China Stock Analysis

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This dataset uses csv files I have downloaded via free API and uploaded to Kaggle. If you would like to know how to download the data yourself, then I recommend viewing the full Rmarkdown code for this analysis on Github at China Report + Full Data Collection

Packages

The following packages are used.

- library(tidyverse)
- library(tidyquant) <- financial data
- library(lubridate) <- dates
- library(knitr) <- rmarkdown render
- library(ggrepel) <- chart labels
- library(scales) <- dates
- library(bdscale) <- dates

Data Import

The csv files used to import for this analysis were generated used AlphaVantage and Yahoo finance data. The data is downloaded using a seperate R script, then the dataframes are exported to csv files which are loaded into this script.

```
# Set key symbol groups and dates.
index <- c("kweb", "mchi")
key.tech <- c("tcehy", "baba", "jd")
exclude.bidu.ntes <- c("bidu", "ntes", "mpngy")
chart.date <- as.Date("2021-01-01") # charting this date

## Load in the On Balance Volume Data
df.OBV <- read_csv("df.OBV.csv")

## Load in the Commodity Channel index data
df.CCI <- read_csv("df.CCI.csv")

## Load in the Chaikin AD data
df.AD <- read_csv("df.AD.csv")

## Load in the Relative Strength index data
df.RSI <- read_csv("df.RSI.csv")

### Stock Data from Yahoo
stock.data <- read csv("stock.list.csv")</pre>
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```
##HK Hong Kong Stock Data from Yahoo
stock.data.hk <- read_csv("stock.list.hk.csv")

## Portfolio daily returns
stock.list.2 <- read_csv("stock_data_2.csv")

# Set a dates column that from the data to use in graphs later.
time <- stock.data$date %>%
sort(descreasing = TRUE)
```

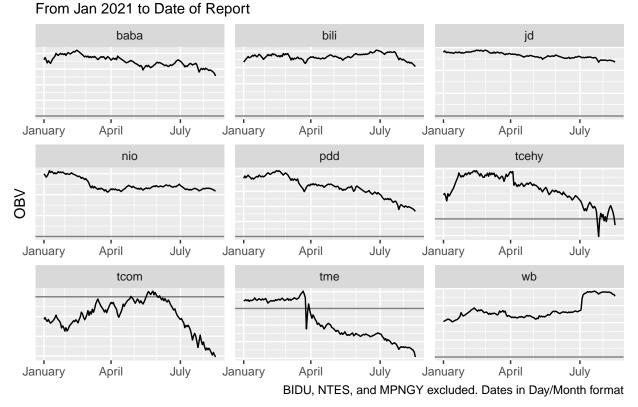
Indicators

On Balance Volume

Abbreviated OBV, running calculations for the China Group. Also individually for Alibaba, Tencent, and JD. We are excluding bidu and ntes by applying the exclude.bidu.ntes list we setup in the step above.

```
### Charting the On Balance Volume
# Facet wrap for all symbols
df.OBV %>%
  filter(time > chart.date) %>%
 filter(!symbol %in% index) %>%
  filter(!symbol %in% exclude.bidu.ntes) %>%
  ggplot(aes(time, OBV)) +
  geom_line() +
  geom hline(vintercept = 0, alpha = 0.5, color = "black") +
  labs(title = "On Balance Volume (OBV) for US Listed Chinese Tech Stocks",
       subtitle = "From Jan 2021 to Date of Report",
       caption = "BIDU, NTES, and MPNGY excluded. Dates in Day/Month format",
      y = "OBV", x = "") +
  scale_x_bd(business.dates=time, labels = date_format(format = "%B"),max.major.breaks=6) +
  theme(axis.text.y=element_blank(),
       axis.ticks.y=element_blank(),
        axis.title.x=element_blank()) +
  facet_wrap(. ~ symbol, scale = "free")
```

On Balance Volume (OBV) for US Listed Chinese Tech Stocks

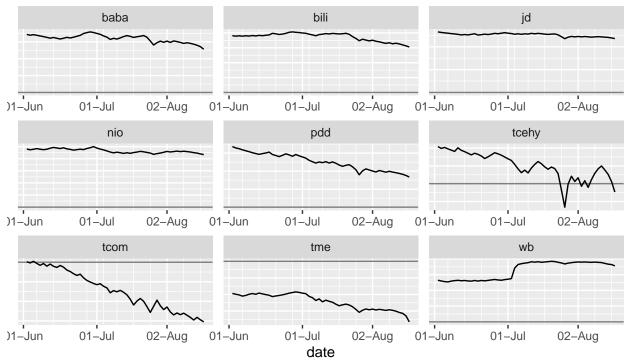


Next view is more zoomed in, same code but with date filter. We are excluding bidu and ntes because the charts appear not to format correctly with this indicator.

```
# Zoomed in facet wrap for all symbols
df.OBV %>%
  filter(time > "2021-06-01") %>%
  filter(!symbol %in% index) %>%
  filter(!symbol %in% exclude.bidu.ntes) %>%
  ggplot(aes(time, OBV)) +
  geom_line() +
  geom hline(vintercept = 0, alpha = 0.5, color = "black") +
  labs(title = "On Balance Volume for US Listed Chinese Tech Stocks",
       subtitle = "From Jan 2021 to Date of Report. OBV on Y Axis",
       caption = "BIDU, NTES, and MPNGY excluded. Dates in Day/Month format",
      y= "OBV", x= "Date") +
  scale_x_bd(business.dates=time, labels = date_format(format = "%d-%b"),max.major.breaks=4) +
  theme(axis.title.y=element_blank(),
       axis.text.y=element_blank(),
        axis.ticks.y=element_blank()) +
  facet_wrap(. ~ symbol, scale = "free")
```

On Balance Volume for US Listed Chinese Tech Stocks

From Jan 2021 to Date of Report. OBV on Y Axis



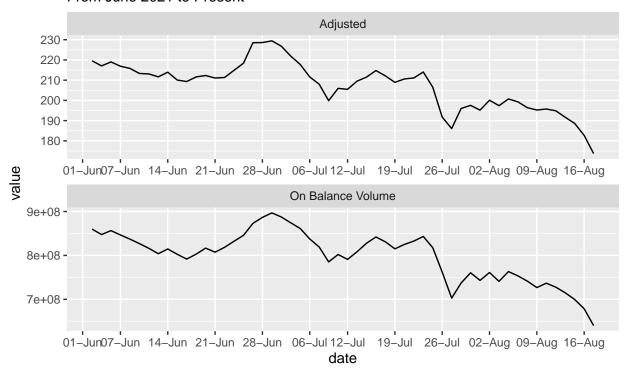
BIDU, NTES, and MPNGY excluded. Dates in Day/Month format

Now combining the Alibaba adjusted daily close data with the OBV data to compare in a graph.

```
# Next 2 blocks BABA and baba are stock price and OBV data. The 3rd block combines them into a datafra
BABA <- stock.data %>%
  filter(date > chart.date) %>%
  filter(symbol %in% "BABA") %>%
  select(time = date, adjusted)
baba <- df.OBV %>%
  filter(time > chart.date) %>%
  filter(symbol %in% "baba") %>%
  select(time, OBV)
baba.fw <- merge(x = BABA, y = baba, by = "time", all = TRUE) \%%
  select(time, Adjusted = adjusted, "On Balance Volume" = OBV) %>%
  gather(key = "type", value = "value", -time)
# Now filter the dataframe by date and plot the price and OBV together. On on top of another. You loo
baba.fw %>%
  filter(time > "2021-06-01") %>%
  ggplot(aes(time, value)) +
  geom_line() +
  labs(title = "Alibaba Adjusted Daily Price Compared to On Balance Volume",
       caption = "Look for divergence between OBV and Price.",
       subtitle = "From June 2021 to Present") +
  facet_wrap( ~ type, nrow = 2,
```

```
scales = "free") +
scale_x_bd(business.dates=time, labels = date_format(format = "%d-%b"), max.major.breaks=12)
```

Alibaba Adjusted Daily Price Compared to On Balance Volume From June 2021 to Present

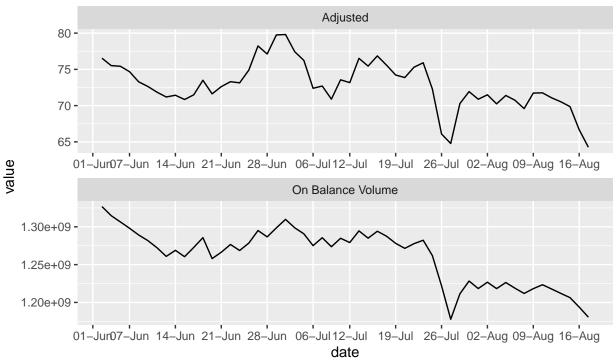


Look for divergence between OBV and Price.

```
# We don't need the dataframes saved anymore.
rm(baba.fw, BABA, baba)
```

Now we do the same for JD.

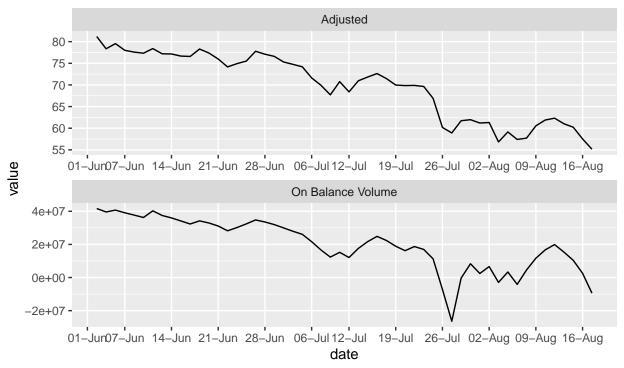
JD Adjusted Daily Closing Price Compared to On Balance Volume From June 2021 to Present



Look for divergence between OBV and Price.

Lastly for Tencent.

Tencent Adjusted Daily Closing Price Compared to On Balance Volume From June 2021 to Present

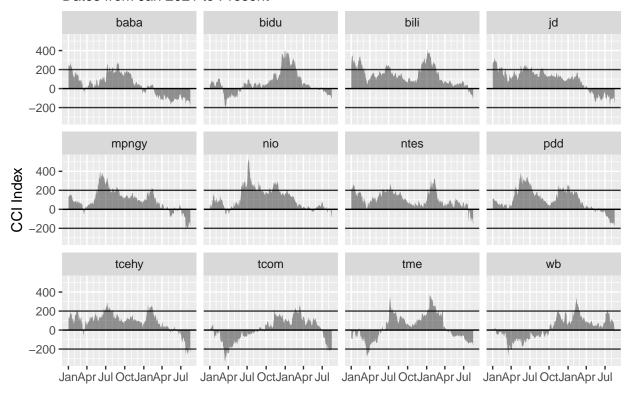


Look for divergence between OBV and Price.

Commodity Channel Index

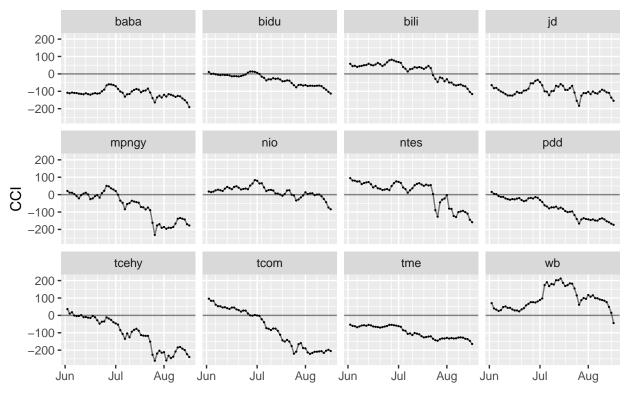
The CCI is a useful guage that is indexed. Calculating the mean and median CSI of a group of stocks can be an accurate indicator to the groups relative strength or weakness. We remove the index stock and do several calculations to come up with unique sets to use for performance analysis.

Commodity Channel Index US Listed Chinese Tech Stocks Dates from Jan 2021 to Present



Similiar chart to the last one facet_wrap but zoomed in on dates to June 2021 and after. Switched to combination of line and point charts.

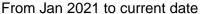
Commodity Channel Index US Listed Chinese Tech Stocks Dates from June 2021 to Present



Now we use filters and our preset variable lists to create new dataframes for an index, mean, and median. We comebine them into a single dataframe for plotting.

```
# New dataframe, filtering out the index ETF.
index.cci <- df.CCI %>%
  filter(symbol != index)
# Create a CCI number that is a median of the CCI for the non index stocks.
median.cci <- index.cci %>%
  group_by(time) %>%
  summarise(median = median(CCI, na.rm = TRUE))
# Same thing for mean
mean.cci <- index.cci %>%
  group_by(time) %>%
  summarise(mean = mean(CCI, na.rm = TRUE))
# Combine into dataframe.
stat.cci <- data.frame(median.cci, mean = mean.cci$mean)</pre>
# Remove
# Gathered into a column for better graphing.
stat.cci.gather<- stat.cci %>%
  gather(key = "stat", value = "value", -time)
# Chart with date filter. Showing Mean and Median values for the US China Tech Basket.
stat.cci.gather %>%
  filter(time > "2021-01-01") %>%
  ggplot(aes(time, value, color = stat)) +
```

CCI (Mean and Median Values) for US China Tech Basket





Next we isoloate the key tech companies. Doing the same thing by getting the mean, median, and combining into a single column for plotting.

```
## Next part is isolating the key tech companies
key.cci <- df.CCI %>%
    filter(symbol %in% key.tech)

# Calculating median
key.median.cci <- key.cci %>%
    group_by(time) %>%
    summarise(median = median(CCI, na.rm = TRUE))

# Calculating median
key.mean.cci <- key.cci %>%
    group_by(time) %>%
    summarise(mean = mean(CCI, na.rm = TRUE))

# Combining
key.stat.cci <- data.frame(key.median.cci, mean = key.mean.cci$mean)
# Combining and merging into 1 column for charting.</pre>
```

CCI Mean for Alibaba and Tencent

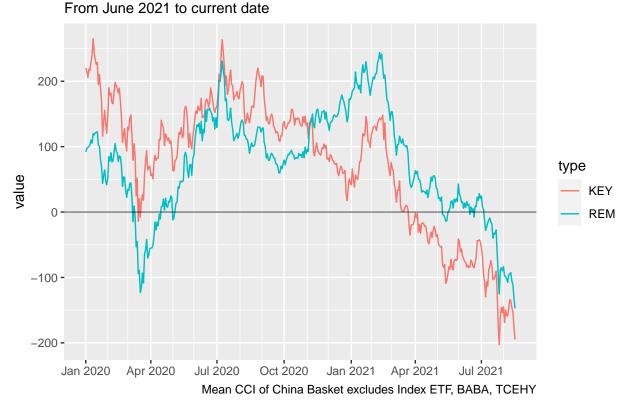
From Jan 2020 to current date



Now we will compare the mean of the key stocks to the mean of the China basket of stocks. All based on CCI calulations.

```
index.mean.cci <- index.cci %>%
  filter(time > "2020-01-01") %>%
  filter(!symbol %in% key.tech) %>%
  group_by(time) %>%
  summarise(mean = mean(CCI, na.rm = TRUE))
```

Mean CCI: Comparing Key Stocks to China Basket

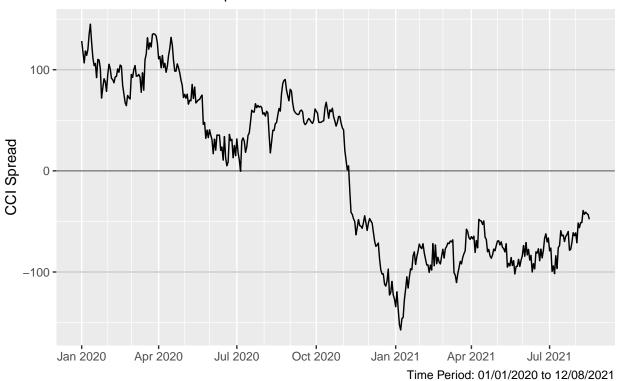


Now we will calculate the spread between the key stocks and mean. These are all still CCI measurements, this will be a spread of the CCI.

```
## WORKING OUT THE SPREAD BETWEEN THE TWO
merge(x = key.mean.cci, y = index.mean.cci, by = "time", all = TRUE) %>%
    select(time, mean.x, mean.y) %>%
    mutate(spread = mean.x - mean.y) %>%
    select(time, spread) %>%
    ggplot(aes(time, spread)) +
    geom_line() +
    labs(title = "CCI (Mean): Key Stocks and China Tech Basket",
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subtitle = "Alibaba and Tencent Comparison to Sector",
    y = "CCI Spread",
    caption = "Time Period: 01/01/2020 to 12/08/2021") +
geom_hline(yintercept = 0, color="black", alpha = 0.5) +
geom_hline(yintercept = 100, color="black", alpha = 0.2) +
geom_hline(yintercept = -100, color="black", alpha = 0.2) +
scale_x_bd(business.dates=time, labels = date_format(format = "%b %Y"), max.major.breaks=12) +
theme(axis.title.x=element_blank())
```

CCI (Mean): Key Stocks and China Tech Basket Alibaba and Tencent Comparison to Sector



Now we will calculate the mean of the index. There are only 2 stocks in the index, KWEB and MCHI.

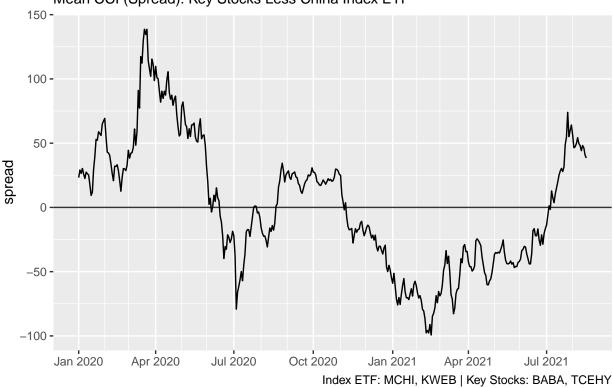
Mean CCI: Comparing Key Stocks to China Index ETF



Now we will calculate the index spread.

```
## NOW CALCULATING THE INDEX SPREAD
data.frame(time = key.mean.cci$time, KEY = key.mean.cci$mean, INDEX = idex.mean.cci$mean) %>%
    select(time, KEY, INDEX) %>%
    mutate(spread = KEY - INDEX) %>%
    select(time, spread) %>%
    ggplot(aes(time, spread)) +
    labs(title = "CCI: Key Stocks Spread to Index ETF",
        subtitle = "Mean CCI (Spread): Key Stocks Less China Index ETF",
        caption = "Index ETF: MCHI, KWEB | Key Stocks: BABA, TCEHY") +
    geom_hline(yintercept = 0, color="black", alpha = 0.8) +
    geom_line() +
    scale_x_bd(business.dates=time, labels = date_format(format = "%b %Y"), max.major.breaks=12) +
    theme(axis.title.x=element_blank())
```

CCI: Key Stocks Spread to Index ETF
Mean CCI (Spread): Key Stocks Less China Index ETF



rm(index.cci, median.cci, mean.cci, stat.cci, key.cci, key.median.cci, key.stat.cci, key.mean.cci, key.

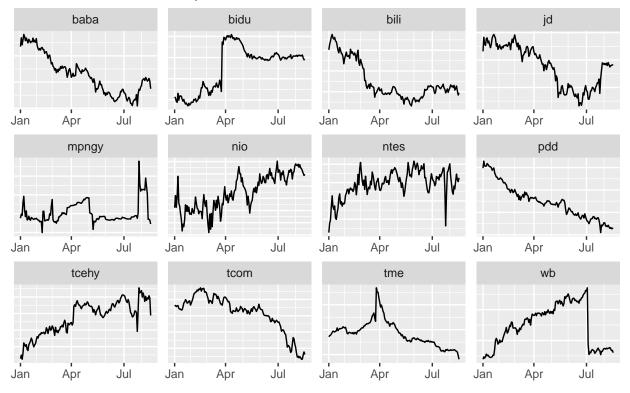
Chaikin AD Line

The Chaikin Oscillator (CO), also called the Chaikin Indicator, is used by traders analyze the strength of a price trend based on trading volume.

This oscillator is represented by charts: a divergence between this indicator and the price trend shows that most traders have less faith in the current price trend and believe that a trend reversal is in the making. Looking at this indicator on a relative basis for the China Internet sector could be useful in spotting the potential for a reversal. Starting with a facet_wrap.

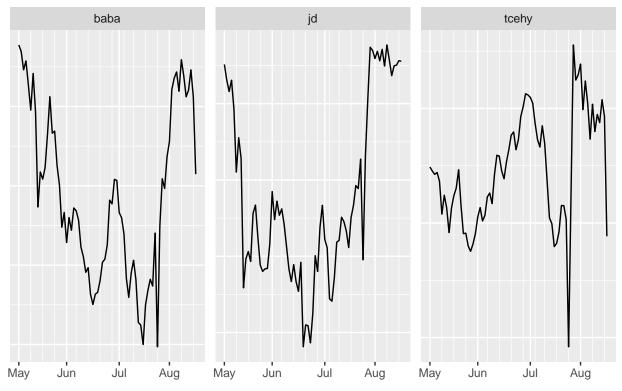
Chaikin AD Line for US Listed Chinese Tech Stocks

From Jan 2021 to date of report



Chaikin AD Line for Key US Listed Chinese Tech

From May 2021 to Date of Report



Stock Price Comparison

Comparing stock prices using Yahoo finance daily adjusted close data. First we will look at a ratio chart of MCHI (Broad China Index ETF) to SPY (S&P 500 US Index)

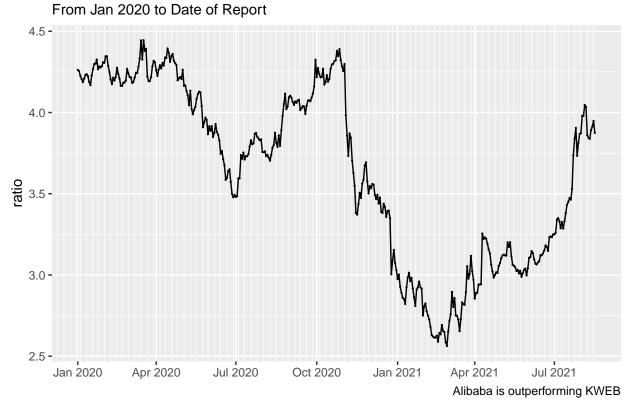
```
mchi <- stock.data %>%
  filter(date > "2020-01-01")%>%
  filter(symbol == "MCHI") %>%
  select(mchi = adjusted)
spy <- stock.data %>%
  filter(date > "2020-01-01")%>%
  filter(symbol == "SPY")
comb <- data.frame(spy, mchi)</pre>
rm(spy, mchi)
comb %>%
  mutate(ratio = mchi/adjusted) %>%
  select(date, ratio) %>%
  ggplot(aes(date, ratio)) +
  labs(title = "Ratio: MCHI:SPY",
       subtitle = "Major Underperformance of China Index ETF vs SPY.",
       caption = "From 01/01/2020 to 08/12/2021") +
  geom_line() +
  scale_x_bd(business.dates=time, labels = date_format(format = "%b %Y"), max.major.breaks=20) +
```

Ratio: MCHI:SPY
Major Underperformance of China Index ETF vs SPY.



Lastly we will include a ratio chart of Alibaba to KWEB (KraneShares China Internet ETF).

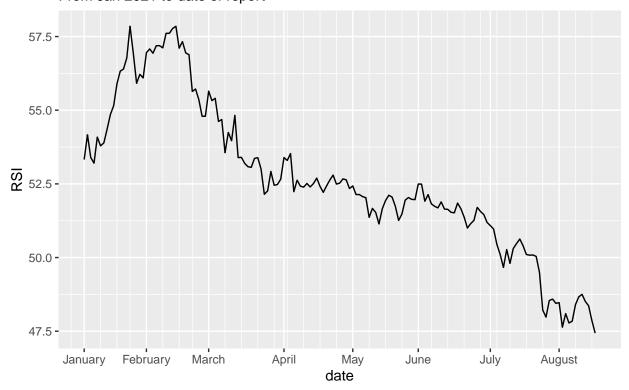
Alibaba Ratio to KWEB China Internet ETF



Relative Strength Index

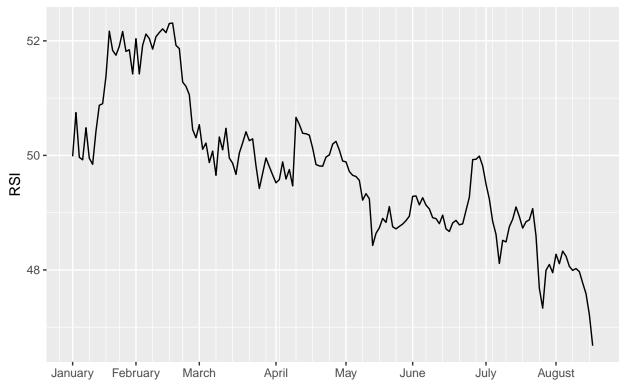
This is an indexed calculation. Can be useful to compare the RSI scores for different symbols. First we plot TCEHY and BABA.

Relative Strength Index for Tencent From Jan 2021 to date of report



Relative Strength Index for Alibaba

From Jan 2021 to date of report



Next we combine Tencent, Alibaba, and JD.

Relative Strength Index for Key Tech From Jan 2020 to Date of Report



First we will do some similiar comparisons. Here we will combine the mean RSI for the China Basket by including all stocks except the index stocks and Alibaba. We will then assign a seperate variable and filter the dataset for only Alibaba's RSI. Now we can compare Alibaba to the rest of the China basket, with Alibaba excluded.

```
rm(temp.select)
### Recent Edits
mean.rsi <- df.RSI %>%
  filter(symbol != index) %>%
  filter(!symbol %in% "BABA") %>%
  group_by(time) %>%
  summarise(mean = mean(RSI, na.rm = TRUE))
key.rsi <- df.RSI %>%
  filter(symbol %in% "baba") %>%
  group_by(time) %>%
  summarise(mean = mean(RSI, na.rm = TRUE)) %>%
  select(keymean = mean)
baba.spread.rsi <- data.frame(mean.rsi, key.rsi) %>%
  mutate(spread = keymean - mean) %>%
  select(time, BABA.Spread = spread)
stat.rsi <- data.frame(mean.rsi, key.rsi) %>%
  gather(key = "stat", value = "value", -time)
```

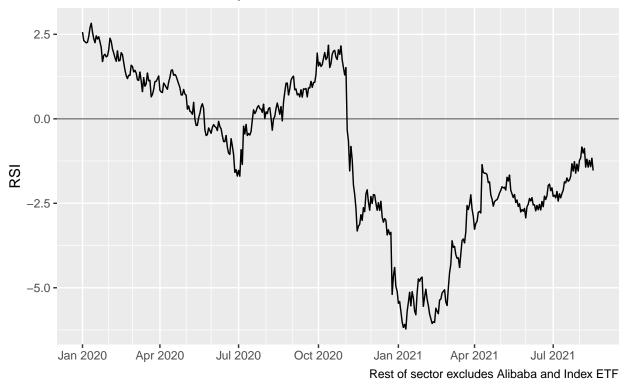
Mean RSI for Key Stocks and Mean RSI for Sector

From Jan 2020 to date of report



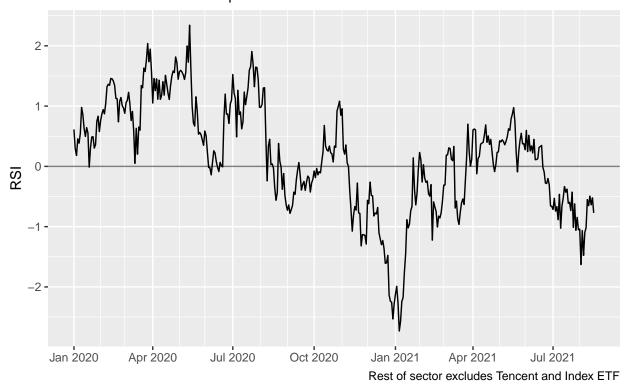
Next we will create the spread column and chart it. Taking the two values from the previous chart, subtracting them, and plotting the spread.

Spread of Alibaba RSI less Mean RSI for China Tech Sector From Jan 2020 to date of report



This next chunk will run the same calculation as the prior, but with Tencent instead. We will plot the spread of Tencents RSI spread to the China basket excluding Tencent.

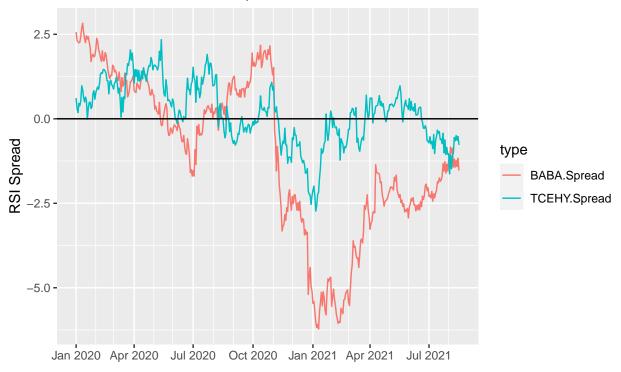
Spread of Tencent RSI less Mean RSI for China Tech Sector From Jan 2020 to date of report



This next chart compares the RSI to index spreads for Tencent and Alibaba. An interesting visual showing their relative strength against the rest of the index. When looking at these results its important to consider that the mean and median calculations in this dataset are based off equal weight indexes. It would likely be more appropriate to do the same calculation on a market capitalization weighted basis to get a better guage of sector performance.

```
tcehy.spread.rsi <- data.frame(mean.rsi, key.rsi) %>%
  mutate(spread = keymean - mean) %>%
  select(time, TCEHY.Spread = spread)
stat.comp.rsi <- data.frame(tcehy.spread.rsi, BABA.Spread = baba.spread.rsi$BABA.Spread) %>%
  gather(key = "type", value = "value", -time)
stat.comp.rsi %>%
ggplot(aes(time, value, color = type)) +
  labs(title = "Spread of Alibaba and Tencent Mean RSI less Mean RSI for China Tech Sector",
       subtitle = "From Jan 2020 to Date of Report",
      y = "RSI Spread",
      caption = " ") +
  geom_line() +
  geom_hline(yintercept = 0, color = "black") +
  geom_hline(yintercept = 0, color = "black", alpha = 0.5) +
  scale_x_bd(business.dates=time, labels = date_format(format = "%b %Y"), max.major.breaks=12) +
  theme(axis.title.x=element_blank())
```

Spread of Alibaba and Tencent Mean RSI less Mean RSI for China Tech S From Jan 2020 to Date of Report



Looking now at the RSI for Alibaba and Tencent from Jan 2021 and then June 2021 forward.

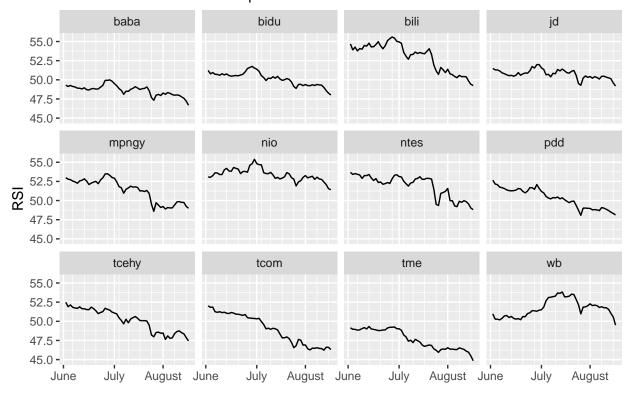
Relative Strength Index Alibaba and Tencent

From Jan 2021 to date of report



Relative Strength Index for China Tech Stocks

From June 2021 to date of report



Exchange Spreads

Next we will look at the spread between the price of Alibaba on the US NYSE and the price on the Hong Kong market. To understand the relationship between the two, use this calculation. 1x US Share of Alibaba = 8x HK Shares. 1x HK / HK-USD exchange = HK Price in US. Comparisons are done on this equivalent basis. For this calculation the smooth (Loess) line above zero represents a premium for HK shares of the US shares. If the line goes below zero it represents a discount. This spread is calculated on a daily absolute US dollar basis.

```
spread.sl.hk <- stock.data.hk %>%
    spread(symbol, adjusted)

spread.sl.hk <- spread.sl.hk %>%
    mutate(BABA.conv = BABA / 8)

spread.sl.hk <- spread.sl.hk %>%
    filter(date > "2021-01-01") %>%
    select(date, BABA.conv, BABAHK = "9988.HK", HKD = "HKD=X") %>%
    mutate(BABACONV = BABAHK / HKD) %>%
    select(date, BABA.conv, BABACONV)

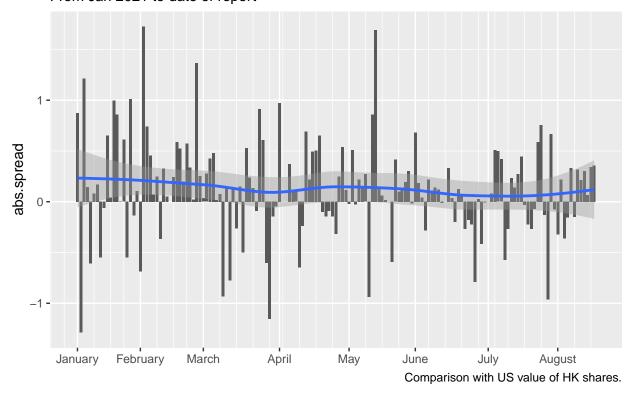
spread.sl.hk <- spread.sl.hk %>%
    mutate(abs.spread = BABACONV - BABA.conv)

spread.sl.hk.copy <- spread.sl.hk %>%
    mutate(abs.spread = BABACONV - BABA.conv)
```

```
spread.sl.hk %>%
  ggplot(aes(date, abs.spread)) +
    geom_col() +
    geom_smooth() +
  labs(title = "Alibaba: HK and US Exchange, US Dollar Spread",
        subtitle = "From Jan 2021 to date of report",
        caption = "Comparison with US value of HK shares.") +
    scale_x_bd(business.dates=time, labels = date_format(format = "%B"), max.major.breaks=12) +
    theme(axis.title.x=element_blank())
```

'geom_smooth()' using method = 'loess' and formula 'y ~ x'

Alibaba: HK and US Exchange, US Dollar Spread From Jan 2021 to date of report

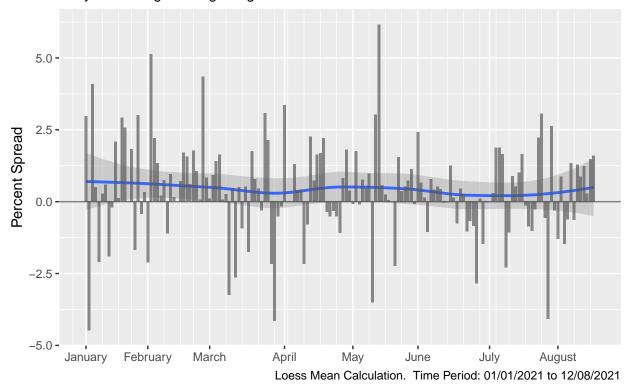


Next we will look at the exchange spread on a daily percentage basis.

```
geom_hline(yintercept = 0, alpha = 0.5) +
geom_col(alpha = 0.7) +
scale_x_bd(business.dates=time, labels = date_format(format = "%B"), max.major.breaks=12) +
theme(axis.title.x=element_blank())
```

'geom_smooth()' using formula 'y ~ x'

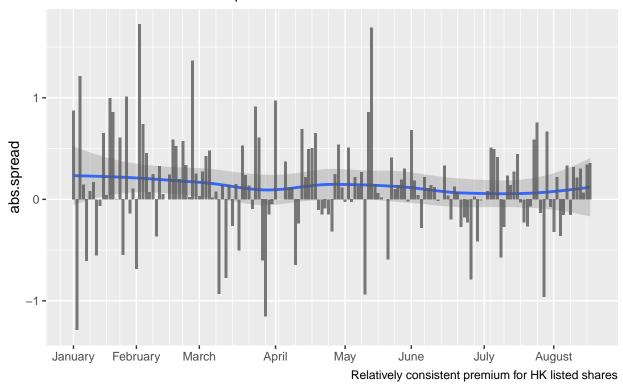
Alibaba: Hong Kong and US Exchange Spread Daily Percentage. Hong Kong Price Premium Has Been Maintained.



Lastly we will look at this exchange spread on a cumulative US dollar basis. Meaning the spread is carried through and added and subtracted from to form a rolling number.

'geom_smooth()' using method = 'loess' and formula 'y ~ x'

Alibaba HK and US Exchange, Cumulative US Dollar Spread From Jan 2021 to Date of Report



rm(spread.sl.hk, spread.sl.hk.copy)

Density Plot Shirt

Lastly, we will come back to the CCI data for Alibaba, Tencent, and JD. We will review the density of CCI results for 2 time periods. The first is Jan 1, 2020 to Jan 1, 2021 which is presented below.

```
df.CCI$symbol[df.CCI$symbol == "jd"] <- "JD"
df.CCI$symbol[df.CCI$symbol == "baba"] <- "Alibaba"
df.CCI$symbol[df.CCI$symbol == "tcehy"] <- "Tencent"

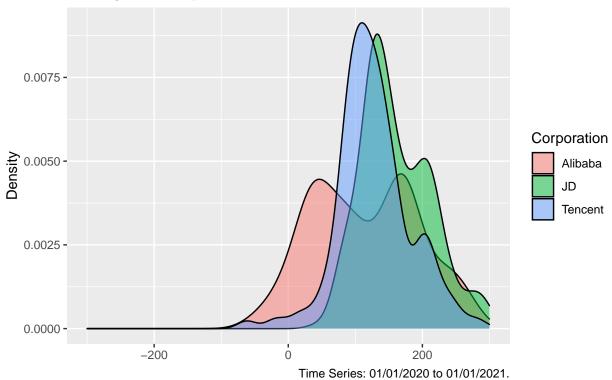
new.key.tech <- c("Alibaba", "JD", "Tencent")

df.CCI %>%
    select(time, Corporation = symbol, CCI) %>%
    filter(time >"2020-01-01") %>%
    filter(time < "2021-01-01") %>%
    filter(Corporation %in% new.key.tech) %>%
    ggplot(aes(CCI, fill = Corporation)) +
    geom_density(alpha = 0.5) +
    labs(title = "CCI Density: Time Period Analysis (2020)",
        subtitle = "Tracking Commodity Channel Index Shift for Alibaba, JD, and Tencent.",
        caption = "Time Series: 01/01/2020 to 01/01/2021.",
        y = "Density") +
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```
xlim(-300,300) +
theme(axis.title.x=element_blank())
```

CCI Density: Time Period Analysis (2020)

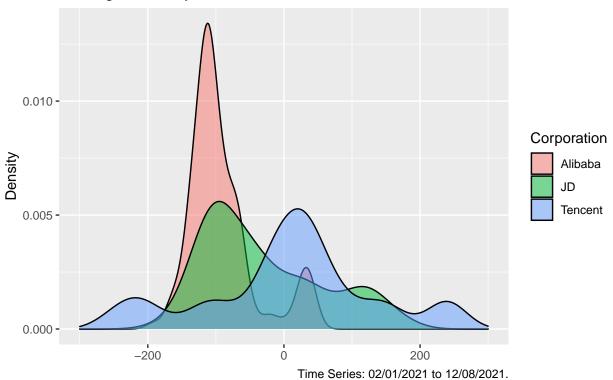
Tracking Commodity Channel Index Shift for Alibaba, JD, and Tencent.



The second is from Jan 2, 2021 to August 12, 2021. These plots show a clear shift in the price density for the 3 key internet companes in China.

CCI Density: Time Period Analysis (2021)

Tracking Commodity Channel Index Shift for Alibaba, JD, and Tencent.



Custom Index

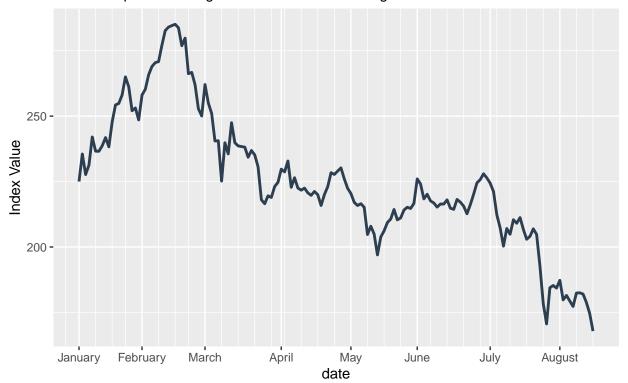
#cumulative <- stock_return %>%

Calculating a custom index with pre-established weights that are setup based on current market capitalization. weights are printed at bottom of code chunk.

```
\# mutate(cr = 100*(cumprod(1 + Ra)))
basket <- stock_return %>%
  tq_portfolio(assets_col = symbol,
              returns_col = Ra,
              weights = wts,
              col rename = "investment.growth",
              wealth.index = TRUE) %>%
  mutate(investment.growth = investment.growth *225)
basket <- basket %>%
  mutate(symbol = "index") %>%
  rename("adjusted" = investment.growth)
basket %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = date, y = adjusted)) +
  geom_line(size = 1, color = palette_light()[[1]]) +
  labs(title = "Custom Index Time Series",
       subtitle = "Fixed Compondent Weight Portfolio with 13 Holdings",
       x = "", y = "Index Value") +
    scale_x_bd(business.dates=time, labels = date_format(format = "%B"), max.major.breaks=12)
```

Custom Index Time Series

Fixed Compondent Weight Portfolio with 13 Holdings



```
# Will update this into a proper table.
print(list)

## [1] "BABA" "TCEHY" "JD" "PDD" "NIO" "MPNGY" "DIDI" "NTES" "BILI"
## [10] "BIDU" "WB" "TCOM" "LU"

print(wts)
```

Now we can look performance of stocks on an return basis. Looking at comparisons of the index to Alibaba, Tencent and SPY. We use Tidyquant for the conversion from price series to daily return data.

```
sp.baba <- stock.list.2 %>%
  filter(date > "2021-01-01") %>%
  filter(symbol %in% "BABA") %>%
  select(symbol, date, adjusted)
merged <- full_join(sp.baba, basket, by = c('symbol', 'date', 'adjusted'))</pre>
merged.returns <- merged %>%
  group_by(symbol) %>%
  tq_transmute(select
                         = adjusted,
               mutate fun = periodReturn,
               period = "daily",
               col_rename = "daily_return")
# probably a better way to do this.
merged.returns <- merged.returns %>%
  mutate(cm.ret = 100*(cumprod(1 + daily_return)))
merged.returns %>%
  ggplot(aes(date, cm.ret-100, color = symbol)) +
   labs(title = "Custom Portfolio Returns Compared to Alibaba",
       subtitle = "Fixed Compondent Weight Portfolio with 13 Holdings and Alibaba",
       x = "", y = "Percent Return") +
   geom_line() +
      scale_x_bd(business.dates=time, labels = date_format(format = "%B"), max.major.breaks=12)
```

Custom Portfolio Returns Compared to Alibaba Fixed Compondent Weight Portfolio with 13 Holdings and Alibaba



Next we look at Tencent.

Custom Portfolio Returns Compared to Tencent

Fixed Compondent Weight Portfolio with 13 Holdings and Tencent



Lastly we will look at the index comparison to SPY.

Custom Portfolio Returns Compared to SPY
Fixed Compondent Weight Portfolio with 13 Holdings and SPY



Thank you for taking the time to read this report.