



# Our Summer Experience at IIT

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# ABOUT US

**Lucas Ciob:** 14 years old and a rising freshman at Lisle High School. Likes computers and gaming on them but doesn't know much about the hardware, how they work, or coding.

**Lucas R:** 14 years old and a rising sophomore at Glenbrook South High School. Had a CS class my first semester last year where I learned Java. Other than what I knew from my parents and this class, most of what we did this summer was completely new for me.

**Stefan:** 14 years old and a rising freshman at John Hersey High School. Likes playing computer games but doesn't know much on how computers work. No previous CS experience.



# Timeline

Learning basics of all programming languages and learning how to code in Python.

Learned the basics of HTML and built our personal websites.

Week 2

Week 4

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Week 1

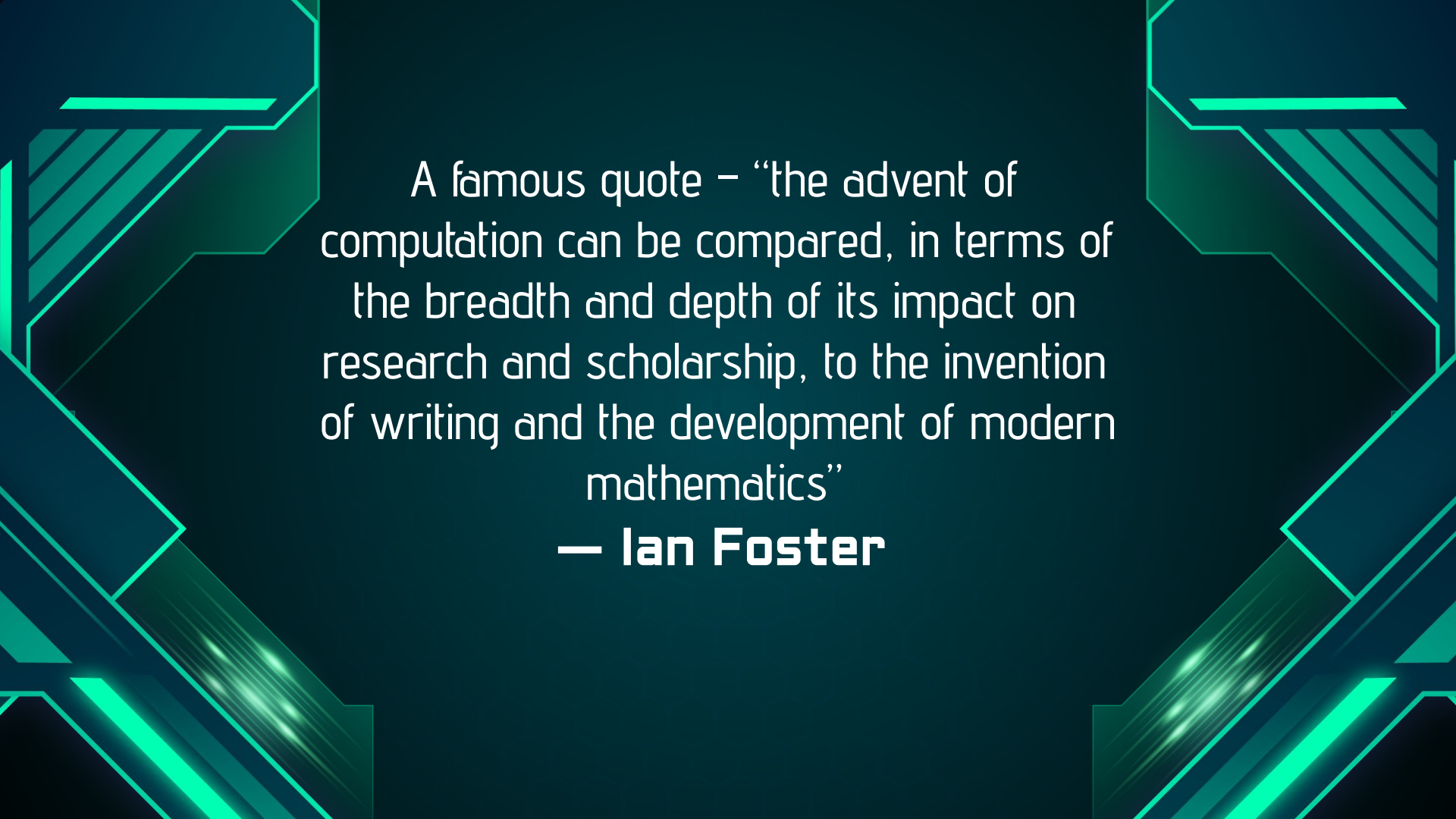
Week 3

Week 5-6

Learning about the basics of Computer Science along with reading Wikipedia articles and writing reports.

Took a deep dive into Python. Built a large calculator that performed functions in our Jupyter Notebook.

Experimented with Binance's cryptocurrency transaction datasets, created candlesticks up to one second-level granularity, and then created plots for visualization.



A famous quote – “the advent of computation can be compared, in terms of the breadth and depth of its impact on research and scholarship, to the invention of writing and the development of modern mathematics”

— **Ian Foster**

# Calculator Project



User Input



Computations +  
Conversions



Libraries



Random  
Guessing Game

# The Grand Calculator

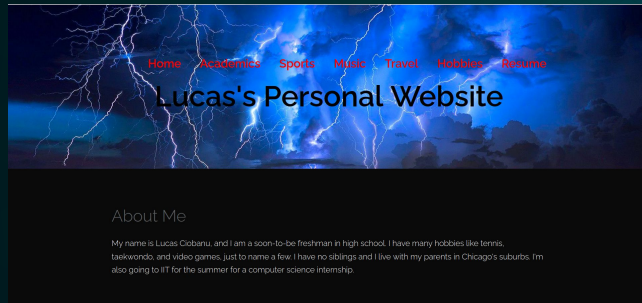
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elif user_input == "square root":  
    square_root_calc()  
elif user_input == "stop running":  
    decision = input("Before exiting the calculator, would you like to play a random guessing game? (yes/no):")  
    if decision == "yes":  
        random_guessing_game()  
    else:  
        sys.exit("Exiting the calculator")  
else:  
    print("ERROR! Enter a valid option.")  
  
grandissimo()
```

What do you want the calculator to do? Choose an option: arithmetic, quadratic formula, statistics, number statistics, conversion, find command, graphing, exponentiation, square root, stop running

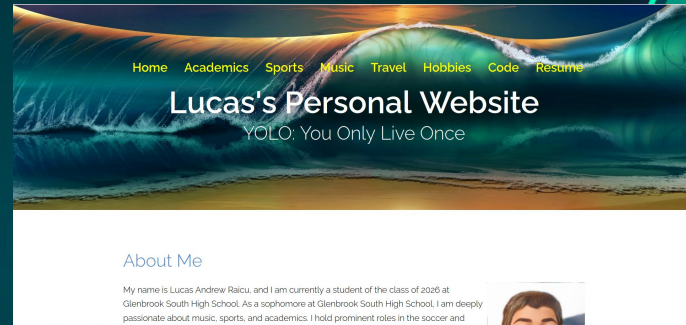
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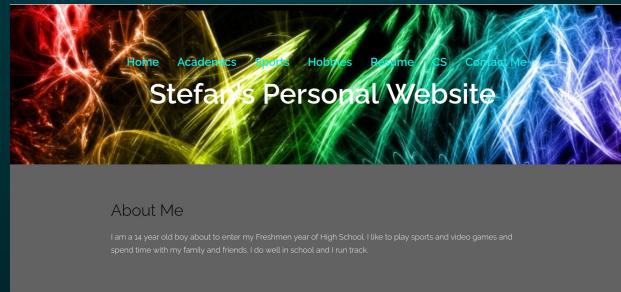
## Lucas C Website



## Lucas R Website



## Stefan's Website

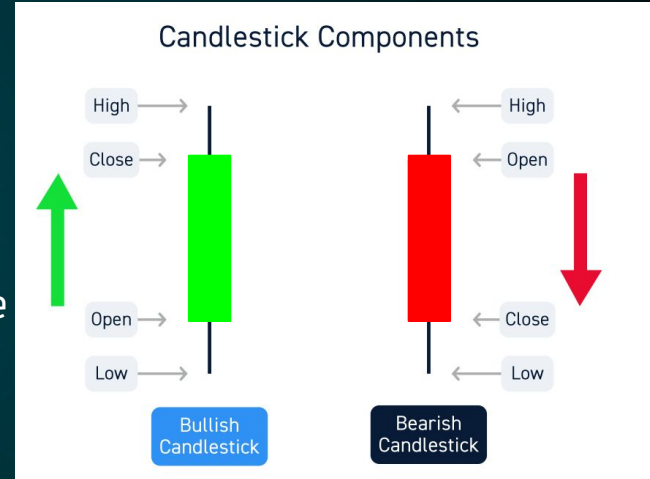




**Improving Crypto  
Currency Analysis  
through Fine-Grained  
Historical Datasets**

# Background

- Time series Data:
  - A timeline of events or measurements
  - Example: A record of cryptocurrency price over time
- Candlestick Data and Plots
  - A way to visualize time series data
  - Represents the price movement of a cryptocurrency during a specific time period (e.g., a day or an hour)
  - More efficient and concise than time series data, since not all data points are shown
- Crypto Currencies
  - Digital assets for secure transactions
- Binance.us
  - A cryptocurrency exchange
  - A subsidiary of Binance, only catering to US users

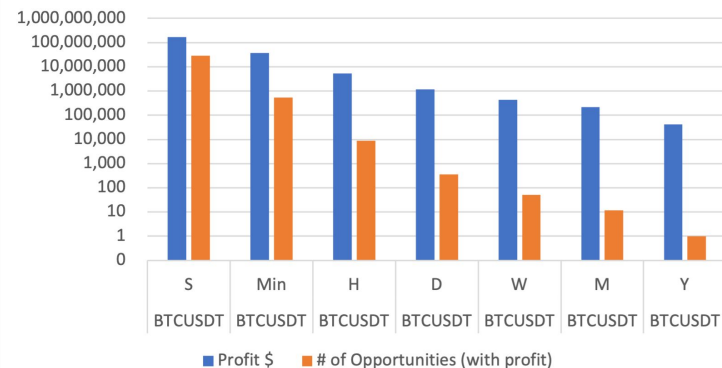


# Motivations

## Precise Data and Profit

Period	Profit \$	# of Opportunities (with profit)	Profit/Opportunity
S	\$ 170,235,437.35	28892200	\$ 5.89
Min	\$ 37,574,148.34	524518	\$ 71.64
H	\$ 5,403,148.43	8746	\$ 617.79
D	\$ 1,143,343.34	365	\$ 3,132.45
W	\$ 431,105.81	52	\$ 8,290.50
M	\$ 212,889.99	12	\$ 17,740.83
Y	\$ 40,870.00	1	\$ 40,870.00

Potential Profit vs. Data Granularity





# Problem Statement

Fine grained crypto currency pricing data is not readily available in a form that can be used to conduct data analysis



# Our Solution

1. Collect all transactions from Binance.us
2. Generate fine-grained datasets with 1-sec and up candle sticks
3. Generate plots to visualize data
4. Automate process to ensure datasets are up-to-date
5. Host datasets on website and Kaggle

# Our Solution: Part 1

- Getting the transactions from Binance using our api key and importing the requests library

```
1 id,price,qty,quoteQty,time,isBuyerMaker,isBestMatch
2 0,2.51700000,4.00000000,10.06800000,1639098151079,False,True
3 1,2.51700000,8.10000000,20.38770000,1639098155694,False,True
4 2,2.51700000,4.00000000,10.06800000,1639098156025,False,True
5 3,2.51600000,144.00000000,362.30400000,1639098186186,False,True
6 4,2.50500000,39.70000000,99.44850000,1639098359771,False,True
7 5,2.53100000,9.00000000,22.77900000,1639099063357,False,True
8 6,2.53300000,30.00000000,75.99000000,1639099068267,False,True
9 7,2.53400000,10.70000000,27.11380000,1639099101284,False,True
10 8,2.54100000,135.00000000,343.03500000,1639099174252,False,True
11 9,2.54100000,96.80000000,245.96880000,1639099198591,False,True
```

## Our Solution: Part 2

- Extract the prices and timestamps from the transactions and make candlesticks.
- Did candlesticks for seconds, minutes, hours, days, weeks, months, and years.

```
1 timestamp,open,close,high,low,volume
2 1569330000000,9637.93,9637.63,9665.05,9596.04,5973.83601404
3 1569333600000,9620.35,9535.03,9632.82,9516.22,39026.31087092
4 1569337200000,9524.66,9521.38,9565.79,9421.25,31169.00512853
5 1569340800000,9521.68,9504.38,9586.46,9493.3,29624.19011456
6 1569344400000,9501.81,9469.46,9508.38,9452.11,34986.724457669996
7 1569348000000,9480.85,8629.01,9480.95,8602.89,119639.14299502
8 1569351600000,8610.18,8412.29,8792.85,7996.45,996489.4820022701
9 1569355200000,8404.31,8593.26,8677.85,8269.51,329455.06930433
10 1569358800000,8580.26,8656.51,8760.17,8518.46,86804.45921832
11 1569362400000,8669.64,8687.7,8718.19,8631.97,29642.39022609
```

# Our Solution: Part 3

- Generated plots for the data
- The smaller the granularity, the longer it took to render the graph





## Our Solution: Part 4

- Automated process every midnight
  - Transactions, candlesticks, and plots all update
  - New data is appended to files



Our Python Code:

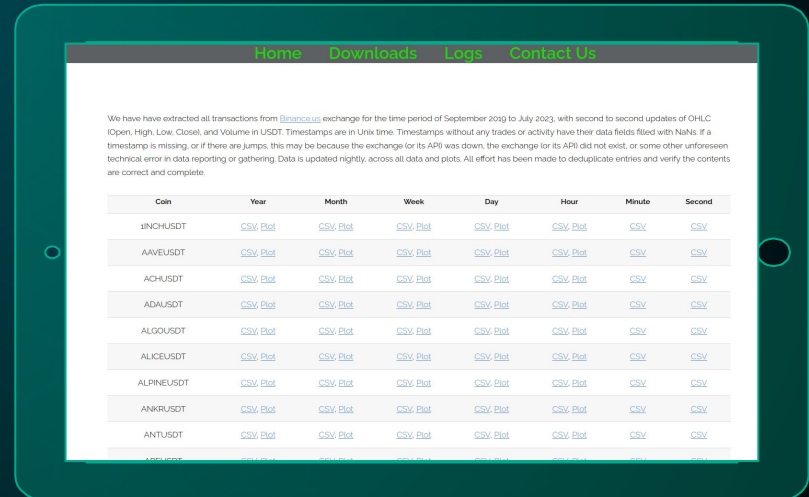
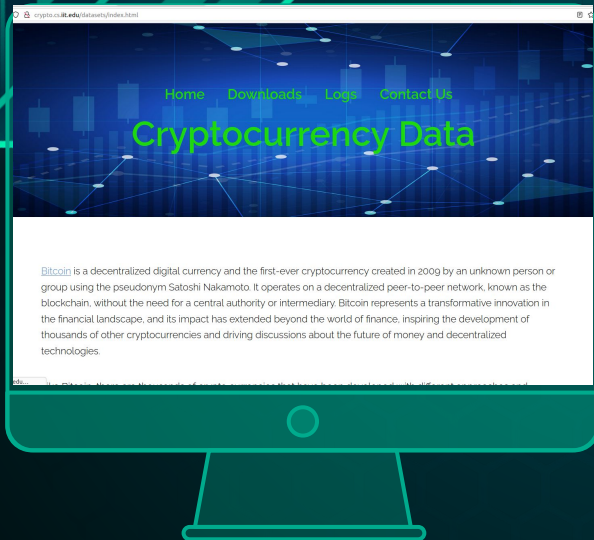
## Our **Solution:** Part 5

- We used one of the Mystic computers
- Installed a RAID5 array spanning 6 disks  $\Rightarrow$  1.2TB storage



# The Website

- Website has data for many different cryptos
- Many granularities to choose from
- Graphs and organization
- <http://crypto.cs.iit.edu/datasets/index.html>

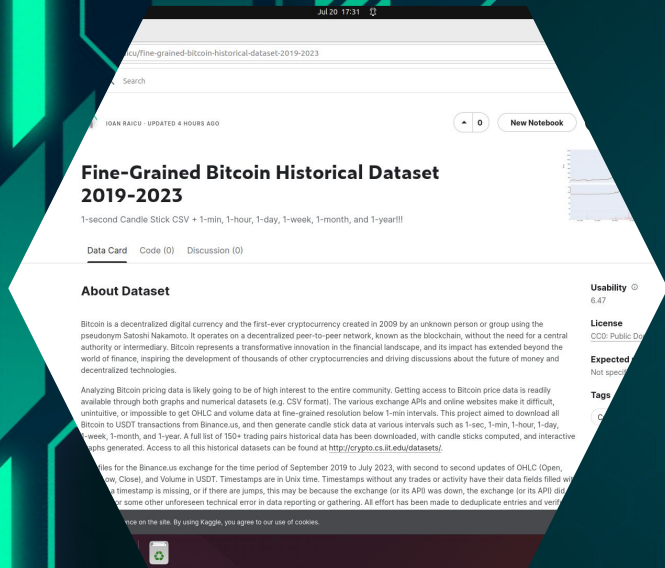




Our Web Site HTML:

# Kaggle

- An online community platform for data scientists and people who are interested machine learning
- Available DataSets related to our project
  - Bitcoin Historical Data of 1-min candles since 2012 till 2021
- New Page Published
  - <https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/iraicu/fine-grained-bitcoin-historical-dataset-2019-2023>



# Obstacles along the Way

- Jupyter notebook environment
- Large text files
- Binance.us vs Binance.com
- Finding the right time zone
- Long update wait time when writing
- Github pages storage

# Different Approaches

Source ▼	Approach ▼	# of file ▼	Time (sec) ▼	Pro ▼	Cons ▼
binance.com	Manual	48	3600	Easy to use	Time, # of files, not reliable, not possible to automate
binance.us	Manual	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
binance.us	Python API	1	660	Automation	Requires programming knowledge, limit of 1000 rows per call
crypto.cs.iit.edu	Xstore	1	70	Fast, low latency	Not as fast as wget
crypto.cs.iit.edu	wget	1	51	Fastest , simple	Not possible to get specific date ranges

# So what?

- Predictive Analytics
- Backtesting Strategies





**Any Questions?**

