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import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
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1.) Clean the Apple Data to get a quarterly series of EPS.

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In [99]: y = pd.read_csv("AAPL_quarterly_financials.csv")
In [100... y.index = y.name
In [101... y = pd.DataFrame(y.loc["BasicEPS", :]).iloc[2:,:]
In [102... y.index = pd.to_datetime(y.index)
In [103... # CHECK IF NAS ARE NO DIVIDEND PERIOD y = y.sort_index().fillna(0.)
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2.) Come up with 6 search terms you think could nowcast earnings. (Different than the ones I used) Add in 3 terms that that you think will not Nowcast earnings. Pull in the gtrends data

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In [104... | from pytrends.request import TrendReq
In [137... | # Create pytrends object
          pytrends = TrendReq(hl='en-US', tz=360)
          # Set up the keywords and the timeframe
          keywords = ['Amazon', 'AirPods', 'MacBook Air', 'Dynamic Island', 'Apple Watch', 'Keyboard', 'Jessica',
                      'Kevin', 'Grace'] # Add your keywords here
          start_date = '2004-01-01'
          end_date = '2024-01-01'
          # Create an empty DataFrame to store the results
          df = pd.DataFrame()
          # Iterate through keywords and fetch data
          for keyword in keywords:
              pytrends.build_payload([keyword], cat=0, timeframe=f'{start_date} {end_date}', geo='', gprop='')
              interest_over_time_df = pytrends.interest_over_time()
              df[keyword] = interest_over_time_df[keyword]
In [138... | df = df.resample("Q").mean()
In [139... # ALIGN DATA
          temp = pd.concat([y, df],axis = 1).dropna()
          y = temp[["BasicEPS"]].copy()
         X = temp.iloc[:,1:].copy()
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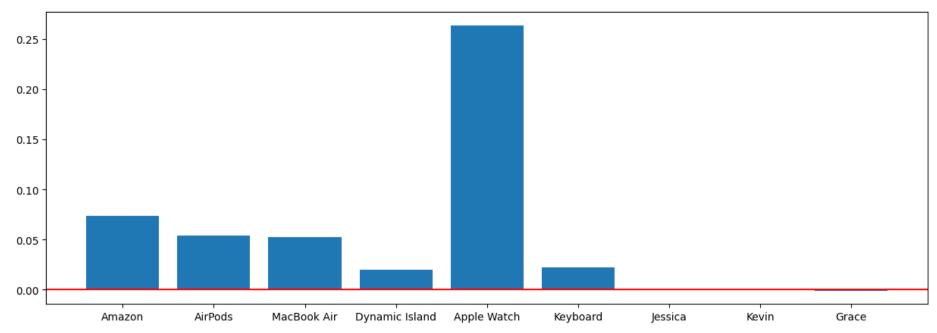
3.) Normalize all the X data

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In [74]: from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
In [140... scaler = StandardScaler()
X_scaled = scaler.fit_transform(X)
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4.) Run a Lasso with lambda of .5. Plot a bar chart.

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In [76]: from sklearn.linear_model import Lasso
In [141... # With a lambda of .5, all the coefficients reduced to zero. We consider the parameter too large and reduced it # to .05
    lasso = Lasso(alpha = .05)
In [142... las = lasso.fit(X_scaled, y)
In [143... coefficients = las.coef_
In [147... plt.figure(figsize = (15,5))
    plt.bar(range(len(coefficients)), coefficients)
    plt.axhline(0, color = "red")
    plt.xticks(range(len(coefficients)), X.columns)
    plt.show()
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5.) Do these coefficient magnitudes make sense?

Yes. Among the nine search terms, the first six of them seem positively correlated with Apple. They are Amazon', 'AirPods', 'MacBook Air', 'Dynamic Island', 'Apple Watch' and 'Keyboard', either products of Apple or other similar companies. However, the last three search term 'Jessica', 'Kevin' and 'Grace' prove to be unrelated to Apple.