622	Equal	720		832	Agoras Tokens
518	Sillit	623	r rivatix Matahmaal	728	Sensen ChaseCoin	033	Sexcoln BabbitCoin
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520	INOVACOIN	625	eboost	/30	Eternity	835	Quotient
521	Expanse	626	Utrum	/31	NIOIN Benerate a Casim	836	Dubble
522	CVCoin	627	imbrex	732	PopularCoin	837	Axiom
523	Diue Protocol	628	rocom	733	rayıaır	838	Francs
524	IrezarCoin	629	BoutsPro	734	Kubies		
525	HiCoin	630	CryptoCarbon	735	bitGold		

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